

Racism Within Us

Washington
Older Japanese Americans undoubtedly can recall the various forms of racial discrimination practiced against them in the past. New laws and court decisions since the end of World War II have stopped the more obvious practices of the past.

Today, there are increased opportunities for most Japanese Americans in almost every field of endeavor. Face-to-face denial of particular rights or benefits because of our race are rare. In one generation, the socio-economic status of Japanese Americans has improved dramatically, to the extent that many are convinced that "we've got it made" and that things couldn't be better.

Today, Japanese Americans are materially and socially better off, largely because of the blood, sweat and tears invested by the Issei and Nisei in their struggles to make life better for themselves and their families, but also because of the drive for civil and human rights spearheaded mainly by other minorities. The Civil Rights Movement which flowered in the '60s has awakened some concern for the rights and privileges of minority groups by the larger society.

However, recent occurrences which have gained national attention make it clear that the new laws and court decisions have not changed the hearts and minds of all the people and that racism and prejudice are still a part of

our lives.

The racial turmoil in Boston over the court ordered busing of students reveals most clearly the continued existence of racism and racial prejudices in society. The ugliness and violence of the confrontations are grim reminders of the explosive forces which can be unleashed when latent or hidden racism is surfaced.

A more subtle form of racism has also been revealed by the residents of Pekin, Illinois through their intransigent resistance to changing the blatantly racist nickname "Chinks" for their school athletic teams. When people in our society in this day and age apparently will not accept and cannot comprehend the offensiveness of racially derogatory terms, the outlook for the eventual elimination of racism from our society seems even more dim.

The perniciousness of racism is even more subtly revealed by otherwise well-intentioned conservationists involved in the "Save the Whales" campaign. In their efforts to save whales from extinction, some campaign participants have induced young school children to draw pictures depicting slant-eyed, stereotypical caricatures of Japanese as cruel predators of helpless whales. These same groups have also formed picket lines around "Japanese" establishments—including those of Japanese Americans—to

further a boycott of Japanese goods, even though the Japanese-appearing people picketed have nothing to do with whaling. This kind of activity is reminiscent of the mentality which spawned the statement "Once a Jap, always a Jap," and is equally dangerous.

This is not written to cause alarm, but to remind that although some progress has been made in gaining wider recognition that racism and racial prejudice should have no part in any social or personal relationship, the lesson still needs to be learned by many, many more people.

But before we, as JACLers or as ordinary citizens, can effectively communicate our concern to others, we need to assure ourselves that we do not ourselves suffer from the same malady which we are trying to cure and prevent.

My desk dictionary defines "racism" as "assumption of inherent racial superiority or the purity and superiority of certain races, and consequent discrimination against other races; also less specifically, race hatred and discrimination."

It also defines "prejudice" as "preconceived judgment or opinion; unreasonable predilection or objection; especially an opinion or leaning adverse to anything without just grounds or before sufficient knowledge."

Can we say that we, individually and collectively, are free of racism and prejudice ourselves?

MITOSE GETS LIFE FOR ROLE IN KARATE KILLING

Judge Imposes Five Concurrent Sentences for Nanimatsu Murder

LOS ANGELES — Karate "master" James Mitose last week (Oct. 22) received a life sentence for sending a "disciple" out to kill wealthy San Dimas strawberry grower Frank Nanimatsu at his home in southwest L.A. last March 21.

Noting the 57-year-old Mitose's age, Superior Court Judge Leslie W. Light said in handing down the sentence that "this undoubtedly means he will spend the remainder of his life in prison."

Technically, Mitose could be considered for parole in seven years on the murder count, but Light also imposed concurrent sentences for conspiracy, attempted murder, solicitation to commit murder, extortion and grand theft.

These additional sentences, even running concurrently, undoubtedly will add several years to the minimum time Mitose has to serve.

The grand theft and extortion convictions resulted from evidence introduced at the trial showing that Mitose had bilked Nanimatsu out of \$89,000, mostly for phony medical cures.

It was the theory of co-prosecutors Louis Ito and Ronald Carroll that Mitose had Nanimatsu murdered because the grower had made an appointment with the district attorney's office to complain about his dealings with Mitose.

In turning down defense attorney Day Shinn's plea for a more lenient sentence, Light said:

"The history of Mr. Mitose in recent years shows him to be one of those unfortunately growing number of persons 'who are seeking to get something for nothing out of life... it is a parasitic type of living.'"

Light's comments referred to both Mitose's conduct with Nanimatsu and Mitose's solicitation of funds for a Dwight Eisenhower Memorial Foundation and then converting the money to his own use. Mitose, addressing the court through interpreter Hakto Pak, informed the judge that he had donated much of the money collected for his proposed memorial back to the community, specifically naming the Kyodo School System.

In concluding his remarks on the Mitose family relationships with Nanimatsu and his wife, Toshiko, the judge said, "Someone in this incident is diabolically clever." Then Light turned to sentencing Mitose's 62-year-old wife, Dorothy. She had also been charged with conspiracy, murder and attempted murder, but the jury could not reach verdicts on these counts against her.

However, the jury did convict her and Mitose's son, Alvin, 19, of extortion and grand theft. Part of the charges involve forcing the Nanimatsus to sign over their Los Angeles home to Alvin. The judge said he had "grave and deep suspicions" about Mrs. Mitose's role in the events of the case and he wondered out loud whether "she was the assistant cook or one of the chefs in this kitchen of fish."

Light decided to send Mrs. Mitose to the Calif. Institution for Women at Folsom for a 90-day psychological study preparatory to sentencing her. Prosecutor Carroll said there still was a possibility of again putting her on trial on the conspiracy and murder counts but the decision would be reserved until after the diagnostic study.

The judge also delayed sentencing of the son until after he has been examined by psychiatrists George Abe and Seymour Pollack. The sentencing of the younger Mitose is now set for Nov. 19.

"Either Alvin Mitose is a completely callous and evil young man or so stupid and pliable that he will do anything his parents tell him to do," Light commented.

Terry Lee, a 27-year-old former Marine who was studying as a "disciple" of Mitose, turned state's witness and allowed to plead guilty to second degree murder. He is scheduled to be sentenced Nov. 8.

As the prosecution's star witness, Lee testified that Mitose sent him to kill Nanimatsu and also take a \$100,000 check that Mitose said was in the house. Lee said he could not find the check.

Nanimatsu was killed by Lee's attack but his wife survived a severe beating and testified at the trial.

In addition to his unquestioned status as a master of karate, Mitose claimed to be both a Buddhist and Episcopal priest.

JACL sponsors workshop on textbook evaluation

SAN FRANCISCO — National JACL sponsored a workshop on textbook evaluation this week (Oct. 30) at the BCA Headquarters Conference Room. Books are reviewed annually for the Curriculum Commission before the State Board of Education adopts their use. Community input is required to assure legal compliance, JACL pointed out.

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Alien farm labor issue confuses Supreme Court

WASHINGTON — Oral arguments on federal policy that permits thousands of "green card" Mexican laborers to cross the U.S. border and compete for jobs with legal residents were heard by the Supreme Court Oct. 17.

The case, originally filed by the United Farm Workers of America, appeared to give the justices trouble. At the end of an hour spent leafing frantically through a copy of the immigration laws, Chief Justice Warren E. Burger wearily asked a government lawyer: "Are you going to confuse us further?"

The issue is whether the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) acted properly in classifying Mexicans as "returning resident immigrants" and easing their way into the U.S. by waiving normal visa requirements. While the UFWA asserted Mexicans take jobs that rightly belong to American workers, undercut union organizing efforts throughout the Southwest and depress wages, the growers through a California Farm Bureau Federation amicus brief warned closing the border to Mexican aliens who now work the fields "would have a devastating impact on the agricultural economy."

The arguments were devoted to a word-by-word analysis of the immigration code. Mark L. Evans, young Justice Dept. lawyer defending INS, held up a sample of the "green card" that Mexican laborers show, instead of visas, to enter the U.S. But it was blue — as he was quick to acknowledge. The service has just switched colors, he said.

Evans contended that a "green carder" was properly classified as an "immigrant," lawfully admitted for permanent residence, who is returning from a temporary visit abroad — and, under the law, need not show a visa. "They have been legally admitted to the U.S.," he said, "by the Attorney General, with the privilege to reside here." Evans said "There's no requirement in the law that the privilege be exercised."

That startled Justice Harry A. Blackmun. "Is the issue

then, whether a resident immigrant can be lawfully admitted for residence when he returns from a temporary visit abroad — where he has his home?"

Evans, conceding that "it all seems a little strange," insisted nevertheless that legislative history demonstrated that Congress "has always been aware of a class of resident immigrants living abroad."

Attorney Bruce J. Terris for the farm workers countered that the government was twisting the word "resident" so much it had become meaningless. Immigration officials, he charged, are not even consistent in their treatment of green-carders. Once they cross the border, "they are treated like aliens, not like resident immigrants," he explained. "They don't pay taxes on their income except for what is earned in the U.S., they don't serve in the army and they are not even eligible for naturalization."

The only reason for classifying them as "returning resident immigrants," Terris said, is to get around visa requirements and the recently imposed quota on Western Hemisphere immigrants.

Very few green-carders could obtain visas, he argued, because under a 1963 law, visas are issued only when the Secretary of Labor certifies a manpower shortage in a particular industry and pledges that admission of aliens will not hurt American workers — conditions that do not prevail in agriculture.

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Language stays in resolution offered by CANE to Nat'l JACL

SAN FRANCISCO — The National JACL resolution calling for a Congressional review of urban renewal programs and pledging a commitment of JACL resources to stop the destruction and dispersal of any Japanese American community became effective Sept. 27.

The 60-day period had expired in which the language of the entire resolution as submitted by the Sacramento, Metropolitan Los Angeles, Orange County, San Mateo and Bay Area Community chapters for the San Francisco Committee Against Nihonmachi Eviction (CANE) could be modified with input from interested parties.

Two meetings with the CANE coordinating committee followed with George Yamaguchi Jr., national JACL legal counsel. The CANE general membership, which met subsequent to the National JACL Convention, voted to accept no changes in the language.

There was agreement on the principles of the resolution but serious criticism to the harsh wording in the preamble during the National Council discussion at Portland. However attorney Murray Sprung, New York delegate felt the strong language might be necessary "for we can't wait no longer."

The CANE resolution, which focused on San Francisco Nihonmachi, was amended to cover any Nihonmachi when delegates from other areas reported the loss of their Japanese community in name of urban renewal.

Min Masuda of Seattle said the Chinese and Japanese in his area were facing a similar problem. Raymond Uno said Salt Lake City's Nihonmachi has been reduced to only two Japanese churches. Frank Iwama said Sacramento's Nihonmachi has been replaced by the Capitol Mall. Mike Masaka of Washington, D.C., urged a national angle be worked into the resolution.

The National Council voted 68-3 with the understanding that if the language could not be modified, it would abide by the resolution as amended. Text of the resolution follows:

Resolution D AGAINST NIHONMACHI EVICTION

Whereas, San Francisco's Nihonmachi has historically been the social, political, religious, and economic center of the San Francisco Japanese community;

Whereas, San Francisco's Nihonmachi suffered a crippling blow during World War II by being evacuated to concentration camps which meant the decline and destruction of the once lively and colorful San Francisco Japanese Community;

Whereas, within a decade of returning from the concentration camps, Japanese American families and small businesses in San Francisco's Nihonmachi were being

replaced by a second mass evacuation, this time at the hands of the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency being systematically driven out of Nihonmachi only to be replaced by expensive apartment complexes and tourist attractions;

Whereas, in late 1972 the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency began the final phase in the transformation of Nihonmachi into a tourist showcase;

Whereas, the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency has not operated in the interests of the people of the Nihonmachi community by replacing the housing it has destroyed with needed low and moderate rental housing for former residents;

Whereas, the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency has evicted many residents and small businesses with threats and illegal tactics not conforming with the procedure delineated in the guidelines of the Housing and Urban Development manual;

Whereas, the growing resentment against unjustified manipulations and atrocities by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency led to the formation of CANE, the Committee Against Nihonmachi Eviction Inc. in early 1973 to fight for the rights of Japanese American residents;

Whereas, the Committee Against Nihonmachi Eviction (CANE) is a democratic, non-profit organization encompassing a wide range of Japanese Americans and people of other races, from all walks of life;

Whereas, CANE has united many segments of the community in the struggle against the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency under its principles which are: (1) Stop the destruction and dispersal of the Japanese community and to keep Nihonmachi a small business and residential area; (2) Uphold the rights of residents and small businesses;

Whereas, CANE is issuing a call for all organizations concerned with the democratic rights and well being of Japanese Americans to take a principled stand against the destruction of Nihonmachi;

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PORTLAND NIKKEI GROUPS PUSHING FOR COMMUNITY CENTER DOWNTOWN

PORTLAND, Ore. — Representatives from over 20 Nikkei organizations here met Sept. 9 at the Nikkeijin Kai to discuss building a community center for Japanese or Asian Americans within the city's urban renewal plan.

Two members of the city planning board heard of the need for such a building to better facilitate the maintenance of the Japanese or Asian culture heritage and identity. The general consensus was positive, according to the Portland-Gresham Troutdale JACL Newsletter.

Discussion centered around the type and size of the project, activities and programs that would be held, locale,

transportation, funding and whether or not to seek "Japan monies".

A second meeting was held Sept. 23 at which time it was decided a letter of interest be submitted to the City Planning Board. Henry Ueno and Jerry Goldsby were named temporary chairmen to represent the Nikkei groups.

Another meeting was planned for mid-October, at which time support from the Chinese community was expected.

The Portland Urban Renewal Plan provides a framework for developing an area of downtown now suffering from obsolescence and underutilization. By using financial capital through tax increments charged to the large business buildings that dot the Portland skyline, the city can aid any group or groups interested in participating in the renewal program.

There are eight districts under renewal — including the westside business and "old Waterfront" area. An Oriental community district has been designated, bounded by Burnside, Fifth, Hoyt and Third Avenue—a 12-block area, in which the Portland JACL Office is situated.

Faith in the renewal plan was sought to insure against new businesses displacing what little remains as Japanese Town or "Chinatown."

2,000 STORM KENZO SPRING SHOW IN PARIS

PARIS — Two vanloads of police were called Oct. 21 to calm 2,000 international buyers and reporters trying to storm the spring ready-to-wear preview of designer Kenzo Takada at Au Printemps Department Store.

"Kenzo, who opened his Paris boutique 'Jungle Jap' four years ago, caused a furor among Japanese Americans with his 'Jap' labels. The offensive label hasn't been reported within the past year."

Close-up of 442nd RCT Monument near the French town of Bruyeres in the Vosges Mountains

Hawaiian 442 veterans revisit Europe at 30th ann'y of Bruyeres liberation

BRUYERES, France — Nearly 180 members (and wives) of Hawaii's 442nd Veterans Club were luncheon guests here Oct. 20 of the mountain town they helped liberate 30 years ago to the day.

The previous day the veterans had marched up Rue du 442e Regiment Americain to a small clearing where the WW2 memorial stands in honor of the 442nd war dead and laid wreaths.

The bilingual, French and English, bronze plaque for the monument was presented by the JACL in 1947. Besides citing the fact that "loyalty to one's country is not modified by racial origin," the plaque notes that the Japanese Americans in the Battle of Bruyeres snapped the German defenses and rescued the Texas 141st Infantry Battalion which had been surrounded by the enemy for four days.—(Ed.)

Mayor M. Mercier of Bruyeres thanked the Japanese Americans for their heroism during the war. Wreaths were also laid Sunday at the monument in the town square.

The 442nd Club entourage is on a 28-day tour of Europe, revisiting sites in Italy and France where the 442nd had fought or visited. They had visited London and Amsterdam before coming to Epinal, closest town served by railroad.

To house the group, the visitors were lodged an hour's drive away at Gerardmer, a resort town, as there were not enough hotel rooms at Bruyeres. The group continued on to Florence, Rome and Venice and then to Nice before returning to Honolulu on Nov. 8.

HAWAII POLITICS TV debate sparks governor race

By ALLAN BEEKMAN (Special To The Pacific Citizen)

HONOLULU — K GMB-TV Cross-fire relieved the apathy into which the gubernatorial contest had fallen after the Oct. 5 primary by bringing the Democratic and Republican gubernatorial nominees together for an hour of interview and discussion.

Interviewers were John A. Scott, publisher of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin and Cecil Heftel, president, Heftel Broadcasting.

Offstage, the Democratic nominees, Acting Gov. George R. Ariyoshi and former circuit judge Nelson K. Doi are accused of abetting a trend towards Japanese domination of Hawaii. Large amounts of Japanese capital has been infiltrating Hawaii, the most conspicuous of the Japanese entrepreneurs being Kenji Osano, who has bought heavily into the hotel industry.

In a story reprinted, in brief, in the local press, the Japanese monthly Bungei Shunju has documented a close relationship between multimillionaire Osano and multimillionaire Kakuei Tanaka, the millions of the two growing spectacularly since Tanaka became Prime Minister of Japan — some of the millions from unethical manipulation.

Both Ariyoshi and Doi are officially identified as Japanese, the identification carrying at least the implication that they are subjects and agents of Japan. They bear their identification of foreign nationality with conspicuous fortitude, but it is apparent that knowledge of the Osano-Tanaka relationship affords the xenophobic rumor mongers with additional argument for their charge that the election of the Democratic nominees ma turn Hawaii into a colony of Japan.

The Cross-fire discussion, however, touched on this aspect of the campaign only lightly and indirectly. Appearing with his running mate, Ben F. Dillingham, Crossley said the voters are tired of the 12 year Burns administration and wants change.

Though Ariyoshi promises change in faces and direction, how can he repudiate such

Burns' lieutenants as Robert Oshiro and Dan Aoki? Manager of the Ariyoshi campaign, Oshiro has written a crude, racist speech supporting the candidacy of Ariyoshi. Dan Aoki caused a furor when he recently delivered the speech.

In a discussion of marijuana and prostitution, Crossley heatedly declared that judges should back up the police. Leaning forward and pointing a finger at Crossley, who drew back defensively, Doi said, "What kind of reasoning is that?" He answered his own question, "Never mind the law. Never mind the Constitution. Get the guy!"

Nevertheless, the Republicans were the gainers from the discussion. By meeting with the representatives of the dominant Democratic Party, the Republicans gained more exposure than they could have otherwise.

A vigorous 70, Crossley appeared personable, warm, intelligent, informed, articulate and public-spirited, though with a tendency to occasional stray from the subject under discussion. The Crossley personality contrasted favorably with that of the dour, taciturn Ariyoshi.

The more articulate Democrat, Doi often went quickly to the heart of a subject. In contrast, Dillingham left most of the talking to Crossley.

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Ye Editor's Desk
1974 PC HOLIDAY ISSUE

Within the week after the Labor Day Holidays, the advertising campaign kits for the 1974 PC Holiday Issue were sent to all JACL chapters and district councils. Several weeks later, our office received its first Holiday Issue ad—from the French Camp JACL chapter. And since that time, reservations for a full-page or two have come.

While chapters are now planning their local campaigns to secure greetings from area businessmen and members, we would like to impress there are two points that all of our chapters and readers need to know:

1—The Holiday Issue "ad rate" has gone up from \$5 to \$6 per column inch. This is the first increase since the PC began operations in Los Angeles some 20 years ago. The one-liner (name and address) greetings remain the same at \$3 per.

2—Chapters taking advantage of "bulk rate" will be paying slightly more than in the past. A full-page will be \$504, three-quarter page \$444, half-page \$324, and for the first time, a quarter-page \$204. When chapters sell all the space reserved at the new \$6 rate, they also stand to earn more—between \$48 and \$304.

Chapters wishing "bulk rate" should reserve space now with the PC office. The annual Holiday Issue Box-score will appear from next week, acknowledging the number of inches received or placed.

Our goal is to better last year's 5,566 column inches of display advertising and 665 one-liners. (The one-liners within bulk-rate space are not tabulated.)

Unlike our regular issues which is printed off "hot metal", the Holiday Issue is set by photocomposition or "cold type"—providing use of art work or logos without going through the more expensive process of having a metal engraving made. Some of the fancy artwork submitted by chapters was evident last year.

Our production schedule remains about the same as in years past. Deadline for material to appear in the first section is Nov. 30, the second section and reference section Dec. 7. The Holiday Issue will be Dec. 10.

NEW BALL GAME FOR URBAN RENEWAL

The plight of San Francisco Nihonmachi (and other Nihonmachi) can be noted in the preamble to the resolution offered by the Committee Against Nihonmachi Eviction (CANE) and adopted by the National JACL Council several months ago. The resolution calls upon JACL to have Congress review nationwide urban renewal and to stop further destruction of any Nihonmachi.

It now appears Congress has already reviewed and President Ford has signed a law which, the President said, "marks a complete and welcome reversal in the way that America tries to solve the problems of our urban communities." It's the \$11.9 billion Housing and Community Development Act, taking effect Jan. 1, 1975. The money will be spent over three years, consolidating several urban grant laws.

Intent of Congress was that low-income housing and urban renewal be given high priority by communities receiving funds. San Jose Mayor Norm Mineta, who had been pushing this bill through, puts it this way: "So that all people can enjoy a high quality of human existence." He had just been witnessed the signing of this law at the White House and gave his insights to the legislation in a speech delivered Sept. 12 at a farewell testimonial for Kango Kunitatsu as Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project manager.

It may be that to implement the CANE resolution, JACL can consider the Housing and Community Development Act, which builds on previous experience in Model Cities, Urban Renewal, Neighborhood Facilities, Open Land Beautification, Water and Sewers, etc.

As a block-grant program with priorities set at the local level, it makes allowances for individual conditions (such as Nihonmachi). Federal "red-

be dated Dec. 20-27. It goes to press around Dec. 18. It should be in the mails the following day.

The stories we try to include in the Holiday Issue will have lasting value. One already set is a historical account of Manjiro Nakahama—a young Japanese whaler in the 1840s, educated in Massachusetts, eventually returned to Japan (when the country was still in isolation). Because of his knowledge of English, he quickly translated documents for the Tokugawa government Commodore Perry had submitted—though the Americans never realized Manjiro was working behind the scenes in shaping the first U.S.-Japan treaty of amity and commerce. His skills in navigation found him returning to America aboard the Kanrin Maru as the "acting" captain. We are now inquiring with an Issei history buff on Manjiro for additional material and pictures.

Chapters which have a particular project of the year they would like to see published are urged to submit the story with pictures as soon as possible.

Short stories (not over 10 pages, typewritten, double-spaced) are always welcome, be they vignettes of people, a personal experience or fictional.

We are continuing the "JACL-Holiday Issue" project where contributions in excess of \$10 for a one-unit space in the Reference Section, are earmarked for the Abe Hagihara Memorial Fund for student aid. The contribution should represent the sum a member spends in sending Season's Greetings to his JACL friends—and that in lieu of sending the cards, spending all that money for postage, etc., the JACL-Holiday Issue project says it for them and also benefit a JACL project as well. Deadline for this Dec. 10.

tap" which often frustrated local efforts has been unveiled by the new law. It's a new ball game for cities seeking federal assistance to alleviate urban problems. No local matching requirements exist in this program.

Strong provisions are also included for citizen participation in the development and execution of the program. Cities will be required to maintain a high level of accountability for assuring that citizens are involved in the decision-making process.

It also demands substantial work in planning, such as data collection, analysis, establishing goals and objectives, sorting out program approaches and determining priorities. (This might remind JACL delegates of the proposals they had to prepare to secure JACL funding.)

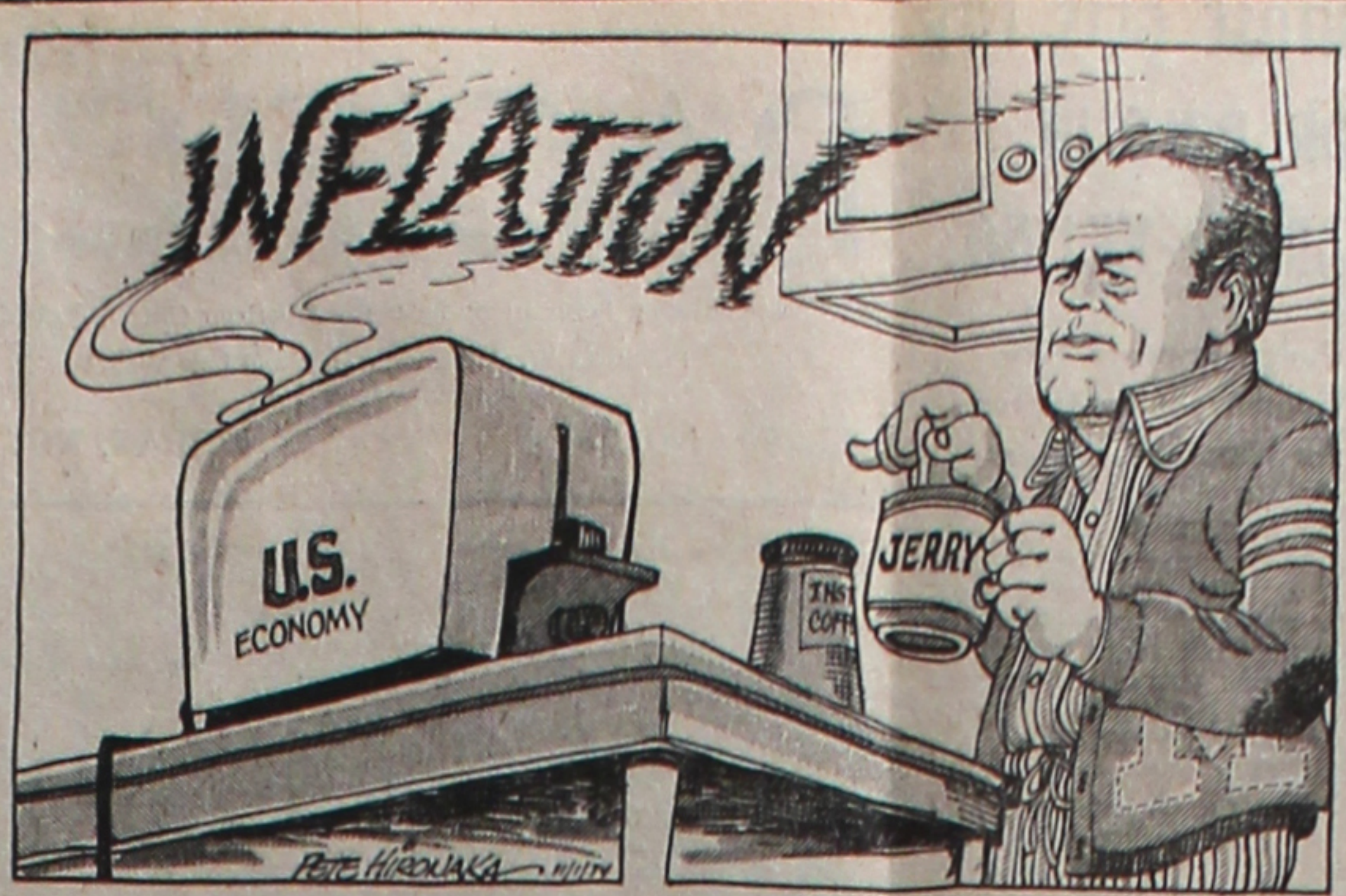
CANE is to be commended for its work and compassion. JACL nationally has become involved. It means people must help city governments examine and plan whole programs to improve the quality of life. At the same time, as Mayor Mineta declared, "the challenge to the cities and their residents is how we take limited resources, develop an executive planning and management capacity that establishes need, sets priorities, allocates resources and facilitates the implementation of effective systems in a complex set of inter-governmental relations—so that ALL people can enjoy a high quality of human existence."

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Nov. 5, 1949

Reveal first complete story of role played by Nisei GIs during war against Japan... Missouri law bars marriage of Nisei vet, Springfield girl... Nisei soldier Memorial Day (Oct. 30) observed with cere-

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The Burning Issue

● From Our 60,000 Readers

PC Letter Box

CANE resolution

Editor:

A JACL resolution calling for a Congressional review of urban renewal programs and pledging a commitment of JACL resources to stop the destruction and dispersal of any Japanese American community officially went into effect on Sept. 27.

We—the Committee Against Nihonmachi Eviction (CANE) of San Francisco—had the resolution introduced from the floor of the recent JACL National Convention in Portland, because we believed that the largest national Japanese American organization should take positive steps to stop destructive redevelopment in our community.

In San Francisco Nihonmachi, we have watched more than 2,000 of our friends and neighbors driven out of our community by so-called urban renewal during the past two decades. We have watched our community destroyed as a residential and small business neighborhood and turned into a commercial tourist trap under the domination of large corporations from Japan. We have watched our culture and our heritage turned into saleable items to enrich the coffers of these corporate giants.

At the Portland convention, JACL delegates from across the nation spoke out in favor of the resolution, pointing out the destructive effects of redevelopment within their own communities. Delegates from Seattle, Salt Lake City, Sacramento, and Los Angeles strongly condemned the effects of "urban removal" in their own home towns.

Our resolution, thus, was amended to call for a commitment of JACL resources to stop the destruction and dispersal of not only San Francisco Nihonmachi but all Japanese American communities. The resolution passed by a 68-3 margin.

The resolution passed at the convention also included an amendment establishing a 60-day period (July 27 to Sept. 27) during which time any interested party could approach CANE with suggestions concerning wording changes in the resolution. This amendment was proposed because during floor debate, certain delegates opposing the resolution objected to the "harsh" language of the resolution. Under the terms of the amendment, these individuals could approach CANE with suggested changes. However, if mutual agreement between CANE and the persons with suggested revisions could not be reached, the wording of the resolution would stand as passed at the convention.

On Sept. 24, three days before the termination of the 60-day period, CANE was approached by George Yamasaki Jr. of the National JACL board who suggested changes in the resolution to eliminate "inflammatory" words and make it more palatable to JACL. He said his suggested revisions were "changes in wording, not in content."

The CANE coordinating committee and cabinet met two evenings with Mr. Yamasaki and decided that we could not accept his revisions. The wording he suggested were in fact changes in content.

Under federal law as delineated in the HUD manual, the Redevelopment Agency is required to provide assistance to those it is evicting. In actual practice, the agency has many times ignored these guidelines, more intent on driving people from their homes rather than meeting their needs. CANE has documented several cases where residents and small business owners in Nihonmachi have been harassed with intimidating eviction notices and threats of bodily eviction by agency staff members.

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tent. We cite three specific examples.

(1) In the sixth whereas clause, the original resolution as passed states:

Whereas the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency has evicted many residents and small businesses with threats and illegal tactics not conforming with the procedures delineated in the guidelines of the Housing and Urban Development Manual.

Mr. Yamasaki had proposed: "Whereas the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency has evicted many residents and small businesses by improper tactics."

The suggested revision is not merely a change of wording but a change of content, and a major one at that. Specifically, his revision omits all mention of threats and illegal tactics used by the Redevelopment Agency.

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Completely omitted from Mr. Yamasaki's revision is any mention of a violation of public mandate and misuse of tax dollars. We believe these points are extremely important.

In San Francisco Nihonmachi, the Redevelopment Agency has used our tax dollars to destroy low-cost housing and small business space, to seize property through "eminent domain", and finally to turn this land over to large private developers, such as corporations from Japan, for their own profit-making schemes. We find this process a gross misuse of our tax dollars.

But not only is this a gross misuse of our tax dollars, it is also in violation of the public mandate. The public mandate behind redevelopment called for the destruction of substandard housing and its equal replacement by decent, safe, low-cost housing. This has not happened in Nihonmachi or in San Francisco as a whole. In fact, statistics compiled by the League of Women Voters indicate that 27,000 low-cost housing units have been destroyed or will be destroyed by redevelopment. The agency will build only 14,000 units to replace those it has destroyed. Of these, only 1,200 to 3,000 will be low-cost housing units.

This is why we describe the Redevelopment Agency's policies as a violation of the public mandate and a gross mishandling of our tax money.

(3) In the eighth whereas clause, the resolution reads: Whereas the growing resentment against unjustified manipulations and atrocities by the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency led to the formation of CANE, the Committee Against Nihonmachi Eviction Inc. in early 1973 to fight for the rights of Japanese Americans.

Mr. Yamasaki proposed to strike out the words "manipulations and atrocities" and substituting "acts." He said the word "atrocities" was inflammatory and inappropriate.

CANE disagreed. We recognize that "atrocities" is a harsh word, but we feel it is an accurate description of the kind of actions that have taken place in our community.

● David Ushio
Dialogue

FEDERALLY INSURED STUDENT LOANS

San Francisco The coming of fall means that scores of Japanese American students will be attending colleges and universities in California. Their attendance is made possible largely by the help given by The Sumitomo Bank of California and The Bank of Tokyo of California and the Federally Insured Student Loan Program. As a result of these banks' participation in this program, Saneel are making personal investments in their future by paying for their own schooling, often saving their Nisei parents from having to go deeply into debt for their children's education.

Although members of a minority, many Saneel do not qualify for financial aid programs for minority group members because their Nisei parents have too many assets. Being of Asian heritage is not enough to get many of these grants; there are minimum income requirements also. Yet,

many Nisei, although not economically disadvantaged, have not reached the level which permits them to support two or three students in college at the same time.

It is ironic, then, that the fruits of Nisei diligence and hard work are used to disqualify their children from the many attractive aid programs that would help them finance the high cost of college.

In response to this problem, the National JACL passed several resolutions urging ethnic banks to provide Federally insured student loans. Last summer, The Bank of Tokyo of California and The Sumitomo Bank of California undertook just such a program under the progressive leadership of Masao Tsuyama and Ichio Kumagai, presidents of their respective banks. JACL Nisei members of the boards of directors of the two banks wanted to see the programs get under way. These staunch and loyal JACL members arranged for me to meet with officials of their banks so that I could propose that the banks undertake the guaranteed loan programs; once approved, these same JACL members worked in their respective institutions to assure that the programs were properly carried out.

The Bank of Tokyo of California and The Sumitomo Bank of California are to be highly commended for instituting these programs and for demonstrating their sensitivity to the needs of the communities they serve. To the Nisei members of the boards of directors and the Nisei and Saneel employees of both banks who showed their interest in this project and in helping assure the future of Japanese American young people goes the deep thanks of the JACL. Positive action such as this clearly illustrates the strength we have when Japanese Americans work together to make JACL an effective and constructive organization.

Incidentally, a decade ago, I benefited directly from a loan program similar to this one. My university days might not have been possible without it and I am grateful to the bank and the Federal government for the education I was enabled to acquire.

The Federally Insured Student Loan Program is an important undertaking, both for the Japanese American community and for The Bank of Tokyo and The Sumitomo Bank. Japanese American youth will benefit from their far-sightedness for decades to come.

The assistance that JACL members, particularly Nisei, gave this student loan project was crucial. JACL appreciates their help. Nisei can help JACL in many ways other than in banking. And in the years ahead, JACL will ask increasingly for their assistance. As a group, Nisei are a reservoir of talent, experience and influence in many fields. JACL hopes to call on Nisei members to lend their strong helping hands and good words when they are able. Japanese Americans will be the beneficiaries.

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Unique look through Japan

SAN FRANCISCO — It has been about two months since the return of 44 college-aged Sansei and 7 adults from the 1974 JACL Sansei Study Tour of Japan. They are probably back into their everyday routines, a far cry from the excitement of their 19-day tour.

National JACL worked with the San Francisco Japan Consulate office, Asahi newspaper in Japan, and the prefectural governments of Hiroshima and Kumamoto to arrange a unique personal study tour.

The group landed in the Tokyo humidity on Aug. 5. By special arrangement of Asahi, the tour was welcomed by enthusiastic Japanese college students. In fact, the Asahi assured similar welcomes in Kyoto, Hiroshima, and Kumamoto as well. The Japanese generously volunteered their time and energy so that the tour members could enjoy the sights and sounds of their own cities, complemented extraordinarily by the helpfulness and friendship of the host students.

The itinerary included visits in Tokyo, Kyoto, Hiroshima, and Kumamoto, while-stop tours of such scenic places as Beppu and Mount Aso, and such historic sites as Ise Jingu and Gengaku-ji. Low-cost accommodations were always made the most of, but a highlight was the four-night stay in the homes of Hiroshima families.

These families were most kind to open up their homes and their everyday lives to one, two, or three tour members at a time. The experience of such hospitality really gave the Sansei, and adults, a glimpse of Japanese home life that the average tourist would never chance to see.

Japanese language instruction was also arranged in Hiroshima. For three days, each morning was spent in crash sessions of *Nihongo kiaiwa*. Three instructors from a local university were hired to give the tour members, many of whom had no working knowledge of the language, an ability to at least exchange greetings and ask simple questions.

The 19th day came too soon. The 14 tour members did, however, welcome the flight-long rest from their incredibly rich experience. They returned here Aug. 24.

Total cost for the 19-day tour came to \$978 per person. This included airfare (\$423), and ground arrange-

ments — rooms, noon and evening meals (\$555). The students had applied through Central California JACL District. This had been a pilot project for the JACL Thousand Club, headed by Tad Hirota, co-chairman of the National JACL Travel Committee (1974).

Due to success of the 1974 Sansei Study Tour, JACL is planning a second tour for 1975. More information will be forthcoming.

Adult leaders of the 1974 Study Tour were: Masao Araki, Lynn Araki, Mike Iwatsubo, Nori Masuda, Mr. and Mrs. George Iwahashi, of the JACL Thousand Club; and Kanichi Komoto, Sansei members were:

Deborah Asakawa, Sharon Asakawa, Phyllis Dot, Carolyn Hayashi, Gordon Hayashi, Jeanne

DEPRESSION INEVITABLE, SAYS JAPAN OFFICIAL

TOKYO — "Gloom" remains the most-used word to describe the international economic outlook and the gloomiest outlook this past week (Oct. 16) was in Japan where a key official said that his once-prosperous country was almost certainly heading for a depression.

In a candid speech to the Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan, Eimei Yamashita, vice minister of International Trade and Industry, said the Tokyo government "will have to prepare a multi-layered defense to prevent a chain reaction of bankruptcies and a catastrophic depression."

Japan Today

INSIDE TOKYO — Tokyo's tallest hospital for completion in 1977 will be 17 stories high with 635 beds for Showa University in Shinjuku-ku. Highest at present is the 16-story First National Hospital. Delay in issuance of taxi business licenses due to the oil crisis has generated a black market in the operation. Taxi owner-drivers wanting to quit are disposing their car and license at an exorbitant ¥1.5-million in most cases—about a ¥1-million over. Since it takes about a 18 months for a license to be issued now, one veteran cabbie says a new operator will make out, seeing that he can earn ¥300,000 (\$1,000) a month. The 40th anniversary meeting of the Japan-U.S. Student Conference was held Sept. 27 at Nihon Kogyo Club in the Marunouchi area. The Tokyo consumer price index (1970=100) for September was 157.3—a 22 pct. jump since September 1973.

TRAFFIC DEATHS — The rate of nation's death toll on highways and streets dropped from last year. There were 8,000 traffic deaths as of late September or 30 deaths per day as compared with 40 last year at the same time. Osaka had the most, Tokyo was ninth.

RISE PAPER — Hokkaido University scientists have developed a method of producing high-quality paper from rice straw, corn stalk, sugarcane stalk and wheat straw. The technique avoids use of caustic soda and sodium sulfide — a process currently vogue and the main cause of pollution. More than 8 million tons of paper a year from rice straw is envisioned, but gathering that much straw is another problem that must be tackled.

Pause for a Chuckle

About the only thing worse than growing old these days is being denied the privilege

Jim Henry

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CHOICE FROM THE JAPANESE WEEKLIES

Drunks picked up by the police in Chiba city can nurse their hangovers in air-conditioned comfort, says the Shukan Yomuri.

Officially known as the "Protection Center for nebrates," this luxurious "drunk tank" consists of eight cells, each equipped with a bed, a toilet and a wash basin.

For those who come in with soiled shirts, a laundry service is provided. Both the lodging and this extra service are free.

With 1,200 establishments serving alcoholic beverages in Chiba, there is not one evening that goes by without one drunk being hauled in.

Like any well-run hostelry, it already has some regular patrons who have stayed at the center overnight more than once. One of them set a record by being brought back four times in 24 hours.

WHAT YOU NEVER KNEW ABOUT JAPAN — Because of the fast population increase in this small island country, mountains are leveled and then reclaimed to make way for housing and industrial property. The post-war boom of tourism is also responsible for the ruin of Japan's natural beauty. Over 400,000 persons climb Mt. Fuji every year and empty camps scattered atop the mountain total more than 1 million. Japanese children and youths of today are taller and heavier than their counterparts 30 years ago but are inferior in

physical capability. The number of near-sighted youngsters has doubled among junior high school students and trebled among senior high school students as compared with 1949.

Moreover, neurosis and other nerve disorders are blamed for 20 per cent of the dropouts of college students. In Japan, it is estimated there are as many as 360 million rats, or nearly four times the population.

LAST LAUGH ON INFLATION — A doctor informs a patient there is no known cure for his ailment and suggests he be frozen until medical researchers find the answer. Fifty years later the man is de-thawed and given a shot of a new wonder drug. Good as new, the patient immediately phones his broker and asks what a certain mining stock is selling for. "Two million dollars a share," the broker replies. Jubilant, the patient checks the rest of his portfolio and learns the one oil company closed at \$5 million a share, another at 3 million a share and so on.

Suddenly the operator breaks in and says, "Your three minutes are up. Please deposit \$50,000 for the next three minutes."

In case you're not feeling depressed enough, just remember: Right now, someone somewhere is putting your name on somebody's mall list.

Chapter Pulse

Installation

L.A. educator to speak at WLA installation



James B. Taylor

Tulare County looking for charter members

LINDSAY, Calif. — Tulare County JACL, which will celebrate its 40th anniversary at a gala party scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 8, 1975 at the Dinuba Memorial Hall, is trying to compile a list of charter members.

There were over 100 charter members. The chapter currently has 42 names:

James Iwata, Hiro Hayada, Fred Nishida, Eddie Nagata, Ruth Watanabe, Harley Iwata, John Watanabe, Haruo Tashiro, Kandy Minura, Joan Minura, Ted Yamada, Kay Watanabe, Kay Watanabe, Peggy Yatake, Eliza Ichihara, Kazuo Maruyama, Hideo Yajima, Tom Shimazaki, Ira Shimazaki, Bill Ishida, Yoshimoto, Am Omura, Tamotsu Akagi, Utaka Akagi, Jack Kaku, George S. Kaku, John M. Kubota, Sam Oka, Kazuo Uyeno, Sam Uyeno, Shizuo Uyeno, Jim Nishimine, John Narimatsu, Joe Katano, John Katano, Noboru Takaki, Ben Yabuno, Phyllis Olan, Sam Yukawa, Robert Murata, Joe Murata, Sam Miyama.

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Jerry Enomoto to speak at San Gabriel Valley

Former national JACL president Jerry Enomoto will be guest speaker at the San Gabriel Valley JACL installation

dinner on Saturday, Nov. 9, 6:30 p.m. at East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center in West Covina.

Jane Sahara was elected 1975 chapter president, succeeding Harry Mizoguchi.

Two short films, "Issei: The First 50 Years" and "I Told You So," will also be shown.

November Events

Cleveland to hold 4th annual Holiday Fair

There's something for everyone at the fourth annual Cleveland JACL Holiday Fair being held Nov. 4, 9-5 p.m. at Euclid Central Jr. High School.

Roy Andow and Tom Nakashige, co-chairmen, said committees are preparing Japanese foods, gathering arts, crafts, plants and flowers Japanese imports, odds and ends for the sale. A candy shop and bake sale, entertainment and calligraphy demonstration complete the offerings.

The Holiday Fair is the chapter's major fund-raising effort.

October Events

150 senior citizens enjoy S.F. Keiro picnic

About 150 aged Issei were honored at the San Francisco JACL sponsored Keiro picnic Oct. 12 at Serra Park in San Bruno. KGO-TV provided the transportation. Other friends, merchants and businesses contributed gifts, prizes and services.

Four couples celebrating their golden anniversaries were special honorees. They were Sangoro Matsuo, J. T. Shimomura, George Shiotani and the Tama Matsuo. Cartoonist Jack Matsuo drew sketches of the couple.

Twenty-seven people and groups participated in the Sponsor a Senior project to finance the outing.

Take It from Me

Man is the only billion-celled organism which can be completely reproduced by unskilled labor. — Ashley Montagu.

W.L.A. Auxiliary

starts new season

LOS ANGELES — The dazzling new Hungry Tiger restaurant in Westwood Village was the setting for the annual dinner meeting of the West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary on Monday, Oct. 21.

In a charming garden-like setting of white wicker accented with kelly green, members held its general meeting and re-elected Yuki Sato president for the coming year. It was a unanimous approval and tribute to her fine leadership this past year. Installation of Auxiliary officers will be at the West L.A. JACL dinner Nov. 9 at Airport Marina restaurant.

A special treat is in store for the Auxiliary on Friday, Nov. 8 when the George Asawa was open their home to have as guest speaker, Ruth Asawa Lanier, renowned artist and sculptor from San Francisco.

The following month, Dec. 8, Auxiliary members and husbands greet the holiday season with their annual Christmas party at the Robert Watanabe home.

Savings deposit still

climbing at Merit S&L

LOS ANGELES — Merit Savings & Loan Assn. has paid \$915,536 in interest for the nine-months of 1974, largest in the history of the association and over 25% for the same period a year ago, according to Bruce T. Kaji, Merit president.

Savings increased from \$19,149,657 as of Sept. 30, 1973 to \$22,147,746 as of last Sept. 30. "It has been plus month every month to date, running above industry performance," Kaji added.

Flower View Gardens

slates 13th open house

LOS ANGELES — Flower View Gardens, 1801 N. Western celebrates its 13th annual Christmas open house Nov. 3 from 10 am-5 p.m. with the two floors transformed into a holiday wonderland.

A preview showroom sale will be conducted Nov. 1-2, it was announced by Arthur and Alice Ito, longtime Hollywood JACLers and proprietors.

Chicago JAA program

CHICAGO — The Japanese American Assn. of Chicago celebrates its 10th anniversary Nov. 2-3 at Stephen Mather High School with a Kabuki play, "Modori Basho," under direction of Wakayagi Shiyu. Proceeds go toward the proposed Japanese cultural center.

Utah JACL News

SALT LAKE CITY — The Mt. Olympus JACL has joined the Salt Lake JACL as publishers of the monthly Utah JACL News with the October issue. In April, 1969, Salt Lake converted from mimeograph to offset and expanded its coverage to include community-wide events.

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Frying Pan

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ASIAN ANECDOTE CONTEST—Back on Sept. 20 this column, deploring the shortage of smiles in this publication, announced a funny story contest with an autographed copy of Jack Matsuo's cartoon book, "Camp II, Block 21" as the prize. I said I would be surprised if there were more than a half dozen entries, and delighted if there were as many as a dozen. Well, I'm delighted. Twelve different Pacific Citizen readers sent in their favorite stories. Some included several, and there were enough good ones to make judging a problem.

There were Issei stories, Nisei stories, Sansei stories, Chinese stories and even Hawaiian stories. For example, Hawaiian-born Fumio Yoshida of Gardena, Calif., tells how his 14-year-old daughter Barbara Ann once asked: "Why do you Hawaiians use expressions like 'Da Kine' and 'you know' so often?" Thinking fast, Yoshida told her: "Us Hawaiians are really smart people because all we need to know is four words to express ourselves—Da kine and you know? Then the other party shows he knows the answer by saying 'Yea, mmm.' And Barbara Ann duly reported this to her teachers at school."

As a group, the Issei stories were best. Seiko Ishida of South Gate, Calif., tells of getting a letter from her father about Christmas time, written in Japanese of course, saying "Suman kedo hon sukoshi mochokure." Seiko understood "hon sukoshi" to mean he wanted her to send him a few books and so sent him some. Another way to read "hon sukoshi" is "just a very little" and Seiko's father had used it in that sense in asking her to send him a few New Year "mochi" cakes.

Tomii Hoshizaki of Los Angeles had another very amusing Issei story. An Issei friend of hers kept talking about an entertainer named Shin a Tora-san. Tomii thought she was referring to some Japanese singer whose name meant Chinese Tiger, but suddenly she realized her friend was talking about Frankie Sinatra.

Ellen Kishiyama of Santa Maria, Calif., recalls that her husband while on a trip to Japan wrote to her in Japanese. She could read the letter but it didn't make sense — the words were totally disconnected. She complained to him when he came home and he started to read it for her when suddenly he said:

"Neither do I. I was speaking Chinese."

Thanks to all of you for giving us a chance to smile. It didn't broke anybody's face, did it?

• Richard Gima

Aloha from Hawaii

Hawaii Today

Honolulu

The Japanese Chamber of Commerce has adopted a resolution urging President Ford and Congress to give financial backing to Pan American Airways for its "fight for survival." About 500 employees of Pan American Airways marched in front of the state capitol and city hall Sept. 27 to dramatize their company's fight against inequities. These, the employees contended, were denial of a domestic route within the U.S., allegedly unfair treatment by the Export-Import Bank and discriminatory landing fees overseas.

A Hawaiian law requiring a married woman to use her husband's name came under fire by two women to vote under their "birth names" for the primary election. A suit on behalf of LeAnn Cragum and Penelope Spiller was filed in circuit court Sept. 27 by the American Civil Liberties Union against the state and its elections administrator. The law is the only one of its kind in the country.

A coalition of Windward Oahu community and civic groups staged a rally Sept. 28 at the Sacred Falls parking lot to protest a planned development in the area. The development would include a shopping center, a housing area, and various other commercial buildings. The group said such a development was not needed.

Two hundred angry Waialae-Waikane area residents picketed the Land Use Commission headquarters Sept. 30 to show their opposition to a proposed 1,250-acre rezoning of McCandless Estate land. The residents are opposed to proposed changes in land use from agricultural to urban-rural use in the Windward Oahu area.

Business Ticker

U.S. News & World Report says Honolulu ranks above U.S. averages on three key business indicators but below on one other in tabulations. Honolulu is above average in: (1) Department store sales, up 12.9 per cent for July against a year before—U.S. average up 9.8 per cent; (2) Non-farm employment, up 2.9 per cent—against 1.9 per cent U.S. average; (3) Construction activity, up 6.8 per cent—against a decline of 3.6 per cent nationally. Hawaii ranks below average in having substantial 6 to 8.9 per cent unemployment, however.

C&W Sugar Co. and Finnish Sugar Co. of Finland have formed a joint venture to market fructose, the sweetest of all natural sugars. The agreement between the companies contemplates construction of a multimillion dollar fruit sugar facility in the San Francisco Bay area. European consumers use fructose primarily as an alternative to granulated sugar since it has as much as 70 per cent more sweetening power per calorie.

Names in the News

James Sakai, city-county finance director, has been appointed State chairman for the Municipal Finance Officers Assn. of the United States and Canada. He will be responsible for membership promotion and for reporting to association headquarters on

training programs for public finance officers in Hawaii

The Rev. David Hirano was installed as the 10th minister of Nuuanu Congregational Church Sept. 29. Hirano, who was previously at Los Angeles, a 1953 graduate of Roosevelt High School, has degrees from Wake Forest Univ. and Andover Newton Theological Seminary. Clinton Tanimura, state legislative auditor, has received a national award from the Government Research Assn. for a report compiled by his office. Honored was a 1973 audit on the Univ. of Hawaii faculty workload that criticized the university for failure to set overall workload policies.

Crime File

Police on Kauai are expected to file murder charges against a 25-year-old demented man in connection with the shot gun slayings of two tourists over a recent weekend. The two persons killed Sept. 28 were identified as William and Helen Mallory of Medina, Ill. Their bodies were found on the Hanakapiai Trail on Kauai's north shore. A shotgun, believed to be the murder weapon, was found near the bodies. A few hours after their bodies were discovered, the suspect surrendered to police in Lihue. Police said they had not established a motive in the killings.

Neighbor Islands

Kauai people are talking about a series of events affecting the Kiahuna Beach Houses in recent weeks. For example, in a 16-day period the development at Poipu Beach sustained the following setbacks: (1) A warehouse fire in Ahukini destroyed all appliances and considerable other material for 158 units under construction at Kiahuna; (2) Another fire destroyed two nearly completed structures at the site that contained a total of 10 living units; (3) On Oct. 1 James Coke, sales manager of Kiahuna, was killed in an early morning traffic accident.

Honolulu Scene

The \$100,000 appropriated by the state legislature will be used to spruce up Waikiki Aquarium. Political leaders George Ariyoshi, David McClung and Tadao Beppu broke ground for a new turtle pond Sept. 30. Funds for the aquarium will help buy a new decor for the foyer and auditorium, plus a new sea water system for live exhibits.

Sports Scene

Stanley Himeno, president of Y&H Corp., has announced that a multinational country club, the Honolulu International Country Club, plans to develop Salt Lake into a country club. It will be financed

Kats Kunitsugu

On Margin

Los Angeles

LITTLE TOKYO POWER PLAY (Part I)—When people want something, they use all the power they can muster to get it. And when they want something badly enough, people being human will use fair means and foul to get what they want.

At the moment in Little Tokyo, there are some interesting cross currents of power play revolving around the redevelopment question.

One such embroilment involves the Anti-Eviction Task Force which put on a demonstration at the ground-breaking rites for the New Otani Hotel in Los Angeles which was a shameful, witless and rude exercise by a publicity-hungry handful of young "community people" or an ex-hilarating display of solidarity on behalf of oldtime residents and small businesses of Little Tokyo by a courageous band of people who believe in people power, depending on which side of the fence one stood on September 27.

The Anti-Eviction Task Force, a loose organization of young community activists whose membership varies from 12 to 20-odd, according to one source, sent a letter to the Rafu Shimpo, a Los Angeles vernacular newspaper in which they excoriated the Kajima Corp. of being rich, huge and powerful and desirous of taking over Little Tokyo. World War II history was dredged for a tidbit in which Kajima staff members were allegedly executed on the war crimes trials for their acts of torture and murder of Chinese civilians.

This did not sit too well with a high-placed local Kajima official, who is said to have contacted a community leader and voiced his unhappiness. The community leader, involved as he was in fund raising for the cultural/community center and mindful of the helpful role the Kajima Corporation can play in securing part of such funding from Japan, organized a delegation of community leaders who went to have a little talk with the publisher of the Rafu Shimpo.

Ellen Endo, English editor of the Rafu, when informed later about the contents of the meeting, stood on her rights to her editorial judgment and offered her resignation if the publisher was not going to back her up. The publisher did not accept her resignation, and there the matter stands.

Having been on the receiving end of similar pressure tactics, I applaud Ms. Endo's resolution. As she pointed out in her "Open End-o" column, persons and groups feeling themselves unfairly criticized have a chance to rebut the charges by writing counter letters to the editor. However several recent incidents involving both the Rafu Shimpo and the other vernacular, Kashi Mainichi, have shown to persons who feel aggrieved by what is published about them that a mere threat to sue works wonders far more satisfactory than a counter letter to the editor. "Corrections" and "retractions" which on closer scrutiny only turn out to be the aggrieved person's version of the charges in question, are printed forthwith, accompanied by subject apologies from the publisher. The first generation pub-

lishers were made of sterner stuff. Sei Fujii, the iconoclastic founder of the Kashi Mainichi, was shot at by a gang of hoodlums who didn't agree with what he wrote, but he kept on writing. He had guts.

Aliens—

Continued from Front Page

Terris and Evans could not agree even about the number of green-carders. The Justice Department estimates there are 9,000 seasonal commuters (those who live in Mexico and spend the entire harvest seasons in the U.S.) and 50,000 daily commuters (those whose residences are so close to the border they can cross it daily to go to their jobs), Evans said.

Terris, citing figures compiled by growers, put the total number closer to 150,000. A decision is expected by next June.

'Stepin Fetchit' appeal rejected

WASHINGTON — Lincoln T. Perry, the once-celebrated black actor of the mid-1930s who used the name Stepin Fetchit, was refused by the U.S. Supreme Court on Oct. 15 to order a jury trial whether he was defamed when a TV documentary said he portrayed "the tradition of the lazy, stupid, crap-shooting, chicken-stealing idiot."

Perry contended he was libeled and his privacy invaded by the 1968 TV network documentary that brought him back to the limelight. Bill Cosby was recalling major figures in black cultural history and said Perry had popularized a Negro stereotype in comic entertainment.

The lower courts dismissed Perry's case since Cosby's remark was ruled fair commentary on a public figure. Last spring, the court gave added rights to sue for libel to private individuals who don't become public figures except at the behest of the communication media. But it said nothing to help those who, like Perry, had once sought and enjoyed publicity.

Jewish group lauds work on landmark

LOS ANGELES — The Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation-Council of Greater Los Angeles has commended the Calif. Historical Landmarks Advisory Committee, in a Sept. 10 letter to Gov. Reagan, for establishing the Manzanar site of WW2 Japanese relocation "as an historical monument and designating it for the concentration camp that it truly was."

Committee chairman Allan J. Greenberg said the group identifies with the tragic experience and voted this expression of concern "that such an episode must never again occur in these United States."

Roderick Finlayson. Through the account of an old bull driven from the herd and a young bull introduced, the author gives a good picture of New Zealand farmlife. But the account is a simple narration of an incident rather than a short story.

Though lacking story line, the other contributions are clear. In "Death Mask," translated by George Saito, Nobel Prize winner Yasunari Kawabata depicts the protagonist suffering jealousy even after his beloved has died in his arms.

In the other Japanese contribution, "The Moustache," translated by Chieko Morozumi, Yoichi Nakagawa writes of an aged widower who leads a double life: at home a devoted father to his idiot son; abroad a dashing man-about-town, admired for his moustache, with an eye for the ladies.

Listed from the Philippines through the locale is Chicago in a poetic mood piece, "The Day the Dancers Came," by Bienvenido N. Santos. A lonely, middle-aged Filipino finds escape from his drab life through dreams of the day when a Philippine dancing troupe will visit Chicago and he will offer them his hospitality.

Translated by Le Van Hoan, "My Milk Goes Dry," by Minh-Quan (Vietnam) recounts the ordeal of an orphan girl brought up to believe that bottle feeding babies causes them to grow up to become beasts, while breast feeding them helps them to become leaders and saints.

In the first person in lucid prose rendered vivid by fresh apt similes, this humorous account is one of the best of the contributions. Except for a breakdown in organization at one point, it is

DURING OCTOBER

1000 Club Membership

Headquarters acknowledged 42 new and renewing 1000 Club memberships for the first half of October.

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12-Hatate, Alfred

NEWS CAPSULES

Awards

Scoutmaster Tosh Shoji of Troop 109, Los Angeles, was accorded the Sentinel District award of merit in recognition of his lifelong work with youth. As a youth in Livingstone, he attained the rank of Eagle Scout, has been in scouting and Community Youth Council (a Nikkei athletic group) coach in baseball and basketball with the Titans. He is also a PTA honorary life member. His wife Aileen has been a den mother and den mother coach in the past.

Service clubs in San Pablo will honor Contra Costa JA-

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Filipino Community Action Services, Inc., 819 S. Alvarado, will operate a mobile medical-dental clinic unit soon in various neighborhoods where there are large numbers of non-English speaking immigrants, racial minorities, elderly and the poor. Examinations conducted by volunteer professionals will be free, according to Jenny L. Batongmalague, M.D., FCAS president.

Fresno
Fresno Sokyoku-kai (Koto music Club) was recently organized with Dorothy Kaneana as president. Students of Mme. Wajyo Tokumoto held their sixth annual recital Sept. 28 at Fresno State Music Hall.

San Diego

A multi-cultural art exhibit, sponsored by the Inter-Cultural Council of Arts and organized by the San Diego County Human Relations Commission to develop an exchange between majority and minority communities and encourage ethnic groups to promote and preserve their culture, will run through Nov. 13 at the HRC office, 3730 Fifth Ave. Normal viewing hours are from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Sacramento

"Ethnic Culture: American Style" is the title of a UC Davis Extension lecture series exploring the major ethnic communities in Sacramento meeting three weekends from Nov. 1-2, meeting at McClatchy High School, 3066 Freeport Blvd. For further information, call UC Davis Extension (916-752-0880).

A half-hour Kodomo Jikan, a Japanese program of songs and folk tales for children, is being aired on KERS, local FM educational station (90.7) on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. The Sansei Hour follows from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Nearly 250 were guests at the 14th annual Sacramento Nisei VFW Post 8885 Issei appreciation dinner Oct. 6. The Hikari Music Makers entertained.

CALENDAR

Nov. 1-2
West Valley—Chicken teriyaki sale; box lunch pick-up, Grace Methodist Church, Saratoga, 12-4 p.m.
Nov. 2 (Saturday)
Cleveland-Holiday Fair, Euclid Central Jr High, 4-9 p.m.
Nov. 2-3
Chicago-Folk Fair, Navy Pier.
Nov. 3 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC-Sequoia JACL hosts: Qtrly Session, Sakura Gardens, 2116 El Camino, Mtn View, 10 a.m.
Spokane-Issei Appreciation dnr, Holiday Inn, 6:30 p.m.; Sonoo Uchida, apkr.
Nov. 6 (Wednesday)
NYCC-Bd Mtg, San Francisco.
Nov. 7-10
Nat'l JACL-Natl Bd Mtg, San Francisco.
Nov. 8 (Friday)
Philadelphia-Bd Mtg.
West Los Angeles-Auxy Mtg, George Asawa res 7:30 p.m.; Ruth Asawa Lanier, spkr.
Chicago-JAY Mtg, JACL Office, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 9 (Saturday)
San Fernando Valley-Square dancing.
San Gabriel Valley-Inst dnr, ESGV Japanese Comm Ctr, West Covina, 6:30 p.m.; Jerry Enomoto, spkr.
West Los Angeles-Inst dnr dance, Airport Marina Hotel, 7 p.m.; James B Taylor, spkr.
Nov. 10 (Sunday)
San Mateo-Bus Mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.
Salt Lake-Bd Mtg, Sumner School Annex, 7 p.m.
Nov. 13 (Wednesday)
Orange County-Bd Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, Santa Ana, 7:30 p.m.
Puyallup Valley-Gem Mtg.
Nov. 15 (Friday)
St. Louis-Bd Mtg.
Nov. 15-17
Cincinnati-Folk Festival, Convention Ctr.
Nov. 16 (Saturday)
Riverside-Thanking Dnr, First Christian Church.
Nov. 17 (Sunday)
PSWDC-Venice-Culver hosts: Qtrly session, Venice Japanese Comm Ctr.
Nov. 22-24
PSWDC-Haltley, Lake Arrowhead.
Milwaukee-Folk Fair, MECCA.
Nov. 23 (Saturday)
San Diego-Inst dnr.
Nov. 23-24
CCDC-Annual Convention, Fresno Sheraton Inn; Sunday banquet, Tano's Restaurant, San Nakagawa, spkr.
Nov. 28-Dec. 1
Tokyo-Inst dnr, Onaka

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20-Kurikara, Marie
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1-Onimaru, Koji
17-Takahashi, Henri
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10-Tao, Tom
PSWDC (Misc.)
1-Fujita, Harold H

CLer Ken Tokuyoshi, 56, as the Man of the Year at the Moose Lodge Hall Nov. 7. The twentieth recipient of the city-wide honors, the owner of Ken's Nursery has been active with the San Pablo Beautification Commission and the Salsesian Boys Club. Born near Sacramento, he spent his early years in Japan and returned in 1933, took up farming with his parents and brothers. After WW2, he became a landscape gardener, got married in Berkeley and turned to his present business.

Business

Yosh Nakagawa of Seattle is president of Osborn & Ulland, Inc., an eight-unit sporting goods store which does more than \$1 million a year in soft goods (sportswear). With six stores in the Seattle-Tacoma area and one in Portland, it recently opened a store in downtown San Francisco and plans are to open shops in Spokane, Alaska and Hawaii. A J.C. Penney Co. field representative in education, Cyndy Murakami, gave a workshop on the metric system at a consumer workshop in Seattle recently—part of her job which takes her to her native Hawaii, Alaska and the western U.S. She has a graduate degree in home economics from Michigan State.

Osaka-born Yoshio Gotoh, with Flying Tiger Lines since 1971 as international sales manager at Los Angeles, was promoted system director of the department—the first Asian to head up a department of the all-cargo airline. He previously served with Pan-American as traffic supervisor in air cargo. First woman to be appointed a pharmacy manager for Sav-on Drugs is Rose Yamauchi at its Monterey Park location. She was employed since 1956, a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy & Science. She and her husband, George, reside in Long Beach. Former Japan electronics representative in the Midwest, George Taki was appointed account executive for Hyatt Regency Chicago. He is a graduate in marketing from Northwestern University.

Politics

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, stopped by the court from opposing Sen. Alan Cranston this year, says he is interested in the 1976 race against Sen. John Tunney. He appeared as guest speaker at a fund-raising breakfast for State Sen. Clark Bradley (R-San Jose). Asked whether his age would hurt his chances (Hayakawa is 68 today), the past San Francisco State president said: "I have no idea. It depends on the condition I'm in and the condition the country's in. They may be desperate enough by then to take me."

Five U.S. senators whose re-elections seem assured have collected more than \$200,000 each by the end of August, according to reports filed with the Secretary of the Senate. The five are Senators Ernest Hollings (S.C.), Daniel Inouye (Hawaii), Russell Long (La.), Abraham Ribicoff (Conn.) and Herman Talmadge (Ga.) Inouye said he had raised his money early before he knew he would have

such an easy time getting re-elected. He has hired a law firm to research whether he can donate his extra money to establish scholarships in Hawaii. Nikkei support in the Los Angeles area for Edmund G. Brown Jr's gubernatorial election surfaced in mid-October with George Taki and William T. Hiroto named as co-chairmen. The group hosted a champagne party at Yamato's Restaurant Oct. 20.

Elections

(PC welcomes newspaper clippings of Japanese Americans in the 1974 election races.—Ed.)

Yukus Inouye, recently honored with the Nisei of the Biennium silver medallion at the Portland national convention, is on the Democratic ticket for the four-year post on the Utah County Commission. The Mt. Olympus JACL-er has compiled a two-year term.

Courtroom

Marian Shih King Ming of Chicago, believed to be the first China-born woman licensed to practice law in the U.S., is associated with the law firm of Mitani & Michelotti, Ltd. She is active in the Asian American civil rights movement and more recently sought to have Pekin (Ill.) High School drop its athletic nickname "Chinks."

A Sacramento superior court jury awarded Airforce Sgt. Victor Fox a \$900,000 judgment for sustaining third-degree burns over more than half of his body after a 1971 motorcycle accident. The verdict was against U.S. Suzuki Motor Corp. Fox contended the cap on his bike's gasoline tank popped off with the impact, igniting the gas, claiming the cap and tank were constructed of inferior materials.

Milestones

Mrs. Chiyono Yamasaki, 91, of Centerville, Ohio, died Oct. 10. An honorary Dayton JACL-er, she is survived by s Masaru, d Kimiyu Sakada, Mei Teranishi (Tracy, Calif.), Lily Sato, 11 gc and 2 ggc.

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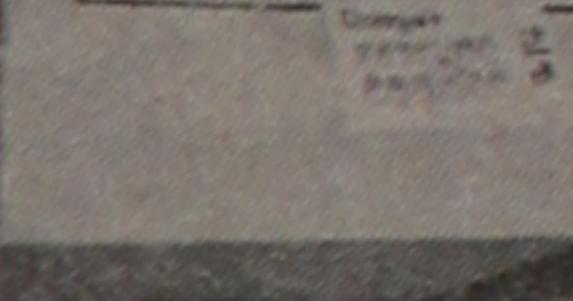
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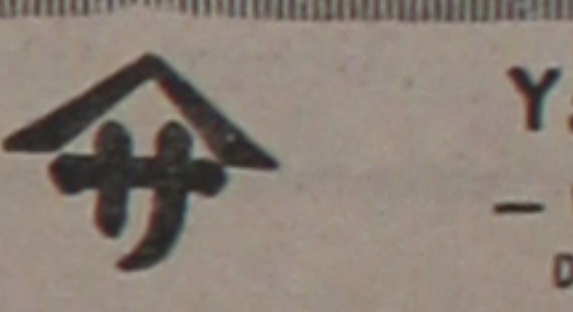
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