

# EDC-MDC AIRS 3 ISSUES: VIETNAM REFUGEES, BUDGET, '74 MANDATES

Berea, Ohio—Three issues of national JACL concern were aired by the joint Eastern-Midwest District Conference held here Aug. 22-24 during a plenary session chaired by Mae Marshall of St. Louis and Gracyle Uehara, national vice-president, of Philadelphia.

The three issues involved the Southeast Asian refugees, budget accountability, program priorities. National Executive Director David Ushio led the discussion on national program priorities.

Support of Vietnamese immigration and encouragement of sponsorship by chapters were verbalized by the national leadership with the EDC-MDC indicating agreement and suggesting various methods to help. To Van Thong, recent Vietnam refugee working with the Cleveland Community Relations Board, also addressed the conference.

In analyzing the current JACL fiscal problem, the recent EXECOM action to restrict spending in the next biennium to \$450,000 was explained. Quarterly financial reports were recommended to insure some control.

With respect to program priorities, the EDC-MDC called for a program accountability report of the 1974 mandates to be sent to all chapters before the next convention.

Ushio said the development program goal for the first year was \$250,000, the program in support of AALDEF (Asian American Legal Defense Education Fund) was proceeding slowly since the program was not directly under JACL auspices and faced implementation problems, and reiterated the JAY student intern program, DYU Project of the Biennium, acknowledgment from Congress of "injustices," abbreviation of Japan, FR office and East Coast history project continue to be among the top national program priorities.

Texts of the three EDC-MDC resolutions, as adopted, follow:

## Vietnamese Refugees

Whereas the JACL has historically sought the inalienable right to secure justice, equal opportunities, and uphold full civil rights; Whereas confinement for any reason detracts the fundamental individual liberties, and self-determination;

Whereas the present administrative policies of the United States government towards the Vietnamese refugees causes such a situation to exist;

Whereas the present administrative policy precludes the expedient resolution of the situation;

Whereas the EDC-MDC feels the National JACL organization can act as an advocate through the Washington office;

Whereas the National JACL organization through its various chapters, can provide direct service to relief and assistance;

Whereas the local chapter can further educate the advocates role within the parameters of state and local governments;

Therefore be it resolved that the following course of action be taken by the National Organization:

1.—Utilization of the Washington office to initiate corrective legislation;

2.—Consciously apply its influence in pursuance of remedial action;

3.—The JACL further consider the following alternatives:

1.—Supportive action, a clothing

drive; b. collection of donated household appliances;

2.—Referral service:

a. Jobs—(1) develop a listing of employment agencies, (2) seek employment opportunities through personal contacts, (3) develop a listing of non-profit placement agencies;

b. Housing—(1) develop a listing of agencies, (2) seek housing opportunities through personal contacts, (3) develop a listing of non-profit placement agencies;

c. Education—(1) seek educational opportunities through personal contacts, (2) develop a listing of non-profit placement agencies;

d. Cultural acclimation—(1) seek individual commitments to tutor, (2) develop a listing of non-profit service organizations;

e. Coordination of existing non-Asian organizations.

3.—Monitoring: a. local and state legislation; b. suggested and state administrative policy;

4.—Recruitment of "sponsors".

## Budget Accountability

Whereas the budget for the National JACL is approved by the National Council;

Whereas the National Board and National Director are responsible for implementing and reporting the financial policies for the organization within the parameters defined by the budget; and

Whereas the cost accounting system which is implemented by National JACL on Oct. 1, 1975 will lend itself to explicitly reporting the distribution of all expenditures;

Therefore be it resolved that the National Board and National Director report the distribution of all expenditures on a quarterly basis; It is suggested that the Pacific Citizen be used as the medium to distribute this information.

## Program Priorities

Whereas accountability factor was requested in 1974 National Council for JACL programs;

Whereas the implementation of many of the accepted programs required funding;

Whereas the continuing problem of limited funding within JACL requires the reviewing and resetting of priorities with the present fiscal bind as reported by David Ushio, executive director, and the EXECOM;

Whereas, the 1976 National Council will be required to be better informed and prepared to establish program priorities and a realistic budget to review JACL's structure and operation;

Therefore be it resolved that 1976 joint conference recommends the reviewing and expenditures on each program and action proposal, both on-going and those established by the 1974 National Council.

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Twenty-two members of the Uyesugi clan in the Cleveland area and National JACL president Shig Sugiyama (second from right) gather to watch Gary Furukawa, 7, present a \$5,000 check to Gracyle Uehara for the Mrs. Majiu Uyesugi Memorial Scholarship to be administered by National JACL.

## NAT'L JACL SCHOLARSHIP MRS. UYESUGI MEMORIAL AWARD OF \$500 TO BE OFFERED FROM 1976

CLEVELAND, Ohio—Announcement of a new National JACL scholarship of \$500 in memory of Mrs. Majiu Uyesugi of prewar Colusa and prewar Cleveland was made during the recent EDC-MDC joint convention held at Baldwin-Wallace College at nearby Berea.

Gracyle Uehara, national scholarship committee chairperson, accepted a \$5,000 check from the Uyesugi family. Five of the eight surviving children live in the local area and are members of Cleveland JACL: Yayoi Kunimoto, Jack Uyesugi, Terumi Furukawa, Helen Shima and Setsuko Nakashige. Three other children, Ken, Masao and Tak Uyesugi, reside in Orange County, Calif.

Mrs. Uyesugi, who passed away this year on Feb. 17, had always stressed education and faith in youth, her children explained.

Mrs. Uehara, who found the life of the Issei matron a fascinating story of courage and struggle, said the memorial scholarship was most fitting since financial need is now one of the criteria for selecting recipients.

Raising a family of eight children through the 1930 Depression years and educating them Mrs. Uyesugi depicted the Issei pioneers at their best, Mrs. Uehara said, as they held to the belief that "knowledge is power" and made education of their children the highest priority.

Mrs. Uehara also noted the father, the late Sakuichi Uyesugi, passed away in 1935. Eldest child (Ken) in the family was then 17, the youngest (Setsuko) 1 1/2.

"She raised us through the difficult years (after Dad passed away in 1935), which included the Evacuation to Amache, Colo.," recalled Mas Uyesugi in Santa Ana.

"During the time when 'ne-san' (oldest sister) contracted spinal meningitis at an early age when this disease was fatal or crippling at best, 'my mother made a covenant to give up eating rice for seven years if Ne-san would recover and recover she did,' Mas said.

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## EDC-MDC workshops stress 'action'

Berea, Ohio Heart of the recently concluded joint Eastern-Midwest District Council conference held by Cleveland JACL here at Baldwin-Wallace College over the Aug. 22-24 weekend was clearly in the theme, "Action".

But the arena for "Action" was scattered in the business meetings, workshops, social affairs held within the confines of the campus student union for the 300 participants from 12 chapters which comprise the two districts.

Basic ingredient for "Action" was planted by keynote Kaz Oshiki, administrative assistant to Rep. Robert Kastmeier, Wisconsin Democrat. Perhaps the most eloquent Nisei ex-newspaperman around Oshiki inspired his audience at the Saturday post-breakfast session on how to become involved in the political decision-making, showing how changes can be effected while sprinkling his address with personal anecdotes to cite the unique opportunity Japanese Americans have to influence these in power.

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On hand greeting the 300 from 12 chapters comprising the Eastern-Midwest district councils arriving at Baldwin-Wallace College in Berea, Ohio are young Cleveland JACLers (from left): Michael Sakai, Esther Akiba, Cheryl Doi and Wendy Furukawa.

service an Issei activities room at Euclid Villa, an FHA-financed facility.

Based upon individual income or assets, the elderly pay between \$116 and \$150 month for either a one or two bedroom apartment. Rent covers all utilities except telephone. Each is equipped with stove, refrigerator, air conditioning, heat, carpeting. Each floor has a laundry and storage rooms. A doctor and nurse are on duty during the day.

Besides the Cleveland JACLers, the JAYS have taken interest with visits and various projects. Kunimoto said, Other Asian groups in need of this type of housing arrangement were encouraged to write to him at 7861 Albion Rd., North Royalton, Ohio 44133.

**Local politics workshop**  
Past MDC governor and Chicago JACL chairman Ross Harano conducted the workshop on Local Politics which, in essence for the Nikkei, boiled down to three areas:

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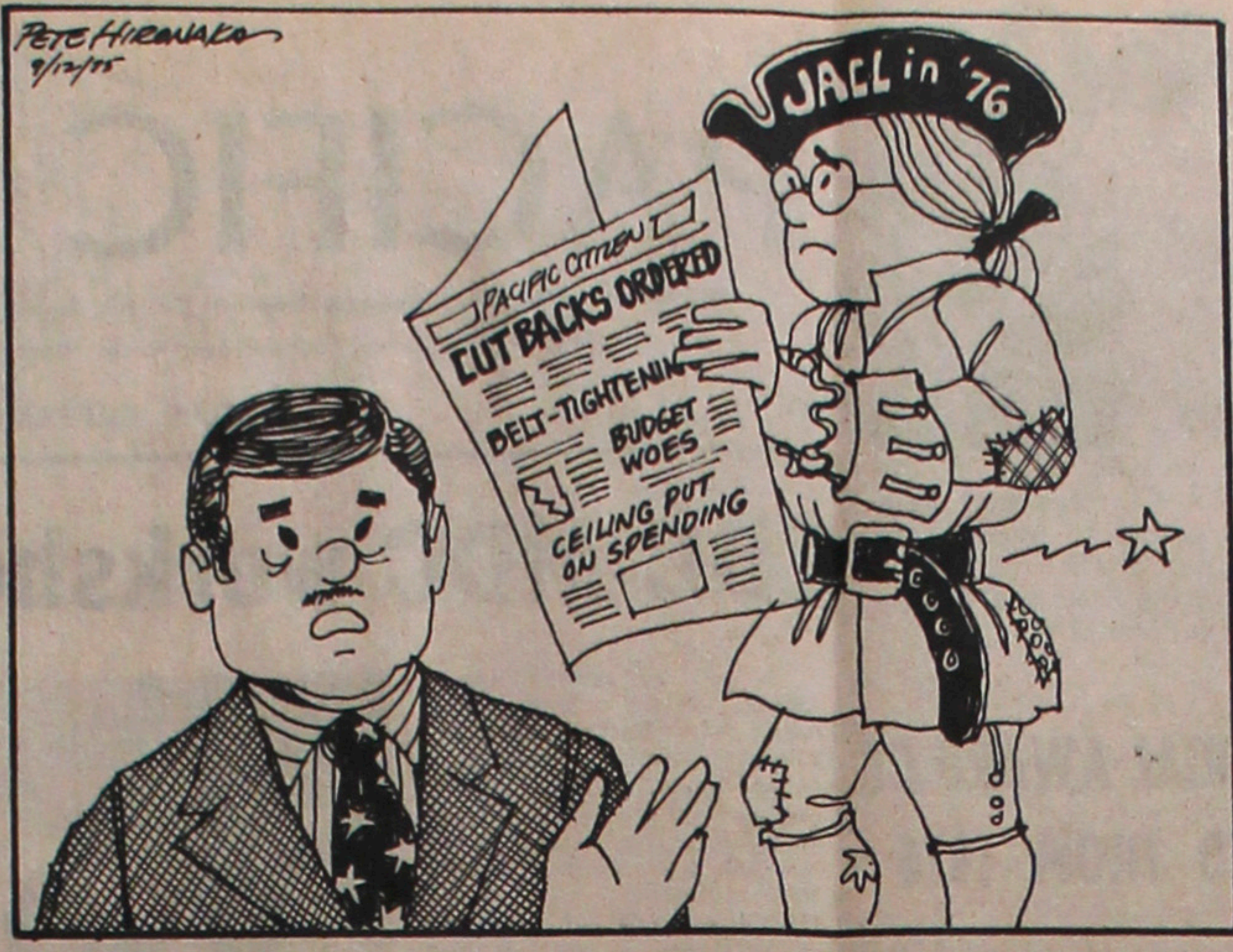
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FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

Catching Up

Denver, Colo.
Where has the summer gone? It has gone into the past while we were dallying, that's where it's gone. Meanwhile, there is some catching up to do . . .

While in Tokyo, we got the word that a TBS (Tokyo Broadcasting System) television team would soon be heading for Colorado and Wyoming to shoot a couple of weeks of sequences for their morning Passport 4 program. Sure enough they showed up, headed by an aggressive young director named Fubuki Usui.
They must have shot miles of film—a state fair in Wyoming with Mariko Miller and one of her sons, the Miss Indian America pageant in Sheridan, a woodcutter in Colorado, Frank Torizawa's Granada fish market (they had heard it was the only fish store in America with a carpeted floor), Frank and Shieko Yamaguchi and the farm they operate, the onetime gold camp of Cripple Creek, etc.
The most interesting member of the team was a tall, willowy Tokyo dancer, singer and soap opera star named Katsue Doi who had been hired as narrator and interviewer. Seeing her turn on her charm in action, it was easy to understand why they had brought her along.
We got to talking about the way Tokyo had changed and I mentioned I saw it for the first time after the war in 1950. "Nineteen fifty?" she exclaimed. "Why that was years before I was born". The conversation ended abruptly. (Actually, she was cheating a bit. She later confessed she then was 2 years old.)
But the most poignant moments came on the 30th anniversary of the day Hiroshima was obliterated. Motoki Watanabe, the head cameraman, while filming a sequence at the Tri-State Buddhist Church, happened to mention that he had lost his mother in the nuclear blast.
The Rev. Yoshitaka Tamai then insisted he must conduct a service in her memory. While an assistant cameraman filmed the rites, a Japanese who had

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Re: 'Reparations' 'Concentration Camps'

Editor:
Barry Matsumoto is to be commended for his very excellent treatise (PC, Aug. 1-8-15) on the whole question of reparations for evacuees.
I am against the concept of reparations for evacuees. I wonder what kind of men would propose such an action? "Reparations" couched in the best of language would sound upon with horror by the majority in the Congress. Anything that smells of "reparations" would surely turn them against us and the roar from the unsympathetic populace may undo all the good that has been accomplished by our ethnic group.
I, for one, do not want JACL tampering with the, so far, fairly good image of the Japanese and Japanese Americans. The Evacuation has given us one moral club which can remain visible to the future generations of Americans, but "reparations" will negate that force, and because we were paid in cold cash, our small voice will surely become inaudible if and when, in the future, we have to "protect our civil rights".
SHIGEKI HIRATSUKA
Arlington, Va.

Editor:
It's a bit presumptuous of Mark D. Peters (Aug. 29 Letters) to tell us "overzealous" individuals who were incarcerated in the concentration camps how to describe that experience.
Beyond the "suspension of civil rights, loss of personal property and dignity" that Peters writes about, there were continual harassment and anti-Japanese agitation in the form of resolutions and legislations introduced and passed; Japanese run out of friendly towns during the period when the majority of us were behind barbed-wire fences, guarded by sentries with loaded machine guns and searchlights.
The six million who died in the Holocaust are also my brothers and sisters, but that inhumanity does not minimize the Japanese American experience.
As for distortion of history, documentation is available depending on how far back in American history we want to go!
For a historic quote, January, 1942 will do. Henry Stimson, then Secretary of War, said:
All Japanese, whether citizens or not, placed in inland concentration camps.
How about an earlier date? Columnist Westbrook Pegler wrote on Dec. 9, 1941,
The United States could raise 100 victims selected out of our concentration camps (for German Bundists, Italian Fascists and many Japanese.
And the words of Justice Roberts of the U.S. Supreme Court to clear up the confusion and sensibilities of children Peters is concerned about:
The indisputable facts exhibit a clear violation of constitutional rights . . . It is a case of convicting . . . a punishment for not submitting to imprisonment in a concentration camp, based on his ancestry and solely because of his ancestry, without evidence or inquiry concerning his loyalty and good disposition to the U.S.
The rhetoric over the choice of words avoids the main issue: Why should a free, democratic society have concentration camps at all? And just because people who have endured injustices articulate their experiences with words which may be disagreeable to Peters and others is no justification to label them as overzealous, anti-American, biased or bitter.
For those of us who lived in them, names like Jerome, Tule Lake and Manzanar conjure up images which Peters (whom I presume did not go to camp and experience that degradation) could never conjure up in a lifetime.
There were and still are men and women who are hotly denying that concentration camps existed in America. Is that a term to be used only if the guards speak German and carry a whip as well as a rifle?
SUE K. EMBREY
Manzanar Committee
Los Angeles

How can we not get involved in community affairs

By HAROLD ONISHI
Chapter President
Portland JACL
Portland
The JACL plays an integral part in all community affairs. We have been involved in internal issues (anti-defamation, community projects (scholarships), communications, etc.) as well as international (Vietnam, whaling boycott, Japanese ship visit, etc.).

CHIAROSCURO
When the issue necessitated an immediate decision and action, our board of directors met the challenge to serve our community in a positive way, and I fully supported them. Although some of our actions have been critically scrutinized, I feel that our decisions were justified and that it was necessary to take action at the proper time.
Also, we have tried to involve our members through our social activities, but the issues continually keep us busy.

The JACL's purpose is to work through education and public service for the civil rights of all minorities. The following may attest to the viability of our organization and its existence.
Recently, I read an article in a local community paper entitled, "Racism Remains." I was impressed with the author's observations and insights and, herewith, share the facts.
Although the civil rights movement of recent years has succeeded in many goals, racism remains as virulent as ever in the hearts of many Americans. In reference to the Vietnamese we hear comments like, "We don't want these people," or "They are taking our jobs!" (Notice the we-they dichotomy). She mentions a case in San Francisco where a judge turned down a request for a restraining order to halt the immigration on grounds that it threatens "irreparable harm to the environment". Here, human beings are categorized with oil spills, insect plagues, and other nuisances—in complete denial of the brotherhood of man".

In another story a Southern Oregon health officer issued a statement that an outbreak of measles could not be blamed on the arrival of the refugees as had been charged by the pillars of that community.
Another refugee telephone her American husband only to learn that he was marrying another woman which implies that a "made in Vietnam" wife is not for "real". Unfortunately, this happens all too often.

Also, on certain radiotalk shows in Portland, the term "yellow peril" is being heard again. How can we not get ourselves involved?
"Chiaroscuro" is a heading reserved for and identifying contributions from JACL Chapter presidents. The observations and problems viewed from their vantage points are selected from newsletters, memos or letters.

TERU TOGASAKI
San Francisco

WW2 Experiences

Editor:
I think there were more pluses than minuses in the Evacuation. All the leaders and dissidents got together so that JACL had a group that each other and worked together—almost like the Ken-j'nal.
Further, the Japanese got to know the U.S. and vice-versa. The Issei lost their hold because the Nisei were given the places of authority in camps which were left in the cold—which was a pity in some cases I am sure. The Nisei had to make up their mind where their loyalty stood and they were not found wanting so that the parents got citizenship due to the valiant work of their sons in the 100th, 442nd Infantry and in the Pacific, etc.
(The people in) Hawaii helped out financially so that people there were contacted.
In 1948, a 1907 law of limited passports of the Japanese to settle east of Hawaii (if that was the original destination) was erased. President Truman repealed the President Theodore Roosevelt executive order affecting the travel of Issei. And I never thought Issei would get citizenship in my life time.
JACL was able to get things done through the ability of Mike Masaoka.
TERU TOGASAKI
San Francisco

25 Years Ago

In the PC, Sept. 9, 1950
Aug. 31—First degree murder charge against Haruo Udo, 30, of Dunuba in farm labor camp incident.
Sept. 7—New York Nisei photographer Ken Inouye for INS killing in Army plane crash, expelled on takeoff from Fukuoka.
Sept. 9—President Truman vetoes Walter Resolution, opposed security provisions strengthening 1940 Nationality Act.

THE AUGUST REPORT

1000 Club Memberships

JACL Headquarters acknowledged 62 new and renewing membership in the 1000 Club for the first half of August as follows:

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14—Inouye, Mike M
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22—Nobuki, Tetsuo\*
1—Tomomi, Masori
4—Kurita, Dr Kenji
WATSONVILLE
11—Tomomi, Masori
WEST VALLEY
19—Habara, Jiro W

EDC-MDC -

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You can participate in community decision-making on a political partisan basis, community organization basis or on an ethnic basis. Each should determine what their interest and level of involvement are, then proceed to "jump in and get your feet wet".
Workshop opened with participants asked to declare their party affiliations, why they believed and what their motivations were for becoming politically involved. Within the group, one declared to be Democrats, one was a Republican, another an Independent and one had no party affiliation. Three Democrats said they recently switched from the Republicans. Many said they were of the same party as their parents. One common motivation expressed for political involvement was that many wished to have some input in the decision-making process at local, state and national levels.
On the "how to" level, discussion pinpointed the various activities at the precinct level. Nikkel can volunteer as poll watchers, distribute campaign material, host klatches for candidates or work in the campaign office.
Another level of involvement is to belong to a community organization which takes an advocacy position on issues that directly affect one's community, such as housing, education, police-community relations.
In terms of Japanese American involvement, it was suggested Nisei committees to support certain candidates sensitive to the needs of the Nikkel community, hosting Nisei meetings with the candidates or sending out campaign material to Nisei are viable leads. It was also noted JACL chapters have hosted candidate nights, encouraged voter registration and taken advocacy positions on local issues.

JAYS workshop

The concept of Jr. JACL or Japanese American Youths (JAYS), its structure within JACL, programs and identity continued to be the main points of discussion of this workshop. These issues have been aired since Jr. JACL first came on the national scene at the Seattle national convention in 1962 and earlier among the chapters and districts.
Two speakers covered the fields in an informal manner at the EDC-MDC conference. A slide presentation reviewing past JAY Convention highlights with some significant social and educational events opened this particular workshop.
Speakers responded to such questions as, What is the role of the Midwest District Youth Board? What are present district programs? What's the structure, purpose and function of the NYCC? What does it mean to be a national (youth) organization?
Participants delved into such questions as, What does JAYS mean to you? What purpose does it serve to you as member and to the community? How have you benefited from JAYS? How did you first become involved in JAYS? If you were trying to persuade someone to join, what would you tell them?
While an awareness of the problem situation was stimulated, there was still confusion, "What is a JAY?" The questions in general however indicated a direction for the National organization to consider.
Problems existing in other districts were uncovered during the workshop. Answers will not be easy, it was agreed, but the need for a JAYS organization remains for it can help identify the con-

Minority Week

Lt. Gen. Daniel James Jr., 55, was made a four-star general Aug. 29 upon assuming command of the North American Air Defense Command (NORAD) from Gen. Lucius Clay Jr. James is the first black in the armed services to attain that rank.

Minority Week

At the press conference last week, we were shown the kawara—Japanese clay tile—to be used on the roof. Artisans from Japan are being called to install more than 40,000 pieces required for the new temple. Members will "purchase" kawara at \$5 per tile, have their names recorded under the tile as per Japanese tradition before it is placed. Nonmembers who wish to show their best wishes to the church, which is also serving the community at large, have been invited by Bishop Horyu Ito (Higashi Hongwanji), 118 N. Mott St., Los Angeles 90033) to participate in this tradition.

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Gail Nishioka  
**Hikari**  
 LETTERS FROM JAPAN (II)

These two letters to Gail Nishioka complete the interim reports from the four JACL-JAL Cultural Heritage Fellowship recipients. Two were reprinted in this column last week. In-depth observations are expected for publication in the Holiday Issue.—Ed.



**From Theresa Fujiwara**

Greetings from Tokyo. It's difficult to know where to begin in sharing some of my experiences here. Being a student in Tokyo is a very busy, active way of life. Each day is so unique and provides something new to learn.

The summer session plans a lot of activities for us. Tonight we had a party with most of the students attending Sophia. There must have been at least ten different countries represented. Each one did some songs from their respective countries and then we all sang together. It was great sharing experience. I think one of the real beauties of attending this summer session is getting the chance to meet so many students from other countries and cultures.

I'm all settled in my classes. I ended up taking Contemporary Japanese and Japanese Literature. It's a nice combination because literature gives me a chance to romanticize about historical Japan and Contemporary Japan wakes me up to the realities of Japan today.

We took our first trip outside of Tokyo on Sunday to Nikko. It was nice to get out of the hectic Tokyo. The train ride gave us a chance to see some of rural Japan—rice paddies, green trees, open space. In Nikko we saw San Butsu-Do Temple, Yemelon Gate and Lake Chuzenji.

So far Tokyo isn't what I expected Japan to be. It is so modern and fast-paced. I'm sure Tokyo doesn't reflect the rest of Japan. This city is so preoccupied with the new and I came here with expectations of rediscovering the old, the traditional, etc.

While I'm here I'm planning to look into the Ministry of Welfare. I've acquired the address and phone number and a friend who will help me out. It should be interesting. So far, most people stay away from discussing social services in Japan.

Well I think that covers everything for now. I do want to thank JACL again for giving me this opportunity of a lifetime. It's a trip that would have been far off in the future if I did it on my own.

**THeresa**

**From Mark Tajima**

I can hardly believe that I've been in Japan for as long as I have been here. I am having a great time and am enjoying myself immensely. It is easily the best summer of my life.

My first impressions of Japan were the physical differences from the United States, e.g., driving on the "wrong side" of the street. Although I arrived on Saturday afternoon, the car traffic in Tokyo was extremely slow and congested. The streets—even the

**Quote of Note**

The tree of liberty must be refreshed from time to time with the blood of patriots and tyrants. It is its natural manure.—Thomas Jefferson.

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**PSWDC-SPONSORED PROJECT**

**JWRO campaign goes over \$5,000**

LOS ANGELES—The PSWDC-sponsored campaign to raise funds for the Japanese Welfare Rights Organization has gone over the \$5,000 mark as of Sept. 4 as \$983.50 from 72 contributors were acknowledged during the last half of August.

Funds are shared by JWRO and the Joint Counseling Center, which operate together in the Sun Bldg. offering legal assistance, tax information and counseling in a number of areas to be one of the most effective social service agencies for the Nikkei, according to JACL regional director Craig Shimabukuro.

As a result of their advocacy work, JWRO-JCC obtained two bilingual workers as outpost station staff for the

federal Social Security Administration and county Dept. of Social Services.

Tax deductible contributions to "JACL-JWRO-JCC" are being accepted at the So. Calif. JACL Office. Recent major contributors (\$25 and up) acknowledged were:

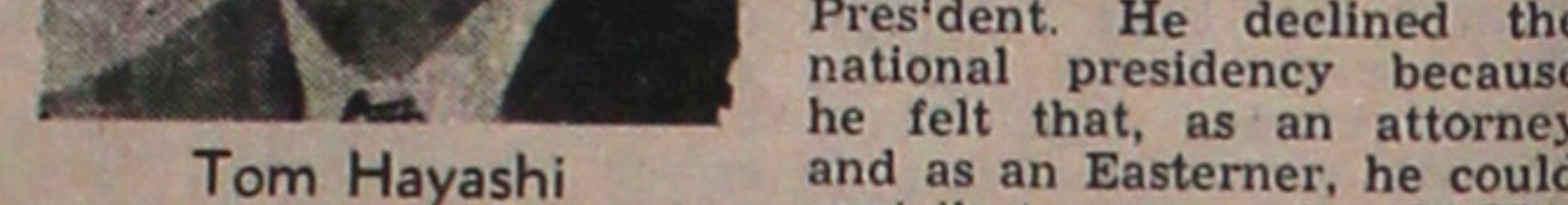
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**Sept. 4 Total—\$5,002.50 from 387 donors.**

Finally, he learned that a national organization like the JACL could be the potential instrumentality for the protection and the promotion of the welfare of such nationality minorities as those of Japanese ancestry.

Tom Hayashi helped organize the New York JACL Chapter almost 30 years ago. He also helped organize the EDC and was elected its first Chairman, known as the Governor, almost three decades ago. He was the elected successor, as the National Third, Second, and First Vice President. He declined the national presidency because he felt that, as an attorney and as an Easterner, he could contribute more to JACL's national legislative and litigative program, accepting instead successive appointments as the Chairman of the National JACL Legislative-Legal Committee and subsequently as the National JACL Legal Counsel.



**Tom Hayashi**

**Hayashi—**

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known and believed in the purposes for which Tom Hayashi lived and died.

Eligible for this scholarship would be (1) a member of the JACL in good standing or whose parents are members in good standing of the JACL, (2) a person of Japanese ancestry, and (3) an Asian American, who has been accepted for admission to the United States or who has applied and will be accepted for admission to an accredited law school in the United States for the next school term following the application.

If, in the judgment of the Selections Committee, there is no outstanding applicant in any given year, a scholarship will not be awarded that year but will be in the succeeding year or years in the same amount as that which was publicized in the first instance. Moreover, if funds are available, more than one scholarship may be awarded in any year. And, if in any one year more than one applicant is qualified, need will become a determining factor.

Murray Sprung was designated to announce publicly this JACL Thomas T. Hayashi Law Scholarship for the first time to the Joint EDC/MDC Convention which was held in Cleveland this past August.

Those desiring to contribute early to this tax-deductible fund may write their checks to the JACL Thomas T. Hayashi Law Scholarship Fund, c/o New York JACL Office, 50 W. 67th St., New York, New York 10023.

**Personal profile**

Tom Hayashi, an evacuee from Sacramento, was enabled to attend the New York University Law School because of scholarship and other funds that were made available to him, added to the financial help which his wife Futami was able to give him while working as a secretary. As an attorney, he learned early that racial discrimination and restricted opportunities could best be eliminated by resort to the law. He also learned that effective public service could be a contribution which concerned members of the bar could provide their respective communities and the nation.

**San Mateo JACL gets city contract for social worker**

SAN MATEO, Calif.—The San Mateo City Council voted a \$35,000 social services contract to be overseen by the City Manager's Office and directed by three of the major minority groups in the city.

The San Mateo JACL was among the recipient of a \$11,686 contract and the chapter is in the process of hiring a Japanese-speaking community worker or advocate and selecting an advisory committee to oversee the project. Final filing date was Aug. 31 for the \$50 per month job.

The position involves working independently under city policies and the chapter advisory committee to plan, organize and conduct programs that provide remedial service socially or economically disadvantaged persons, clarify agency programs to the community and interpret their needs and cultural patterns.

Among the duties are:  
 1—Focus on needs of the city's Japanese American and Asian communities as well as upon needs of other segments of the community.  
 2—Provide referrals on employment, health care and available social services.  
 3—Provide translation and interpretation services in Japanese and English; other languages as needed; and provide second language programs.  
 4—Establish liaison between persons in need and proper agencies, especially in health, food, clothing and shelter.  
 5—Maintain a roster of employment leads and improve employment ability of those using job readiness training programs; follow-through assistance at the employer level.  
 6—Provide counseling to disadvantaged citizens.  
 7—Keep appropriate records.



**Mrs. Majiu Uyesugi**

**Uyesugi—**

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"Ara in when three of her sons were in military service, she again made a covenant to sacrifice eating fish which she loved dearly until we returned home safely and we returned safely."

"And when my youngest brother was severely ill, again she agreed with God to sacrifice eating rice for three years. He has completely recovered and now has a fine family with three children," Mas recounted.

**Personal profile**

The late Mrs. Uyesugi, who hails from the orange-growing regions of Kumamoto, came as a picture bride in 1916 and settled with her husband in Marysville, Calif., where they operated a restaurant. The first child, Masaye, was born there and died at age 6 in an accident.

With Japanese converging upon nearby Colusa to grow rice, because of the great demands for the crop during World War I, the Uyesugis then opened Nippon Grocery Store at 6th and Main in Colusa, a "nandemo-ya" as the young Issei used to call them. The store did well for many years until tragedy and misfortune struck. The third child, Susumi, was killed in an auto accident in 1929 and the disastrous Depression also hit the community.

**Poston pilgrimage set for Sept. 27-28**

LOS ANGELES—As part of the Poston pilgrimage planned by the Manzanar Committee for the Sept. 27-28 weekend, Japanese Americans visiting the WW2 evacuee camp near Parker, Ariz., will also join the Colorado River Indian tribes celebrate their Native American Day.

Some of the facilities constructed during WW2 at Poston are still in use, as was indicated in the slide presentation at the recent PSWDC quarterly meeting.

Poston pilgrimage information may be secured in the evenings from:  
 Sue Embrey (652-5102), Ken Honji (261-1227), Tom Kural (960-0976) and Tak Yamamoto (399-7285).

**U. Mass—**

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versity, substantially bore out what the Gazette had reported. A federal grand jury was expected to return indictments in the case this week.

Coppers & Lybrand audited \$2.6 million in grant and contract funds covering the period since 1970 and 1974 but pointed out not all grants at the School of Education were involved in fund misuse. It was also noted that since 1968, when former Dean Dwight Allen came to UMass, the School of Education consistently violated university procedures and UMass administration did nothing to stop them.

Suzuki had been dean in charge of business at the School of Education, overseeing the management of School of Education grants. He resigned the position to dedicate more time to teaching.

Prior to accepting the position here at UMass, Suzuki taught at the USC School of Engineering. While in Southern California, he was active in the JACL, serving as its national education committee chairman and was district co-chairman in the 1968-70 Title II repeal campaign.

**Tri-District—**

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Tri-District Conference committee anticipates 400 at the Saturday banquet, which will be open to Nikkei public. George Takei will be emcee. A dance will follow.

A welcome mixer tonight (Friday, 8 p.m.) begins the weekend affair.

The Orange County SENSEI musical group, Stonebridge, will entertain at both the mixer and dinner-dance. District panel discussions and scheduled throughout Saturday and open discussion on the future of JACL (see Aug. 29 PC) Sunday morning concludes the conference.

United Auto Workers education representative Jerome Lamothe Jr. will address the Saturday luncheon on U.S.-Japan Trade. Newport Beach attorney Tom Kumagai will be emcee.

**CALENDAR**

Sept. 12 (Friday)  
 Philadelphia—Bd Mtg, Ray Master's res.

Sept. 12-14  
 PSW-CC-NCWNDC-Orange County JACL hosts, Tri-District Conference, Grand Hotel, Anaheim; John W. Dean III, Sat bang spkr.

Sept. 13 (Saturday)  
 Houston—Police Festival, Sharpstown Shopping Ctr Mall.

Sept. 14 (Sunday)  
 Washington, D.C.—JACL picnic, Viers Mill Rec Ctr.

Sept. 16 (Tuesday)  
 Salinas Valley—Bd Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, 8 p.m.

Sept. 20 (Saturday)  
 Downtown L.A.—Issei Citizenship 20th Anny luncheon, Golden Dragon Restaurant, 860 N Broadway, noon; Joseph Sureck, INS dist dir, spkr.

Sept. 21-22  
 PNWDC—Portland hosts, Qtrly session, Coliseum Travelodge.

Sept. 27 (Saturday)  
 Washington, D.C.—Issei Appreciation dr. Chinese Community Church, 1011 L St., 7 p.m.

Selma—Chapter mtg, Sept. 28 (Sunday)  
 San Mateo—Comm picnic, Beresford Park.

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ed away. Mrs. Uyesugi continued the cafe until Evacuation in 1942. The family was evacuated to Amache WRA Center.

After the war, Mrs. Uyesugi started a boarding house at 1545 E. 55th St. in Cleveland where she became a devout Christian and active in her church. In 1972, she suffered a stroke and was bed-ridden till she passed away in 1975 at the age of 78 on Feb. 17, long as 20 hours a day then, which was designated George Washington's birthday. Her birthday was Feb. 22.

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**BOOK REVIEW: by Allan Beekman**

**Crusade for Self-Mastery**

**MOVING ZEN: Karate as a Way to Gentleness.** by C. W. Nicol, drawings by Munehiro Ikeda. Wm. Morrow Co., New York, 151 pp., \$5.95.

Reproving the author, who had been practicing kata, ritual Karate exercises to improve form, an instructor in Tokyo said:

"When you do the kata you are only thinking of yourself... See the enemy: If you practice hard you will develop a mind that is moving Zen, and it is the Zen state you must strive for."

Humble and dedicated, the author strove mightily for the Zen state beyond relation to human personality-picture or self-image.

"For me, Karate was a personal battle with my egocentricities... in this path Karate would help me, steady me."

His nature had responded to the culture of Japan and to the character of the Japanese. He found in the Japanese a model for the disciplining of his own rebellious spirit.

"Born in 1940 in Wales, the author at 14 had begun the study of judo at a YMCA club in Cheltenham, England. At 17, he had joined an expedition to Unzu Bay in northern Canada. He returned to England and had become a professional wrestler.

He returned to the Arctic in 1961. In the late fall of 1962, fit and weighing 185 pounds, he had come to Japan, with his savings, to devote himself to the study and practice of Judo and Karate.

After going from dojo to dojo in Tokyo to observe the different styles of Karate, he had decided that the Shoto-ryu was best for him. "Shoto" is the pen name of the founder of this school of Karate.

The hierarchical structure of Japanese society appealed to him. Like the Japanese, he found a gratifying sense of belonging in a niche accorded him in the dojo membership.

The camaraderie he found there extended beyond the walls of the dojo. His comrades taught him proper behavior towards those met outside, schooling him in courtesy and etiquette.

He integrated himself further into Japanese society by marrying a Japanese girl. Then he embarked on an expedition to the Great Bear Lake of Canada to recoup his depleted finances. Returning to Japan in the fall of that year, he moved into the village home of his wife's family. Here he became a villager.

Like any other, accorded similar recognition and assigned similar duties and responsibilities.

Though Karate remained his primary interest, he also practiced Judo and Kendo. His wife introduced him to Jujitsu (stick fighting).

He responded to the Japanese love of beauty, to their appreciation of nature and to their awareness of the changing of the seasons, turning his impressions into words that sing in vivid, poetic interpretations and descriptions.

He could have improved the dialogue by employing

speech contractions normal to English conversation.

He may shock some Western exponents of physical fitness by the revelation that devotees of Karate, in training, think nothing of drinking beer and sake. Readers may sometimes wonder, too, how much the sensitive, imaginative author has altered events to fit his thesis.

Belligerent drunks appear at moments appropriate at the requirement of testing Karate skills. They behave so outrageously that the expert is justified in knocking them unconscious with a single blow—a blow delivered with such prudence and art that he avoids killing the drunk.

Nevertheless, an absorbing story by a talented author of a struggle to find himself in a foreign milieu to which he finally adapted.

**Richard Gima**

**Aloha**

**HAWAII TODAY** — Honolulu might lose control of Waikiki to the State unless it begins to do something to upgrade the area as a tourist destination, according to State Sen. Francis Wong, chairman of the Senate Economic Development Committee. He said the state legislature has the necessary powers to override the City and give control of Waikiki to the State... Hawaii has the highest incidence of death and rate in the U.S. from the disease, asthma, according to the Star-Bulletin. The Kuakini Hospital is conducting a study to determine the causes and characteristics of asthma in Hawaii... The Hawaii trucking industry has been exempted from certain provisions of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations because of special conditions prevailing in Hawaii, by order of director Robert Kaye of the federal Dept. of Transportation bureau of motor carrier safety.

**NEIGHBOR ISLANDS** — Residents of the West Hawaiian community of Kona may begin receiving home mail delivery late this year, according to Rep. Spark Matsunaga... The inter-island Seafleet service added a second jet-fuel, Kalakaua, to its current Honolulu-Maui run. A third jet-fuel will be in service soon.

**HONOLULU SCENE** — Believed to be the nation's largest all-commercial condominium office building, the front seven stories of the American Security Bank Bldg., at the site of the old Civic Aud on S. King St., has been topped off. Its 15-story tower is now under construction... Cranes lifted two new center roof towers atop Iolani Palace in early July. It was another step in restoring the historic building... The State Harbor Division will improve the Aloha Towers, which sus-

tained several maliciously-set fires in recent week. The latest of three burned through the hollow wooden door on the seventh floor in a matter of minutes.

**DEATHS** — Former Kauai Mayor Francis Ching, 62, died Aug. 13 during an open heart surgery in Cleveland. In 1972, he married Dorothy Yamamoto, a Bank of Hawaii vice president. He is also survived by four sons and two daughters: Lanl Hanchett, 35, first past-Hawaiian bishop of the Hawaii Episcopal Diocese, died of cancer Aug. 11 at St. Francis Hospital.

**SPORTS SCENE** — More than 2,000 applied July 31 for 24 full-time and 500 part-time jobs at the new Aloha Stadium... Univ. of Wisconsin athletic director Elroy (Crazy-legs) Hirsch says he is still considering the offer from Univ. of Hawaii to be athletic director and is planning a trip to the Islands to receive the offer. "Money doesn't enter into it at all, not a bit," he said. "There's nothing like that. It's just that sometimes you get frustrated here (in Madison) with the continual drive for funds, asking for help and not getting it in certain areas"...

**CRIME FILE** — Chief teller Stanley (Banjo) Tamura, 49, with the Maui County Dept. of Finance was found stabbed to death in his home Aug. 5. A county employee for many years, he was convicted in 1962 for organizing a gambling venture involving football.

**EDUCATION** — Margaret Ushijima, dean of students at the UH Hilo Branch, has criticized the State Dept. of Education and the University for failing to provide equal opportunities for women. She complained that only one woman faculty member of Hilo College has attained the rank of full professor...

**PC's People**

**Churches**

Buddhist Churches of America made the following ministerial appointments, which became effective during the past weeks: Rev. Ron Kobata (one-time JACL community involvement field worker), White River, Wash.; Rev. Kazumasa Niho, Honeyville, Utah; Rev. Wayne K. Okamoto, Tri-State (Denver); Rev. Kenne'h O'Neill, BCA Bishop's Office, San Francisco; Rev. Robert B. Oshita, L.A. Betsuin; Rev. Junjo Tsumura (Japanese editor, BCA publication "Horin"), San Mateo, Calif.; and Rev. Ken C. Yamaguchi (onetime Pasadena JACL president), L.A. Betsuin.

A July 4 ceremony in Kyoto has invested Prof. Ryosetsu Fujiwara, former Institute of Buddhist Studies professor in residence at Berkeley, into the respected Homba Hongwanji Council of Scholars, the

**& Places**

**Los Angeles**

Community adult schools in the L.A. School system began this week (Sept. 8), some during the day, others in the evenings. Many offer English to the foreign-born.

Any registered voter in Los Angeles County interested in becoming a deputy registrar (special appeal is being to bilingual voters) is urged to do so by attending a simple, 3-hour training class. For details of nearest training class, call 974-6742.

Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute hosted a luncheon Aug. 29 to discuss its \$1,000,000 building plan with representatives of the local area financial institutions and civic dignitaries present. Gardena City Councilman William Cox said the project merited the community's full support and the JCI community center (which replaces the one that was burned down two years ago) would greatly contribute to community betterment. To date, \$250,000 has been pledged, according to luncheon host Bruce T. Kaji, president of Merit Savings. Center is located at Gramercy Place and 162nd St.

**East-West Players** present Frank Chin's "The Chickencoop Chinaman" starting Sept. 24-25 with veteran performer

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Kangaku. Also inducted were Dr. Ryokun Fukuhara, and former president of Ryukoku University Shoho Takemura, both of whom have visited the Buddhist Churches of America in the past.

**Science**

Two amateur astronomers in Japan, Minoru Honda and Kentaro Osada, claimed discovery of the new star "Nova Cygni 1975" which was increasing in brightness the last week of August in the northeastern skies.

**Sports**

Former jockey George Taniguchi, 45, won the annual Rocking Chair Derby at Del Mar Aug. 20 aboard Japanese-owned Martizia in a no-bet race. Now a state racing official, he was the first Big circuit jockey to ride in the nine circuits 21 years ago.

**Courtroom**

Gov. Brown appointed 12 new judges Aug. 18 including Elved G. Ho Lu, 33, to the Los Angeles Municipal Court. UCLA graduate in law, Lui had been in private practice, was a deputy attorney general in the State attorney general's office. He succeeded Bonnie Lee Martin who was elevated to superior court. (Superior court judges earn

\$40,322 a year, municipal judges \$37,098.)

Dana Lee in the title role of Tampax Lum, a film-making project searching for a father-image for the world.

**S.F.—East Bay**

Eden Japanese Senior Center's program for September features Mrs. Gladys Eyeara showing how to make cloth flowers Sept. 11 at the San Lorenzo center and the county coming Sept. 28 to provide flu vaccine free to persons over age 60. A nominal fee will be charged others.

**Seattle**

The Seattle Fair Campaign Practices Commission held a hearing Sept. 4 on the charge by City Councilman John

Miller that one of his opponents, Liem Tuai, violated the city's campaign disclosure requirements. Miller held Tuai failed to disclose a \$30,000 "pledge" to his campaign. Tuai said the word was "loosely" used when the press quoted him he had \$30,000 in "pledges," explaining "in politics, you don't count money until you see it on the table (and) in your bank account." Thus far, Tuai said he has received about \$7,000. "Every nickel we get will be reported," he assured.

Taiji Miyamoto, 45, of Seattle was among three injured when a light plane he was riding crashed into a Bellevue home Aug. 28. The pilot was killed in the crash.

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