

JACL P.R. IN JAPAN

Washington During the several weeks preceding the visit by the Emperor and Empress of Japan to the United States, a number of Japanese correspondents interviewed me for my views concerning the Emperor and his visit.

What I did elicit during the course of the interviews—confirming previous impressions—is that the people of Japan have very little knowledge or understanding of Japanese Americans.

Some Japanese still think of Japanese Americans as dekaseginin—a person working away from home. And in keeping with inherent Japanese class consciousness and snobbery, the term dekaseginin can take on a demeaning connotation.

I commented during the JACL Public Relations Commission's meeting in 1973 that I felt that there was a need to educate the people of Japan, as well as non-Japanese Americans, about the Japanese Americans.

Public comments on Voting Rights Act guidelines, experiences being sought

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Edward H. Levi issued interim guidelines Oct. 3 for the conduct of bilingual elections next month in counties newly covered by the Voting Rights Act.

Teacher's manual published

San Francisco Under the Ethnic Heritage Studies Act the JACL was granted \$60,000 last year from the U.S. Dept. of Education to design a teacher's manual for understanding the history, culture and contemporary problems of Japanese Americans.

Verbatim minutes distributed

San Francisco Verbatim minutes of the special National JACL Board meeting convened June 7-8 in San Francisco have been distributed to the chapter presidents this past week.

WASHINGTON — The controversial discrimination complaint involving John Y. Yoshino, 64, an equal employment officer with the Federal Highway Administration, has finally come up for hearing Sept. 23-24, the Washington JACL Office reported.



John Yoshino

The Japanese American Citizens League is on record in support of expediting the complaint because of the 15 months of delay Yoshino had encountered.

Shigeki Sugiyama, who is with the U.S. Civil Service Commission, wrote Coleman: "That Mr. Yoshino has been passed over eight times for promotion to a higher level position (from GS 14 to GS 15) in his field, in spite of his demonstrated record of accomplishments in the field of Equal Employment Opportunity and civil rights in the department as well as in other activities, demands explanation."

In one of the ironies of the case, Gaither is black. So is William T. Coleman, Jr., secretary of transportation, who was asked by JACL to intervene May 2. Coleman is the second black member on a presidential cabinet—first was Robert Weaver in 1966 under President Johnson as secretary of housing and urban development.

Nihonmachi Mall work underway

SAN FRANCISCO — The one block of Buchanan St. north of the Japan Center peace plaza has been closed to motor traffic for several months for Nihonmachi's pedestrian mall.

MITSUHIRO TO FIGHT GRAND THEFT CHARGES

LOS ANGELES — Former head Joe Mitsuhiro of the now defunct Pasadena Japanese Credit Union pleaded not guilty last week (Oct. 5) to three counts of grand theft and four counts of forgery at the arraignment. Trial opens Nov. 18.

PNW urges Ford remove EO 9066

PORTLAND, Ore. — President Ford was urged to "repudiate" Executive Order 9066, the 1942 proclamation that resulted in the mass evacuation of Japanese Americans from the West Coast, in a resolution adopted by the Pacific Northwest JACL District Council meeting here Sept. 28, according to Dr. James Tsujimura, district governor.

Assemblyman Mori to address CDC meet

FRESNO, Calif. — State Assemblyman Floyd Mori (D-Pleasanton) was announced as keynote speaker for the annual Central California JACL District Convention to be held Nov. 22-23 at the Fresno Hilton.

Wendy wins delay in defense effort

OAKLAND, Calif. — Alameda County Superior Court Lionel J. Wilson last week (Oct. 6) granted Wendy Yoshimura, arrested with Patricia Hearst on Sept. 18, a delay until Oct. 28 for further action in her court cases.

Court clerk meet

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Rep Norman Mineta addressed the annual convention of Association of Superior Court Clerks of California meeting here Oct. 10-12 on "Administration at Law Order in Modern Society". About 10 Nisei are in the association. Mrs. Alice Nishikawa of Los Angeles was the first Nisei court clerk appointed.

Tenno sweeps across U.S.

By HARRY HONDA (Ye Editor's Desk)

Perhaps the comparison may be ill-chosen, but what President Nixon's trip to Peking wrought for U.S.-China relations from an American standpoint might fit with Emperor Hirohito's whirlwind visit of the United States between Oct. 1-13.

While the importance lies in the fact that the trip was made, great significance has been attached toward cementing of U.S.-Japan relations as one reads widely and notes the dignity and general calm here. More importantly—and this may be confirmed after FC's Tokyo "contact" sends us the English-language newspapers from Japan covering the visit—the people in Japan will have become more familiar with Americans as well as seeing their Emperor far more than is the case heretofore.

Americans now know how sheltered and structured a life the Emperor leads. The routine of the Emperor has been televised here; there have been interviews on national TV and in a national news magazine, even audiences for foreign newsmen in Japan prior to the Sept. 30 take-off from Tokyo.

Emperor's messages

The repeated references by the Emperor to the wartime difficulties experienced by Japanese Americans and Japanese residents (his way of distinguishing the Issei from the Nisei-Sansei) and their efforts toward a better America, he felt, redounded to the goodwill existing between the two nations. In Chicago, the Emperor said:

"I pay my tribute in particular to the Japanese Americans who have attained their place as good American citizens withstanding many a trial." The next day in Los Angeles, before the predominantly Issei group, he encouraged Japanese residents to continue "making active contributions to the promotion of interchange between our two countries in economic, academic, cultural and other diverse fields". He was mindful of the "continuous and unflinching efforts made by a great number of Japanese Americans here who have lived in the United States for more than half a century withstanding many a difficulty. I am convinced that the close relationship which our two countries enjoy today owes much to their valuable efforts."

And recognizing the upcoming Sansei and Yonsei generations, he hoped they would continue "to make their contributions as good American citizens to the prosperity of their local communities as well as of the United States, and to the goodwill between our two nations."

At the White House state dinner, the Emperor was speaking to Americans in general, touching upon a number of points. He quoted from George Washington's Farewell Address, "Observe good faith and justice toward all nations. Cultivate peace and harmony with all"—an ideal shared by the Japanese. He acknowledged the "friendly hand of goodwill and assistance (the U.S.) afforded us for our post-war reconstruction immediately following that most unfortunate war which I deeply deplore."

EMPEROR APPRECIATES EFFORTS OF MASAOKA

WASHINGTON — The Emperor expressed his personal appreciation and that of the people in Japan to Mike Masaoka for his many accomplishments that have helped the Japanese people and promoted United States-Japan goodwill cooperation, according to a Japanese newspaper correspondent at the Japanese Embassy reception Oct. 3 for diplomats and invited guests.

JUDGE KANEMOTO: San Jose JACLER To work on jury duty excuse system

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Presiding Judge Wayne M. Kanemoto of the San Jose-Millpitas municipal court was chosen by Chief Justice Donald R. Wright to serve on a statewide Judicial Council advisory committee of four judges and three jury commissioners to study and recommend procedures for excusing persons from jury service. With the jury duty exemption bill (AB 681) having passed and becoming effective Jan. 1, 1976, the current list of 17 categories under which a person may be excused will be eliminated and institute a system for excusing persons from jury service on an individual basis.

"deeply deplore" was too strong. Some felt "deep sorrow" or "deep regret" was a more accurate translation but the press secretary to the Emperor insisted otherwise.

Editorial comments

If presidential proclamations can be regarded as the editorial of the nation, then Mr. Ford's Proclamation 4397 appearing in the Federal Register Oct. 3 on "Japan-U.S. Friendship Days (Oct. 2-13)", supported by concurrent Congressional resolution, expressed what the newspaper said during the same period.

The proclamation said the Emperor's State visit "openly symbolizes the close ties of friendship, good will and common goals to which the Japanese and American people are dedicated. Their visit will contribute immeasurably to mutual understanding and respect between the U.S.A. and Japan."

The Washington Star Oct. 1 regarded the unprecedented visit as having been "too long delayed considering the closeness of U.S.-Japanese relations over the last three decades" and the importance of "continued economic, political and military collaboration with Japan, our biggest overseas trade partner and a bastion of Asian democracy."

The Washington Post Oct. 5 (perhaps delayed because its presses were sabotaged) called the current U.S.-Japan ties as "one of the most remarkable transformations in world affairs" and focused on the trade issues. "Each side has learned something about the practical side of mutual dependence and the degree of mutual dependence is deepening". Symbolizing the visit as that "quiet triumph of goodwill and good sense, he is welcome in the U.S."

TEN NISEI INVITED TO WHITE HOUSE DINNER

WASHINGTON — Among the 113 invited to the historic White House state dinner Oct. 3 for the Emperor and Empress of Japan were a number of Japanese Americans: Sen. and Mrs. Daniel K. Inouye; R.P. and Mrs. Spark M. Matsunaga, Rep. and Mrs. Norman Y. Mineta, Dr. and Mrs. Kazuo Kasuga (Albuquerque) and Mr. and Mrs. H. William Tanaka (Washington, D.C., attorney).

Asian art exhibit

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gov. "Jerry" Brown will open a special exhibit of Asian American art in the State Capitol Oct. 24. A p.m. with the display of Southern California artists running through Dec. 24.



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn is presented to Emperor Hirohito at civic luncheon Oct. 8.

WEST LOS ANGELES AUXILIARY

Tablecloths for royal luncheon sewn

LOS ANGELES — The City of Los Angeles is the richer for having hosted the Emperor and Empress of Japan to luncheon this past week (Oct. 8) outside the Music Center where the Music Center was sensing their moment of history, and inside the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion another 500 had come to lunch in regal fashion.

Washington JACL Office distributes tickets for Visit

WASHINGTON — In reporting the tremendous success of the White House welcome reception for the Emperor and Empress of Japan at the south lawn of the White House Oct. 2, it was revealed the Washington JACL Office had distributed some 120 tickets to members who were among the 2,000 present for the ceremonies.

In a simple, sometimes moving ceremony, the 74-year-old emperor praised the complete reversal in U.S.-Japan relations since "one tragic interlude, when the Pacific Ocean—a symbol of tranquility—was instead a rough and stormy sea."

Standing beside the small, stoop-shouldered emperor was President Ford, who called the Emperor's Visit a historic occasion of profound importance.

To insure the safety of the emperor, the security was extremely heavy. Guards were stationed on the roof of the White House. Minutes before the ceremony began, a light plane flew close by towing a sign, "Emperor Hirohito: Please Save our Whales!"

Chicago to host 1976 Nisei Veterans reunion during last week of July

CHICAGO — The 1976 Nisei Veterans Reunion here from July 26-31 will be a part of the local Japanese American contribution to Chicago's celebration of the U.S. Bicentennial.

With the American Legion Nisei Post 1183 spearheading the community effort, several hundred veterans and friends from Hawaii, the West Coast, East Coast and points in between will converge at the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel, designated as the reunion site.

Chicago is extending its own brand of the alcha spirit in activities that range from a night at the All-Stars football game to the gala Sanyo-nara banquet and dance.

Book Review

HAPPY LITERARY COMBINATION

THE IZU DANCER AND OTHER STORIES: The Izu Dancer, by Yasunari Kawabata, tr. by Edward Seidenstick...

He overtakes a group of strolling players, scrapes up acquaintance with them and is accepted into their fellowship...

Arriving at Shimoda on the far side of the peninsula, he embarks for Tokyo. The troupe sees him off...

For a lovesick 19-year-old, the parting is sad. From the point of view of the reader, the parting is neither final nor tragic...

Innocent of the obstacles and complications one may see in a movie version, the tale covers only 20 pages. But so lustily has flowered the reputation of Kawabata...

The juxtaposition of the works of the two authors is happy, however, Inoue and his works likewise are associated with Izu.

Born in 1907 to an Army surgeon in Hokkaido, Inoue, in infancy, was taken to live with his grandmother in the Izu Peninsula...

In "The Counterfeiter" (Aru Gisekka no Shogai), the author has been commissioned to compile a biography of the great painter Kogaku Onuki...

Gathering biographical material, the author finds many counterfeits of the painter's work, identifies the counterfeiter and becomes fascinated with his life...

Again, in "Obasute", he mentions the region of his childhood: I come from a mountain village in the central part of the Izu Peninsula...

A new Junior high school in Richmond, B.C., will be named for Tomekichi Homma, Issei pioneer of Steveston who struggled to have Orientals naturalized as British subjects...

Pediatrics professor Irene Uchida at McMaster University will be among 25 outstanding Ontario women to be honored by the Ontario government's celebration of International Women's Year...

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PC's People Aloha

HAWAII TODAY—The military population on the Islands has dropped slightly (by 353 from last year) to 58,205, as of July 1... Aloha Week with the big parade Oct. 18 is being celebrated on Oahu Oct. 17-25...

Agriculture The A. B. Mizoguchi Inc. of Dixon, Calif., has purchased the 300-acre C. Bruce Mace Ranch in Yolo County east of Davis...

Courtroom Joe Mitsuhiro, head of the now inactive Pasadena Japanese Credit Union, was charged with 16 counts of grand theft and forgery...

Fine Arts Isamu Noguchi's latest work, "Landscape of Time", commissioned by the U.S. General Services for the new \$42.2-million Seattle Federal Bldg. plaza, didn't excite the art critics writing for the Seattle press...

Milestones Chiru Obata, 92, of Berkeley died of pneumonia Oct. 6. Professor-emeritus of art at UC Berkeley, he is survived by w Haruko, two noted architect sons, Kimio (Tokyo) and Gyo (St. Louis), and d Yuriko Kodani.

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for lack of audience; rooms, normally booked solid, were available in all price ranges; and showrooms are spreading people out to give the appearance the rooms are still jammed.

MEDICAL NOTE—Two UH pharmacologists announced discovery of a chemical extracted from a common sea anemone found in West Coast waters that appear to be very promising as a resuscitating agent for the falling heart.

NEIGHBOR ISLANDS—The Orchid Island Hotel in Hilo has been sold for the third time since 1972. Seattle cattle rancher Eugene McGovern reportedly paid \$3 million for the 117-room inn.

HONOLULU SCENE—The city bus system may be broke by November, according to director George Villegas. Waikiki suffered its slowest summer in years. Late shows at hotels had to be cancelled.

EDUCATION—The board of Education has approved the following appointments: Janet James, principal of Aina Haina Elementary; Marie Akana, Kaula Elementary principal; Doris Choi, principal of Hahaione Elementary; Toichi Saito, Ilihi Elementary principal; Tanguo Suzuki, Makalapa Elementary principal; Edward Kawamoto, Makakilo Elementary principal; Nelanette Tyau, Pohakela Elementary principal; Isaac Balicanta, Maui Elementary principal; Miesko Mihara, Honolulu School v.p.; and Mildred Shimizu, administrator of the Dept. of Education's Accreditation and Licensing Section.

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