

LIBRARY AIDE FIGHTS WEEK'S SUSPENSION

Week's Pay Lost for
Attempt to Stop Man
Taking Unchecked Book

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The Great Battle of the Book, which flabbergasted the Chinese American librarian involved, has gone to arbitration.

On Jan. 8 Morris Myers of San Francisco took into submission the case of Loretta Chin, 28, an employee of the city library since 1969, who was suspended a week after she tried to stop a man who walked out with a book he hadn't checked out last Nov. 14.

The municipal employees union protested the suspension of Miss Chin during the hearings held Jan. 4-5 and intends to ask Mayor Norman Mineta to order a complete investigation into city policies which would result in an employee being suspended for misconduct because she assisted in apprehending a man in the act of stealing public property.

Miss Chin at first was fired over the Nov. 14 incident and then suspended for a week. She is fighting to have the incident removed from her personnel record and to regain lost pay during the suspension.

The alleged book thief who touched off the incident testified that he kicked Miss Chin and hit her with a karate chop between the nose and mouth after she stubbornly refused to let go of him outside the main branch of the city library where he fled with a book.

Tomlin Horsley, 36, of 2334 Lucetta Ave., an unemployed auditor, said he hadn't intended the matter to escalate like it did.

"Right or wrong, it just isn't worth all the hassle," he said.

Horsley said the encounter began when he went to pick up a book loaned from another library. He said he was told he needed a library card to pick up the book.

A verbal hassle ensued over the type of identification required to obtain a card, and Horsley said he started out of the library.

At the door, he turned around and picked up the book he wanted and left, he testified.

The group of people pursued him, Horsley said, and he made an obscene gesture in their direction.

Miss Chin caught up with him on the sidewalk and tenaciously hung onto his lapels, despite the kick and karate chop, Horsley said.

City Librarian Homer Fletcher testified he attempted to fire Miss Chin over the incident but settled for a suspension when he discovered only City Mgr. Ted Tedesco could dismiss her.

Fletcher defended his action, claiming Miss Chin did not follow library rules in dealing with Horsley's request for a library card.

Miss Chin's attorney, Ernest Miller, strongly contested Fletcher's comments, saying Miss Chin notified a supervisor of the incident and carried out an obligation to try to prevent unlawful acts.

A group of San Jose Library employees, in the meantime, has informed the Civil Service Commission the suspension of Miss Chin was justified. "She has repeatedly exercised poor judgment in the handling of library patrons, and been extremely rude to them," their petition read.

Union leader James Gallagher of Local 101, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, termed the incident a "mind-boggling" bureaucratic move and called the City Council to fire head librarian Fletcher, if it were his policies which led to Miss Chin's one-week suspension. Ironically, Fletcher has served as chairman of the city's Affirmative Action Committee.

Title of the book in question: "The Real Estate Dictionary", 1972-73 edition.

Agbayani Village drawing support

LOS ANGELES — Yellow Brotherhood and JACS-Asian Involvement centers will be collection points for canned food, rice, beans and flour destined for the Filipino senior citizens Agbayani Village in Delano.

Delivery of about 500 pounds of foodstuff for the end of January is anticipated.

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Cleveland	81	San Fernando	171
Col. Basin	3	San Gabriel	48
DTLA	37	Seattle	94
East L.A.	32	Sequoia	122
Eden Township	24	Twin Cities	26
French Camp	17	Watsonville	254
Fresno	69	West L.A.	216
Liv-Merc	4	West Valley	9
Long Beach	50	Wilshire	1
Monterey	49	Washack	38
Puyallup	27		
Redwood	37		
Reno	13	Total	1,654

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Everything seems to go up in price these days, except money.—Anonymous.

The Year Ahead

To JACLers and Friends:

JACL is at the threshold of an exciting 1974 year of heightened activities. The year 1973 was one of transition, reorganization and evaluation. It was a propitious time for JACL to reassess its goals and purposes and to reset its program priorities as new staff joined the organization and expanding needs were articulated by the general membership and the National Board.

The growth of our membership in 1973 attests to the continued interest and need for JACL; to the confidence in our new leadership; and to the support of new directions mandated by the National Council in July, 1972.

For 1974, we have set a goal of 35,000 members. This is a goal we can easily achieve as long as we have the full support and participation of every one of our current members. This means renewing your membership early and helping to bring in many new members.

In the coming year, JACL will be involved in many exciting innovative programs. Education, youth, Issei, regionalization and legislation have been identified as the priority programs for the current biennium.

In addition, we accepted the increasing responsibility for JACL to become more actively involved in community action programs which affect the lives of all Asian Americans. With the growing tension between U.S. and Japan, we are cognizant of the need to develop a planful and affirmative national public relations program as a corollary to our overall educational thrust. We will soon have the report of the National Public Relations Commission which should aid us greatly in developing our many programs.

The national staff is now comprised of 20 persons, 16 of whom were hired under the new directorship of David Ushio and most of whom have yet to serve one full year with JACL. We now have staff who come with special skills and training in such pertinent fields as community organization, education, social welfare, mass media and legal services. The technical assistance of staff has already been invaluable to our many JACL volunteers whose services bring them in contact with the increasingly complex educational, social welfare and political systems in our respective communities. Staff has helped volunteers work within the system. They have made the volunteer jobs less frustrating, more satisfying and certainly more rewarding.

The achievement of our goal, particularly an increase in membership, will enable the JACL to continue its development and implementation of programs mandated by the 1972 National Council. As we enter the second year of this biennium, I look forward to your joining the rest of us and sharing in the exciting programs for 1974.

HENRY TANAKA
National President

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Reagan wants Jpn. for state use

SAN FRANCISCO — By chance, Clifford I. Uyeda, MD, was perusing the 1972-73 directory published by the California State Board of Medical Examiners and noticed the use of "Jap." as an abbreviation for Japan in one of the listings.

As one who has been keen on eliminating the use of the racial epithet, Dr. Uyeda last month (Dec. 12) wrote to Gov. Ronald Reagan, asking his help to direct state agencies to avoid use of that abbreviation.

On Jan. 7, the governor responded.

"I have asked the Board of Medical Examiners to review their use of abbreviations for Japan and to make the changes you suggested (Jpn.) I will also ask the Dept. of Consumer Affairs and other departments to review their publications to be sure this abbreviation is not being used anywhere else in other publications. Thank you for call-

HUD okays S.F. JARF apartment

SAN FRANCISCO—The U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development has approved \$8.2-million for construction of the senior citizens apartment by the Japanese American Religious Federation of San Francisco, according to Richard Kono of the Redevelopment Agency last week (Jan. 15).

The approval was made in Washington on Jan. 10. Construction is expected to start within 45 days.

listied is the membership chairman but check is payable to the JACL Chapter. Unlisted chapters are invited to submit similar data. To insure uninterrupted subscription to the Pacific Citizen, current members are urged to renew now.

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ing this matter to my attention."

His immediate and forthright response was most gratifying to Dr. Uyeda, a longtime San Francisco JACLer. The governor has shown "a concern for our feelings which so many others have ignored," he observed.

Dr. Uyeda believed this action is the first of any state governor directing state agencies against use of an abbreviation (even with a "period") for Japan and Japanese.

JACL's campaign to eliminate the racial epithet began in earnest during WW2, when newspaper editors were asked to use "Nisei" wherever possible so as not to have Americans of Japanese ancestry confused with the enemy Japanese.

The editors in Hawaii picked up on "AJA" (Americans of Japanese Ancestry) as "Nisei" sounded too Japanese.

Following the end of the war, it was Shosuke Sasaki with Standard & Poors, in New York who mounted what turned out to be a one-man campaign to rid "Jap" from the headlines and columns of the U.S. press through the American Newspaper Guild. In 1952, he succeeded.

JACL's focus then turned on the American dictionaries in the mid-50s to have "Jap" changed from a slang expression to that of derogation or as Merriam-Webster, the last of the major dictionaries noted in 1961, "often used disparagingly".

In the 1960s, the use of the epithet on radio and TV was attacked by JACL, appealing for support from the FCC. Secretarial handbooks, textbooks for children and its utterance by public officials were similarly objects of the JACL anti-derogation campaign.

Among the public officials and luminaries who've felt JACL's blasts on the use of the three-letter word included Japanese Ambassador Koto Matsudaira to the United Nations in 1957, vice presidential candidate Spiro Agnew in the 1968 campaign, comedian Bob Hope and Washington attorney John J. Wilson last year.

And most recently the Calif. Dept. of Motor Vehicle has recalled personalized plates with "JAP" on them except for the man's name Jappay, after JACL approached the state legislature, which amended the law authorizing the department to have offensive plates recalled or unissuable.

Push for equal rights law lags

WASHINGTON — Prospects of the Equal Rights Amendment becoming the 27th to the U.S. Constitution this year remains doubtful, say the supporters of the bill which cleared the Congress in 1972.

At the time, ratification by the 38 needed states by the end of 1973 had been predicted but the amendment — which provides equal rights for women — has been approved by 30 states. The amendment will die if not ratified by March, 1979.

Thirteen states have either rejected or sidetracked the amendment. If none of these reverses itself and approves the equal rights amendment, it cannot become law.

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Harry K. Honda

Ye Editor's Desk

THE ENERGY CRISIS

Expectation whirls me around...—Shakespeare.

Economists and ecologists have been saying for years that our resources are limited—and the so-called energy crisis is making the lot of us believers. The appetite for the good life and living has been tempered and all of a sudden we find "more" is not always the better. We've come to appreciate the distinction between quality and quantity in the mainstream of American attitudes. We now perceive that "more" bombs have meant less thought about dropping them; "more" TV sets have meant fewer good programs; and "more" money has often meant less contentment—if the 1960s said anything.

The momentum of the 20th Century has suddenly been halted by the Arab oil men. The American Dream—alias, material progress, which began so optimistically through the Industrial Revolution, is no longer something the rest of the world can share. Man, the dreamer, has suddenly discovered there is an end in sight when it comes to the Earth's resources.

But with a new year at hand, man in his eternal quest for a better life sees the old patterns have collapsed and will try to adjust to a new earth-bound set of realities. He will pause to see what went wrong and where he must go from here.

In spite of the shattered dreams, man looks hopefully ahead with the quality of life for all the earth's citizens the main concern. What the ecologists warned about unchecked industrial growth destroying the air and water, the hard facts of economics show the quality of life is not only a most desirable priority but a reasonable one. Rather than the mad pursuit of endless economic growth, man need only dedicate his mind and machines to providing food and shelter for those in need than unneeded products for those who believe in the myth of "more and bigger".

And if the managers of the emerging nongrowth economy can readjust the system of distribution to insure a just sharing of the world's limited resources, human progress can turn inward to a growth of the spirit. Automation will shorten the work week, medicine can extend the fruitful years of retirement. Instead of driving relentlessly toward material productivity, man can devote his energies to self-enrichment—the arts, education or creative leisure—or end in a boredom and frustration verging on madness.

The need to rethink the meaning of the good life and reorder our personal and national priorities compels. What role JACL, as an organization, has in this process may well be the challenge of the 1974 national convention at Portland. It is quite possible by the end of July, when the delegates convene, what has transpired in recent weeks may be forgotten as bad news. Prices may be higher, the goods a bit dearer—especially in Oregon—but the prospect of being together in convention to soar to newer heights within is a dimension we contemplate expectantly.

THE PC GETS AROUND

Besides tending to editorial matters, the year-end finds us compiling the annual reports for the PC Board. In preparing an analysis of our circulation (as of Dec., 1973), we find PC readers in 47 States (none in South Carolina, Vermont or West Virginia), District of Columbia, Guam, Canada, Mexico, Japan, Hong Kong and Belgium. Twenty more readers bear APO—San Francisco addresses, which can mean Korea, Taiwan, Thailand and the Philippines as well as Japan. At one time we had readers in Afghanistan, Kenya, Germany, Italy and England.

There were 20,670 subscribers at the year-end, ninety percent (18,700) being JACL-member households. Checking the records, we found our circulation growth rate over the past five years to be about 800 new readers a year and we shall be guided accordingly when projecting our budget through the 1970s.

About two-thirds of our subscribers live in California: 5,800 in Southern California; 1,000 in Central California; and 7,260 in Northern California. This statistic is one that JACLers in business might savor as PC would welcome more support from the San Francisco, San Jose and Sacramento areas on a regular basis.

Here's the PC count by states, compared with the 1970 U.S. Census figures for persons of Japanese ancestry. This is the first time we've published a precise breakdown.

State	1970	PC	State	1970	PC
Alabama	6	1,079	Nebraska	82	1,314
Alaska	3	916	Nevada	62	1,087
Arizona	178	2,394	N. Hamp.	1	360
Arkansas	1	587	N. Jersey	185	5,681
Calif.	14,082	213,280	N. Mexico	16	940
Colorado	306	6,846	N. York	254	20,351
Connecticut	71	1,621	N. Carolina	3	2,104
Delaware	7	359	N. Dakota	3	239
D.C.	267	651	Ohio	440	5,555
Florida	13	4,060	Oklahoma	5	1,408
Georgia	6	1,836	Oregon	622	6,843
Hawaii	67	217,307	Penn.	167	5,461
Idaho	279	2,255	Rhode Is.	7	629
Illinois	932	17,299	S. Carolina	1	221
Indiana	32	2,279	S. Dakota	1	120
Iowa	5	1,009	Tennessee	5	1,170
Kansas	5	1,584	Texas	31	6,537
Louisiana	7	1,123	Utah	507	4,713
Maine	1	348	Vermont	1	134
Maryland	116	3,733	Virginia	117	3,550
Mass.	28	4,393	Wash.	1,079	20,335
Michigan	210	5,221	W. Virginia	—	368
Minnesota	216	2,603	Wisconsin	114	2,648
Miss.	2	461	Wyoming	9	566
Montana	2	574			
				20,633	591,230

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Jan. 29, 1949

Report evacuees slow in filing claims for evacuation losses with Department of Justice... Calif. assembly considers bills to outlaw race prejudice... Stranded Nisei (William S. Ishikawa) testify in Hawaiian case... Senate

judiciary committee gives favorable report to contraband articles proposal... Deseret Magazine in Utah proposes restoration of aviator Goto memorial... Ashes may be sent to Japan under new occupation ruling...



Go!

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: Mike Masaoka

Anti-Japanese American Acts

(It Can Happen Here, Again)

In my first column two weeks ago, I expressed the fear that as Japan shifted toward a more pro-Arab stance in its foreign policy in order to assure itself of the needed oil for its national survival, while the United States maintained its pro-Israel posture, most likely tensions would increase between the country of our citizenship and the land of our ancestry, especially if the Nixon Administration decided upon official rhetoric criticizing the new Japanese position.

Historically, in such periods of increasing tension, anti-Japan and anti-Japanese actions have taken place in these United States, particularly on the Pacific Coast where anti-oriental racism is a tradition. And, because most Americans do not distinguish between the Japanese of Japan and the American Japanese, anti-Japanese acts and discriminations could very well effect Japanese Americans because of our visibility and our identification as Japanese.

Twenty-two years ago, in World War II when Japan was the military enemy, the anti-Japanism in the United States reached its climax with the arbitrary mass army evacuation and detention of all persons of Japanese ancestry on the West Coast.

Since Japan now has no armed forces except for defensive purposes and since the Japanese people are very much opposed to war as an instrument of national policy, there is no immediate threat of a military confrontation. However, Japan can become an adversary of the United States in the economic and diplomatic fields. And, regardless of which nation may be at "fault," such competitive relationships can bring about situations in this country that could be very difficult and even tragic for those of Japanese origin residing here.

Frankly, no matter how strained relations may become, I cannot conceive of another mass action, such as detention, against most—if not all—of those of Japanese "race" residing in this country, as was the case two decades ago insofar as those on the West Coast were concerned.

This time, in my opinion, the resentments, the prejudices, and the discriminations against Japanese Americans in the coming months and years may be directed against the individual, and not the group. These anti-Japanese activities, this time, may not be confined to one section of the country and may be far more subtle and difficult to overcome than those of World War II.

Of course, there may be some acts of violence, destruction, and even desecration in scattered parts of the nation. There may be public signs calling for "patriotic" reactions against Japan and Japanese products or investments. There may be efforts in local, state, and national legislatures to enact laws that will authorize "special" actions against Japanese, though—due to constitutional prohibitions—no specific racial designation will be made. The use of the smear word "Jap" may again become accepted in print and in the media.

This time, it occurs to me that anti-Japanism may substantially affect Japanese Americans in business, in employment, in housing, in education, in professions, in politics, in religion, and in community and organizational activities.

BUSINESS. There may be organized picketing and boycotting of Japanese merchandise and services. Japanese names on products may once again become a warning to "buy American." Japanese stores, restaurants, and service offices and shops may become less attractive and inviting as the various traits that have made Japanese items and services such "good buys" in the recent past are twisted to suggest inferiority, unfairness, and "cheapness."

EMPLOYMENT. If the Japanese become unpopular as people, Nisei and Sansei may be less liable to be hired

for any kind of job or position, including in government. And, if already employed, we may be promoted slower or even bypassed for promotions. Labor unions may become less willing to permit us to join local unions. Japanese Americans may become undesirable for employment in which they meet the public face-to-face, as in retail selling, in public relations, in television, in journalism, etc.

HOUSING. Should the Japanese become less attractive as neighbors, it may become more difficult for us to buy a home or rent an apartment in the area of one's choice. The charge may be made that Japanese Americans cause the value of homes and rentals to depreciate, or that they may be used for improper and "un-American" purposes. Prices for homes for Japanese Americans may become prohibitive, as may rentals, in the more attractive areas.

EDUCATION. High school graduates of Japanese origin may find it difficult to be accepted by the "better" colleges and universities. Scholarships, fellowships, and grants may become more difficult to apply for, and to earn. Already overworked medical and other professional graduate schools may find it easier to deny admission to American Japanese applicants. Furthermore, the teaching of the Japanese language in the secondary schools and in colleges and universities may be reduced. And, the histories of the contributions of the Japanese and the Japanese American to the growth and development of the United States may be even more distorted, minimized, and ignored.

PROFESSIONS. In most professions, it is the personal relationships that determine success. If the Japanese as people become "unacceptable" to the overwhelming majority of the populace, then fewer and fewer clients may risk social and even possibly economic ostracism to continue to patronize Japanese American doctors, dentists, opticians, lawyers, investment brokers, etc.

POLITICS. If anti-Japanese Americanism becomes the accepted attitude and practice, then it may become more difficult than ever for qualified Americans of Japanese ancestry to run for public office. At a time when more and more Nisei and Sansei are offering themselves for local, state, and even national offices, this sentiment of being against persons and things Japanese could effectively reverse the recent trend toward greater and greater personal involvement and participation in government and politics.

RELIGION. Recalling the Pacific War, it is to be remembered that Christian America, knowing that about half of those of Japanese background in this country were Buddhists, suggested that while fellow Christians of Japanese ancestry were loyal Americans they were doubtful of those of the Buddhist faith, since Buddhism was the religion of Asia. By such divisive tactics, an effort was made to divide Japanese Americans in this country and to turn one group against another within the same American Japanese community. This time, more prejudice and discrimination may be shown against Buddhist Japanese on the grounds that they are more "alien," less American, etc. In other words, all Nisei and Sansei may be subject to racial discrimination, but those of the Buddhist faith more so.

COMMUNITY. As with politics, anti-Japan resentments among the citizenry may well serve to exclude Japanese Americans from involvement and leadership in community and organizational affairs at all levels and in all lines of endeavor.

The above listing is not all-inclusive, for every human activity for Japanese Americans may be—directly or indirectly—affected by the development of popular antipathy and even hatred of Japan as a nation and as a people. Though incomplete, the listing was made because time and time again

I have been asked to be specific about what could and might happen to those of Japanese origin in this country if another wave of anti-Japanism flooded the nation. Please note that in each of these areas the prejudicial action is directed against an individual, although the nationality minority itself is the overall target.

And the experience of the immediate past has demonstrated how difficult it is to combat such individual and personal discrimination in employment, in housing, in business, in education, in the professions, in politics, in religion, in community and organizational affairs, etc.

Though many civil rights and equal opportunity laws are on the books, how does one prove bias and prejudice, particularly when such racial hostility is an official government policy, as it may well become under certain circumstances that are quite possible and even probable?

So, the coming era of increasing tension between the United States and Japan may well bring with it increased challenges in every field of human endeavor. And, on serious reflection, I doubt if many American Japanese would argue that serious consequences would not result from worsening Japanese-American relations. Too many of us experienced it some decades ago to know that it can happen again here in this country.

Gail Nishioka

Hikari

MISSILE TESTING PROPOSAL

Washington
In a news interview which was aired last Dec. 28, a spokesman for the Pentagon said that there will appear before this 2nd session of the 93rd Congress, which reconvened this week, a request for an increase in the Pentagon budget to include funds which will permit some missile testing early in 1975. The missiles, some loaded with war heads, would be launched from silos in Idaho and would follow a trajectory over several states (including the tip of Northern California) before landing in a designated area in the Pacific.

With the current emphasis on energy saving, one question I would put to Pentagon officials and to Congress has to do with the amount of fuel which will be expended with the launching of these missiles. In this time when the American people are being asked to voluntarily conserve fuel, I believe the government at all levels should also "volunteer" to conserve. The 30% of the total energy expenditure which is used by the public which they are asked to further conserve on should not then be turned around and spent on testing missile launchings.

In addition to the waste of fuel we might also ask the Pentagon about the cost of each missile which was reported will be approximately \$26-million each. What is the vital necessity of such an expenditure in dollars?

Another crucial question concerns the danger which is imminent should some error occur in the firing. The Pentagon spokesman said in that event the missiles might have to be destroyed while in flight and pieces weighing up to 100 pounds could fall to earth. The danger to citizens is apparently obvious.

The Pentagon spokesman went on to state that the Soviet Union has run approximately one hundred such tests in the past years. This is the crux of the Pentagon request. The spokesman implied that the U.S. needs to protect itself by being able to show the Soviets that the U.S. can do what it has to in order to defend itself.

Are we still at the level of face-saving and showing of forces? With the power to destroy that many nations have I would think that a "new way" to destroy should not occupy the time of government. Once destruction comes, I doubt if it would make any difference how it comes.

Our government, facing a new year, has more to concern itself with than showing its muscle to other countries. At the end of 1973, the people were left disappointed, disillusioned, and shocked. Does the government believe that this Pentagon request will pass unnoticed by Congress and the people?

The new year should mark the start of some real changes in a government bureaucracy which has been left badly scarred. The distrust of government by the people will not be changed by allowing vast expenditures on missiles which will waste energy, increase defense expenditures, and endanger citizen's lives and property—all the things which the government continuously tells the American people it is against.

LETTERS

Japanese bigotry?

Following letter was published in the Asahi Evening News, Tokyo, in its Nov. 15, 1973 edition.

To the Editor:
After years of observation, I must conclude that the Japanese authorities and the news media in general are extremely anti-black and on the other hand totally pro-white and particularly pro-white American.

I felt compelled to write these lines after viewing NHK's "United States '73," which was telecast last night (Nov. 7).

As usual, the diligent cameramen took special pains in highlighting the indigence of the blacks. He used his camera's lens to vividly underline this poverty by filming close-up views of a dilapidated house, its debris and surely one of the most impoverished families he could possibly find. To further emphasize this objectionable state of affairs he pictured a group of poorly clothed children eating a watermelon. Can you imagine that? ... a technique that is so old that even the staunchest American bigot doesn't use it any more.

For contrast, he chose an affluent white southern salesman and his family, who was living in so-called elite society. Again the diligent cameraman took the appropriate close-up views, of refined chinaware, elaborate furniture, etc.

Had this been the first time I viewed such distasteful racial prejudice I might have ignored it, but my experience has taught me that such reporting is quite indicative of the individuals operating NHK.

AN AFRICAN AMERICAN
Tokyo

Book review

Editor:
As a former Manzanar resident, I read Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston and James D. Houston's "Farewell to Manzanar" with great interest.

The evacuation story is part of the history of racism in this country, which should not be swept under the rug. Although Manzanar (or the other nine camps) was not an Auschwitz or Buchenwald with ovens carrying out Hitler's genocidal program, it had every appearance of a concentration camp—surrounded by barbed wire and guard towers with roving searchlights manned by mar-

And, again remembering the pre-World War II days when opportunities were strictly restricted or even denied because of our ancestry, Japanese Americans cannot afford to take current developments in the country between the country of our citizenship and the land of our ancestry for granted. Let us forget!



chine-gun-armed U.S. soldiers myself) on March 23, 1942.

Those who went to Idaho to help save the sugar beet crop, received the then going wages plus \$1.00 bonus; the crew, of which I was foreman, topped eight tons per day, per person, each earning \$10.80 (\$13.35 per ton). Certainly this was not "pitiful," as stated in the book. What was pitiful was the annual camp allocated monthly wages of \$12 (unskilled), \$16 (semi-professional) and \$19 (doctors, nurses, etc.), while the administrative staff—100% white and many from the Bureau of Indian Affairs—received the full government salaries.

In spite of these and other errors, which hopefully will be corrected in subsequent editions, "Farewell to Manzanar" makes good reading.

KARL G. YONEDA
San Francisco

Some kind words

Editor:
I have enjoyed the Pacific Citizen for its offering of various view points. This I appreciate as I return to Japan...

TAKASHI HARA
Detroit

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

THE YOUTH OF JAPAN—The Winter 1974 issue of Global Courier, the colorful and beautifully produced magazine of Japan Air Lines, carries a story of more than passing interest to Japanese Americans. It is about the young people of Japan, written by Boye De Mente, author of several books on that country. He reports that outwardly, young Japanese "are probably more Americanized than the youth of any other country."

De Mente continues: "Millions wear jeans; some young men wear their hair long; most dig rock and American pop tunes; Country and Western music are gaining in popularity; young Japanese go bowling, swimming, dancing, hiking, picnicking, car-riding and to the movies. Their rooms and apartments are filled with posters. They like hamburgers and hot dogs as well as rice and fish."

De Mente also notes some striking differences: "But despite the prevalence and popularity of dating, a significant percentage of young Japanese speak favorably of 'o-miai,' the traditional system of arranging marriages. At present some 80 per cent of the annual million-plus marriages in Japan are love marriages ('renai') but tradition continues to play an important role even in these matches. Many parents still insist on employing the services of an influential 'nakodo,' or matchmaker. Introductions are arranged with suitable prospective spouses, but marriage is not forced. If the couple simply are not attracted to one another, meetings are ended amicably and the nakodo looks around for another prospect."

The Issei and Nisei were achievement oriented, a part of the ethnic heritage that has not always won the admiration of some elements of the Sansei and Yonsei community. But their contemporaries in Japan apparently retain that characteristic. De Mente writes: "The most impressive characteristic common to almost all the young Japanese I met was an extraordinary drive to improve themselves both morally and educationally, and an abiding ambition to achieve something worthwhile for themselves and their country." One student expressed his ambitions in this way: "To study more; to learn more; to strive for more 'human' relations with people."

De Mente reports that a recent bank survey of unmarried Japanese men and women up to age 30 showed 86 per cent save regularly, and the average unmarried man "has his sights set on saving approximately \$13,000 before he marries. The immediate goal of the average young woman is to save some \$4,000 by the time she is 23 years old."

What can you say to that but "Wow? I don't recall seeing any statistics about the thrift habits of young Americans, but when's the last time you met a young man who planned to save \$13,000 before he married? Some years ago there were figures that indicated the average Japanese family has the equivalent of a year's income put away in savings, but it would seem \$13,000 is considerably more than a year's income for the average young unmarried Japanese."

In a different vein, De Mente reports that he found young Japanese have a "positive appreciation for the practical realities of their national situation." He found them critical of four things: The educational system, which makes it necessary for children to cram almost from early childhood to win entry into a major university if they aspire to top managerial positions; Japan's excessive dependence on the U.S. in economic and political areas, meaning the students would prefer to see Japan as part of the world community rather than just an American bloc; the deteriorating environment as a result of the nation's preoccupation with an ever-expanding economy; and finally, the failure of other nations "to understand and give appropriate consideration to" Japan's unique circumstances, a crowded island nation dependent almost entirely on other nations for both raw materials and markets.

"For the youth of Japan to contemplate their future with enthusiasm and good spirits," De Mente concludes, "requires an extraordinary amount of confidence, energy and ambition—all of which they seem to have in abundance."

In many respects, if one is to accept this admittedly superficial survey, it would seem the youth of Japan have been more successful than Japanese Americans in adapting and adopting the best of the two Pacific cultures to their own peculiar needs.

On the Margin

By Kats Kuniisugu

WHAT? GIVE UP MY RICE COOKER?

The energy shortage is upon us, and I am notified by the Department of Water and Power that I had better cut down 148 kilowatt hours of electricity I use during the next two months or they will know the reason why.

Going down the list of appliances that the DWP gives estimated KWH consumptions for, I can kick myself for not being more profitable for buying and using electrical appliances.

We do not have air conditioning and clothes dryer, both big electricity gobblers, but ours are gas. As are our water heater and range. Why didn't I think of buying a frostless food freezer (15 cu. ft.) or a swimming pool?

For a Depression-era Nisei, brought up by frugal Issei parents, I'm a charter member of the Switch-Out-the-Light Club. "Don't waste a single grain of rice. Think of the *hetai-san* in Manchuria!" was my mother's watchword. Now I am in the peculiar position of being grateful to my wastrel youngest son who thinks the color TV set should be continually on, even while he is asleep or at school, and who doesn't seem to realize that electric lights went OFF as well as ON.

But yelling and screaming at Kent alone won't reduce my KWH much. Why, oh why, didn't I have the dishwasher repaired when it developed a leak more than a year ago? Why didn't I wait until now to quit using that vacuum cleaner often than once or twice a month? I spoiled by it that I keep could have enjoyed a feeling hitting the tabulator key on

of patriotic virtue instead of guilt for being so lazy. I guess I'll just have to quit ironing my husband's undershorts. It's an activity that I enjoyed for the marvelous sense of martyrdom it gave me. I would do all the other ironing while watching "Chushingura" or "Oh-oku" and switch to the shorts the minute I heard his car drive into the garage.

It enabled me to fantasize about a situation in which another woman might be in a position to see him in his shorts (!) but she would know that he had a virtuous wife at home who ironed his shorts.

And after all these years of pounding out words on the typewriter, why didn't I indulge myself with an electric one long before this? I'll tell you why. It's because words flow out of my brain slower than a husband's compliment, and the expectant hum of an electric typewriter while the gears went around in my brain would have unnerved and intimidated me.

The Restaurant Horikawa office where I now work has an IBM Executive. In a few short weeks, I have gotten so used to the sound of that I keep hitting the tabulator key on

JAMES A. MICHENER

Not about to retire yet

DOYLESTOWN, Pa. — Bucks County, Pa., with its soft green woods, rolling hillsides and quaint old villages, has provided a pleasant retreat for some of America's most fashionable literary greats, such as George S. Kaufman, Pearl Buck, S. J. Perelman, Moss Hart and Oscar Hammerstein. And Pulitzer Prize-winning novelist James A. Michener is the last survivor here, Philadelphia Inquirer staff writer Steve Neal reminded the other day.

But Michener (a Philadelphia JACler with his wife, Mari, who are both 1000 Club life members and donors to one of the national JACL scholarships) doesn't see himself as a notable personality but a "part of the landscape" — as he grew up here, attended the Doylestown schools and ventured away from time to time for research and writing.

"Literary colonies grow up by accident," Michener said. "I suppose accident has passed us by. Bucks County faces a crucial period in the months ahead," citing the absence of great figures and the closing of the theater in New Hope. "Bucks County runs the risk of becoming just another county," he added sadly.

He doesn't intend to retire as long as he can sit in front of his typewriter and produce. He was 40 years old before he published his first book, "Tales of the South Pacific." In the intervening 25 years, the record shows that Michener's 21 books have sold 25

million copies in 53 languages. Several have become screen and stage hits, others are still to be dramatized. His next book is still untitled, to be published by Random House in October, about the settlement of a river in Colorado and the American West.

Michener began writing his meganovels (500,000 words) in the late 1950s as TV began to take hold. "I decided with the advent of television, that easy old-fashioned fiction was going to be knocked in the head and a large percentage of the reading public was going to be lost. Those who remained would be, I felt, more interested in reading longer, more serious projects," he explained.

Politics is an avocation as he dabbles in it, whenever he can. In 1958, he was urged to run for governor of Hawaii but told his supporters he planned to return to Pennsylvania. He campaigned actively for John F. Kennedy's election in 1960, ran a losing campaign for Buck County's congressional seat in 1962 and more recently served as co-chairman of Pennsylvania's Commission for Legislation Modernization.

An ardent Democrat that he is, reporter Neal found Michener wasn't optimistic about his party's chances of winning the Presidency in 1976. "My guess is that Democrats are now in the embarrassing position of being way ahead in everything but a viable candidate."

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Five fishermen on sampan rescued after search stopped, adrift 8 weeks

HONOLULU — A colorful remnant of the past — Hawaii's fleet of sampans — still ply the local waters. These wooden fishing boats toll off the islands hunting tuna, much as they did in the 1890s.

The Japanese are credited with establishing the present commercial fishing industry here. Until 1885, fishing was mostly for local consumption or supplying the royal fish ponds.

Sampan crews consisted mostly of Japanese American fishermen, though because of the discomfort and arduous task, Micronesians and Okinawans have been brought here in recent years under training programs to work on sampans.

This was part of the background reported in the Christian Science Monitor dispatch — the same week five men who had been adrift for eight weeks on a leaking sampan near Easter Island were rescued by a Japanese fishing vessel.

The five returned to Hawaii late Jan. 9 on a special flight from Eniwetok and met their joyous relatives at Hickam AFB.

The 47-foot vessel was planning a one-day fishing trip from Fanning Island to Christmas Island and was last seen Nov. 8, when it took on 275 gallons of fuel, two tins of milk, two tins of beef and 10 pounds of biscuits at Fanning. It was to drop off its catch at Christmas Island — about 160 miles away and a two-day trip for a sampan.

Four days later, the Univ. of Hawaii Communications Center reported the sampan was overdue. Navy and Coast Guard planes and cutters searched the area for six days, covering 100,000 square miles of ocean. The search was called off Nov. 19, though on Nov. 25 and Nov. 30, two Coast Guard cutters enroute to Auckland searched the area where the sampan was thought to be adrift and did not sight the ship, captained by Lambert Kanakaole with Ed Yamamoto as engineer, both of Honolulu.

The relatives of the five men, in the meantime, did not give up their hope or prayers. Mrs. Richard Yamamoto, mother of the 26-year-old engineer, said she never prayed so hard in all her life, had her spirits uplifted by the reverend who assured her late grandmother was

Correction

In the Little Tokyo redevelopment story last week, the name of Toshiko Yoshida was missing. She is the third PSWDC-JACL member serving on the Little Tokyo Towers, Inc. board. We apologize for the inadvertent omission.

Names of Tad Hirota, Berkeley, and Buddy T. Iwata, Livingston, in the list of \$1,000 donors to the JACL Bldg. Fund were erroneously merged. This notice is being published to keep the record straight.

For Dogs Only

A restaurant exclusively for canines, said to be the first of its kind, opened at Dogenzaka in Shibuya-ku, Tokyo. Lunch consisting of raw meat, bowl of soup and bottle of milk is priced between ¥200 and ¥500.

Research planned on Boyle Heights

LOS ANGELES — A master list of Japanese American residents in Boyle Heights is being organized to assist in a UCLA Asian American Studies Center research, according to Ken Honji and Merilynne Hamano, research assistants, through support of community groups and churches.

About a dozen wooden tuna boats are still operating out of Oahu — leaving port at 3 a.m. for a position 30 to 40 miles off the coast. Crewmen scan the horizon for sea birds, marking the location of tuna schools. Once the fish are sighted, the tempo of activity becomes unbelievably brisk. The catches are pitched onto the decks as hordes of birds swarm around the boat; the fish drum the decks as they try to escape back to sea.

In the past four years, four modern long-range vessels have joined the fleet. The sampans, while picturesque, have a range of about 200 miles, lack refrigeration and storage capacity. When the bait runs out, they have to return home.

Many of the persons engaged in the study also live and work in Boyle Heights. It was noted, unlike other studies conducted in the community.

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Foreword by Senator Inouye

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DISTRICT DIALOGUE

The Year of the Tiger

Craig Shimabukuro

Craig Shimabukuro continues to relate the highlight of cases which required the assistance of the JACL Regional Office this past year. This is the concluding half of his first column for 1974.

Los Angeles
The last item in this section concerns an issue which affects the greater Asian American community. The California State Advisory Committee of the United States Commission on Civil Rights held hearings in Los Angeles last month concerning the problems of Asian Americans. During the hearing, Asian American groups testified to a number of problems which concerned them. Also many State and local agencies were asked to participate.

One of the more pressing problems in the community-at-large is the licensing for foreign-born professional persons. Doctors, nurses and dentists from Asian countries, living in the United States, are sweeping floors and are unable to practice their chosen profession.

The state agency which has jurisdiction in this area agreed to go to the hearings and participate. However, when it was time for them to appear, the audience was notified that the state representatives had decided not to come, feeling that it was not important enough.

All of the things so far discussed show us that racism, discrimination, prejudice and insensitivity are still issues which confront people in their day to day lives. Three of these cases (the hospital, the newspaper, and Kawano) prove that, only through concern and active participation, people are the primary agents for change, that taking responsibility and struggling back are the only ways in which people have a change of gaining what is their. And more important, that the people can win.

One of the major problems in the PSWDC is that there are not enough people willing to take on leadership and responsibility. This was stated and re-stated at many of the chapter meetings attended, it has been brought up at many formal and informal discussions, and was extremely apparent at the last quarterly meeting in 1973.

Prior to the 4th quarterly meeting in 1973, the nominations committee asked all chapters in the district to submit their candidates for the executive offices and the district board. Out of the 26 chapters and the 8,000 people in the district, only one was willing to run for the governorship and only three names were submitted for all of the other positions.

At the district meeting, where elections were held for those offices, only sixteen chapters cast ballots. Out of the 16, two were by proxy. At the most important district meeting of the year, barely half of the chapters sent representatives. As we look at the coming year, we must realize that this situation must change.

As stated in the opening few paragraphs, 1974 will be a year of great problems and great challenges. Without active participation, without people taking responsibility, and without leadership at all levels of the organization, JACL will fail to confront the problems and will fail to meet the challenges of the year. What are some of the challenges and problems which must be dealt with in 1974?

One of the primary areas of concern is education. The JACL must take an active role in assuring that all levels of education include Asian American studies programs. We must also work with other ethnic minority groups to insure that students develop an understanding of themselves and others. In our culturally pluralistic society, awareness of one's own heritage and an understanding of other peoples is absolutely essential if we are to live and work together without racial strife.

Chapters must become involved in their local school problems. School systems must be made aware that this organization will constantly check to see that school books, films, other teaching materials, teachers and administrators are fully and properly presenting the ethnic-minority viewpoint, that we will not allow future incidents like the Kawano Case, that we are interested in a quality education for all people.

One of the most pressing needs in our community, for any community, is employment. If you were to go to any social service agency, to any community group, you

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CHAPTER PULSE

Min Togasaki elected Detroit JACL chairman

Veteran JACler Minoru Togasaki will be installed as 1974 Detroit JACL chapter chairman with his board on Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Peking House in Royal Oak. The dinner-dance will be the chapter's 28th inaugural, which will be unusual in that a Middle Eastern belly dancer and her accompanying musicians will perform in a trend-setting precedent over previous years practice of having guest speakers.

Togasaki, who served as chapter president in 1953 and in 1963, succeeds Elaine Akagi who interrupted his skein of wielding the chapter gavel every ten years.

The Detroit JACLs will also see their president's gavel passed from Art Teshima to Paul Teshima.

There will be two installing officers: JACL regional director Tom Hibino from Chicago and MDYC chairman Scott Furukawa from Cleveland. Detroit members who have rendered outstanding service to the chapter will also be recognized. The Amplifones will play at the dance.

(Michigan Gov. G. Mennen Williams was guest speaker at Min's 1953 inaugural, a precedent among JACL chapters. Again in '63, the big three in JACL spoke: Pat Okura, national president;

Washington rep Mike Masaka and National Director Mas Satow—a rare gathering at a chapter installation).

Ex-Islander to head Contra Costa JACL

Architect Dan Uesugi, who hails from Oahu, will be installed Feb. 2 as president of Contra Costa JACL at the Marco Polo Restaurant in Jack London Square, Oakland.

TV moderator and film actor George Takel, Wilshire JACL president, will be guest speaker. Associate national JACL director Pat Nakano will be installing officer. Glenn Onizuka will emcee. Elbert Yip is dinner chairman.

Mayors from the Contra Costa county cities of El Cerrito, Richmond, San Pablo and Concord have been invited as special guests.

Uesugi has been a Bay Area resident since 1956, devotes his spare time coaching Little League, and aims to get younger people become more involved in JACL activities and move the chapter to promote various Asian cultural activities with other Asian American groups.

October Events

Wine tasting benefits Philharmonic Orchestra

Proceeds from West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary's October benefit wine tasting party totalling \$1,000 have been given to the Japanese Phil-

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GRAND OPENING—Cathay de Grande manager Jack Chen (left) and his chef, Hai Lin Tien, greet KNXT newscaster Jerry Dunphy during Chinese New Year, being celebrated this week with a special dinner. The chef, who learned to cook in Chungking, has since prepared his Mandarin and Szechwan style dishes in Shanghai, Taiwan, Tokyo and New York before coming to Cathay de Grande in Hollywood at 1600 N. Argyle, block south of Hollywood Blvd.

harmonic Orchestra. The presentation was made by 1973 President Mary Yanokawa to Akira Kikukawa, director of the orchestra.

The Japanese Philharmonic has a scholarship program for aspiring musicians as well as a junior orchestra and an active schedule of seven to ten concerts per year.

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LET'S MEET IN SACRAMENTO

Dubby and Bubbles

By SHIG SAKAMOTO

I sported a happy grin and sighed confidently when two of my good friends, Dubby Tsubawa and Bubbles Kei-koan, were named to chair the men's and women's divisions, respectively, in the 28th Annual National JACL Bowling Tournament. Their responsibilities extend from the opening ragtime doubles, mixed doubles, classic sweepers, team, doubles, singles and to overseeing the all-events tabulations.

But it doesn't end there. They still have to enlist scorekeepers, start each event on time if possible, locate missing bowlers, reschedule and everything else short of baby-sitting. I imagine how much coffee they must guzzle to keep alert for the five-day tournament.

They couldn't had picked a more experienced twosome in Dubby and Bubbles and

their past record indicates it. Both are highly respected in the bowling circuit and are not only veteran tournament operators but also have participated in many of them as well as the JACL Nationals.

Both are veteran members of the JACL Bowling Advisory Board, representing the Sacramento area. Dubby, as everyone knows, was Sacramento's tournament general chairman when it hosted its first JACL Nationals in 1964, remembered as the tournament smashing virtually all existing bowling records then and also recorded a tourney high entry of 174 teams, sharing that record with San Jose 1961 JACL Nationals, which was co-chaired by Joe Tenma and Asa Yonemura.

Bubbles is equally well known as a tournament operator, has held many top committee positions for the Sacramento NBA tournaments and has gained many trophies for her bowling prowess.

Now that both are back on the scene for the 1974 event as bowling chairpersons, you will now realize why there is a happy grin on my face. How can you miss with this twosome doing all the work? Both will be working hard.

Perhaps a little older from 1964, Tsubawa still has his crew haircut and a brand new double knit suit to boot.

I also inherited the tournament publicity job. Who can I turn to on that job?

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EDC—Mtg-Workshop: Role of JACL in Public Relations, Washingtonian Motel, Hwy 70-S, Gaithersburg, Md., 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

Washington, D.C.—Inst dnr-dance, Washingtonian Motel, Gaithersburg, Md., 7 p.m.; Shig Sugiyama, spkr.

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Jan. 28 (Tuesday)
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local market shelves. Japanese travel agents say that shortage of these items in Japan has caused the visitors to buy them at a torrid pace. An estimated 25,000 Japanese visited the islands over the recent holidays. It seemed as if every other person on the street was a Japanese.

Congressional Score

The House of Representatives has adopted an amendment to the Emergency Act proposed by Rep. Spark Matsunaga which would protect jobs endangered by the fuel crisis in Hawaii and other areas of the country. The Matsunaga Amendment simply adds "employment" to the list of factors which must be given priority consideration in the allocation of scarce fuel products under the bill's provisions.

Univ. of Hawaii

State Rep. John Leopold has written the Univ. of Hawaii board of regents calling for immediate, corrective action to combat a recent series of rapes on the Manoa campus. Police report that at least six attacks have taken place on or near the campus in recent weeks.

Former state legislator Stuart Ho may resign from the Univ. of Hawaii board of regents to resume his political career. He said he is considering a bid for the state senate. Meanwhile, four new regents have been sworn in as members of the UH board of regents. They are Mrs. Ruth Oshiro, Sandra Ebesu, John Hoag, Wallace Fujiyama and Roger Evans.

Courtroom

Federal Judge Samuel King has dismissed Mrs. Peggy Ross's suit for \$300 billion in

damages for the alleged wrongful taking of the islands by the U.S. Mrs. Ross, a Kailua, Maui, resident, brought the suit for herself and others similarly situated. King dismissed the suit because she did not state a legal claim.

Appointments

Acting Gov. George Ariyoshi announced the following appointments to various state boards and commissions: Planning and Economic Development—James Wong, Chew Hoy Lee; Bd. of Electricians and Plumbers—Raymond Thomas; Osteopathic Examiners—Dr. Walter Horner; Contractors License—Wilfred Nakamura, David Thompson; Registration of Professional Engineers, Architects, Land Surveyors and Landscape Architects—Melvin Lau, Larry Matsuo, Stanley Takamine; Children & Youth—Lyndon Clifford, John Penebacker, Joy Labez, Dorothy Hoo, Russell Watanabe, Helen Nohaka, Guy Oato; Civil Service—Francis Yamada; Foundation on Culture and the Arts—Beatrice Ransil; Advisory Commission on Manpower and Full Employment—Dr. Robert Kessner, Lillie Taulimura, David Watson; Medical Examiners—Dr. John Oshiro, Natural Area Reserve—Richard Shomura; Nursing—Louise Samuel; Examiners of Nursing Home Admin.—Ann Service, Education Council—Dayton Cagle, Janice Heu, Wesley Kohau, Takao To, Odette Fulmoro; Retirement System—Warren Higa, Clarence Kusumoto.

Names in the News

John Bellinger, president of First Hawaiian Bank, has been named Hawaii's Salesman of the Year for 1973 by the Sales & Marketing Executives of Hawaii. Born in Honolulu and a graduate of Roosevelt High School, he joined First Hawaiian as a teller in 1942. . . . Four persons have each been awarded \$4,000 for a year's study in Japan through the Crown Prince Akihito Scholarship Fund. They are Carl Becker, 21; and Jayne Yamaguchi, 24. . . . Yukio Hashi, one of Japan's most popular singers, presented the third annual Hashi Yukio Big Show Jan. 18 and 19 at the Honolulu International Center. Among those appearing with Hashi were Aki Yashiro, Rumi Koyama, Misae Enomoto, Peter and Hiroshi Tamaoki, the master of ceremonies.

Sports Scene

John McKay, head football coach at USC, said in Honolulu during the recent Hula Bowl Classic, there are a couple of Hawaii players he'd like to recruit, but he wouldn't say whom. However, it was learned that one man the Trojans are after is Mosi Tatupu, the record smashing fullback from Punahou, who has been offered football scholarships at Mainland schools. He indicated last month he'd like to play for Univ. of Hawaii. Tatupu gained 1,483 yards on 181 carries for an 8.3 yd. average. He had 21 touchdowns, 13 points kicked after, for 139 points. All are state records.

Military News

A million dollars' worth of refrigerated military food supplies went up in smoke Jan. 3 when an Army warehouse on Pearl City Peninsula burned to the ground. A predominantly wooden building, it was built in 1942, and was the only remaining facility in the Pacific which still used ammonia for refrigeration, according to a Navy spokesman.

Business Ticker

Don Hashimoto, manager of First Hawaiian Bank's Master Charge Dept. since 1972, was promoted to v.p. . . . Sales manager Raymond Sasaki, Jr. of Mililani Hawaii, Inc., was re-elected president of the Hawaiian Fairway Guild. . . . Libby office manager Gladys Oshiro for Hawaii Thrift & Loan since 1969 was named v.p. and branch manager of the company. Daniel Mishimoto, formerly with Finance Factors, is succeeding her at Libby. Lawrence Ching joined Liberty Bank as a v.p. after resigning from the Hawaii National Bank. Developer Clarence Ching is selling Lake to Stanley Himeno, pres. of Airport Volkswagen, for \$4.5-million. The sale requires Himeno to develop a golf course on the 154-acre property this year. Ching's corporation is now filling in the lake.

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Pro ball team in Japan going more bush on names

By MAS MANBO

Tokyo Japanese pro baseball clubs may be moving closer to major league standards of play but they're turning more and more bush as far as team names go. This year, there will be a Pacific League team performing under what is surely the godawfullest handle ever concocted: Nippon Ham Fighters. The team, once called the Tokyo Flyers, later was known as the Toei Flyers. Financially hit, the club last

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year was under the ownership of a company in the housing field and was called the Nittaku Home Flyers.

A meat packing firm then took over the team after last season, promptly dubbing it Nippon Ham and inviting fans to suggest a new nickname.

Out of thousands of suggestions, including such names as Jaguars, Eagles, Phoenix and Winners, the name Fighters was selected.

With Nippon Ham as the club's official name, no nickname would seem very suitable. My suggestion would have been Burghers. If chosen, the team would have been known as Nippon Ham Burghers.

In another name change, the Yakult Atoms of the Central League have reverted to the nickname Swallows. The team was originally called the Koukutsu Swallows. Yakult did not switch to Pandas, as one Japanese paper reported it was going to do.

All 12 Japanese big league pro clubs today carry the names of sponsoring companies.

In the old days, it was different. Japan's first pro ball club, the Yomiuri Giants, was dubbed the Tokyo Giants by Frank (Lefty) O'Doul when the major league batting star helped get professional baseball going in Japan in the mid-1930s. The Hanshin Tigers were known as the Osaka Tigers before. And the Chunichi Dragons used to be called the Nagoya Dragons.

In the mid-1960s, there were still two clubs with names not plugging parent companies—the Hiroshima Carp and Tokyo Orions. Now, however, there are none as they are known as the Hiroshima Toyo Carp and Lotte Orions.

The situation prompted criticism from the late O'Doul back in 1968 during one of the last of his some 30 visits to Japan. O'Doul said the Japanese Giants should have remained Tokyo Giants. "The Yankees weren't ever called the Ruppert Yankees," he remarked. O'Doul was referring to the fact that New York club had been owned by beer baron Jake Ruppert.

Of course, the parent companies can't be blamed too much for insisting on having their names in the handles of their ball clubs, semipro style. After all, none of the 12 Japanese teams, with the exception of the ever-popular and ever-winning Yomiuri Giants, can be called a money maker. The parent companies want to get some advertising at least out of their expensive ventures. Thus there are such names as Taiheyo Club Lions, which certainly is unyielding.

The Seibu Railway sextet, one of the ice hockey powers in Japan, nosed out the University of British Columbia Thunderbirds 5-4 in a friendly game played in Tokyo near the end of last year.

Japanese newspapers claimed it was the first victory by a Japanese team over a Canadian ice hockey team in 19 games.

Whether it could truly be

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman Manzanar in Retrospect

FAREWELL TO MANZANAR, by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston and James D. Houston, San Francisco Book Co./Houghton Mifflin, 177 pp., \$5.95.

Written by a husband-wife team, this story is told in the first person. The author is both narrator and protagonist. In a foreword, she tells how the book was written:

"We began with a tape recorder and an old 1944 year-book put together at Manzanar High School . . . I began to dredge up feelings that had lain submerged since the forties. I began to make connections I had previously been afraid to see."

Though unaware of it at the time, her ordeal began Dec. 7, 1941. That Sunday morning when fate overtook her, she had been standing on a wharf at Long Beach, Calif., watching her father sail out with the fishing fleet.

Aged seven, she was following a custom of the women of the fishermen. For when the fleet departed, none knew when it would return; it might be a few days, a week, or a month—depending on how soon the fleet caught its quota of fish. The women would wait until the boats vanished into the distance.

This morning, however, the fleet failed to vanish. As usual, the boats appeared to diminish in size as they sailed out. Then the size of the boats appeared to grow and it became apparent that the fleet was returning.

The clue to this unprecedented reversal of course came from a man who ran from the cannery crying that the Japanese had bombed Pearl Harbor. To most, this explanation seemed inadequate. What was Pearl Har-

1945 RYUKYU STAMP

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WASHINGTON — Postage stamps issued by the U.S. for use on Okinawa between 1945-48 are described as among the classic issues of U.S. philately for the 20th century, according to Washington Star-News philatelic news writer Belmont Faries.

Among the known 84 varieties, most of them WW2-era Japanese stamps overprinted with kanji seals, is one mimeographed stamp issued on Kume, the tiny island west of Okinawa, after the Marines landed June 26, 1945, according to Cmdr. Melvin Schoberlin, Ryukyu stamp expert, in his third volume, "Nansei Shotu Provisional Stamps" (\$6.50). Ryukyu Philatelic Specialists Society, PO Box 4092, Berkeley 94704.

Alamedan celebrates her 88th birthday

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Mrs. Mitsue Yoshino celebrated her 88th birthday with her 10 children (all longtime JACLers), grandchildren, great grandchildren and friends Dec. 30 at the Buena Vista United Methodist Church. A resident here for 60 years, she and her late husband Yoshimatsu Yoshino operated a dry cleaning establishment until the Evacuation. Her children are:

John (Washington, D.C.), Henry (Alameda), Joe (San Francisco), Paul (Hayward), Ruby Schaar (New York), Alko Yamamoto, Meg Hee (Berkeley), Sue Y. Hayashi (San Francisco), Frances Shoda (Los Angeles), Mitsue Yoshino (Alameda), May Horio (Honolulu).

called a victory of the Japanese over the Canadians in hockey is doubtful, however. The Canadian side had two Japanese players who are students at UBC while Seibu Railway had Herb Wakabayashi, a native of Canada who was a star at Boston U. before coming here.

Japanese newspapers claimed it was the first victory by a Japanese team over a Canadian ice hockey team in 19 games.

Whether it could truly be

bombing of Pearl Harbor im-

bor? What did the Japanese ply?

A skeleton chronology indicates how hostile action against the Nikkei had so undermined their position that when the demand came for their evacuation they were powerless to resist. Feb. 19, 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066 authorizing the evacuation.

March 25, 1942, evacuees began to arrive in Manzanar, Owens Valley, Calif. Among the evacuees was the author's father. Though he had lived in America for 35 years, fathered ten children here and spoke English, the law debarred him from citizenship. Two weeks after the Japanese attack, the FBI had picked him up at Terminal Island and spirited him away.

Arriving in a sandstorm at Manzanar, the evacuees found themselves consigned to ill-constructed barracks quarters. Among strangers infected with factionalism so bitter it sometimes erupted into violence, overcrowded, bereft of privacy, the evacuees set about adjusting to their harsh environment and reordering their lives. For three and a half years Manzanar was to be her home. During this period she observed the evacuees striving to make their desert residence habitable and partially succeeding.

Legal cases, which the book reviews briefly, set limits to their exile. In the Gordon Hirabayashi case, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the right of the Army to restrict the movements of the Nikkei; in the Fred Korematsu case, it upheld the right to evacuate them. But in the Mitsue Endo case, the Court ruled that the government could not detain loyal citizens against their will.

The book follows the author through the travail of readjustment to the outside world. 30 years after being evacuated, she revisits Manzanar, observes it ruins and nostalgically recalls the life she had led there.

The story has flaws. Attempting the impossible task of forcing the Nikkei into the strait jacket of such categories as Issei, Nisei and Sansei—the latter two being American-born—the authors now and then stumble into their self-laid snare. "Most of the Japanese returning to the coast resettled without suffering bodily harm."

Reading this lyrical narrative, one may sometimes wonder to what extent experience has been embroidered by fancy. Would a native of Hiroshima pronounced the Japanese word for Caucasian as hakajin?

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Announcement

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A Minority of One

By Edison T. Uno

THE TALE OF MOMOTARO

A long, long time ago there was a community living in the land of milk and honey. This community was a very special one, for they had a long history of discriminatory treatment. In fact, at one time in their history they were the victims of the worst type of discrimination when many of them were given numbers and segregated for their "own protection" and for "national security" it was said.

But the people of this community were a strong, resourceful, and faithful group. In spite of the harsh treatment by their rulers, they never lost faith in their support of the royalty. "We must pull ourselves up by our bootstraps" was the common theme of those who lost all of their property in the great dislocation. By and by, the community with tremendous amounts of determination and sacrifice did become successful and the material wealth was quite evident for all to see.

Within this community were certain leaders who were respected and honored because they had long served the community by devoting their time and energies to the good and welfare of the people. They were known as Judicial Community Leaders, JCL for short. The name was very appropriate as the JCL was noted for their sound judgment, wise and careful counsel on matters of interest to the community. The community needed the JCL and the JCL needed the community. It was a mutually beneficial arrangement which no one questioned.

One day, the rulers of the kingdom sent out an edict to the people of this community. "The King is looking for a representative from your community to sit on the High Council where all important decisions are made." Fortunately, the JCL had members who were anxious to gain favor with the royal family and immediately sent word to all of its group to "look out for a suitable representative who can bring honor to our group." By a strike of real good fortune, there came to pass a phenomena almost hard to believe. Washed up on the beaches of the Great Ocean was a large, large peach. Members of JCL ran down to the beach to seize this unusually large peach, whereupon it split into half and to

the surprise of every JCLer was a young boy that looked like them. "Hi!!! he smiled. "My name is Momotaro . . . you can call me "Momo" for short." I am an old friend of the King and because of my close friendship with his kind, I want to help the JCL and your community."

"Great!" exclaimed the JCLers. "Momo is the answer to our prayers." The JCLers rejoiced in this wonderful stroke of good fortune and celebrated in the community with gay and bountiful banquets. Momo grew very fast and soon developed into a bright young man, eager, ambitious, and anxious to represent the interests of the community in the King's High Council. The people were happy. The King ruled with a heavy hand. It was said, "The King could do no wrong." Everyone in the kingdom believed it, especially the JCL and Momo. Peach Boy was very effective on the High Council. He took a great deal of pride in being responsible for a Coconut Girl marrying into the royal family. His next big effort with the cooperation of the JCL was to get a Banana Boy into the King's family. "Oh! what a great accomplishment that would be!" he said to himself and the leaders of the JCL. "Yes, yes," they responded as we have never had anyone from our community in the inner circle of royalty. "Our dreams have been answered" they thought as they continued to support the efforts of the Peach Boy.

But, like all fairy tales, a tragic misfortune occurred. The King abused his power and the people lost confidence in his leadership. Soon, all of his friends were being accused of crimes and bad deeds. Momo was no exception. He bade farewell to the King. Everyone in the community was surprised. Some were disappointed, especially the Judicial Community Leaders because they saw the loss of the Peach Boy as a greater loss of ever getting a Banana Boy married into the royal family. All their hopes and dreams were shattered when Momo left the High Council of the King.

The elders of the community were said. The JCL was sad. The followers of the King were sad. Everyone was sad, except the young children of the community. You see, they did not believe in fairy tales. They were happy because Peach Boy and Banana Boy were not real. And the JCL? They took their sadness to the community. They accumulated large amounts of wealth from the abundance of milk and honey. In the end, they built a magnificent palace in the center of the community in the shape of a peach and banana, a constant reminder to the people that once they almost became royalty.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Council of Oriental Organizations is calling a meeting Jan. 29, 7:30 p.m., at Oriental Service Center, 1201 S. Flower St., with those Asian Americans appointed to various city commissions to speak on their roles. Current commissioners are:

David Fon Lee, animal regulations; Toshikazu Terasawa, building and safety; Toko W. Tanaka, community redevelopment agency; Toshiko Yoshida, P. Yung-huo Liu, Dr. Duzura N. Villalobos, human relations; Mitsui Sonoda, arts; George Takei, rapid transit district; Chun Y. Lee, board of zoning.

S.F.—East Bay

The Eastbay Girls Athletic League elected Mas Tsubota of Concord Japanese Assn. as president for the coming year. Participants hail from San Francisco, San Jose, Oakland, Berkeley, Eden Township, Oakland, El Cerrito, Concord and Southern Alameda County.

Over 600 youngsters are involved in the Eastbay Youth Athletic League basketball which gets underway this season with Yo. Kasai, Eden Township JACLer, as president. Assisting him are representatives from:

Oakland Buddhist Church, Berkeley Ohtani Buddhist Church, Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church, Berkeley Sangha Buddhist Church, El Cerrito Sycamore Church, Concord Japanese Assn., Berkeley United Methodist Church, Mt. Eden Community Center, El Cerrito Sycamore Church, Free Methodist Church.

UC Berkeley students have been sponsoring quality foreign films for showing on campus. The '74 winter quarter (Jan. 11-Mar. 1) features Japanese films, screening Fridays twice, the last showing at 9:30 p.m. at Wheeler Auditorium. Admission is \$1.50 with proceeds going to community groups. Titles include: Jan. 25—Harakiri, Feb. 1—Warrior, Feb. 8—Illusion of Blood, Feb. 15—Under the Banner of the Samurai, Feb. 22—Shadow Hunter, Part 1.

Chicago

The Japan America Society will have Mike Masaoka of Washington as its dinner meeting Thursday, Mar. 21. (No place was mentioned). Meantime, reservations for the Awaji Puppet Theater of Japan presentation Feb. 21-23 at Univ. of Chicago Mandel Hall are being accepted at the Society's headquarters, 116 S. Michigan. Seats for \$4.50, students \$2.50.

San Diego

Akemi and Flaviano Melegri, the former from Saguenay and the latter from the Philippines, are proprietors of Osaka Oriental Food Mart, 2645 University Ave., a Japanese restaurant-delicatessen with a sideline of Asian gift items.

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

NAT'L ASIAN AMERICAN MENTAL HEALTH FEDERATION ESTABLISHED

To Be Headquartered in San Francisco on \$463,500 Grant over 3-Year Period

WASHINGTON — An Asian American Mental Health Federation, to help Asian American communities assess their mental health needs and plan their services, has been established through a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

"The mental health needs of Asian Americans have been too long overlooked. Although Asian Americans have been subjected to the kinds of stresses experienced by minority groups, there has been a tendency to exclude them from programs designed to help minorities because of the prevailing view that they are neither poor nor disadvantaged," said Dr. Bertram S. Brown, Director of NIMH.

"The Federation has been organized in response to mental health needs outlined by Asian Americans and is a first step in bringing national resources to Asian American communities throughout the country."

The Federation, to receive approximately \$463,500 over a three-year period, will include representatives from Chinese, East Indian, Filipino, Guamanian, Hawaiian, Japanese, Korean, Samoan, and Thai communities in the United States.

Because of the diverse ethnic, geographic, and cultural backgrounds of the Asian Americans, the Federation has been organized into nine regions to insure that individual community needs are identified. The Federation will provide technical and financial support for mental health programs for young people, senior citizens, immigrants, and families of interracial marriages.

Each of the nine regions will be allocated representation funds according to distribution and size of population. The funds will be used to support regional and national meetings, to disseminate information and to carry out programs. The regions are Pacific Northwest, Hawaii, Northern California, Southern California, Southeast, North Central, Mountain and West Central, New England, and Mid-Atlantic.

The Federation is a direct outcome of the first Asian American Conference on Mental Health which was sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health in

Shimabukuro—

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would find that jobs are difficult, if not impossible, to find. Job training, job counseling, and job placement is something which many people can assist in.

JACL must also assure that job discrimination, as in the hospital case, is stopped, that this organization will do its utmost to see that equal opportunity becomes a reality. Many times, Japanese—and Asians—will see or be discriminated against and will do nothing about it. This must change. Racism and discrimination must be opposed whenever and wherever we encounter it.

JACL must also endeavor to improve its relations with other groups, both in and out of the Japanese community. History has shown that isolated groups are largely ineffective. By working together, this organization and others, resolution of crucial problems is much more probable.

Close working relations also help in developing the needed understanding between divergent people. It broadens our perspectives and strengthens our humanity.

Because of the nature of particular problems, it is essential that this organization develop strong ties with other communities. For example, many of the problems in our schools are tied to racial problems between different ethnic groups.

Casting blame on "those other people" is not a solution; it's a copout. By casting blame, you reject personal responsibility and eliminate possible solutions. The problems are too acute and the challenges too great for any of us not to take personal responsibility.

In closing, there is an old saying which states that . . . "You are either part of the solution or part of the problem." Also, remember that this organization is committed to the kinds of responsibilities which have been discussed in this article.

To quote from the National JACL Constitution, Article II, section 3 . . . "The primary and continuing concern of this organization shall be the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry. In its programs and activities, however, it shall strive to secure and uphold full civil rights and equal justice under law for all Americans, regardless of race, creed, color and national origin."

Pantyhose for men

NIIGATA—Pantyhose is selling well among young men in the snowy prefectures of Niigata and Nagano because it serves to retain body heat. They are spats-type, which cover the lower-half of the body above the ankles.

Asian American bishop of the United Methodist Church. While no continuing organization was established, the weekend provided a sharing of experiences. Host pastors were the Rev. Justin Haruyama, Rev. Byung-shu Kim and Rev. Moses T. Lee.

Ronald Ken Kobata of San Francisco, onetime National JACL community involvement worker, graduated Dec. 8 from the Institute of Buddhist Studies, Berkeley, with a master's degree and departed Dec. 15 for Japan to complete his studies for ordination. Son of the Hiroshi Kobatas, he assisted in a wide spectrum of community activities in recent years.

The recent NC Young Buddhist League conference hosted by Sacramento YBA was dedicated to the late Rinhan Giko Yamamoto of the Sacramento Betsuin, who was a minister for 36 years. Delegates from Northern and Central California gathered to hear Sacramento State Nikkei faculty members speak on various phases of Japanese culture. Shofaro Hayashigata spoke on the contributions of the Eta to Japanese culture, Wayne Mayeda on WRA camps, and Dr. Ronald Tanaka on the Japanese dance and cultivation of a Japanese tradition. Ken Tanaka, Stanford graduate and from the Institute of Buddhist Studies, Berkeley, related his experiences as a monk, while Kevin Takeuchi of Stockton made the winning oratorical speech. Marysville YBA was chosen as the NC Chapter of the Year. Sharon Nakashima, outgoing Miss Bussel was succeeded by Mitzi Inouye of Marysville (above).

First National Bank of South Jersey announced the election of Tak Moriuchi (above), active Philadelphia JACLer, to its board of directors. He owns a 500-acre peach and apple farm in Moorestown, N.J., is a partner in a tractor sales firm, past president of the Rotary and active with the Farm Bureau, Horticultural Society, Jersey Fruit Cooperative and Medford Leas, a Quaker nonprofit retirement home.

N. Isaac Igarashi, formerly of Sacramento, Calif., is an account executive with J. S. Frelinghuysen Corp., New York City insurance brokerage. He is a graduate of Temple University and holds a graduate degree from Rochester.

Kiyoko Ochi, San Diego Gardeners Assn. Credit Union treasurer, and JACL member, recently passed the state insurance license examination and is now a registered representative of ITT Financial Services Sales.

The California Nisei VFW reunion is being hosted by Golden Gate Nisei Memorial Post 9879 of San Francisco with Herb Takeda, post commander, in charge. The 24th annual event will be held Feb. 15-16 at Miyako Hotel in Japan Center.

Seattle-born Shoji Okamaru has been appointed Japanese consul general in Brisbane, Australia. Once stationed in San Francisco (1957-60) as an information officer, he was a special assistant in the Foreign Office Public Information Bureau and Consular-Emigration Affairs Dept.

Gov. Reagan appointed Hiroshi Fukushima of San Leandro to the board of directors for the First District Agricultural Assn. Fukushima is also fire commissioner at Ashland and is the eldest son of Yoshitomi Fukushima, manager of the Nishitomi Trading Co., San Francisco.

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Asian American studies aired at general meeting

A stimulating discussion on Asian American studies highlighted the Oct. 26 general meeting of the Washington, D.C. JACL, led by a panel comprised of Gail Nishiooka, asst. Washington JACL representative; and Juanita Tamayo Lott and Phil Chin of the HEW Office of Asian American Affairs.

Relevancy in education, integration of American education, development of positive identity, community participation, Asian American studies for non-Asians were considered.

Mrs. Nishiooka challenged the chapter to consider undertaking the following: (1) Community projects to enlighten the public on Asian

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Organizations

California Oriental Peace Officers is headed by Ernest Hiroshige, Los Angeles, who succeeds deputy district attorney Sterling Suga, also of Los Angeles . . . Yukio Kumamoto is the new president of the San Francisco Hiroshima Nikkeijin Kai.

Flower-Garden

John Fukushima, associated with San Lorenzo Nursery Co., at Los Angeles for nearly 40 years, was elected president of the Calif. State Florists Assn. A trustee of the Joseph Shindo Memorial Scholarship Foundation and past president of the Japanese American Optimist Club, he is currently vice-president in charge of sales with San Lorenzo. (His wife Miki was onetime PC circulation manager.) . . . Sequoia JACLer Richard Tsukushi of Redwood City, who in 1965 won the first \$1,000 grant from the Shinoda Scholarship foundation to continue his studies in floriculture at Cal-Poly San Luis Obispo, was named a trustee of the foundation board last month. He is the youngest member of the board and was introduced at the Calif. State Florists Assn. convention in San Francisco. Also appointed was Harry Koremasu of Stonehurst Wholesale Florist, San Mateo.

Health

The Calif. Board of Dental Examiners revoked the license of Harry S. Okuda, DDS, of Huntington Beach effective Dec. 10 for violation of the state codes and stayed the revocation on condition of five years' probation. He was found to have written false prescriptions, obtained, furnished and administered a dangerous and restricted drug to himself.

Churches

Methodist Bishop Wilbur W. Y. Choy of Seattle addressed representatives from the Chinese, Japanese and Korean congregations of the denomination, which had gathered for the first time Nov. 19 to hear the first

or to improve its relations with other groups, both in and out of the Japanese community. History has shown that isolated groups are largely ineffective. By working together, this organization and others, resolution of crucial problems is much more probable.

Close working relations also help in developing the needed understanding between divergent people. It broadens our perspectives and strengthens our humanity.

Because of the nature of particular problems, it is essential that this organization develop strong ties with other communities. For example, many of the problems in our schools are tied to racial problems between different ethnic groups.

Casting blame on "those other people" is not a solution; it's a copout. By casting blame, you reject personal responsibility and eliminate possible solutions. The problems are too acute and the challenges too great for any of us not to take personal responsibility.

In closing, there is an old saying which states that . . . "You are either part of the solution or part of the problem." Also, remember that this organization is committed to the kinds of responsibilities which have been discussed in this article.

To quote from the National JACL Constitution, Article II, section 3 . . . "The primary and continuing concern of this organization shall be the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry. In its programs and activities, however, it shall strive to secure and uphold full civil rights and equal justice under law for all Americans, regardless of race, creed, color and national origin."

Pantyhose for men

NIIGATA—Pantyhose is selling well among young men in the snowy prefectures of Niigata and Nagano because it serves to retain body heat. They are spats-type, which cover the lower-half of the body above the ankles.

American affairs, (2) speakers' bureau, (3) educational committee, (4) conference on Asian American studies in Washington, (5) resource center for other Asian American studies, and (6) study course on the Asian American experience.

Eleven candidates were introduced by the Nominations Committee for five chapter board vacancies: Dr. Melvin H. Chiojioji, Paul R. Heilmeyer, Irene Kanno, An. Murata, Irene Maruno, Mrs. Lily Okura, Roy Rohn, Harry Takai Jr., Mrs. Belko Wakabayashi, Dr. Alley Watada and Capt. Takeshi Yoshinara.

December Events
Milwaukee distributes Christmas Cheer baskets

A traditional family Christmas party was hosted by Milwaukee JACL at International Institute on Dec. 10. The canned goods collected at the door went toward making a Christmas Cheer basket for four needy Asian families in time for Christmas, party co-chairmen Andy Hasegawa and Fumi Nakamoto noted.

Pianist Bob Lehner accompanied the group in singing carols. Door prizes were distributed and Santa Claus paid his visit to the kiddies.

Ocean Expo postponed

TOKYO—The 1975 international ocean exposition in Okinawa has been rescheduled from March-August to July 20-Jan. 18, 1976, the Bureau of International Expositions in Paris was informed.

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