

New York Inaugural

New York
The first day of summer
found us driving a now
familiar route from
Springfield, Va., to New York to attend the
New York Chapter's installation
dinner. The lowered
speed limit forced us into
a leisurely pace, but for once,

surely—thanks to imaginative
programming, responsiveness,
and a forward looking public
relations effort by dedicated
and hard working chapter
members such as those in-
stalled Saturday night as

what's going on in Congress
and the role of the "Fresh-
man Class" of Congressper-
sons in his speech and in a
lively question and answer
period afterwards.

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14 prep grads share \$5,950 in scholarships

Philadelphia
Fourteen graduating high
school seniors were named
winners of scholarships ad-
ministered by the National Ja-
panese American Citizens
League, it was announced re-
cently by Mrs. Grace Ueyehara, JACL Vice President for
General Operations, who
chaired the National Scholar-
ship Committee of:

There were no limits of the
number of applicants from
chapters or district councils
this year for one of the four-
teen scholarships, and over
250 applications were received
and judged by the eight
local committees before final
selections were made by the
Eastern regional committee.

The 1974 National JACL
Freshman Scholarship. Win-
ners are:

JACL Scholar: \$700

GEORGIANA LYNN KEZELE of
Whittier, Calif., is the daughter
of the George L. Kezeles and is
affiliated with the Selanoco JACL.
She will enter Univ. of Southern
California in the fall to pursue
a career in special education to
work with children.

Aaron has distinguished himself
in high school. He is recipient
of the National Council of English
Teachers Writing Award, regional
Merit, Kiwanis Leadership Award,
is a Salt Lake Valley Sertoma
speech contest winner, and will
also appear in "Who's Who in
American High Schools" for 1975.
Among his other achievements are
awards for academics, acting, fine
arts, work and advertising.

probably pursue the field of bio-
chemistry, hoping to enter med-
ical school.
Number 1 out of a class of 450,
Dale is the recipient of a Bank
of America Achievement Award,
is a quarter-finalist for a PG&E
scholarship, is a National Merit
Scholarship commendation recip-
ient, a California Scholarship
Federation Sealbearer, and will
appear in "Who's Who Among
American High School Students"
for 1974. He was also on the Pres-
ident's List of Hartnell Jr. Col-
lege in 1974 where he was con-
currently enrolled while still in
high school.

vey has received Achievement
Awards for math, science, social
science, and language arts, as
well as a Bank of America Certifi-
cate Award in several studies.
During his high school years, he
participated in various high school
sports with the Asian American
Club, his school's newspaper staff;
serving as editor-in-chief during
his senior year, and is a 11th
member of the California Schol-
arship Federation.

Also active in communiti-
sports, Harvey found time to
participate with the North-West
Sagee baseball team, Asian League
basketball, and Jr. YBA basket-
ball. He is currently president of
the North-West Fresno Jr. YBA.

Dr. Takashi Terami
Memorial Scholarship: \$500

MAHE ELIZABETH CULVER is
the daughter of the Harold Cul-
vers of Wurtzburg, New York. She
will be attending Syracuse Univ-
ersity in the fall but has not de-
cided on a major as yet as she
is interested in both art and
chemistry.

Ranked number 1 in her grad-
uating class of 238 students, Ma-
rie is the recipient of a National
Merit Scholarship letter of com-
mendation, a Syracuse Univer-
sity Citizenship Conference
scholarship, and is a member of
the National Junior and Senior
Honors Societies.

Marie during her high school
years participated in the band and
wind ensemble, all-county band,
area and all-state band, and was
editor of her yearbook, worked as
a chemistry lab assistant, and was
on the Student Council.

Gongoro Nakamura
Memorial Scholarship: \$400

KEITH MINOR MIZUTANI of
Canoga Park, Calif., is the son of
Doris Mizutani and is affilia-
ted with the Santa Teresa Valley
JACL. Keith has chosen to at-
tend the Univ. of Southern Cali-
fornia in the fall where he will
major in biology, while fulfill-
ing a course of study for pre-medi-
cine.

With his distinguished himself
by being the recipient of an Elks
Club National Scholarship at the
local level, is a four-time recipi-
ent of the Corona Coast JACL
Memorial Scholarship, a Los Angeles
City Youth Advisory Council award,
and a recipient of a Santa Teresa
Optimist Club essay contest award.

Active in sports (track and foot-
ball), he has also found time to
serve his school as both Student
Body president and vice pres-
ident, participate in Boy's League,
and is a California Scholarship
Federation member.

In his community, Keith was a
chairman and participant in the
"Ride-On for Children" in 1974,
participated in the Nisei Relays,
participated in the Watts Summer
Holiday Camp, and is a volunteer
supervisor for Youth Services at a
local elementary school, campaign-
ed for school board issues,
and served on the community ad-
visory committee.

Mitsuyuki Yonemura
Memorial Scholarship: \$400

PAMELA NOMURA of El Cer-
rito, Calif., is the daughter of
the Shigeo Nomuras and is affilia-
ted with the Corona Coast JACL.
Pamela has chosen to enroll at
Stanford in the fall where she is
tentatively planning to pursue a
career in engineering.

Pamela is a National Merit
finalist, the recipient of a Bank of
America Certificate in Mathemat-
ics, and a California Scholarship
Federation life member.
While in school she partici-
pated in varsity volleyball, varsity
basketball, Girl's Athletic Assn.,
Red Cross, served as copy edit-
or of the school yearbook, Inter-
club Council representative, school
legislature and Los Sabios
president.

Outside of school, Pamela did
volunteer work with the Red
Cross as well as bi-weekly tutor-
ing for handicapped students.

Mr. & Mrs. James Michener
Memorial Scholarship: \$250

DAVID MASA BUTSUMYO of
Long Beach is the son of the Ta-
dashi Butsumyos and is affilia-
ted with the Long Beach Harbor
JACL. David will either attend UC-
LA or Pepperdine University in
the fall where he hopes to major
in either journalism or dentistry.

David is the recipient of an
American Spirit citation in a
Scholarship Federation plaque, a
National Merit letter of commenda-
tion, a Certificate of Achievement
for journalism, as well as awards
in English, student government,
athletics, and school service.

A Boy's State finalist, David was
active on his school's newspaper.

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Albert Abe, PNW; Kerry Iseri,
IDC; Howard Yamamoto, NC-WN;
Dr. James Nagatani, CC; Mitsuo
Sonoda, PSW; Dr. Peter Suzuki,
MP; Gordon Yoshikawa, M; and
Tom Nakao, Jr., JAYS.

Seven young men and sev-
en young women share the
honor. By district councils,
Northern California - Western
Nevada leads with five suc-
cessful applicants, followed by
Pacific Southwest with three,
and one each from Intermoun-
tain, Eastern, Midwest, Moun-
tain Plains, Pacific Northwest,
and Central California.



Georgiana Kezele

DALE TETSUO YAMASHITA of
Salinas, Calif., is the son of the
Yoshimasa Yamashitas and is af-
filiated with the Salinas Valley
JACL. Dale has chosen to attend
Stanford in the fall where he will

needs at Headquarters and
planning ahead. Both of his
assistant directors, Margie Ya-
yamamoto and Pat Nakano, had
said they were going to leave
JACL. Hayashi also said he
was getting married and
couldn't take the travel re-
quired of a regional director
and felt he had to retire.

Exercising what he termed as
his "options", Ushio had
Pat Nakano remain to direct
the ethnic heritage project and
asked Hayashi to consider a
position at Headquarters. Ya-
yamamoto turned down the first
offer of a position in Summerville
which came in mid-Sep-
tember, but later accepted an-
other in San Francisco.

MDYC chairman Scott Fu-
rukawa wondered if Hayashi
was ever of the payroll while
applying for the Headquarters
position. Treasurer Tom Mo-
rihichi said he was not being
told that Hayashi was kept on
"as comp time". In lieu of
"over time," JACL allows "com-
pensatory time-off."

Chronology of the Hayashi
matter after the November
board meeting was then pre-
sented by Ushio:

Nov. 9—Board disallows Haya-
shi's hiring. Vacancy announced,
resumes sought.

Nov. 14—Confirmation letter of
termination—a 30-day notice.

Nov. 18—Job specifications for
assistant directors—programs sent to
sourcing committee.

Nov. 25—Resumes evaluated,
two recommended for oral inter-
views.

Dec. 7—Interviews conducted.

Dec. 12—Murakami reports Haya-
shi unanimously recommended.

Dec. 14—Ushio makes appoint-
ment subject to confirmation of
Executive Committee.

Dec. 24—Deadline for EXECOM
members to confirm.

Nov. 16—Confirmation announce-
ment to National Board.

Ushio said when Murakami
had informed him Hayashi
was being recommended, he
consulted with Sugiyama and
other EXECOM members who
had already expressed their
feelings in favor of Hayashi.

Assured he had a majority,
Ushio on Dec. 14 made the ap-
pointment, despite the fact
that EXECOM members had
a Dec. 24 deadline to express
their feelings on the matter.

IDC Gov. George Kimura
was not aware Hayashi had
resigned as regional director
to accept the Headquarters
post. PNWDC Gov. Jim Tsuji-
mura said he had received it.

Lillian Kimura was ex-
tremely miffed since she had
not been called in mid-De-
cember. "You have denied me
the right to express my point
of view to you. Don't you
know you did not call me. How
did you know how I was going
to vote? The only way I had a
chance to vote was by letter
with a Dec. 24 deadline."

Ushio apologized. Kimura
shot back: "You keep on say-
ing you're sorry. Everytime
we get to something—you say
you're sorry. You have de-
nied my right. I am really
very angry at that. I didn't
know you called all those other
folks."

NC-WNDC alternate S.
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My congratulations to all
New York JACLers for a job
well done during the past
year. Good luck for the com-
ing year to Ron and his Board
of Directors, and special
thanks to Ruby and Shig for
their kind hospitality over
the weekend.

resignation a personal deci-
sion. "Those of us who chose
not to resign, to stick to the
Project, (chose to) get it com-
pleted."

Masamune Kojima asked
about the second phase re-
questing additional funds to
implement the project manual
by training teachers of its use
(see May 2 PC). Both Ushio
and Tanaka said it was doubt-
ful. JACL's request would
"fly" since funds have been
sharply reduced.

The board accepted the ex-
planation as presented and it
moved on to the next topic.

Asst. Director—Program

A good hour was consum-
ed in rehabing the so-called
Don Hayashi matter, listed
on the agenda as Assistant
Director—Programs. A re-
hash, because it was under-
stood to have been resolved at
the last November board
meeting.

PSWDC Gov. Masamune
Kojima felt it had been a
waste of time at the Novem-
ber meeting for the full Board
to discuss the personnel prob-
lems then plaguing Headquar-
ters in his report (see Nov.
29, 1974 PS) of what trans-
pired.

National Executive Director
David Ushio had shifted Haya-
shi from his post as Pacific
Northwest-Intermountain re-
gional director to join him at
National Headquarters in late
October. Ushio regarded the
move as an internal transfer.

But Midwest Gov. Lillian
Kimura disagreed, asserting it
was a denial of opportunity
to others on the staff to apply
for the post of assistant direc-
tor—programs. The National
Board last November con-
curred Ushio had not followed
JACL personnel policy in the
Hayashi matter, "disallowed"
the transfer and initiated the
standard hiring cycle to have
the position filled.

In reopening the matter at
the special June board meet-
ing, Ushio first responded to
the queries set forth in the
May 20 Midwest District mem-
orandum:

1—Who authorized the es-
tablishment of a position in
National Headquarters for
Don when he was transferred
here from the PNW Office?

Ushio recalled the issue at
the November meeting was
whether the action was prop-
er. His position was that in
the absence of a policy on in-
ternal promotions or transfer,
it went to the president and
the personnel committee who
then authorized the move.

2—What was that position
and when was that position
established?

Ushio said it was for assis-
tant national director—pro-
grams and that he had at the
time two assistant national
directorships for Headquarters:

3—Why wasn't it adver-
tised?

Ushio's point was that it
was an internal promotion.

4—Who authorized Don Haya-
shi's transfer and when was
the transfer approved?

Ushio said he did after
checking with the president
and personnel committee
chairman since nothing in the
personnel policy gave him no
clear guidance on transfers
or internal promotions.

5—At its Nov. 6, 1974, meet-
ing the National Board dis-
allowed Hayashi's appoint-
ment to a nonexistent posi-
tion in San Francisco and or-
dered his termination. Was
Hayashi ever off the payroll
during the period of proces-
sing his application for the
available position of Assistant
Director for Program Develop-
ment at Headquarters?

Ushio simply answered
"no."

Some question was raised
by George Yamasaki Jr. about
the actual number of profes-
sional staff at Headquarters.

Going back to conversations
he had with Ushio during the

Tanaka viewed Dr. Hata's

Dear Mr. Ushio: I was ex-
tremely disappointed with
the response to my corres-
pondence with you. I feel your
letter answered my request satis-
factorily.

I honestly feel that I was giv-
ing differential treatment as a
job applicant for the position of
Ethnic Heritage Project director.
This is the major reason why I
have been writing to you.

You letter completely denies this
aspect. You appeared to be pu-
zled over my conclusion regard-
ing discrimination based upon
race and sex.

Ushio noted after the in-
itial screening process of can-
didates for the directorship,
president-elect Jim Murakami
evaluated them, and it was
very clear that the No. 1 can-
didate above and beyond any-
one else was the candidate we
hired. The appointment was
made and confirmed.

Henry Tanaka asked whether
JACL had an Affirmative
Action Plan.

Shig Sugiyama, national
president, said the issue had
been previously discussed by
the National Board and its
Executive Committee and was
"muzzled" since the JACL per-
sonnel manual says employees
are selected without regard to
race, color, creed, religion and
sex.

However, Sugiyama's views
of Affirmative Action, as es-
tablished for certain firms
with certain number of em-
ployees, surprised Mike Ishi-
kawa since a plan is required
under Title 7 of the Civil
Rights Act if the federal-
assisted firm are involved.

Sugiyama felt the need for an
affirmative action plan doesn't
exist in JACL because "JACL
has no record of hiring in
terms of the number of staff
involved—so we don't have
a pattern or even a suspicion
of (job discrimination)."

At the last EXECOM meet-
ing (Feb. 28-Mar. 1), Dr. Izumi
Taniguchi, v.p. for re-
search-services, was designat-
ed to work up a JACL affir-
mative action plan. Mike Hon-
da, San Jose JACL president,
is assisting him.

Referring to the Mar. 9 PS-
WDC meeting, Helen Kawagoe
said there were questions raised
as to the credibility of the
Ethnic Heritage Project ad-
visory council when Dr. Donald
Hata resigned from the
group. She wasn't sure if that
was the reason for his resig-
nation.

Dale Shimasaki, chairman
of the advisory group, recall-
ed the questions Dr. Hata
raised were all answered.

Pressing further, Kawagoe
wanted to know if there were
other feelings. Enomoto inter-
jected, wondering whether
this exchange was related to
which Kawagoe added the
Kumagai complaint came after
the Feb. 9 PSWDC meet-
ing where Hata publicly ques-
tioned the advisory group's
formation.

Ushio felt Dr. Hata made
some very inflammatory state-
ments about the project but
wondered about the questions
Kawagoe was raising about
Dr. Hata's allegation should
not go undiscussed. Since others
on that council have not
resigned, Ushio was interest-
ed in hearing from others
about the so-called "gross errors
in the administration" as
charged.

Tanaka, a member of the
JACL Ethnic Heritage Ad-
visory Council, said the group
got a late start. "I see no
sense in going back now, say-
ing what we should have
done. If it were done prop-
erly, it should have been for-
mulated before the hiring of staff"
(a point Dr. Hata raised).

But that was not done, Tan-
aka continued. "It is sense-
less for the advisory council
to discuss the matter, when
we have a time constraint. So
the council is not spending its
time on those issues which
were rightfully brought to the
attention of the council by Dr.
Hata. We agree with him."

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mailed to National JACL
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JACL—SPECIAL BOARD MEETING: Part 3

Accept explanation to more issues

By HARRY HONDA

San Francisco
No word has been received
as to when transcripts of the
National JACL special board
meeting held June 7-8 at JA-
CL Headquarters are to be
available.

In Part I of this series, the
rules of order governing the
special meeting, appointment
of the chairman pro-tem
(Jerry Enomoto, past national
president, who remarked he
had no particular ax to grind
in the controversy that led to
the call of the special board
meeting except to assure the
well-being of the national or-
ganization), and the agenda.

In Part II, the first five
topics on the agenda were re-
ported, the details based upon
tapes of the proceedings sup-
plied by PC Board Chairman
Alfred Hata.

In Part III this week, the
next two topics are covered.
Next week, the concluding
chapter will be published,
dealing with the Gerontology
Project and three of the sev-
en administrative matters. The
other four were not discussed
as previous explanations suf-
ficed. These four were:

(a) Bob Suzuki case, (b)
travel pool, (c) scholarship,
and (d) Convention minutes.

Abstract

6—Ethnic Heritage Project.
Responses by David Ushio to
questions raised in MDC Mem-
orandum were accepted.
One question concerned a hiring
complaint filed by Gloria
Kumagai, the other on forma-
tion and role of the project
advisory council in view of
the resignation from that body
of Donald Hata.

7—Asst. Director, Programs.
Ushio's explanation was deemed
sufficient and accepted.
Case of Don Hayashi for the
new position was as reviewed
by the Board for the second
time.

8—Ethnic Heritage.
Eight questions in the May
20 Midwest District memoran-
dum surrounded the belated
start of the JACL Ethnic Heri-
tage Project, the Gloria Kum-
agai complaint of discrimi-
natory employment based on
race and sex against National
JACL, and a resignation of
Dr. Donald Hata as a mem-

ber of the project's advisory
council.
Special Board meeting pro-
ceeding chairman Jerry Enomoto
cautioned Ushio need not re-
spond to any of the eight ques-
tions, if he felt the questions
were unfair or loaded. Ushio,
however, said he was willing
to respond to what some re-
garded as the "most loaded"
MDC question:

MDC—What failure in the JA-
CL employment procedure led to
the hiring of Ushio (of Minneap-
olis) as a common Asian discrim-
ination with the HEW Office of
Civil Rights in San Francis-
co?

While some complained about
the tone of the letter, Ushio
had sent to Kumagai after her
application was rejected, here is
Ushio's letter as read into the
meeting records:

Dear Ms. Kumagai:
This is my response to your
letter regarding the hiring
of the Ethnic Heritage Project
director. You specifically request-
ed information on JACL grievance
procedures and affirmative
action plans.

Regarding grievance procedures,
there are no such procedures for
nonemployees, which includes job
applicants, provided in the per-
sonnel policy manual. It is not
customary for employers to have
grievance procedures for applic-
ants or nonemployees, which
may seem treasorous.

Concerning affirmative action
plans at the time of the applica-
tion for the grant from HEW, we
submitted our assurance of com-
pliance with Title VII of the Civil
Rights Act of 1964, a copy of
which is enclosed for your refer-
ence. This is the only require-
ment regarding equal employ-
ment that does not (unintelligible)
how you have concluded that you
have been discriminated on the
basis of race or sex, since the
person selected as Project Direc-
tor is of the same race and sex
as yourself. I hope this answers
your request satisfactorily and
may I also advise you of your
right to file a complaint with the
regional HEW Office of civil rights
and/or with your state employ-
ment office or state equal employ-
ment office.

The letter had been checked
by both staff and then Nati-
onal Legal Counsel George
Yamasaki Jr., who advised to
lay out alternatives whenever
a person questions JACL per-
sonnel policy.

Ushio said, "Only thing I
can say is that I am very
puzzled as to why she fled.
I feel we scrupulously follow-
ed (JACL) personnel proce-
dures. . . . The person who
was selected (for the position
of Ethnic Heritage Project direc-
tor) and Gloria are both the
same race and both the
same sex."

Ushio, in revealing the job
discrimination case against

The Dedication ceremony
will begin at 2 p.m. close to
the building site. Every ef-
fort is being made to keep the
ceremonies as brief as possible
so that the Issei who attend
will not be over-tired. Mike
Masao, perhaps the most
highly regarded Nisei among
the Issei, will make the Dedi-
cation speech.

This evening, a cocktail
hour and dinner will be held
at the St. Francis Hotel Grand
Ballroom. Again, in order to
accommodate the Issei, it is
hoped the dinner will be con-
cluded by 8:30 p.m. Congress-
man Spark Matsunaga will
give the keynote address.

"It is not too early to make
your reservations for the din-
ner or the brunch," says Dr.
Hayashi. "Brunch will be \$5
and dinner will be \$15. It is
hoped each nearby JACL
Chapter will send at least one
Issei representative to partici-
pate in the days event."

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# Ye Editor's Desk

## TO KANAB AND BACK

It was four days of breathing smog-free air, being dazzled by the splendor of Utah's color country (Zion, Bryce Canyon National Parks and in between), and relishing the change of pace—even if we pay the price of catching up on return.

It was another one of those quick vacations before summer school starts for our youngsters at home. The 1,800-mile trip included two stops at Las Vegas—Sunday Mass and breakfast on the Strip enroute to Kanab and a Chinese dinner away from the Strip Wednesday evening before heading home Thursday morning. We don't know how many drive through Vegas and not fall to the lure of Dame Fortune—but this was the first time we weren't diverted. That's only mentioned for the record.

The Japanese angle about the Vegas trip was the front-page story Sunday about two being apprehended in Tokyo for alleged extortion in connection with a gambling trip to the Southern Nevada attraction. Our brother-in-law Jim, who's been there for nearly five years managing an insurance firm, feels charter groups from Tokyo will be flying in direct—by-passing Los Angeles and San Francisco, once McCarran Field becomes international. He thinks opportunities for Nisei in business are also worth considering as the city, now about 300,000, will hit a million in population. Incidentally, a Las Vegas JAACL chapter is still in the works.

As for unpolluted air cleansing our lungs, we thought we had even detected the "new car" smell in our 1973 Maverick while sightseeing through magnificent Zion National Park. Yet being a longtime Angeleno, we didn't choke either upon our return. Somehow our bronchial system made the adjustment willingly. The Utah air, we might add, was a bit cool and dry—almost autumn-like, so the denizens of the Utah color country were explaining. It was even a cool 85 in mid-day Barstow on our return trip. The hottest part of

trip was when we drove through Pomona several hours later in the mid-afternoon, where it was 90 degrees. Here Canyon National Park and in between)—and relishing the change of pace—even if we pay the price of catching up on return.

Our reason for having Kanab as the base of our three days in Utah was the proximity of three national parks within a 100-mile radius: Zion, Bryce Canyon and Grand Canyon, and the new Glen Canyon National Recreation Area. Had we more time, we would have tried to cover Capitol Reef and Canyonland—two new national parks further east.

What gave our youngest daughter, Patty, a charge was our confusing Glen Canyon with Glen Campbell, whose current hit, "Rhinestone Cowboy", was being aired often by area radio stations. We'll both remember, too, the self-guided tour down Glen Canyon Dam which delivers a charge of 350,000 volts per generator.

Now that we've visited both sides of Grand Canyon—we feel that Bryce Canyon is prettier and more absorbing to behold. Even the recently opened Kolob Canyons of Zion, accessible from Interstate 15 without having to pay the park entrance fee, is a spectacular addition to see. We don't have the adjectives to do justice to the Utah color or panorama country—and those who will have time to drive to the 1978 National JAACL Convention being hosted by the Utah chapters can perceive for themselves and understand why. But you needn't wait till '78.

Kanab is called "Little Hollywood" because of the many outdoor films being shot in the area. There are several western sets nearby—but the real glamor lies in the erosive work of Mother Nature upon the limestone and redrock that took millions of years to accomplish.

Pangu'tch will be remembered for the pretty girls competing in a rodeo queen contest. They were sipping water and engaging in light chit-chat in the adjoining booths at the restaurant, tending to make us forget the middling service.

Silver Reef, billed as one of the best preserved ghost towns, was a big disappointment—more new hillside homes abound there than relics from the pre-Civil War silver mining boom.

And some reader can tell us what those long, black caterpillars were weaving their gauze-like nests in the quaking aspens. The information will show vacations can be a painless learning experience.

### Seminar on aging

PHILADELPHIA — A seminar on the aging Asian American, particularly the Japanese, will be hosted by the local JAACL on Sunday, Oct. 31, with Dr. Herbert Horikawa of Temple University and John Briscoe, executive assistant to the President of Bryn Mawr College, in charge of planning. Seminar is expected to be the beginning of a series of such meetings, according to Briscoe (215-525-1000 x-284).

## 1975 MEMBERSHIP PROGRESS

Horizontal performance line is 1975 membership percentage as compared with 1974 total.

Region	Percentage Membership 1975				
	20	40	60	80	100
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### PCYA REPORT: Denise Abe

## Experience Not to Be Missed

Denise Abe of Orange, Calif., was sponsored by the Downtown L.A. JAACL this past spring as a participant in the 1975 Presidential Classroom for Young Americans. Daughter of the Jimi Abe, she just graduated from Villa Park High School with high honors — voted by the faculty as top senior girl of her graduating class. Of special interest is the fact that she is the granddaughter of our PC Circulation Manager Yuki and Charles Kamayatsu.—Ed.

### Orange, Calif.

A Presidential Classroom for Young Americans provides a totally unique educational opportunity for high school students. From the moment the plane lands in Washington, D.C. to the last bus ride for the airport, the hectic pulse never quits. For the 354 students participating in the largest classroom to date, it was an eye-opening experience that left us in a continual state of exhaustion.

The purpose of A Presidential Classroom for Young Americans is to "provide a concentrated study of United States Government to selected high school students through their personal involvement and contact with the institutions and leaders of the Nation." These goals are accomplished through seminars (lectures with question and answer periods), tours of Washington, and small discussion groups conducted by PCYA students and staff.

The scheduled highlight of the week was a day on Capitol Hill where we were to meet our representatives and senators. Our classroom was set during the week of Easter vacation and subsequently, Congress adjourned the day before our planned visit.

Many of the PCYA participants met only with staff aides of their congressmen, however, we were fortunate to meet with Rep. Norman Mineta of San Jose, Calif. Later that same afternoon, Congressman Mineta addressed the entire classroom in a seminar concerning the daily activities of a representative. From his talk, we gained an understanding of the tremendous amount of paperwork and man hours that go into conscientious public service.

Congressman Mineta was not the only politician we had the pleasure of speaking with. Rep. Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii invited a group of PCYA students to lunch in the dining room of the New Senate Office Building. Congressman Matsunaga explained the unique problems of representing a state halfway around the world.

Within our one week period in Washington, we could feel the impact of world wide political occurrences. As PCYA is the only student program allowed within CIA headquarters, we were anxious to question speaker Paul Chretien about the disclosures regarding the Glomar Explorer, the ship owned by Howard Hughes that was used to recover the Russian submarine. Amid all the James Bond equipment, i.e. edible paper, glowing chalk boards, and movie screens rising out of nowhere, there was a feeling of frustration at having our questions repeatedly answered with a "no comment".

The newspaper and magazine articles we had been reading all week took on added significance when we were informed that our trip to the State Department would coincide with Mr. Kissinger's news conference relating to the collapse of the Middle East peace talks. The classroom felt the turmoil of political events as several of our seminar speakers were unexpectedly called away with the news of King Faisal's assassination.

### Meeting with the other students

was by far the most educational part of our trip. As we were all brought together through our common interests in politics and government, it was not uncommon to find several students from a variety of states with the aspiration of becoming lawyers and politicians at the same college.

A Presidential Classroom for Young Americans is an experience not to be missed. The trip was completely enjoyable with the exception of the food and bedding. The JAACL support of the program is evident by the number of students sponsored by various chapters across the country.

Some of the names of JAACL-sponsored students were: Deanne Kassi, Portland; Lois Shimasaki, Eden Township; Jeff Kawaguchi, San Francisco; Keri Fuli, Warren, Miss.; Ki Son Hahn, Chicago; Ellen Nose, Rockville, Md.; Olivia Marutani, Philadelphia; Maria Kamiya, Ballico, Calif.

We sincerely hope the JAACL will continue their active support of such a worthwhile program.

### QUESTION BOX

Q—My wife and I are interested in living in Japan for a year, hopefully paying our way while there. Can you give us an idea of what's involved.

—VFK, Ridley Park, Pa.

A—This is quite complicated. The Japanese Consulate has a small booklet, "Foreigner's Guide to Immigration Procedure in Japan", may answer most questions. While Japan does not encourage entry of aliens for work or residence due to many problems involved, the best chance for Americans to secure employment there seem to be with a U.S. branch office or firm. secures the list can try to The Commerce Dept. has list of U.S. companies doing business in Japan, available at a nominal cost. A person who match his skills with requirements as listed. About teaching positions in Japan, refer to the Institute of International Education, 809 United Nations Plaza, New York 10017. And a specified visa at the Japanese consular office is required. (The PC is indebted to local Japanese consulate general for the above background.)

### 25 Years Ago

In the PC, July 1, 1950

June 28—Etsu Sugimoto, Japanese author of "Daughter of Samurai", dies at age 78 at her Tokyo home; had lived in U.S. for 40 years.

June 23—South Korea invaded by Communist North Korean forces.

June 27—President Truman signs private bills for 24 Japanese brides of U.S. servicemen and veterans, largest group ever admitted in one group.

June 29—Honolulu singer James Shigeta wins national Ted Mack's Amateur Hour 1950 contest.

June 30—JAACL membership expected to top 10,000 for the first time in national history in July-August.

# Honto-Ni

## ASIAN AMERICAN AFFAIRS

Stan Kiyokawa

Rarely in our society are these individuals and agencies that anticipate problems and begin dealing with them by taking preventative measures. We have traditionally approached problems with band-aid solutions, after the fact, which very much limit our effectiveness.

To emphasize the point of a preventative education approach to problem solving, the office of Asian American Affairs, State of Washington, and Mitch Matsudaira, director, come to mind. Prior to the initial impact of publicity on the Viet Nam refugee crisis, Mitch's office was preparing and educating community organizations and legislators about the upcoming problem, stressing the need for Asian community input in the process.

Governor Evans' initial statement and commitment was a product of Mitch's input to take a strong stand on this critical issue. To date, the State of Washington has established the first formal program dealing with assembly and placement services for these refugees. (See June 27 PC.)

The many Asian-community organizations now have direct input into the assembly and placement process to view this situation from an Asian perspective. The assembly center located at Camp Murray offers an information

### Facing problem of recruiting younger leaders

Tacoma, Wash.

During the summer, would all of you think about the immediate future of the Pu-yallup Valley Chapter. I have learned much about the membership, but there are important gaps in my knowledge. I have important questions without answers. Is the following an accurate image of our chapter? Can we improve

### CHIAROSCURO

How do we keep it vital? Who will be our leaders next year?

Without any question, I believe the leadership of the chapter has been drawn from many years from a substantial group of Nisei almost all of whom are now past fifty years of age and who believe that there should be younger people to take over this responsibility. The problem is not exclusive to Nikkei; the relatively low birth rate from 1930 through 1945, means relatively fewer people today in the 30 to 45 age brackets.

A substantial segment of our membership are Issei or older Nisei, possibly Kibei who do not use English language freely. There is also a significant number of Japanese wives of servicemen, probably in their forties and fifties who haven't been offered leadership roles.

### Young adults shared

Within the community we have a group of young adults in their late twenties or early thirties of whom we have attracted few to active participation in our chapter. The Tacoma Buddhist Church, the Whitney Methodist Church, and the JAACL are the only organizations concerned primarily with work among Nikkei of all ages. But, the churches seem to be facing the same problems as the JAACL.

Moreover there is inevitable competition between the two churches on the one hand and the JAACL on the other for the time and leadership abilities and willingness of the same people. Too many people have to divide their limited time between church and JAACL.

Now, the questions:

- 1—Are there no other Nikkei in the area whom we might recruit? Have we developed such a satisfying rapport among the community which comprises the three organizations that others have not felt welcome? Are there things we can do?
- 2—What can we do to attract adults aged 25 and older to accept active participation in JAACL?
- 3—We are doing little to attract youth aged 18 to 25. Why not? What can we do?
- 4—Until and unless we find new active participants by following through to useful answers to the above questions, we seem to be faced with a choice between (a) the continued acceptance of leadership responsibility by the Nisei, and (b) letting the chapter disintegrate. Last year the nominating committee had a very difficult time in getting people to accept nomination to offices. What about this year? Will you accept?

Let us think enough about these questions to obtain useful answers by September. May you all have an enjoyable summer!

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NO-NO BOY

Denver, Colo. Back in 1957 the Charles E. Tuttle Co. of Rutland, Vt., and Tokyo, book publishers, came out with a first novel by a young Seattle-born writer named John Okada. The story was called "No-No Boy".

The principal character is Ichiro Yamada, a Nisei who said no when his government asked him whether he would serve in the United States Army during World War II.

Aloha from Hawaii

By RICHARD GIMA

Hawaii Today

Windward Oahu tenants of Waialeale-Waikane Valley are protesting the new rental charges from their landlord, Mrs. Elizabeth McCandless Marks, as illegal but police have barred tenants from serving formal notice at her home.

Master plan to expand Punchbowl will increase the capacity of the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific and ease sightseeing through use of tourmobiles. Complete details will be announced at the Aug. 29 with groundbreaking set for next year.

Crime File

Hilo police are baffled by the June 9 burglary of the Payless Dept. Store on Kinohiwa St. Assistant Kenneth Shouety, 33, is missing and his blood-stained car was found at the airport.

Sports Scene

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SPECIAL AID TO BUSINESSWOMEN IN U.S. URGED

Credit availability Topic of Utah Civil Rights Group

WASHINGTON — The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights urged President Ford to declare women a "socially and economically disadvantaged" group eligible for special aid in setting up businesses.

Last year, a federal survey found blacks, Asians, Indians and other minorities owned about 4 percent of the country's businesses in 1972 but there is little information on the number of firms specifically owned by females or the extent of their participation in government contracts, the commission said.

Two agencies charged with assisting disadvantaged business owners — the Small Business Administration and the Commerce Dept. Office of Minority Business Enterprises — have shown little interest in establishing special women's programs, the commission added.

An estimated \$270-million in noncompetitive federal contracts has been earmarked for this current fiscal year for disadvantaged entrepreneurs in programs designed to help them become self-sustaining. The SBA, however, said it does not consider anything "minority" about women and has argued they are just as eligible as men for SBA programs, noting \$98 million worth of loans out of \$1.6 billion went to 2,000 women or about \$20 million to 635 minority women.

What makes all this pertinent is that not long ago Tuttle released its rights to the book, making it possible for another publisher to re-issue it. The Univ. of Washington Press is reported to be considering a reprint. One of those strongly urging the Univ. of Washington Press to take it on is Frank Chin, the Chinese American playwright whose powerful "The Year of the Dragon" was on national educational TV recently.

"No-No Boy" Chin writes from San Francisco, "is one of the great works of American fiction. And it's the greatest Asian American work, period. Stylistically, structurally, no American work has captured the sound and multi-schizoid thought and mood of the 'Forties. And certainly no work has explored the soul, culture and sensibility of Japanese America as deeply as Okada's work."

Okada is dead now and there is no one to push for a re-issue of his novel except like Chin and others who remember Okada's talent. After hearing from Chin I took my copy of "No-No Boy" off the shelf and re-read it for the first time in perhaps 15 years. It was still a moving story about a tortured Nisei, more timely now and more acceptable since we as a group are less up-tight about—if no less aware of—our problems.

Chin had urged me to write to Sam Solberg of the Asian American Studies program at the Univ. of Washington who is spearheading a drive to persuade the U. of W. Press to re-issue the book. After I read the novel again, I sat down and wrote Solberg endorsing his efforts. If you have a copy, perhaps you'll want to do that, too.

Indo included in Smithsonian festival

WASHINGTON — Japanese folk dancing will be featured at the Smithsonian Institution Folk Festival here Saturday, July 5, with Mrs. Tami Fukuda as dance coordinator. The festival is being held at the National Mall in Washington, D.C. and will feature a variety of folk dances from various cultures.

Onoists from New York, Chicago, Seabrook and the Washington area are expected to participate. The Folk Festival, to be staged July 2-8, lures over a million spectators and participants. The JAACL will operate a Japanese food booth during the week.

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SAN JOSE—Michael Honda, serving his second term as San Jose JACL president, was re-elected at San Jose Jaycees' Outstanding Young Man of 1974. A program associate at Stanford Center for Research and Development in Teaching, Honda is also chairman of the San Jose City Planning Commission.

BUCHANAN ST. MALL CONSTRUCTION STARTS

SAN FRANCISCO—The one-block Nihonmachi pedestrian mall on Buchanan St. between Post and Sutter Sts. will be an integral part of the plan to revitalize Japantown as the street was closed to vehicular traffic June 27 in anticipation of conversion.

With a completion date by the end of 1975, designs by Okamoto Associates and Van Bourg, Nakamura, Katsura and Karney are being reviewed by the Nihonmachi design committee and San Francisco Art Commission. Sculptures by Ruth Asawa are being included.

Polluted rice

TOKYO — Cadmium-polluted rice has been developed into low-cost quality building material. Puffed under pressure and mixed with plastic, it can be used for thermal insulation, auto bumpers and other purposes, according to the Tokyo Institute of Technology.

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Different text for Tu'e offered

LOS ANGELES — The Manzanar Committee has expressed serious objection to the text of the proposed Tule Lake historical landmark plaque, which was reported approved at the May meeting of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council.

Asserting the wording is "historically inaccurate" because it omits the unique role of Tule Lake when it was a maximum security segregation center, the Manzanar Committee released its wording submitted to the Tule Lake Committee in October, 1974.

Tule Lake

On the ten concentration camps incarcerating 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry during World War II, the majority being American citizens. Bounded by barbed wire and guard towers, Tule Lake later became a maximum security segregation center confining renegades and those considered disloyal by the United States government.

In violation of their constitutional rights, internees in the camps were imprisoned without due process and equal protection of the law. Tule Lake must serve to remind us of the racism, economic and political exploitation undermining the constitutional guarantees of all Americans.

Mineta heads 94th Democratic class

WASHINGTON — Rep. Norman Y. Mineta (D-Calif.) of San Jose was unanimously elected chairman of the 94th Democratic Freshman Class of the House of Representatives this past week (June 24).

In a statement issued after his election thanking his colleagues for their confidence, Mineta unveiled a plan to help "restore the credibility of the Congress as the most viable and effective force of government."

Quote of Note

A bad man is worse when he pretends to be a saint.—Francis Bacon.

Senate subcommittee blasts refugee aid

WASHINGTON—The Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Refugees, chaired by Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.), on June 8 charged the Ford Administration program for resettling Indochina refugees was a "sloppy laissez-faire approach" and said the program lacks the "sense of urgency and high-level concern" that marked the effort to evacuate refugees from South Vietnam and Cambodia.

The subcommittee evaluation predicted significant numbers of refugees would remain in resettlement camps for more than six months and perhaps more than a year. Pace of refugee departure is still below 1,000-per-day as established by the Interagency Indochina Task Force.

Togin plans to change its name

SAN FRANCISCO—The Bank of Tokyo of California has filed application with the State Banking Department to change its name to California First Bank, according to Masao Tsuyama, president.

Subject also to approval by shareholders, the name-change request was submitted pending approval of the bank's proposed purchase of the San Diego-based Southern California First National Bank. Tsuyama noted the name change would be adopted only if the merger is consummated.

He said the name was selected by a joint committee from some 3,000 entries received from staff members of both banks. The final selection is thought not to duplicate or be confusing with the name of any other California bank.

The proposed name, Tsuyama said, reflects the long tradition of California service by both Bank of Tokyo of California, whose roots in the state date to the 1880's, and Southern California First National Bank, which was founded in 1883.

FOR REFUGEES AT PENDELTON San Diego UPAC to open center

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Permission was granted the Union of Pan Asian Communities by U.S. Interagency Indochina Task Force to open an Asian refugee center to help assist refugees at Camp Pendleton, according to UPAC administrative coordinator Beverly Yip.

The center would consist of desk space and phones in a Quonset hut at Camp Talega as UPAC representatives conferred with Marine Corps officials about facilities. Nick Thorne, task force chief at Camp Pendleton, said authorities hoped the plan will help Vietnamese and Cambodian refugees get in touch with Asian communities throughout the country.

Most of the work will be done initially on a voluntary basis. Mrs. Yip said, as federal funds to provide a permanent staff are pending, UPAC volunteers had not been recognized since only nation-wide agency staffs

NAT'L JACL HEADQUARTERS DEDICATION CEREMONIES

Members and Friends of JACL Are Invited to This Gala Affair—Sunday, July 20. Host Committee Needs a Head-Count! Fill Out Form.

Form for JACL Headquarters dedication ceremony, including fields for name, address, city, state, zip, and amount enclosed.

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staff, the National Honor Society, Boy's League, varsity track and a cross country, Key Club, student government, and the California Scholarship Foundation. He was also a youth representative of his church, an officer of a community service club, active in the monthly sports program, the Jr. Red Cross, and the Explorers.

Book Review

THE WOMAN BEHIND PRINCE SIDDHARTA

LADY OF THE LOTUS: A Biographical Novel of the Wife of the Buddha, by William E. Barrett, Doubleday, New York, 376 pp., \$7.95.

CALENDAR

- July 4 (Friday) St. Louis—Picnic, Eden Seminary grounds.
- July 5 (Saturday) Watsonville—Active booth, Watsonville High School.
- July 6 (Sunday) Washington—Japanese Bon Festival, Japanese Institution.

THE JUNE REPORT 1000 Club Memberships

- National Headquarters acknowledged 89 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club for the first half of June.
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DETROIT POLICE SIGNS NIKKEI UNDER 5 FT. 4

DETROIT, Mich.—Remember Sanshiro Miyamoto? He's the 5'5" Nisei who wanted so much to become a Detroit policeman that he undertook stretching exercises to try to attain the minimum height of 5'7" then required by Detroit's police department.

Oberlin students seek Asian American counselor

OBERLIN, Ohio—The Asian American Alliance at Oberlin College is seeking applicants for a joint position of Asian American counselor-coordinator and Third World dormitory director starting this fall, according to Dean Hal Payne of Developmental Services and current Asian American counselor Donn Ginoza (216-775-8464).

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