

# National Advocacy

(PC welcomes David Ushio's commentary on "National Advocacy," a topic that was touched upon at the recent JACL EXECOM meeting. It says more than what we would have had to report.—Editor.)

## PART I

San Francisco  
Why JACL? What use is the national organization to me? Why not give my money to the local church or political party or keep it here in the local chapter where I can see what's happening to it? With recession and inflation, I don't have money to throw away. Is there a need for "national" advocacy?

Case A—I received a call recently from a member about his aging Issei grandmother. Her social security checks had suddenly stopped. She spoke no English and no one at the agency spoke Japanese. Since she had never received information in her own language about social security she hadn't understood why it stopped and assumed information must have been sent in English. She went two months without checks before asking her son to look into it. She is helpless without her son because the government doesn't know she exists. The government has made no provisions for her.

Case B—We've had call after call from members about food stamps for Issei citizens. By law they can't be used to buy imported food because these foods are considered luxuries and too expensive. Yet, Issei citizens are accustomed culturally to eating more foods than what food stamps can buy. The stamps are of minimal use to them. Food stamps were designed for this older, poorer generation. Government needs to be made forcefully aware of this incongruity. The law must be changed.

Case C—We have naturalized citizens who would like to vote. They don't read English or understand it that well. No registrar can explain registration to them. No one at the poll booth can explain the procedure. There is no ballot in their language. They are thus prevented from exercising their franchise. The Voting Rights Act of 1964 basically took care of the problems of black citizens in the seven Southern states by eliminating poll and literacy tests. It is now time to look at the needs of all minorities. A citizen must be able to vote.

Case D—A mother told me recently how upset she was with her daughter's education. The child came home and asked her mother if Grandma and Grandpa came off the Mayflower. She had learned in school that all Americans came from the early English settlements. The child was understandably confused about her own identity. She was embarrassed about who she was.

Case E—Another young boy was told by his teacher that Japanese Americans hadn't done anything important in the history of the country.

Case F—We've had increasing complaints from parents of children who have been called "little Jap". Their

school mates say things like, "You're bad, you eat whales" or "Daddy says you're taking away his job".

Case G—Children are still being told by their teachers, "You're very good in English for being a foreigner" or "Why don't you try to get more of a Japanese look in your drawing?" These are third and fourth generation Japanese Americans, still not recognized by their peers and teachers as citizens. Something is wrong with that kind of educational system. Something is missing from the textbooks and curriculum.

Case H—Parents hear complaints from their children when they move to an area where there are no Japanese Americans. The children are called "Chinks" or other derogatory names. The children say, "They don't know who I am". History that accurately reflects all ethnic groups in America is vital on a national level, not just where there is a large population of Japanese Americans. Textbooks are published for national use, they must accurately tell of our multi-racial citizenship.

Case I—Two men came to my office a month ago and said, "Will you help us; we think we've been discriminated against." They have worked in middle management in a large corporation, one for twelve years, one for fifteen. They were consistently passed over for advancement. The men were as well educated and had had more experience than those who were given decision-making jobs in the company. They needed national strength to support them in their fight for equal employment.

Case J—We had the Rockefeller Foundation come to us and say Japanese Americans had no one who could qualify for their programs because none of us was interested in school administration. Why aren't Japanese Americans in these administrative positions?

Case K—Employment is a very subtle problem. We enter at a high level of employment compared with other minorities, but continue to be passed over for executive positions. We remain in middle management positions. JACL is working now with people from federal government agencies who have had GS-13 ratings for eight to ten years. Their white associates have been moving up grade by grade and are now in the upper level super grades (GS-15-21). One person in particular has done the same work, has an international reputation and yet he's not moving up. The pattern is there for other Japanese Americans. We are looked upon in stereotypical ways as being very good second in command individuals but not as leadership potential.

Case L—Employment agencies have been asked, "Do you have any nice Japanese girls who would be willing to work in our office?" We know that you people work hard, that you people are nice and you don't make a lot of noise, and are will-

ing to work overtime." Although that may positively reflect on the industriousness of Japanese Americans, it also says, "You people are over-qualified for the jobs that we're willing to give you. And you are willing to be exploited."

Case M—We spoke with a Congressman about passing legislation to benefit Japanese Americans and all minorities by providing opportunities for decision making positions. He saw the need and agreed to help us. But as we were leaving he began to talk about his Japanese garden, asking, "Oh, by the way, do you know a good Japanese gardener?" Despite our conversation we sensed that he saw us only as good farmers, which many of us are. But we must not be stereotyped into only one role or profession.

Employers must accept Japanese Americans in all levels of employment. Qualified Japanese Americans must actively seek leadership positions. Because of its national scope, JACL is in a position to encourage this employment by helping identify Japanese Americans who are qualified for these jobs and are willing to make themselves available.

Case N—We received a letter last week from a student who sent along a clipping from a national news service using the word "Jap" to describe someone of Japanese ancestry. Reports from throughout the country of the use of the derogatory term "Jap" have increased recently. "Mongoloid" has been used in headlines. Incredibly, many publishers and public officials don't seem to recognize the appellations as being offensive. Nationwide newspapers and magazines accept for publication in their classified section, ads that paint Japanese women in a stereotypical manner, showing great insensitivity.

Case O—Commercials portraying Japanese Americans as "sly and sneaky" appeared last year on national television networks.

People who work in the national media must be made aware of who we are. They must be made aware that there is a large and strong national group of citizens who object to being falsely classified, who object to being called derogatory names.

These are some of the current national problems that face us as Japanese Americans. Have we made progress? Cornell University Law School estimated that by December 1941, there were some 500 federal, state and local laws and ordinances directed at Japanese aliens and in many cases their American-born citizen children.

Those laws came about because there was no nationally strong, cohesive body speaking out for our rights. As a result of national advocacy by JACL, most of those laws have now been removed.

We continue to need a national advocacy from JACL. There is work still to be done.



SAN FRANCISCO — Gov. George Ariyoshi of Hawaii will be principal speaker at the JACL-JACL Cultural Heritage banquet Mar. 22 at the St. Francis Hotel. This is Ariyoshi's first Mainland public appearance since his election last November as the first Japanese American governor.

## Floyd Mori wins runoff vote for State Assembly

OAKLAND, Calif.—The State Assembly this past week sealed its second Japanese American legislator in S. Floyd Mori, 35, who won the Mar. 4 runoff special election in the 15th District, which stretches from Hayward to Castro Valley.

The mayor of Pleasanton who teaches economics at Chabot College and considers himself a conservative Democrat won by a 2-1 margin over his Republican contender Guy Puccio. With about 50% of the registered voters casting ballots, the semi-official returns were:

Floyd Mori (D) — 23,386  
Guy Puccio (R) — 13,700  
Lonnie Moore (AIP) — 1,450

The Utah-born Nisei took the lead from the outset when results began to be announced. He had support of three community newspapers. Mori joins Assemblyman Paul Bannai (R-Gardena), first Nisei elected to the California legislature.

## FY 1974 deficit to be retired in 5 annual amounts

SAN FRANCISCO — JACL's fiscal year for 1974 ended Sept. 30, 1974 — a change instituted by the last National JACL Convention. The JACL Executive Committee, in a rare precedent, has recommended the 1974 deficit of \$38,663.99 to be carried in the regular JACL budget over the next five years at about \$8,000 per annum to retire the deficit.

Income for entire calendar year of 1974 came to \$345,499.95 — of which 75 pct. (\$259,122) of the total was used as the basis for the nine-month fiscal year. Expenditures for the same nine-months came to \$297,786.70. The budget was \$275,215.

Don Hayashi, assistant national director, noted 20 line items in the 1974 budget were over-expended, using a budget figure of 75 pct. of the year. Ten line items were not over-expended.

The 1974 budget was prepared and adopted at the 1972 National Convention, which could not anticipate the increases due to inflation and expansion of JACL operations.

A 5.5% cost-of-living increase totaling \$6,800 was granted all JACL personnel effective March 1, 1974.

General Office expenses surpassed \$13,550 to accommodate additional staff, increased paper usage to duplicate Portland convention material, additional office space and telephone.

Executive Committee and administrative costs were \$10,058 over budget — \$5,800 of that to cover a second interim National Board and Staff meeting within the year although the Budget allowed for one. And \$3,925 also was spent for national officers and staff to visit district councils to explain the new Convention process.

In the area of general programs, \$7,735 was expended (\$2,110 over budget) to cover committee meetings such as public relations and planning. There were more PC subscribers through membership than was anticipated as \$49,605 was expended (\$7,079 over budget).

Of the five JACL offices outside of San Francisco, \$78,881 was budgeted but \$90,210 was expended — bulk of it toward additional staff, part-time at the Midwest Office, and additional travel in connection with convention planning.

And to recruit personnel, \$2,175 was unbudgeted but spent.

**1975 budget**  
The 1975 budget totals \$562,900. Membership dues, Endowment Fund income and

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## INTERMENT ENOUGH PENALTY JUDGE DECIDES

Nisei ex-policeman Excused from Jail, Put on Probation

By RICHARD PHILLIPS (Chicago Tribune)

CHICAGO — Former policeman Masanobu Noro, a Japanese American, will not have to go to prison for his part in the Austin District shake-down scandal because he was interned for two years during World War II.

"It may be that the federal government owes you time," Judge William J. Bauer of Federal District Court told Noro, 49, Feb. 24 as he canceled Noro's 15-month prison term and placed him on two years of probation.

At the same hearing Bauer cut the sentence of another former Austin District policeman, Robert Eadie, 47, from 18 to 6 months in prison.

Bauer was told by defense lawyer Edward Callahan that Noro, though an American citizen, was among those interned for two years after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941 simply because he was of Japanese ancestry.

Later Noro won four Bronze Stars as a member of an all Nisei 442nd Army unit that fought in the European Theater of Operations during the war.

He had a distinguished police career before being convicted last year of taking part in a scheme to shake down tavern owners.

Noro had been free on bond during an unsuccessful appeal of his conviction.

Michael Mullen, an assistant United States attorney, opposed the reductions in sentence for both Noro and Eadie, saying none of the facts in the shake-down case have changed since the men were originally sentenced by Bauer in 1974.

Noro was among 112,000 Japanese Americans, two-thirds of them U.S. citizens by birth, who were interned in 10 "relocation centers" following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

The surprise attack in 1941 almost instantly put Japanese Americans under suspicion of being spies, saboteurs, and disguised enemy soldiers.

The West Coast military command began restricting the movements of Japanese Americans and within weeks they were removed to the camps where they remained until freed on Jan. 1, 1945, by an order of the U.S. Supreme Court.

THOMAS SHOYAMA: Canadian Nisei

## Trudeau names Nisei press founder Canada's new deputy finance minister

OTTAWA — Thomas Shoyama of Vancouver, B.C., was appointed by Prime Minister Pierre E. Trudeau to be deputy minister of finance from April 1. The appointee is currently deputy minister in the Dept. of Energy, Mines and Resources.

Shoyama, the ranking Nisei in Canadian government, grew up in Kamloops, where his father was a baker. He graduated from the Univ. of British Columbia in 1938 in economics but went to work in a logging camp and later founded with some friends

from college days the New Canadian, serving as its editor.

The publication, which continues to fight for equal rights for the Japanese in Canada, first sought the franchise for Canadian-born Nisei who were citizens but not entitled to vote. The Nisei were also barred from the professions of law and pharmacy and faced campaigns to bar them from obtaining municipal licenses to operate small businesses.

With the outbreak of World War II, Japanese in British Columbia were forbidden to live within 100 miles of the Pacific Coast. They moved inland to mountain ghost towns in September, 1942. The Shoyama family, assigning their possessions to the government custodian, went to Kaslo, where Shoyama resumed his newspapering at government request to keep evacuees informed. Goods left behind in trust, incidentally, were disposed by the government at distressed prices.

In 1945, Shoyama was drafted by the Canadian Army and was being trained for intelligence work in the Pacific. He went to work for the CCF government in Saskatchewan, met his wife Norma and rose to be economic adviser to provincial prime minister until his party was replaced in 1964 by the Liberals.

Shoyama moved to Ottawa where he became senior economist with the Canadian Economic Council and then joined the Dept. of Finance. For five years he headed the federal-provincial branch as assistant deputy minister of finance.

Shoyama headed a task force for the Trudeau government in 1972 that prepared the federal position for the Western Economic Opportunities Conference. When the oil energy crisis hit last year, it was Shoyama who worked behind the scenes to hammer out the federal posture.

**Friendship Act**  
WASHINGTON—Sen. Hiram Fong (R-Hawaii) welcomed the re-introduction of the Japan-U.S. Friendship Act, which sets up a trust fund to promote understanding between the two nations.

Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.) and 33 senators are co-sponsors of the measure which passed the Senate last June but died in the House.

# What Nat' staff has wrought in half year

By HARRY HONDA

SAN FRANCISCO — Meeting of the National JACL Executive Committee (EXECOM), in addition to discussion of immediate concerns facing the organization (see Mar. 7 PC), contributes to taking home an extra pound or so of reports and papers prepared by the JACL staff for its officers.

The David Ushio touch has put the office Xerox machine working overtime. This reporter returned with a collection of 240 pages that included:

a) Evaluation of various JACL projects by the Development Office. (A separate story has been prepared.)

b) Financial reports.

c) Progress reports from the national staff, accomplished in some cases with "mini-position papers".

EXECOM members had hoped the 1974 Portland Convention minutes would have been included but it was explained that the tapes were just recently transcribed by an outside firm and are now being edited for publication. Ushio's staff is assembling its first set of National Convention minutes.

One of the mini-position papers, "National Advocacy" is being dramatized by Ushio in his "National Dialogue" column starting this issue.

Other papers covered "Planning and Development", "Organization Services", "Financial Operations and Reporting System", and another draft weighed JACL's federal income tax status (see Mar. 7 PC).

Three steps were outlined in the paper on Planning and Development, a basic system in which JACL seeks relevant facts from various sources to assess the situation of Japanese Americans in general and in specific areas.

First step calls for developing a base of information according to demographic, social needs and problem areas. Second step proposes examining current and emerging concerns which affect the Japanese American community.

The third step follows with input and refinement from other JACL elements and community people.

Chapters and district councils are expected to share in the development and implementation of National Planning objectives, especially in pro-

ject activities.

Bulk of the papers EXECOM members reviewed during the Feb. 28-Mar. 2 session here were headed "Project/Activity" with one of the National staff members preparing the report.

Executive Director Ushio covered a whole host of topics:

**INTERNAL OPERATIONS** — Income Tax Status, Financial Operations, Communications, Personnel, Travel (which was presented by its chairman Steve Doi). Communications needs continued improvement, Ushio said, to keep officers and members informed of programs emanating from National. The personnel manual is in the process of updating and staff has been requested to submit recommendations. Doi said new travel plan guidelines are necessary to protect JACL's liability and tax-exempt status.

**REGIONAL OFFICES** — Two problems posed to EXECOM concerned the role of regional directors which, Ushio said, might be resolved with a full staff meeting in the near future. Since regional directors are accountable to both National and the District, the demands on their time are very intense but should not be to the extent of administering district or chapter programs, Ushio explained. The other area concerned an improved reporting system from regional offices to National for examination by all concerned. All regional offices were expected to help increase membership by 10 per cent this year.

**REPARATIONS** — With appointment of a national legislative committee, since renamed Political Education, Ushio questioned whether National should embark on a campaign without clearly thinking through the possibility of forming a separate arm for JACL legislative activities since its tax-exempt status would be jeopardized. Appointment of Wayne Horinouch as Washington Representative to work with the general membership should help develop the specific forms of a reparations bill, Ushio continued. He recommended a separate legislative arm be incorporated.

**BICENTENNIAL** — The 1976 National Convention at Sacramento is expected to feature a Bicentennial theme. National has already met with Smithsonian Institution regarding participation in its Folk Life Festivals and met with ethnic minorities in conferences on this subject. JACL has urged more Bicentennial project funds to insure a meaningful contribution of Japanese in America to the 1976 celebration.

**"CANE"** — Gail Nishioka of the National staff has been named liaison with the San Francisco Committee Against Nihonmachi Eviction, which requested aid in their endeavors to implement the CANE resolution adopted by the 1974 Portland convention. The National Board is being asked to consider the ramifications of complying with the CANE requests: (1) access to office supplies and equipment at Headquarters, (2) staff liaison, and (3) regular PC column space.

**IVA TOGURI** — A nucleus committee has been organized in Northern California to research the so-called Tokyo Rose case and a position paper is being prepared. A national committee is being formed and Ushio, who has met with Iva Toguri, said she is appreciative of JACL's current efforts.

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forts to secure for her some type of pardon. Because of the sensitive nature of the case and personal strain that may be caused, JACL is abiding by her feelings to keep the campaign low-key. Regional director Tom Hibino in Chicago is assisting in the case.

**NATIONAL ADVOCACY**—(Ushio is covering this in his column.) Ushio's report listed positions Headquarters has taken on various national and statewide issues, such as whaling, stateless children, CAB proposal to eliminate charter flights, revenue sharing, appointment of a Buddhist chaplain by the California Senate and state curriculum materials. It cites the personal contacts and joint actions with leaders and organizations in civil rights, Asian coalition and Chicago groups. Ushio's meetings with decision makers and news media also pointed to the lack of a strong research arm within JACL. Ushio hailed the effective volunteer studies submitted thus far.

**Other Staff Reports**

Remaining project/activity reports were submitted by other National JACL staff members. They are as follows:

**CONVENTION MINUTES** (by Gerry Inouye)—With the 1974 Convention tapes now transcribed by an outside firm (the assignment was too large for one person at Headquarters to handle along with other priorities and demands), these are now in the process of editing and compilation. It was recommended a court reporter record the business sessions to assure an accurate and complete transcription of Convention proceedings. EXECOM felt the request to be legitimate. Some suggested registration fees be increased to bear the additional cost of hiring stenotype services.

**BUILDING FUND** (by Phyllis Hayashibara)—Over \$384,000 from 4,700 donors has been acknowledged as of Jan. 31. Because of increased construction costs, the Building Fund committee will continue to solicit contributions and plan for dedication ceremonies. Noboru Nakamura, the JACL Headquarters Bldg. architect, indicated completion by mid-May is likely.

**TRAVEL PROGRAM** (by Mrs. Hayashibara)—Appendix to the 1975 JACL travel program were plans for 1976 and proposed revisions to the travel program guidelines, now under study by the National JACL travel committee. The committee also received a detailed account of the Chicago JACL travel program, suggesting a chapter-administered plan can be most efficient and effective.

**TULE LAKE PLAQUE** (by Margaret Yamamoto)—Attempts to approve the wording on the plaque to be placed at Tule Lake indicate the Northern California chapters are still divided. The wording is needed to make the application for landmark official. Another vote at the May district meeting is due.

**ANTI-DEFAMATION** (by Ms. Yamamoto)—Rather extending staff time responding to films, media and materials offensive to various segments of the Japanese American community, it was recommended basic guidelines for anti-defamation activities and a handbook for responses prepared for local chapter use be developed by staff. Chapters should be encouraged to form anti-defamation committees. One problem, it was noted, was to delineate what should be considered offensive as there seems to be no clear-cut standard. "Where are we to say humor ends and bad taste begins?" Ms. Yamamoto asked after protesting to printers who issued a greeting card saying "Rots of Ruck".

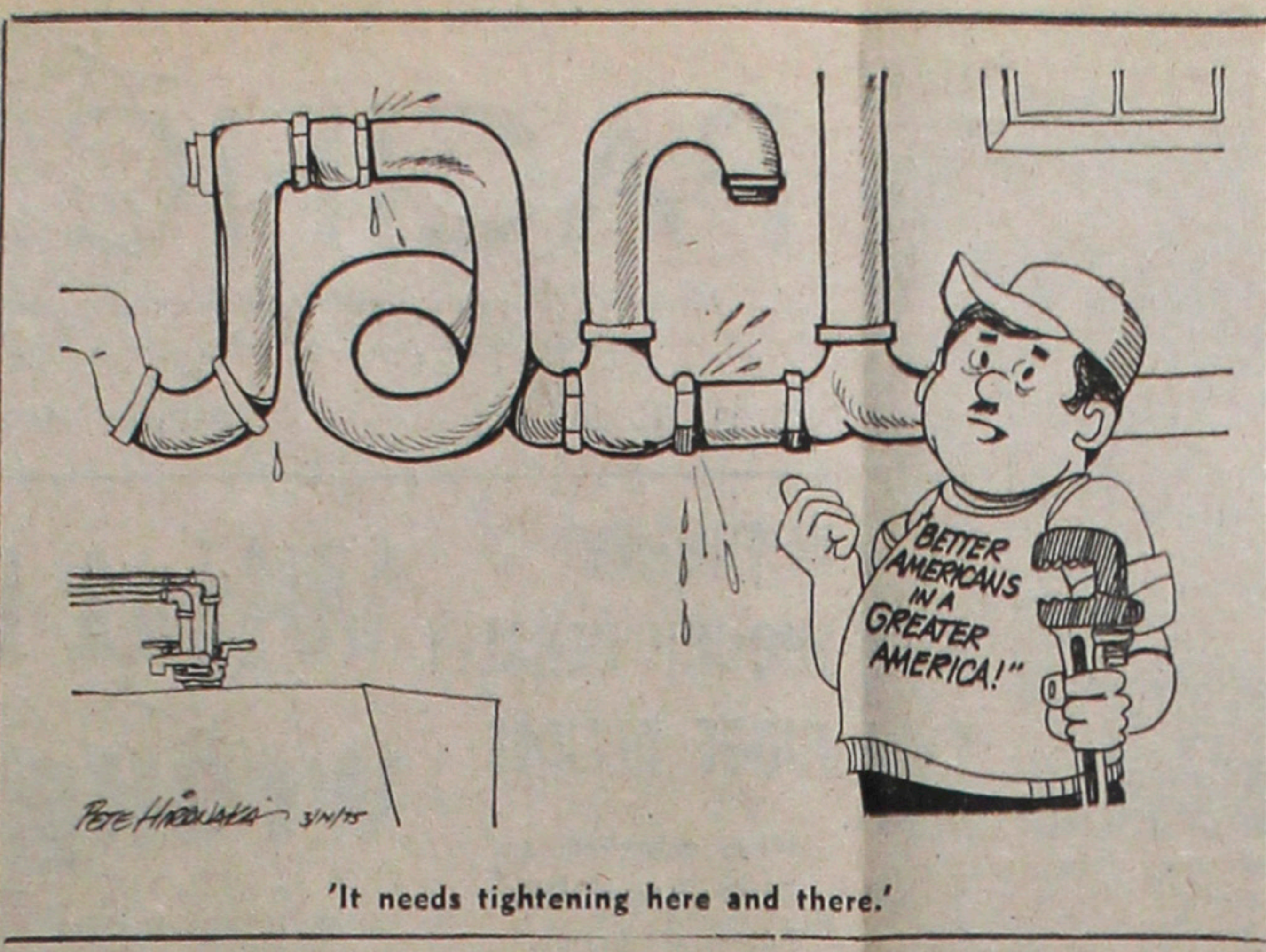
**HEALTH PLAN** (by Ms. Yamamoto)—Two revisions to the National JACL health plan guidelines were proposed: (1) permit other insurance firms to introduce health plans that may benefit the general membership; (2) establish a National JACL health insurance committee to oversee and implement the health plan guidelines and policies.

**WHALING ISSUE** (by Ms. Yamamoto)—With a JACL position paper on the whaling issue published, a number of conservationist groups, political figures and others have requested copies. Copies have been sent to chapters and a wrap-up acknowledging the responses is being planned.

**ETHNIC HERITAGE** (by Patricia Nakano)—In spite of the limited time to develop this project and inadequate staff facilities, a draft statement to serve as a preface for the in-service teacher manual was to be completed by Mar. 8. Schedule indicates completion of the project by the end of September. Calendar of project work was also presented. EXECOM was also advised of the questions raised and responses made at the first meeting of Ethnic Heritage Advisory Council.

**HIBAKUSHI AID** (By Gail Nishioka)—Temptation to let JACL begin to take a spearhead role in securing remedial legislation for atomic bomb survivors, who requested JACL involvement, was curbed by personal restraint and reinforcing the Committee's role. Drafts for federal legislation have been completed for the Committee and with a new Washington Representative on staff, some of the correspondence and communication has been shifted to that office.

**JAYS PROGRAM** (by Mrs. Nishioka)—Because of the long absence of a national youth director, the organizational structure, JAYs public relations and communication lines have had to be mended by personal and chapter visits, youth columns in the PC, reports to the JAY chapters, and participating in as many JACL-JAY functions as possible. To bolster JAY participation, working relationships with other community-based groups were recommended with getting more parent JACLers to actively support the endeavor.



'It needs tightening here and there.'

ing months. Frank Iwama, JACL National Board member, was named convention board liaison. Alan Oshima and Tom Okubo are convention board co-chairmen.

**PACIFIC CITIZEN** (by Hayashi)—The PC Board, now reorganized with district representation, is expected to clarify policy with reference to letters to the editor, editorials, production costs (which continue to rise beyond budget estimate). Computerization of membership lists with PC subscriptions has been reviewed.

**MEMBERSHIP** (by Hayashi)—With the membership process revised for 1975 but without a clearly articulated goal for increase by the National Board, since an increase is implicit because of the bigger budget, it is recommended that new membership material be issued, regional directors assist in membership campaigns and new chapter headways has been made to start a chapter in Houston, Tex. A membership recruitment manual has been published.

**AALDEF** (by Hayashi)—Report of the Oct. 26, 1974 conference of the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund at Oakland was submitted for the record. It was noted that JACL gave \$1,500 toward development of AALDEF, which attempted to hammer out basic concepts and modes of operation at the conference. Ten San Francisco Bay area and five out-of-town (Utah, Seattle and Los Angeles) persons participated. A central issue revolved around concern of local emphasis within a national structure. National character is needed to secure funds to engage in the programs AALDEF would push—such as impact litigation, educational programs, library, data bank and law student clinics.

**SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION** (by Mrs. Nishioka)—Research has been completed on the JACL scholarship foundation and a draft of program has been prepared.

**SCHOLARSHIP/STUDENT AID** (by Mrs. Nishioka)—Because of the new format for awarding National JACL scholarships, in line with the new guidelines stressing financial need as well as academic and extracurricular achievements, some difficulties have been encountered in the 1975 program. Procedures to incorporate chapter and individual suggestions for 1976 are being rewritten. Work continues on developing the Scholarship Foundation oversee the scholarship/student aid program.

**PCYA** (by Mrs. Nishioka)—The 1975 program for Presidential Classroom for Young American (PCYA) has been implemented, although the allocation of 75 slots for JACL was overestimated—perhaps the procedure was not simple enough. Outside funding may be necessary to sponsor some students.

**CULTURAL HERITAGE** (by Mrs. Nishioka)—The JAL summer fellowships has been reactivated for JACL, but the 1976 program will need to be reworked as to procedure in application and judging.

**1976 CONVENTION** (by Don Hayashi)—With the Sacramento Convention Board now meeting regularly, setting timelines, preparing budget and agenda requirements with National staff assistance to work up Bicentennial theme and fulfilling other requests are specific goals in the com-



Wayne Horiuchi

**Plainly Speaking**

NEW COLUMN IS BORN

Washington I just read an outstanding book about one of America's great leaders which has given me the idea for the title of all the forthcoming columns from this desk. *Plainly Speaking: An Oral Biography by Harry S. Truman*, authored by Merle Miller portrays all of the personal qualities of former President Harry S. Truman—candor, integrity, compassion, sincerity and concern. I would hope as your new Washington JACL representative that I can portray these same qualities.

Even before my first day on the job for the JACL, I've been busy meeting all kinds of folks. I got a chance to talk with Ray Uno, Shake Ushio, Gerry Mukai, George Kimura and Chiyo Morita before leaving Salt Lake City. At our state Governor's ball, I also chatted briefly with Senator Frank E. Moss, Congressman Allen Howe, and Congressman Gunn McKay. With McKay sitting on House Appropriations and Moss as secretary of the Senate Democratic caucus, they will be valuable contacts for JACL in the future.

Staff meetings in San Francisco will have, Gail Nishioka, Don Hayashi and Ray Bendiner have been valuable in briefing me in JACL's role vis-a-vis other projects, legislation and chapter development.

On our drive eastward we met with a dozen very active members in the Omaha chapter headed by Bob and Em Nakadoi, Edward and Rose Ishii. In Chicago we met the famed Dr. Thomas Noguchi of Los Angeles and had dinner with such local people as Lillian Kimura, Perry Miyake and Ron Yoshino. Finally in Cleveland, I touched base with Henry Tanaka.

Since arriving, Shig Sugiyama and I have had a candid discussion with respect to JACL's future direction. I know that our working relationship will be a good one.

Without being mundane, the job as Washington, D.C. representative for JACL will be a challenge but I feel confident and know that my enthusiasm to learn will help me.

As soon as Robyn, my wife, and I get settled, I hope that future articles can focus on reparations, national advocacy, resource development and other issues of importance to JACLers.

I'm glad to be aboard!

**LETTERS**

**Ban nuclear bombs**

Editor: (In response to James Oda, Fontana.) Issues that need to be tackled by JACL are numerous and varied. It is easy to sit back and criticize the priorities of those who dedicate their time and energy to specific projects. Many of the same individuals who were active in the Whale Issue project are also active in the Committee of Atom Bomb Survivors in the U.S. (CABS), and other projects.

JACL should be undertaking numerous projects simultaneously. A JACL Committee Against A & H Bombs is certainly a wonderful idea. Someone, perhaps Mr. Oda, should be heading such an organization to make it an effective agent for peace.

CLIFFORD I. UYEDA  
 Chairman,  
 JACL Whaling Issue  
 San Francisco

**NEW YORK ITALIANS WANT FAIR SHARE**

NEW YORK—The Congress of Italian American Organizations (CIAO) in its federally-supported study released Feb. 5 revealed an extraordinarily high proportion of first and second-generation Italian descendants live in officially designated poverty areas here but receive a disproportionately small share of public assistance.

CIAO, an umbrella group for 650 organizations, said it was "serving notice to the government... that the ignored Italians are going to fight for their share of the pie" with the blacks and Hispanics, principal disadvantaged minorities of New York.

Wishes of the city council were revealed by Mike Honda of San Jose, who had visited the city.

and looked forward to reconvening at the new JACL Headquarters Building a block away.

**JACL SUPPORTS PLAQUE FOR CRYSTAL CITY, TEX.**

SAN FRANCISCO—A JACL resolution in support of the Crystal City (Tex.) city council project to have what is now their high school declared a historical landmark was adopted in principle by the JACL EXECOM here Mar. 1.

The high school was previously the site of the Justice Dept. internment camp during WW2 when not only Japanese Americans but Japanese Peruvians were detained.

and looked forward to reconvening at the new JACL Headquarters Building a block away.

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 "SHINERS"—A BLACK EYE  
 Portland from work. This incident was aimed at an innocent individual who, in effect, has no connection with the development of the managerial policies of Nissan. When individuals begin to take the abuse of misdirected frustrations, all members of the community become involved.

The recent incident with the Toshiba Company in San Francisco illustrates what can happen, and we must begin to be aware of situations such as with Nissan that can develop into a major threat.

The list of incidents from the past and present is quite lengthy, and I have only brushed the surface of this critical area of concern. It is very sad to say that involvement comes only when things hit close to home.

With the current economic situation providing a seed bed for misdirected frustration, incidents such as these will continue to increase, if proper steps for education and concern are not taken.

It is imperative for all local chapters to develop a preventive plan to head off incidents such as these, before a problem develops.

\*Mr. Pratt is a free-lance writer whose articles appear in local publications.

Connie Sakai, JAYs Cor. Sec.  
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**LEADERSHIP LAG**

San Francisco February has come and gone, leaving the Northern California-Western Nevada District Youth Council with a few tainted scars and a few disappointed individuals.

It had been previously announced that the NC-WNDYC would be having its first District Quarterly Workshop of the 1974-76 Biennium on Feb. 22-23 at Hayward. Because of a lack of participation by the district chapters, an absence of communication among those individuals crucial to the planning of the workshop and the failure by the quarterly workshop committee to have the workshop organized by the said date, the workshop has been postponed to April 12-13.

Although unfortunate, the district learned a great lesson from this mishap. No blame should be placed upon the hosts of the proposed workshop for they were merely victims of a greater problem facing the district.

As the district's chairperson Grant Horiuchi stated, "It has become more and more evident that there is, and has been a lack of potential leaders in the chapters and district, especially since the conclusion of the 1974 National JACL JAYs Convention."

The lack of potential leaders has been a recurring problem in the total organization. It seems as if this theme appears in every column that is published under

this title. With the new biennium, many of the older and experienced members have left, leaving the districts with an enormous group of new, younger and inexperienced JACL JAYs. These individuals are eager to follow, but very few, if any, want to take on the responsibilities of leadership.

According to Horiuchi, the district will be redirecting their energies to developing the organization and its individuals and stressing the importance of leadership among its individual members. It was felt by Horiuchi that any growth by the district can only come about if a firm base is formed by the leaders of the district. Therefore, we should be looking for a growth, not in the total organization but in the individuals themselves.

**Happenings . . .**

March 16, 23, 30—Eden Township JACL JAYs quarterly workshop planning meetings.

March 19—San Francisco JACL JAYs meeting, Sumitomo Bank (17th Ave. and Geary), 7:30 p.m.

April 4—Midwest District Youth Council Spring Workshop, Chicago.

April 5—Sonoma JACL JAYs Rummage Sale.

April 6—Eden Township JAYs Quarterly Workshop Planning Meeting.

April 12-13—NC-WNDYC quarterly workshop, at 710 Elgin, San Lorenzo, Calif.

April 19-20—3rd Tri-District Convention meeting, Fresno.

April 24-26—San Francisco JACL JAYs Cherry Blossom Festival fund raiser.

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**25 Years Ago**  
 In the Pacific Citizen, March 11, 1950

Wartime loyalty of HawaiiTime Magazine reports honor Nisei hailed as House vote conferred on attorney John favors statehood proposal. Also Japanese American Appellate court orders U.S. return seized land to Nisei. Univ. of Washington will begin study of Nisei, Issei.

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# Frying Pan

**THE FIRST TIME AROUND**  
—For those among us who are inclined toward ethnocentrism—having race as a central interest—a deeper awareness of the experience of German-Americans during World War I would be enlightening. The Fall, 1974 issue of Colorado Magazine, a quarterly published by the State Historical Society of Colorado, carries an eye-opening account of that historical episode. Titled "The Ordeal of Colorado's Germans during World War I," the report was written by Dr. Lyle W. Dorsett. I hope he will not mind that I am devoting the rest of this column to quotations from his article.

After the outbreak of war, Dr. Dorsett writes, "the testimonies of German-American loyalty were numerous; they came early in the war and for its duration. Nevertheless, they offered little comfort to many Coloradoans. Hysteria swept the state. Having the sons and daughters of an enemy nation in their midst was too much for some people to cope with rationally. Countless citizens, including those in positions of responsibility, were convinced that Colorado's power plants and water systems were prime targets of the German kaiser . . .

"The plots of pro-German conspirators," as the Denver Post described what the state feared, appeared in other places, if only in the public imagination. Certainly German agents were after the food supply as well as the utilities. Denver police claimed to have decided a letter that outlined a "Hun plot" to attack a cremery. And the entire state was warned that sausages (frequently German made) might contain ground glass. . . . And there was the frightful disclosure that Germany had a powerful wireless station atop one of Colorado's highest peaks. Although it had not been located, authorities were confident that the station was being used to send messages to enemy submarines in the Pacific."

Dr. Dorsett makes note of a barrage of anti-German stories in the press which he says, convinced many citizens they were fighting the forces of hell. "In fighting the forces of the devil, the crusaders turned the nation into a virtual hell for countless local Germans. A superintendent of schools near Grand Junction was tarred and feathered for using a book that said favorable things about Germany. He was told to leave the re-

gion or face hanging . . . A gang of soldiers beat a man who allegedly made a pro-German statement, and the Delta County 100% American Club threatened to paint yellow crosses on the homes of all unpatriotic residents.

"Scores of Germans who escaped brutality were subjected to more subtle forms of degradation. It is impossible to say how many people lost their sources of income, but newspapers warned citizens to boycott German salespeople.

"Mesa County citizens, in the name of preserving liberty, generously offered to convert the Teller Indian School into an internment camp for Germans. The citizens' committee claimed to have accommodations for 5,000 German-Americans and promised to use them as laborers to cultivate the land. Innocent, naturalized citizens were never herded off to camps, but Fort Douglas, Utah, was used to intern many aliens who allegedly were 'threats' to national security.

Dr. Dorsett concludes with these paragraphs: "The plight of the Germanic people in Colorado and elsewhere during World War I should be remembered. It has a direct bearing on contemporary American life . . . This generation of Americans is rightfully appalled at the way U.S. citizens of Japanese ancestry were driven from their homes, interned in concentration camps, and subjected to various kinds of discrimination and exploitation. Historians, journalists, and television producers have confronted us with the evidence of our barbarism in the 1940s. They have forced us to raise such questions as, why did this happen? can it happen again?"

"Before these questions can be answered, it must be remembered that our wretched treatment of Japanese-Americans was not an accidental aberration that grew out of wartime hysteria. Furthermore, it was not simply an extreme case of white America's degradation of a non-white minority. Our treatment of Germans and Austrians during the First World War foreshadowed the Japanese policy of one quarter century later. The propensity to bury the Bill of Rights and the abstract political theory of the Declaration of Independence was clearly established a generation before Pearl Harbor."

Unsaid is Dr. Dorsett's implied answer to the question asked above: Yes, it could happen again.

Richard Gima

# Aloha from Hawaii

**Hawaii Today**  
Honolulu  
Hawaii's jobless rate continues to spread. In December, it was 6.9 per cent of the total labor force; in January, it was 7.1 per cent of 25,500 workers. . . . Number of tourists also went up in January, 5.7 percent over the same month last year. The Hawaii Visitors Bureau showed 234,006 visitors in January as compared with 222,888. . . . Number of health and medical officials told state legislators they are disturbed by the low disease immunity rate of Hawaii's school children. They testified for support of free immunizations and tuberculin tests for all school children.

The new bishop heads the Jodo-Shin sect of 30,000 members in the Islands. The mission has elected Mark Murakami as its president for the coming year.

**Univ. of Hawaii**  
UH sports facilities have been rated "inadequate" by a blue ribbon panel which included Univ. of Wisconsin's Elroy Hirsch and Western Athletic Conference officials. The report said present facilities are "totally inadequate either for an intercollegiate athletic program or for an effective intramural and recreation program". Only exception is the new \$1.2-million baseball field, which will open this season. . . . UH Dean David Condit told the Senate High Education committee its College of Arts and Science is "a near disaster area". He mentioned low faculty morale, continuing elimination of programs and faculty positions, reduced supportive staff and inadequate funding as examples of the college's deteriorating conditions.

**Crime File**  
Star-Bulletin quoted an unnamed police official as saying a gangland war between two underworld factions appears to be imminent—a struggle for control of the local crime syndicate is underway. The S-B said a group headed by one-time underworld leader Earl Kim is seeking to wrest control from syndicate boss Wilford Pula-wa. Kim, it is believed, is making his move at a time when Pula-wa is facing trial on federal tax fraud charges.

**State Capitol**  
Because of mounting opposition, the state House judiciary committee reversed its stand and killed a bill proposing to raise legislative salaries in 1977 from \$12,000 to \$21,000 (or half of the governor's present salary). The Governor has asked the Legislature to raise his salary to \$52,000. Three other states pay their governors more than \$50,000. (As of late 1973, they are New York \$85,000; Texas \$63,000; and Pennsylvania \$60,000). . . . A new home for the Governor has been proposed by Senate President John Ushijima, whose resolution asked that a home other than Washington Place be found—within walking distance of the Capitol, and that Washington Place be opened to the public as a historic site. . . . Senate judiciary committee chairman Donald Nishimura inspected the state prison Feb. 22 with several other colleagues in preparation for hearings on the state's correctional master plan. The National Guard moved in Feb. 10 to ease tensions between inmates and prison guards.

**Names in the News**  
Sen. Hiram Fong has defended Edward Johnston, High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific, whose operations are being questioned. He should be given a "chance to tell the complete story" in hearings before the Senate Interior Committee. . . . The Rev. Yoshiaki Fujihara, son of former Honorable Bishop Keio Fujitani, was named to succeed Bishop Kaname Inamura as head of the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii. A native of Pauwela, Maui,

## EXECOM INSPECTS NEW HEADQUARTERS

SAN FRANCISCO—EXECOM members attending their Feb. 28-Mar. 2 meeting here were given a quick tour of the JACL Headquarters Building, now scheduled to be finished by mid-May, by architect Noboru Nakamura.

Roof has been completed, the windows are installed and a lock on the door in place. Building is white with blue panels. Rugs will be a deep brown.

## Ray Nagai to be sworn in Oakland JACL prexy

OAKLAND, Calif.—Ray Nagai will be installed as 1975 Oakland JACL president at the Mar. 15 dinner at Marco Polo Restaurant with Edison Uno as guest speaker. His topic: "Emergency Crisis within JACL".

Nagai, who filed a \$42,850 law suit against David Ushio and JACL has alleged breach of contract and fraud, a complaint based upon a job promised in the organization in early 1973 (PC Feb. 14).

## 1975 Officers

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## CHAPTER PULSE

### Scholarship

Chicago JACL sponsored a benefit movie Feb. 22-23 to raise funds for its chapter scholarship program. The chapter offers four scholarships to area high school graduates. Application deadline for the 1975 awards is April 15; forms are available from high school counselors or at the Midwest JACL Office (728-7170).

### March Events

Newly-elected Hollywood JACL president Tomoo Ogita, an expert in Oriental art, will present an illustrated slide lecture on the "53 Stations of Tokaido"—the highway between Kyoto and Edo immortalized by Hiroshige's woodblock prints—on Mar. 15, 8 p.m., at Chatterton's Book Shop Gallery, 1818 N. Vermont Ave. Contemporary art on the same subject by Shiko Munakata will also be shown. The Japan cultural series continues Apr. 5, 3 p.m., same locale, with a film on the Grand Ise Shrine by Japanese cinematographer Masato Koga, who spent over 10 years on the subject, depicting the arts and architecture of the most venerated of all Shinto shrines in Japan.

### Budget—

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other contributions is expected to meet 90 pct. of the budget or \$502,900 and the Pacific Citizen the remaining \$60,000 from advertising and non-member subscriptions. Office personnel and overhead takes up \$148,300 (26 pct.); general services, supplies, committee meetings and student aid - scholarship take up \$46,400 (8.25 pct.); JACL offices outside of Headquarters are budgeted for \$180,800 (32 pct.); Pacific Citizen, \$140,250 (25 pct.); other programs, administrative, national board and EXECOM meetings, \$47,150 (8.4 pct.).

The Jan. 31, 1975, financial report read \$109,391 income and \$173,899 in expenses. Bulk of membership income was yet to come as only \$85,000 had been received when \$472,900 is anticipated.

You only grow when you are alone.—Hindu proverb.

## Development—

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jected since funding is not available. They are: 1—Congressional apology for "injustices" committed by the U.S. government to Japanese-Americans during WW2: While this is important to JACL, it does nothing to give the donor recognition for his part in the program, humiliates the government and the glory (if any) all rebounds upon JACL.

2—So. Calif. JACL Office assistance: This has already been assumed by JACL. Staff support is not a function a funding source might be willing to underwrite.

3—"Jap-Jpn" project: Since there is nothing in a project that would attract outside support or give visibility to a funding source, realistically this project to eliminate the use of "Jap" and spread use of "Jpn" must be conducted with organizational funds.

4—JACL P.R. Office in New York: Since public relation is an internal function, outside sources rarely have any interest in helping an organization take its own horn. As JACL already enjoys access to national broadcast and print media, a JACL P.R. office in New York does not in and of itself assure greater coverage. Since P.R. is often a matter of policy, it would not be reasonable to have two P.R. offices—one in New York and one at Headquarters in San Francisco.

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EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION: What to Do About It

I sincerely hope that any JACLER who reads this column will never be faced with the problem of employment discrimination...

Actual employment discrimination is indeed a very sophisticated and subtle form of discrimination. A few years ago when I was a career employee of the University of California...

Usually the pattern is the same. An employee is dismissed, asked to resign, transferred, or in some other way asked to leave. The modus operandi by management may also take the form of a long series of harassment tactics...

Frequently, the problem is very elementary, that is, the employee is a competent, reliable, effective, and loyal individual. He is an ideal worker and yet compared to his superiors he is a threat to his supervisor's own job security...

Allan Beckman

Book Review

TOWAZUGATARI: REDISCOVERED CLASSIC

LADY NIJO'S OWN STORY: The Candid Diary of a 13th-Century Japanese Imperial Concubine...

In 1940, a scholar found this forgotten autobiography in the Imperial Household Library, "Towazugatari," which depicts the life of an Imperial concubine in the Kyoto court during the Kamakura period (1185-1333).

In 1973, Anchor published an English edition, "The Confessions of Lady Nijo" (PC, Sept. 28, 1973), the translation by Karen Brazell. Last year, the Whitehouse-Yanagisawa version appeared.

The word "Confessions" in the Brazell title is appropriate. The author reveals intimate details in the life of the effete court in which she moved.

As decadence gripped the nobility, the rising military class had taken over the reins of government, making their capital at Kamakura. At Kyoto, reliving the days of their past glory, the nobles modeled their behavior on the court society of the Heian period.

CALENDAR

- Mar. 15 (Saturday) Hollywood-Japan culture series: "33 Stations of Tokaido" slides, Chatterton's, 1818 N. Vermont, 9 p.m. Tomoko Ogita, spkr.

PC's People



Paula Higashi Essex (See Story Below)

Awards

Frank Sasaki of Lodi, a veteran Boy Scout leader, was presented the Silver Beaver at the annual 49er Council recognition dinner Jan. 27.

Sports

Suzanne Otto, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noboru Oto of Skokie, Ill., competed in the South Atlantic District Invitational ice skating competition at Boone, N.C., Feb. 6-8.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Merit Savings & Loan in Little Tokyo was held up for the first time Mar. 4 by a would-be robber, who was foiled by the teller who fainted to the floor and tripped the alarm at the same time.

Talyo Drugs, a Little Tokyo landmark for 43 years, closed its doors Feb. 15 when its owner Sumiko Akashi retired.

The East West Players begin their 10th Anniversary as a professional theatre in Los Angeles on Mar. 26 and 27 with Henrik Ibsen's "A Dolls House" directed by Mako.

International Institute, 435 S. Boyle Ave., will start an 8-week ESL program for immigrants who are unemployed or welfare recipients, proving them with a \$50 stipend per week.

Amerasia Journal, based at UCLA Asian American Studies Center, Los Angeles 90024 is offering \$500 for the best short story by an Asian American. Manuscript must not exceed 15,000 words.

The autobiography begins on New Year's Day, 1271, at a party where Go Fukukusa asks the hand of Nijo of her father. By Japanese reckoning, the occasion marks her 14th birthday; according to Western reckoning, she is between 12 and 13.

Installed in the palace as the favorite concubine, Nijo evokes the jealousy of the chief consort, who ever after continues to be hostile. Go Fukukusa tries to shield Nijo; he treats her with such kindness that he condones, even assists, her amours with other men.

Her first love, Saionji no Saneakane, fathers a child by her. She shares the bed of Kameyama. Fujikawa no Kanehira seduces her. Go Fukukusa's half brother, Shoji, chief priest of the Ninmaji temple, falls violently in love with her and fathers two children by her.

The Whitehouse-Yanagisawa team suggests that reasons of state may have contributed to the complicity of Go Fukukusa; he may have bestowed the favors of Nijo to ease the rivalry of the Kameyama faction.

Despite the love of Go Fukukusa and his approval of her promiscuousness, Nijo finally falls from favor. The chief consort succeeds in expelling Nijo from the palace.

The first three volumes of the autobiography end with her expulsion, when she is 26. In the two other volumes still extant, Nijo relates her experiences as a Buddhist nun making pilgrimages about Japan, occasionally meeting personages with whom she had been intimate at court.

Brazell chiefly bases her translation on the Kasumi Tanka edition, but has consulted the Tokujiro Tomikura edition and others. Whitehouse-Yanagisawa wrew primarily on Tomikura's edition but have consulted the Tsugita edition and that of Norio Nakada.

Brazell uses American spelling; Whitehouse-Yanagisawa, British. Brazell relegates her notes to the rear of the book; Whitehouse-Yanagisawa use notes sparingly and put them at the bottom of the page carrying the text, where they are more convenient for reference.

DURING FEBRUARY

1000 Club Membership

Headquarters has acknowledged 152 subscriptions from 1000 Club members for the last half of February. The number of current 1000ers to be listed in the year-end Holiday Issue stands at 821.

- FIFTY CLUB (First Year) Yoshikawa, Gordon (Cin) Mayekawa, Mary (DILA) Yoshikawa, Dr. A (SMC) Inouye, Hisao (SF) (Second Year) Matsunami, Joe S (Sac) Schwegel, Marian (Day) Urata James (Riv) Sumida, Hiroshi (Por) (Fourth Year) Oda, Dr. Thomas (CNC) CENTURY CLUB (Second Year) Moriguchi, Eddie (SF) Nagahori, Henry M (Gar) Shimamoto, George (NY) Sugiyama, Shigeki (WDC) (Fifth Year) Tanaka, Henry T (Cle) CORPORATE CLUB (Third Year) Japan Travel Bureau Int'l (Ber) ALAMEDA 6-Yamashiro Yasuo ARIZONA 4-Hashimoto, Eddie BERKELEY 9-Japan Travel Bureau Int'l 11-Kanda, Hiroshi CHICAGO 3-Bulman, Elko 3-Furusho, Mel 3-Thompson, Nancy CINCINNATI 6-Cloyd, Joseph 6-Gilbert, Chieko 2-Myers, Margie A 10-Shimada, Yoshiko 2-Smith, Kazuko 19-Yamaguchi, Sr., Ben T 2-Yoshikawa, Gordon 2-Zumoto, Shigeo I CLEVELAND 9-Tanaka, Henry T\* CLOVIS 18-Takahashi, Yoshito

ating in this event where 220 competitors from nine areas met. Awards were handed out by the Gov. Holshouser of North Carolina. Suzanne also competed in the Northbrook Holiday Invitational (Minnesota, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois) meet held the end of December at Northbrook, Ill. and finished 3rd in that event. Suzanne is a member of the Oak Park Figure Skating Club and is a 4th grade student.

Joe DiMaggio, on a visit to Taipei, is quoted as saying if Little League holds with its new policy of restricting its world series in Williamsport, Pa., to Americans, then some other country should take over and sponsor another world series. He was in Japan in mid-February completing a week's stint as battling coach for the Japan champion Lotte Orions.

Press Row

Hawaii State Sen. Duke Kawasaki, one of the main critics of the Honolulu dailies is sponsoring his bill calling for an audit of the newspapers because "I am of the opinion there has been a great growth in advertising revenue in the past few years. We think the rate of return for the newspapers is more than should be allowed." He said the abuses had mounted since the Legislature passed a "falling newspaper bill" in 1971 which gives formal recognition to the joint production facility operated by the two major dailies.

Government

Gardena legislator, Assemblyman Paul Bannai, was appointed by Assembly Speaker McCarthy to the State Commission for Economic Development, comprised of 17 members, chaired by Lt. Gov. Mervyn Dymally, three state senators, three state assemblymen and ten appointees by the Governor. State Sen.

Pair arrested for Issei slaying

LOS ANGELES—Two juveniles have been arrested by police in connection with the Feb. 14 murder of a 74-year-old Issei in the Southwest area.

Sgts. Al Ferrand and Earl Nishimura took suspects, ages 15, into custody this past week (Mar. 6) and charged them with murder of Jack Y. Yamauchi, who was shot while gardening in the yard of Mrs. Tadao Yamanaka, 1788 W. 36th St.

According to arresting officers, there may be a link between the Yamauchi case and the fatal shooting of Eugene Mizuhara, owner of Nisei Drug Store.

Sansei voted Nat'l Democratic Party committeewoman from California

SACRAMENTO—Paula Higashi Essex, 26, of Santa Monica, was elected Democratic National Committeewoman from California in a first ballot victory with over 600 votes

from the 1,058 delegates to the recent Democratic State convention here.

A 1971 UCLA sociology graduate, Mrs. Essex has served in various political activities including Students for McGovern, the United Democratic Campaign Committee, as Field Coordinator for Roth for Governor, and as Asian American Coordinator for No on Proposition 1.

Born in San Pedro, she has been a member of Junior JACL, the Project Harvest Board, and organized a conference on "Sansei Concern." She was an alternate to the 1972 Miami Democratic National Convention and more recently attended the Kansas City Mini-convention.

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Ralph Dills, Gardena Valley JACLER, is also a member of this commission. Longtime JACLER George Sugihara is a board member of the Ogdan Area Community Action Committee assisting lower-income residents of Weber County. He is currently encouraging Sansei in becoming local peace officers. Sugihara is associated with Frontiers West, Inc., as a part-time public relations director. Seattle JACLER Noble Chan, Nisei wife of Presiding Judge Warren Chan of the King County superior court, was elected chairperson of the three-member Seattle Civil Service Commission.

Glen E. Thompson, 62, of Salt Lake City died Feb. 27 from injuries in an auto accident at Idaho Falls. He spearheaded the 1947 JACL campaign to repeal the Utah alien land law. Surviving are his five children. He lost his wife last year.

Gardener groups installed their new presidents in recent week. Ken Matsuo heads the Sacramento Gardeners; Hiroshi Kobashigawa was re-elected by the Bay Cities Gardeners based in Santa Monica; and Jack Yoshimizu, of the Uptown (L.A.) Gardeners, heads the 4,000-member S.C. Gardeners Federation. The No. Calif. Gardeners Federation is headed by Roy Nakatani. Both federations are pushing the proposed state landscape workers license bill, being drafted by State Sen. Ralph C. Dills (D-Gardena).

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Next flight and tour meeting will be held at the Felicia Mahood Recreation Center, 11338 Santa Monica Blvd., W.L.A., on Sunday, Mar. 16, 2 p.m. Brochures, general information, tours will be discussed. Open to all JACL members.

Escrow closed for Li'l Tokyo Towers

LOS ANGELES—All signs are "go" for construction of the 16-story Little Tokyo Towers as transactions were completed last week (Mar. 3) for closing of escrow, it was announced by Richard Mitchell, Community Redevelopment Agency administrator. A construction loan for \$8.1-million was recorded with United California Mortgage Co., and seven Japanese community banks (Bank of Tokyo, Sumitomo, Mitsubishi, Sanwa, Japan California, Tokai and Mitsu) jointly participating in the financing.

CANE opposes Kintetsu bowling center proposal

SAN FRANCISCO—The Committee Against Nihonmachi Eviction is opposing a change in zoning to permit construction of a 40-lane bowling center by Kintetsu Enterprises in Japantown. Instead, CANE urges the Post-Webster site be retained as a low-rent housing and small business area. The City Planning Commission scheduled a hearing on the zoning change Mar. 6. Saichiro Kawahara, CANE president, said, "We are not against bowling as we are for more low-rent housing and space for small businessmen".

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