

Shigeki Sugiyama

To the Point

CALL FOR INVESTIGATION

Washington

The Pacific Southwest and Midwest District Councils recently called for an open investigation of the national executive director and the elected national leadership.

In doing so, however, both district councils left unresolved several critical questions concerning the scope of the proposed investigation and the manner in which it should be conducted. Specifically, both councils left unanswered the following issues:

- 1—Who is to sit on the investigatory body?
- 2—What specific charges are the investigatory body to investigate?
- 3—What national program budgets are to be cut in order that adequate resources may be diverted for the use of the investigatory body so that it may conduct a comprehensive investigation?
- 4—What is to be done with the findings and report of the investigatory body?
- 5—What procedural safeguards are to be instituted and followed by the investigatory body so that the rights of those investigated are not unnecessarily violated?

Although I recognize that certain members of the Pacific Southwest and Midwest Districts have frequently been at odds with the national executive director and myself since the 1972 Biennial National Convention, I believe that members of both districts have basically acted in what they perceive to be in the best interests of the entire national organization.

Accordingly, to implement the resolutions of the two district councils, I have asked approval of the National Board:

- 1—To appoint an investigatory body consisting of five-to-seven highly respected JACLers who have remained impartial throughout this ongoing controversy.
- 2—That this investigatory body inquire into whatever charges against the national leadership that it deems appropriate.
- However, although I have always believed that the elected national officers, the district governors and JAC chairpersons—as members of the National Board—are a part of the national leadership, I will suggest that this body investigate only the national executive director and myself in order to spare others needless embarrassment.
- 3—That this investigatory body be provided with whatever national JACL resources are required to conduct an adequate and thorough investigation.
- 4—That the findings and report of this investigatory body be submitted to the National Board to be convened in extraordinary session on June 7, 1975, for its approval and any other action deemed appropriate.
- 5—That this investigatory body institute and follow whatever procedural safeguard it believes are appropriate.

From JACL Nat'l Headquarters

Communication

Ethnic Heritage Project eyes 2d year

A second-year Ethnic Heritage Studies (EHS) proposal to implement the first year project, a teacher manual on Japanese American ethnic studies now being developed, has been reviewed and approved by the National JACL Ethnic Heritage Project advisory council at its April 4-5 meeting in San Francisco.

Project director Patricia Nakano explained the second year proposal would implement training of JACL volunteers, community groups and organizations in each of the eight JACL district councils.

The advisory council has also accepted in general principle the following areas in the project development if the second-year proposal for \$100,000 is funded:

- 1—Survey of education requirements in 49 states regarding instructional program, curriculum material, training and staff development.
- 2—Development of addenda to the JACL-EHS teacher manual to suit various geographic areas.
- 3—Training conference of core trainers.
- 4—Training workshops on a regional basis.

The advisory council, however, was realistic enough to alert the JACL Development Committee and Director of Development to identify funding sources and develop proposals to acquire additional revenue since the entire \$100,000 budget might not be authorized by the U.S. Office of Education.

Nat'l JACL kegfest to be handicap

For the first time in the history of National JACL bowling tournament, the 29th annual will be a handicap affair. It is being sponsored by the 1000 Club with cooperation of the East Bay Nisei Bowling Assn. and the area JACL chapters July 28-Aug. 2 at El Cerrito's Golden Gate Lanes.

Tournament is open to any JACL member, at least two months prior, and who has a 1447 ADA St., Berkeley, Calif. 94702.

Bids for the 30th and 31st JACL bowling tournaments are also being accepted with the new advisory board to make the decision.

Stan Kiyokawa, PNW-IDC regional director, was designated as JACL staff to the bowling tournament.

Student Aid forms available

San Francisco

Applications are now available for the National JACL Student Aid program, according to Grayce Uyehara, chairperson, National JACL scholarship committee, by contacting JACL Headquarters, Regional Offices or District Council representative to the National Scholarship Committee. Deadline is June 1.

Grants are named for the late Abe Hagiwara, a JACLer who devoted much of his time working with young people on both the local and national levels.

The Hagiwara awards, varying from \$100 to \$500, are granted primarily on the basis of financial need, potential, and motivation. Amounts and number of grants are to be determined by the committee chosen to judge the applications.

According to Gordon Yoshikawa of Cincinnati, who handled the Hagiwara awards, "The Student Aid award is highly subjective. The candidate's statement and, to a lesser degree, the letters of commendation provide a basis for determining the potential and motivation of the applicant. Student aid selection is highly subjective and usually results from a process of elimination.

Scholarship representatives are:

- PNWDC — Al Abe, 7500 SW Crestview, Portland, Ore. 97223.
- KS-WBDC — Howard Yamamoto, 2244 Del Monte Dr., San Pablo, Calif. 94606.
- PSWDC — Mitsuo Sonoda, 12223 Deserbrook Ln., Los Angeles 90049.
- IDC — Kerry Iseri, 1161 NW 4th Ave., Ontario, Ore. 97114.
- MDC — Gordon Yoshikawa, 7761 Gwynn Dr., Cincinnati, Ohio 45243.
- EDC — Grayce Uyehara, 1535 Marlboro Rd., West Chester, Pa. 19380.

16 staff members rally at retreat

By HARRY HONDA

San Francisco

JACL's national staff found where each was "coming from" and pooled their talents during the 2½-day retreat (April 21-23) to assure an effective administrative entourage for the organization.

Executive director David Ushio called his Headquarters staff of eight, four regional office personnel and the Washington representative to meet with Gerold Mukai, active Wasatch Front North JACler, who is skilled in working with staffs of educational institutions.

Also participating were the PC editor, national JACL president Shig Sugiyama and president-elect Jim Murakami.

Most of the Monday session occurred at JACL Headquarters with Sugiyama providing a general overview of the organization. After a late lunch, the meeting recessed. Sugiyama returned to Washington while rest of the staff proceeded to Corralitos Conference Grounds in the Santa Cruz Mountains for remainder of the retreat to thrash out problem-solving and define staff roles more clearly.

Framework of communication lines within staff and its motive power to chapters, communities and agencies of communities and agencies

were honed by input from all concerned. Since crowded conditions of the current office have led to unfortunate slow-downs, the move to the new Headquarters building later this month is expected to improve the administrative picture, according to staff members.

Another staff meeting to evaluate the expectations is planned in 90 days.

Personnel policy

Recommendations for updating the JACL personnel manual were also drafted. Tom Hibino was chosen by staff to represent them at the EX-ECOM when this matter appears on its agenda. Gail Nishio is the staff alternate.

Jim Murakami, as chairman of the personnel committee, was taking notes furiously during the open discussion on personnel recommendations. A formal report, however, is expected from the staff for consideration by the National Board.

Compensatory time, cost-of-living and comparison of JACL's personnel policy with other similar nonprofit-type national organizations were among the chief issues expressed.

Each staff member was to submit to Mukai its operational lines of communication and control for JACL, current of

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CHICAGO—Dr. Tom T. Yatabe, whom the Chicago JACL will honor by naming a scholarship in tribute, addresses overflow crowd attending kickoff dinner to the 1976 Nisei Veterans Reunion to be held in Chicago last week in July. "A Part of US" is the reunion theme.

1976 NISEI VETS REUNION

Overflow crowd at kickoff fete

CHICAGO—Speaking at the 1976 Nisei Veterans Reunion kickoff banquet at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom, Congress-Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) said "the story of the Japanese Americans is a familiar one to many of us, but it needs to be told and retold, for it is a story which can inspire other minority groups in America to believe and have faith in the American dream.

As the only group of Americans to be incarcerated by

official action of the United States government, purely for ethnic reasons, in concentration camps (complete with barbed wire fences and armed guards) the Japanese Americans proved by sacrifice of blood, limbs and life itself, that Americanism is, and always been a matter of heart and mind and never of race or ethnic origin."

Matsunaga, the evening's guest speaker was introduced by Congressman Sidney Yates (D-Ill.). Dignitaries at the banquet included:

Col. Alfred Pursall of 442nd RCT, Dr. Tom Yatabe, well known JACL pioneer and Noboru Honda, toastmaster.

Matsunaga also remarked to the overflow crowd that he was proud to be associated with the 1976 Nisei Veterans Reunion to be held on July 26-31, 1976 in Chicago.

ABC-TV profile on Mine'ta slated

NEW YORK — "Americans All" scheduled for May 10 after the "Saturday Movies" profiles Rep. Norman Mineta, ABC-TV announced.

The approximately five-minute mini-documentary includes scenes when he was mayor of San Jose, his election to Congress, and a meeting with JACL officials in Philadelphia.

The innovative series is in its second year, highlighting contributions of minorities to American life and telecast in network prime time after major movies that fall short of the next hourly mark.

Rep. Norman Mineta will be keynote at the second Asian Business Conference on May 2 at the San Francisco Hilton Hotel. The meeting is sponsored by the U.S. Office of Minority Business Enterprises.

MUKAI TELLS HOW JACL CAN RAISE \$1,000,000

CAMP CORRALITOS, Calif. — Gerold Mukai, development director for Westminster College in Utah, revealed how he can raise a million dollars for JACL.

The subject had been discussed in recent weeks in the Pacific Citizen Letterbox. Question of commission was also raised. But none is involved, he explained. His formula doesn't require it.

"JACL has about 30,000 members. So you have 20,000 of them contribute \$10 a year for five years."

Children's Home Society of America predicted many responding to the needs of Vietnamese children are unaware of the problems they may have later on. One reason for interest in Vietnamese children is that persons must wait between three and five years to adopt an American infant, a CHSA official explained.

The U.S. Dept. of HEW noted there are now about

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JACL-POLITICAL EDUCATION

JACL-ADC, inc. may be reactivated

SAN FRANCISCO — JACLers who helped a generation ago to obtain U.S. citizenship for Issei and compensation for losses due to Evacuation will remember it took a separate legislative arm, the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, Inc., to accomplish that mission.

It may be reactivated, perhaps not in name but in thrust, as the newly-formed National JACL Political Education Committee discussed its role and explored legislative issues here over the April 19-20 weekend.

While some have interpreted the committee's function to be the passage of a reparations bill for Nikkei evacuees, the National JACL Board designated its scope to be general legislative activity. National President Shig Sugiyama subsequently renamed the group to cover an even broader area.

Washington JACL representative Wayne Horiuchi briefed the committee on the ramifications of JACL's tax-exempt, nonprofit status which prohibits "substantial" participation in legislative process and political activities.

The stimulating Saturday session, which covered alternatives to pursue political activities necessary for the protection and preservation of the rights of Americans of Japanese ancestry, culminated in a recommendation to the National Board "to form a separate 501(c)(4) organization—nonprofit but not tax-exempt."

As for structure of the separate group, it was recommended that the National JACL Board constitute the board of the legislative group with the right to add other members as necessary; that the titular head be an individual other than the national president, and it designate an "action" committee.

It was concluded and agreed that a major fund-raising effort would be necessary to sustain the proposed organization. (The JACL-ADC, which operated between April, 1946, and December, 1953, had raised \$650,000.)

Action on this recommendation can come as early as June 7, when an emergency meeting of the board may be held. The board, however, is scheduled to meet next October. Meantime, research and general paper work are to be administratively handled.

Legislative issues

The political education committee reviewed a number of current legislative proposals and how JACL might deal with them. While the organization stands for justice for all Americans, given the limitations within JACL, "our primary emphasis shall be on issues that affect or are of concern to Americans of Japanese ancestry," the committee concluded.

There was also discussion on what power the political education committee had for making decisions regarding national legislative issues on behalf of the membership. The committee felt matters would be referred at subsequent times.

The specific legislative issues discussed are as follows:

1—Reparations: It was

agreed to be a legitimate issue for consideration in view of past National Council mandates.

2—HR 1894 (Dept. of Peace): Low-key support recommended.

3—HR 1944 (Native Hawaiian Land Claims): Tabled.

4—HR 9385 (Adoption information exchange): No priority given.

5—HR 2522 (Gateway Cities bill, EEO and Education for new immigrants): Support in principle, but defer further action until more complete study and information is available.

6—HR 4787 (Civil Service retirement credits): For support.

7—Japan-U.S. Friendship Act: Endorse bill and amend to include funds for nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations dealing with problems of Americans of Japanese ancestry.

8—Hibakusha Aid: Endorse with requirement that support be coordinated with existing Atomic Bomb Survivors Committee seeking such legislation.

9—Asian American Cabinet Committee: Relegated to low priority.

10—HR 1802 (Rice Act): While Midwest District Council gave unanimous support to this bill, defer for further information.

11—Iva Toguri Case: Recognize wishes of individual involved; be sure to communicate with committees and individuals involved.

Reparations bill

The political education committee recommended that JACL through its political action arm support legislation which will provide for a lump-sum amount (to be placed in a trust fund or otherwise dealt with) from the U.S. government for wartime Evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry.

Considerable discussion was encountered on this subject as to whether individuals would be required to pursue personal claims or whether claims or priorities could be allocated to preserve and protect the rights of individuals.

It was recognized that the needs of the elderly Issei, who might not wish to file individual claims, must be met. It was suggested that possibly priorities might be included in the legislation, allowing prior rights to all those who wish to claim and retaining the residue under a trust or foundation arrangement.

Difficulties of individual claims were discussed, noting that possibly 20,000 evacuees are now deceased and their heirs would be difficult to trace. The case of 20,000 other voluntary evacuees and others who were not evacuated but nevertheless suffered injustices was also considered along with persons of Japanese ancestry who were residents of Hawaii.

The fundamental bases for such legislation must be clarified, the committee felt. Should the approach be strictly on a legal basis or upon broad principles of justice and morality, the members asked themselves.

It was generally agreed that claims based on lost wages, deprivation of constitutional rights (because these have

been already adjudicated) and other specific criteria should probably be avoided.

As for the amount of reparations claims involved, Henry Miyatake of Seattle estimated \$680 million as compared with \$414 million estimated by Secretary Harold Ickes in 1946 for injustice, humiliation, suffering and other aspects. The 1948 Evacuation Claims Act involved less than \$40 million.

The chances of success are not bright for passage and the obstacles are tremendous as the question of readjustment of Evacuation Claims was discussed. It will be further explored with legal counsel and with Mike Masaoaka, the committee premises.

The approach of the Danielson bill which would restrict claims to American citizens and provide funding for special programs was generally agreed to be not acceptable.

Task ahead

Recognizing that a reparations bill for evacuees would be a long and difficult road, committee chairman pro-tem Kaz Oshiki of Washington, D.C., suggested:

1—Internal education would be essential to inform JACLers and persons of Japanese ancestry to support this movement.

2—External education must follow among the American public, legislative bodies, civic, religious and other national organizations.

3—Actual technical details of the bill must provide maximum feasibility for acceptance by most people and for

Riverside hosts

spring PSWDC meet

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.—Riverside JACL hosts the second PSWDC quarterly session May 18 at San Bernardino State College with Jim Urata in charge of arrangements.

People in U.S. over 55 without birth certificate get Census Bureau help

PITTSBURG, Kan.—Persons born before birth registration became mandatory in 1920 can obtain transcripts of their Census Bureau record from the census year that will best serve their needs, according to the Personal Census Bureau (commonly known as the Age Search Branch), located here.

A total of 320,000 in the U.S. who found themselves in that predicament last year turned to the U.S. Bureau of Census for help. Their birth certificates may have been accidentally destroyed by flood or fire (such as the San Francisco earthquake) or simply never recorded.

The Age Search Branch was established in 1920. Peo-

Asian Americans 'gun shy' of politics: March Fong

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — "We are gun shy of the political arena because the political arena has not been particularly kind to us," Secretary of State March Fong Eu declared at the third annual installation dinner April 19 of the Union of Pan Asian Communities of San Diego County.

However, Mrs. Eu, first Chinese American elected to a statewide office, said that "feeling of non-Asians to accept us in politics" is increasing.

Vernon Yoshioka, San Diego JACL president, was installed as UPAC chairman.

WORDING SOUGHT FOR CRYSTAL CITY PLAQUE

SAN FRANCISCO — Former residents of the Crystal City (Tex.) internment camp are being asked to suggest an appropriate text for a memorial plaque to mark the WW2 camp as a state historical site, according to Edison Uno, 515 Ninth Ave., San Francisco 94118.

Uno, who will forward the texts, hoped there is sufficient interest to organize a Northern California committee to help the project.

Tuition waiver

SEATTLE, Wash. — Prospect for the college tuition waiver for foreign students (SB 2508) passing is remote, according to State Rep. John S. Eng, as the state legislature is reluctant to address that issue. (Apr. 4 PC).

passage. Frank Iwama of Sacramento strongly urged that the bill be clean and simple, without cluttering up with too many details.

Members appointed to the Political Education Committee are:

PNWDC—Henry Miyatake (Seattle), NC-WBDC—Frank Iwama (Sacramento), CCDC—Tom Shimazaki (Tulare County), PSWDC—Phil Shigekuni (San Fernando Valley), IDC—Henry Suyeihira (Boise Valley), MDC—Minoru Yasui (Milwaukee), EDC—Kaz Oshiki (Washington, D.C.), JAY—Scott Furukawa (Cleveland), and Wayne Horiuchi, Washington JACL rep.

Others present at the meeting included:

National—Shig Sugiyama, James Murakami, Helen Kawagoe, Tom Moriuchi, Dale Shimazaki, David Ushio, Gail Nishio; Visitors—Paul Tsunehiko, Cherry Kikunaka, Greg Marutani, Connie Sakai.

UC Davis teacher being dismissed

DAVIS, Calif. — Dr. Kenne H-K Chang, assistant professor of anthropology at UC Davis who was denied tenure last year, has been informed his employment will be terminated next month.

Only full-time ethnic minority faculty member in his department, Dr. Chang joined the faculty in 1968, has published in leading anthropological journals and has two books awaiting publication, according to his supporters at Asian American Studies Division, UC Davis.

The impending dismissal is viewed as an affront to people of Asian ancestry and against affirmative action.

Indirectly, Dr. Chang was informed his research on a Japanese fishing village was not significant, that it was written in Japanese and therefore of limited use, and not well-known among those who specialize in Japanese cultural studies.

ple write in for documentary evidence of age for reasons of employment, retirement, insurance, income, voter registration, welfare benefits, etc. The Social Security Administration assists many persons each year in obtaining acceptable evidence of age through the census.

Census records can also give evidence of citizenship for passport purposes and of relationship for estate, insurance, etc.

While census information is confidential by law, except to the person himself or for a proper purpose to a legal representative, persons needing proof of age for social security should apply through Social Security or write to the Personal Census Service Branch, Bureau of the Census, Pittsburgh, Kan. 68762, for an application form.

There is a \$7.50 service fee for a search of two censuses and a transcript of the information found. Service generally requires up to four weeks.

ITALIAN AMERICANS HIT SAVINGS BOND PITCH

WASHINGTON — The Treasury Dept. has recalled 350 prints of a 13-minute U.S. savings bond promotional film in response to complaints it defamed Italian Americans, according to Rep. Mario Biaggi (D-N.Y.).

Treasury Dept. official Edmund Lineham said he understood the complaint, "but it didn't occur to us at the time it was approved."

Biaggi and other congressmen noted the racial characterization of gangsters as Italian Americans was "outrageous." No one disagreed with the savings bond program.

DICTIONARY READY

TO EXPLAIN EPITHET

NEWYORK—G. C. Merriam's 1975 Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary will drop the abbreviation for Japan or Japanese, Raymond Okamura of Berkeley, Calif., was recently advised.

Instead, "Jap" will be defined and is "used disparagingly." Okamura has long noted and protested that the abbreviation and the racial epithet to have the same pejorative nature.

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Staff retreat

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office budget, its major events within the coming year, and areas where support might be provided by others to accomplish individual goals.

In his opening statement to staff, Mukai noted, "All is not well with JACL. To rehash the past in terms of personality will not change opinion or improve the situation. Change, integrity and accomplishment are all key issues. What then can staff contribute to JACL, which will be effective and produce desired results?"

He reminded JACL's emphasis has been "an investment in people — Japanese Americans whom we have promoted, protected and encouraged to contribute to the betterment of America and preservation of basic qualities unique to our culture."

"Over the years, specific activity and support have ranged from a million dollar history project, reparations, civil rights and legal action, to golf, bowling and socials — from the esoteric to the sublime."

"From these efforts, JACL has looked for three types of results. 1 — To encourage young adults to continue the work of a pioneer human rights organization. 2 — To see the emergence of new ideas worthy of support and relevant to Japanese Americans in the new pluralistic society of today. 3 — To help maintain the commitments, service and strength of advocacy which was fundamental in the founding charter of JACL."

Future of JACL

Mukai, who attended his first national JACL convention at Portland last year, anticipates a truly "national" stature for the organization with attention toward emerging issues in civil rights, human potential and poverty. "They seem to mandate the entry of JACL into the campaign for equal rights and due process for all Americans," he explained.

But it also carries "a fundamental point of conflict," he added, for there is the problem of carrying out the Portland mandates while maintaining the "right to serendipity and people-to-people orientation of the 1960s."

To overcome this dilemma in fair fashion, JACL has made exacting choices at Portland as Mukai cited:

1 — Need to shift from a legislative-lobby focus based in Washington to grass-roots focus based in areas where Japanese Americans constitute a visible segment of the population.

2 — Staffing and reorganization to mount a "program of

PRESIDENTIAL CLASSROOM

Reflections of '75

SAN FRANCISCO — Young people sponsored by various JACL chapters are now beginning to send to National Headquarters articles about their experiences in Washington, D.C., as a Presidential Classroom for Young Americans participant. Each was asked to write about the program that would give other young people and JACLers an inside look at the program. Following are some of the comments of our earlier attendees:

Janene Fidel, sponsored by Cortez JACL, attended the Feb. 15-22 session. She writes, "I think I can honestly say that my one week in Washington, D.C. was the greatest week of my life; never before and probably never again, have I met so many fantastic people, from so many other places, and did so many great things in one short week. Though the stress was on Gov. law, our activities were varied. One day we had a quick but thorough tour of the city

25 Years Ago

In the PC, April 29, 1950

Apr. 21 — House un-American activities committee held hearings; prestige of Hawaii still unmarred despite 21 are Nisei still refusing to answer questions of alleged Communist affiliation.

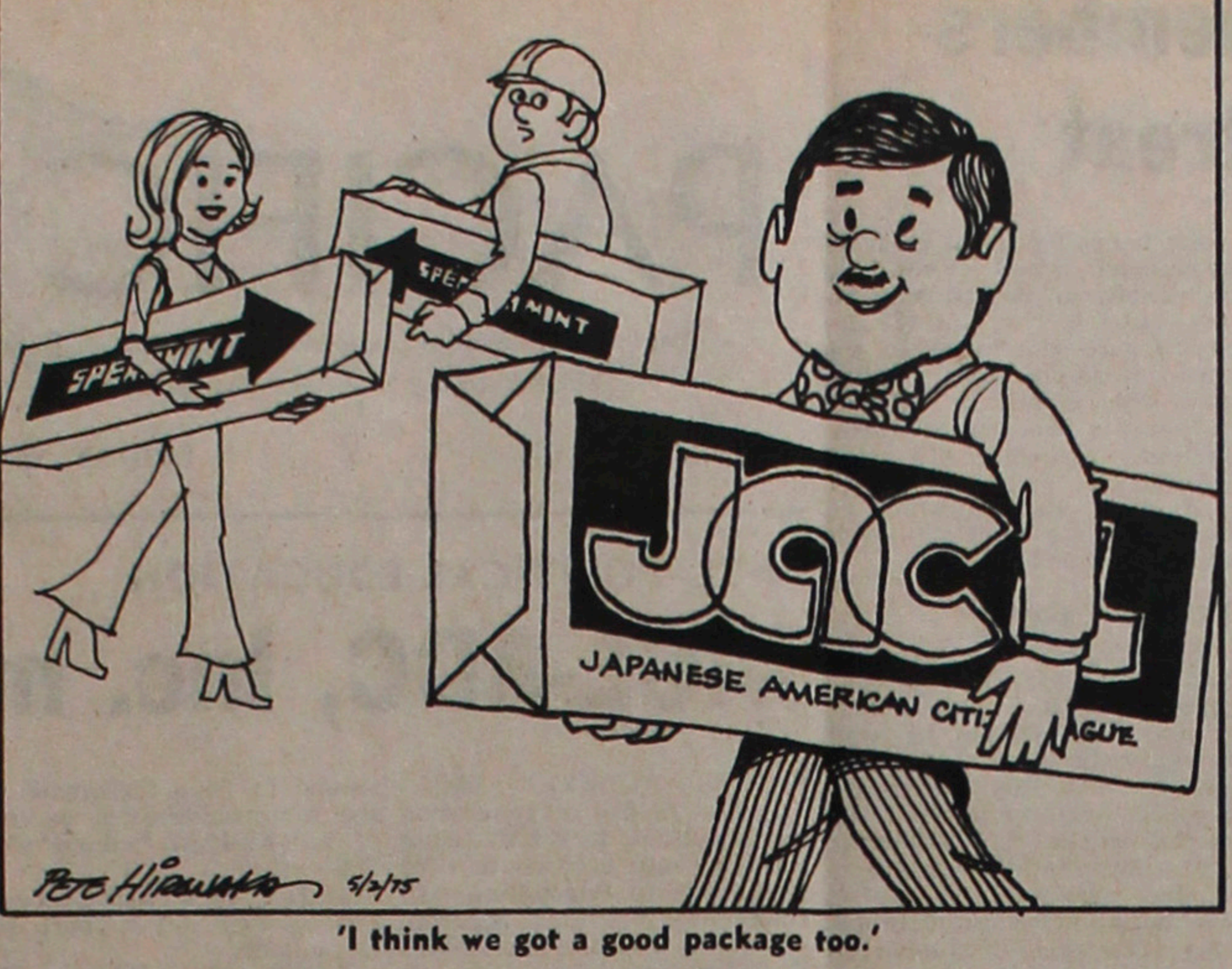
Apr. 22 — American Bowling Congress, may drop white males only clause as Chicago superior court orders ABC to revise charter or get out of state.

Apr. 23 — California Superior Court upheld alien land law. (On Mar. 11, Superior Court Judge Thurmond Clark declared same alien land law unconstitutional in *Hirabayashi* case.)

Apr. 24 — Senate confirms appointment of Dillon Meyer as commissioner of Indian Affairs.

Apr. 24 — Sen. Pat McCarran (D-Nev.) introduces omnibus immigration and naturalization bill.

Apr. 25 — Honolulu Supervisor Kagayama refuses to resign post, had taken government-required loyalty oath but admits his Communist Party membership before House un-American activities Apr. 19.



A PERSONAL PROFILE

The B's in Bill's Bravura

By MAURICE LEWIS, Jr. (The Evening Bulletin)

Philadelphia. Early in 1942, William M. Marutani, 18 at the time, was pulled out of the Univ. of Washington and sent to a "detention camp" near Fresno, Calif. He would remain there for about nine months. He was imprisoned during World War II along with 115,000 other Japanese Americans who lived along the Pacific Coast because of the hysteria that followed the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

Yesterday (April 8) Marutani received word that Governor Shapp was naming him to the Common Pleas Court in Philadelphia.

Marutani is 52 and lives at 8112 Algon Ave.

"My appointment of Marutani will mark the first time outside the Pacific Basin that an Asian American will sit as a judge of a court of record," Shapp said.

On his release from the "detention camp," Marutani enrolled at Dakota Wesleyan University and tried to enlist in the Navy as an aviation cadet. Rejected because of his ancestry, he enlisted in the Army and, after training as an infantryman, was sent to the military intelligence language school.

"Again, my ancestry played a role," he recalled last night. "They thought that because I was of Japanese descent I could speak the language."

Marutani said that after learning to read, write and speak Japanese, a skill he still maintains today, he was commissioned a second lieutenant and sent to Japan with the Army of Occupation.

One of his older brothers, Thomas, served as a private with the tank corps in Europe while the other, Max, reached the rank of master sergeant with the famed 4888 Central Postal Directory Team which fought through Italy and France.

An older sister, Mary, had been sent to Japan to attend school before the war broke out. Married and living in Hiroshima when the atomic bomb was dropped, she was

injured along with her two children. Her husband was killed. She, Max and Thomas, now live in California.

20-year practice

Active in trial work for the past 21 years, he is a member of the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and American Bar Associations, serving on the Philadelphia Bar's International Law and Civil Rights committees.

He is a member of the Democratic Party.

Last Jan. 23, Marutani was among 16 persons named to the Pennsylvania Advisory Committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. He is also a member of the national advisory committee on minorities of the American Civil Liberties Union.

"I'm an American first and foremost," he said emphatically. "But I can readily identify with other Asian Americans whose parents came from Korea, China or the Philippines because we all have gone unrecognized and ignored."

Marutani was also a member of the advisory council of the Small Business Administration and a director of the Nationalities Service Center.

Past national legal counsel and board member of the Japanese American Citizens League, which has 30,000 members in chapters in more than 30 states, Marutani received the group's (JACL) of the Biennium recognition award in 1966. He also received the Chicago Chapter's Brotherhood Award a year later.

In addition, he is a member of the Philadelphia Fellowship Commission and a Committee on Bail Funds, sponsored by the Abington Society of Friends. He is adviser to the Chinese Benevolent Association and solicitor of the Chinatown YMCA.

Marutani, who will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Kendall H. Shoyer, was recommended for the post by the trial court nominating commission. The agency was created by the governor to aid in the appointment of judges on a merit basis. Marutani's selection is the 22nd by the group.

Reflecting on the ups and downs of his life, Marutani said last night, "The beauty of the American system is that it has its capabilities to remedy wrongs in time."

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

MDC resolution

Editor: The leadership problems of this organization must be resolved quickly, and we must proceed with the business of the organization as soon as possible. Because the executive powers of this organization are vested in the National Board, I believe it is they who must resolve this problem. At their Spring meeting during the weekend of April 6, the Midwest District Council directed its Governor to take the necessary steps to have the National President convene a meeting of the National Board. This meeting would be held on June 6, in lieu of the scheduled Executive Committee meeting. The primary purpose of the meeting would be to resolve the leadership problems of the organization.

The JACL membership must abide by the decision made by the National Board. If the Board decides to retain David Ushio as National Director and/or Shig Sugiyama as National President, then we must support their decision. If the Board elects to ask for Ushio's resignation and/or takes the necessary action to remove Sugiyama from office, then we must support the new National Director and/or the new National President. In either case, we must resolve the leadership problems in the organization as soon as possible and proceed with the business of JACL.

RONALD YOSHINO
Chicago JACL

Feature on religion

Editor: Combination of Easter with reference to Western Young Buddhist League conference in Sacramento (April 18) PC was rather intriguing. What this combination aroused in myself was the concern of two major religions in our ethnic communities to get together to place greater emphasis on the spiritual dimensions of our living in the here and now.

As Edison Ueno was impressed with the religious thought of "Kansha" and saying so, so can others do the same. What we lack is exposure. It seems to me that Nisei

Honto-Ni

AS REGIONAL DIRECTOR

During the past few months many people that I have met ask them about my duties as regional director. My typical answer would sound something like this: "The JACL is a national human rights organization with headquarters in San Francisco. The regional office is an extension of the national office which deals with the operational aspects of the organization on a regional basis. "The services that we offer include: overall supervision of 15 chapters in two districts representing four western states; basic public relations for the organization; general information about current programs; membership development; job referrals; resource library that includes books and audio-visual materials; presentations and workshops on Japanese Americans; monitoring of local government, primarily on legislation affecting J.A.'s; anti-discrimination; referral center for legal counsel, medical needs, program development; educational priorities through textbook evaluation, curriculum review; youth program development through JAY program; contact and understanding of Asian organizations in the region; installing officer; and community outreach.

"This list could continue on indefinitely but in order to save my breath, these are just a few important functions."

It was not until (recently),

Portland exactly 2 months 16 days of employment with JACL, did I begin to think about what have been saying to these individuals. My personal philosophies began to show through and I wondered about the impact that I was making as a regional director.

To me, impact and positive accomplishment are crucial in overall job satisfaction, and a conflict of interest develops from this.

In order to effectively deal with the day by day requirements, I would have to develop super-human qualities. What then, are the positive steps to be taken to be effective?

Different alternatives must be explored, and chapters should begin to develop priorities through their district councils. This alternative has one crucial flaw, and that is many chapters would be left out of the picture and hostilities develop because of lack of visibility and their right as JACL members for equal time.

The second alternative is the development of a proposal to hire specialists in the primary areas of concern. The summer internship program is one answer to this problem, but it doesn't guarantee overall continuity because of the short period in time the student will be working. Outside funding should be considered to hire the specialists.

I would greatly appreciate input to help strengthen this office and its service to you, a JACL member.

NC-WNDYC QUARTERLY

Interracial couples address workshop

SAN LORENZO, Calif. — Attendance at the first NC-WNDYC workshop this year could have been better but the outcome of "Crossroads Reconstructed," hosted by the Eden Township JAYs, was most rewarding, according to workshop coordinator Donna Fone.

About 30 participants came for the April 12-13 DYC workshop — mostly from San Francisco and Eden Township JAYs and some guests from Placer County.

The feature workshop on interracial marriages, organized by Randy Chin and moderated by Dale Shimasaki, consisted of four interracial married couples; the Bruce Imaizumi, Rodney Omachi, David Ushio and John Petinos. They discussed problems involving family and friends, changes made because of the marriage, jobs and answered questions from the audience.

Ich Nishida, Eden Township JAY adviser, emceed the dinner. Mike Fong presented a slide talk on the Hayward High student exchange with Sado High in Niigata. Grant Horiochi, DYC chairman, presided at business session while Gail Nishioka and Roy

Hiabayashi discussed the basics of organizing workshops and other activities.

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Short notes

Dear Harry: I think that the "From JACL National Headquarters" format on the front page and at the same location is good. It tells a member what JACL is doing.

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THINGS YOU CAN LEARN BY READING

Denver, Colo. — The national economy can't be all bad when a slick, colorful magazine like JADE can be published. Editor Gerald Jann sent along a copy of Vol. 1, No. 3, the Spring 1975 issue, and I found it to be a lively, readable, nicely balanced publication for and about Asian Americans. It is published four times a year at 3240 Beverly Boulevard, Los Angeles 90048.

There is no indication as to who is bankrolling JADE, but the scant amount of advertising in the magazine indicates an angel somewhere in the background. The ads in this issue wouldn't even begin to pay for the glossy paper, much less the handsome color printing. Nonetheless the editorial bill of fare stands on its own merits.

The lead story is a profile of James Wong Howe, the celebrated cinematographer whose first camera was a \$450-bob Brownie that the 10-year-old Howe paid for in part by collecting 600 empty bottles. (Among other things I learned, Howe started his Hollywood filming career as an assistant to Henry Kotani, the Issei cameraman.)

Aloha from Hawaii

By RICHARD GIMA

State Capitol

Honolulu — Work of the Eighth Legislature's 1975 session has ended. Passed were (a) pay raises for teachers, UH faculty, governor, lt. governor and state cabinet; (b) pension increases for legislators; (c) reforming State Land Use Commission to a quasi-judicial agency; (d) lobbyist registration and more open meetings; (e) barring sales of "Saturday night specials"; (f) curbing developments in coastal zones; (g) separate incorporation of East-West Center; and (h) endorsement of a 14-mile system between the new stadium at Halawa and Kahala Mall.

Names in the News

Washington newspaper reports say the U.S. Civil Service Commission is investigating circumstances surrounding appointment of David K. Nakagawa, head of the Small Business Administration office here. Appointed four years ago, the allegations hold political considerations were involved. Previously the SBA district counsel for 16 years, Nakagawa denied the charges.

Cambodian president Lon Nol entered Tripler Army Hospital April 14 for a series of medical tests. It was his second visit for treatment of the effects of a stroke that nearly killed him four years ago. . . Hirobumi Uno, special asst. in human resources for seven years to the late Gov. Burns and with the Dept. of Social Services for 20 years, is department chairman of public administration at Hawaii Pacific College.

Patricia Nakagawa, queen of the Kona Coffee Festival, was guest of Rep. Spark Matsunaga at a breakfast in the Capitol. She was in Washington during National Coffee Week (Mar. 31-Apr. 6). Supreme Court Chief Justice William Richardson was picked Jurist of the Year by the American Judges Assn. convention at Portland, Ore. His wife, who suffered a stroke in late March was in a critical condition at St. Francis Hospital April 11. . . Former Arizona governor Howard Pyle attended the Honolulu Press Club's 50th anniversary memorial service for his cousin, war correspondent Ernie Pyle, who was killed by a sniper April 17, 1945, on Ie Shima in the Ryukyus.

Sports Scene

Howard Gay, former UH quarterback from Livingston, Calif., succeeds Herb Moriyama as head football coach at McKinley High. . . Kyo Nakama will be inducted May 16 into the International Swimming Hall of Fame at Ft. Lauderdale.

Hawaii Today

Hawaii conservationists and fishermen say tuna caught and canned in Hawaii should be exempt from the boycott of canned tuna reportedly spreading across the Mainland. The campaign is said to be based on the contention that West Coast fishermen are killing millions of porpoises while fishing for tuna. Honolulu conservationists Willis Moore says those conditions do not apply to tuna fishing in Hawaiian waters.

Education

High school reunions: Roosevelt, '55, July 5 at Moana Surfride; Waipahu, '55, July 5; Waipahu, '65, Aug. 2, HIC; Lihalehua, '50, July 4-5; Lahaina, '45, June 20-21. . . Mitsuru Omori, exec. dir., Pacific Western Univ.'s Hawaii division, was ordered by the state Dept. of Regulatory Agencies to cease and desist its local operations. State maintains the school is not accredited nor licensed as required by law. Pacific Western, Omori, says, is a college in operation in Colorado Springs.

Neighbor Islands

Hilo's new \$17-million airport, being built on the south side of the present facilities, is on construction schedule with completion due in December. . . Kaula police reported five dozen potted plants have been stolen. Among them were bougainvillea, anthurium and orchid.

Other stories include a piece on a Chinese American police officer in San Francisco's Chinatown; a short feature on the Keiro Nursing Home in Los Angeles; an interview with March Fong, California's first female secretary of state; a story on Lt. Col. Terry Uye-yama, the Air Force pilot who was shot down off North Vietnam and spent nearly five years as a prisoner of war; a color feature on Hiroshige prints; a story on Asian American (American, unfortunately, is misspelled in the title) activism featuring the opinions of Dr. Harry Kitano and Mariko Yamada; a short on illustrator George Akimoto; a photostory about a girl named Rose Low who plays quarterback for the Los Angeles Dandelions; Japanese dolls; Korean cooking as practiced by Marguerite Kim, a Los Angeles fashion designer; Chinese New Year; Tracy Makazaki, a 13-year-old who shoots par golf; and other brief features.

JADE is reminiscent of the late, lamented Scene Magazine published a couple of decades ago in Chicago, but somewhat more professional and with farther-reaching editorial interests. There is an untapped store of Asian American material waiting for magazine treatment, and JADE may be just the vehicle to get the job done.

★ Yoshiko Uchida, the Berkeley author of numerous children's books, has come up with another delightful tale, "The Birthday Visitor," to be published May 1 by Charles Scribner's Sons. It is about Emi Watanabe, a Nisei girl in the 'Thirties who fears her seventh birthday party will be spoiled by a minister from Japan who is arriving as guest of her parents. The minister turns out to be a regular fellow and Emi—and the young readers of the book—learn not to prejudge people. A pleasant little story to go along with Yoshiko Uchida's other books, including "Samurai of Gold Hill" and "Journey to Topaz."

★ George Shiozawa of Pocatello, Idaho, sends along an editorial from the Idaho Farmer-Stockman that presents the cattleman's view of grain utilization, a subject touched on in this space recently with reference to worldwide food shortages.

The editorial points out that while it takes seven pounds of grain to put a pound of meat on cattle, the steer is fed grain only for a relatively brief part of its life. Actually, the editorial points out, during its lifetime three-fourths of a steer's diet is from pasture and range—land unfavorable for raising row crops—where it converts grass and other foliage into food that humans can consume. "Grains indeed play a vital role in beef production," the editorial concludes, "but cattle are not the fierce competitors for our bread that many charge them to be."

Thanks to Shiozawa for his interest.

In Canada

ONTARIO—The "hit" tune, "Kung Fu Fighting," was banned from the air by two rock-music stations in Hamilton (CKOC, CHAM) after a Sarsel student at McMaster University complained the word, "Chinaman," in the lyrics was both offensive and racist. . . Toronto Nisei Mack Miyashita, 52, who operates a chain of gyms, gave a lecture of physical culture and a dazzling demonstration on weight lifting to inmates of Warkworth Penitentiary. About 400 inmates are said to be weight enthusiasts.

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LOS ANGELES—Higashi Hongwanji church officials present \$5,000 as a "good faith deposit" with Community Redevelopment Agency, which will sell a 1.08-acre site on the northwest corner of Third St. and Central Ave. for a two-story office and church. In the picture (from left) are Masanobu Mitsuuchi, Dr. George Mizunoue (president of the Higashi Hongwanji), CRA administrator Richard Mitchell, Frank Chikawa, Goro Yamada, Katsumasa Sakioke, Rinban Horyu Ito and Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project manager Sachiye Hirotsu.

—Toyo Miyatake Studios.

Washington, D.C. supports Sugiyama

WASHINGTON—The Washington, D.C. JACL board, at its March meeting, said it was supporting Shig Sugiyama with respect to the charges made by the PSWDC, according to chapter president Mel Chigiogio.

Osaka sumo title won by brother of former champion

By MAS MANBO

Tokyo — The most popular sumo wrestler in Japan has finally won a tournament. Ozeki-ranked, out-potbelled Takano-hana turned the trick in the spring meet in Osaka by defeating yokozuna Kitanoumi in a final-day playoff after both finished the regular series with a 13-2 win-loss record.

Takanohana's older brother,

SPARTAN BEAT

er, former yokozuna Wakano-hana, retired 13 years ago after an illustrious career of capturing ten tournament titles. They are the only brothers ever to gain sumo championships.

Takanohana has been in the ozeki rank (step below the highest rank of yokozuna) since the autumn of 1972. The 25-year-old sumoist is a light-weight by comparison, about 230 pounds, and stands 6 feet high—a little less than Wakano-hana in his prime. In winning the Osaka meet, Takanohana was outweighed by the grand champion by about 100 pounds.

Enroute to the Osaka title, Takanohana turned back the hottest wrestler of them all, Takamiyama (Jesse Kuhaulua, Maui), who tips the beam at more than 360. Jesse finished with an 8-7 record.

Takanohana's real name is Mitsuru Hanada, youngest of 10 children of an Amomori family. Wakano-hana, the eldest, now runs the Futagoyama sumo camp.

ICE HOCKEY — Japan was disappointed, finishing sixth in the eight-team World B hockey championships at Makomanai Ice Arena in Hokkaido. Japan would have qualified for the 1976 Winter Olympics at Innsbruck with at least a fifth-place finish.

Canadian-born Herb Wakabayashi, who starred at Boston University, was one of Japan's standouts with 5 goals and 3 assists during the tournament. East Germany, who was favored, won the World B title.

BOXING — Kuniaki Shibata defended his WBC junior lightweight title for the third time with a 15-round decision over Algeria's Ould Makholoufi at Fukuoka on Mar. 27. It was Shibata's 11th world title bout—a record for a Japanese boxer. He is also the only Japanese to hold three world crowns, the other two being the WBC featherweight and WBA junior lightweight.

1975 MOTHERS OF THE YEAR

Downtown L.A. honoring a pair

LOS ANGELES — Mitsuyo Inadomi, 76, and Sumiko Murakami, 71, are to be honored by the Downtown L.A. JACL May 6, 6:30 p.m., at Man Jen Low where the chapter holds its 13th annual Mother's Day dinner. It was announced by chairman Takito Yamaguma.

Mrs. Inadomi passed a midwife examination in Japan in 1918, delivered over 300 babies until her marriage in December, 1922, to John Kalchiro Inadomi. They sailed to the U.S. two months later, and worked together packing lemons in Santa Paula.

In 1925, the young couple purchased a general store in nearby Fillmore, expanding later in partnership to markets in Ventura and Santa Paula. She learned to speak both English and Spanish catering to the customers. She was also a devoted mother to six children.

Yosh, now president of JonSons, Inc.; Minoru, Santa Ana attorney; Taz, v.p.-controller, JonSons; Chiyeko (Mrs. Joseph Chen), sec. JonSons; Grace (Mrs. James Naruse), teacher; Lilly (Mrs. Ted Sasaki Jr.), teacher.

During the war years, the family was evacuated to Tulare Assembly Center and then to Gila River. They relocated to Brighton, Colo., where they farmed until their return here in 1947.

Father and son Yosh had separate markets on the east side but in 1958 merged to form the first of four JonSons markets.

Mrs. Inadomi is currently president of the Fukuoka Fujinkai, busy visiting her 16 grandchildren, tends to her orchid garden home. Mr. and Mrs. Inadomi recently celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary.

The bittersweet story of Mrs. Murakami commenced when she came in 1916, marrying four years later and then working on a berry and grape farm in Perkins near Sacramento before the war.

When war came, the Yoshikiyo Murakami family of 12 children lost all their possessions—the house, land and personal belongings—and were evacuated to the Fresno assembly center and later to Arkansas and Tule Lake.

They decided to move to Japan when the war ended, taking all of the 15 children to their home village, Kirime, in Wakayama-ken. There they faced many hardships, having very little to feed so many mouths. Some of the children were repatriated to the U.S. while others secured a job with the U.S. occupation forces in the Yokohama area.

The family moved to Kamakura, living there for 13 years. Then the whole family made the move back to California where all 15 children now live.

John, Paul, Sam, Mary, Mike, Roy, Harry, Joe, Fred, Bob, Nancy, Susie, David, Tule and Tom. Her husband passed away in 1970, just a few months short of the golden wedding.

Big move seen for Bank of Tokyo

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — Bank of Tokyo of California has opened preliminary talks to acquire the Southern California First National Bank of San Diego, according to bank president Richard Silberman this past week (April 23).

So, Cal First is the tenth largest California-based bank with 72 branches in San Diego, Orange and Los Angeles counties with total assets of \$881-million.

Bank of Tokyo of California, the state's ninth largest with 22 branches statewide and \$1,047-billion in assets, is 52.8% owned by the Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., Japan, with over \$20-billion assets.

Any agreement, Silberman said, would be contingent upon approval of Washington regulatory agencies.

Quote of Note

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anniversary. Mrs. Murakami lives happily surrounded with her children, 20 grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Seven of the 11 sons served in the U.S. armed forces.

Tickets at \$7.50 per person can be secured from Yamaguma at the Bank of Tokyo (687-9800) or from Steve Kawagishi at the Sumitomo Bank (683-1717).

CHAPTER PULSE

May Events

● Cleveland JACL Issel Day will be staged on Mother's Day, May 11, at the Downtown YWCA with festivities starting at 2 p.m. and concluding with a potluck supper.

Tak Kunimoto and Nob Asamoto, co-chairmen, said a full program of entertainment, special gifts and socializing has been planned.

● Salinas Valley JACL will honor local area graduates at its annual scholarship awards dinner May 31 at the Towne House, Salinas.

Dr. John Hirasuna, scholarship chairman, said four awards will be made. Applicants should check with their high school counselor.

February Events

● San Mateo JACL sponsored a candidate night Feb. 24, which was attended by 100 persons, according to president Yosh Kojimoto. To publicize the event, Linda Ito prepared 40 posters which were distributed around the community.

● Assignment of Seattle JACL members to various chapter committees was announced by Pres. Lindbergh Sata at the February board meeting as follows:

Officers job descriptions—Takako Yoda, Henry Miyatake, George Hom, Midori Uyeda; anti-defamation—Mary Fujita, Michiko Fujii, Charles Z. Smith, Sharon Maeda; program—Bill Kawahara, Dr. Joseph Okimoto, Connie Asaki, Sam Shoji; scholarship—John Matsumoto, Helen Akita, Tomio Moriguchi, Gerald Yusa; recognition—Cherry Kinoshita, Toru Sakahara, Mas Tomita, Art Kono; membership—Eira Nagaoka, Tak Kubota, Shosuke Sasaki, Gu Hirabayashi; 1000 Club—Richard Ishikawa, Mitch Matsudaira, Terry Nakano, Harry Kadoshima; ethnic cultural center—Kim Nakaniishi, Jiro Namatame, Teresa Fujiwara, Chuck Kato; nominations—Tom Kozumi, Art Yorozu, Lloyd Hara, Y. K. Kuniyuki.

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FINAL JACL ADC REPORT IN '54 CONFAB MINUTES

Mike Masaoka submitted the final report of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee, Inc., (1946-1952) at the 1954 National JACL Convention at Los Angeles. It appears in the convention minutes as well as the 1954 PC Holiday Issue. Masaoka was the national legislative director.

Mishima play

LOS ANGELES — A one-act play, "A Separating Strangeness," which employs aspects of the Noh drama relating the harakiri death of author Yukio Mishima, has been written by Darrell Houston, L.A. Times writer who spent a year in Japan as an Alicia Patterson journalism fellowship winner. It is being presented May 2-4 at Pomona's Valley Community Theater.

High school reunion

LOS ANGELES — Lincoln High School class of 1926 will hold its 50th year reunion next year. Charles L. Smith, 70, Stanton Ave., Orinda, Calif. 94563, is seeking whereabouts of:

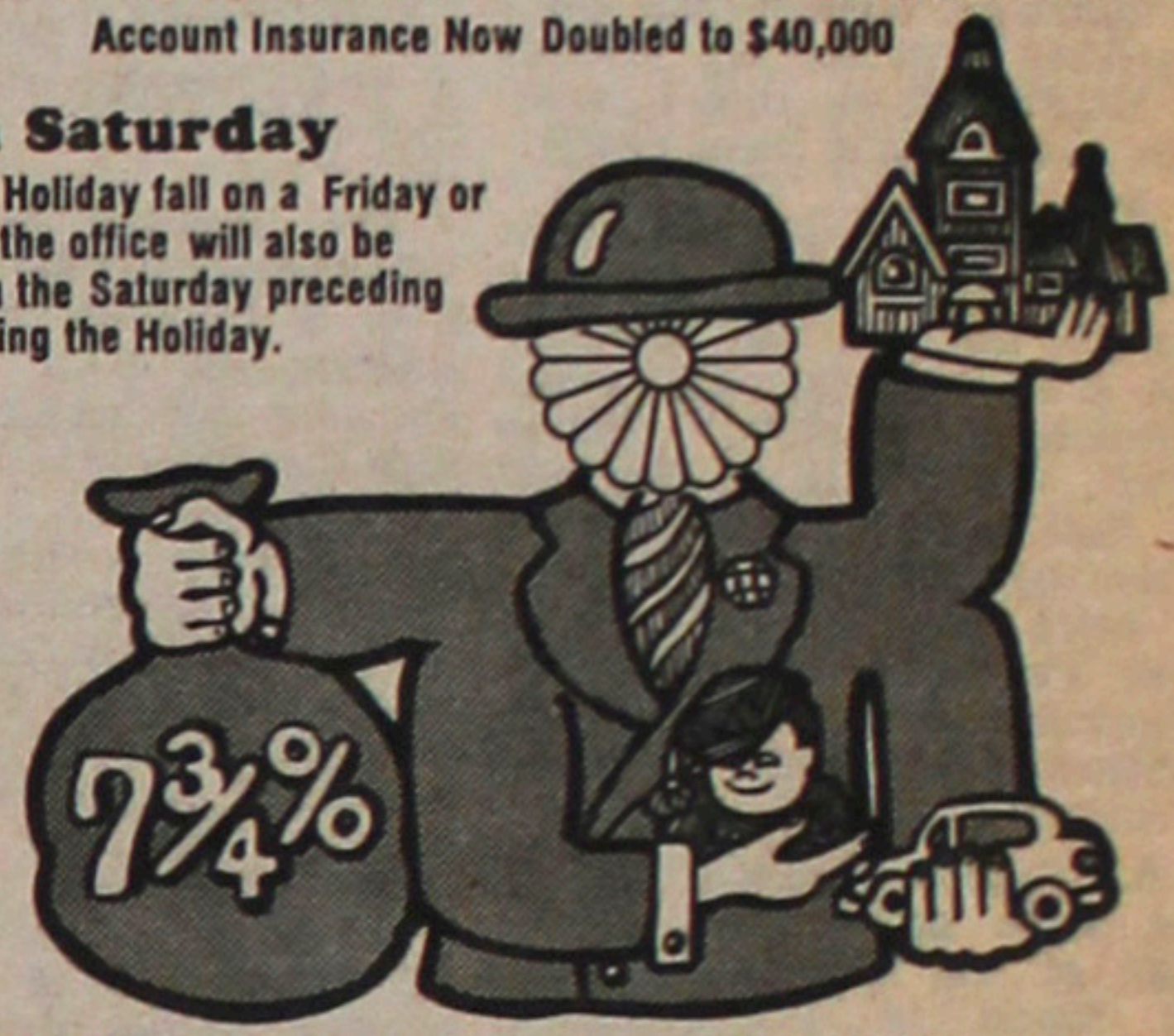
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Minority One

TIME OUT FOR FILMS

San Francisco
For some unknown reason, I've developed an indifference towards movies. In the days before World War II, movies played an important part in my childhood. I remember how anxiously we looked forward to double features on Saturday afternoon, the next exciting episode of Flash Gordon, a Felix-the-Cat cartoon, and a bonus of a free candy bar all for ten cents. . . I guess you can call them the "good old days."

During the war years, I had my fill of movies. I was the projectionist's assistant at the Friday, Saturday and Sunday movies in camp. Mr. Kono, the former personal valet and confidant to Charlie Chaplin, was my boss. It was common for us to see the same show at least six times in a row. Maybe that accounts for my present lack of interest in movies. Anyway I see about two movies a year and if I'm lucky I'll catch an Academy Award film on television as a second or third rerun.

KQED productions

This year I'm breaking all records. I've been following "The Japanese Film" on KQED, our local educational station. If their acceptance nationally is as great as it is in the Bay Area, the KQED production must be an unqualified success. My friends at KQED tell me that this series has brought them national acclaim.

It is difficult to cite a favorite as they have all been superb, but if I had to select "Double Suicide," "Hara-Kiri," and "Harp of Burma" in that order. The commentaries by Edwin O. Reischauer have been valuable; however I've been somewhat disappointed in some of the shallow perceptions by other so-called experts.

A deeper appreciation of the style mood, and psychology of the Japanese should be made to non-Japanese viewers, in my opinion. I am really surprised how much my non-Japanese friends missed in the symbolism used in Japanese films.

'Hearts and Minds'

Speaking of films, I was invited to a local preview of the controversial anti-war

film, "Hearts and Minds." It is very political. If you don't like propaganda pictures, let this one pass. If you have your doubts about our involvement in Vietnam, this film will certainly make you anti-U.S. foreign policy.

Gen. Westmoreland will never get an Oscar for his superior role in the film because he wasn't acting. To paraphrase his arrogance, he claims Asians do not cherish life like Americans. The screen is filled with weeping children and widows at the graveside of their deceased husbands and fathers.

It was a skillful anti-propaganda film — the other side of all the propaganda we've been fed for many years.

See this Academy Award-winning documentary if you dare. It is rated "R," but it's the kind of film everyone should see, especially Asian Americans.

'The White Dawn'

The phone rang and on the other end to my surprise was an old friend, Sasheen Littlefeather, back from Washington state where she participated in a Native American Film Festival. She asked me if I had seen "The White Dawn." When I replied in the negative, she invited me to meet the director and see it at a special showing. "Meet me at Francis Ford Coppola's home at 8" she said. "He has a small theater in his basement." I was not disappointed.

The famous director (of "Godfather—Part II" fame) has a fabulous home overlooking the bay. A special showing for visiting Russian film directors was a real treat for me.

The story is simple as it is more a documentary of the life of Eskimos in the Canadian Arctic. It has English subtitles as most of the conversation is in their native tongue. Eskimos look like many Issei, Nisei and Sansei I know. The film is a beautiful treatment of conflicts of culture, values, and mores. It is a powerful film in many ways, but its most important message is the strength of people who must survive the most severe conditions including the contamination by white men. I understand it was released last year. If you have an opportunity to see it, don't miss it.

PC's People

Government



Tsutomu Uchida

Tsutomu Uchida, executive director of the Asian American National Business Alliance, Los Angeles, was appointed to the small business advisory council of the State Dept. of Commerce and State Commission for Economic Development task force on small business development.

Mote Nakasaka of West Los Angeles and charter member of the Nisei VFW Post 9938 is chief of the veterans service division within the L.A. County Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs. . . Japanese Ambassador Yahukiko Nara, 57, has been reassigned from South Vietnam to Canada. In the Japanese foreign service since 1940, he was consul general at Chicago and New York.

Adams County (Colo.) social services supervisor George Kawamura called for child-protection teams in dealing with the problem of child abuse in recent testimony before the state House Judiciary committee. Teams would operate in counties reporting 50 or more child-abuse cases annually.

Los Angeles Mayor Bradley added Jun Moon Kim to his staff as community services representative and liaison with the rapidly growing Korean community and the mayor's office. Before coming to the U.S. Kim worked with the U.S. 8th Army as a coordinator between Korean personnel and American officials.

Theater

"A Child in Prison Camp" by Canadian Nisei author-artist Shizue Takashima was presented in musical form in Tokyo Mar. 17 for a week's run at the Gekidan Fuji. The book, already released in Japanese, received the annual Sankai Shimbun juvenile literary award.

U.S. Bicentennial

Six counties straddling the Missouri River in Iowa and Nebraska of Omaha-Council Bluffs have commissioned sculptor Isamu Noguchi to a design a Friendship Fountain for the Midlands Riverfront Bicentennial Alliance of Harrison, Mills and Potawattami counties in Iowa, the Washington, Douglas and Sarpy counties in Nebraska. Area adjacent to the towering fountain will be developed as a park on both sides of the river. As one who grew up as a teenager in the midlands (he was 13 when he came to America and lived in Indiana), Noguchi said the fountain will be reminiscent of the prairie-land windmills; it will spray a large whirling ball of water which will fall into the river below.

A full-time technician at Kansas State University known around the country for his skill in transforming glass tubing into complex scientific equipment for research, Mitsuru Ohno spends his free hours working on a glass replica of the nation's Capitol for the local Bicentennial celebration (judging by the Associated Press photo) is about four feet wide and two feet high. Ohno estimates he will have spent about 5,000 hours to complete the creation. He has already presented President Nixon with a model of Inde-

and words which might be tongue-twisters to some adults, but kids will love them for that very reason.

Charles Robinson, illustrator of many distinguished books, has created warm and sensitive portraits of attractive and lovable people in *The Birthday Visitor*. His collaboration with Yoshiko Uchida is remarkably close to perfection, particularly when one considers that he and his drawing board are 3,000 miles away. He lives in New Vernon, N.J., with his wife and three children.

It is an unfortunate fact of life that rising production costs in the book publishing business have made it necessary for artists to limit their use of colors. In spite of this, *The Birthday Visitor* is tastefully done in a few carefully chosen colors, evidently executed in water color paint. Throughout the book, including the dust jacket, it is pleasing to the eye.

In a recent interview, Yoshiko Uchida said, "I wanted to do a 'quiet' book, something totally apart from the violence that is depicted today in all media."

She and Charles Robinson have done just that, and admirably, too.

BOOK REVIEW: by Lee Ruttle

Yoshiko Uchida's 19th Book

THE BIRTHDAY VISITOR by Yoshiko Uchida, illus. by Charles Robinson, Charles Seribner's Sons, New York, 28 pp., \$5.95.

Hardly a year goes by before the prolific children's author, Yoshiko Uchida of Berkeley, produces another book. If our calculations are right, this is her 19th published work, and her talent shows no sign of diminishing.

More in the category of a picture book, *The Birthday Visitor* is aimed at the small fry, and the honors can rightfully be shared by the illustrator.

The story is a simple tale evolved out of everyday happenings which take on great importance in the life of a seven-year-old girl. Cleverly woven into the text are subtle references to Japanese manners and customs as practiced by second and third generation families of Japanese ancestry now living in America.

Emi, the protagonist of *The Birthday Visitor*, is a typical American kid who just happens to have a Japanese background. Therein lies the special charm of this gentle story. Such reading can be informative as well as entertaining for any child who can be lured away from TV long enough to crack a book. It also lends itself very well to being read aloud by parents of those children who have not yet learned to read. There are a few Japanese names

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pendence Hall and another of the USS Constitution to Mamie Eisenhower.

Dancer Sahomi Tachibana has choreographed "Nippon Suite" as part of the Ethno-American Dance Theater premiere of "America Has Many Faces—a Dance Heritage" as a Bicentennial program. The suite was staged April 2-6 at the Riverside Church in New York.

Awards

Leuzinger High student Robert H. Wada, son of the Bob Wadas of Hawthorne, was awarded the Eagle Scout rank at the Troop 719 court of honor. He is currently junior asst. scoutmaster of the troop. Roy Mayeda is scoutmaster.

Business

Los Angeles attorney Frank F. Chuman and businessman Ed Matsuda were re-elected to the board of directors of Founders Savings & Loan Assn. and again named chairman and treasurer, respectively. Starting its second year of operation, its assets are now in excess of \$10 million, it was announced by president Peter Dauterive. . . . Gardens Valley JACL President T. Kaji, president of Merit Savings & Loan, presided at the western regional conference of American Savings & Loan League, a group for minority owned S&L, April 18-19 at Culver City's Americana Hotel.

Agriculture

Criminal complaints were filed April 5 by San Diego city attorney's office against two spinach growers, Jerry Gonzalez Jr. and George Tachiki of San Ysidro, for violation of the state agricultural code. The city attorney said spinach was harvested and sold a few

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Sports

New York-born Hank Kashiwa captured the world professional ski cup April 6 with a 14-point margin over Henri Duvalier of France in Italy. He won the cup with 360 points, without winning a single race, but placing among the leaders consistently.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Carson will have its ethnic population stage a cultural fair May 16-18 at the Carson Mall, featuring display booths, food sales and cultural programs. Nikkei residents will be among the participants.

Japanese American Republicans meet May 5 at Yue's Restaurant, Gardena, to hear Michael Donaldson, Torrance attorney, discuss new election reform laws. For information call Ruth Watanabe (472-8362).

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