

By ALLAN BEERMAN

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)  
HONOLULU — Following an apathetic campaign, Nikkei Democrats took all five top offices open for election and 48 per cent of all offices. Of the 115 successful candidates in the election, 57 are Nikkei.

Acting Gov. George R. Ariyoshi became the first Nikkei elected Governor of any State; his running mate, former Circuit Judge Nelson K. Doi was elected Lieutenant Governor.

The voters returned to office U.S. Sen. Daniel K. Inouye and U.S. Reps. Spark M. Matsunaga and Patsy Takemoto Mink.

Island of Hawaii Councilman Herbert T. Matayoshi (D) was elected Mayor of the Big Island.

The Democrats retained their 35-16 control of the State House and improved their Senate majority by one to 18-7. Democrats reduced the Republican membership of the nine-member Honolulu City Council from two to one only.

Nevertheless, some well-known Nikkei incumbents failed of election, including State House Speaker Tadashi Beppu and State Reps. Peter S. Iha and Richard Wassal, all Democrats. State Sen. Percy K. Miritani (R) failed of re-election.

Honolulu voters approved having the Mayor and City Councilmen serve staggered terms; accordingly elected Councilmen will serve until January 1979. Voters of the Island of Hawaii overwhelmingly rejected fluoridation.

On the State level, the voters abolished the power of the Governor to veto individual items or to reduce funds appropriated.

Though Ariyoshi will take office, Dec. 2, with this slight diminution of power, he will still have proportionately more power than Governors of most States. He will also be the recognized head of the Democratic Party, to which most Nikkei politicians belong.

Political influence over the Nikkei, with Ariyoshi's governorship, extends beyond their possession of 48 per cent of the elective offices. The only two

top offices not now held by them are the Honolulu mayoralty and the U.S. Senate seat of Hiram L. Fong, Sr.

But Honolulu Mayor Frank F. Fasi (D) is married to a Nikkei. Hiram L. Fong, Jr., married to a Nikkei, was re-elected to the State Senate from the 13th Representative District.

In addition to many non-Nikkei office holders being married to Nikkei, there are political office holders of part-Japanese ancestry such as Jean Sadao King (D), elected to the State Senate from the 8th District; and Richard Garcia (D), who paced the ticket for the State House from the 17th District.

Successful Nikkei candidates follow. Asterisk indicates incumbent; CAPITALS indicates election on Oct. 5 primary.

**U.S. SENATE**  
Daniel K. Inouye, D\* 207,208  
James Kimmel (People's) 42,750

**U.S. HOUSE**  
1st Dist.—Urban Honolulu  
Spark Matsunaga, D\* 71,524  
William Paul, R 9,052

2nd Dist.—West of Hawaii  
Patsy T. Mink, D\* 86,894  
Carla W. Coray, R 31,882

**GOV.—LT. GOV.**  
George R. Ariyoshi and Nelson Doi, D 136,217  
Randolph Crossley and Ben F. Dillingham, R 113,354

**STATE SENATE**  
1st—Hawaii County (3): Stanley I. Hara, D\*; John T. Ushijima, D\*; Mamoru Yamasaki, D\*; Henry Takitani, D\*

4th—Leeward Oahu, North Shore (4): Joe Kubota, D\*; P. Kikue Young, D\*

5th—West Honolulu (4): DUKE KAWASAKI, D\*; ROBERT TAI-RA, D\*

6th—Kaimuki, Hawaii Kai (4): Patricia Sakai, R; Ronald S. Nishimura, D\*

8th—Kaula (1): George H. Toiyokuni, D\*

**STATE HOUSE**  
1st—Kauai-Puna, S. Hilo (1): Jack K. Suwa, D\*

2nd—Maui County (2): Herbert A. Segawa, D\*

3rd—No Hilo, Hamakua, No Kona (2): No Hilo, Hamakua, No Kona

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**Yukus Inouye re-elected Utah County commissioner**

Yukus Inouye was re-elected commissioner for Utah County in the state of Utah for the four-year term, according to his daughter Geraldine, secretary to National JACL executive director Dave Ushio.

## SAN FRANCISCO NIHONMACHI

# Agency's 10-year Report

The San Francisco Redevelopment Agency submitted the following report on Oct. 31, capitalizing the history and progress of its Nihonmachi project. Area director Gene E. Suttle and his deputy, Richard T. Kono, hoped the information would lead to constructive efforts by all concerned to an early completion of the project to revitalize and preserve Nihonmachi.



**SAN FRANCISCO**—The \$6.1-million housing project in the Nihonmachi area, now nearing completion, as it appeared on the drawing board three years ago for the Japanese American Religious Federation.

consultants prepared a preliminary plan which was presented to the UCJC executive board on Oct. 8, 1962.

On Oct. 15, this proposal was presented to a UCJC membership meeting. This presentation and discussion was conducted in both English and Japanese.

After almost six months of study and discussion of the preliminary plan, its publication in final form on Mar. 13, 1963, and how to carry it out, the UCJC executive board invited the general membership to consider formation of a corporation composed of community people who wished to participate and invest in the new Nihonmachi. This corporation would have the task of allocating development sites to its members, undertaking the financing and development of shared facilities, such as parking for business customers and a community center and generally coordinating community development activities and representing community interests in negotiations with the Agency.

On April 8, 1963, a development corporation feasibility committee was appointed to study details of organization, financing and procedures. This committee solicited from the UCJC membership preliminary

plans and recommendations. The response was extensive and encouraged a decision to proceed with the formation of a community development corporation. This decision was reached at a UCJC meeting on May 22, 1963. Actual incorporation did not happen until early in 1964, after months of community consultation and meetings to work out the details of corporate purposes, financing, responsibilities, membership, allocation procedures and related questions.

The Nihonmachi community was ready to participate with the Agency in its renewal when approval of the Redevelopment Plan for the whole Western Addition Area A-2 was sought by the Agency and granted by the San Francisco board of supervisors on Oct. 13, 1964.

Unfortunately, the (U.S.) Dept. of Housing and Urban Development refused to fund Agency activities in A-2 until June 1966 after a Supreme Court decision on the constitutionality of an electorate-approved prohibition of publicly-enforced open housing in California.

From a list of consultants prepared by UCJC, the Agency selected two firms, Rai Y. Okamoto and Van Bourg-Nakamura, to prepare a general development plan at the Agency's expense. Working with the UCJC design committee and Agency staff, the

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## Mineta part of new Demo wave to Congress

**SAN JOSE, Calif.** — Mayor Norman Mineta, who turned 43 last Tuesday (Nov. 12), became the first mainland Japanese American elected to Congress—part of the Democratic sweep in the House of Representatives. The tally was:

Norman Mineta (D) 78,649  
George Millas (R) 63,381

The San Jose mayor, who is completing his first four-year term, delayed claiming his victory till the next day but the morning San Jose Mercury (which had endorsed Millas) called Mineta winner at midnight.

But the returns were heartening "because the seat was held by the Republicans for so long," Mineta said. Rep. Charles Gubser (R) had served since 1952 and did not seek reelection in the reapportioned district.

In a nip & tuck race, vice mayor Janet G. Hayes, 45, defeated Chief of Detectives Barton Collins for Mineta's post. She becomes the first woman mayor of a major western city. Her husband is a San Jose internist.

## Bannai re-elected in very tight race

**GARDENA, Calif.** — Republican Assemblyman Paul T. Bannai, 46, was re-elected by a bare 365 votes in the newly reapportioned 53rd district, which is 2-1 Democratic in voter registration. The tally was:

Paul Bannai (R, Inc.) 25,684  
Maurice Mayesh (D) 25,289

'Soon after the polls closed in California at 8 p.m., the absentee ballots were tabulated, showing the first Nisei state legislator ahead 402-289.

As the 228 precinct tallies were counted through the night, Bannai maintained a slim lead, though at one point (at 4 a.m.) he slipped nine votes behind, one campaigner noted. Voter turnout was 63 per cent.

Statewide, the Democrats

won 55 seats in the 80-member Assembly, one more than the two-thirds required to pass most tax and spending measures.

## Monterey Park school proposal rejected

**MONTEREY PARK, Calif.** — First attempt to unify local schools for the proposed Monterey Park unified district Nov. 5 ended in defeat by more than 4,000 votes—19,101 yes, 23,780 no.

Had the measure passed, a five-member school board would have been elected. Mrs. Mild Himeño, East L.A. JACLer, ranked fourth in the field of 29 candidates. Kenji Higashi was second, while Rose Matsui Ochi was tenth.

## March Fong polls over 3.4 million votes

**SACRAMENTO** — Californians installed state senator Mervyn Dymally as its first black lieutenant governor and assemblyman March Fong as its first woman secretary of state and the first Asian American to a statewide office.

Dymally, a native of Trinidad, garnered 49 per cent of the near 6-million votes cast in a four-way race for the No. 2 position.

The diminutive Fong, who was born in a Chinese laundry 52 years ago in Central California, polled the most votes for a statewide office. Her tally:

Fong (D) 3,432,361  
Van Camp (R) 2,166,338  
McGachlin (PF) 130,070  
Ripley (AI) 201,464

Onetime Orange County JACLer Ken Cory was elected state controller.

## State Sen. Al Song re-elected handily

**LOS ANGELES** — In the California senate, where half of the 40 seats were up for election, Democrats bolstered their partisan edge from 22

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## Renewal Preparation

After two years of only occasional meetings to keep interest alive and to refine allocation procedures during the court proceedings, the board of directors of the Nihonmachi Community Development Corp. (NCDC) took a number of steps to prepare for impending renewal activity.

With the Agency it arranged for a new contract with the same design consultant to review and revise the Nihonmachi plan, to define precise development parcels and to develop a set of precise design criteria to guide designers of individual buildings.

It recontacted all of its members and other community members to determine their current needs and wishes.

It further explored providing and financing shared facilities, such as parking.

It sold shares of stock to interested community members and, finally, structured itself to process land and development transactions. It also advised the Agency on scheduling of property purchases, relocation procedures and development, to hold to the minimum the unavoidable inconveniences to residents and businesses the renewal process would bring.

To further help achieve sound community development, it established a tenant priority policy, assuring first consideration in rental of new space to current business and residential tenants.

The Nihonmachi Master Plan was approved March 18, 1968, and the formal contractual agreement between the Agency and the community through the NCDC was executed on March 19, 1968.

## Construction Underway

Mutually agreed upon design and development control were approved May 1, 1970, and the first parcel at Post and Buchanan was sold to the Corporation to its community developer, Harold Iwamasa on July 21, 1970.

Construction began in October 1970 on the building to

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## JACL-NATIONAL BOARD

# New evacuee reparation concept without massive pay bill explained

By HARRY HONDA

**SAN FRANCISCO**—A unique evacuee reparations concept without massive appropriations was described by Seattle JACLer Henry Miyatake to the Japanese American Citizens League national board and staff meeting here this past weekend. (Nov. 7-10).

A legislative committee will be established to seriously consider the Miyatake presentation that proposed compensation based upon (a) internment without due cause, (b) loss of wages during internment, (c) cultural deprivation and (d) forced relocation.

On the precedent that a taxpayer is allowed to contribute \$1 to a presidential election campaign, the reparations compensation would be funded by federal income taxes paid over a ten-year period by those Japanese ancestry and others who wish to contribute to an Internal Revenue Service trust fund.

The concept, developed by the Seattle JACL reparations study committee, would provide \$5 a day to all evacuees interned without due cause, at least \$114.30 (the wages paid German and Italian POWs working in U.S. POW camps during WW2) per month to recover lost wages, \$1 per day per internee payable to community service organizations for cultural activities to compensate for cultural deprivation, and a flat sum of \$600 per adult and \$400 for each child to those who voluntarily relocated to the so-called free zones.

Persons affected by Executive Order 9066 and direct heirs would be eligible, including children born in internment camps, assembly centers or relocation camps. Also included are those who voluntarily relocated to avoid unjustified internment, persons who were jailed because they refused to evacuate, as well as the group evacuated

from Hawaii, Miyatake explained.

The concept suggests applications from evacuees be processed so that those age 65 or older as of Jan. 1, 1974 be compensated first; those as of age 50 or over as of Jan. 1, 1974, next; and then all others including direct heirs of deceased.

Justification for recycling Nikkei tax payments for evacuee reparations was repeated several times during the presentation. He stressed that evacuees were incarcerated without due process, no formal charges or indictments were ever issued, and reminded persons of Japanese ancestry were deemed security risks without justification. No record exists of espionage, treason and sabotage by Japanese ancestry residents in the western U.S. during WW2, he said.

Evacuation was also unjustified disturbance of economic, family and community life, Miyatake added. Some of the Nisei still feel the stigma of being of Japanese ancestry as being highly undesirable.

Because of cultural suppression by government policy and practices, such as the closing of judo, kendo and Japanese language schools during WW2, a generation of Nikkei has little or no background in their ethnic heritage, Miyatake pointed out.

Acting Washington Representative Gail Nishioka reported on the so-called relocation benefits commission bill introduced this past June by Rep. George Danielson (D-Calif.). His office informed JACL it does not plan to reintroduce the bill in the new 94th Congress. However, legislative aides to Senators Cranston and Tunney of California, Reps. Danielson, Matsunaga and Mink said they would work with JACL and other interested groups before submitting an evacuation reparation bill.

## TOPAZ REVISITED

# Desert sands reclaiming history

By SHAKE USHIO (Mt. Olympus JACL)

**Salt Lake City** — On Saturday last we visited Topaz again. After 30 years not much remains.

Gone are the barracks that stood row on dreary row. Gone are the towers — the symbols of justice gone astray. Gone are the wire fences, the sentries, the administration building, the petty rules and inane regulations — reminders of freedom denied.

Gone too are the people, the aged and the young, the strong and the sick, the defiant ones, the bewildered, the apathetic, the emaciated heads of families, the fearfully pregnant women, the innocent children, the imaginatively resourceful — all unwilling victims of a perverse government, a community of 8,000 souls, fourth largest city in the State of Utah. All gone!

In the hot autumn sun, we shivered a little. The passing of time and destiny left us cold and sad and inexplicably

disturbed. The site of a significant historical event in the struggle for human dignity is being reclaimed by the desert sand and sagebrush to be lost forever into antiquity.

Some may say, "Good, the sooner we forget that shameful ordeal the better." Yet upon reflection, we wonder if for posterity's sake, we shouldn't retain some record and recollection of those dreadful days. Even now some of our young people in the quest for an answer to the age-old question, "Who am I — whence did I come — where am I going?" are wanting to know about the total experience of their parents and forebears.

Some thoughtful high school teachers fully recognizing the significance of the Evacuation and the internment of persons of Japanese ancestry during World War II as a serious aberration in the American system of jurisprudence, are requesting knowledgeable persons to lecture on the topic. Perhaps, also, the

Mrs. Nishioka, who is moving to National Headquarters soon to assume full-time duties as JACL youth director, noted Senator Inouye's office has suggested a "reparations summit" to decide what kind of bill might be offered "that would fly". She urged JACL board members to check with other Nikkei and non-Nikkei groups to expand support.

Edison Uno, an observer, took a page from the successful Title II Repeal campaign to eliminate the emergency detention act, by urging an ad hoc committee. Mrs. Nishioka emphasized the need of a JACL legislative committee.

The National JACL board voted to establish the committee with the responsibility of recommending the kinds of legislation JACL should be

concerned with and that reparations have high priority since it had been previously mandated by the National Council.

Another key committee established by the National Board would work with Ray Bendiner, 34, just appointed as JACL development officer to seek outside funding to implement proposals recently presented at the Portland convention.

Action was also taken in areas of membership, new chapters, Asian American legal defense fund, urging President Ford (when he visits Japan) to express the JACL concern on the negative effects of the whaling boycott, the Tokyo Rose case, insurance, personnel, etc. A full report follows.

## SEN. INOUE CALLS FOR CONTROL OF PRICE, WAGE, CORPORATE PROFITS

**HONOLULU** — Speaking before the National Conference of Convenience Stores Oct. 28, Sen. Daniel Inouye called for rationing of scarce items and a return to wage and price controls to protect the public from "predatory policies of both big business and big labor." He would also control corporate profits.

Hawaii created the first gas rationing system in the nation during last winter's energy crisis and Inouye said although it caused "inconvenience and some inequities, it was less convenient and more fair than a system of dog eat dog."

Inouye said voluntary energy cutbacks simply aren't working because Americans have lost faith both in their government and fellow citizens. He said a mandatory

rationing system must begin because few are willing to sacrifice energy because they feel "if I sacrifice, someone else will take advantage of me."

Inouye said "an equitable rationing system for energy and other scarce materials must be created."

"Despite the animosity of both big business and big labor to wage and price controls," Inouye said, serious consideration must be given to establishing a "permanent authority for exercising government controls over the wages, prices and profits of monopolistic sectors of our society and for protecting the public interest against predatory policies in these industries."

"This authority need not continually involve itself in the day-to-day functioning of the economic marketplace. Its standby authority could be the stick in the closet necessary to keep these sectors of the economy responsive. This authority would supplement not supplant, aggressive anti-trust policies."

Inouye said events of the past six years have produced "economic chaos and caused the American public to completely lose confidence in the ability of its leaders to get us out of our present predicament."

The senator said there is ample blame to pin on everyone, including Richard Nixon, President Ford, and the Congress. But he called for an end to bloodletting.

"The time has come to stop searching for scapegoats and to start acknowledging the truth that we must solve our own problems, and that we

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## Japan Chamber to raise funds for Little Tokyo center

**LOS ANGELES** — Heartening support for the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center was revealed in a telegram received Oct. 31 from Shigematsu Miyake, president of the Nagoya Chamber, for the nation-wide Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

George Doizaki, president, JACCOC board of directors, announced the Japan chamber board voted unanimously at its Oct. 4 meeting to help raise funds in Japan for the proposed Little Tokyo center.

Japan Chamber's interest in the center stems from an early August meeting held by Doizaki with Shigeno Nagano, honorary chairman of New Japan Steel Corp. and president of the Japan Chamber, and Tatsuzo Mizukami, adviser to Mitsui Bussan and president of the Japan Foreign Trade Council, who were in California attending a conference at Stanford.

"This is an extremely encouraging sign from the leaders of Japanese commerce and industry who realize the importance of Los Angeles as a gateway to the Far East and have promised us wholehearted support for our proposed center," Doizaki said.

Introductions to the two giants of Japanese industry were arranged by Yukio Hamami, Kajima International vice-president and member of the cultural community center honorary board of governors; Yasuhiko Ishizaka, Mitsubishi Bank of California president; and Akira Matsutani, Tokai Bank Ltd. president, all of Los Angeles.

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## Son meets violent death

**SEATTLE** — A wayward son, met a violent death following an afternoon shoot-out this past week (Oct. 31) in the parking lot of a Rainier Valley grocery store at Empire Way South and Othello.

The coroner the following day said Noel Eguchi had shot himself through the head with a .357 magnum revolver he was carrying.

Police said they were responding to a call from a citizen who recognized Eguchi as a suspect in an earlier robbery-kidnapping at a motel. Eguchi had positioned himself behind the car of a bystander when the police arrived on the lot.

In the exchange of gunfire that ensued, the bystander and the robbery suspect were shot to death.

Ballistic test determined the bystander, Saverio Agostinelli, 46, of Seattle, was felled by a bullet from Eguchi's pistol. He was sitting behind the wheel of his parked car, leaning forward trying to avoid the crossfire when the fatal bullet penetrated the seat and struck him.

Eguchi was being sought as a suspect in the Oct. 28 robbery of \$120 from a motel manager, escaping by abducting his wife in their car and releasing her three blocks away.

Wayne Jacobi spoke with the Eguchi family. Jacobi learned Noel was a heroin addict, had written goodbye notes to his family and friends and had contemplated death for four days after an argument with his father. Here is the story verbatim.

By Wayne Jacobi

"I don't know what to do. I'm confused and scared, really scared," Noel Eguchi wrote in a note to his parents last weekend (Oct. 26-27).

Four days later he died, apparently of a self-inflicted wound, during a shoot-out with police officers.

The note, with three others, was found in the suitcase he left in his father's pickup truck, which he took without permission after arguing with his father, Mitsutaka Eguchi.

In the note, he admitted he was on heroin and had made a mess of his life, adding: "It must be all my fault since I caused it and a normal person should be able to right his wrongs."

In another note addressed "to my friends," Eguchi admonished:

"Take a good look at me and all my mistakes, learn from it."

The family knew he had had a drug problem for about five years, his father said

(Nov. 1), "but for the last year or so it was real bad. He couldn't help himself."

The Eguchi family had discussed Noel's problem with him, his sister, June, 23, said and he had gone to a drug addiction center for one counseling session but had never returned.

"There's a tremendous drug problem in the Asian community," she added. "Some of Noel's friends are junkies, too."

Noel's best friend died of an overdose last summer, June said.

"But a lot of Oriental families try to cover it up," Mitsutaka Eguchi said, "and that's wrong. We want to publish this (Noel's story). We don't want other families to have the same trouble."

The Eguchi family came to Seattle from Japan in 1953, when Noel was two years old. Six years later Eguchi opened his own business, an auto parts supply house on S. Jackson St.

By the time he entered Franklin High School, Noel already was having problems and was in and out of juvenile court often, his father said.

He was completely bored with school, June said. "He just couldn't adapt to it."

After two years of high school, the younger Eguchi

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● Harry K. Honda  
**Ye Editor's Desk**

**WHEN TIMES ARE BAD . . .**

While Nikkei are jubilant over the election of the first Japanese American governor in Hawaii in George Ariyoshi and the first mainland Nisei to the U.S. Congress in Norman Mineta this week (even locally with the re-election of Assemblyman Paul Bannai in a very tight race), the task facing them is even more awesome than their respective campaigns.

When times are bad, Americans have the political habit of calling in the Democrats. By the same token, when times are good, conservatism takes over and the Republicans get back in. This may be the case this time in the aftermath of Watergate to undo political apathy and the spectre of "stagflation" that undoes past economic logic. In the days to come, the analysis of the Democratic surge will be of more than passing interest to National JACL which embarks on its membership campaign to meet the biggest operating budget it has faced to date—\$562,900.

Looking at U.S. history for other examples over the past century, Samuel Tilden, a wealthy New York Democrat, polled more votes than Ruth-erford Hayes who won by a questionable electoral college ruling in the 1876 election.

Times then were indeed dreadful. Slums began to appear for the first time in the major American cities back East. Unemployment, estimated at two or three million, drove people westward. Diseases took a very heavy toll among the poor.

More distressing was the showy behavior of the new rich—the oil men and miners who struck it rich, successful speculators and war profiteers. Read up on it.

Before the Grant Administration was over, political scandals were the most corrupt the young Republic had yet experienced. The sad Watergate, which was confined to the inner White House, looks like a Sunday School picnic by comparison to the shenanigans of the Reconstruction Period.

And leading to the popular choice of Democrat Tilden in 1876 was the Panic of 1873 when banks failed under scandalous circumstances. Insurance companies folded.

"Boss" Tweed had been in glory, pocketing as much as 75% of the city-county expenditures in New York. For instance, a colliery was built for \$3 million but the county books showed \$11 million had been spent.

This period of unbelievable history cannot be passed without mention of the unrest in California, the rise of Kearn-ism (the Chinese must go!) and which led to passage of the Chinese Exclusion Act in 1882.

In 1884 Grover Cleveland

AWOL, finally located on Guam . . . Japanese film actress (Kinuyo Tanaka) makes friends on Hawaiian visit . . . Nisei consular employee Shiro Tatsuami, among five held by Chinese Reds . . . Nisei soldier Pvt. S. Okawani of Honolulu goes

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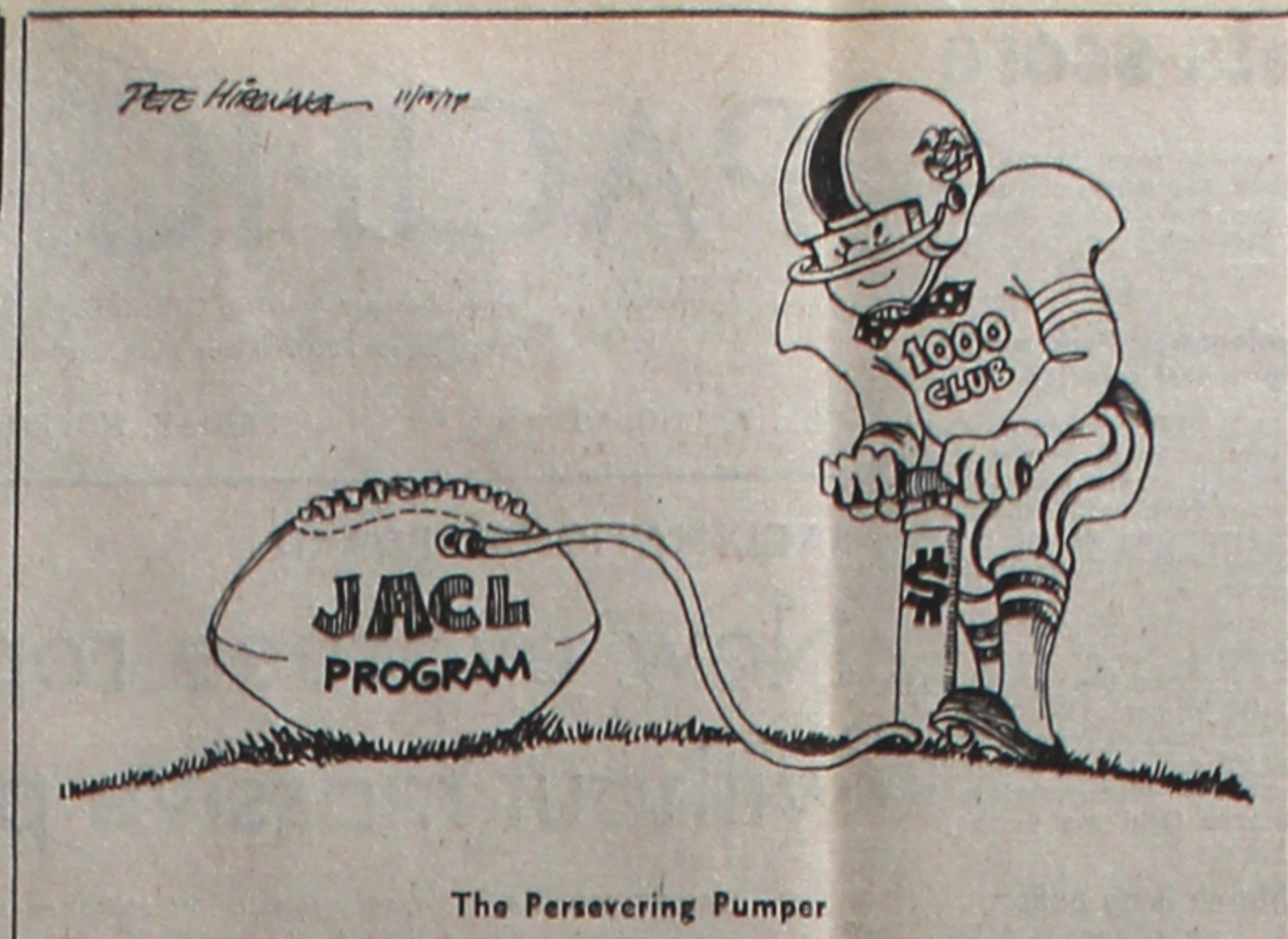
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**PC Letter Box**

**Hibokusha**

Editor:

I read with regret the Sept. 27 PC story concerning Dr. Hata's remarks about Japanese American victims of atomic blasts in Japan. Attached is a copy of a letter forwarded to the Editor of the Gardena Valley News and Tribune which clearly outlines the facts and my feelings on this matter.

Dear Mrs. Warfield:

It was with profound shock that I read of Dr. Hata's intemperate attack upon me in the Sept. 15 issue of the Gardena Valley News and Tribune. I feel that he is attacking not only me, but the members of the Task Force for Atomic Bomb Survivors and Dr. Noguchi, in questioning the motives behind setting up the group.

If he had checked the facts first, he would have found that my office sent out no advance notice of the task force's first meeting (of Sept. 7) to ANY news media because we wanted it to be an informative session, a discussion, and not one where people would feel they were speaking to appear on television or to be quoted in newspapers.

I understand that a member of the task force mentioned the meeting to news media personnel known to that person. Because of the interest in the subject, some word of it did reach news media in Los Angeles. As a result, there was a coverage present, but definitely not at my invitation.

I was invited to the meeting, and have offered to introduce a bill to help in treatment of Japanese American survivors of the atomic blasts, by establishing a new treatment center at UCLA. Who would want to make political capital from the 500 survivors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki?

I think Dr. Hata is angry because he was not asked to serve on the task force, and is seeking this as a way to vent his anger. I find this most unseemly. If anyone is subverting the issue, it would appear to be Dr. Hata.

My office did send out a news release afterward, on the results of the meeting, because by then the news media had already picked up the story, and I felt it important that the accurate account be distributed.

As to his contention that we slighted the City Council by not notifying them of the meeting, we did seek permission from the building manager, and the committee staff did visit with the manager. (Letter dated Sept. 6 was attached.)

If Dr. Hata would check my record, I think he would find that I have consistently spoken for and sought to help ALL groups needing assistance in our society — women, working people, native American Indians, Asians, Blacks, Mexican-Americans, youth, prison inmates, to name a few. This has been the basis of my twelve years as a Legislator.

MERVYN M. DYMALLY  
State Senator  
Sacramento

**JACL Convention**

Editor:

The 23rd Biennial National JACL held in Portland, is now etched in the history book among the many wonderful conventions. It was a good one, put on by some of the nicest and talented group of JACLers in the history of JACL. Dr. Jim Tsujimura,

Henry Kato and committee are to be commended very highly.

It had much to offer. I shall long remember the Testimonial for Hito Okada with George Inagaki. We laughed so much, the tears did flow. It flowed again when the East-West players put on their wonderful stage show.

It was so good, too, to see Walter Fuchigami, after some 30 years. We parted when we each left Granada Relocation Center into a life out of the "barbed-wires". Memories of happy "younger days" come to us, when we recalled we were the co-editor of Sports for the Mercedian, the Merced Assembly Center's "LA Times". Our boss at that time, was Richard Mitchell, now the Big Man of Redevelopment in Los Angeles, and formerly, of San Francisco.

My roomie was the headman and President of the active East LA Chapter, a well-known general manager of the Grace Pastries. We stayed at the Cosmopolitan, so the Sheraton crowd would not dampen our 8-hour sleep.

Most of the good things of old, Masaoka's JACL Creed, Citizenship requirement etc., stayed after discussion and a vote, and I am happy. I'm sure, the younger members are happy with much of their projects which were OK'd. But the biggest thrill of all was to see great JACLers like Masaoka, Inouye, Ushio, Mineta, Marutani, Yasui, Murakami, Sugiyama, Uno, Mukai, Tanaka, and hundreds of others, speak and challenge us followers to greater heights of JACL service and achievement.

Raymond S. Uno really impressed me. To celebrate his winning the Nisei of the Bicentennial, a staunch JACLer coaxed me to buy some celebration champagne, and got us lost for two hours in and around Portland. It took me a while, to convince him Sheraton was maybe "thataway". As for winning, Helen Kawagoe will make a good vice president, with her dynamic Tak at her side.

In closing, may I say that we may have missed the finest hour in the reports in the Pacific Citizen. It was the report of the rambunctious

bunch who snuck out of Sheraton, at 3 in the morning. Again, the friendliness of the fishermen of the Northland not only made us feel at home, but deck some 33 silvery fish called Salmon. Thanks go to the men like Jim Nakadate, Jim Iwasaki and others, who drove us far out to the three boats, "Little Chief" and skipper Doug Reynolds being ours, out of Hammond, Ore., Boat Basin. What a happy fisherman I was when I got my one, but the lucky fishermen of note, were Yukus Inouye and son, Ron; Yekus Mukai and son and another who were the tops.

Arriving back at the dock, we were advised that we could exchange the salmon for canned and smoked ones, but my tour guide, OC's David Ichinaga of Orange County, said "no way". He had a light ice box, got some dry ice at the Sheraton Kitchen, and in a few hours the next day, I was home in Pasadena, and enjoying the one "that didn't get away".

Thank you, Portland. If conventions are like this, I tell everyone, I won't miss one in my lifetime. See you all in Sacramento.

MACK YAMAGUCHI  
Delegate  
Pasadena JACL

**Pen Pal in Japan**

Editor:

I am a 16-year-old Japanese schoolboy who wants to communicate with your readers. My hobbies are sports and reading.

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**Pajaro Dunes landmark**

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — A tri-level house resembling a Kyoto temple completed last year for the Harold Ellington family of Pajaro Dunes has become a landmark on Monterey Bay. Ellington is a senior pilot with TWA with more than 30-years of service.

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**Dialogue**  
"SOUTH PACIFIC—A LA 1974"  
San Francisco

What can one person do?  
On the morning of Oct. 2, 1974, in Madison, Wisconsin, a state with a Japanese population of less than 3000, there appeared in the local paper, The Capital Times, a review of the stage production of "South Pacific".

To quote the reporter, Robert LaBrasca as he summarized the play, "... he, in desperation, goes away to spy on the Japs . . . and off he goes to spy on the Japs . . . Nothing could force him to get involved in this battle with the nips . . ."

The story ran for over 20 inches and these were the only references to the Japanese. The article did not miss the eye of Paul Kusuda, a member of the Milwaukee JACL chapter. He immediately wrote a letter to the newspaper objecting to the use of the derogatory terms and requesting that an apology be written.

His letter appeared in the newspaper a few days later. He stated in part, "Having experienced more than once the irrational sting of prejudice, I recoil at the thoughtless use of dehumanizing terminology which relegates human beings to things and, worse yet, to things without value. In short, I object. An American of Japanese ancestry, as a social worker, as a human being, I object."

Kusuda's letter was followed by two responses, one from the reporter and the Executive Editor.

Reporter LaBrasca stated that he regretted offending

Kusuda or anyone else but his intent was to "expose through an ironic voice an aspect of the World War II and post-war mentality evident in 'South Pacific' which I believe has supported a strain of racism in this country."

He further wrote that he "hoped to help drain the epithets of their potency by using them in that tone . . . if we maintain total taboos against certain words, they will only retain their power that much longer."

Executive Editor Elliott Maraniss felt quite differently and printed the following in response to Kusuda:

I agree with the letter writer that an apology is due our readers for the racist words used in Robert LaBrasca's review. I was shocked when I saw them, too. Many racist demagogues also have insisted that their use of epithets has been "ironic" or "realistic." And it surely isn't a matter of maintaining "total taboos" against certain words. There always will be enough racist around to keep them circulating. I apologize to Mr. Kusuda in behalf of The Capital Times.

That is what one person can do.

**OF, BY AND FOR JAYS**

The last two months of this year will be busy for the JAYS. Several districts are involved in planning workshops plus continuing to work on their regular activities.

The Central California District Youth Council will be hosting a workshop during the weekend of Nov. 23 and 24. That is the weekend of the Central California District Council Convention. The activities will be at the Sheraton Inn. The CCDYC is also conducting a survey in high schools and colleges to get more young people involved with their organization.

The Poconos is the possible site of a workshop to be held Dec. 27 to 29 sponsored by the Eastern District Youth Council. The Washington DC JAYS hosted a family night film on Nov. 10. Their biennial project ("Asian Migration to the East") will be a highlight at the workshop.

Omaha JAYS are hosts for the Midwest District Youth Council's annual Fall Workshop, Nov. 29 to Dec. 1. The theme for the workshop is (I think) "Executive Order 9066" with skits, films, slides, etc.

A Pacific Southwest District Youth Council Halfly is scheduled to take place on Nov. 22 to 24. The location is near Big Bear, but nothing specific was heard. A tentative schedule of times and things can be obtained by contacting the Steven Endo, PSWDYC Chairperson. Tentatively, PSWDYC is beginning plans for the Tricentennial of the Tricentennial of the beginning of 1975.

District Conference, which in- volve PSWDYC. We shall wait to hear more on this.

Nov. 16 at the Eden Town-ship Community Center the Northern California - Western Nevada District Youth Council will hold its district meeting. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. NC-WNDYC's activities have not been announced yet.

The National Youth Coordinating Council (NYCC) was meeting on Nov. 6 and 7 in San Francisco.

The Education Amendments Act of 1974 goes into effect on Nov. 17. Under provisions of the Act, all secondary schools must provide parents the opportunity to inspect and review the cumulative school records on their children. Students 18 or older attending any institution of post-high school education also have this right. The Act also establishes the confidentiality of school records against "outsiders," meaning anyone outside the school system must have parental consent.

The JAYS have decided to reactivate their Foster Child Program plans, but the Program's Chairperson (Roxanne Uyeda) has discovered that Senator Mondale's Sub-Committee on Children and Youth held hearings on agencies, foreign and domestic, which serve as liaisons between Americans and children. The GAO report on such agencies will be made available with other hearing testimony by the beginning of 1975.

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Bill Hosokawa

# Frying Pan

UP FROM MATTIE'S PLACE—When we first moved to Denver back in 1946, the Buddhist church was housed in a decrepit old mansion on Market Street. There were railroad tracks in the street in front of the building, and the entire area had an air of decay about it. Next to Market was Larimer Street, which had a somewhat more prosperous look mainly because the thousands who had come to Denver from the War Relocation Centers had made it their business center.

Not long after our arrival my mother died in Seattle, and the next time my father visited us, we had a memorial service for her at the Buddhist church. The service was held in a drafty, dusty old room, and one almost expected to see rats scurrying around. What impressed me most was the front room which had a fireplace with a handsome marble mantel with a large mirror above it.

Only later did I learn that Mattie Silks, perhaps Denver's most famous madame, had conducted her business in this building. That front room with the fireplace was where Mattie received her patrons, including some of Denver's most prominent men, and there they looked over her merchandise before retiring to one of the upstairs rooms. In time a reform wave swept Denver and Mattie and her kind went out of business. I never did learn how the Buddhist Church came to occupy her old place, but then the Buddhists are a broad-minded sort and it is not likely that the building's earlier use bothered them very much.

At the time we arrived the Japanese Methodist Church was holding its services in another elderly structure on California Street. This was something of an irony because most of the members had been driven out of California by wartime military edict. The church had an almost medieval feel about it, and the heating didn't work very well, but that didn't seem to put a damper on the enthusiasm and devotion of the parishioners.

The Methodists moved some years ago into a large and beautiful church building in the suburb of Arvada. The Buddhists, who moved out of Mattie's old place about 1949

or thereabouts, into a building of their own, also underwent a major expansion project. They dedicated their vast, enlarged building a few weeks ago. Among its features are a chapel that seats 450, a multi-purpose room and gymnasium that seats up to 600, plus another large auditorium for movies and stage performances.

Both churches have an unmistakable air of permanence and prosperity about them. Back in 1946 and '47 a general exodus of Denver's Japanese American population was under way. At one time the population had numbered perhaps as many as 7,000, and they were conspicuous because most of them lived in one crowded area. When the West Coast was reopened to the evacuees, many of them hurried home. But about half of them decided to stay, and later their numbers were augmented by others from both east and west who liked what they saw here. The Japanese American population in the Denver metropolitan area must be somewhere near 5,000 now, and the two churches are the primary focus of ethnic-type social activity as well as worship.

That the two congregations were willing to go into debt to the extent of hundreds of thousands of dollars is proof of their intent to remain here as permanent residents and to continue supporting their churches. It is also testimony to the strong appeal of ethnic churches. Many Nisei and Sansei families have become members of churches in their neighborhoods and today they live in all sections of the city. But many others prefer to drive many miles out of their way to worship together with other Japanese Americans. It would make an interesting study to find out why they prefer to do this at a time when virtually all of the old barriers to total integration have vanished.

Richard Gima

# Aloha from Hawaii

**Hawaii Today**  
Honolulu  
The State Land Use Commission has postponed discussion of a proposed land development of Windward Oahu's Waihole-Waikane area. It resulted after residents of the area complained about the manner in which the commission was handling their case. Area residents are unhappy about plans by the McCandless Estate to have 1,337 acres in the area rezoned from agricultural to urban use.

Dr. Walter Quisenberry, director of the State Dept. of Health, says he does not believe the islands will become a mecca for abortions. This, he adds, is in spite of a legal opinion that the State abortion law's residency requirement is unconstitutional. The U.S. Supreme Court has made abortion in early pregnancy legal all over the nation.

**Neighbor Islands**  
A 10-man Kauai police team recently spent three days in Kalalau Valley burning dumps of marijuana plants, dismantling 26 illegal structures and uncovering several guerrilla-type traps. The cleanup was ordered after two tourists were shot to death in late Sept. on the valley trail leading into the Na Pali Coast area. Officials have been concerned about nudity, littering, illegal habitation and unsanitary practices in the valley.

**Business Ticker**  
Kenji Osano, Tokyo financier, and Robert Holden, president of Hawaii Hotels Corp., hosted a reception Oct. 7 celebrating the \$100 million-plus sale of Sheraton-Walkiki, Royal Hawaiian and Sheraton Maui hotels to Osano. Sheraton will continue to operate the three hotels plus two other former Sheraton hotels Osano purchased previously—the Princess Kaiulani and the

**Honolulu Scene**  
The First United Methodist Church, Victoria and Berea, plans to build a 250-ft., 42-story condominium across the street from Honolulu Academy of Arts. But the art academy is not happy and is objecting to the church construction plans. Cyril Phillips, chairman of the church's development committee, has told the Advertiser that year-

Through this means, I would like to express my very sincere thank-you to all who attended the Testimonial Dinner Oct. 25 in my honor at the Hyatt House, San Jose; to San Jose JACL and its many committee members for sponsoring and carrying out the details of the wonderful affair, and to former members of San Jose Zebras for their many courtesies.

My wife Sue and family join me in reiterating our deepest appreciation.

PHIL MATSUMURA

## Chapter Pulse

Installation  
Chicago inaugural date set for Dec. 14

Details are still being prepared for the annual Chicago JACL inaugural dinner, now set for Saturday, Dec. 14, at the McCormick Inn. It was announced.

The chapter will hold its annual election meeting Nov. 15, 7:30 p.m., at the JACL Office, 5415 N. Clark St.

**December Events**  
San Jose JACL-YJA plan gala New Year's Eve

Plans are in full swing for the San Jose JACL and Young Japanese Adult New Year's Eve dinner-dance at the Mediterranean Room at the San Jose Hyatt House.

A prime rib dinner, hors d'oeuvres for the evening and favors are included in the dinner-dance ticket at \$27. Tables for groups of 10 may be reserved by calling Ron Shimizu.

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zu, 1072 Central Ave., San Jose 95128. Special room rates at the Hyatt House are available for out-of-town partygoers.

Tickets for the dance-only portion is \$15.

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**Other minority victors noted in Nov. 5 races**

In Tuesday's Democratic surge, minorities swept into state offices two Spanish-surnamed governors: Jerry Apodaca, 40, in New Mexico; and Raul Castro, 58, in Arizona.

Apodaca was a state senator and the first Spanish-surnamed governor in New Mexico since 1918. Mexico-born Castro was former U.S. ambassador to El Salvador and Bolivia.

Besides Mervyn Dymally, new black lieutenant governor in California, Coloradoans elected George L. Brown Jr. Both are the first black liegovernors elected since the Reconstruction days of the 1870s.

All 16 members of the present Black caucus in Congress were returned with one addition: Harold E. Ford of Tennessee, who ousted four-term Rep. Dan Rostenkowski (R).

One Eskimo — Alaska State Sen. William Hensley lost his bid for the Democratic seat in the U.S. House. Negro Republican James Brannen of Connecticut was smothered in his bid to unseat Sen. Abraham Ribicoff.

In the eight Southern states, the Voter Education Project in Atlanta reported black candidates won in 85 of the 118 major political races in the medium to major-size cities. In the State legislatures races

## Nihonmachi -

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contain the Kokusai Theater and several restaurants and bars. This new construction was in Block 685, consistent with the general approach to rebuilding the Nihonmachi area, phasing new construction first in that block, then Blocks 675, 676 and finally Block 686.

The Nihonmachi board and local developers have followed that general plan to minimize the inconveniences of construction and displacement.

Since then, five additional commercial buildings have been completed along the westside of the proposed Buchanan St. Mall. They are: Mihara Bldg., housing the owner's business; Paper Tree, and rental offices.

Kyoto Inn, housing Ofutoku restaurant, rental office space and residence for the owner.

Hirose Bldg., housing the owner's shop, jewelry, office space and residence.

Monroe Bldg., containing the owner's coffee shop and residence. Saitono Bldg., containing the owner's N.B. Dept. Store, and Kawatomi restaurant.

One church, Konkō Kyo, seating about 200, is in its new quarters and another, is under construction at Sutter and Laguna.

Three other nonresidential buildings are underway: American Flag Market, incorporating the owner's residence and office space at Sutter and Buchanan.

Kyoto Inn, hotel at Sutter and Buchanan St.

National JACL Headquarters, also on Sutter.

In addition to four apartments incorporated into the commercial buildings listed above, 38 units in the Yatsunami development on Bush St. are completed and 100 other units, all market-rate rentals, are almost ready for occupancy at Webster and Sutter (42 units in the Katsura Bldg., 58 units in the Sakura Apt.).

Construction will start this month (Nov.) on the first commercial building on the eastside of the Buchanan St. Mall, the Abe Bldg. with space for a law office, Honnami Taijido and Japan Trading Co.

The first half of the shared off-street parking (41 spaces) is under construction. Construction of the Buchanan St. pedestrian mall between Post and Sutter is scheduled to start immediately after the 1975 Cherry Blossom Festival.

**Additional Housing**  
To supplement the residential accommodations being developed within the four-block Nihonmachi, the Japanese American Religious Federation is sponsoring Nihonmachi Terrace, a development of 245 dwellings for low-to-moderate income families (70) and elderly households (175). The rent-up of the family units still under construction has started; they should be available for occupancy in December.

Units for the elderly should be ready for occupancy in the spring of 1975. Rent schedule for households meeting HUD income limits are:

Units Size Rent HUD  
51 Elderly 0-1BR 127-155 35-108  
124 Elderly 1-2BR 149-189 45-117  
18 Family 1-2BR 149-189 41-112  
30 Family 2-3BR 187-221 45-126  
18 Family 3-4BR 185-224 54-149  
4 Family 4-5BR 220-287 60-135

West of the four Nihonmachi blocks, an additional 74 units of family housing for low-to-moderate income households are to be constructed in the block bounded by Webster, Sutter and Post. Another 429 moderate priced private housing units, 124 public housing units and 236 markets rate housing units are planned for a total of 779 units.

**Rehabilitation**  
Rehabilitation of existing buildings also play an important role in the new Nihonmachi. Some 31 properties are being retained by their owners. They include Kinmon Gakuen, the 1830 Sutter St. YWCA, several business buildings and a number of residential buildings, with 86 dwellings, twenty of which with 64 dwellings having been rehabilitated.

**Matsunaga eyes Senate in '76**

HONOLULU — Reps. Spark Matsunaga and Patsy Mink are considering running for the U.S. Senate as Senator Fong is expected to retire when his present term expires in 1976. Fong will be 69 then.

Patsy Mink last May indicated she hoped to run for the Senate "in the future." Spark Matsunaga told a reporter the week before the election he would try to discourage Mrs. Mink from running because he wants to enter the race too.

"My present plans are to run in 1976."

Matsunaga also said he favored a "veto-proof" Congress as a more effective means of enacting Democratic platforms. As for his political war chest, one of the largest in the House, he was not embarrassed at all "because it's all been reported."

In 11 states, blacks will occupy 94 seats — a gain of 30 in the State Houses and 4 in the State Senates.

**WIN button worn upside-down**

WASHINGTON—White House news secretary Ron Nessen wore his big WIN (whip inflation now) button upside down after the general elections, telling reporters at a Thursday briefing (NIM) meant "No Immediate Miracles."

In Block 685, four of seven buildings have been rehabilitated, containing 31 dwelling units and one commercial structure.

In Block 675 all eight rehabilitated buildings containing 24 dwelling units have been rehabilitated.

In Block 676, three out of six buildings containing five dwelling units and one commercial structure have been rehabilitated.

In Block 686, five out of eleven buildings have been rehabilitated containing 14 dwelling units and one commercial structure.

Through the UCJC and its successor organization, NCDC, the Nihonmachi community has played the deciding role in determining who will develop which land and for which use.

Of the 34 parcels delineated in the chart (attached), 32 have been assigned to community people or organizations. The board of directors (listed below) and NCDC committees have determined

**Chapter people Handling 1975 JACL Memberships**  
To insure uninterrupted subscription to the Pacific Citizen, current JACL members are urged to renew now. Membership fees shown after the name of the Chapter reflect the new 1975 rate for single and couple.

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**LITTLE TOKYO PLAY (Part III)**—In the past two columns on "Little Tokyo Power Play," I have written about the schism between the more established community organizations which support the redevelopment of Little Tokyo and the politically-oriented Anti-Eviction Task Force which may be called the "Anti-Eviction."

Indifference, complacency and negativism just may accomplish what the political activism of the Anti-Eviction Task Force has so far failed to do — bring the redevelopment of Little Tokyo to a grinding halt.

But LTCAD cannot be an effective community medium for redevelopment unless the CRA commissioners and the Office of Urban Development representative are more supportive of the group. The OUD under Mayor Yorty used to send out LTCAD meeting notices and make reminder telephone calls to members. At a recent meeting, the current OUD representative, a graduate of the Anti-Eviction Task Force, seemed to feel that was beneath the dignity of his office.

Under this law, Los Angeles can apply for a block grant of \$39 million from HUD for community development in 1975. How this money will be spent will be decided by the City Council. While it is supposed to be earmarked for the neediest areas in the city, "community development" can be interpreted to cover sewers and public transportation, and you can bet that the councilmen representing San Fernando Valley will feel justified in asking for their share of that \$39 million for just such purposes. You can also bet your life that the Black and Chicano communities will also be campaigning vigorously for that money, and unless Little Tokyo keeps on the ball, it may find itself holding an empty bag, or a shrunken one, anyway.

At the sparsely-attended LTCAD meeting for October, CRA Deputy Administrator Dave Wilcox touched on just such a possibility. His message did have a hopeful note in that he said all previously planned for action areas in Little Tokyo and other projects in the CRA are assured of funds to complete them. Since revenue sharing is a new idea, it remains to be seen whether this will be true.

Since the Little Tokyo redevelopment project is now in its nuts and bolts stages, many of the 45 or so LTCAD members do not bother to attend the monthly meetings unless something specific in which they are interested is to be discussed. The meetings have been hard-pressed to come up with a quorum, a fact which the Anti-Eviction Task Force has criticized with some justification.

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**Sen. Inouye—**

all to blame and we must all work our way out of our present mess.

"The American people will follow if we in Washington can find the intelligence and the guts to lead."

## Sen. Inouye—

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Onoda visits Brazil

SAO PAULO — Hiroo Onoda, the Japanese army officer who hid in the Philippine jungles for nearly 30 years, was welcomed here Oct. 16 by his brother and 200 Japanese Brazilians.

• Allan Beckman

# Book Review

## ANALYSIS OF PEARL HARBOR ATTACK PROTOTYPE

**THE ATTACK ON TARANTO**, by Vice Adm. B. B. Schofield, Naval Institute Press; dist. by Arco, New York, 94 pp., \$5.95.

In late 1940, Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto, commander-in-chief of the Japanese First fleet, learned of an event in the Mediterranean that opened vistas to his imagination.

On the night of Nov. 11, 21 obsolescent Swordfish biplanes carrying flares, bombs and torpedoes, had flown from the British carrier *Illustrious* to attack the Italian fleet at Taranto, the superb harbor at the heel of the Italian boot.

Only 320 miles from the vital British base at Malta, the Italian fleet was so situated at Taranto that it could bring superior forces against either of the two major British naval forces in the Mediterranean. To eliminate this naval threat, the British had conceived the unique and daring plan of attacking the Italians in port.

The British had meticulously planned the proposed attack, photographing and pinpointing the targets and rigorously training the crews chosen to participate. There had been delays and mishaps. Finally the beleaguered British had been able to scrape together only 21 planes to undertake the vital mission.

Undaunted by the meagerness of their resources, the British flyers had left the deck of the *Illustrious*, about 170 miles from Taranto, in two waves — 12 planes in the first wave, nine in the second. At Taranto the surprised Italians had fought back frenziedly with anti-aircraft fire.

When the attack ended, the British had lost only two planes. Chiefly through the use of torpedoes, they had sunk the new battleship *Littorio* and two older but modernized battleships, and severely damaged two cruisers and two fleet auxiliaries.

At least temporarily, the British had gained mastery of the Mediterranean. Also, by incapacitating half of the Italian fleet, the British had adversely affected two major

land campaigns of the Italians — in North Africa and Albania.

Separated by water from their homeland, the armies of Italy were dependent upon naval transport for supplies, especially of munitions and equipment. The defeat at Taranto imperiled the overseas Italian armies and even threatened them with disaster.

The Taranto attack confirmed the capabilities of aircraft carriers to which Yamamoto had long been partial and encouraged a plan he had been turning over in his mind. He had warned his superiors that war with America, which seemed ever drawing more near, would be a risky undertaking.

In war with America, Japan would need to disperse its fleet, thus rendering it vulnerable to American attack. One means of improving the Japanese position might be to attack the American fleet at Pearl Harbor, damaging it sufficiently to put it temporarily on the defensive.

Always there had been the cogent counterargument that the waters of Pearl Harbor were too shallow to permit the use of aerial torpedoes. The British success at Taranto had robbed this counterargument of its validity: the waters of Taranto are more shallow than those of Pearl Harbor.

Yamamoto began planning the attack on Pearl Harbor. In this small book, the author traces the growth and evolution of the British naval air force, carrying the history of naval aircraft through WW2 to the present. He gives an expert rendition of the conception, planning and execution of the attack on Taranto with a summary of the results.

He also gives an account of the battle of Jan. 9, 1941 in which expert German dive bombers made six hits on the *Illustrious*, badly damaging it. The book includes a chart of the *Illustrious*, photographs, maps, charts, bibliography and index.

## Issei businessman slain in holdup at own shop

BERKELEY, Calif. — Toshiyuki Tsuji, 63-year-old owner of the Berkeley Bait and Tackle Shop, was shot and killed in his own store on Oct. 31, sometime in the morning.

According to Berkeley police two customers found Tsuji's body at 11 a.m. He had been shot in the chest once, and police believe that it was part of a holdup which went awry, since some, but not all of the money in the open cash register was taken.

A native of Wakayama ken, Tsuji has farmed in Suifu before World War II and began his bait shop about 16 years ago.

## Local Scene

### Los Angeles

**Black Dragon Productions** is staging an Asian martial arts show at the L.A. Sports Arena Nov. 16, including a demonstration of karate weaponry and a full-contact black belt karate tournament for cash prizes starting at 7 p.m. Experts including 74-year-old Kung-fu master Ark Wong will demonstrate their specialties between elimination bouts.

### San Francisco

The **Nikkei Lions Club** again donated 40 new titles (fiction and non-fiction) plus monthly magazine "Shufu-no-Tomo" to the Japanese section of the Western Addition Public Library. The club donates books every year to the library.

## CALENDAR

Nov. 15 (Friday)  
Chicago—Election mtg. JACL Office, 7:30 p.m.  
St. Louis—Bd Mtg.  
Nov. 16 (Saturday)  
Cincinnati—Folk Festival, Convention Ctr.  
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Gardena Valley—Inst dnr, Gung Hay Restaurant, Gardena, 7 p.m.  
Riverside—Thanksgiving Dnr, First Christian Church.  
Nov. 17 (Sunday)  
PSWDC—Venice-Culver hosts: Qtrly session, Airport Marina Hotel, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Nov. 18 (Monday)  
Contra Costa—Board dnr mtg. Toraya Restaurant, Richmond.  
Nov. 22-24  
PSWDC—Hally, Lake Arrowhead.  
Milwaukee—Folk Fair, MECCA.  
Nov. 23 (Saturday)  
San Diego—Inst Dnr.  
Nov. 23-24  
CCDC—Annual Convention, Fresno Sheraton Inn; Sunday banquet, Tang's Restaurant, San Nakagawa, spkr.  
Nov. 23-Dec. 1  
MDYC—Fall workshop, Omaha.  
Sequoia—Inst dnr, Golden Pavilion Restaurant, Los Altos, 7 p.m.  
Dec. 7 (Saturday)  
Contra Costa—Family Christmas party, J F Kennedy High, Richmond.  
West Valley—Christmas-Mochitsuiki, election mtg.  
Dec. 8 (Sunday)  
Philadelphia—Christmas party, Cherry Hill (N.J.) Mall Comm Rm, 2-7 p.m.  
West Los Angeles—Auxiliary Christmas party, Dr. Robt Watanabe home.  
Dec. 10 (Tuesday)  
San Mateo—Bus Mtg. Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.  
Salt Lake—Bd Mtg. Sumner School Annex, 7 p.m.  
Dec. 11 (Wednesday)  
Orange County—Bd Mtg. Bank of Tokyo, Santa Ana, 7:30 p.m.  
Dec. 14 (Saturday)  
New York—White Elephant sale, J.A. United Church.  
Chicago—Inaugural dnr, McCormick Inn.

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Government

Carl Osaki, 30, of Olympia was appointed by Washington Gov. Evans to the state sanitarians registration board to fill a three-year term. He had been director of environmental health for the Chelan-Douglas Health District since 1973 and in public health work since 1966. He holds a Univ. of Washington bachelor and master degrees in preventive medicine.

### Politics

District caucuses are being held throughout California Nov. 9 to select delegates for the National Democratic Charter Conference to be held Dec. 6-8 at Kansas City, Mo. Running in the 31st District is former Gardena mayor Ken Nakaoka.

### Sports

Willamette guard Mike Cho sustained spinal injuries in the Oct. 19 game with Whitworth. His brother Joe is a linebacker on the same team. Their father, Kenneth Cho, Honolulu, arrived the next day after hearing of his son's injury... Joe Lutz, 49, American coach with Hiroshima Toyo Carp in the Japan Central League, was promoted to manager of the baseball team next season. He is the first Caucasian in Japan's professional baseball history to work as manager. The Carp finished last in the six-team league.

### Milestones

Mrs. Wae Nishida, 92, of San Juan Bautista, Calif., died Oct. 27. She came from Hiroshima in 1908, married Hayakichi Nishida who became a prominent farmer in Central California and San Benito County. Among the survivors are Frank and Dennis, Yoshito and Yoritomo (Japan), and Mable Kadotani (Santa Cruz), 11 gc, 5 ggc.

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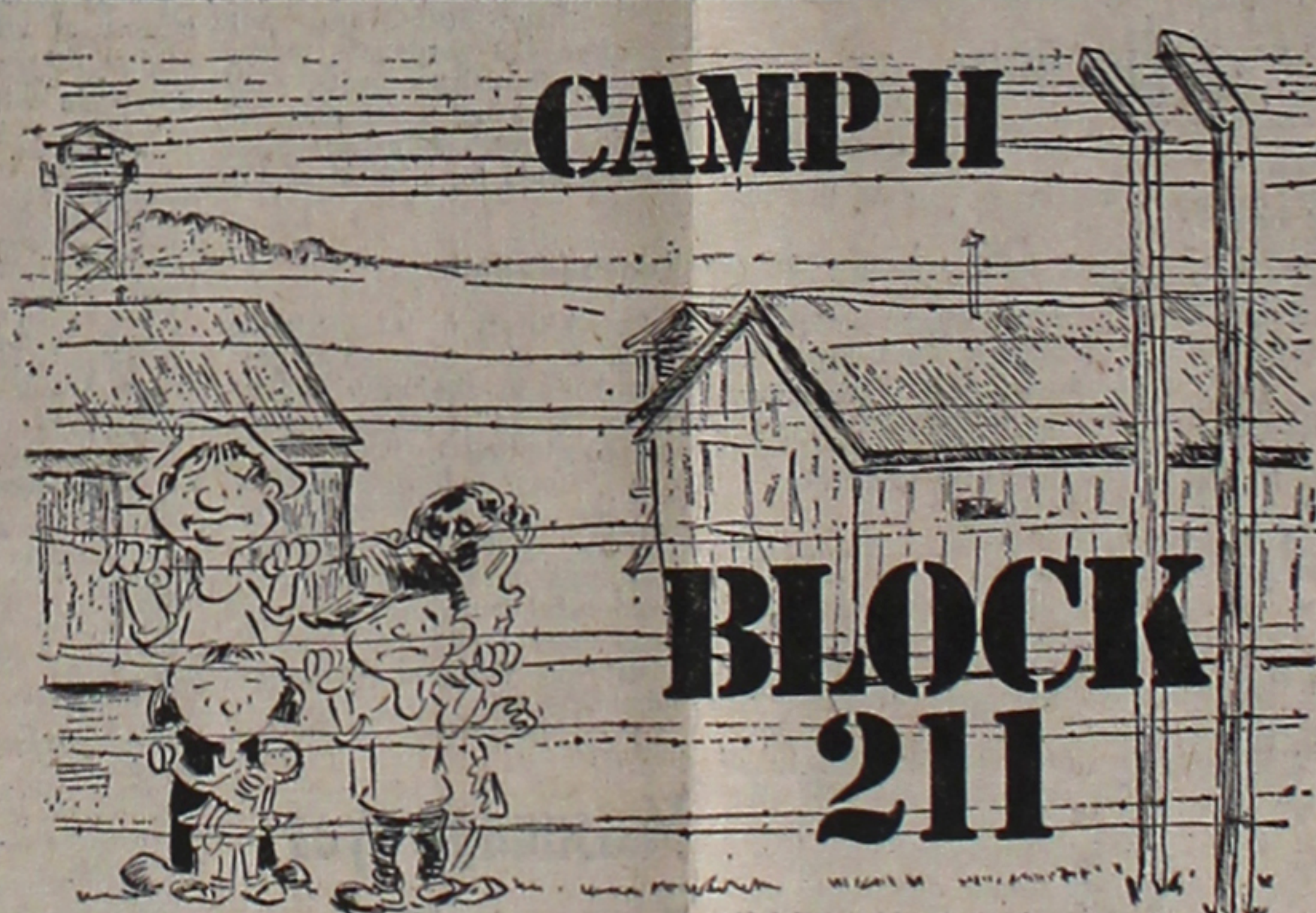
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