

National Advocacy

PART II

San Francisco

A lot of problems are left unsolved. But how does a national JACL office solve them? If I write my congressman he knows I'm one of his constituents and that he won't have my support unless he acts in my best interest. That's direct communication.

How does national JACL work to pass legislation? How does JACL stop ignorant people from calling me "little Jap"? How does national advocacy work?

CASE P—On Sept. 14, 1971, the U.S. House of Representatives voted 56 to 49 to repeal the 1950 Emergency Detention Act, known to many as "Title II". Two days later the Senate passed the bill by voice vote and sent it to the President for signature. So ended the law that had allowed preventive detention, similar to the experience of 110,000 Japanese Americans confined without trial for three years in ten "relocation camps".

While I doubt that particular bill would ever be aimed at Japanese Americans again, there's a principle involved that's close to us because of our experience. No one should say it can't happen here because it did once. The total society benefits from the repeal of that law so that no group, whether it be young people, militants, reactionaries, or any people will ever be placed under this type of detention.

The repeal of the law represented hard work on the part of many members of the JACL throughout the nation. In Washington Mike Masakawa and I met with senators and congressmen, we talked to members of the press, television and radio, explaining our position. Through the Washington office we contacted other civil rights organizations and gained their support in repeal of the law. We met with leaders of labor and education organizations.

At the request of JACL, Justice Arthur Goldberg testified on behalf of the repeal. Key senatorial and congressional leaders also testified for repeal of this law.

The bill passed because there was a large national organization behind it; because key senatorial and congressional leaders supported us.

CASE Q—Last year we had several personalized license plates in California with de-

rogatory words like "Jap I," "Jap 2" and "Nip". When we went to the Department of Motor Vehicles they said they didn't have the power to recall the offensive plates. We then spoke with key members of the state Assembly and Senate. Milton Marks, who has given us support before, introduced a bill to give the department power of recall. The bill was passed. The plates in question have all been removed.

We were able to get the support because we are a large, respected organization with years of experience.

CASE R—Just this last week the U.S. Senate changed the rule on filibuster. Now it takes a vote of 3/5 rather than 2/3 majority to override a filibuster. JACL supported this change because we recognize that much progressive legislation on a national level in the area of civil rights has been stymied because of that particular rule.

In helping to change this rule we met with key legislators out of our Washington office. We joined with other civil rights organizations in calling on Vice President Nelson Rockefeller, the presiding officer of the Senate, to make key rulings in favor of changing the rule.

Because we are a large, national organization we share information and support with other large civil rights organizations. In forming coalitions on questions we agree on, whether it be with NAACP, Urban League, League of Women Voters, or Common Cause, we are able to bring insight to the decision makers.

If only Japanese Americans advocate for a certain law then it's easy to write off. We are a small minority. But when large segments of America represented by national organizations say an action is good, then there is real strength.

CASE S—Five or six years ago a bill came before Congress to establish an Ethnic Heritage Act. Many people really did not understand that Japanese Americans have a unique history and had made contributions to this nation.

JACL contacted the legislators in Washington and explained that we do have a unique background and that we supported the ethnic heritage studies program. We saw in it a way for people to develop materials that are accurate about us rather than stereotyping.

When the Act first came up

for discussion in Congress, Bill Hosokawa testified on behalf of the JACL urging the enactment and funding of the bill. Bill did an eloquent job of advocating for the concept. It was not until last year that the bill ever got any funding.

When it did the JACL was on record for supporting it. In the meantime we had talked to our congressmen and senators. We put in a proposal and when the proposals were accepted, the fact that we had a large national organization with 30,000 members who had goals of education and curriculum development clearly established and that we had a track record of 45 years was very important.

Of the thousands of proposals that came in for limited funding, JACL received one of the very few grants. Laying the groundwork paid off. Educational materials are now being developed which will be available for the classroom. These materials will be accurate and available for publishers and educators.

CASE T—Recently a large government agency settled a question of employment discrimination against one of our JACL members. He received a long, deserved promotion, and the agency agreed to institute an affirmative action plan on the part of other Japanese Americans it employed.

Our member had the courage to come and speak to us about his lack of advancement. Research and documentation of his claims were conducted. We spoke with attorneys to find what sort of legal recourse we had. When shown the evidence and made aware of the support this man had from a national organization, the agency agreed on just compensation and affirmative action. There was no need to take court action.

CASE U—Last year Chrysler Motors Corp. ran an ad depicting Japanese people in a derogatory and stereotyping manner. This was a national ad campaign coming out of New York City. We wrote the president of the advertising agency and the president of Chrysler Corp. pointing out the derogatory nature of the ad and explained that it was offensive to Japanese Americans. They agreed that there was no point in making fun of a racial group and recalled the national campaign.

CASE V—In California, Bank of America ran a commercial depicting a Japanese American as sneaky and sly. We met with the vice president in charge of advertising and explained the harmful nature of the ad. The commercial was pulled off the air.

CASE W—In working with the news media, we take the time to send information and sit down and talk with reporters for no other reason than that they are interested in Japanese Americans.

When something comes up like Senator Dan Inouye being called a "little Jap" or international trade problems affecting Japanese Americans, these newsmen turn to a JACL member to ask our opinion. It ultimately that gets into print and reaches millions of people.

We have received comments from all over the U.S. saying they read a newspaper like The Wall Street Journal and saw an editorial condemning a racial slur derogatory toward Japanese Americans. They read in a large national paper an article explaining some current problem of Japanese Americans and say that had an effect on their attitude toward that problem. Had we not cultivated these members of the news media, made them aware of a large national organization they can turn to for information, they wouldn't have used the medium they have when it is very necessary to us.

We try to talk to hundreds of people. Who knows how many hundreds of times people have used that information in their own circles to help eliminate discrimination against Japanese Americans.

If a national civil rights organization is really effective, it eliminates problems before they occur. It helps society at large understand the unique problems and needs of the particular group. It makes the society so aware that racial discrimination is lessened.

If JACL reaches that level of effectiveness there will be no need for a national advocate for Japanese Americans. Until then we must continue, step by step, the role of convincing by legislating, educating, speaking, writing and joining forces with those who agree with us. The scope of the problem is national. The solution is national.

Seattle Special

By special arrangement with Seattle JACL, this week's issue is being distributed to the wider Nikkei community in the greater Seattle area in hopes of soliciting their support of JACL.

Membership includes a year's subscription to the Pacific Citizen on a one-per-household basis. The paper is published 50 times per year, enabling readers to keep up with the activities and ideas of Japanese Americans around the country.—Editor.

Cleveland to host 11th biennial EDC-MDC confab

CLEVELAND, Ohio — The 11th biennial joint Eastern-Midwest District Council conference will be hosted by the Cleveland JACL Aug. 21-24 in a college campus setting — Baldwin-Wallace College at nearby Berea. It was announced by conference chairman Henry Tanaka.

Delegates from 12 chapters, seniors and juniors, will meet concurrently during the fourth weekend in August.

Kaz Oshiki, administrative assistant to Rep. Robert Kasstentz (D-Wis.), will be keynote speaker at the Friday morning joint session. Workshops, discussion of national issues and a Saturday dinner-dance are scheduled.

In trying to meet previous requests to trim convention expenses, especially hotel rooms and dining which can be considerable for attending delegates, they can bed down at the dorm and have their three meals at the campus cafeteria, cover registration fees for about \$40.

The college is five minutes away from the Cleveland Hopkins Airport, 25 minutes from downtown and adjacent to Ohio Turnpike Interstate-71.

Most of the activities will be centered at the Student Union which has excellent facilities — not only meeting rooms, ballroom and cafeteria, but a swimming pool, eight lanes of bowling, billiard and game rooms.

HEW GRANTS \$50,000 TO JACL-MDC FOR GERONTOLOGY STUDY BY JASC

CHICAGO — The Japanese American Citizens League (Midwest District Council) has received a training grant of \$50,556 from the U.S. Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) to develop a training film and supplementary materials to educate those who provide services to elderly Japanese Americans, according to Richard E. Friedman, Midwest HEW Regional Director.

"The purpose of the grant is to create a sensitivity and an awareness of the particular needs of elderly Japanese Americans," Friedman said this past week (Mar. 5).

The project will be conducted by the Japanese American Service Committee of Chicago, which operates a multi-purpose social service program for various age groups of Ja-

panese Americans. The grant, which runs through June 30, 1975, will be used to develop the training film and distribute it to schools of social work and governmental bodies and other providers, to develop a handbook listing services available to the elderly, and to compile a bibliography of reference materials supplementing the film for use by professional providers.

The Committee is a not-for-profit social welfare agency serving Japanese Americans of all ages. Its programs for the elderly include a sheltered workshop, a nutrition program at the center and a home-delivered meals service, family counseling, arts and crafts and a telephone contact service for shut-ins.

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Main discussions centered on the revision of the IDC by-laws with parliamentarian Margaret Hasegawa in charge. By updating the by-laws, it was felt that the district would operate within certain standards and guidelines and at the same time make explicit the aims, purposes and procedures of the district council.

Concept of meeting semi-annually rather than quarterly was discussed at length. After the drafts have been completed, chapters will receive them in time for ratification at the next quarterly meeting. Mrs. Hasegawa assured.

Mayor Stephen Dirks was introduced to the group and he related his duties and obligations. He also answered questions from the floor. Everyone was deeply impressed since he was so young and single. He later conferred with the youth group as they were holding a meeting at the same time.

Gail Nishioka commented on the evacuee reparations bill, the Toshiba case, the ethnic heritage program, and the presidential classroom.

Harriet Kimura announced that the second printing of the Japanese Cookbooks was near completion and they would be sent to the chapters as soon as possible.

IDC capital campaign drive was outlined by Gerold Mukai. He will work with Regional Director Stan Kiyokawa and a designated contact person from each chapter.

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had a high priority in view of the bigger budget, related to the PSWDC there were two snags affecting the brochure release.

The JACL Constitution had been amended but required chapter ratification by mail with reference to higher dues, which had to be reflected in the brochure.

Hayashi had been assigned membership development when he reported to Headquarters in late September but in November when the National Board did not confirm the transfer—it threw off the timetable by about three weeks.

The brochure was finally made available in late January—"too late for us," Hironaka lamented.

The PSW was commended by Ushio for reordering the reply membership envelopes for use by the area chapters. Sugiyama said developing membership material had been a perpetual problem for the past four or five years he had been on the National Board. With current professional staff being specialists in their respective fields, it fell upon Hayashi and Margaret Yamamoto, who was also doubling as Northern California regional director, to work on the brochure.

Ethnic Heritage

A problem affecting communications within JACL—especially between Headquarters and the chapters—was perceived by Ushio as he explained why the Ethnic Heritage Project was based in San Francisco and not at Los Angeles.

Ushio said when the project was first conceived, it was to be national in scope and the U.S. Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) agreed with JACL's recommendation to have it based in San Francisco.

Meanwhile at the National Convention, MDC Gov. Lillian Kimura asked the JACL investigate the feasibility to operate the project from the So. Calif. JACL Office. Project administrators in HEW responded to the JACL inquiry that such was not feasible "from the federal point of view"—meaning that geographic considerations were involved in the allocation.

San Diego JACL president Vernon Yoshioka wondered why that news was not conveyed to the Pacific Citizen. "There should have been," Ushio explained, but added that it was his assumption announcements and actions made at the National Board would filter down to the chapters and general membership.

"Lot of things we are discussing today, as I look at it," Ushio continued, "could have been overcome a long time ago had there been a stronger effort on our part to get that word out to our members and chapters and to all concerned."

The new PC front-page feature, "Communications," is one attempt to keep members on board of what's happening at Headquarters.

Kojima commented that minutes of the last National Board were so "skimpy" in detail that he couldn't duplicate them for distribution to his chapters. "Nothing much was recorded about issues," he protested.

New Logo Issue

Asked about the use of the "new logo" on membership material after the National Council voted in favor of Vernon Yoshioka's motion to continue use of the "eagle" logo, Ushio denied Yoshioka's contention that it was blatant ignoring of the mandate.

Unable to explain himself, except to admit he overlooked it when the new membership material was being reviewed before it went to press, Ushio assumed full responsibility for the faux-pas.

He also told Yoshioka that he wished he had turned up his reply that was sent for "some of that stuff was really uncalled for." Ushio had responded very frankly about some issues to Yoshioka's also very frank statements over the use of the new logo.

Attention had been centered by Headquarters on the "logo" mandate when it re-ordered its next supply of letterheads and stationery—but not the membership material.

Sugiyama, who appreciated the San Diego resolution "because I like the old logo", disclosed he only thought about the use of the logo would be with the stationery.

Selanoco JACL president Clarence Nishizu called the "logo" issue a sign of "indifference".

Bob Suzuki Matter

As ominous the fears were in November over the life of Dr. Bob Suzuki who uncovered fiscal irregularities within the School of Education at the Univ. of Massachusetts, where he had been an assistant dean overseeing some federally-

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PACIFIC SOUTHWEST DISTRICT COUNCIL

Demand board probe of executives

By HARRY HONDA

LOS ANGELES—Proceedings of the special Pacific Southwest District Council meeting of Mar. 9 are being prepared for study by the National JACL Board, which will be requested to investigate the charges and concerns pressed against the National President and the National Director.

The motion, which passed 13-9, further calls for the National Board to conduct an open hearing and publish its findings in the Pacific Citizen.

Close to 100 delegates jammed a multi-purpose room of Robert Lane School in East Los Angeles. Called to order a little after 1 p.m., it continued with but one 10-minute break until 7 p.m. Also present were other national officers from northern and central California. East L.A. JACL hosted the special meeting.

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NC-WNDC'S NEWEST NUGGET



SAN FRANCISCO—Marin County may soon have a new JACL chapter, according to reports from the NC-WNDC's Governor Wes Doi. Approximately a dozen prospective members met Feb. 26 at the San Rafael home of Nell Noguchi to discuss plans for the future. Representatives from the NC-WNDC attending the meeting were Harry Hata-saka, former DC governor; Doi; and Margie Yamamoto, Regional Director. Pictured are (seated, from left) Mrs. Noguchi, Jean Okubo and Mary Yamamoto; (standing) Jean Abey, Shin Kumata, Hank Yamagata and Hatasaka. A second meeting is due sometime in March to attract other interested individuals. Marin County residents and others interested in this chapter should contact Ms. Yamamoto at JACL Headquarters for further information.

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• From JACL Nat'l Headquarters

Communication

Five to pick fellowship winners

San Francisco

Five judges for the JACL Cultural Heritage Fellowships have been named, announced Gail Chew Nishioka, JACL National Youth Director and coordinator of the Fellowship program.

The judges include Richard Elwood, with A. Cur Anderson and Co. and president of the Japan Society of San Francisco; Nobuo Ishizaka, President of Toshiba International Corp. and previously involved in programs with Sophia University in Tokyo and programs of exchange between U.S. and Japanese businessmen; Consul Yoshinori Tsujimoto, cultural affairs officer of the Japanese Consulate in San Francisco; Sharon

Bill Hosokawa

Frying Pan

MORE ISSEI-ESE

Denver, Colo. Occasionally a column draws more passing interest and a recent discussion about peculiar expressions used by many Issei was one of them. George Iseri of San Francisco noted mention in that column of the word "battenga," whose meaning and origins were unclear. He reports it is used commonly in certain northern Kyushu dialects as in the Japanese conjunction "ga" or the English "but". Oddly enough, it is used almost as "but then" and the sound is similar.

Editor Honda relayed a letter from Mamoru Ueyehama of Fresno, Calif., who comes up with the expression "bunketto mochi" or "blanket carrier" or one who took a bedroll. "This was kind of an undignified term that was used in the Japanese community referring to those of us who were bachelors from laborers and were of the lowest economic status," Ueyehama writes in a manner that indicates that whatever his origins, he long ago was graduated from such a humble position.

And finally, Dr. Peter T. Suzuki, associate professor of urban studies at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, has sent along a copy of a 1943 WRA document with this imposing title: "English words in Current Use at Minidoka Center That Have Been Given a 'Japanese-English' Pronunciation or Have Been Translated into a Japanese Equivalent." It is also titled "Project Analysis Series No. 10" and given the bureaucratic designation C-0371-P3-BU-COS-WP and I invite any translations.

The paper notes that a relocation center was known in Japanese as *kyampū* or *senta*. An internment camp was *intanmento kyampū*, the proper noun being modified to distinguish it from a relocation center. Army was *ami* or *gumbū*. WRA was *daburū* *aru*. Evacuation was *tachimoki* or *ebakueihon*. A border pass was *pasu* and travel pass was *tsuraberi pamtto*. There is a section on camp occupations. The legal division was identified as *horitsu*

Eira Nagaoka

Wringin' Out

INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT GIRDS FOR CHANGE

Seattle. What is depressing the hotel business in the International District is the recently passed municipal law known as the "Ozark Hotel Ordinance." Named after the hotel, which burned down in 1970 and claimed the lives of 20 residents, the city calls for adequate fire-sprinkler system inside.

The life of the 80-year-old buildings in the District might be extended if an \$18,000 sprinkler system is installed — but as Elmer Tazuma, spokesman for the Japanese Hotel and Apartment Owners Assn., says that it's a poor investment for buildings built during the Alaska Gold Rush.

The Nikkei hotel men in the past were able to keep their buildings in reasonably good condition because of their skills acquired over the many years in the business. But now they can't fight the fire codes. Appeals to the Fire Department have proved fruitless.

Hotels considered adequate back in the 1910s are suddenly labeled "fire traps" and arsonists are said to have no qualms setting their fires at the exits to trap the people inside. The Ozark Hotel fire was found to be the work of an arsonist.

Of the original 45 hotels in the International District, only 17 remain. Nikkei-operated hotels, now closed or previously owned or leased, involved a total of 1,730 units in 18 hotels.

Alps, Astor, Atlas, Adams, Alibi, Eastern Eclipse, Evergreen, Empire, Freeman, Hanson, N.P., New American, Ohio, Puget Sound, Republic, Reynolds, and the Sun.

Of major concern in the community would be the loss of the remaining hotels, forced to close because of the Ozark Hotel ordinance. Its tenants — mostly Asian — would be uprooted, threatening their lifestyles. It would mean the loss of reasonably priced (for them) ethnic food in the neighborhood and shops, scattering of old friends of similar ethnic background and finding quarters at higher rent. Activists and media have focused their plight.

But no one as yet has rallied to the plight of hotel owners whose life investments are in jeopardy. They are also people with families to support, susceptible to the same pain and anguish.

Domed Stadium

Another threat to the living patterns of International District is the multi-purposed domed stadium under construction nearby and due to be completed by 1976.

The cosmopolitan character of International District can be readily observed. The 1970 census shows 360 Chinese, 360 Filipino, 80 Japanese, 280 blacks, 39 Indians and other whites.

A special review district ordinance has been passed in hopes of assuring the ethnic flavor of the District. Guidelines have been established

MULTI-ETHNIC PROGRAMS ENHANCE S.E. SEATTLE SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Seattle. In the southeast region of Seattle's secondary school system, where a significant number of white and Japanese Americans have recently moved, a multi-cultural program has been developed and upgraded the schools.

It required the joint efforts of the principals of six schools involved to attract city-wide voluntary student transfers in hopes of keeping the present distribution of ethnic groups within the district, known as Region II.

A \$100,000 budget has been provided by the School Board; the guidelines are flexible; the goal is to improve and enhance relationships among students, staff, parents and community. High schools eligible for funds are:

Cleveland, Franklin, Rainier Beach, High Schools, Sharples, Mercer Jr. High Schools, and South Shore Middle School.

By seeing how funds are presently being dispensed, the Seattle Public School Coalition for Quality Integrated Education (CQIE) in its February "In Touch" publication reported the following:

—Joanne Tanabe, Japanese language instructor at both Rainier Beach and South Shore (7th and 8th grades) has a multi-ethnic class. She uses the Univ. of Washington text "First Course in Japanese," written by Tamako Niwa. She feels confident her students will be competent in the Japanese classes taught at the University. To incorporate Japanese cultural experiences, she requires an oral report on a Japanese film or TV show, invitations to speakers or demonstrations on some aspect of Japanese life.

—At South Shore, student activists develop multi-ethnic cookbooks, yearbook and other projects. Funding is being requested for purchase of literary works by ethnic minorities for its Learning Resource Center. Racial distribution here is:

White, 44 pct; black, 37; Japanese, 10; Filipino, 4; Chinese, 4; Native Americans, 1; Spanish-speaking and others, 1 pct.

—Tapes, color slides, movies of multi-cultural developments at all Region II secondary schools are being used to show parents, business community and feeder schools.

—The specialist of ethnic musicology has been assigned to Region II to train music teachers to include multi-ethnic offerings.

—An Asian counselor is being sought for Cleveland High.

—Distributing the Sharples Jr. High student publication to feeder schools as well as their own students.

Since 1970, the ethnic character of Region II has shifted markedly. The Filipino student population has increased 40 pct; Native Americans by 26 pct; blacks by 15 pct, and Chinese by 6 pct, while percentage of whites has declined 28 pct and Japanese by 27 pct.

Ms. Nakagawa heads 'Rainbow Component'

SEATTLE, Wash.—Mako Nakagawa coordinates Seattle Public Schools' cultural heritage program, "Rainbow Component" that focuses on cultural diversity while enforcing the idea that all individual differences must be recognized as valid and respected for the beauty within them — just as all colors of the spectrum combine to make a rainbow.

The program was first

Aloha from Hawaii

By RICHARD GIMA

Honolulu. Former Gov. John Burns was honored by the Japanese government Mar. 4 with the Order of the Sacred Treasure, First Class. His son James accepted the decoration as his father was unable to attend the presentation ceremonies at the Japanese Consulate. Consul General Takaaki Hasegawa cited his contributions toward "promoting great relations between the U.S. and Japan."

Rep. Patsy Mink says the FBI and CIA agencies have refused to allow her to see her files they have kept on her private and political activities. FBI indicated there were 33 items in her file, relating her news stories, speeches, radio programs and security clearance references which had listed her as reference.

Rodger Betts, 50, former Island lawyer with Sen. Hiram Fong's office, heads the federal anti-poverty program's legal office here.

State Agriculture Director John Farias, returning from a Japan trip, says Japanese have developed a liking for Hawaiian papaya.

William Chock, 75, bought a \$10,500 sapphire and diamond ring for \$8,000 at a U.S. Customs auction. It was to be a surprise gift for his wife of more than 50 years.

Mrs. Han-nah Keolanui, whose husband Eli is a retired policeman, of 53-320 Kamehameha Hwy, represents Hawaii as the state mother of the year contest next month in New York.

Sports Scene

Punahou won the 1975 school basketball title for the second straight year, defeating Kallua, 77-70. Hilo beat Kalani 58-47 to win third place while Iolani eked a 35-36 win over Baldwin of Maui to win the consolation title.

Home for Aged drive tops \$1 million

LOS ANGELES—The "magic" million dollar mark was topped during the final week of February. It was announced by general fund chairman Fred I. Wada for the Japanese Home for the Aged.

Chapter Pulse

Installation

Over 100 people wended their way through a blustery day to attend the 28th annual Cleveland JACL installation dinner Jan. 26 to hear MDC Gov. Lillian Kimura, the installing officer, witness Dr. Toaru Ishiyama re-installed president and Lisa Maki getting the gavel from Rick Takaguchi and Wendy Furukawa, JAY co-presidents.

Gene Veronesi, associated with Ethnic Heritage Studies, was the main speaker, and gave a clear picture of what the Asian community and the Japanese in particular could expect to gain from participation in this undertaking.

Surprised most of all was Henry Tanaka, who received a Cleveland city council commendation for his services as National JACL president, from former city councilman John Prince.

Alice Nakao and Tak Kuno were co-chairmen of the dinner held at Tokyo Gardens Restaurant. Rev. Kyogo Mura of the Cleveland Buddhist Church and Mrs. May Ichida of the Japanese Christian Church participated in the program.

Cleveland JACL is host this year of the EDC-MDC convention to be held Aug. 21-24 at the Baldwin-Wallace College campus at Berea. Henry Tanaka is conference chairman.

The San Mateo JACL Installation dinner held Feb. 1 was smoothly conducted by William Takahashi as emcee at the Shadows restaurant. Yosh Kojimoto was sworn into office as president by George Yamasaki Jr., national JACL legal counsel, who later headed his combo providing dance music for the evening.

Tad Masaka presented the JACL silver pin and plaque to Sakae Yamaguchi. Tom Konno was given the past president's pin for his two year leadership. Col. John Hada (ret.) spoke on the so-called Tokyo Rose case. Over 20 door prizes were given away. Close to 75 people were present.

Both Yamaguchi and Konno were congratulated by the San Mateo City Council Feb. 18 with special tribute and plaque from the city.

Stockton JACL's favorite installing officer, Judge Bill L. Dozier, continued a role that goes back a couple of decades when he swore in Mabel Okubo as 1975 chapter president last Sunday, Mar. 9 at Bow Restaurant.

Mrs. Okubo, who has served on the chapter board for the past four years, has been Stockton JACL Auxiliary president, active with the local and national Buddhist Women's Assn. and currently president of the No. Calif. Fujinkai and a member of the Stockton Sister City Assn. She also belongs to the Stockton Unified School Ethnic Group Advisers.

Mitsie Baba was re-elected Auxiliary president.

Entertaining the audience was Ray Herwitz, author-magician, who discussed his best seller, "Yes, You Can Win—But Don't Bet the Rent Money."

Hollywood JACL members feasted on a variety of Oriental and European dishes as the 1975 cabinet was installed at the home of the Tomoo Ogita Jan. 25. Board member Sue Embrey presented a color slide lecture of her recent trip behind the "Bamboo Curtain" last summer.

Ogita, who is an Oriental art historian, was elected president.

Milwaukee JACL held its 30th installation dinner Feb. 1 at the Country Gardens with Rep. Clement Zablocki (D-Wis.) as guest speaker.

The chairman of the House foreign affairs committee spoke on the worldwide chisels of today — oil, inflation and population growth. With respect to U.S. relations with Russia, Cambodia, China, Vietnam, Israel and NATO — he cited the need for a balanced approach instead of dual standards. He also believed it was a mistake for the United Nations to oust a founding member, Nationalist China.

Balance of his time was de-

Ota, draperies; Fumiko Asano, cabinet.

After a pizza feast, Toshiko Shimazaki demonstrated every-day flower arrangements. New board members were introduced and Toya Foundation was welcomed as an affiliate group.

Dayton JACL has started to meet to plan on the Folk Fair. Bob McMullen was appointed the chapter general chairman for this venture, succeeding Fred Fisk.

The Fujinkai will program the entertainment portion for the Folk Fair while Yae Sato heads the food section. Frank Titus heads the ticket committee and Fujie McMullen will be in charge of the cultural display.

On Mar. 16, families of the chapter congregated at Aulwood Audubon Farm near the municipal airport. The farm is noted for its maple trees and syrup production.

The Orange County JACL is sponsoring its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 22, at the Mile Square Regional Park in Fountain Valley. The traditional search will be kicked off at 11 a.m., followed by lunch (bring your own) and children's races at 1 p.m. Board member and chairperson of the event, Kazumi Mayemura, announced that soda, prizes, and eggs will be provided by the Chapter.

Parents and children will gather Mar. 22 at Canyon Crest Park for Riverside JACL's annual Easter egg hunt from 11 a.m. One special hunt for parents is planned, according to Beverly Inaba and Marie Arakaki, who are in charge.

The chapter joined the local Japanese Gardeners Assn., in honoring Rikinosuke Takano at a dinner Mar. 17. The Issei was recently presented a citation from the Japan Agricultural Society, signed by Prince Takamatsu.

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Subtitle for the above combination of vowels is "An Anthology of Asian-American Writers."

Co-edited by a quartet of talented Asian-American writers and poet—Frank Chin, Jeffery Paul Chan, Lawson Fusco Inada and Shawn Hsu Wong—the book published last year by Howarth University Press is a collection of creative writing by Chinese, Japanese and Filipino authors who deserve recognition.

With rare exception, most products of Nisei writers to date have been notable for cardboard characters who mouthed their angst like third-rate actors. Although we knew in our bones that there was an epic buried in the history of Asian-Americans, the words that rolled out of the pens and typewriters of Asian-American authors before the era of raised consciousness were raw and without that art which transcends reality and approaches truth.

True, there was a certain awkward charm such as one perceives in the art of the primitives, but one was left with a longing for a work which would do for the Asian-Americans—or a particular branch thereof—what "Gone With The Wind" did for the Old South. I'm well aware that there is a certain literary cult which sniffs at Margaret Mitchell's epic, and there is no denying that the life of the slaves at Tara was written from a white point of view, but her characters had life, they embodied timeless truths about human nature which found instant recognition in readers throughout the world.

The works represented in "Aliieeeee" are still far from such skillful characterization, but they are getting there. The most hopeful thing about the stories contained in this col-

Book Review

HOW PERSUASION CONTRIBUTED TO VICTORY

THE ART OF PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE: 1914-1945, by Charles Roetter. Stein and Day, New York, 199 pp., \$8.95.

In 1915, German occupation authorities in Brussels, extracted a confession from Edith Cavell, an English nurse, that she had been assisting the escape of prisoners of war. First matron of a medical institute then operating as a Red Cross hospital, she had contributed to the escape of about 200 English, French and Belgian soldiers.

A court-martial sentenced her to death; a German firing squad executed her.

Seeking to win the support of a still neutral United States, the British gave this execution wide publicity in America. Outraged Americans shifted their sympathies towards the British.

CALENDAR

Mar. 21 (Friday)
Grace Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.: Barbara Fuller, Maury Martin, speakers.
St. Louis—Bd. mtg.
Mar. 22 (Saturday)
Nat'l JACL-JAL Cultural Heritage Fellowship dnr, St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco, 6 p.m.; Gov. George Ariyoshi of Hawaii speaker.
East Los Angeles—Scholarship Ball, Mayflower Ballroom, 224 Hindry, Inglewood, 8 p.m.; Victor Zolo's combo.
Pasadena—JACL Carnival, Memorial Bldg., 12n-10 p.m.
Beverly Hills—Egg hunt, Canyon Crest Park, 11 a.m.
Orange County—Egg hunt, Mile Rd. Reg. Park, Fountain Valley, 11 a.m.
Mt. Olympus—Fundraising '73, Central Jr HS, 6:30 p.m.
Contra Costa—Family bowling, Golden Gate Lane, El Cerrito, 7:30 p.m.
Mar. 23 (Sunday)
Eden Township—JAYs workshop planning mtg.
March 23 (Saturday)
San Jose—K. Ishimatsu Testimonial, Hyatt House.
Mar. 24 (Sunday)
Sequoia—Egg hunt.
Eden Township—JAYs workshop planning mtg.
April 2 (Wednesday)
West Valley—Mtg. Club House, 7:30 p.m.
April 4-6
MDYC—Spring workshop, Chicago JAYs hosts.
April 5 (Saturday)
Sonoma County—JAYs rummage sale.
Hollywood—Japan culture series: "Grand Ice Shrine" film, Clatterton's, 1818 N. Vermont, 8 p.m.
April 6 (Sunday)
West Los Angeles—Issei-Sr. Cit Mtg. Mayflower Ctr., 2 p.m.
Eden Township—JAYs workshop planning mtg.
April 12 (Saturday)
EDC—Spring quarterly mtg., Philadelphia JACL hosts.
Philadelphia—Inst. dnr, St. David's Inn, Rte. 30, St. David, Pa.
San Francisco—Scholarship benefit, Bay Meadows, San Mateo, West Los Angeles—Wine-tasting benefit, Yamato Restaurant, Century City, 12:30-3:30 p.m.
April 13-15
NC-WDYC—Q-trip mtg and workshop, Eden Township JAYs hosts; Eden Japanese Comm Ctr., San Lorenzo.
Nevertheless, German psy-

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Shooting of Nisel ruled justifiable

SEATTLE — A King County inquest jury Feb. 26 held police officer Harold Logan, 30, in fear of his life justifiably shot and killed Johnny Okihara, 44, of Kent, who was clutching and raising an ax while advancing on the policeman.

Testimony revealed Okihara, who has been unemployed before, was forced to go on welfare for the first time—a fact which distressed him to the point that his mind snapped Feb. 5 after being without a job for five months. A quiet man, he had been on a rampage smashing car windows and rural mailboxes, when police were called.

Okihara sighted the police car, smashed its windows. Logan told him at least three times to put the ax down but he continued to advance upon him and was shot twice. A relative later said:

"He had been trying to tell us something, telling us he needed help, crying for it. And we didn't listen."

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Traditional Korean dance and music will be presented at the L.A. County Museum of Art Mar. 14, 8 p.m. by the Korean Classical Music Institute of America. Actor Philip Ahn will host the program. Tickets are \$4 general admission.

Nisel Singles Club hosts a benefit dance Mar. 29, 8 p.m., at the Torrance American Legion Hall, south of the San Diego Fwy at Crenshaw off-ramp, for the Japanese Home for the Aged.

Affirmative Action Task Force of the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee (LTCDAC) this week urged young men and women into the construction trades by applying for jobs through the AATF (624-0837) at the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project Office.

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Three courses focusing on Japanese are being offered this spring by UCLA Extension (825-3912) starting the last week of March. Norifumi Hashiba offers Folk Art on Thursdays, Koichi Kawana lectures Tuesday mornings on cross-influences in art styles between West and Japan, and Don McCallum, UCLA professor of art, will stress Edo Period art on Thursdays.

San Diego

The 7th annual Ikebana Festival featuring seven schools with a side display of Japanese arts will be open free to the public Mar. 22-23 at Casa del Prado in Balboa Park. Over 6,000 viewed the display last year, according to Mrs. B. Donald Gaw, San Diego Ikebana International president.

chological warfare fell below that of British and American. As an example of outstanding American propaganda, the author cites the Japanese language broadcasts of Capt. Ellis M. Zacharias, USN.

The Zacharias broadcasts were directed to Japan's admirals who were among the approximately 500 elite Japanese with the influence to decide whether Japan should surrender.

On the other hand, the English language broadcasts beamed from Japan failed of their object of establishing that America had no reason to continue fighting; the Japanese misjudged the effect of the Pearl Harbor attack on American opinion.

"This monumental insensitivity on the part of the Japanese propagandists can be put down to not bothering to studying their target. Certainly it robbed their propaganda of all credibility."

The author puts over his points despite a defect in his own means of communication: serious faults of style.

PC's People

Elections

Berkeley City Councilwoman Ying Lee Kelley, a Chinese American, has announced her intention to run for mayor... Oakland City Councilman Frank Ogawa, who was vice mayor in 1971-72, is seeking his third four-year term on the city in the coming municipal election... Manila-born administrator Joe Abella of Oriental Service Center is among three challenging Los Angeles City Councilman John Ferraro in the 4th District in the April primaries. Of Chinese-Mexican ancestry, Dr. David Lopez-Lee, public administration professor at USC, is among six trying to unseat City Councilman Arthur Snyder in the 14th District.

Courtroom

Judge Robert M. Takasugi was elected presiding judge of the East Los Angeles Municipal Court for 1975. Appointed to the bench in July 1973 by Gov. Reagan, Takasugi had been administrative judge this past year, establishing certain innovations minimizing inconveniences to those coming to plead their cases whether at traffic or small claims... Bellflower Municipal Judge Richard Hanki of Long Beach recommended service club awards to teenagers who became key witnesses to a kidnapping-extortion. They could have easily stayed away, but they got involved. Hanki pointed out, "Unless people are victims, they usually don't get involved."

Sports

San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center presented Spencer H. Yamada, a San Fernando Valley JACL board member, its recognition award for outstanding community service recently before some 20 Nikkei organizations, business, community and civic leaders, including:

Phil Shigekuni, local JACL president; Assemblyman Jim Keyser (D-San Fernando); L.A. City Councilman L. Nowell, Joe Virgil from State Sen. Alan Robbin's office, and Jeffery Matsui representing L.A. Mayor Tom Bradley's office.

Piano for Maryknoll

LOS ANGELES — Kawai Piano of America donated an upright piano to Maryknoll School here to enhance its music program. Tadao Nakamichi, general manager for the piano firm, made the presentation to Fr. Clarence Witte, school superior, and Jacques Chatel, PTA president.

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Music
Former Long Beach City College music instructor Akira Endo, 35, was appointed permanent conductor of the Austin (Tex.) Symphony Orchestra, effective July 1. He also conducted the Long Beach Symphony, and is presently conductor of the American Ballet Theater. The Japan-born USC graduate student of Dr. Walter Douloux is a two-time winner of the Dmitri Mitropoulos Competition of Conductors. Mr. and Mrs. Endo and their two children plan to reside in Houston.

Awards
The 37th St. School PTA in southwest Los Angeles has presented to Edith Kodama Divilbiss (former PC staffer) its Outstanding Achievement Award for Civic Work.

Book
Radio Li'l Tokyo producer Matuo Uwaje, whose first "Japanese Cookbook for Sane" has been well received, is now completing his second book, "Art for Enjoying Sushi", to be published in April. While there are some recipes, the book will be more of a guide to enjoying sushi at the sushi counters. He was featured in the L.A. Times food section Mar. 12.

Milestones
60th Wedding: the Kinichi Itayas of Cincinnati, reception by their sons Paul and Louis Dec. 24. Prewar residents of San Bernardino, Calif., Itaya headed the art department at Poston during the evacuation period, where his skill as a wood carver, especially lapel pin of birds, became a family enterprise in Cincinnati.

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