

Youth Program



Washington
 Since the National Council has given high priority to youth programs and has brought the JAY (formerly Jr. JACL) fully within the JACL organization (at the request of the JAYs themselves), it seems appropriate to publish my views of the JAY and of the National Youth Program, which are given in the following summary which I prepared for my participation in a panel discussion of the direction of the JAY and the National Youth Program at the recently concluded National JAY Convention at Hayward.

Forecasting the future direction of the JAY and of the National Youth Program is difficult since the composition and leadership of the JAY will continue to change over relatively short spans of time and the immediate needs and interests of the young shift and change in direct relationship to the environmental stimuli to which they are exposed at any particular time. Nevertheless, I will venture a few hypotheses about the future of both the JAY and the Youth Program.

With regard to the JAY—

- The direction of the JAY should evolve from among the JAYs themselves and should not be imposed from the outside.
- The JAYs, with their outstanding leaders during the past biennium, have laid firm programmatic and organizational foundations for the immediate future. By following-up on what has been accomplished so far, making further improvements as needed, and assuring that the projects adopted (or to be adopted) are carried through to fruition, the JAYs should produce ends which will benefit not only JAY members, but also other members of the Japanese American and Asian American communities. At the same time, this effort should serve to ensure the continuity of the JACL JAY program by broadening its base through an increase in members and the development of new and additional JAY leaders.
- JAY representation on the JACL National Board has had significant effect on the decisions and actions of the Board and on greater understanding by individual adult members of the Board of youth concerns and perceptions. As

communication among the JAYs is improved and the position of the JAYs on the National Board becomes even more firmly established, the JAYs should have increasing impact on the future direction of JACL as a whole.—It is particularly refreshing when the young Board members can and do question the "conventional wisdom" of their elders, forcing clearer thinking to answer the simple question "Why?"

• Although the JAY should not be viewed as a primary training ground for future JACL leaders, a natural result of JAY programs and activities should be the development of increased individual self-assurance and competence in coping with various kinds of personal and group problems so that JAYs will be better equipped to step into the mainstream of society. Thus it is likely that the JAY will help prepare many of its members to assume leadership in various fields such as in civic, professional and business groups as well as in JACL itself.

Concerning the National Youth Program—

- The National Youth Program (of which the JAY is a part) is under the broad direction of the National JACL organization, but must still be responsive to the overall needs and interests of JA youths in general. Accordingly, the National Council will undoubtedly continue to give high priority to the development and expansion of the Youth Program.
- The National Board and Staff will continue to explore and develop means of implementing new programs or expanding existing programs which benefit the youth, including those which cannot be adequately accommodated through the JAY. Some likely areas are: increased development of reference and study materials on our cultural heritage; training opportunities and internships in a variety of fields such as in public service, education, business, the professions, and trades; career and educational counselling; expansion of scholarships and fellowships at academic institutions; exchange and study programs abroad. The possibilities, including other "fun things" and recreational activities, are unlimited.

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Discoveries '74

Sharing the spotlight at the National JAYs Biennial meeting at Cal State-Hayward was Edison T. Uno with Shigeki Sugiyama (whose opening remarks at the open forum is printed above). Here is an extract of Uno's opening remarks.

By EDISON T. UNO

I confess that I am somewhat uninformed as to development of the national Japanese American Youth over the years and puzzled by the theme, "Discoveries". If you will take into account my limited knowledge of the JAYs and temper it with my deep concern for my community and the future of the Japanese American Citizens League, I am confident we can exchange views and ideas which may be mutually beneficial.

Twenty-six years ago (1948), I participated in my first national JACL convention in Salt Lake City, Utah. I was one of the charter members of the East Los Angeles and was sent to represent our district council as a contestant in the old JACL oratorical contest. I was very young and naive.

If I remember correctly, the topic for the speech contest concerned the future of the JACL and Japanese Americans. Although I worked very hard on the content and delivery, I was a big disappointment. Out of five or six speakers, I think I came in last or next to last. Competition was very keen and when I heard the other contestants give their polished speeches, I knew my chances were very slim. I was a novice amongst professionals, for the winners were older, more experienced, college trained, and very mature.

Meeting Mike

That I had lost in national competition was depressing, for I felt that I had failed to bring honor to the chapter and district who were sponsoring me. But my loss was really a blessing in disguise. My first JACL convention exposed me to one of the most brilliant leaders in our community, an articulate Nisei who inspired me, an activist when others were only talking, a man who will be long remembered for his contribution to our organization and to the welfare of all persons of Japanese ancestry in America. . . . the former Washington Representative, Mike Masaoka.

I was not quite 19 at the Salt Lake City convention. The JACL was debating many serious issues facing Japanese Americans who were attempting to salvage their lives after years of incarceration and removal from the West Coast during World War II.

Most Nisei were busy making up for lost time, reuniting their families, re-establishing farms, businesses, and other means of gainful employment. The younger Nisei

were concentrating on completing their education. The years of waiting had come to an end; it was time for everyone to work towards a new life against tremendous odds in an environment which was hostile, fearful, and uncertain to accept us until we "proved" ourselves.

They were not easy years. Your parents may not speak of that resettlement period, the hard paving menial jobs, overcrowded living conditions, the hard work, sacrifices and all of the degrading conditions they endured to survive the difficult years following the Evacuation.

Like the hard years of the Depression of 1929, '30, '31 which the Issei lived through, the hardships immediately after the Evacuation was a test of the strength and character of your parents and grandparents.

Serious questions

My purpose for recalling the memories of hard times is to bring home a point all of you should ask yourselves. This is the fifth biennial JAY convention; in other words for the past ten years the JACL has sponsored and promoted the JAYs. This convention theme is "Discoveries". As I thought of these two facts, some very serious questions came to mind.

I asked myself, "If the JAYs have been active for ten years, with what the JACL point with pride as accomplishments of this program?" Again, I asked myself, "Discoveries"? To discover means to reveal, to disclose, to expose and to uncover.

The more I thought, the more puzzled, cynical, and critical I became. As I pondered these questions, my bias became more clear. I share my bias with you in hopes that it will be food for thought, an argument, a provocative idea, and maybe even a reaction to inspire you to move collectively in a positive action.

I seriously question the need for a separate organization, a sub-group (stratified, labeled, and identified as the Japanese American Youth. Call it JAY or any other name, to me it is still the old Junior JACL. I question this concept because I personally do not see the benefits of this separate category.

I do not see the development of leadership within our organization which stimulates the Samsel to continue their interest to the point of transition from one level to another.

I believe the JACL should have programs which attract young adults to its ranks. The Samsel should be at the helm of leadership of the JACL. The viability of the organization can and should meet the needs of young adults as the Nisei become more secure in their economic success.

I see the JAY program as a token effort, a pacification

program, a segregation classification, second-class status, and a deliberate attempt to isolate the "in" group from the "out" group. As harsh as this may sound, I do not foresee any real changes in the control of the JACL.

Yes, we do have a national staff composed of many young adults. I concede there are Samsel becoming active in various chapters. But real control, real power, real programs, are many years away unless drastic changes take place within JACL.

Ask yourself what priority does JACL give its young people? How much of the national budget is allocated to JAY? What percentage of staff energies, resources, and leadership is devoted to the youth? How many Jr. JACLers do we find in today's JACL?

Does the JAY leadership compete with other community based organizations such as the YBA, Christian churches, scouting, sports, ethnic studies, university and college affiliations, etc?

Does JACL perpetuate a paternalistic attitude in the community? Does it also create an environment of in-breeding? I confess that I don't know the answers, but I do have some suspicions that my questions may be very embarrassing for the JACL.

Challenges ahead

I remarked earlier of the strength and determination of the Issei and Nisei in the face of adversities and hard times. I am confident that young people today have the fortitude and spirit to overcome the struggle to survive. They are certainly far better educated than their parents . . . in total potentially superior in all respects.

With all of these positive attributes, I believe the JAYs can and should take over the leadership of established and traditional JACL chapters. It won't be easy, but is a struggle worth the effort. The JACL needs new blood. Many of us are beyond middle age, we suffer from tired blood.

I sincerely hope you discover new horizons. There are many serious problems in our communities. I hope you have the courage to face them realistically. With the growing number of interracial marriages, the title Japanese American Youth may be very exclusionary.

Our nation has just witnessed the disastrous effects of moral bankruptcy of our national leadership. As we are in a period of transition, there will be some painful adjustments. I believe our communities and organizations are also faced with various phases of transition. I believe the difficult times ahead will test us all.

I have learned from my personal experience that success

CIVIL SERVICE DENIES NISEI MERIT UP-GRADE

Fred Nakagawa Asserts Race Bias, Seeks Rehearing

WASHINGTON—Fred I. Nakagawa, who has been teaching in a Dept. of Defense school in Japan for the past nine years, filed for a promotion to an administrative position last year in the overseas American school.

But it was denied and Nakagawa asserted it was due to racial discrimination. A teacher of 13 years and with credits beyond a master's degree, he told the National Education Assn. that Asian Americans were denied admission to an administrative training program "as a part of a general pattern of discrimination" in the school system and charged less qualified persons—none Asian American—were selected.

Nakagawa's fluency in the Japanese language and familiarity with Japanese culture made him a valuable faculty member, since 50 per cent of the students in the Dept. of Defense schools in Japan have at least one Japanese parent, the NEA added in its brief to the U.S. Civil Service Commission filed last April for a reversal of its position regarding Nakagawa.

In mid-June, the case was reopened by the Civil Service Commission and William P. Berzak, chairman of the Commission's board of appeals and review, issued a precedential ruling setting forth federal guidelines. The NEA officials were pleased with the announcement, guaranteeing all overseas educators and other federal employees a thorough and complete investigation of all discrimination complaints.

Earlier this month (Aug. 6), Nakagawa received a new investigative report on his case from Hq USAF, San Antonio, Tex., which he regarded as inadequate and told past National JACL legal counsel Raymond Uno he intends to request another hearing.

At the initial hearing, the commission's complaint examiner concluded there was no evidence of racial discrimination—even though he had received satisfactory and outstanding ratings from his principals for the administrative position.

The NEA is represented in countries around the world, including Japan, by an affiliate, the Overseas Education Assn. for over 6,000 teachers. NEA has taken an increasingly active role in recent years in defending the rights of Asian American teachers and students, as well as other minorities.

Samuel Ethridge, director of NEA's teacher rights program, reports there are about 7,300 teachers of Oriental heritage in American schools and about 233,000 students.

The NEA, through its DuShane Emergency Fund, last year supported plaintiffs in the historic U.S. Supreme Court case seeking to compel the San Francisco school district to provide non-English speaking Chinese students compensatory education in the English language. The plaintiffs were successful.

Big blast closes Asian rehab ctr.

LOS ANGELES—Nikkei owned businesses in the immediate vicinity of E. 7th and Mateo Sts. were not seriously affected by the Aug. 10 chemical explosion heard over a 15-mile radius but the Asian Rehabilitation Center at 1921 E. 7th St. was closed for repairs this past week.

Sachio Kano, director of the sheltered workshop program at the center, reported the blast had blown out all the windows and doors. Had it not been for an appearance at the Nisei Week coronation ball (in tandem with comic Avery Schreiber), he would have been at work at the time of the blast.

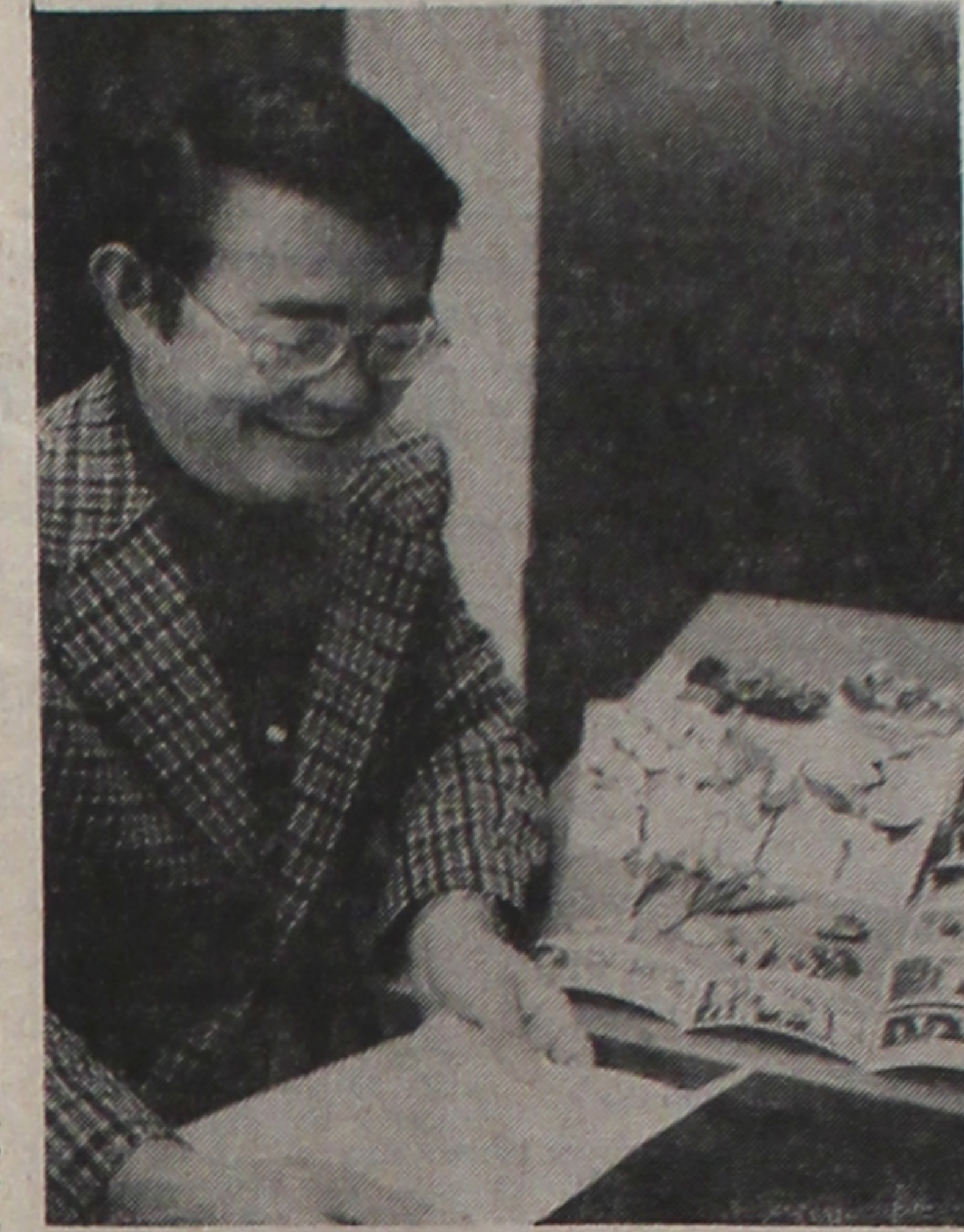
Nishimoto Trading, which moved several months ago, was located at 807 Mateo—a block away from the blast. Japan Food Corp. and Kikkoman Inc. at 1131 Mateo and Union Paper Supply at 1717 E. 7th continued business as usual Monday.

Minority enterprise

LOS ANGELES—Minority Enterprise Week was celebrated here Aug. 26-30, noting that Asian American, black, brown, and Indian businessmen contributed \$225-million toward the local economy. The Asian American group hosted a luncheon to open the event.

TULE LAKE PILGRIMAGE

A Boxful of Mementos



Ben Takeshita looks over some of the Tule Lake Camp mementos sent to him from Mrs. Charlotte Swayne, a former teacher at the camp's school. Mrs. Swayne, who is now retired and lives in Oregon, sent the items to Takeshita after reading about him and the recent NWDC Pilgrimage to Tule Lake.



One of the photographs presented to Takeshita shows the class Mrs. Swayne taught at Tule Lake. The photographs along with shell corsages and hand carved pins are

presently stored at JACL Headquarters and will be displayed in the new headquarters building now under construction.

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)
 SAN FRANCISCO—The letter was addressed simply to "Ben Takeshita, Richmond, California." Despite the lack of a street number, it reached its destination a few months ago.

The letter was from a retired school teacher, Mrs. Charlotte Swayne in Waldport, Ore. During World War II she was a substitute at Tule Lake Camp during the summer. She read about Takeshita in the Oregon papers and the fact that he was one of the organizers of the recent Northern California-Western Nevada District Council JACL Pilgrimage to Tule Lake.

In her letter Mrs. Swayne offered to turn over some mementos she had of Tule Lake Camp to Takeshita if he felt they could be used in some way. Takeshita in turn contacted JACL Headquarters where he learned the materials could be stored and possibly displayed in the new headquarters building now under construction.

The end result this past week was receipt of a small box filled with corsages made from shells, hand carved wooden pins, assorted snapshots and the promise of a wooden carved vase. In an accompanying letter, Mrs. Swayne explained a little more about her involvement with Tule Lake camp and

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VENICE-CULVER CANDIDATE WINS TOP SCHOLARSHIP

Sharon Inouye to Be Presented Masaoka Scholarship

LOS ANGELES—The National Japanese American Citizens League chose Sharon Kiyomi Inouye, 17-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Mitsuo Inouye, of Culver City, for the organization's highest scholastic award for 1974. She will receive the Pvt. Ben Frank Masaoka Memorial Scholarship of \$500. (Names of other JACL-administered scholarship winners are to be announced.)

Upon graduation in June from Venice High School as a valedictorian, Roman Lampert, Ephebian, Governor's Scholar, National Merit Scholarship Commended Student, she also received the Venice-Culver JACL Scholarship Award.

Sharon's many other honors and awards include Venice High's "Girl of the Year" (1974) and their annual Alumni Scholarship, Bank of America Certificate winner for foreign Languages, Soroptimist Youth Foundation.

Throughout her academically gifted years, she found time to hold many offices such as:

President of Ladies Service Organization, Girl's League treasurer and committee chairman, Senior Class secretary, Letterville Honorary Service Club secretary, Ushers Service Organization secretary, House of Representatives member, and Student Council member.

Talented in the arts she was a National Guild of Piano Teachers State winner, a member of Girl's Glee and Contempo Singing Ensemble, and received first place for Design Craft in the Venice High art show.

Also accomplished in physical activities, she has received the Presidential Physical Fitness Award, placed second and third in the interscholastic archery tournaments, been a member of the Drill Team, Volleyball team, and Baile Folklorico Group.

In September, she will enter Pomona College with "Honors-at-entrance", to major in humanities while fulfilling her pre-med requirements. Sharon plans to become a pediatrician.

Sharon's father, Dr. Inouye, is formerly from Mountain View and has his offices in Culver City next to Washington Hospital (where he was Chief of Staff for nearly 10 years). Mrs. Inouye, (nee Lili Ann Harada), is formerly from San Francisco and is an active member in civic and community affairs.



Sharon Inouye

Japan tourists complain in Vegas

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Some tourists from Japan are regarded as easy touches here, according to David Ushio, executive director of the National JACL here Aug. 5 to launch a new JACL chapter, according to the Associated Press.

Ushio said Japanese tourists had complained to JACL, which also tries to be of aid to visitors from Japan. They paid double cab fare for a trip from the airport and experienced other hassles.

Japanese tourists are No. 3 among foreign visitors, ranking after Canada and Mexico, according to the Convention Bureau here.

President Ford invites Mineta to bill signing

SAN JOSE, Calif.—President Ford invited San Jose Mayor Norman Mineta last week (Aug. 22) to the White House to witness the signing of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.

The \$11.1-billion bill establishes an \$8.6-billion revenue sharing grant for community development with low-income housing and urban renewal rated as high priority efforts. The limit to FHA-insured home mortgage loans are also to be increased from \$33,000 to \$45,000.

Health plan guidelines proposed

SAN FRANCISCO — While there is presently no national JACL health insurance program, most chapters provide some type of "JACL-sponsored" group plan.

Because of recurring problems with respect to health insurance programs which require assistance of National JACL Headquarters to resolve, some basic policies and guidelines were recently referred to the National JACL Board by the recent National JACL Council delegates at Portland "to protect the interest and welfare of participants".

The National JACL Board is expected to adopt the following policies which would be applicable to all district council or chapter-sponsored group health plans.

Guidelines

1—Contracts shall be negotiated with the insurance carrier with active participation by duly appointed or elected representatives of the sponsoring or endorsing District Council(s) or all the chapters when the plan is not District Council sponsored or endorsed.

2—When two or more chapters are covered by the same insurance plan contract, a committee composed of at least one duly appointed or elected representative from each participating chapter shall be established to develop and implement the policies and procedures for administering the health insurance plan. The Committee as a whole may also serve as the administrative body, or a separate subcommittee may be appointed or elected from the whole committee to serve as the administrative body.

3—Enrollment eligibility requirements which can be controlled by JACL shall be uniform for all chapters under all plans within a District Council. This applies to, but is not limited to:

(a) Minimum period of membership (no less than 3 months and no more than 6 months) in JACL immediately prior to enrollment.

(b) Age limits.

(c) JACL membership of enrollees and/or persons covered.

4—Full disclosure of income (including premiums and any supplemental fees) and expenses shall be made at least annually. Payments and reimbursements to individuals and firms other than the insurance carrier shall be reported in the disclosure statement.

5—A chapter may not participate in health insurance plans with more than one insurance carrier unless the contracts with the respective carriers clearly specify that there is no objection or prohibition against coverage of the chapter by more than one carrier.

6—All eligible JACL members shall be provided full information of the availability of health insurance coverage.

(a) Such information shall be limited to official information provided by the insurance carrier and any supplemental information prepared or approved by the appropriate JACL health insurance committee or administrative body only (i.e., material prepared by agents or brokers shall not be issued with JACL endorsements).

(b) Active solicitation of participation in any particular health insurance plan by any person shall be prohibited.

PSWDC chapter-sponsored health insurance endorsed

SANTA ANA, Calif.—At the Aug. 11 Pacific Southwest District Council meeting at Kono Hawaii, the "other" health insurance program co-sponsored by the seven PSWDC chapters for the past four years was endorsed, providing an alternative to the previously-approved Blue Shield plan, for JACLers throughout the district.

Bob Moriguchi of San Fernando Valley, chairman of the PSWDC insurance executive board, presented a brief history of the newly adopted program, organized by Jimmy Gozawa. Seven chapters currently offering the plan are: East Los Angeles, Gardena Valley, Orange County, San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel, Sealano and West Los Angeles.

Stuart Tsujimoto of Gardena Valley, insurance executive board vice-chairman, added that "competition with Blue Shield" will result in added benefits to members of both plans.

It was also announced space will be secured at the JACL regional office to accommodate a full-time secretary to assist in the PSWDC insurance efforts, the expenses to be met by the chapter-sponsored insurance program. Gozawa will be retained as general agent. Insurance Emporium of America (formerly the First Fund) will be retained as trust fund administrator. National Home Life Assurance Co. will continue the underwriting.

The chapter-sponsored program will be under direct control of the JACL through its insurance executive board, which is comprised of participating chapter representatives; chapter brokers will service the participants; quick processing of enrollment and claim payments; tailor made benefits and rates as negotiated by the insurance executive board; financial arrangements, statements and other information will be open and accountable.

The 12 chapters which were absent have 30 days in which to vote on the endorsement of the chapter-sponsored insurance program. The vote at the district meeting was 11-3 for endorsement with one abstention.

HARRY K. HONDA, Editor
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IMMIGRATION IN MID-1970s

Till the mid-1960s when immigration quotas for Asians were repealed, JACL was quite involved in matters of immigration. Interest flared on a collateral issue of naturalization in the early 1970s when the question of "illegal aliens" jeopardized the status of Issei aged on public welfare in California. Newspaper articles concerning these problems continue to be filed in the PC morgue—but correspondence inside JACL has been scant this past biennium, so far as this desk is concerned.

There was attention paid to "aliens" with reference to JACL membership at the last National Convention, but it did not address the more critical problems which will vex this republic as economic skies continue to become darker each passing day.

We now see the group called Zero Population Growth last month calling for a 90 per cent cut in legal immigration of 400,000 to 40,000 and a crack-down on the millions of illegal aliens, estimated by the Immigration and Naturalization Service as high as four million a year. In view of the declining national birth rate, legal immigration is progressively assuming a larger portion of the total growth, which ZPG says, is a quarter of the U.S. population growth.

ZPG fears within the next 30 years, immigrants and their descendants will have added 20 million people—equivalent to the present population of California. This is their way of saying foreign-born have too many babies.

Many of the immigrants currently being admitted are skilled professionals with the kinds of talent developing countries can ill afford to lose. A task force among U.S. medical colleges is recommending a major reduction in the number of foreign medical school graduates being allowed to practice in the U.S., where one out of five is now said to be a graduate of a foreign school. The rationale for this guild-like restriction is to raise the quality of American medical care, the task force explains.

With respect to foreign workers, the AFL-CIO is pushing hard to have the Senate act on the House-passed bill making it illegal to "knowingly employ illegal aliens." And the AFL-CIO wants "knowingly" struck, too. According to the American Federationist, the AFL-CIO publication, the number of illegal aliens in the U.S. is eight million and rising; some 600,000 (mostly Mexicans) were apprehended last year in the southwest alone.

Last month, the California appellate court struck down a state law prohibiting the hiring of illegal aliens on a jurisdictional basis since the matter was a federal case. California was the only state providing punishment (up to \$500 for each violation) of employers who knowingly hired illegal aliens, when such employment adversely affects U.S. citizens. Now, it is no crime to hire illegal aliens, but if they are caught, they are sent back at U.S. government expense.

A story in the Denver Post noted illegal aliens harvested half of the crops in Colorado. The traffic has boomed since the end of the bracero program 10 years ago. And a new trend has been detected in that illegal aliens are being hired in industry. One employer was quoted: "They are very good people—very hard-working. They get their pay checks and they send them home... The kind of work they do, nobody else wants to do. It's not the money—they get paid the same as everybody else."

An immigration official in Los Angeles explained illegal aliens—mostly from Mexico—are coming here because of jobs which pay more than those in Mexico, even if the pay is cheap by U.S. standards.

As for foreign students, the Immigration service decreed a new procedure for summer jobs, limiting access to some 17,000 out of an estimated 150,000 who are dependent on this kind of employment to continue their education. With the job market getting tight, it was reasoned American minority members and Vietnam veterans deserved a better crack at available jobs—though a fulltime job is what they deserve and want instead of a summer call. Moreover, incoming foreign students will hence forth have to satisfy immigration they have enough funds in hand for the first year of study and can swing all the subsequent years on their own.

This mixed bag of developments affecting foreigners who wish to taste or join American life is running counter to the traditional open door which had made this nation what it is—a pluralistic democratic society.

Economic and social conditions in the past have determined what foreigners could enter and on what terms they should share the benefits of American life—but even these have been recast in the past two decades in light of equality and humanity. The Japanese resident alien, as a group, was the last to be allowed the privilege of citizenship and owing real property.

It remains a matter of deep and legitimate satisfaction of Americans to know that the U.S.A. is the country that others most want to get into and not out of. If there are second-thoughts about our once proud boast, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses, yearning to be free..." I lift my lamp beside the golden door," let it not be at the expense of justice and care.



From Our 60,000 Readers
PC Letter Box

Wholes

Editor:
What a wonderful idea! Let's kill all the whales. (Who misses them?)
Why stop there? Let's wipe out all the species until only man, cockroaches, rats, and bedbugs remain.
What a beautiful world that would be!
NAOMI KASHIWABARA
San Diego, Calif.

JACL Convention

(Reports and comments by chapter delegates shall be gleaned from chapter newsletters. Chapters without newsletters should urge their delegates to submit brief remarks direct to PC.—Ed.)
The 23rd Biennial was opened July 24 by a simple ceremony and keynote address by Dr. Minoru Masuda. Three thematic panel workshops followed with a well-presented Asian American Fair that evening. Sadly these three events were the only times delegates were in touch with the theme ("Asian American"), having no opportunity for study or exploration except to adopt Proposition 11, Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund, as our second priority on the 1975-76 program.

Of major importance to the membership is the passing of the huge \$562,900 budget for the coming biennium—not only because it raises dues from \$9 to \$12 per year—but definite guidelines were set up to work with the budget. We will also need to enlist some 2,250 new members to accommodate the shortfall, making a projected membership of over 30,000 to maintain this budget. A very small percentage of our people belong to JACL.

Adoption of the development program as our No. 1 priority is important here as funds needed to implement our program must be sought outside the dues so we can move in a more positive and relevant direction. We cannot keep adopting programs in philosophy only without hope of developing them.
We are beginning to see new, able, young members in

their 30s joining. We shall need to address ourselves to the greater community in the world of today and tomorrow if we are to attract and keep these able and sophisticated young adults.
The JAY student intern and DYC project of the biennium programs with their third and fourth priority rankings should encourage the younger and college age to participate.
Hopefully, the program and passage of other amendments, the \$30,000-seed money to make a beginning will see a flowering of new purpose and goals that will develop JACL's full potential. There is much to be done and for the very reasons we joined together in the beginning, JACL can live & grow by recognizing and adjusting its role in today's small world. Past accomplishments will not be enough to justify its existence.

SUMI SAITO
Delegata
Fresno JACL

Alternative membership

Editor:
With regard to "alternative membership" (PC, Aug. 9), San Mateo doesn't stand alone. Spokane Chapter way out in the Inland Empire of the Pacific Northwest with its small membership faces similar problems discussed in that issue.
In the wake of National raising its dues to \$12 only further compounds our problems. How can we explain this justification to our members when 90 percent of our dues goes to the National and in the same breath we have to curtail some of our local activities? Criticism comes from within—that nothing is gained by the chapter and these funds can be put to better use locally. This raising of dues, I'm sure, will reflect on our membership for the coming year where confusion already reigns and threats of withdrawing is an issue at our board meetings.

San Mateo's "alternative membership" sound very logical and feasible from my point of view as it will bring and maintain some degree of harmony and unity within our Chapter. Instead of losing

members, we can offer associate, alternate, or supporting member or whatever you want to call it, to these people who normally will not join JACL. They need not be voted members, but it gives them a chance to work together with us for the good of the local Japanese American community.
Other clubs or organizations in our society have such set-ups and it seems to work fairly well; it's certainly worth a try. We have nothing to lose, and maybe all to gain.

MAS AKIYAMA
President
Spokane JACL

Job discrimination

Editor:
The JACL officers have now used up a few hundred column inches on various subjects, but one, which I believe is most important to all Nisei.
What happened to the Japanese bassoonist of the San Francisco Symphony? Isn't discrimination against one Nissei discrimination against all?

MOONRAY KOJIMA
New York

Hibakusha

Editor:
Don't you believe that problem of the survivors of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki atomic bombs dropped by the U.S. (as noted in the New York Times Aug. 4) is the type of issue with which JACL should involve itself?
And why does it take the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal (which ran a similar article several days later) to bring this to the public's attention?

NANCY KOJIMA
New York

Not only JACL but everybody—especially with respect to securing medical relief as provided in the Roubal bill (HR 2984) which has been stalled in the House Judiciary Committee since January 1973. As for the NYT and WSJ articles, the papers we see on the west coast have done just as well—but understandingly during the first week of August only.—Ed.

NATIONAL DIALOGUE: David Ushio

'Save the whole' Tactics

Following is the text of these Americans are still with David Ushio's major address to the National JACL Convention delivered July 27 at Portland at the recognition luncheon.

In September of 1971 President Nixon stopped in our host city of Portland prior to his historic meeting with the Emperor of Japan in Anchorage, Alaska. On that occasion President Nixon signed into law the legislation that repealed Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950 culminating many months of hard work by this organization to convince the nation and Congress that a concentration camp law that allows for preventive detention has no place in this nation. During this time, the nation was reminded about our history as Japanese Americans, our contributions, and the injustices that were perpetrated against us on the basis of race.

At the 1972 National JACL Convention in Washington, D.C. eight months after Title II was repealed, much was said to celebrate the repeal of Title II law by both JACL and many enlightened legislators who guided the bill through Congress. A JACL congressional dinner drew many of the most influential leaders in our nation. The basic theme of the dinner was that guilt by association, Evacuation, preventive detention must never happen again in this nation. Much was reaffirmed that evening: the worth of the individual, the dignity of constitutional rights, and the guarantees that the liberties and rights of Japanese Americans must never be questioned solely on the basis that we have Japanese faces.

The next day as Congressman Spark Matsunaga led the JACL delegates on a tour of Capitol Hill, we encountered a demonstration of union members urging Congress to boycott foreign products. As the JACL group passed by, unkind and ugly remarks such as "Go home to Japan," "Stop taking our jobs from us," "Remember Pearl Harbor," were thrown at us by these individuals who may well represent a good portion of grassroots America.

Vestiges of racism
As we view society today, many of the same hostile issues that have faced Japanese Americans are still with us.

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Broadway: Bigoted Boulevard

By LES HIRAKA
New York JACL

NEW YORK—In the latter part of May, the musical "Ride the Winds" opened on Broadway at the Bijou Theater. Set in feudal Japan, the play was based on the life of the legendary swordsman, Musashi Miyamoto. "Ride the Winds" closed after a brief run following publication of several bad reviews. An example appeared in "The Village Voice":

"The sentiments are in the right place but nothing else is. The book plots along ineffectively with mawkish sentiment and anthropomorphic Disney images, the music is of pedestrian regularity, and the choreography, with the exception of the martial arts demonstration, is generally lame."

Short-lived, "Ride the Winds" did have its moments of excitement, though none of them were on-stage. From opening night until its demise, the play was picketed by the Oriental Actors of America, now called Asian American Performing Artists, together with the activist groups, Asian Americans for Fair Media and Asian Americans for Fair Employment.

Ironically, one of the picketers turned out to be a principal actor in the musical (Sab Shimono). Why such fuss from the traditionally "quiet" ones?
In this era of civil rights and ethnic pride, the producers of the musical gave only three of the 14 parts to Asians; the lead role of Musashi was played by a non-Asian. The casting was not atypical, as castings go, on this famed boulevard in Manhattan; Broadway, the principal stage of American theater, has had a pronounced and continuing history of discrimination against the Asian actor. Rather paradoxical in this liberal and cosmopolitan setting of New York City.

Why change?
But Broadway and its an-

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Sept. 3, 1949
Federal court condemns Francisco News defends Gen. MacArthur evacuation program... DeWitt's wartime actions... U.S. citizenship told by friend McGrath, Devers, Tom Clark at treason trial... U.S. appeals court describes evacuationists Seattle after more than 40 years.

Delinquent members now being cut-off by PCI

Bill Hosokawa

Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

THE POWER OF LAUGHTER—As a people, Japanese Americans have yet to learn the pleasure of laughter, or the devastating power of humor, in coping with their burdens. Perhaps the bitterness of their past is too recent for them to dispose of it with laughter. Whatever the case, and speaking in broad generalities, they are on the whole a grimly serious crowd that is more inclined to react with anger than a grin to an unintended affront. Enough Japanese Americans are so uptight about the word Jap, for example, that you don't dare joke about it with them.

Is this grimness part of the Issei heritage, developed by a people who seemed to conceal their emotions and frowned on levity? If so, it is a misinterpretation of Issei ways. Among themselves, and on appropriate occasions, they love fun and laughter. The mask of dignity and reserve falls away to reveal a rich sense of humor. Be that as it may, at the height of the Black rage when young activists rejected the stereotypes of the grinning Negro and replaced it with violence and angry rhetoric, they had many Japanese American mimics.

How often have you read anything really humorous in the Pacific Citizen, the English sections of the Japanese language newspapers, or in the proliferating number of books about the Japanese American experience? Not often. Humor is an emotion hard to come by among these people. That's why a simple little cartoon book by Jack Matsuoka, titled "Camp II, Block 211," published recently by Japan Publications, Inc., is so welcome.

"Camp II, Block 211" is a collection of cartoons that Matsuoka as a hopeful teenage artist sketched when he was locked up in the Poston War Relocation Center. When he relocated to Cleveland, Ohio, a move followed shortly by enlistment in the Army, Matsuoka put the cartoons away and forgot about them. In time Matsuoka became a free-lance cartoonist in the San Francisco area. Some months ago he dug out the Poston cartoons and Japan Publications indicated an interest in issuing them as a book.

Matsuoka's style has been polished considerably since 1943, but his camp cartoons were published just the way he had drawn them 30 years ago. "It was the opinion of the editors that it would be more effective to show the crudeness of the cartoons," he says, "as much as I would have liked to re-do them. So they were left just as originally drawn."

In broad strokes Matsuoka depicts the humor as well as the pathos of the evacuation and relocation experience, providing a minimum of explanatory text. Perhaps a few more words would have been helpful for those unfamiliar with history; for those who lived in the camps the cartoons will evoke smiles and bitter-sweet memories, particularly the cartoons about the physical discomfort.

His humor is most devastating in a section devoted to the schools set up behind barbed wire. One cartoon shows two soldiers in a guardtower listening to school children and saying to each other: "Hear that? They're pledging allegiance to the U.S. Better report that, Sarge!"

Another cartoon shows a youngster in a camp school saying: "The Constitution is but a piece of paper." The teacher reacts strongly: "What!! Who said that?" The student replies: "A high ranking U.S. military person—a general. A few Congressmen. Top ranking government officials. Members of the state, justice department, etc." The teacher, with an indescribable expression on his face, simply says, "Oh." Matsuoka's humor makes the point more sharply and poignantly—and therefore more effectively—than angry polemic. "Camp II, Block 211" is a delightful book with a powerful message and the only thing outrageous about it is its \$7.95 price.

Jim Henry

Sakura P.S.

PLAYS THEM WHERE THEY LIE

MOST CHURCH ministers was 75 pounds lighter. Bruce experience a certain sadness was too fast for any regular when they think of their golfing congregation members, but not Takuchika Miki. He encourages golf and even offers to improve your game if you attend services, got a boxer on the mat—Miki is the 74-year-old patriarch of the Church of Perfect Liberty, a philosophical sect which owns six golf courses and is planning another one on its grounds in California's Santa Monica Mountains.

The Perfect Liberty flock, which abounds in Japan, Brazil, and Los Angeles, plays free on the church golf courses. Miki promises his followers that observance of his 21 precepts will "improve your game by four to five strokes."

"We can learn about ourselves through golf," he asserted. "Our teachings say that anger, worry and sorrow destroy the success of all underlings. So it is in golf."

Who says Japan is buying the world? Heard about a Japanese business executive who's so rich he bought a new yacht because the old one got wet.

ONLY IN JAPAN—An Osaka beauty parlor here has a "fanning service" by three muscular young men for its customers.

The "fanners," line up behind a row of customers under dryers and wave large-sized fans at the customers—women. The men wear bathing trunks, of course. The proprietress of the shop explained that the three men sweating hard in bathing trunks with large fans in their hands are reflected on the mirror in front of the customers. This "soothes the middle-aged women" sitting under the hot dryers, she said.

NEWSMAKERS—Could a boxer have whipped a Kung Fu expert like the late genius of martial arts, Bruce Lee, in a "no-rules" fight? At a dinner party, heavy-weight champion George Foreman was asked that question recently and promptly replied: "I don't think I'd have lasted three rounds with Bruce Lee, even though he

75th anniversary Ushio—

BCA memorial for Nisei GIs slated

Ceremonies Sept. 1 at San Bruno site

SAN BRUNO, Calif. — What looms to be the most impressive memorial services conducted at the Golden Gate National Cemetery here will be observed Sept. 1, 5:30 p.m., when some 1,000 persons gather to pay tribute to the Japanese American war dead.

The ceremonies are part of the week-long 75th anniversary conference program of the Buddhist Churches of America culminating on Labor Day at San Francisco. Mike Masaoka of Washington, D.C., will be principal speaker. Over 60 ministers, led by Lord Abbot Kosho Ohtani of Kyoto and BCA Bishop Kenryu Tsuji, will participate as well as representatives from civic, veteran and Buddhist groups. Shigeki Sugiyama, national JACL president, will be emcee.

Other speakers will include Lt. Gen. Stanley Larsen, former 6th Army commandant; the Hon. Paul Bannal of Gardena; Fred Yasukochi of Oxnard, immediate past BCA president. Participants in laying of the wreath will be Lord Abbot and Lady Ohtani, BCA president Hiroji Kariya of Mountain View, and Mary Yamamoto of Sacramento, president of the Nat'l Federation of Buddhist Women.

The 12th Naval District Band will provide military music. Golden Gate Nisei Memorial VFW Post 9879 will handle general arrangements.

JACL urges Pekin mayor to change school nickname

WASHINGTON—Pekin (Ill.) Mayor William Waldemair was urged by the Japanese American Citizens League to have the community and students adopt "a more fitting name for their teams."

for the past 30 years, Pekin High School has sported "Chinks" as its nickname, which JACL national president Shigeki J. Sugiyama termed as an "unfortunate choice" and deplored the mayor's insistence on continuing to use the racially derogatory term.

Because of its derogatory connotation and highly insulting nature, continued use of the offensive term, Sugiyama said, "is degrading not only to Chinese Americans but to all Asian Americans and persons of color in these United States."

Officials of the Illinois State Commission on Human Relations and Kunz-Lee Wang, president of the Organization of Chinese Americans, were to meet with the Pekin mayor this week (Aug. 29) to resolve the matter.

Trip to Amache slated Sept. 21

DENVER, Colo.—A bus is being chartered for the Amache Pilgrimage, rescheduled for Sept. 21, according to Mile-Hi JACL president Marge Tanikawa, who said the day will include cleaning up the camp cemetery and a brief memorial rite.

Participants should bring their lunch to eat at the camp site, some 200 miles southeast of Denver near Lamar.

The pilgrimage committee (333-2130) will provide maps to the route to those planning to drive individually. Cathy American Legion Post members, in years past, have visited the WW2 evacuation camp to repair and clean up the cemetery grounds. Concern for the dilapidated condition of the cemetery was transmitted by Mrs. Kazuko Matsunaga, a resident at Granada near WRA center, to the post.

Transpacific voyager

LOS ANGELES—Kiyoshi Yamashita, 29, completed an 86-day solo voyage from Japan on his 21 ft. sailboat, arriving at Los Angeles harbor Aug. 10.

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not, these children are being taught that a whole race of people are cruel, unjust, barbaric, and hold a disrespect for law. Cartoons and drawings created by these children depict the whale as being innocent with tears dripping from their eyes as a slant-eyed, buck-toothed barbaric Japanese whaler harpoons the whale to a bloody and violent death.

It is no wonder that there are reports coming more frequently from parents of Japanese American Saneis (third generation) and Yonseis (fourth generation) school children stating that their children are the recipients of angry taunts and in some cases physical abuse by their peer groups; third and fourth grade children who associate a Japanese face with the slaughter of innocent whales. In their zeal to save the whales their impressionable children turn their energy toward the only visible symbol of Japan, in many cases the truly innocent Saneis or Yonseis child; American citizen yet vulnerable. What does such treatment do to the self-image, self-respect and physical well-being of our children? This is where the danger lies.

The issues remain the same. We are visible and unique. We have again become the targets of hostility even when the most altruistic endeavor is being pursued.

JACL's role

Our task as a JACL organization is not to defend the Japanese whaling interests for we too support the moratorium on the killing of whales. It is not to be a spokesman for the Japanese government; but to speak out forcefully against the racist effects of such a campaign, to educate the public regarding this strange type of tyranny that breeds racist attitudes that have plague all people who may appear to be different, and to point out alternatives that are just and do justice to the noble goal of preserving endangered species.

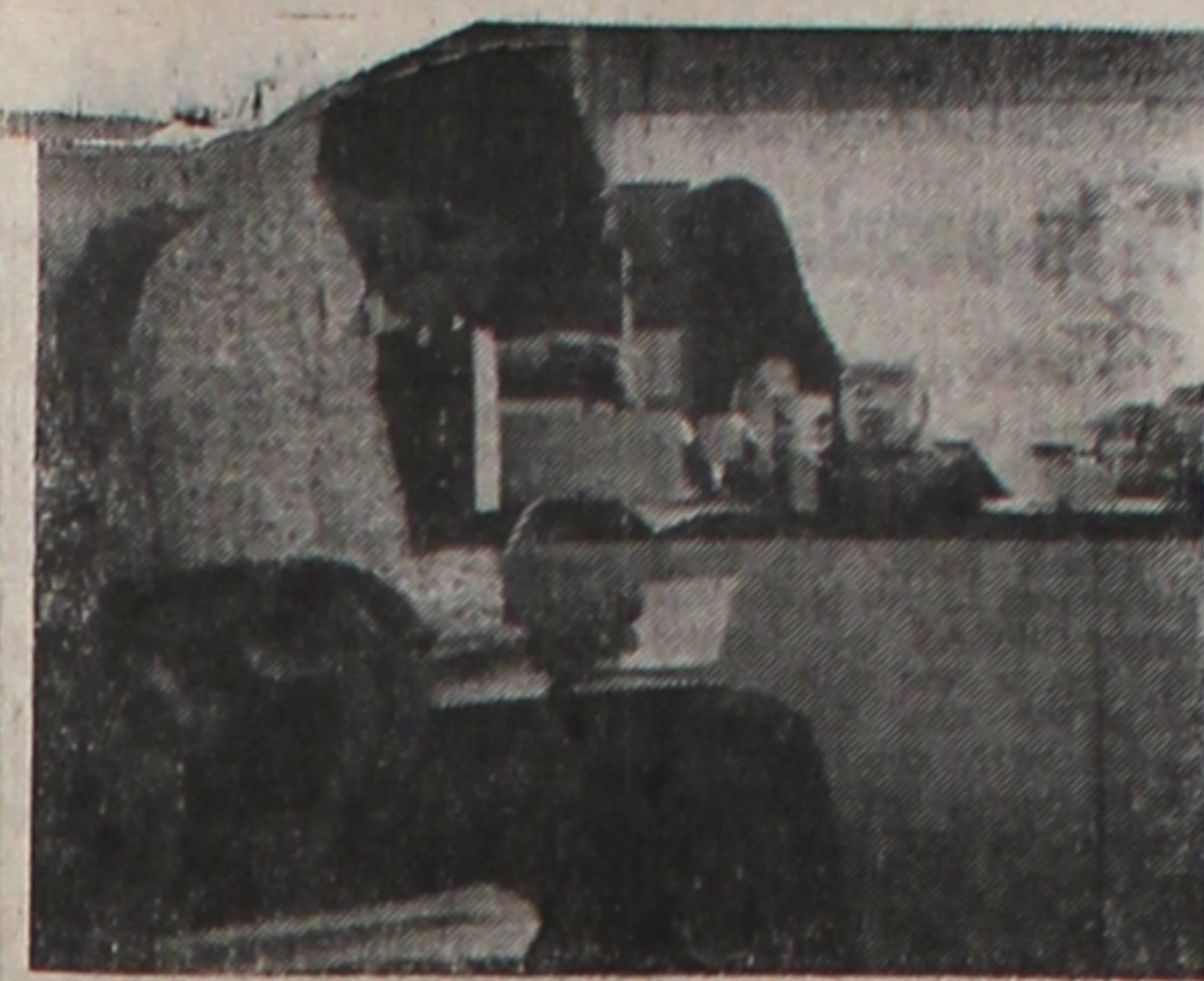
Such a campaign is not without risks. As Japanese Americans we may be painted as being a dupe or front for the Japanese whaling industry of the Japanese government. We may be accused of being anti-conservation even though our position may well be that of pro-moratorium. Or we may simply be written off as one demonstrator told us in San Francisco as being "victims or the sacrifice that any noble campaign must encounter to achieve the desired end."

Two evenings ago I had the pleasure of being seated next to Ambassador U. Alexis Johnson during dinner. Our conversation was led to the discussion of the Save the Whale campaign. He indicated that the campaign to boycott Japanese products based on this Save the Whale campaign appeared to be well-financed and had hundreds of thousands of supporters. He was, of course, shocked to hear about the type of experiences that I have described to you today, but after contemplating about it, he agreed that it was racist and that a national organization such as JACL needed to take very positive steps to combat the perpetuation of this type of misguided but altruistic endeavor.

He urged me to speak on this subject today and to reiterate what he mentioned in his remarks on Thursday that we as Americans of Japanese ancestry should not be put in a position as being spokesmen for Japan but that we certainly had to speak out forcefully to defend our position. In fact we should, if our membership agrees, actually condemn the position taken by the Japanese whaling industry in regards to Japanese government's preservation of the endangered species of whales.

In agreeing with the Ambassador I would urge that our JACL organization take a very positive stand on this issue. We must educate the public, our national leaders, the conservation movement, and the many entities in the nation of Japan who are connected with this issue that intentional racism for altruistic reasons has no place in this nation or in this world.

To save innocent whales at the expense of teaching a whole generation of children to hate an ethnic group is very shortsighted, and while we agree in the preservation of endangered species, we must speak out against tactics that foster ill will and racism toward truly innocent people.



ALL FOR NEW BLDG.—Working at his "desk" on the JAYs Biennium is Dale Shimasaki, co-chairman of the event. The new JACL National Headquarters Building will alleviate the present problem of lack of office space. Also working hard at a somewhat bigger desk is JACL receptionist Connie Sakai.

JACL BUILDING FUND Office space at HQ inadequate

San Francisco — The new \$375,000 Headquarters Building will be located in the heart of San Francisco's Nihonmachi. It will include a conference room, resource center, library and office space.

"I think we need a new building which will provide, there will be room to really develop a resource center, and hopefully a social services and resource employment center," said the JAY Biennium co-chairman. Some \$285,000 has been contributed to the JACL National Headquarters Building Fund. Construction is underway, and the foundation is already completed.

Contributions may be sent to: JACL, 22 Peace Plaza, Suite 203, San Francisco, Calif. 94115.

PSWDC CONTRIBUTES \$500 TO AID ASIAN AMERICANS FOR FAIR MEDIA

SANTA ANA, Calif. — The Asian Americans for Fair Media, based at UCLA's Asian American Studies Center, Campbell Hall, and organized last February, is approaching community service groups for support of its program to combat "negative and insulting images and portrayals of Asian and Asian American people in the media."

At its recent appeal to the Pacific Southwest District Council here Aug. 11, AAFM presented a \$500 contribution for its current program budgeted for \$4,500, it was announced by Masamune Kojima, PSWDC governor.

The AAFM explained that the power of the media in influencing and affecting images of Asian Americans should be recognized and "if Asian Americans do not become more actively involved in supplying the media with accurate information, then the situation of media acting in isolation will continue."

The AAFM was organized in wake of the Von's Market TV commercial which featured a bonafide Japanese karate master (Takayuki Kubota) seen jumping and yelling karate-style in a price-slashing sequence. While AAFM was successful in having this commercial removed, the current series employs a Caucasian in judo in a similar "increasingly idiotic role."

AAFM also succeeded in having another TV spot proclaiming "(radio) KFI makes your wickee wackee" removed. In anticipation of AAFM's disapproval of the film, KNXT (2) pre-empted "Face of Fu Manchu."

While Blacks and Chicanos have been successful in eliminating many negative stereotypes and increasing its visibility with more realistic images, the Asian stereotypes continue to plague the media, the AAFM added.

The \$4,500 budget includes a part-time office administrator for the year, office supplies, printing and mailing costs, purchase of literature about Asians in the media and gathering media data offending Asian communities (or "evidence" to be used against perpetrators of Asian stereotypes).

AAFM regards as one-dimensional stereotype and wants removed the depiction of Asian Americans as "houseboys or servants, karate experts, cooks, exotic sex symbols or multi-dimensional social, political and psychological fabric."

AAFM prefers the "truthful and realistic depiction of Asian Americans," encourages media to place Asian Americans at all levels (including decision-making) and to provide training for Asian Americans. Other AAFM pursuits include continuing dialogue with media to incorporate the Asian American perspective.

"Because the media is an awesome instrument in the formation of public opinion and consciousness, it must not be ignored, deemed harmless or simply annoying when the dignity of Asian peoples is attacked," the AAFM stressed. "The seriousness of the problem surfaces in the perceptions of non-Asian people about us."

Wendy Fong of USC made the main presentation for AAFM. Also present were Bill Wong, Ken Izumi and Frank Kwon. AAFM had initially requested \$4,500 as "seed money" but was allocated \$500 for the interim with the PSWDC executive board to further review their request and report to the next quarterly session to be hosted by Venice-Culver JACL.

HAWAIIAN MEMBERS IN CONGRESS COMMENT ON NIXON'S RESIGNATION

WASHINGTON — The three Democrats and one Republican who represent the State of Hawaii in Congress unanimously agreed that the resignation of President Nixon Aug. 8 brought a sense of relief to Capitol Hill and spared the nation the agony of the impeachment trial and probable conviction.

All concurred that with Nixon out of office, no further purpose would be served by continuing the impeachment process and Senate trial. Nixon's resignation fell most heavily on Republican Sen. Hiram Fong. "The events leading to his resignation have been particularly painful to me because he is a longtime friend of mine and he loved Hawaii," Fong said.

While he felt senators who were worried about their own re-election helped push Nixon out of office, Fong claimed the installation of Gerald Ford will mean many more years of GOP control over the White House.

Democrat Senator Daniel Inouye, who served many difficult months as a member of the Senate Watergate committee, said he "did not relish the thought of a Senate trial." It would have been accusation and counter-accusation. Nixon's resignation was "obviously a very difficult but an eloquent and generous departure" and he hoped that "those who believe in President Nixon will join him in setting aside whatever bitterness and get on with the business at hand."

Congresswoman Patsy Mink noted the quiet feeling in Washington and it may have been due to the shock caused by the swiftness of Mr. Nixon's move.

She regarded the resignation as Nixon's reflection of an apparently hopeless position. While she would not support continuation of the impeachment process, Mrs. Mink said the Judiciary Committee should furnish its completed impeachment report to the House for a vote "in order to conclude the process."

She believed the Congress behaved properly in pursuing the impeachment matter and that it did its job well. Congressman Spark Matsunaga also felt Congress was proper in pursuing its impeachment efforts.

IN APPRECIATION

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation and gratitude to the many friends and various organizations for their generosity to the Fred Dobana Hemodialysis Medical Fund, sponsored by the Stockton JACL with cooperation of the Stockton Buddhist Church and Calvary Presbyterian Church.

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Additionally, Mr. Miyazaki and Mr. Yamashiro are members of the President's Council, an elite organization of our leading representatives. Following the El Capitan Club meeting, they were our guests at a President's Council conference at the Kona Surf Hotel on the Island of Hawaii.



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Yonsei tackles tomato problem in Africa

Washington — At the Baguineda State Farm in Mali, a drought-plagued African nation bordering on the Sahara Desert, a fledgling tomato-canning industry holds the promise of a good market and income for local farmers who produce for it and revenue for the government which runs it.

But the canning operation has run into a major snag: both the quality and the production rate of the locally-grown tomatoes are unusually poor. What to do about it is the problem being tackled by Peace Corps Volunteer Alan Aoki of Pabala, Hawaii.

Aoki, 25, a graduate of the Univ. of Oregon, has taken on the job of finding out why the local tomato strains are producing poorly, what varieties

will produce better in Malian soil, and how to get the canning industry on its feet once he answers the first two questions.

"This job will take time," said Aoki, who has been working in Mali as a Peace Corps volunteer since October, 1972. "Research facilities obviously aren't available here, so I rely on my experience, a great foreman and team to work with, lots of imagination and a little intuition."

Aoki's research "lab" is a 1.8 acre plot of land at the state farm, about 28 miles outside of Mali's capital, Bamako, on the banks of the Niger River.

Although the farmers living near the river had been producing enough tomatoes to satisfy the Bamako market over the years, the poor quality and low yield of their tomatoes were not seen as a problem until the canning factory went into operation several years ago.

Stepped-up tomato production became a necessity, but the locally-grown variety continues to yield only about a third of what it was yielding on its home soil in Italy. A lab analysis of the tomato performed in the Ivory Coast indicated an inferior product with multiple deficiencies.

Soil virus
Aoki thinks he has pinpointed the most probable culprit in Baguineda's produce problem—soil virus. When the state farm received

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NAGAO SAKURAI: Landscaper Designer

His Japanese garden in Manito Park vies in popularity with Expo '74

By MAS AKIYAMA A few dedicated men in the community, and after a number of years of planning, financial obstacles, and the illness of the landscape artist Sakurai...

CHAPTER PULSE

August Events

Salt Laker picnic in City Creek Canyon

By TOMOKO YANO With Issei residents as special guests the Salt Lake JACL Chapter held its summer picnic—the first in several years—in the cool confines of the City Creek Canyon...

Over 160 gardens

Sakurai had been stricken with paralysis and resting in a Spokane nursing home. An Issei bachelor who designed over 160 Japanese gardens throughout the world...

Loss of talent

Further, such denunciations jeopardize all Asian roles in ads. Advertisers and their agencies may find it expedient to eliminate any pronounced...

September Events

West L.A. Issei-Senior appreciation day set

West Los Angeles JACL and Auxiliary stages its annual Issei-Senior Citizens appreciation day Sept. 8, from 2 p.m. at Felicia Mahood Center...

Roy Takeda will emcee a program of entertainment, music and presentation of gifts, which were hand-made by Auxiliary members...

Toy Kanegal (820-1133 day, 820-3502 eve), Amy Nakashima (473-9999) or Yuki Sato (478-8124).

On the committee are: George Kanegal, food; Mitsuyoshi Tanaka, music; Toy Kanegal, entertainment; Veronica Obata, gifts; Aux'y membs, food compliments.

Cartoonist Matsuoka to address Berkeley JACL

San Francisco cartoonist Jack Matsuoka will be guest speaker Sept. 19, 8 p.m., at the Berkeley JACL general meeting at American S&L Assn., 1870 Solano Ave., Berkeley...

Matsuoka will speak on his just published book recalling life at Poston WRA center, "Camp II, Block 211". The Berkeley-Sakai Assn. will co-sponsor the meeting.

Santa Maria set for Keiro-kai, bowling league

Area Japanese pioneers will be guests at the Santa Maria Valley JACL Keiro-kai to be held Sunday, Sept. 8. It will be a luncheon at 1 p.m. at the Hancock College Student Center...

Jack Morishima is in charge of entertainment that will feature the talents of JACL members. Ellen Kishiyama and Aussie Hagya are in charge of the luncheon.

The Santa Maria Nisei Bowling league will start on Sept. 9 at 9 p.m. at the Santa Maria Bowling Center. Thus far 21 members are signed up for seven teams...

Interested should contact Sam Iwamoto, league president, or Mary Ueki, secretary of the group.

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Pyrrhic victory

Now that the important pitch has been made, let me toss out another caveat bordering on the day-to-day struggle of the Broadway actor.

At the recent National Convention, the Bay Area Community chapter of JACL mass distributed a letter calling for the elimination of the Pontiac Ventura commercial with its Japanese actor highlighting "dis ritto car." The letter implied that the commercial promoted "negative stereotypes, distorted images, and false impressions which are in very bad taste."

The campaign was successful; G.M. withdrew the ad. But before Bay Area smacks its lips, let me add a postscript to what I think was a Pyrrhic victory.

The actor in the commercial was none other than Sab Shimono. As indicated, Shimono risked his own role in "Ride the Winds" by picketing the musical's discriminatory hiring practices. Because of his talent, Shimono has had other roles making him, at times, the only visible Asian face on Broadway.

As an Asian, however, the roles have not been bountiful and as an actor, he has sought to maintain his existence and career with residuals from such commercials as the Pon-

tac Ventura. Bay Area Community helped torpedo this one in a campaign which I consider flippant and which many actors consider "alarmist."

Further, such denunciations jeopardize all Asian roles in ads. Advertisers and their agencies may find it expedient to eliminate any pronounced (and hence lucrative) parts for Asians; all ads will subsequently consist of Asians, smiling innocuously or eating hamburgers. Asian actors and actresses will find it difficult to sustain themselves financially, and the younger breed may seek greener pastures.

Hopefully, the Asian community will prove to be more positive and understanding about the plight of the Asian actor. Instead of using its war chest to pounce upon each and every Asian face which appears on TV, Bay Area Community might more readily show its concern by donating some of its financial resources to such groups as AAPA and the East-West Players and thereby, help defray legal, organizational, and workshop expenses.

The iconoclasts of the world will have to take a catholic view in realizing that there is a cost to the Asian community when the ads its actors are in are randomly attacked, and the Asian talent tossed onto the breadlines. When such talent is not sustained and starts disappearing from the theatre, the curtain descends on all of us.

Minority Week

PRESIDENT FORD—Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson feels President Ford "will have an uphill fight in black America to win the confidence of the people and he will have an uphill fight in poor America, black and white." Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley said action was needed to curb spiraling inflation but that a domestic council, as suggested by Ford, would not be helpful. NAACP executive director Roy Wilkins was inclined to give him the benefit of the doubt as "he's such an improvement in so many ways over the last man". Urban League executive director Vernon Jordan said he was hopeful but would take a "wait and see" attitude.

POLICEWOMEN — Honolulu police lowered its height requirement by one-inch (to 5 ft. 7) to recruit more women in June but the turnout was poor. The Equal Employment Opportunities Commission had charged the department with sex discrimination and proposed at least 30 pct. of the force should be women and that height restriction be lowered to 5 ft. 4 for them.

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Strike at Horikawa

LOS ANGELES — Restaurant Horikawa workers went on strike Aug. 22 and demonstrated with placards written in both English and Japanese for better pay and working conditions.

CALENDAR

- Sept. 7 (Saturday) Contra Costa-Barbecue, El Cerrito Community Center... Sept. 10 (Tuesday) San Mateo-Bus Mtg. Sturge Presbyterian Church...

Japan Today

Aloha from Hawaii

Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

Honolulu
Sidney Leong, president of the ALOHA associations...

Hawaii Calls, the 39-year-old radio show, has gained a new lease on life...

Business Ticker

Amfco, a major landholder in the Islands, reportedly is negotiating with Masaru Yokouchi...

Trees from China

NEW YORK—Nanking Botanical Gardens has sent trees to the Cary Arboretum...

Allan Beckman

Book Review

THE MISCELLANY OF A JAPANESE PRIEST: Being a Translation of Tsurezure Gusa...

my mind, with a curious feeling that I am not sane.
Despite this implied misgiving about his sanity...

Of women, he writes "Though he may be perfect in many ways, a man who does not appreciate female beauty seems to me to be as unnatural as a beautiful wine bowl without a bottom..."

He served at court under the Emperor Go Uda, to whom he was devoted. After the Emperor died, this courtier, then 42, retired to live the quiet, solitary life of a Buddhist monk.

the alleged carelessness of Kaiser Foundation Health Plan, Inc., Hawaii Permanente Medical Group, Inc. and Kaiser Foundation Hospital.

Names in the News

Mamoru Takitani of Hawaiian Host Candles believes the two fires of July 7 and 13 which destroyed his abandoned Kalakaua Ave. house...

Sports Scene

Don Botelho has been hired as athletic director at Mid-Pacific Institute. He was formerly athletic director and head football coach at Damien High.

City Hall

City Councilman George Akabane says statements that an application for a movie studio in Kipapa Gulch near Milliani Town will be "brezzing through the City" in no time is not exactly correct.

Deaths

Richard Kunishige, vice principal of Hilo Union School, drowned July 4 at King's Landing on the Big Island.

Medical Notes

Mrs. Lois Oshiro, mother of a 10-year-old boy, filed an \$11 million lawsuit against Kaiser Hospital charging he is mentally retarded because of the alleged carelessness of

his 12-year-old son, Bartley Harlow, 77, former managing director of the City and County of Honolulu, died July 20 in the Army Hospital at Fort Ord, Calif.

Univ. of Hawaii

Dr. Fujio Matsuda, newly-named president of the Univ. of Hawaii, says the UH's goal for 1980 is to offer more balance, more accessible, more varied and higher quality education for the students throughout the state.

(1) UH already is excellent in geophysics and marine biology; (2) new schools of law and medicine already are being used as models for mainland schools; (3) Federal grants to the university continued to climb last year and exceeded \$30 million despite a national downward trend.

Pyong Choon Bahm, South Korean ambassador to the U.S., joined state dignitaries during groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Korean Studies Center held July 1 at the Univ. of Hawaii campus.

Soft-spoken Yonsei

Aoki is a soft-spoken, fourth generation Japanese Hawaiian who grew up on a sugar plantation in Pahala where his father worked.

Aoki completed his studies at the Univ. of Oregon and joined the Peace Corps shortly after his graduation in June, 1972.

\$600,000 suit

LOS ANGELES—Dentist Edward T. Saito filed a \$600,000 assault and battery suit against his wife, Teruko, daughter of a wealthy Japanese nobleman.



Peace Corps volunteer Alan Aoki (left) of Pahala, Hawaii and a Malian foreman at the Bagueda state farm near the Sahara Desert inspect a diseased tomato plant.

Peace Corps—

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Aoki and his Malian foreman, Fajula Kelta, are currently setting up another round of experiments, using two strains of tomatoes developed in America by the Otis Twilley Co. and known for their resistance to two-thirds of existing soil virus.

Improving with halved oil drums, Aoki is sterilizing soil in which to plant half the seeds. The remaining half will be planted in regular soil.

Boise Valley Cler rolls 300 at PBA

LAS VEGAS, Nev.—Jay Aono, young Boise Valley JACler, bowled a 300 game Aug. 3 at the Western Regional PBA open at Showboat Lanes.

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Joe Oyama

Echoes

AS A SIGHTSEER

New York Today I am to accompany a group of seven Japanese businessmen on a sightseeing tour of Manhattan...

Promptly on time, the Noritake men come marching out of their Fifth Ave. branch office with cameras in hand...

When they board the bus, one of the Noritake men asks, "Who is he?" referring to me. The driver responds, "He is with our company."

A Beautiful Day

Today is one of those rare spring days, after the rain, perfect for sightseeing.

Before we start, the driver picks up the microphone and announces, "This is still the lower part of Manhattan and unsightly, but we will turn on Park Ave. which is beautiful with flowers in bloom in the center island of the street."

A tourist asks, "What are the buildings up front facing Park Ave.?" The driver responds, "The lower one is Grand Central Station, and the tall one behind it is the Pan Am building."

Driving up Park Ave. the street becomes elevated around the Grand Central Station, and we can see 42nd Street (below) jammed with cars and people, and the visitors let out a sigh.

As we passed a construction site, the visitors showed a great deal of interest. One man said, "Over here (meaning America) they bring re-assembled parts to put up the building."

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The driver explains (further), "Two Japanese were killed up here." An older Japanese asks me, "Is it safe to go round here at night?" I reply, "There are people afraid to go out at night, but it's relatively safe to go out in pairs."

One of the men said, "I'm prepared. I carry \$30 in my wallet just in case." (I know of a Japanese from Japan who walked into Harlem with his white suit on, carrying \$500 in cash, and nothing happened to him.)

Inevitably, all Japanese tourists ask the same question, "Where is Harlem?" and this group was no exception. They wanted to see Harlem, although the driver had warned them, "No pictures should be taken."

The driver reassured, "It's to the east here. I can drive you there. It isn't safe, but it will be O.K. if you don't use your cameras."

When we got into Harlem crossroad on 125th Street, strangely, the Japanese seemed to have rolled themselves up into balls, and practically disappeared from their seats, but, nevertheless, they gawked in their stationary position.

The driver explained, "Most of these stores are owned by Jews," and one man responded, "They're great people. They go on like this all over the world and own businesses. It's because they have no country of their own."

The driver said, "The Blacks all have big cars, but live in small apartments. Their property is their car." (The driver should really visit Atlanta, Georgia. This is where the Black aristocracy lives.)

We passed blocks of sidewalk stalls selling colorful Afro wigs, and the driver said, "What they wear on their head are wigs. The Blacks are seeking a country to identify as their own."

Leaving Harlem, we proceeded down Fifth Ave., which flanks Central Park with her abundant green to the west. One of the men said, "These buildings are protected by security men." The driver corrected, "Those men wearing uniforms are door-men."

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American interest in Asian cuisine growing but more promotion urged

SAN FRANCISCO—Words like "teriyaki" and "wok" will become routine in the culinary language of America, according to Charles L. Leong, former newspaperman who is now executive vice president of Asian Food Products Ltd.

He recently addressed the monthly luncheon of the No. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce on American interest in Asian cuisine.

He cited the startling fact that it was only 1938 that the first Oriental food cook-book was published in America, and today there are over 150 titles both on Japanese and Chinese cuisine.

Also, a local wok maker within five years increased his production from 20,000 to 80,000 a year.

National magazine articles and recipes galore today stress the health-trend qualities of Asian cuisine, with its emphasis on a balance, with lots of vegetables.

Today's jet age has been prime factors also in introducing the American public to the food facts of life, when countless thousands can dine either in Tokyo and Hong Kong, and want to continue the taste trend when they come home.

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DURING AUGUST 1000 Club Membership Fifty Club Century Club Corporate ... JACL Headquarters acknowledged 56 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club for the first half of August as follows:

NEWS CAPSULES Elections Rubye Huey Pang, of Bellevue, Wash., has filed for state representative in the 41st District, covering areas east of Lake Washington.

Nisei Week Associate Justice Stephen Tamura of Santa Ana was grand marshal of the Nisei Week ondo parade, climaxing the 1974 festivities.

Tule Lake—Continued from Front Page how she acquired the items donated.

Uno—Continued from Front Page in the JACL is possible. I sometimes wonder if I would be active in JACL today if I had won the speech contest in Salt Lake City 26 years ago.

Asian Methodists OAKLAND, Calif.—The Asian Caucus of Methodist clergy, laymen and youth will convene Oct. 10-12 at Hotel Leamington.

Asian American bank in Washington, sought WASHINGTON—Diplomat National Bank, aimed at some 200,000 Asian American residents, students and transients in the District of Columbia, has been proposed with the Comptroller of the Currency.

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Sue Nozaki

Sixteen-year-old swimmer Sue Nozaki of the Vancouver (Wash.) Swim Club holds gold medal she won in the 200-meter butterfly U.S. Junior Olympics held recently at Lincoln, Neb.

Miss Nisei Week for 1974, Elisa Akemi Cuthbert, sponsored by the Citrus Valley Optimists of Covina, is the daughter of William and Kikue Cuthbert. Her father is an attorney, her Hawaiian-born mother is consultant with the Hacienda-La Puente school district.

The photographs she sent are mainly of her students and her three teaching helpers, but one shows the front of one of the camp barracks. She describes it as "Living quarters at Tule Lake—dusty, dry and uninviting."

Commending Mrs. Swayne for her thoughtful contribution, Takeshita said, "Although the camp experience was a very trying and difficult one for all of us interned, we were fortunate that individuals as sensitive as Mrs. Swayne were connected with the camp."

He further added, "These items she is donating should be of particular value and interest to all Japanese Americans for they are reflective of a spirit and nature to create beauty in the most desolate of surroundings and circumstances."

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Dr. Gary Nakao of Salt Lake City was appointed director of the newly created Advocacy Program for the Developmentally Disabled of the Mental Retardation Assn. of Utah, Inc.

The Mercer County Consumer Protection Agency opened in Sharon, Pa., June 4 with Jo Morisse, 65, formerly of San Francisco, as a volunteer member in charge of publicity. He recently retired from Westinghouse Electric Corp.

George Hirose, 75, retired singer-actor, of New York died Aug. 9. He is survived by actress Naoko Kondo. In the 1930s, he was labeled "The Japanese Baritone" while appearing on programs from the N.Y. Chinatown Rescue Mission. His first Broadway role was in "The Mikado". He played numerous stock productions of "Flower Drum Song".

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