

PRIORITIES: Henry Tanaka

Impeachment

Cleveland Is the President of the United States guilty of an impeachable offense?

This question will be answered by a 38-man House Judiciary Committee which has the onerous task of examining massive data collected during the past four months and conducting public hearings the next six weeks before arriving at its decision.

The White House chose not to comply with the Committee's request for released of some 42 Watergate tapes. Instead, it chose to offer edited tape transcripts which also omitted 1,670 portions of conversations as being "inaudible" or "unintelligent". This is one omission for every minute of the 53 hours of taped conversation.

The House Judiciary Committee will focus its hearings on six major areas: the Watergate break-in and coverup, Nixon's personal finances, use of executive agencies for political purposes, domestic surveillance activities of the White House, political "dirty tricks" and "other alleged misconduct".

Contrary to the constitutional process of impeachment, the Committee has granted permission of James D. St. Clair, the President's chief counsel, to be present during the investigative stage and to question any of the witnesses.

Hearings will be open to the public and on live television. Decisions are expected to be made on a day-to-day basis, depending upon the evidence or witness to be examined. The viewing public will witness an historic and sober event which will undoubtedly have a major impact on our nation's relationship with other countries in the world, regardless of the Committee's outcome.

In November, 1973, National JACL supported the House Judiciary Com-

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mittee's charge to make inquiry into the possible impeachment of the President. We felt it was imperative that the Committee proceed with its inquiry in a principled manner and that it not allow partisan political considerations to color its deliberations. We wanted assurance of proper legal processes provided by the checks and balances in our governmental system.

In my opinion, this action represented a significant step forward for JACL. It is absurd to espouse social justice and equality and to champion the use of legal processes as the proper means of correcting injustices and inequities, then to place constraints upon the issuance of public statements on such matters.

To be an effective advocate organization, JACL must have trust and confidence in its elected officers and staff, particularly the National president and executive director, to issue timely and affirmative public statements which are consistent with the philosophy and goals of the organization.

We are pleased that, despite all the political shenanigans to discount the House Judiciary Committee's principled inquiry, Chairman Rodino has maintained a proper and disciplined course up to this point. There is every reason to believe that he will hold to this course as the inquiry enters its final and most crucial stage of investigation.

The Committee's recommendation, for or against impeachment, will be sent to the House floor for vote. Should the House vote for impeachment, a trial will be held in the Senate where a two-thirds vote would be needed to remove the President from office.

Should the House vote against impeachment, the President will be exonerated, the Senate will not hold a trial and the President's confidence with the public will be restored.

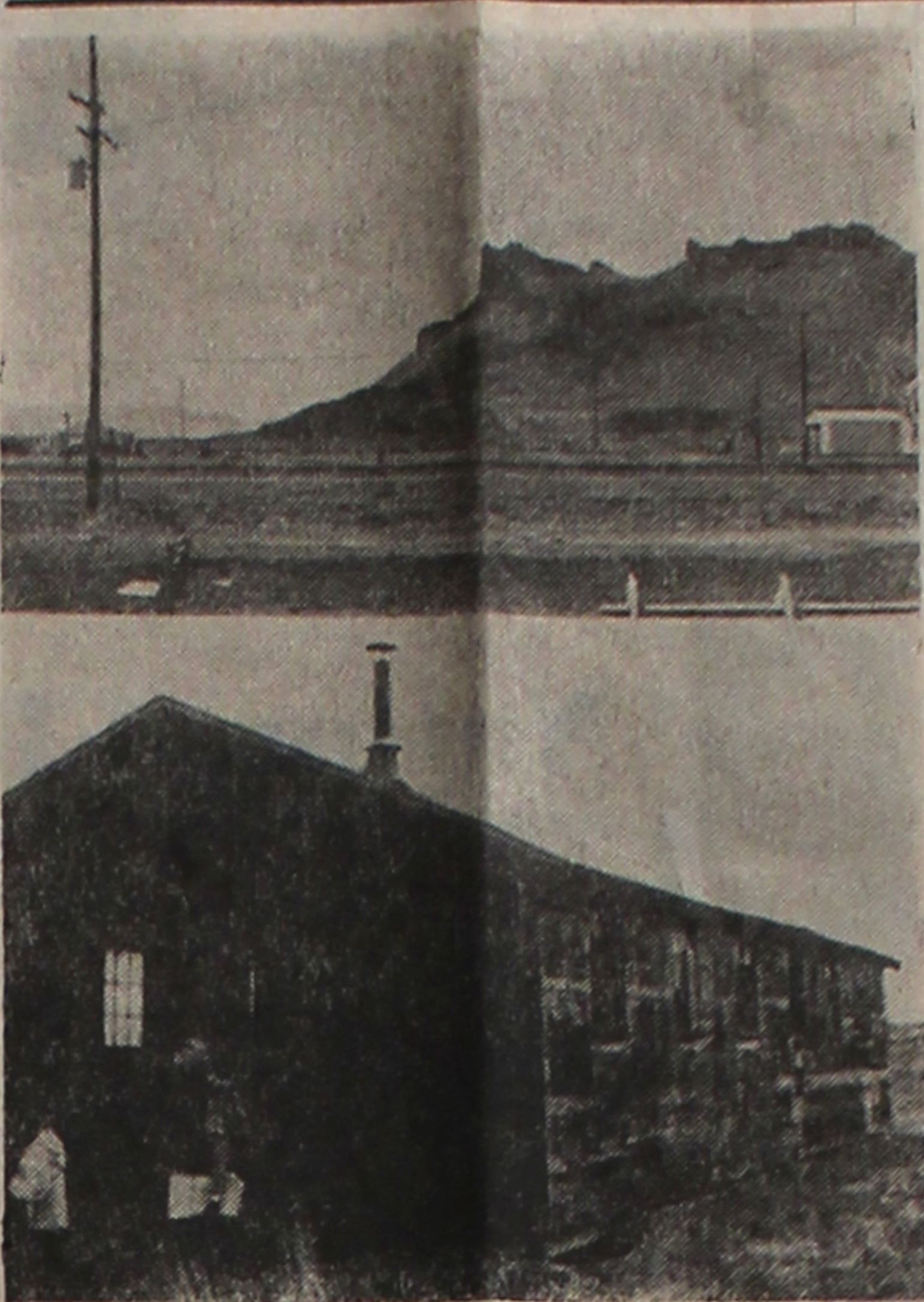
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Overlooking what was the Tule Lake WRA Center, which housed over 18,000 Japanese American evacuees during World War II, is famous "Castle Rock" in the top photo taken by the NC-WNDC Pilgrimage advance committee. Below is one of the original camp barracks, the tar paper weather-worn and most of the windows shattered.

Tule Lake designated historical landmark

SAN FRANCISCO—Tule Lake WRA Relocation Center has been declared a state historical landmark, it was revealed by Jim Murakami, National JACL vice-president, during the May 5 meeting of the JACL Northern California-Western Nevada District Council.

Murakami and David Ushio, JACL executive director, had traveled to St. Helena the previous week to urge the State Landmark Advisory Board of the California State Dept. of Parks and Recreation to make the Tule Lake camp a historical landmark.

The JACL recommendation was unanimously approved and a plaque will be placed in the near future. Murakami reported, this will be an extension of the request which made the campsite at Manzanar an official landmark in 1973.

Several hundred Japanese Americans from California and Oregon are expected to trek to the small town of Tule Lake, Calif., during the Memorial Day weekend (May 25-26) to recapture an incident in history which affected them all.

In the early part of 1942, amid the hysteria and political pressures brought to bear on the country's leaders, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, which gave the military the authority to segregate whole portions of the population they felt were a threat to national security.

Those affected were over 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry, two-thirds of them American citizens. Ten "relocation centers" were established in desolate areas of the United States, among them was the facility at Tule Lake.

The Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council is sponsoring this first pilgrimage to the former campsite on May 25 and 26. JACL groups from Sacramento, San Francisco and San Jose will be sending busloads of members on the weekend trip, many of them former residents of the camp.

The weekend program includes a short Saturday evening ceremony at a cemetery in Klamath Falls where the graves from the camp have been moved, and a Sunday morning program at Tule Lake followed by tours of the area led by former camp residents.

The pilgrimage itself has been in the planning stages for over a year and was originally under the sponsorship of the Placer County JACL, Seiichi Otow, NC-WNDC community relations chairman, was involved in planning the original pilgrimage and chairs the committee planning the current one.

He presently lives in Roseville and is himself a former Tule Lake resident. "My wife and I, born and educated in America, spent a

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CHANGED TO 'JAN' USAF drops 'JAP' credit goes to Sac'to educator for change

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON — Acting on a request from Sen. Hiram L. Fong, the U.S. Air Force this past month (April 24) dropped the use of the acronym "JAP" by its Judge Advocate Procurement.

Air Force Secretary John L. McLucas, in a letter to Fong, said "as a result of your personal concern and to prevent any distress to Japanese-American citizens, we are taking the necessary steps to discontinue use of the offending acronym."

McLucas said instructions have been issued to substitute the symbol "JAN" in place of "JAP" as quickly as administrative considerations will permit. In his request to McLucas, Fong noted that the Air Force's Office of Legislative Liaison, in answer to criticism had explained that the use of "JAP" symbol was and is not intended as a racial slur.

"I do not question that the explanation was made in good faith," Fong said, but as a matter of principle "I do object to the use of 'JAP' by any unit of the U.S. government."

Fong said the term in question is one of "disparagement to all Americans of Japanese ancestry" and noted that the Japanese American Citizens League has long sought to eliminate public use of the term.

He also pointed out both the State of California and the Library of Congress had recently stopped using the term at the request of the JACL, and had submitted "Jpn" for "Jap."

In the California case, Governor Ronald Reagan directed that the term "Jap" be deleted from a directory published by the California State Board of Medical Examiners. The Library of Congress discontinued use of the acronym and also substituted "Jpn" to use as a code for bibliographic and other purposes.

"I am very pleased that the Air Force has acted to resolve this matter," Fong said. "Whether intentional or not, we should not allow the use of terms which are offensive to any group of our fellow Americans."

Fong is a retired Colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. He served as Judge Advocate of the 7th Fighter Command of the 7th Air Force at Hickam Air Field in Hawaii during World War II.

In his letter to Secretary McLucas on March 22, Fong enclosed a copy of the Jan. 25 and Feb. 11, 1974 issues of The Pacific Citizen to cite instances where the JACL or its individual members have protested the use of "Jap" by various groups or persons.

Fong is currently serving two terms as Gardens Valley JACL president, and is presently serving as City Clerk of Carson, the first Nisei woman on the mainland to be elected to a municipal post. Prior to her election, she was vice president for marketing and public relations with Merit Savings & Loan Assn., Los Angeles. Among her numerous civic activities: v.p., Carson Chamber of Commerce; Carson Planning Commissioner; member, L.A. County Commission on Consumer Affairs.

Gracey K. Uyehara, endorsed by the EDC, lives in West Chester, Pa. She is presently serving her second consecutive term as EDC Governor and was recently appointed to chair the National JACL education committee. In her school district where she is employed she serves as school social worker, pupil service consultant and coordinator of the Title I program.

Active in her community, she is a member of Philadelphia Fellowship Commission board, West Chester League of Women Voters board, Human Relations Council, and is a member of the National Council will elect the new officers for the 1974-76 biennium on July 27 during the final business session of the JACL convention

JAPAN-U.S. FRIENDSHIP ACT UNDER STUDY

Sen. Fong Stresses Mutual Trust and Understanding

WASHINGTON—Sen. Hiram L. Fong (R-Hawaii) stressed the importance of "mutual trust and understanding" across the Pacific as he gave full support May 1 for a proposed "Japan-United States Friendship Act."

Under the bill, funds being received from Japan in payment for facilities built in the Ryukyus and Daito Islands by the United States during its administration of the area, would be used to promote scholarly, cultural and similar activities between the two nations.

"Mutual trust and understanding between the United States and Japan must be continually and intelligently fostered," Fong said in a statement to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee considering the bill which was introduced by Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.) and is being co-sponsored by Fong and 22 other Senators.

"Considering the obstacles of distance, language, and culture which exist between the United States and Japan, this is not an easy task," Fong added.

He noted that despite the millions of Americans who were in Japan during and after the U.S. Occupation and the "substantial population of Japanese descent" in America, "there are not many Japanese who speak English well and the number of Americans who speak Japanese ... is minuscule."

He also said that though there have been exchanges under the Fulbright-Hayes program and help from private foundations, "considering the importance of Japan to the United States in the pursuit and preservation of progress and prosperity in the Asian-Pacific world, Americans generally have shown a lack of knowledge and understanding of Japan and her people."

Under the bill, \$32 million or 10 per cent of the \$320 million being paid to America by Japan under the treaty which returned the Ryukyus to Japanese administration would be used for various support programs for language studies and research; major collections of Japanese books and libraries in U.S. colleges and universities; the arts fellowships at undergraduate, graduate and faculty levels; visiting professors and lecturers, and for other such exchanges.

The bill would establish a "Japan-United States Friendship Trust Fund" to be administered by a 10-member commission appointed by the President. Interest from the trust fund, gifts and dona-

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'Racist' job form used by discount store withdrawn

LOS ANGELES — All White Front stores were instructed by their parent company, Interstate Stores (an equal opportunity employer) to discontinue use of its job application form which contained six questions pertaining to intermarriage and citizenship (see Mar. 1 PC).

Earlier this year, the form in question came to the attention of the County Commission of Human Relations consultant John J. Saito, who was advised last month by the Interstate Stores attorneys in New York, that the form had been discontinued but "for some reason" not fully implemented in the White Front stores.

The White Front Store officials were advised last Mar. 1 to use the revised application form which, in its line of citizenship status, asks whether the applicant is a U.S. citizen or alien, with space allowed for type of visa and alien registration number.

No question is asked as to the citizenship status of the spouse as was requested in the discontinued form. The preface to the revised form notes that review of job qualification is based "solely on merit."

The "racist" job application form drew immediate concern from the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, JACS-Western Involvement and the PSWDC-JACL.

Have You Made Your Pledge to the Bldg. Fund?

NAT'L JACL ELECTIONS

Wanted: President-Elect

PORTLAND, Ore.—Seven nominations for National JACL officers have been submitted by district councils, reports Dr. Homer Yasui, chairman of the national nominations committee. The nominees are:

Helen Kawagoe and Gracey Uyehara for Vice President for Public Affairs; Frank A. Iwama and James K. Watanabe for Vice President for General Operations; Izumi Taniguchi for Vice President, Research and Services; Tomio Moriguchi for Treasurer; and Tad Hirota for 1000 Club chairman.

Although no nominations for President-Elect have been received, there are still two ways in which nominations may be made, Yasui explained. The nominations committee may name one of the other nominees for the office of president-elect provided consent for such a change is obtained or nominations may be accepted from the floor during the council session.

Candidates are scattered geographically with majority on the west coast. Two were nominated from the Pacific Northwest and Northern California-Western Nevada; single nominations from the Eastern, Central California and Pacific Southwest district councils.

"All of the nominees bring with them a wealth of JACL and community experience," Yasui said. "And anyone of them will be an outstanding national officer and a credit to the organization."

to reserve exhibit space and share their own projects, programs, and ideas. These chapters can expose the Convention to a group or activity which has been of particular interest to themselves.

The Convention Program committee especially wishes exhibits in the areas or: (1) cultural and ethnic identity, (2) social and health services, (3) civil rights and political equality, (4) equal employment opportunities, (5) public housing and urban renewal, (6) education and public media, (7) research (all kinds), and (8) social and recreational activities. It's a chance to share and exchange activities and ideas.

Chapter Presidents have been sent exhibit guidelines & application forms. Anyone or group wishing space allocated, may call them or the Convention Board. Deadline is May 31. Space is being offered on a first come, first served basis.

Some groups have already indicated ways in which they will present their idea at the fair. Some plan to use slides or a film, audio tapes, visual materials (pictures, prints, posters), an oral presentation, displaying books, printed literature or selling materials, three-dimensional displays, or resource persons. Some funds are available to help defray expenses in special cases.

So, Portland in July will help us to explore our own and other Asian American community. It invites grassroots participation, convention delegate participation, and awareness raising. Do plan to come to the Fair.

League of Women Voters now allows men full membership, right to vote

(Undoubtedly there are many Nisei active in the LWV, but the PC files contain one item that Mrs. Masako Nagumo was head of chapter of Central San Mateo County in 1970.—Ed.)

Lucy W. Benson, LWV national president, of Amherst, Mass., earlier said she didn't think "men joining would change the thrust of the organization" and felt the league would be stronger with "an equal membership policy."

Portland and Gresham-Troutdale JACL Chapters Co-Host THE 23rd BIENNIAL NATIONAL CONVENTION July 23-27, 1974 - Sheraton Motor Inn Weeks Remain Till JACL Convention Week in Portland The Asian-American Fair



and total disbelief of events as they unravel, we are fortunate to have the opportunity to share in JACL decision-making. The notion of "from the top-down" suddenly becomes passe. So expect no 18 minute erasures, condensed transcripts, or long speeches (at least, we hope not). Just plain participation.

It's been impressive to see the imagination and creative talent churning new ideas for the convention. As this year's biennial calls for "people-based" directives, we can plan and anticipate convention before we reach Portland. The Gresham-Troutdale and Portland Chapters believe that this year's convention needs to be dynamic and challenging. They believe that the "Asian American" theme offers yet another vehicle for local (grassroots) expressions and input to explore the community in which we live, work, and participate.

Part of the thematic emphasis will focus on an Asian American Fair on Wednesday evening, July 24. Conventioners may come to a greater awareness of what is happening in communities throughout the country. This year's Convention is designed to get away from Newton's theory that everything must go down. JACL officials are saying that the National Convention should offer and encourage time for ideas, thoughts, and proposals to "bubble up". We all then become part of the total national organization with a stake in determining its destiny. We need to know what's happening in other communities, take the ideas home, and adapt them for our own use.

The Asian American Fair will provide the Convention with a "shopper's list" of programs and projects about and in Asian American communities (i.e., Chinese, Filipino, Korean, and Japanese). There will be examples of chapter activities such as senior citizen projects, educational exhibits, Asian American coalitions. Community organizations will share their contributions of culture, community life, recreational activities, ethnic studies programs, and such critical community concerns as medical services for the elderly, language classes, a chance to interact with other Asian Americans.

JACL Chapters throughout the country are encouraged to help we can get.

- DEADLINES To Nat'l Headquarters 22 Peace Plaza, S.F. 94115 May 23—Nominations for JACL-er of Biennium. June 3—Nat'l Committee reports. June 15—Activity reports for Inagaki Chapter of Biennium Award. June 21—Bids for '78 Convention. July 28—Port-Contour Tickets. To J.A. of Biennium, E.M. Somekawa, 1211 - 21st St. SE, Puyallup, Wash. 98371 May 23—Nominations, supporting data for 'Nisei of Biennium'. To Convention Board 327 NW Couch St., Portland 97209 May 31—Asian American Fair exhibit space. June 21—Convention pre-registration, \$60 package deal, \$70 after June 21. To Okada Testimonial Album Tom Shimazaki, P.O. Box 876 Lindsay, Calif. 93247 May 15—Letters (unfolded and cover only) with salutation addressed to title.

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### TO THE 'UN-QUIET AMERICANS'

We can't recall a National JACL nominations slate without a candidate for the top position but it has happened. No one has signed the consent sheet to run for president-elect, which is the "top position" so far as JACL elections are concerned as the current president-elect assumes office of the presidency on the last day of a national convention.

There are six elective positions on the slate. Seven have been nominated for five positions. The nominations committee has the unenviable task of completing the slate to be recommended at the first session of the National Council, at which time further nominations from the floor could be made. What might facilitate the committee's task is knowledge beforehand that a nomination for president-elect would come from the floor—all proper and signed. Otherwise, the committee will probably have to assume the task of "king maker" and see which one of those already nominated is willing to change. If the committee is foiled and no one is elected president-elect, it then falls upon the National Board to fill the vacancy.

Being president-elect is a four-year commitment—two years in which to learn the "insides" of JACL and prepare for the eventual presidency and two more as president supervising the JACL, traveling the JACL circuit and fulfilling at least 13 duties as noted in the JACL Constitution, which Dr. Homer Yasui of Portland, nominations chairman, has extracted from the articles and by-laws:

- 1—Representing National JACL at meetings to which JACL has been invited.
- 2—Convening special sessions of the National Council.
- 3—Presiding at meetings of the National Board, National Council and National Convention.
- 4—Appointing a JACL legal counsel, Pacific Citizen Board chairman and two additional members-at-large to the National Board.
- 5—Prescribing specific duties of national standing committees and appointing members to these committees together with the National Director and with approval of the National Board.
- 6—Appointing members to interim committees as defined by the National Council and with approval of the National Board.
- 7—Appointing members to special committees.
- 8—Appointing members to the Pacific Citizen Board of directors with advice and consent of the National Board.
- 9—Assist in preparing and presenting the budget to the National Council.
- 10—Serving on the National JACL Reserve Fund board of directors.
- 11—May or may not be a member of special project board of directors.
- 12—Serving as representative on the National JACL Endowment Fund Committee.
- 13—Presiding at the Executive Committee, which meets twice a year.

Duties for president-elect, are much like those of other vice-presidents, to perform such tasks as assigned by the National Board, National President or National Council, sit with the Executive Committee and National JACL Reserve Fund board of directors. The president-elect has the right of succession to the office of presidency.

Duties for the treasurer are more specific: keeping an account of all monies received or disbursed with semi-annual reports to the membership; collecting registration fees at the National Council from delegates (\$1 per adult, 50 cents per youth); preparing the budget and serving on the Reserve Fund and Endowment Fund boards.

Duties for the 1000 Club chairman includes stimulating growth of the fund-raising arm of JACL and performing such other tasks as assigned.

It seems the duties haven't changed over the years, but the number of candidates for national office has varied from a high count of 19 nominees for six elective positions in 1956 to the current low of 7 nominees. We also note two positions had no nominees at the outset in 1964.

The challenges have not diminished over the years, though the duties tender no hint of them. Insight to some of the problems are best gleaned from observations of National officers in their columns. Many more are noted in the heavy exchanges of correspondence—which seldom make print, giving some others the attitude JACL isn't doing anything. Getting on board—the National Board—will quickly dispel the simple notion.

In years past, JACL had been stymied by lack of professional staff. Now, executive director Dave Ushio has a complete staff to administer and implement programs (except that our Washington representative will need a successor in the coming weeks as he returns to academic life—this time to teach law). With new mandates about to come from the Portland convention, and living in the kind of times when much still needs to be done, it baffles us that no one was nominated to the "top post". The Enryo Syndrome still persists. Where are all those "un-quiet Americans" who wanted to debilitate that characteristic?

## 25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, May 21, 1949

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## A grandfather's hope for children of intermarriage

By SHAKE USHIO  
Mt. Olympus JACL

Salt Lake City  
I have a granddaughter named Misti, a cute little gal and sharp as a tack. In the house next door there is little Jennifer with dimpled cheeks and soft brown, intelligent eyes. Then there is little Michael, lovably mischievous, full of life and vigor. Beautiful children all uniquely different and of loving concern for me.

They are uniquely different because they are the creation of a racially mixed parentage,

### GUEST COLUMN

Japanese and non-Japanese. They are not isolated cases because statistically about 50% and up to 90% in some areas of Sansei marriages now involve a non-Japanese partner and will eventually affect almost every Japanese American family in America. Host of the resulting children are very good looking, vigorous, sharp, and show promise of great success in life.

I am lovingly and vitally concerned because they are mine and I wish them all the success and happiness in the world.

A wise and astute professor at the Univ. of Utah once remarked to me that in the long run and ultimately this (the racially mixed marriages) was the only sure solution to the human relationship problem besetting the world. But in the meantime, while we wait for the ultimate to happen, there are immediate, up-to-the-minute concerns and problems that we need to face today.

Historically and culturally speaking, children born of mixed parentage oftentimes face a bleak and dismal prospect of not being able to find their just and proper place in society. In many countries especially those with homogeneous populations, he becomes a pariah, an outcast not really knowing where he belongs. This must not happen here in America.

There is also the question of personal identity. A beautiful Eurasian girl recently remarked to me that though she was well accepted wherever she went, and she lacked for nothing, she sometimes wondered about the one-quarter Japanese blood that coursed through her veins.

Was it an asset or a liability? Did it make her something special? Should she be proud of it or should she renounce it?

I hastened to assure her that she should be proud of it and wished that I had the time and information to tell her all about the rich heritage and the cultural value that she had inherited from her Japanese grandparents which together with her Scandinavian and European blood should truly make her someone very special.

Mrs. Harriet Kimura in her enlightening article in the PC and others in similar situations, have expressed a concern that the average Nisei attitudes toward the non-Japanese spouses of our Nisei and Sansei families may be somewhat biased and racist and prejudicial.

If this is so and I believe her point is valid and well taken, we need to do some soul searching and somehow mend our way.

Recently, at a JACL District Convention, as part of my remarks at a dinner meeting, I expressed my feelings and love for the influx of young Japanese partners into our family relationships, my hope for success in the resulting formation of new families, and the great need for awareness on the part of all of us as to the realities of this situation and the need for constructive, forward looking attitudes and programs to cope with it.

The response, and the reaction I got was both surprising and gratifying. To bring it out in the open and to discuss it with candor, sympathy and hope appealed to many. For too long have we turned the other way and wished that it would go away.

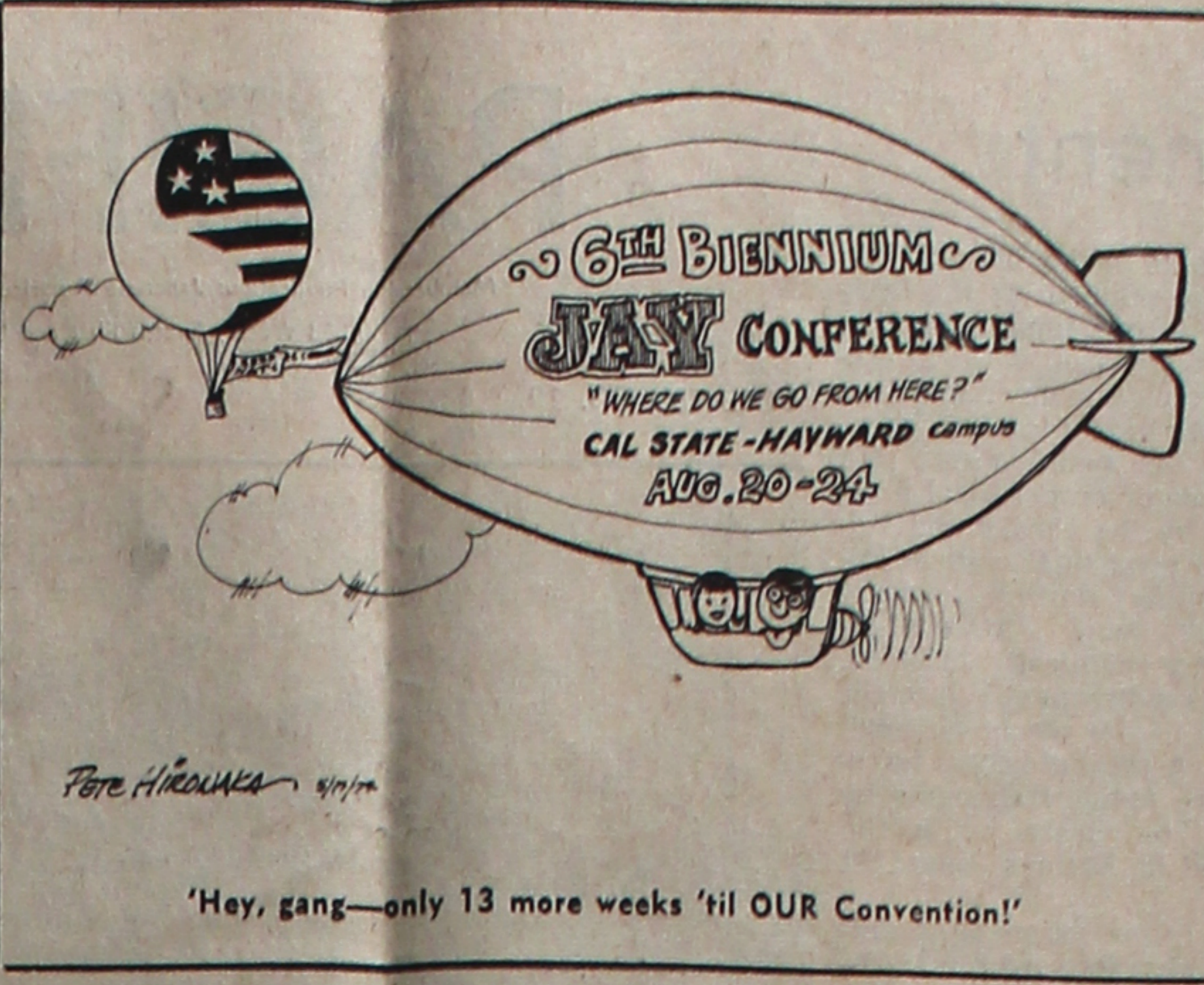
Being only three-tenths of one percent of the total American population, and having achieved the degree of public acceptance and approbation that we have, and having no control as to who should fall in love with whom, it is inevitable that more than one-half of our young people will find their mates outside their ancestral bounds.

If the trend continues, and there is no reason why it will not even accelerate, by the year 2000, a scant 25 years from now, the National Planning Commission for the JACL or any Japanese American organization will be faced with a situation in which over one-half of the potential membership will be non-Japanese and the bulk of the balance may have only a fraction of Japanese blood.

If we do not face up to this reality, and come up with constructive and imaginative plans and a refreshing change of attitude, we may well be relegated to a role of a dying organization catering to the needs of the dead and dying Nisei population and final extinction.

What I would like to see is a bright and glorious future.

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Marge Yamamoto

## National Dialogue

### NC-WNDC PILGRIMAGE TO TULE LAKE

From his farm in Roseville he has been worrying over the details of the pilgrimage. For him the trip has been two years in the planning. It was originally planned in 1973 by the Placer County JACL, but due to conflicting dates it was cancelled. This year, Seichi brought the idea up before the District Council where it was promptly adopted. From there, things began to roll.

Reservations have been coming in steadily. We've even had several from Los Angeles—they are flying up to join the San Francisco bus to Tule Lake. JACLers in Portland have expressed interest in meeting us in Tule Lake, but their participation will depend on the fuel situation they said.

The media has expressed interest in covering the event. From information received at Headquarters, there will probably be coverage by radio, television and newspapers from San Francisco to Sacramento to Portland.

Seichi headed an exploratory group up to Tule Lake a couple of weeks ago and returned with some exciting reports. According to him, there will be plenty to see and do once we arrive and the experience will probably be an unforgettable one.

Several years ago I had the opportunity to take part in a pilgrimage to Manzanar and

Gail Nishioka

## Hikari



### THE YOUTH CONNECTION

Washington  
It is time for the National Youth Program of JACL to begin making connections with other youth groups in the Japanese community and in the Asian American community-at-large. I view this as a necessary requirement so that the JAYS can begin to participate in various activities in our communities or at least so various alternatives and perspectives will be open to them.

The time lapse which has taken place in our Youth Program has created some misconceptions regarding the JAYS. There is a belief among some that our JAY members are only concerned with social activities. Having talked with many JAYS and having attended various JAY functions I am aware of the concern they have in community-oriented issues (i.e., elderly, housing, drugs, education, etc.).

What has not occurred recently is the opportunity for the JAYS to become familiar with things outside of JACL for them to become involved in. Often what is missing too are ideas for activities that the JAYS can begin doing!

For the JAYS and the JACL to maintain itself as a viable part of the community, then it must actively work in this area. I don't think it would be unrealistic to say that in some ways the JAYS and JACL have isolated themselves from the community-at-large and from some groups working in the community.

I believe that as National Youth Director it should be one of my goals to build up contacts to bring the Youth Program into contact with other youths in our community. I believe also that as an individual working for JACL I should work in other areas of the community and contribute in whatever way possible.

During the coming months, my plans call for a "needs analysis" of the entire JAYS and Youth Program: assessing chapters, districts, programs within the Youth Program, membership, community groups. Being somewhat isolated for the time being, I will depend a great deal upon my contacts with individuals in and outside of the JAYS and JACL. Before beginning a program or making changes, it is vital that an analysis be done to decide which programs we should maintain and which should be done away with all together.

Following my move to San Francisco I would like to begin meeting with various youth groups in the Asian community to begin to work with them on those issues which face us all. In building such working relationships I feel that I will be better able to bring the National Youth Program into some kind of perspective whereby it becomes a valuable resource to our own youth and to youth throughout the Asian community. Therein lies the value and the attraction of any youth group or youth-oriented group.

For those who have ever been involved with JACL's youth and for those currently involved, I would be interested in hearing your views and opinions regarding what has not been done and what we can do in the months to come. All I can ask is that you help me in whatever way you can and please feel free to contact me, c/o Washington JACL Office, 1730 Rhode Island Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.



Jerry Enomoto

## Perspectives

### ONE TULE LAKE'S MEMORIES

Tehachapi  
Reading of the proposed "Tule Lake Pilgrimage", being planned by the NC-WNDC, brought back memories of a stop we made in 1962 at that historical spot enroute to the Seattle JACL Convention. Inquired in the town about the specific location, and couldn't help but remember the "Japs Not Wanted" sign in 1943 that tightened up my gut, as we left "camp" enroute to Chicago.

Remembered looking at "Castle Rock", a prominent peak that many Tuleans will recall as a landmark. There were remnants of structures and foundations that told a story of the "city" of 18,000 that once stood as a testimony to one of a great democracy's most tragic mistakes.

Nostalgia brings back days at Tri-State High School, and the many friends lost track of over three decades. Remember too the teachers who took their professional responsibilities seriously enough to be truly concerned over whether we learned anything or not.

Memories return of the huge first graduating class of 1943, who donned the traditional caps and gowns, and received sheepskins in an unfinished gymnasium, yet without windows. All this in a surprisingly "normal" way, considering who we were, and where we were. Even gave a speech titled "Today We Follow, Tomorrow We Lead"—how's that for optimism.

Once in a while I still leaf through the "Aquila", our class annual, and wonder what happened to everybody—hoping that the Good Lord has been kind to most.

I'm personally gratified to learn of the "Pilgrimage", something that is uniquely apropos for a JACL District to coordinate.

Along the same line, similar earlier efforts as Manzanar that were successfully climaxed by a State Historical Landmark, is further testimony to a vital part of the history of Japanese Americans in the United States. I think it is significant that young people (I remember Warren Furutani) and a few not in the mainstream of JACL, gave leadership and impetus to that project.

A final thought: When we remember the barbed wire, the desolation, and the "No Japs Wanted" signs later, we should never begrudge ourselves the feeling of satisfaction that we've come a hell of a long way. But we would do ourselves and our parents the greatest honor, if we never get arrogant about it, and never forget that corny quality called compassion.

### DISTRICT DIALOGUE

## Aisarema, Inc.

Craig Shimabukuro



Los Angeles  
In August of 1971, a group of college students got together and formed a non-profit educationally-oriented corporation called "Aisarema". The group offered a much needed service to the community and an organization which centralized books and other material about Asian American history, cultural and traditions, in one location. They were also interested in offering a forum for Asian American artists and writers.

One of their most needed and successful components has been the Aisarema Bookstore. The bookstore is one of the few places in the entire United States where books, materials, newspapers, pamphlets and magazines on Asian Americans are to be found in one location.

Many colleges throughout the U.S. are supplied materials for their Asian American studies programs from the bookstore. Many school districts are visited to show what is available for use in grade schools.

Amerasia has distributed material to many school districts, such as the Seattle Unified School District. It has assisted in the development of Asian American classes and curriculum, and supplied their wares to the U.S. Army for an officers' training program and to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

To this point, the bookstore and all of its related activities have been run by volunteers.

Since Aisarema, Inc. is a non-profit educationally-oriented group, they have done much to promote Asian artists and writers. They have a small gallery (located in the bookstore) where many artists can display and explain their works.

One show displayed the work of a handicapped Sansei who had previously won first prize in an art contest sponsored by the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation for handicapped artists.

Asian American writers have also been given a forum, through the group, where they can discuss their books with members of the community. Shizue Takashima ("Child in Prison Camp"), Royal Morales ("Makibaka") and Dennis Ozawa ("Jan Ken Po") are some of the authors which have utilized this service.

Being community-oriented, the organization has also been a sponsor for the local neighborhood Youth Corps program, which offers jobs to young people for the summer. The bookstore operation, craft workshops and the artist-writer forums are some of the activities which the young people learn about and participate in, while working in the NYC program.

Until now Aisarema has been totally self-sufficient and has been staffed by volunteers. Aisarema has been, and is, one of the most valuable

Be a Registered Voter



From the Frying Pan

Bill Hosokawa

Los Angeles

A GIFT FROM THE PEOPLE—We had breakfast one recent morning with the city clerk of the city of Carson, Calif., and if you think the clerk was either a grizzled cigar-chewing political hack or a gray-haired old battle-ax, you are sadly mistaken. The city clerk is a vivacious young woman named Helen Kawagoe and a big smile is her trademark.

Helen was elected last March 5 and the following day the local newspaper, the Carson Bulletin, announced that she was the first Japanese American woman to win an election on the mainland. Perhaps the statement should have been qualified to say municipal election, for Carson is an incorporated city of some 85,000 population located at the southern end of the Los Angeles complex between Torrance and Long Beach. (I was guilty of a first class faux pas when I asked where the town of Fremont was. Those frontiersmen like John C. Fremont and Kit Carson always have confused me. Fremont, I was told, is always up north somewhere.)

Helen Kawagoe decided to run for office almost as a lark. She had been appointed vice president for public relations and sales of Merit Savings and Loan, had been phenomenally successful in bringing in business, and it was about all the challenge she wanted for a while. But her friends kept urging her to give politics a try, and so pretty much as a last-minute decision and half on fun, she entered the race.

Carson became an incorporated city in 1968. It is a middle to lower middle class community, something of a bedroom town with workers driving elsewhere to their jobs. Among the 85,000 residents are some 5,000 Asian Americans including a large contingent of Samoans, most of whom aren't eligible to vote yet. If Helen was to win, she had to depend on widespread general support. The incumbent city clerk wasn't running and seven candidates were after the job, which pays \$20,000 a year.

As Helen tells it, it didn't take long for her to learn they play politics for keeps even in a little municipal election. She was invited to breakfast one day and offered an astonishing sum of money for her campaign—far more than she actually spent, as it turned out—if she would agree to run for city council rather than city clerk. The significance of this proposition wasn't quite clear but Helen's native wariness rang some warning bells. She said thanks, but I don't want to be indebted to anybody, and remained in the city clerk race. Her campaign was financed mostly by two, five and ten dollar contributions, and her husband Tak made a few bucks go a long way by painting posters himself.

Ultimately, though, it was Helen's refreshingly open approach to politics that won her many supporters. "I'm sure all my worthy opponents are very well qualified," she would say at rallies. "Well, I must confess that I don't know anything about the city clerk's job. But there are three deputies on the city payroll who do most of the work anyway. All I can tell you is that I will learn what needs to be done, that I have experience in business, in public relations and marketing, and I will do my best to serve the citizens of Carson."

"I'm Helen Kawagoe," she would say at hand-shaking sessions. "I would appreciate it if you would vote for me. When you come to the name you can't pronounce, that's me."

Perhaps it's significant that among her qualifications, Helen listed two terms as president of the Gardena Valley JAACL chapter and one term as governor of JAACL's Pacific Southwest District Council. A poll taken just before the election showed Helen running third. On election day only about 20 per cent of the eligible voters went to the polls. Helen received 2,050 votes; the next two candidates received 1,481 and 863. There was, as Helen tells it, bedlam at her headquarters as the word came in.

In accepting the job, Helen Kawagoe graciously declared: "This is a special gift from the people of Carson, a sacred privilege to serve the community." And no one was happier than her husband Tak, who likes to say he is the chauffeur for the city clerk of Carson.

TWO PROPOSALS FOR JAACL P.R. OFFICE PLANNED

New York JAACL Meeting to Also Air Civil Rights

NEW YORK — Membership views for the pending New York state hearings of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and Convention proposals for a JAACL public relations office here will be aired at a New York JAACL late afternoon cocktail hour at Peking Park Restaurant, Park Ave., and 40th St., between 4 and 7 p.m. on June 1.

The chapter board, in setting up the general meeting, is seeking greater exposure to the views of its member and guests who are considering membership in JAACL.

The U.S. Civil Rights Commission has scheduled hearings in late June, specifically on Asian American problems. The hearings were outlined at a recent meeting of the N.Y. State's Asian American sub-committee attended by the Rev. Akamatsu, Tam Ogata, and Dr. Les Hiraoka of the N.Y. JAACL Chapter.

The hearings will last for two days and will center on the media, problems in employment, and social services for immigrants. Each ethnic group will form a panel of 8-8 speakers who will testify for 45 min. on the particular issues of their selection. The whaling problem may become such an issue.

Currently, the local JAACL and its civil rights chairman George Yuzawa are seeking participation from other Japanese American organizations for a unified and precise presentation before the Commission. The limited time for testimonies will necessitate a considerable amount of prior preparation.

Not one, but two proposals were drafted to establish a JAACL public relations office in New York, to be presented at the Portland Convention by the delegates Ron Inouye and Murray Sprung.

The proposals differ on the scope of the initial PR office with subsequent large differences in budget requests: \$15,000 compared to \$50,000 per annum. Both proposals, however, are in basic agreement on the critical need for a PR effort in New York, as enunciated by Mike Masaoka in recent articles in the Pacific Citizen.

The larger budget, if adopted by the Convention, will establish a full-time PR director with office and staff. The smaller budget will essentially call for an interim office with a largely voluntary staff.

The PR office and the civil rights hearings will have considerable impact on the Japanese American community. Both, needless to say, require a goodly number of man-hours and enlightened resource people for in-depth planning.

The N.Y. JAACL Board is subsequently appealing to its membership to determine how strong a commitment can be made in each area. Further information on the event can be obtained from Henry Iijima or Haruko Muranaka (co-chairpersons) or Ruby Schaar, (212) SC4-5205.



CHICAGO—Two story structure (middle), recently acquired by the Chicago JAACL for its activities and the Mid-west JAACL Regional Office, is situated at 5415 N. Clark St., in the Andersonville district. The chapter is currently on a \$40,000 fund-raising project, chaired by Kumeo Yoshinari with Miki Hayano as Issei drive chairman; Joe Miyamoto and Ron Yoshino as Sansei drive co-chairman. Contributions to the Chicago JAACL Bldg. Fund are tax deductible.

N.Y. Chinatown clamors for share of jobs to build Confucius Plaza

NEW YORK — Confucius Plaza, a \$40-million Chinatown project, has been the center of the Chinatown's community effort to get Asian American construction workers hired for the past five months.

This past week (May 8), the Asian Americans for Equal Employment, 50 Madison

St., culminated its petition drive in the community by presenting 8,000 signatures to DeMatteis Corp., general contractors, demanding an end to racial discrimination in the industry and hiring of 50% of the construction workers at the new plaza be from the Asian American work force.

Asian VA worker denied promotion, contends VA bias

PALO ALTO, Calif. — The case of Robert K.L. Kam, a Korean American who has been denied promotion by the Veterans Administration Hospital here, has been presented to the Sequoia JAACL chapter, according to Dr. David M. Yoshida, chapter president.

Kam told the board at its April meeting he was denied promotion on the basis of race. The chapter board has not come to any conclusions on the case but the progress of the case will be pursued with guarded interest, Yoshida said.

(The Bay Area Community JAACL, at its April 21 meeting, agreed to write a letter in support of Robert Kam.)

An informal complaint was filed with the Equal Employment which met with no success. A formal complaint followed on April 19, 1973. The VA hospital personnel, after hearings conducted May 8-11 and July 16-17, found discrimination due to race or national origin was not a factor in the selection process. But the U.S. Civil Service Commission, after its formal hearing held Aug. 29-31, concluded there was racial discrimination and recommended Kam be promoted to supervisory staffing specialist, GS-12, effective March 2, 1973.

However, the CSC recommendation was rejected by the Veterans Administration, which cited seven specific contentions: favoritism, preference, inequities in detail, influencing an EEO counselor, the agency's EEO program, communication skills, and mobility. This decision is currently being appealed.

One of the objectives of JAACL is to protect the rights of minority individuals," Yoshida said, "when racial discrimination is suspect. Our country appears to be making progress in this area with the implementation of various Affirmative Action programs. It is my hope that the benefit of these programs meets more than just a token few."

port on her survey of Asian Americans in the Chicago area. Although her project was funded only four months ago, Dr. Kim has been planning her study for over a year. She has already hired and trained bilingual interviewers with facility in various dialects developed at the national which reflects sensitivity and awareness of cultural attitudes, and overcome great difficulties in collecting representative samples of the four major Asian American groups residing in the Chicago area.

The primary purpose of Dr. Kim's study is to gain data on which to plan mental health and educational services in the area.

Dr. Kim pointed out that improved mental health services are predicated on changing stereotype images. "Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino and other Asian Americans must be understood within the context of their own social, economic, and cultural framework," she said. Lemuel Ignacio, project director of the Asian American Mental Health Federation, ended the conference on an optimistic note by reporting the progress made in organizing the nine regions throughout the nation which comprise the Federation.

The Federation was funded by the NIMH Center for Minority Group Mental Health, which developed and priorities developed at the first national Asian American Mental Health Conference held in San Francisco in 1972. At that time, representatives from NIMH and other agencies met with members of Asian American communities from all over the country to discuss mental health issues and needs.

Racism noted in trial of Chicago Nisei policeman

Press, prosecution stress 'ancestry'

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) CHICAGO — The recent conviction of a 14-year police officer, Masanobu Noro, for extortion is currently being appealed, but the disturbing aspect to Chicago JAACLer Chiyohiro Tomihiro, chairman of the JAACL anti-defamation committee was "the way the prosecution and press stressed his racial background."

Throughout his trial, Noro was constantly referred to as "the Japanese" policeman and was asked by the prosecutor to pronounce his name. "Masanobu," several times — thereby impressing upon the jury his different background, Miss Tomihiro pointed out this past week.

She was more disturbed by the open hatred expressed by some members of the Japanese American community. She reported crude and vicious letters written over fictitious Japanese names were received by the Noro family, suggesting he had disgraced the Japanese race and his family should eradicate itself.

"If this is the case, the entire human race should destroy itself for man's cruelty to man," Miss Tomihiro added.

To the Nikkei detractors, she reminded that "the inescapable fact is that it is impossible for a colored person to get an even break in this society because, whether the Japanese who wrote the hate letters will admit it or not, it is their own lack of security as colored people which motivated them."

Noro had been assigned for the past 1½ year to the vice squad in the Austin district. He and four other officers were tried, two (including Noro) were convicted.

Court suspends Atty. Yokozeki

SAN FRANCISCO — The State Supreme Court May 6 ordered David T. Yokozeki, former Los Angeles attorney, suspended from practice for five years or until he repays \$14,000 to a defrauded client, whichever period is greater.

The court found that during 1962-63, Yokozeki misappropriated the deed to an apartment building and a trust deed and note on a residence, both belonging to a client. The court found the State Bar procedures had not prejudiced him and upheld its findings. The court declined to follow the Bar's recommendation for disbarment, noting mitigating factors of no prior disciplinary record, successful continuation of practice outside California without additional charges and partial compensation to his client for the loss.

Yokozeki, admitted to the state bar in 1952, moved to Japan in October, 1962 and has not returned since. He is a member of the bars of Japan, Guam and Okinawa.

Hollywood to host PSW quarterly

LOS ANGELES — Hollywood JAACL will host the Pacific Southwest District Council meeting this Sunday, May 19, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., at the Holiday Inn at Highland and Hollywood Blvd.

Agenda will stress topics expected to be discussed at the National Convention, according to PSW Group, Masa-mune Kojima, such as the Orange County resolution calling for better use of budget and staff, nominations, PR commission's recommendation to relocate the Pacific Citizen to San Francisco and any other proposals being offered by the chapters.

District vice governor Harry Kawahara will report on updating the DC by-laws.

Action is also expected on several PSWDC executive committee recommendations, including hiring of part-time secretary for the regional office and support for the newly-organized Ethnic Concerns committee.

Parking is free for Holiday Inn guests on Orchard St. west of the hotel. Registration fee of \$5 covers both lunch and registration.

ITALIAN HOUSE ORGAN HIT FOR USE OF 'JAP'

DENVER, Colo.—The Colorado Leader, weekly publication of the Columbian Federation of the Italian American Society, was urged to refrain from using the racially derogatory term, "Jap," in its column by Minoru Yasui, executive director for the Denver Commission on Community Relations.

The offensive term was noted in the Leader's editorial (Apr. 13) recalling the death of President Roosevelt on April 12, 1945 and his role for "knowingly maneuvering the U.S. toward entrance in World War II."

"Undoubtedly no offense was meant," Yasui said, "but I wish to protest as strongly as possible to the insensitive and unwarranted use of the epithet."

ies met with members of Asian American communities from all over the country to discuss mental health issues and needs.

SEATTLE JAPANESE BAPTISTS SET FOR 75TH ANNIVERSARY CEREMONY

SEATTLE, Wash. — The Japanese Baptist Church will celebrate its 75th anniversary May 19-26 with the theme, "Our Rich Heritage — a Glorious Future!"

The Rev. Dr. Jitsuo Morikawa, associate executive secretary of the American Baptist National Ministries based at Valley Forge, Pa., will deliver the keynote address at the May 25 banquet.

Other Baptist ministers, including Dr. William Shinto of Southern California and Dr. James Chuck of San Francisco, and leaders will participate in discussions on the future of ethnic churches.

Rev. Dr. Paul Nagano is the current pastor of the Rev. Emery Andrews pastor emeritus, and Rev. Nobuaki Hanaoka, Nichigo congregation pastor.

The growth of the Japanese Baptist movement parallels the early growth of Seattle before the turn of the century. The population was 43,000 in 1890 and the First Baptist Church, then located at the present site of City Hall, was conducting a revival in 1891 under Rev. G.J. Burchett when three young Japanese came forward — F. Okazaki, C.Y. Akiyama and H.I. Kudo, declaring their intentions to know the Bible better and learn to speak English more fluently.

By 1894, a Japanese Bible study group of about 30 was organized at a house located

at 515 James St. with Rev. and Mrs. J.P. Ludlow preaching.

In 1897, the Japanese Mission moved to a huge house on 418 Jefferson St. Meanwhile, Fukumatsu Okazaki was ordained, returned to Japan to marry a former kindergarten worker and a colleague of Helle Tite, an American missionary worker in Tokyo. Shimomura Hara, who was later ordained, filed in for Rev. Okazaki (father of actor-writer Bob Okazaki of Hollywood).

The Japanese Mission records show they preached to other Japanese living in Auburn, O'Brien, Orilla, Thomas, White River, Bellevue and Bainbridge Island.

In the spring of 1899, the Japanese Baptist Church was officially organized with a charter signing ceremony. Rev. Okazaki was named pastor. On the charter board were:

Imajiro Kudo, sec.; Toyozo Sakura, treas.; Sokichi Hoshide, clerk; Takezaburo Hirano, Inosuke Kawahara, Takaburo Kusumi, Hatsutaro Nakamura, Yoshio Sakuma, Tamajiro Watanabe and Keitaro Yamada.

The congregation, 75 years later, celebrates its founding at the church, now at Broadway and E. Spruce — only a short walk from where it all began.

—Seattle JAACL Newsletter

IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY Community Involvement, Inc.

By GEORGE TAO

PALO ALTO, Calif.—"To effectively promote Asian American interests in our multi-ethnic society, we need to unite and develop organizational strength and strategy for advocacy," declared Allan Seid, M.D., a Chinese American psychiatrist in Palo Alto.

Recently elected to chair the newly formed Asian Americans for Community Involvement of Santa Clara County, Inc., Dr. Seid referred to the traditionally passive roles that Chinese, Japanese, and other Asian minorities have played in America. "This stance," he stated, "may at one time have had its justifications. But in today's fast-moving world, individuals and groups are forgotten, overlooked and discounted when they have little or no organized focus and sufficient political power base ready to pressure on issues to engender change."

The lack of clout in dealing with public affairs was illustrated in recent confrontations involving Asian Americans—radio KPFA's unilateral action to drop a Mandarin Chinese program (Chinese Youth Voice), media ads which continue to put Asians in unfavorable light, discriminatory practices in employment and in allocation of federal revenue sharing funds, and rigid resistance from educational institutions toward eliminating damaging prejudicial educational practices and curriculum materials.

Although impressive gains have been made by blacks, Mexican Americans, and more recently, by women's rights groups, it has only been in the past years that Asian American voices are beginning to be heard through fragmented, sporadic, and inadequate to achieve widespread and enduring gains.

"We Asian Americans," commented Dr. Paul Sakamoto, another founding member, "have more in common than diversity; in the eyes of the majority of this society; we're all lumped together as Asians." Sakamoto is the deputy superintendent of instruction and curriculum, Mountain View-Los Altos High School District.

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tions, and up to 5 per cent of the principal would be available annually to support the efforts.

In Hawaii when the original version of the bill was introduced in 1972, "it attracted wide attention and drew much favorable comment, particularly in the academic community," Fong said.

Fong noted Hawaii's close historical, economic, and cultural ties with Japan as well as the presence in Hawaii of about 200,000 residents of Japanese ancestry. He included endorsements from Harlan University of Hawaii and John D. Belling, Chairman of the Japan-Hawaii Economic Council, with the statement to the Committee.

S.F. NINHOMACHI STREET FAIR MAY 19

SAN FRANCISCO—The first annual Nihonmachi Street Fair will be on Buchanan St. on Sunday, May 19 with community organizations taking part.

It will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. between Post and Sutter in conjunction with the Japanese American studies program at San Francisco State.

It will be another in a series of the 75th anniversary events for the Buddhist Churches of America.

AACI is a cross-section of Asian Americans who recognize the need for an action-oriented group to advance social change, such as affirmative action in employment, eliminate racial stereotypes in communication and education; promotion of Asian Americans history, culture and concerns and sufficient legal and social services for Asian Americans.

Formed in 1973, AACI has assisted in getting four area government boards to censor and demand retraction of the state Attorney General's drug bulletin which slandered Chinese immigrants and members of the Chinese community, placement of seven of its members on various County and City commissions in the last three months and played an aggressive role in eliminating the Plymouth Duster radio commercial which was extremely offensive to Japanese Americans.

Others serving on the AACI's Board of Directors along with Dr. Seid who is serving concurrent terms on three Santa Clara County commissions—County Human Relations Commission, Drug Abuse Coordination Commission, Regional Criminal Justice Planning Board), are:

Jeanette Arakawa (mem. State Education Curriculum Commission); Michael Honda (pres. Santa Jose JAACL Chapter); Robert Kim (chmn., Peninsula Government College Assn.); Edward Kawagoe (coordinator, Multi-cultural DeLaZuna College); Grace Kubota (attorney, Community Legal Services, San Jose); Emory Lee (exec. sec., Region IX, Dept. of HSW); Victor H. Li (assoc. prof. of Law, Stanford); Leo Lowe (principal, Wilbur J. High School, Palo Alto); Elmi Okano (Palo Alto PTA Committee on Multi-cultural Evaluation of Educational Materials); Richard Lowe (Bureau chief, Santa Clara County Social Services Dept.); Nilo Sarmiento (affirmative action officer, Foot-Hill College); Mark Seid (mem. Palo Alto YWCA Board of Directors); Paul Wong (personnel employee relations, Stanford); Victor J. Wong (chmn., San Jose Human Relations Commission); Terry Yeo (Intra-District Ethnic Minority Committee, Palo Alto School District) and Council Young Yu (Chinese Media Committee).

Keiro South open May 15

LOS ANGELES — Keiro South, a 99-bed, Medi-Cal certified nursing home at 3619 N. Mission Rd., a few blocks down the hill from City View Hospital and Keiro Nursing Home, opened this week (May 15).

The former Lincoln Care Center was purchased for \$850,000 by the foundation on March 1, according to Edwin C. Hiroto, administrator of the facilities operated by the Japanese Memorial Foundation.

As with Keiro Nursing Home, Keiro South will be staffed by Japanese-speaking personnel and provide an Oriental-style diet. The one-story facility contains two- and three-bedroom wards with a landscaped interior court and a separate patients' lounge.

"The difference between the two facilities will lie in the levels of nursing care and in the types of patient involvement programs," Hiroto explained.

He said that Keiro South (or Minami Keiro, as it will be called in honor of the Minami family of Santa Maria) will be geared to meet the needs of the more self-reliant patient who can transfer himself from place to place with minimal assistance.

Keiro Nursing Home is celebrating its fifth anniversary with an open house May 19, 1-3 p.m. at the 87-bed facility at 2221 Lincoln Park. It opened July 1, 1969, serving a total of 626 patients, most of them women. Occupancy has been near 100 pct. since 1971, according to Art Ito, Jr., assistant administrator.

Buddhist memorial rites at Manzanar set May 25

LOS ANGELES — Two charter buses will leave the Honjwanj Betsuin here on May 25, 6 a.m., for Manzanar to conduct a memorial service on behalf of all those who died in all the wartime relocation centers. Bishop Kenryu Tsuji will officiate.

MENTAL HEALTH FEDERATION

NIMH commitment to Asian Americans remains firm

WASHINGTON — Dr. Bertam S. Brown, director, National Institute of Mental Health, reaffirmed the NIMH commitment to minority group mental health programs when he welcomed researchers and community representatives to a recent conference on current mental health issues in the Asian American community.

A major problem discussed was the myth that Asian Americans are self-sufficient and do not need social services. This widely-held belief tends to be reinforced by Asian Americans who fear the stigma of mental illness, according to the researchers. As a result, they usually do not seek treatment until they are seriously ill.

Sponsored by the NIMH Center for Minority Group Mental Health Programs, the 50th meeting had Asian American

representatives of community organizations exchange information and hear research reports from four Asian American scientists whose programs are funded by the Center.

K. Patrick Okura, executive assistant to the NIMH Director, who chaired the meeting, stressed the need for Asian Americans to overcome their silent image and to actively seek solutions to their problems.

Okura's view was supported by Stanley Sue, ass't. prof. of psychology at the Univ. of Washington.

Dr. Sue, who surveyed 18 mental health facilities in the State of Washington between 1970 and 1973, found that although Asian Americans make up 2 percent of the State population, only .06 percent used the mental health facilities. Further, over 50 percent of those who did seek

help did not return after their first visit as compared to 33 percent of the white clients and those who did use the facilities were more severely disturbed than members from other groups.

Dr. Sue suggested that if Asian Americans are not mentally healthier than other Americans, then their under-utilization of mental health facilities may be due to language barriers, fear of stigma, and the tendency to maintain the stereotype that Asian Americans are more self-sufficient and less needy than others.

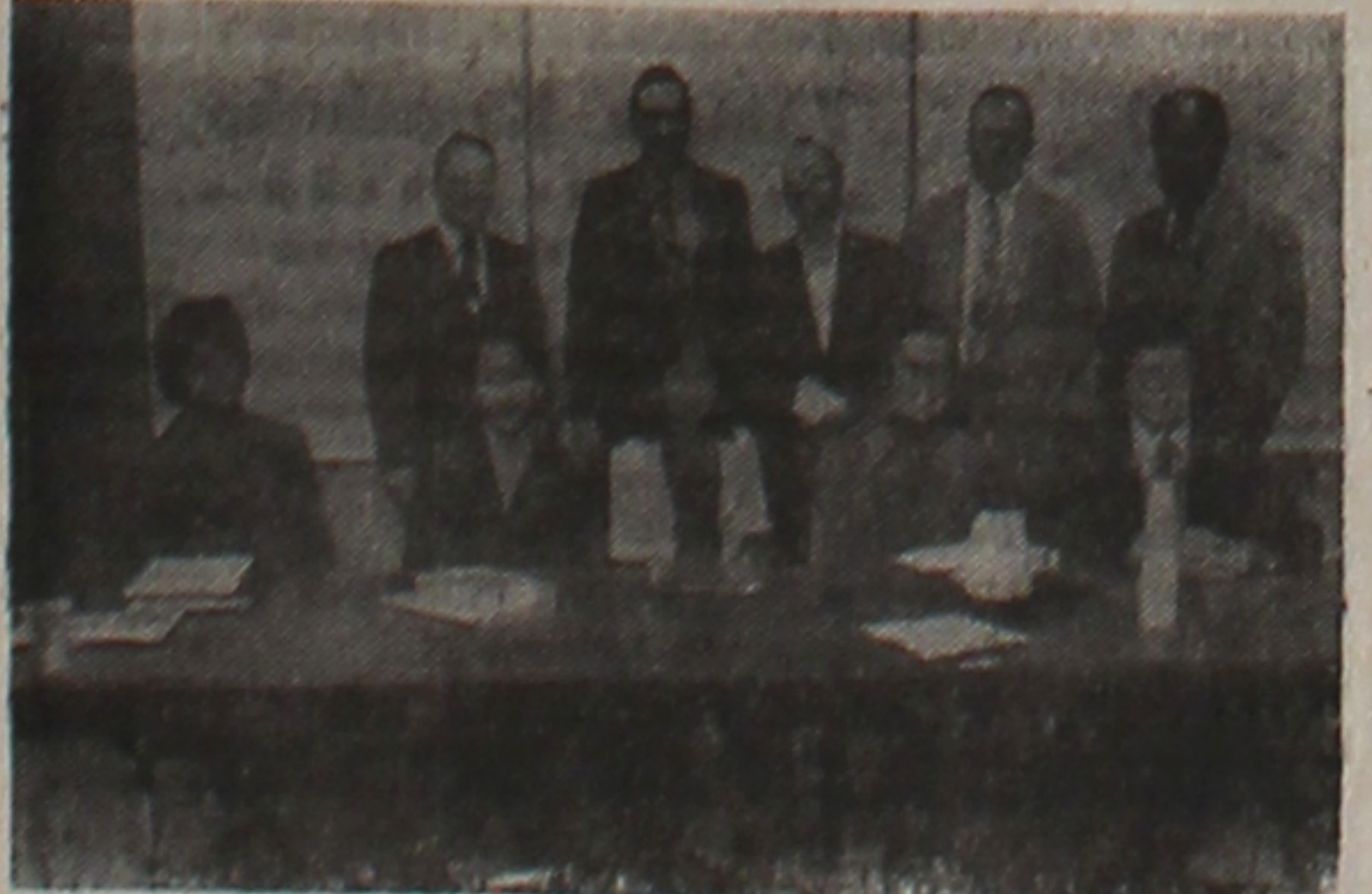
The high drop-out rate suggests that even when Asian Americans did seek help, their needs were not met and, according to Dr. Sue, a new type of mental health program may be indicated.

Dr. Ivy Lee, ass't. prof. of sociology at Sacramento State University testified to the under-utilization of all social services by Asian Americans in the Sacramento area.

Dr. Lee is carrying out a demographic and attitudinal survey and has found that a large number of those interviewed were unaware of services offered to the public. There was a significant correlation between those who knew of helping organizations and those who used them. She also found that people were more apt to seek help when they had heard about the service from more than one source.

Further, it appeared to Dr. Lee that information about available services was not reaching the neediest. Other significant factors contributing to under-utilization, said Dr. Lee, were cultural attitudes which stressed taking care of your own and the stigma of mental health problems.

Dr. Bok-Lim Kim, ass't. prof. of social work, Univ. of Illinois, gave a progress report



WASHINGTON—Speakers at the NIMH Conference on Current Mental Health Issues in the Asian American Community, chaired by K. Patrick Okura (one-time National JAACL president), are (from left): seated—Dr. Mary Harper, NIMH; Dr. Bok-Lim Kim, Univ. of Illinois; Dr. Ivy Lee, Sacramento State; Lemuel Ignacio, project director, Asian American Mental Health Federation; Dr. Stanley Sue, Univ. of Washington; standing—Pat Okura, exec. ass't. to the Director; Dr. Bertam Brown, director, NIMH; Dr. Saleem A. Shah, NIMH; Dr. James Ralph, NIMH.

Kats Kunitzugu

# On the Margin

## MS. MARCH ON THE MARCH

Los Angeles  
Whatever happens to those eager, bright personality gals in high school who run for secretary of the student body, make the honor society and become its president and are cheer leaders as well? Well, one of them never married the captain of the football team but has continued her running for office (winningly) and is now one of only two women serving in the 120-member California legislature.

Assemblywoman March Fong (D-Oakland), as the press usually identifies her, is also running for the office of Secretary of State, which Jerry Brown hopes to vacate in favor of the governor's chair.

The slim, poised and extremely articulate Ms. Fong, whose pert smile belies the fact that she is the mother of two college-age children and holds a B.S. from the University of California at Berkeley, an M.A. from Mills College and a Ph.D. from Stanford University, appears to be relishing her tough campaign schedule, moving from Orange County to Beverly Hills in one day, her shoulder bag with the kelly green sticker proclaiming "March Fong, Secretary of State" swinging jauntily at her side.

In person, she is an intelligent, easy conversationalist, relaxed and unaffected. Talking to her, it is readily understandable how she, an Asian American woman, was first elected to the Assembly in 1966 and has been re-elected every two years since by ever-increasing majorities (a whopping 78 per cent in 1972).

There is the straightforward handshake and one of the hokum good will politicians are apt to display before constituents and/or possible donors. There is a swift and subtle taking of your measure and as she talks, issues become clearer rather than foggier, as happens often with legislators whose backgrounds are legal rather than educational as is March Fong's.

Her father is a third generation Chinese American who spent his childhood in China, while her mother is a first generation Chinese immigrant. March was born in the back room of a laundry in the little Central Valley town of Oakdale, the youngest of four children. Her family was poor, and Mrs. Fong worked her way through school in the days when scholarships were not as readily available to minority students as they are now.

As the only Chinese family in Richmond where her family later moved, Ms. Fong grew up in a non-Chinese milieu, which may explain how she was able to cultivate her self-starting, fearlessly independent outlook and personality which appeal to the voters in her district with a population that is 68 per cent white, 24 per cent black, 5 per cent Mexican-American and 3 per cent Asian.

"I have the national headquarters of the Hell's Angels in my district, the national headquarters of the Black Panthers also and about six John Birch Society chapters," she pointed out to the amusement of friends who held a cocktail reception for her recently at the plush Cave des Roys. She is a good candidate. What she needs now is about \$300,000 for a campaign to bring both herself and the office she seeks to the notice of the people of California.

## ISSHO-NI: Tom Hibino

# Midwest Conferences

Chicago  
For many years JACLers in the Midwest, because of their awareness of the unique set of circumstances and problems they face in this area, have been strong supporters of regionally-based programs. It has often been the feeling that National JACL, in the absence of a viable concept of regionalization, would become totally West Coast-oriented due to the large concentrations of Japanese Americans there.

This year two other Asian American groups in the Midwest have begun to organize on a regional basis for similar reasons.

On the weekend of April 12-14, the Asian American Study Group in Chicago sponsored a Midwest Asian American Conference primarily for college and university stu-

dents interested in Asian American Studies programs. Since the beginning of the creation of these programs in the late 1960s, schools in this area have generally turned to the West and East Coasts for direction and resources. A major objective of this conference, however, was to stimulate and encourage the use and development of resources in the Midwest.

This gathering of over 100 participants from some 15 schools and organizations in 7 different states was seen by some as the beginning of a Midwest movement which would eventually take an active part in the national development of Asian American studies and other programs.

One immediate result of the conference was a proposed newsletter which will begin to link up the many isolated campuses and communities in this region and provide a voice of the Midwest to the East and West Coasts.

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## CALENDAR

- May 17 (Friday) St. Louis—Ed Mtg.
- Belanoco—Gen Mtg. La Casita, La Habra Shopping Ctr. 7:30 p.m.; Dr. Lloyd (seri) spkr.
- May 18 (Saturday) Chicago—JAY graduates dinner-dance, Weigelt Hall, 2910 N. Damen, 6:3 p.m.; Tom Hibino, spkr.
- May 19 (Sunday) PSWDC—Gaily Session, Hollywood JACL hosts, Holiday Inn, Hollywood, 1755 N Highland, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
- Arizona—Golf tournament, Greaham-Trotter-Iseel Appreciation dnr, Chinese Village.
- West Valley—Picnic, Morgan Hill Bay Area Community—Gen Mtg, JACS Office, 2012 Pine, San Francisco, 7:30 p.m.
- May 21 (Tuesday) CCDC—Mtg.
- May 25 (Saturday) Puayalup Valley—Asian Day, Tacoma Community House, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- NC-WNDC—Tule Lake pilgrimage, May 25-26.
- Sequoia—Community Memorial Service.
- May 27 (Monday) Pocatello—Memorial Day service.
- May 31—June 2 Dayton—Intl Folk Fair.
- June 1 (Saturday) Milwaukee—Graduates dnr, Lime House Restaurant.
- New York—Gen Mtg, Peking Park Restaurant, 8 p.m.
- June 2 (Sunday) PSWDC—Nisei Relays, CSU Fullerton Field.
- Puayalup Valley—Graduates dnr, June 8-9.
- May 1 JACL—Planning Comm Mtg, San Francisco.
- June 11 (Tuesday) San Mateo—Mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.
- Salt Lake City—Ed Mtg Summer School Annex, 7 p.m.
- June 12 (Wednesday) West Valley—Bd Mtg, Bank of Orange County—Bd Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, Santa Ana, 7:30 p.m.
- June 14 (Friday) St. Louis—Fair '74, Forest Park.
- Florida—Japanese movies, Buddhist Hall, 7:30 p.m.
- MPDC—Gen Session, Ft Lupton JACL, host.
- June 16 (Sunday) Pocatello—Picnic, Blackfoot Fairgrounds.

Forthcoming the weekend of May 31-June 2, another conference, the Midwest Regional Conference on Asian Health, Education, and Welfare, will also be held in Chicago. This conference, sponsored by a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health, is one of series being held around the country.

The following objectives, which will be discussed through a series of workshops and meetings, have been decided upon:

- 1.—Identification of local and regional needs and concerns of the Asian American population in terms of health, education, and welfare.
- 2.—Development of preliminary strategies to meet the above needs and concerns.
- 3.—Development of a permanent structure or organization in the Midwest to provide continuity in the development and implementation of these strategies.
- 4.—Participation in the development of a national coalition to attract wider support for regional efforts and to support national concerns.

Attempts are being made to bring together a cross section of Asians and Asian Americans in the Midwest representing different ethnic, geographical, occupational, generational, community-based, and student groups. Travel funds are available to interested persons and groups. For further information, contact the JACL Midwest Office at 5415 N. Clark St., Chicago, Ill. 60664 or call (312) 728-7170.

Tom Hibino is the JACL regional director in Chicago.

## MAJOR CHANGES IN JACL FUNDING PRIORITY URGED

Orange County Resolution Calls for More DC Programs

SANTA ANA, Calif. — What the Orange County JACL regards to be the priorities of the national organization were cited in a resolution to be discussed at the PSWDC quarterly meeting May 19 at the Holiday Inn, Hollywood.

Henry S. Sakai, chapter president, attached no "cost estimate" but allowed that each JACL district council draft its own budget to meet its particular needs. He cited the PSW regional office proposed annual budget of nearly \$69,000.

Of the \$324,400 expended by National JACL in 1973, Sakai said only one-sixth or \$58,467 went toward programs through the four regional offices. The resolution declared: "There is an increasing need for additional funds for programs and staff at the regional office level."

And recognizing the existing National JACL budget is limited, the resolution continued, "There is need for a major reordering of the national funding priorities."

Orange County JACL asks:  
1.—Functions of the Washington Representative and Eastern regional director be combined.  
2.—National Youth Program (\$32,000 was budgeted in the past biennium) be discontinued as presently organized and shift funds to regional offices for program development in areas of their specific needs.

3.—Staff functions at National Headquarters be recognized to allow the majority of their efforts to be directed in the daily administration of JACL, speaking for and strengthening the public relations effort and seeking outside funding sources.

4.—Majority of the budget be allocated to regional offices, based on needs, area, population, etc., to develop meaningful programs and priorities for their respective district. The resolution noted: "It has been demonstrated that National programs do not apply to every district because of geographical, population and socio-economic differences and therefore not serve the primary needs of chapters or districts."

The resolution also expressed opposition to the practice of increasing membership dues whenever there is need for additional funds — a position which has been often expressed by other chapters in the past. Yet as needs are shown and costs increase, not only dues but support has continued to grow, one long-time JACLer noted.

Under supervision of Trav and Susan Gardner, the Pocatello-Blackfoot JACL held

## PSW regional office seeks \$69,000 budget

LOS ANGELES — The \$69,000 annual budget proposed for the Pacific Southwest JACL regional office for the coming 1975-76 biennium has been submitted by Craig Shimabukuro, regional director, calling for expansion of present staff of two to five.

"If the organization is to remain a viable force in the community, it must grow in size and become a much more integrated part of the community," Shimabukuro noted.

Additional staff would be expected to develop new chapters and increase membership as well as better serving the community, which includes 20% (131,000) of the total Japanese American population in the district.

## Nisei Relays date now June 2

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## CHAPTER PULSE

### Scholarship

CCDC scholarship winners announced

Carole Yamakoshi of Reedley High and Pamela Fukushima of Dinuba High were named 1974 winners of the \$200 CCDC scholarships while Randy Sasaki of Reedley High was named the \$100 Iseel memorial scholarship winner.

Named to get the Citizenship Awards were Mike Kiyomoto, Reedley; Ann Hirose, Fowler; Christine Shimasaki, Lindsay; Bill S. Yebisu, Woodlake; Macla Lou Nagata, Dinuba; and Colin Hirayama, Bullard High.

Carole has been active in many clubs on campus, community and church with honors in science. Pamela was named to the Society of Outstanding American High School Students with honors in history, art and literature. Randy, student body president at Reedley High, is listed in the Who's Who of American High School students with honors in science and math.

Eden Township to honor high school seniors

Six scholarships will be awarded at the second annual Eden Township JACL senior recognition potluck dinner May 18, 6 p.m., at Eden Japanese Community Center.

Honorees will include 50 high school graduates from the area.

Scholarships to be awarded include four \$100 grants from the Chapter Achievement program, \$100 from the Sumitomo Bank at Hayward and \$50 from the Eden JAYS, according to the Rev. Arthur Tsuneishi, scholarship chairman (278-5514).

Esther McStay with Scholarship, Inc., and Dr. Vernon Kam, CSU-Hayward, were announced as the judges.

### May Events

Pocatello-Blackfoot holds Honor's dinner

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## Minority Week

WOMEN—Dr. Virginia Trotter, 52, vice-chancellor at the Univ. of Nebraska, was nominated April 18 by President Nixon as the first woman to be the government's highest education officer: Assistant Secretary of Education in the Dept. of HEW. A native of Boise, Idaho, with a doctorate in home economics from Kansas State, she has been vice-chancellor since 1972. Her appointment includes authority over the Office of Education and the new National Institute on Education, established to conduct and coordinate research.

LAW STUDENTS—Rockefeller and Carnegie foundations will award grants totaling \$1.2-million to black law students in the South starting next fall as fellowships and scholarships. Number of black students at 17 predominantly white law schools in the South rose from 22 to 375 in the past five years. The NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund will administer the Earl Warren Legal Training program. In Mississippi, ratio is one black lawyer to every 16,000 whites. (Asian Law Students Organization at Hastings, San Francisco, noted only one Asian lawyer for every 1,679 Asian nationally.)

SCHOOL INTEGRATION—The Memphis School desegregation plan was left untouched by the U.S. Supreme Court April 22, supporting lower court decisions which feared white residents would flee the Memphis school system if the plan achieved greater integration than had been imposed. Some 38,000 pupils are now being bused for an 83% desegregation. The rejected proposal would have involved 48,000 pupils. Opponents pointed to 21,000 black students in all-black school or one-third of the school's system. . . . The Supreme Court has refused to re-examine Southern school desegregation for the third time in the last six months in face of integration orders. The justices let stand plans under civil rights attack at Chattanooga and Knoxville, Tenn.

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Its annual Honor's dinner May 4 at the Idaho State University student union.

Sanaye Okamoto and Masa Tsukamoto gathered pictures and old films of the Japanese story in Idaho for presentation after the dinner. Larry Harada was emcee.

## AAANBA executive speaks at Orange County JACL

Tautomu Uchida, executive director of the Asian American National Business Alliance, was guest speaker at the Orange County JACL meeting May 8 at the Bank of Tokyo hospitality room in Santa Ana. The alliance recently expanded its operation to include an office at 2100 N. Main St., Santa Ana.

The Santana Wind revealed the Orange County JACL will be spotlighted in the forthcoming issue of "Jade", a new Asian American magazine, because of its relative success in attracting young adults as leaders who can work in concert with older members on the chapter board.

Local JACLers and Manzanar Committee members assisted in the presentation of the Evacuation story to 500 students at Villa Park High School on April 18. Barbara Kurek, Asian Studies teacher at the school, initiated the project. The film, "Subversion?", was shown.

## Bay Area Community to meet May 19

Bay Area Community JACL will meet May 19 at Japanese Community Services office, 2012 Pine St., San Francisco at 7:30 p.m. with Mary Ann Takagi presiding. Agenda includes discussion on the chapter's role with JACL, membership and newsletter.

## San Gabriel Valley plans Keiro-ka May 19

Area Iseel and Nisei over age 70 will be guests of honor at the San Gabriel Valley JACL keiro-ka May 19, noon, at the new East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center in West Covina.

The Minyo Club will entertain with a program of Japanese songs and the Ikenobo class will sponsor a flower show with an Oriental potluck feast concluding the day, general chairman Kazuo Mayemura said. Assisting are: Mrs. Frank Yamashita (444-7450), dnr; Kizo Hiramine, and all board members.

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**WEATHER**—Cool summers and unusually long dry spells are likely to continue for at least 10 more years, a Meteorological Agency task force has concluded. The April 2 report explained atmospheric cooling at high altitudes around the North Pole since the 1940s has prevailed against the normal east-west air currents for the northern hemisphere.

**PHILATELY**—The third in the series of stamps relating Japanese folk tales appears June 10 with scenes of Issun-Boshi (akin to the English Tom Thumb story). First series, issued last November, related the tale of Hanasaka Jiji (the old man who made trees bloom); and second, issued last January, told the story of Tsuru-Nyobo (the Crane Wife).

**SHINKANSEN** (Bullet Train)—Running through the Higashiyama tunnel near Kyoto at a 130-mph clip, two passengers aboard the Shinkansen bound for Okayama from Tokyo were injured slightly when a window next to their seats shattered. A lawsuit seeking \$1-million damages was filed Mar. 30 against Japan National Railways by residents in southern Nagoya who claim environmental pollution (noise and vibrations) every five minutes between 6 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. because of the Shinkansen. It was the first suit instituted demanding redress for public nuisance caused by an existing railroad. Eight JNR maintenance men, after years of making no headway, are suing for compensation due to exposure of human extremities by JNR trains until the practice is stopped. They seek \$300,000 for each worker, total subjected and \$30,000 each month.

**ZOO**—The pair of giant pandas at Ueno Zoo was credited with drawing a record 9,195,143 visitors during FY 1973, which ended March 31. On Children's Day last year (May 5), over 120,000 jammed the park which normally restricts daily attendance to 50,000.

**RELIGION**—The founder of Tenshinshyo, a sect founded in 1938 by Mrs. Kiyoko Kada at Hakone, was suspected of violating pharmaceutical law for selling to its followers, a panacea consisting of arsenic-tainted "omnipotent" mineral water, said to come from a Yamanashi-ken spa. It was being sold for ¥3,000 (\$10) per two-liter (about 2 qts.) bottle. Kozo Okamoto, 26, lone survivor of the three Japanese attackers at Lod International Airport two years ago and now serving a life sentence, is studying Judaism in prison, Embassy sources reported. A wide segment of Soto Zen Buddhist history was displayed under sponsorship of the Mainichi Newspapers in April at Tokyo's Daimaru Dept. Store, commemorating the 650th anniversary of the sect founded at Sōjiji Temple in Yokohama by Keizan (1268-1325) and devoted student of Dogen (1200-1253) who had studied Zen in China.

**MEDICINE**—Patients afflicted with Itai-Itai disease, now being suspected as a form of cadmium poisoning, are finding relief with large doses of Vitamin D, the Japan Hygiene Congress meeting in Nagasaki was told. Patients complain of acute pain in the back and legs. They live in areas known to be heavily polluted with cadmium waste discharged from nearby copper mines in Hyogo and Toyama. A Fukuoaka judge ruled all A-bomb victims who live in Japan should be able to receive treatment based on the Medical Treatment Law for A-bomb sufferers, even if he were an illegal alien. Thus an Osaka-born Korean was issued a health insurance card. He was expatriated in 1951 for having violated the alien registration law and arrested in 1970 for trying to re-enter Japan to seek treatment for his A-bomb disease. The Defense Agency Medical College opened April 23 at Iruma (Saitama) Base with 48 candidates. Only string attached to students is that they remain with the Self-Defense Force for nine years after graduation. Students receive a \$29,200 monthly allowance, semi-annual bonuses, free tuition, board and room. Over 3,400 took tests for the first class.

**Ushio**—Continued from Page 2

ture in which throughout this great land of America there will be many men and women with traces of Japanese blood in their veins serving with distinction as leaders in government, industry and in the business world, with excellence in the fields of art and sciences and professions and in the trades, with honor and integrity in every aspect of life in these United States.

And may we and our non-Japanese partners consider our Japanese heritage a mark of unique distinction, a something special that needs to be nurtured and valued.

May we also in the common bonds of pride in our heritage be joined together in an organization such as the JAFL to protect our rights if they are threatened, to maintain what cultural and ethnic identity that may be necessary, to be a repository of our common history and achievements, and to be a means of communication with each other as we as a group become



Hawaii Today

**Honolulu**

Damage from the April 19 flash floods was estimated at \$2.35 million by a spokesman for the State's civil defense dept. Areas hardest hit included the Manuapuna industrial area below Tripler Hospital and the Waialua-Haleiwa sector.

The state's 9,000 ILWU sugar workers went back to their jobs April 24, ending a strike which began March 9 on plantations on Oahu, Maui, Kauai and the Big Island. It has been learned that the union won a 75-cent hourly pay boost for all workers under the pact. Hawaii's pineapple strike ended April 23 with ratification of a new contract by some 6,000 pineapple workers on Oahu, Maui and Lanai. They began their strike at midnight April 6. ILWU made job security a major issue in both the sugar and pineapple negotiations, although wages were also a key demand.

Now that the worst of the gasoline shortage appears to be over, many former bus riders have returned to their own vehicles for transportation, according to the City's mass transit division. Bus ridership peaked in February at about 833,000 passengers when the effects of the crisis were felt the hardest. But the April average was 747,232, down almost 90,000.

The state's unemployment rate rose to a new high of 7.6 per cent in March with 26,100 persons out of jobs in all the counties. One of the major reasons for the jump in unemployment was the high incidence of labor disputes, with 8,900 persons involved in strikes or walkouts.

**Hawaii Employment Assn.** criticized unemployment statistics, saying they were "very inaccurate." Spokesman Michael Welsh said HEA feels the state's figures make the public think that jobs aren't available. But he said, "We have jobs available for plenty of people—if they are interested." HEA member agencies report that they have an excess of job openings in relation to the number of persons seeking jobs.

**Names in the News**

Gov. John Burns entered St. Francis Hospital April 29 for further surgery. Burns has been suffering from an infection that stems from a cancer operation Oct. 22. The operation was to remove an infected fistula which has slowed Burns' recovery. Doctors gave no indication that malignancy had returned. Dr. Bernard Fong was the attending physician. Dr. Richard You has told the Advertiser he believes he is the doctor who in 1970 treated a bullet wound suffered by a murder suspect hiding out in

**Tule Lake**—Continued from Front Page

year at Tule Lake. When we were allowed to relocate from camp, we moved to Idaho," Otow recalls.

Tule Lake was originally a relocation center as were the other nine camps and housed the families evacuated from the West Coast. But as the camp authorities began to identify the "trouble makers" and repatriates, Tule Lake was designated a segregation center. Those evacuees considered "loyal" were sent to other facilities and all of those considered "disloyal" were assembled at Tule Lake.

The history of the Tule Lake camp is spattered with accounts of riots, killings, and general discord. Why return to a place filled with such unpleasant memories?

"The camp experience is definitely a part of the cultural heritage of the Japanese American, especially those who grew up on the West Coast," Otow expressed. "The experience of living behind barbed wire, under constant guard, could not help but affect us and other attitudes. Some were very angry and attempted to rebel, others took it in stride and tried to make the best of it. Even today feelings regarding camp are mixed. There is still the anger, but some are able to remember the experience with nostalgia because of the many lifelong friendships made there."

"But one of the most important reasons for our pilgrimage today," Otow said, "is to help to educate our children. Many were born in camp or after camp and thus too young to remember. We hope this will provide them with an important link to their past."

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by Richard Gims

**Kaliua.** The longtime national AAU official and U.S. Olympic committee member said he did not report the injury to police, as required by law, because he did not recognize it as a bullet wound. The suspect he treated, it is alleged, was Paul Lono.

**Eugene Tiwanak** has been elected pres. of Marikou Alumni Assn. Thomas Henry of Kaliua Post Office has been named one of 17 U.S. postal employees in the Western area who have won the Pride in Excellence award. Dr. Robert Chang has been re-elected president of the Kaneohe Business Group.

**Political Scene**

Mauī Mayor Elmer Cravalho, 48, announced April 29 that he would step down as mayor of Mauī County in July to devote his time to his "first love"—agriculture. If he does run at all for public office in the future, he said, it would be that of Mauī County council. Cravalho's current term runs till the end of 1974.

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**Honolulu Scene**

A spectacular fire on April 23 engulfed the top floor of the stone building at Fort St. Mall and Beretania, attracting hundreds of spectators in the 4:36 p.m. blaze. Eleven fire companies took 40 minutes to control the fire. The three-story building is across the street from the Catholic Church and used to house the Japanese Consulate prewar. Members of the Makiki Christian Church observed the church's 70th anniversary April 28 with a special luncheon. The church was founded by the late Rev. Takie Okumura in 1904. It moved to its present location in 1932.

**Residents of Molokai.** McCully and Lower Manaia held a party April 28 to celebrate the community's successful campaign to obtain \$10 million through the legislature to acquire the old Honolulu Stadium site for park use.

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**BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman Churchill's Wartime Acts Appraised**

CHURCHILL AS WARLORD, by Ronald Lewin, Stein and Day, New York, 288 pp., \$10.

Addressing the House of Commons, March 24, 1938, on the fall of Austria to Adolf Hitler, Winston Churchill said, "For five years I have talked to the House on these matters... I have watched this famous island descending inconspicuously, fecklessly, the stairway which leads to a dark gulf. It is a fine broad stairway at the beginning, but after a bit the carpet ends. A little further on there are only flagstones, and a little farther on still these break beneath your feet..."

The British from the Continent, German invasion of the British Isles appeared imminent, but by Sept. 15, 1940, the British wrested control of the skies over their island and so aborted the invasion plan. The author identifies this achievement of aerial supremacy as the first of four foundation stones over which Churchill proceeded towards victory. The other three vital footings are: the German invasion of Russia in June 1941; the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor; and the Allied victory over German submarine warfare in the Atlantic.

Assuming the prime ministership to wage a war that might have been averted if his warnings had been heeded, Churchill had confronted the prospect of imminent defeat. The turning points mentioned promised him survival and ultimate victory.

The erudite author recounts the prosecution of the war and analyzes the strategy employed. He appraises the proposals and decisions of Churchill, sometimes to the discredit of the warlord.

Condescending towards the British prime minister and ultracritical, the author strews his pages with distracting footnotes, the information of which might better have been incorporated into the text, relegated to the back pages, or omitted. He mars his otherwise well-organized, lucid account by lacing it with untranslated Latin and French words, phrases, and sentences—even a whole paragraph.

He seems oblivious to the color and drama of the indomitable Churchill rallying his people and inspiring the Allied world with matchless eloquence. But conceding the validity of his implied military omniscience, the author makes his points.

He assesses the performance of Churchill and awards him a passing mark.

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Economic inflation, the high cost of living, or the rapid increase in prices of consumer goods hits the pocket book of all of us. Unfortunately, it hurts the poor and the middle class more than the rich. In most minority communities the struggle for survival, to meet the basic needs of one's family is a difficult challenge in inflationary times. Also, caught in the financial bind are those senior citizens who live on fixed incomes and students who have limited financial resources.

I hope the balance of this column will be of some assistance to the parents and students who must manage their personal financial affairs to pay for higher education.

It was not news to me to read recently that the cost of college tuitions, room and board, and other living costs for students was on the increase. What used to be considered "public education" is now somewhat private because of the high cost of public institutions.

My father-in-law reminded me that when he attended the University of California at

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Awards

Monterey Peninsula College sophomore John Ichijui, 19-year-old son of the Monterey Peninsula JACLers Mickey Ichijus of Pacific Grove, received a \$2,000 Bank of America scholarship in the field of science or engineering—the top statewide honor sought by some 160,000 second-year students in California's 97 community colleges. John graduates in June and will transfer to USC where he eventually hopes to enter his dental school.

The National Society, Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, honored Sen. Hiram L. Fong (R-Hawaii), son of Chinese immigrants to Hawaii, for his "good citizenship" at the society's 74th general court banquet April 12.

### Education

Bonnie Yamaoka, daughter of the George Yamaokas, Sunnyvale, has recently been appointed a participant advisor for songfest at USC.

The Seattle school board appointed Yoshio Aoki to the new 20-member joint City of Seattle-Seattle Public School education advisory committee.

### Churches

Melvin Uchida, 26, of Honolulu is nearing his eight-year training to become a bush pilot for Wycliffe Bible Translators in the Amazon jungle. A graduate of the Hawaii Baptist Academy, and Simpson Bible College (San Francisco), 1970, he will be employed by Jungle Aviation and Radio Service as a pilot-mechanic. He is currently in Mexico completing his jungle-surviving training.

The annual Rev. Itsuzo Kyogoku Buddhist Recognition Award presented to an outstanding teenager, YBA member, and Sunday School teacher were won by Jane K. Wuekama of Denver; Nina Tomita of Seattle; and Joe M. Watari of Venice, Calif., respectively. The award, initiated in 1973, is given in memory of the late Rev. Kyogoku

### Business

Asian American National Business Alliance, 1543 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, a federally-funded business development group offering free management, technical and financial assistance to economically and socially disadvantaged small business, obtained loans totalling \$1,457,000 during the first quarter of 1974 and provided leads to \$340,000 in contracts for goods and services to existing businesses.

Group was broken April 25 at Levelland, Tex., for a Japanese-managed textile plant with three firms involved: Daiwa Corp. of Osaka will manage the plant; Toyoda-Cho of Nagoya will produce the plant equipment, and Marubeni-America of New York will market the yarn.

### Politics

A bipartisan Southern California committee for Norm Mineta to Congress will host a reception for the San Jose mayor May 23, 6-8 p.m., at Restaurant Horikawa in Little Tokyo. Honorary chairman of the group is former National JACL president George Inagaki. Handling reservations are Mitsuo Sonoda (472-4361), Betty Yumori (272-3151), ext. 306, days) and Kats Kunitzuga (223-5227, even). TV host George Takel will emcee.

Mineta also was endorsed by the National Women's Political Caucus in Santa Clara County in the belief he would best work for advancement of rights for women.

### Courtroom

Newly-sworn Hawaii Circuit Court Judge Ernest Kubota, 42, of Hilo is a graduate of the Univ. of Hawaii and the Univ. of Washington Law School, in private practice in Hawaii since 1953, served as part-time district magistrate from 1963, full-time from 1969 and elevated

'Operation Outreach' unprecedented in world. DOBBS FERRY, N.Y.—Eight children born to patients in the leper colonies of South Korea are being adopted by American families under Operation Outreach, a program believed unprecedented in the world history of adoption.

The children show no sign of the disease and are being relinquished by their parents so they may lead healthy, happy lives free of the "untouchable" stigma, according to Bernice Gottlieb, Operation Outreach director.

About 100 American couples have been notified to adopt through the program. About 200 Korean children have been offered for adoption through the Travelers Aid-International Social Service of America.

### Watsonville

Over 300 people saw the Watsonville Bannai Club's first exhibit held April 28 at the Watsonville Temple. Club president Tom Tao said about 250 plants were displayed and Masao Akiyoshi explained the art of the two demonstrations. About 30 plants were distributed as door prizes.

### UJCS Facility

SAN FRANCISCO—The former Methodist mission at 2012 Pine St., a two-story structure, has been renovated to house the Japanese Community Youth Council, Japanese Community Services and United Japanese Community Services.

to the circuit court last April 17.

Recently reappointed Municipal Judge Lloyd Shinsato of Northglenn, Colo., was formerly assistant city attorney for the city and county of Denver, a 1955 graduate of the Denver University Law School and a native of Hawaii. Judge Shinsato was first appointed by the city council in January, 1972, for a two-year term. The city has a population of 28,000.

Tsutomu Uchida, executive director of Asian American National Business Alliance, and Mrs. Yuki Ibara, both of Los Angeles, were among 13 named to the new CSU-Los Angeles school of education advisory committee, as announced by John A. Greenlee, CSULA president, and education dean Philip D. Vairo.

### Nisei Week

Miss Metropolitan L.A. JACL, Maria Akiko Rivera, 18, of Nicaraguan-Japanese ancestry, is the first entrant in the 1974 Miss Nisei Week contest. Daughter of the Francisco Riveras and graduate of Our Lady of Loretto High School, she stands 5 ft. tall, weighs 108 and is employed at Sumitomo Bank of California's Little Tokyo office as a teller. The chapter held its contest April 25 at Tai Ping Restaurant. Other candidates were Miyo Hirahara, Cathy Imal, Emiko Nakashima and Yuko Sakamoto.

### Sports

Mary Fujita was elected to a three-year term on the Greater Seattle Women's Bowling Assn. The association governs 865 sanctioned leagues with over 25,500 members. Hawaiian sumoist Jesse Kuhlana, known in Japan as Takamiyama, was promoted to the rank of Sekiwake for

the summer tournament starting May 12 in Tokyo. At the last Osaka tournament, he had a 10-5 record as Maegashira No. 1. He has competed in 13 tournaments so far.

### Redevelopment

Twelve new members were named to the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee, it was announced April 29 by committee chairman Tad Ikemoto. Appointed by the Mayor, new members are all in business in Little Tokyo. They are: Annabelle Akita, Osamu Kakimoto, Danny Kurose, Yoshi Kikuno, Look Mar, Howard Nishimura CPA, Larry Ritta Mituko Shime, Takeo Takyoshi, Fred T. Takata, Mr. and Mrs. Seiji Ueno.

### Milestones

Louis Fong Sui Hong, 77, 18. A retired banker and importer, he was founder-chairman of the New York Lodge of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance, founded the Chinese Journal in 1945 and national chairman of the Chinese American Republican National Federation.

### Nisei Farmers League starts night patrols

VISALIA, Calif.—The Nisei Farmers League announced last week (May 2) night patrols have been organized in Fresno and Tulare counties in an attempt to deter vandalism like that which occurred in Kern County.

Four greenhouse fires, reportedly caused by arson, were reported in Kern County during the previous week. On May 1, 2,000 valuable grape vines were cut by vandals in the Arvin area ranch owned by John Kovacevich, one of the UFWA-struck growers.

## San Diego KGTV airs documentaries on its Asian American communities

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—First in the series of six public affairs programs on the local Asian communities was telecast April 20 by KGTV (10), presenting the local histories of the Chinese, Japanese, Filipino and Guamanian communities.

Historical photographs, some dating back to the 1880s, were used to depict the histories of the Asian ethnic communities of San Diego. Impact of discriminatory laws and immigration policies was a common thread which ran through their histories with far-reaching effects, especially in occupational stereotypes, anti-miscegenation laws, themes which will reappear in future segments.

Assisting the KGTV producers were the Union of Pan Asian Communities with Beverly Yip, UPAC administrative coordinator, and members from the participating ethnic communities.

On schedule are three more programs, presenting perspectives often neglected by the media in the past. The essay presenting a kaleidoscope of the diverse cultural heritages will be shown on Saturday, May 18, 2:30 p.m., highlighted by in-studio presentations on the art of Chinese watercoloring, tai chi, judo, kendo, Japanese and Filipino dances and a display of the myriad uses of coconut.

Third program giving a full-

ler treatment of Asian America history is set for Sunday, June 2, 10:30 p.m.

The fourth program, covering education, is scheduled for Sunday, June 23, 12:30 p.m. It will explore the inadequacies of school systems in providing role models in the form of Asian teachers or administrators to Asian students in the system.

The final two segments will deal with community resources, employment problems and role of community organizations.

UPAC is an organization comprised of representatives from Chinese, Japanese, Filipino and Guamanian community organizations. San Diego JACL president Vernon Yoshio is UPAC president.

KGTV, a McGraw-Hill firm and affiliated with NBC, said it hopes the programs improve the attitudes of both Asians and non-Asians.

According to Mike Ishikawa of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, "attitudes is the major problem facing us today, that is, we've made it, we don't have social problems, we're a model minority, a quiet minority..." (Ishikawa, an Orange County JACL board member, is chairman of the newly formed PSWDC-JACL Ethnic Concern task force.)

For the pan-Asian communities, KGTV hoped that the programs will create a sense of pride in their cultural heritage and assist in establishing a sense of identity.

## Northwest Holiday group tour set

CHICAGO—Eastern and Midwest JACLers planning to attend the National JACL Convention in Portland are being offered a 14-day economy Northwest holiday via San Francisco at \$505.84 per person, double occupancy and tax included.

Under sponsorship of the 1000 Club, the tour includes two admission tickets to Expo '74 at Spokane and a deluxe tour of San Francisco, departing from Chicago July 20 via United Air Lines for three days in San Francisco, by Amtrak to Portland and the JACL Convention, four days at Spokane and four days in Seattle, returning to Chicago Aug. 4.

Reservations with \$100 deposit are being accepted by Dr. Frank F. Sakamoto, 4603 N. Sheridan Rd., Chicago, Ill.

### Bannai to march

TORRANCE, Calif.—For the first time in 15 years of the Armed Forces Day parade here, the City Council decided that because of the energy crisis, dignitaries will walk the parade route instead of riding tomorrow (May 18). Assemblyman Paul Bannai will be among the public officials participating. Rep. F. Edward Hebert of Louisiana, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, is grand marshal.



Two large and colorful Koi-Nobori are presented by Sumitomo Bank of California to Jefferson Middle School in Torrance marking Japan's Boys' Day and the second anniversary of the bank's Torrance office. Explaining the festival is principal Paul Harensky (standing). South Bay JACL president and branch manager Mas Miyakoda (seated at right besides podium) and Kay Shiba, asst. bank v.p., hoisted the two carps, joining Old Glory and the California Bear flags. Seated at left are Toru Nagase and Jake Herman who responded for the 200 students. "Koi is very similar to salmon," Miyakoda explained. "They have natural strength, a will to overcome difficulty and the ability to swim against strong current. From olden days, Japanese thought these were also desirable traits in a young man."

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### Los Angeles

A weekly series of Wednesday night meetings of the JACS-Asian Involvement Group commenced May 15 at Evergreen Baptist Church, where adults and youth can share feelings, experiences and problems with community workers, social and mental health workers. Program began in 1971 to help fight drug abuse in the Asian community. Further information may be had by calling:

Shin'ya Uno or Herb Hatanaka (626-8241, ext. 323), Masano Sei (626-2249), Kathy N. Nishida (689-4413).

**International Orphans, Inc.**, now constructing homes for orphans here and in Japan, will host its 10th annual Women of the World benefit luncheon Wednesday, May 22, at the Century Plaza Hotel. Vicki Carr and Mrs. Clark Gable will be honored. Chiyoh Kishiyama, 13, of Santa Maria will again recite the Children's Prayer at the fund-raiser. Tickets are \$15 per person. Over \$18,000 was raised last year.

### San Francisco

Three new staff members were introduced by Kimochi, Inc., at its May 4 meeting; Mrs. Motoko Nakagawa, Mrs. Moriguchi and Mrs. A.G. Iwatsubo, bilingual workers for its Iseki Lounge and visitation programs.

**The Buddhist Churches of America** national headquarters here organized a field trip April 20 to visit San Quentin prison. A group of 85 made the tour, which included a look at the gas chamber, a cell block, industrial shops, gym, chapel, inmate dining room and the souvenir shop.

### Fresno

Establishment of an Iseki drop-in service center is being supported by local Japanese merchants and the district JACL. Yoshisaburo Okuda is offering to rent space at Kern and F Sts., at half cost.

A group of 36 Sansei have signed for a study tour of Japan in August. The Ministry of Education and Asahi Shimbun will be co-hosts with the Asahi arranging so that a host friend for each student during the tour.

Under joint sponsorship of the Fresno Cultural Class and Japanese Language School and leadership of Arthur Araki, public school students and the community enjoyed the annual Japanese culture Festival May 10-12 at the Buddhist Church Annex.

**The Japanese United Methodist churches** in Fresno, Dinuba, Reedley and Livingston have organized a United Japanese Language ministry for Central California to help the Iseki aged, assist Japanese-speaking students and Japanese-speaking wives of servicemen into the social establishment, and serve as an information source.

### Chicago

The fourth annual Market Day sale will be held June 1, 10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., it was announced by the Japanese American Service Committee, 4427 N. Clark St., with proceeds slated for improved social services. The Friendship Van from the Mayor's Office for senior citizens will be on hand this year.

### New York

The fifth San Dai Kai will feature speakers for WW2 Nisei veterans under continuing sponsorship of the Japanese American Assn. of New York and the committee for the popular Iseki-Nisei-Sansei gatherings. It will be held May 26, 1:30 p.m., at the Japanese American United Church, 225 Seventh Ave. Speakers include Min Hara, MIS; B.I.I. Koshiyama, 442nd RCT; Irv Akahoshi, 100th Infantry, and

### Watsonville

Over 300 people saw the Watsonville Bannai Club's first exhibit held April 28 at the Watsonville Temple. Club president Tom Tao said about 250 plants were displayed and Masao Akiyoshi explained the art of the two demonstrations. About 30 plants were distributed as door prizes.

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