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Asians question ruling on Filipino nurses

DETROIT, Mich. — Hundreds of Filipino nurses picketed the Federal Bldg. in protest after the July 13 conviction of two Veteran Administration hospital nurses in the poisoning of patients.

Most of them in uniform, they marched the day after while attorneys for Filipina Narciso and Leonora Perez filed motions with U.S. District Judge Philip Pratt for directed acquittal or mistrial.

Guilty verdicts against the two were returned by a jury that had deliberated 94 hours over 15 days following a three month trial.

(Dr. Akira Kubota, associate professor in political science at the Univ. of Windsor —across the river from Detroit—in a letter to the Pacific Citizen last week felt the case "looks as grave a miscarriage of justice as the Tokyo Rose case". He pointed to two mysterious features: (a) "the prosecution has never been able to produce anything more than circumstantial evidence, and (b) another Caucasian nurse who is now dead had already confessed of these murders to her psychiatrist". He said support can be directed to the Narciso-Perez Legal De-

fense Committee, Inc., 2516 Essex, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104.)

In Cleveland, the Rev. George Nishimoto, writing in the JACL Newsletter, found the judgment left him "queasy". As chapter president, he wondered if the chapter could help them and support the Filipino American Society of Ohio. He wondered if they had a fair trial and recalled the effective help given in the Wendy Yoshimura case.

In San Francisco, the Asi-

ans in Mass Media questioned the media's bent on racially identifying the nurses. "Was the use of the adjective, *Filipino*, absolutely necessary? Was it because they are Filipinos that they were convicted of the crime ... or, in this case, isn't the ethnic identification irrelevant?"

Asians in Mass Media noted that in the past, ethnic identification of crime suspects were averted because it might be prejudicial per se. Use of "Filipino" in the lead paragraphs appeared

to the AMM as being "completely gratuitous and unnecessary".

Referring to Time Magazine's (July 25) account, the nurses had stoutly maintained their innocence. Feminists and liberals at the Univ. of Michigan, Time reported, regarded the nurses as victims of overzealous local FBI eager to redeem itself after its failure to crack the still unsolved kidnapping of former Teamsters boss Jimmy Hoffa that same summer of 1975. The nurses are free on \$75,000 bail.

Mineta keeps hectic schedule on recent home district visit

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Decision Research Institute's last random telephonic survey: "What public official residing in Santa Clara County do you personally admire the most?" finds a new titlist in the No. 1 spot, long retained by Rep. Norman Y. Mineta.

The new leader is Mayor Janet Gray Hayes; Mineta is now No. 2. Mrs. Hayes was

No. 5 in the 1974 ranking and did not appear again until the 1977 survey. Mineta was No. 1 from 1971-76. County-wide DRI surveys began in 1970.

The survey and analysis, appearing July 31 in the San Jose Mercury News, shows Mineta was No. 1 in the east and south portions of the county, No. 2 in the city of San Jose and west, No. 3 in the north county area.

By political party registration, Mayor Hayes (D) ranked first among Republicans and Democrats. By age, Mineta was No. 1 in the 40-age group and second in the other three categories, which the mayor led.

At a \$100 per person lawn party reception for Rep. Mineta July 27 at the estate of prominent San Jose attorney James Boccardo, the papers noted over 100 supporters were present and heard U.S. Budget Director Bert Lance vow the Carter administration "is going to balance the federal budget by 1981".

During a previous weekend home touching bases with his constituents, Mineta was told by a high school civics class at Saratoga that

he ought to vote in line with the mail rather than his conscience.

In another encounter with officials at Electric Power Research Institute at Stanford Industrial Park, Mineta was told President Carter will find a gracious way to

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Nisei heads Toastmistress International

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Ai Yokota, a native Sacramentan, is the new president of International Toastmistress Clubs and will oversee the internal affairs of the organization of 25,000 members in 24 countries.

Yokota, employed by the State of California as a staff service manager for the Employment Development Department, has been active in the group for several years and will be honored by Sierra Nevada region with an Oct. 8 reception in Red Lion Inn.

Purpose of Toastmistress Clubs is to provide educational programs designed for member self-improvement in both communication and leadership skills. □



Ai Yokota

JAYS Tri-District time near

SAN FRANCISCO—JACL's youth groups in Northern, Central and Southern California will gather for its biennial Tri-District Conference Aug. 18-19 at the UC Davis Campus and Aug. 20-21 at San Francisco, it was announced by Chris Noma, chairperson of the host Northern California JACL/Asian American Youths (AAYs).

Conference theme is "The Heat Is On". A few visitors from the Intermountain

District Youth Council are expected to ballyhoo the national JACL-JAYS convention next year in Salt Lake City.

The Tri-District Conference, essentially, is an opportunity to get to know one another, Noma explained. Mixers, a mini-learning center workshop, an Asian awareness program, and talent show modeled after the TV version, "Slave Trade", are planned.

Outdoor programs include

sports contest, tennis, volleyball, water balloon fights, swimming or a fun trip to Cal Expo.

Youngsters about to enter high school should not feel hesitant about attending, as well as the "oldies" (20 and up), to learn more about the JAYS and AAYs, assures Ms. Noma.

Registration fee, \$30 for members, may be sent to:

Chris Noma, 472-37th Ave., San Francisco, Calif. 94121 (415-387-5666).

Carter's plan on illegal aliens finally detailed

WASHINGTON—President Carter finally had his message concerning undocumented aliens in the U.S. delivered to the Congress this past week (Aug. 4) before it recessed for the month.

Essential ingredients call for (a) fines against employers who knowingly hire illegal aliens, (b) permanent resident status to those who came before Jan. 1, 1970, (c) a special and new "nondeportable" status of five years with permission to work for those who came after Jan. 1, 1970 and before Jan. 1, 1977; and (d) beefing up the Immigration and Naturalization Service by adding 2,000 to its Border Patrol.

Further, nondeportable aliens would not be eligible for naturalization nor be allowed to bring in their families, thus giving the government time to gather information on their numbers, family size, location, etc.

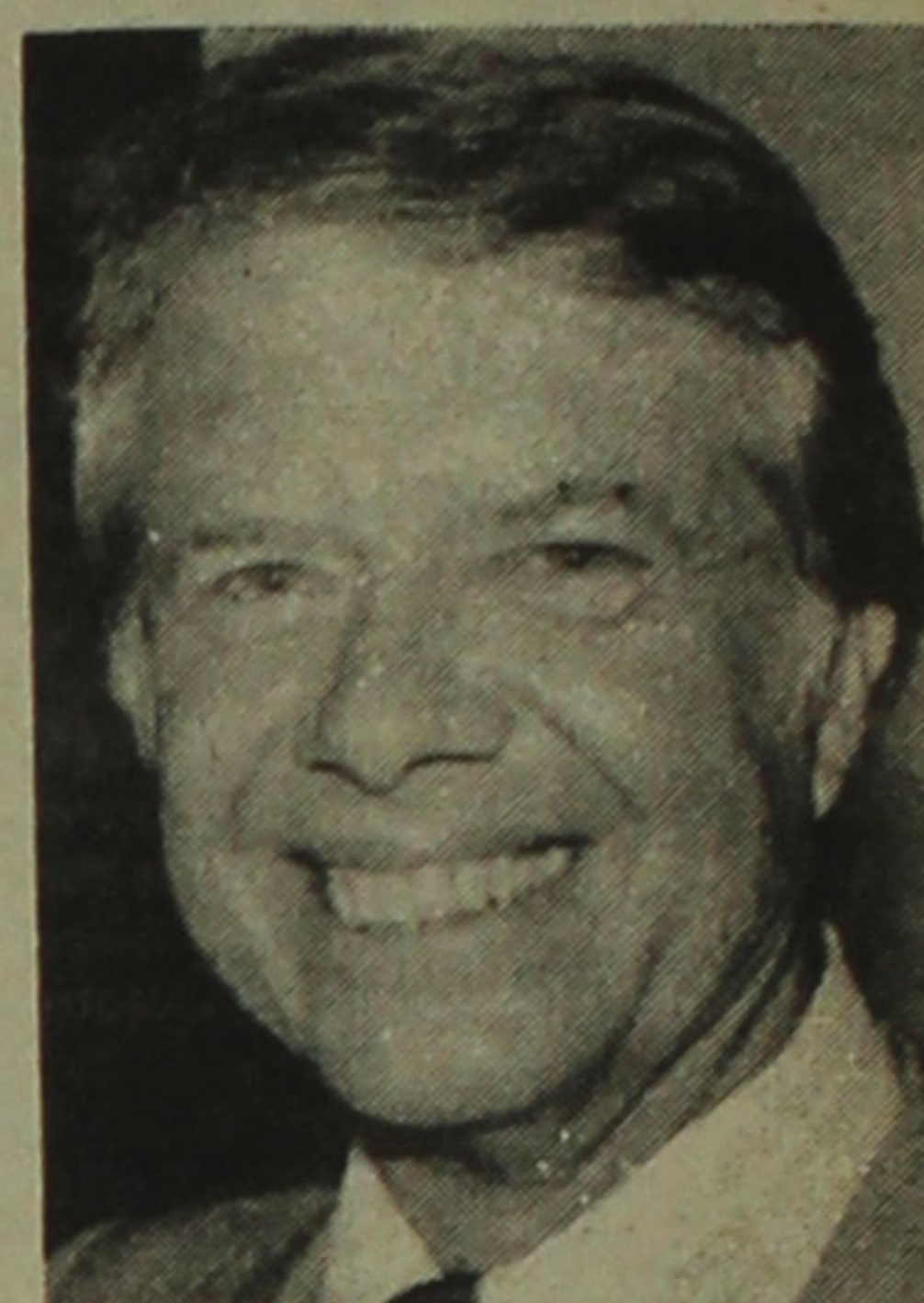
The plan drew immediate criticism from Rep. Edward Roybal (D-Calif.), chairman of the Hispanic Congressional Caucus, on grounds that it would lead to job discrimination against Mexican Americans who are citizens. He questioned the wisdom of a temporary resident alien status as "creating a subclass".

Roybal had proposed all undocumented aliens already here prior to 1977 be given full legal status.

Rep. Joshua Eilberg (D-Pa.), chairman of the House immigration subcommittee which will hold hearings on the Carter proposal, turned down a White House request to co-sponsor the legislation.

Sen. James O. Eastland (D-Miss.), chairman of both the Senate Judiciary and its immigration subcommittee, said he intends to hold hearings on the proposal after Congress reconvenes.

(JACL interest in immigration matters has waned con-



siderably in the past decade. Informal discussions are recalled on whether a stand should be taken with respect to employers knowingly hiring illegal aliens, the assumption then being Japanese immigrants without work permits were being hired.—Editor.)

While some in the Administration advocated counterfeit-resistant Social Security cards when workers apply for a job, the plan was not presented by Carter. Instead, the Carter plan asks employers to ask for proof of a worker's legal right to a job. Immigration officials explained that could make it difficult to punish employers who hire illegal aliens because an illegal can show almost any kind of "identification" to an employer, who would then be cleared of "knowingly hiring" illegal aliens.

While Capitol Hill sources see little chance of its enactment this year, Carter said his program is needed because in the last seven years "millions of undocumented aliens have illegally immigrated to the United States."

"They have breached our nation's immigration laws, displaced many American citizens from jobs and placed an increased financial burden on many states and local governments." □

Group affinity-100 flight fares to Japan rise 22%

SAN FRANCISCO—The Civil Aeronautics Board has approved a 22% increase for "group affinity" fares from the West to Japan as of Aug. 1. For JACL, group fares (based on 100) were raised from \$460 to \$564 roundtrip. Commercial fare of \$1,004 was unchanged.

The JACL fare includes \$3 departure tax and \$20 administrative fee. All are required to be JACLers six months prior to departure. This government stipulation is expected to remain in effect through 1978, according to National JACL Travel Committee chairman Steve Doi.

The committee also announced requests for dates in the 1978 travel program have been made: nine from Los Angeles and seven from

San Francisco. The Seattle group in April and one of the seven from San Francisco for Sacramento JACL have been confirmed.

Schedule will be released when the dates are confirmed, Doi assured.

There is prospect that next year one of the JACL flights in October will include a Honolulu stopover enroute to Tokyo. Passengers on this flight must stay over as a group in Hawaii before proceeding, it was stressed.

In the meantime, all 1977 group flights to Japan are full except for No. 19, which leaves San Francisco Dec. 20. The additional group No. 20 accommodating the overflow from four other October flights, is also full. Late applicants may apply on a Wait List basis.

Over \$40,000 acknowledged ...

Wendy trial fund winds to a close

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — The Wendy Yoshimura Fair Trial Committee issued a statement this past week to thank the 1,700 persons who supported the effort and to report the financial statement following the close of the central treasury in Fresno, as of July 31.

The Northern California treasury, located at 330 Ellis St., San Francisco 94102, will continue to receive any contributions.

The committee also said that there would be no further major fundraising effort.

In expressing thanks to the public, the committee letter, co-signed by Mike Iwatsubo, Lloyd K. Wake and Kouji Nakata said:

"Our efforts on behalf of Wendy Yoshimura have extended over a period of a year and one-half.

"Despite the verdict, we have seen some very valuable results from our efforts.

"Wendy and her family have experienced the support of a large community of people that extends across the U.S. and indeed, into other countries.

"In the process of the trial all of us have come to understand more clearly that the system of justice as we now experience it leaves a lot to be desired, that justice is extended unequally," the statement read.

Wendy Yoshimura, in an open letter to her supporters also voiced similar attitude which she faced during the course of the trial.

State public defender,

\$2.9-million OK'd in accident case

HONOLULU—The largest personal injury award — \$2.9 million — ever given in Hawaii was made a circuit court jury here last month (July 15) to Akira Tasaka, father of a teenage daughter, Melody, who was in an auto-accident two years ago that has left her a quadriplegic for life.

Now 15, and making steady progress in rehabilitation, being able to sit up in a wheelchair, move her arms, eat, write and brush her teeth through a hand attachment, Melody will be a sophomore in the fall at Mililani High. She carried a B-plus average last semester taking five solids: English, world cultures, biology, Spanish and geometry. □



Dennis Riordan, is presently handling her appeal process. Attorneys Jim Larson and Garrick Lew will assist Riordan.

The committee said it will do its best to come as close to the mutually agreed upon \$25,000 attorney fees. As of this date, the attorneys have received about \$19,600, which includes \$5,100 in direct contributions and about \$14,500 through the committee.

The committee indicated receipts of \$40,623.33 with total expenditures running \$39,043.94 leaving a balance of \$1,628.39. A balance of approximately \$1,100 will remain after the cost of mail-

Court & Law

Robert Y. Nagata, 32, of Los Angeles was the first Asian American certified by the State Bar Assn. board of specialization as a tax specialist. The son of the Dr. Wallace Nagatas is a USC graduate in accounting, a certified public accountant and a Univ. of San Diego law graduate of 1970 with graduate work in taxation at Golden Gate University.

Don Tamaki, son of the Iyo Tamakis of Oakland, has completed his year with the Reginald Heber Smith community lawyer fellowship program at San Jose's Federal Poverty Law Center and is active with the Asian Law Caucus in Oakland. He is a 1976 graduate of UC Berkeley's Boalt Hall Law School. The "Reggie Award" is among the most coveted recognition by law school graduates as only 250 are chosen from all the law schools in the U.S. each year.

Two Los Angeles Nisei deputy district attorneys drew public attention this past week. Louis Ito was successful in proving before the Calif. Public Utilities Commission that an outcall massage parlor in Marina del Rey was a prostitution ring and had their 39 phones disconnected. Ernest Hiroshige, preparing the case for the Consumer and Environment Protection Division, sought a court injunction against commercial bakery, "Thee of California", of A&R Inc., San Gabriel, because of alleged violations of sanitation laws.

ing reports to 1,700 supporters are included.

Wendy Yoshimura has penned in her own handwriting, the following letter to each supporter in a gesture of gratitude and appreciation for the assistance:

Dear Friends,

I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude for the contribution you have given me towards my legal costs. Without the help extended to me by thousands of people like yourself and many others who not only put forth the bail money but also the hours and hours of work in my behalf, my chance of a decent trial could not have been possible. Because of the people's help and support, I was able to obtain two very competent attorneys and was able to fully participate in the process of the trial.

Although aware of general inequity in the legal system in this country, I realized through my own trial how little I know about the actual procedures. For example, I had no idea how costly a trial can be and how greatly it affects the chances of people from poor economic background to receive a decent trial. I also learned how much racism in this society plays into the legal procedures; I saw that the prosecution attorney can use racism and prejudice to alienate the white jurors (often the majority jurors) against the minority defendants. (How surprising it was to hear many prospective jurors express "Jap" as not a derogatory term!!) I am convinced that I would have been viewed completely differently by the jurors had I been white. It surely has been a very educating experience for me.

The legal battle is not yet over for me, as it is now at the stage of being brought to appeal. It is to take at least a year and half to two years. Right now I am free on bail raised for me by the members of the Japanese American and other communities. Without their help I would have had to wait for the decision on appeal while being imprisoned.

Surprising to me, it has taken me quite a while, after the trial, to normalize my life and feel and be normal. Slowly but surely I am regaining balance to my life and clearer perspective on my life. I have begun working on my art as well as begun participating in the Japanese American community activities. My greatest desire now is to contribute to my community the skills I have and the knowledge I acquired in the past two years for our common struggle in building a more humanitarian society. I hope you will understand how much it means to be to have received your trust and consideration. Thank you very much.

Most Sincerely Yours,
Wendy Masako Yoshimura

Police close down International Hotel

SAN FRANCISCO — Sheriff deputies and police, confronted by hundreds of demonstrators in support of elderly tenants in International Hotel on the edge of Chinatown, broke through the line Aug. 4 to clear the way for eviction, thus ending a nine-year fight.

Tenants were mostly Filipino and Chinese. Previous owners, unable to demolish the old structure for parking, sold it in 1973 to Four Seasons, a Hong Kong firm, which plans to put up a new structure in the area. □

Swine flu suit

HONOLULU—Mildred T. Hazemoto of Honolulu filed a \$4 million suit July 25 against the Federal government because her son, Kenneth, 41-year-old meteorologist with the National Weather Service, was almost totally paralyzed by a swine flu inoculation last November. He is an in-patient at the Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific.

Hot meals for Fresno Issei underway

FRESNO, Calif.—Thanks to efforts of concerned citizens and the Central California JACL District Council, a hot meals program for 35 elderly Japanese here became an added project of Issei Service Center.

Program started July 18 at the Fresno Buddhist Church annex with 35 meals being provided five days a week. Homebound meals for those physically disabled are also included. A waiting list is being maintained for hot meals, but with community support and strong participation, prospect of increasing the number may be met, according to the Issei Service Center.

Program, developed after a survey conducted by Yoshio Kai, is being funded by Title VII of the Older American Act. Meals are contracted by the Fresno City/County Economic Opportunities Commission. Supplementing hot meals are Issei Service Center activities at 912 F St. (209-237-4006).

In Los Angeles, a hot meal program was also started July 18 at the L.A. Southwest Gardeners Assn. Bldg., 3228 W. Jefferson Blvd., with settings for the first 40 persons. Japanese menu is being featured three days out of the five days of the program. □

Carter comments on Bakke case

WASHINGTON — At his July 28 news conference, President Carter said government and private industry should try to compensate minorities for past discrimination in response to a question on the administration's position of the Allan Bakke case.

Carter said:

"I hate to endorse the proposition of quotas for minority groups, for women or for anyone else that contravene the concept of merit selection.

"However, I think it is appropriate for both private employers, the public government, and also institutions of education, health and so forth, to try to compensate as well as possible for past discrimination, and also to take into consideration the fact that many tests that are used to screen applications quite often are inadvertently biased against those whose environment and whose training might be quite different from white majority representatives of our society.

"... I just want to be sure that if we do make a mistake in this carefully balanced approach that the mistake might be to end discrimination and not the other way around," Carter said. □

Delano reunion

DELANO, Calif.—The Delano reunion over the Labor Day holidays will be held on Sunday, Sept. 4, at St. Mary's Hall with a program including a noon luncheon and dinner at 6, it was announced by Bill Nagatani.

New SCC president

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—A community reception for Dr. Jack Fujimoto, recently appointed president of Sacramento City College, will be hosted by Sacramento JACL on Wednesday, Aug. 31, 6:30 p.m. at Wakanoura Restaurant. Tickets at \$7.50 per person may be obtained through Frank Hi-yama (448-9465).

Join the JACL

Contra Costa supervisors asked to fund Issei center

RICHMOND, Calif.—Contra Costa JACLers were being urged to support the Sakurai Kai request of \$8,000 in revenue sharing funds before the county board of supervisors which will take up the matter in final hearings this month. Cities of El Cerrito and Richmond have been approached for approximately \$1,000 each by the group which works with the elderly Japanese.

Social service programs should have top priority for revenue sharing funds, according to the JACLers, Mary Otani, Heizo Oshima and coordinator June Sakaguchi, who had made their presentation to the finance committee of the county board in June.

Sakurai-Kai is the Japanese senior citizens pro-

gram in west Contra Costa county, which has been providing social services, support services and group activities over the past four years.

The Issei meet on the first and third Saturdays at the Fairmount Recreation Clubhouse, 6510 Stockton Ave., El Cerrito (in back of the El Cerrito Library). With the El Cerrito parks and recreation commission as co-sponsor, Sakurai Kai is being charged a minimal rental fee of \$30 a year for clubhouse use of twice a month plus storage space for its supplies, coffee pots, arts and crafts and books.

The Sakurai Kai board has also approached the County Committee on Aging for Title IX and Title III funding.

Because Mrs. Sakaguchi is moving out of the area, the board is also searching for a successor. Deadline for inquiry was Aug. 7. □

U.S. to take in more Viet refugees

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Griffin Bell told the House immigration committee Aug. 4, the U.S. has decided to take in another 15,000 refugees: 7,000 who had escaped by boat from Vietnam and 8,000 now in Thailand from Laos. Nearly half of the 150,000 previously admitted now live in California. □

JACL-Blue Shield goes to Mtn.-Plains

DENVER, Colo. — Group medical insurance through JACL was explained during the third week of July. John Yasumoto and Frances Morioka of the JACL-California Blue Shield health plan both spoke to chapters in Colorado and Nebraska. Arrangements are pending for similar meetings in Albuquerque and Houston, according to Dr. Takashi Ma-

yeda, Mountain Plains district vice governor.

Urgency was felt in having the meetings scheduled July 20-23 when 13 members in Arkansas Valley JACL were notified their group medical insurance through Capitol Life Insurance Co. of Denver was being cancelled because of insufficient number of valley enrollees in the plan. □

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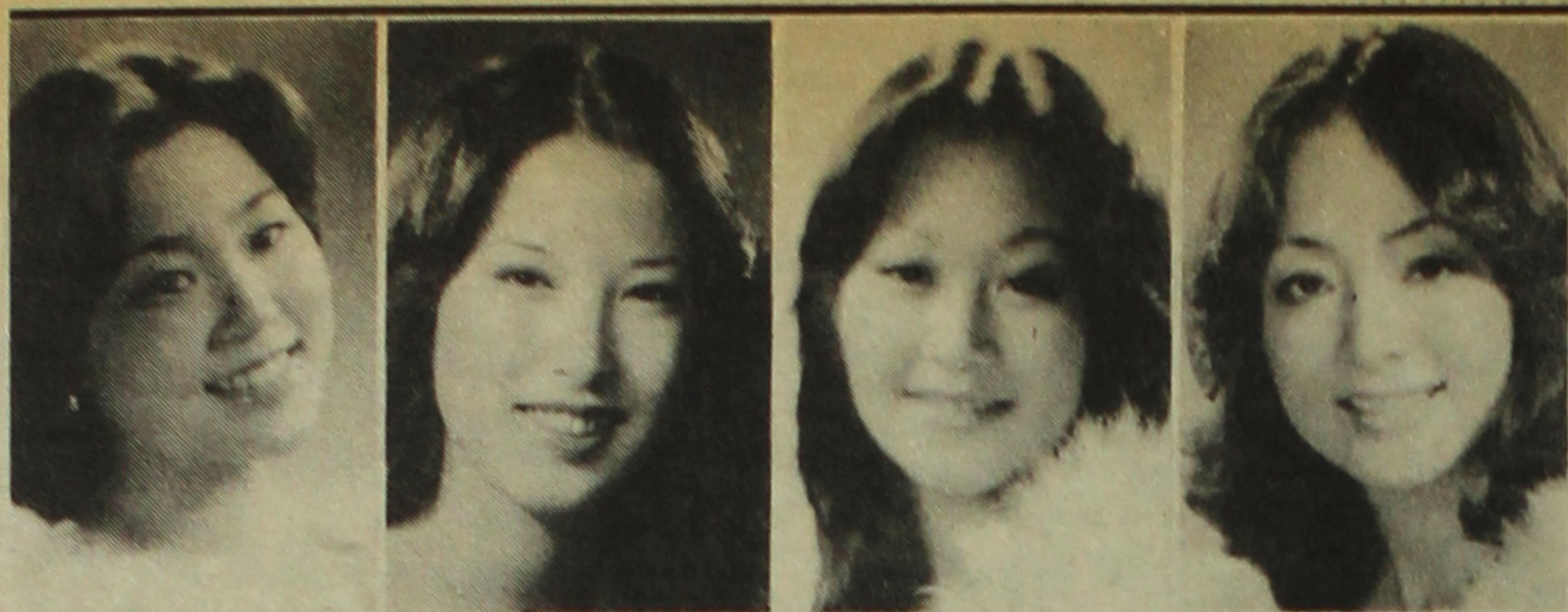
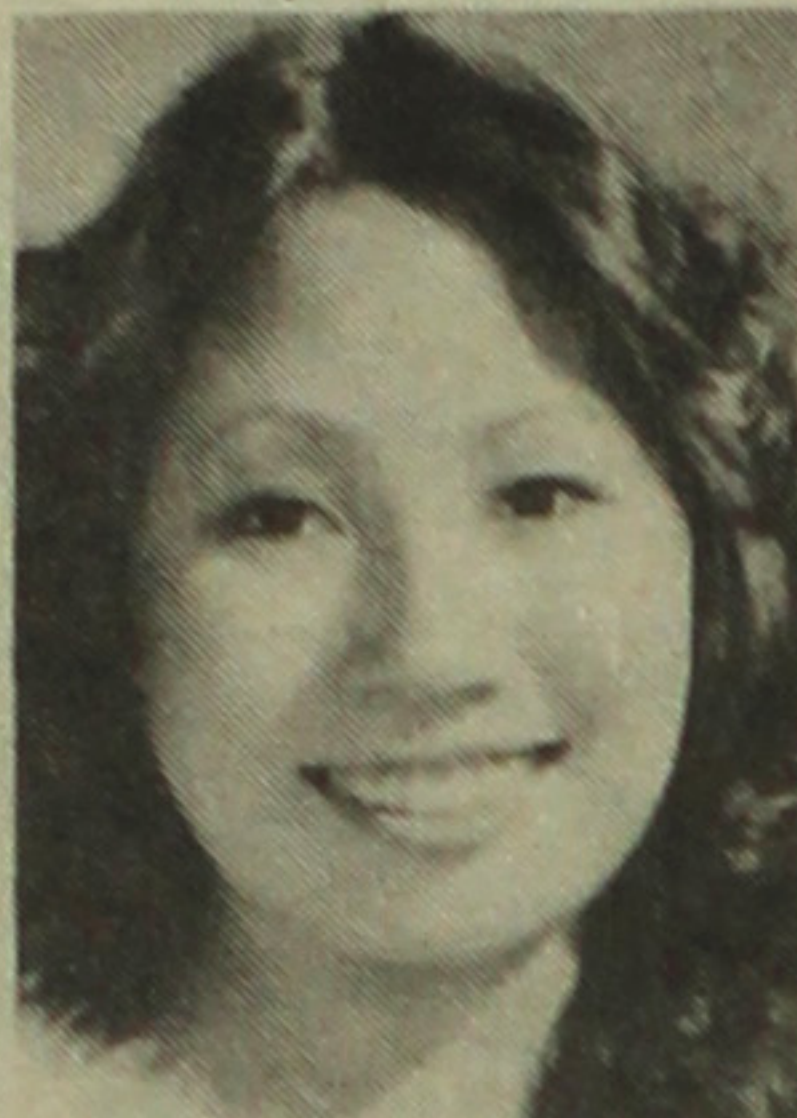
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Eight vie for Miss Nisei Week

LOS ANGELES—Eight candidates for the 37th annual Nisei Week Festival Queen title were introduced at the Queen's Tea last Sunday afternoon at the Hancock Park residence of Consul General and Mrs. Yukio Takamatsu. Winning candidate will be selected during the Coronation Ball to be held

at Bonaventure Hotel Aug. 20. A week-long festival follows with demonstrations and exhibits of some 35 different aspects of Japanese art and culture, athletics and martial arts tournaments, carnival and a grand parade on closing day Aug. 28. Most activities take place in Little Tokyo.

In youth we want to change the world. In old age we want to change youth.
—Garth Henrichs

Monterey landscapers get additional water

MONTEREY, Calif.—Landscape gardeners, a majority of them locally being of Japanese ancestry, successfully appealed to the Monterey Peninsula Water Management Agency for more water. They were also recognized as an industry to sit with the technical commission to work on area water conservation and ration-

ing plans, the Monterey Peninsula JACL reported.

Royal Manaka, chairman of the Peninsula landscape industry committee, said the group attended many meetings and testified at lengthy hearings over the past half year to secure additional allotment of water. On the agency are county supervisors and mayors.

Manaka who is also Monterey Peninsula JACL president, credited Supervisor Michael Moore, Mayor Oscar Lawson of Seaside and Mayor Gerald Fry of Monterey for speaking out in support of the landscapers, contractors, nurserymen, irrigators and any household in need of additional water.

Landscape contractors zero on unlicensed

LOS ANGELES — The California Landscape Contractors Assn., according to its president Bill Kessloff, is seeking a court injunction against unlicensed landscapers throughout the state to protect consumers and maintain quality performance.

The CLCA with 18 chapters has about 900 members, all state licensed contractors. Over half are Japanese Americans.

Festival to show Shig Kasama art

LOS ANGELES—The Nisei Week Festival art show will feature a retrospective of the works of Shigeru Kasama, a founder of the Japanese American Artists Society, at the Nishi Hongwanji downstairs hall Aug. 19-28. Works of other society members will be shown.

Tomoo Ogita will lecture on Korean ceramics Aug. 22, 8 p.m. His talk will be illustrated with slides and actual samples.

Roth dinner in L.A. sold-out

LOS ANGELES—There are no more tickets on sale for the George Knox Roth dinner Aug. 13 at Little Tokyo Towers, it was announced Aug. 5 by the Pacific Southwest District Council, but contributions will continue to be accepted by the "Friends of George Knox Roth", c/o Calif. 1st Bank, 120 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles 90012.

Parking is available on the street and in the lot northwest of the Little Tokyo Towers on Azusa Street off of San Pedro. There will be no parking in the Little Tokyo Towers and the Union Church parking lots.

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reverse his decision to halt development of the fast breeder reactor.

Mineta also met with city and county officials, telling them he would work for more no-strings-attached federal funds for local government and for a perma-

300 honor Sachio Kano

LOS ANGELES—For his work with the handicapped, founder-director Sachio Kano of Asian Rehabilitation Service was honored with state and local resolutions and by 300 guests who packed Golden Palace Restaurant July 22.

nent public works program.

It was a carefully programmed day arranged by John Biechman of his local office staff with other visits to the new IBM Santa Teresa Laboratory, the 15th anniversary celebration of the Bank of Tokyo of California (now the California First Bank) in San Jose, and the Intercity Council meeting at Morgan Hill.

It was after 11 p.m. when Mineta got his '67 Chevrolet station wagon back to the home of Grant Shimizu, his brother-in-law and political ally, where he usually stays when in San Jose. □

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Heritage Day

ALEXANDRIA, Va.—Segments of the Chinese American community in the Greater Washington, D.C., area will participate in the Chinese American Heritage Day festival here Sept. 10, at Market Square. Activities are being coordinated by the Organization of Chinese Americans and the Alexandria city recreation and cultural activities department.

UPAC festival

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—The second annual UPAC Asian Arts and Foods Festival will be held Saturday, Sept. 3, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. at Balboa Park Club in Balboa Park. Union of Pan Asian Communities festival coordinator Virginia Fung (232-6454) is calling for Asian talent to participate.

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Ye Editor's Desk: Harry Honda

Summer Festivals

Summer is the time for outdoor festivals. For Japanese Americans, all are aware it's time for the Obon dances. The non-Japanese in our midst have regarded them as jubilation, Japanese-style. There isn't a weekend during July-August in the U.S. without some Buddhist community celebrating this midsummer occasion of joy when spirits of the dead are reunited with the living as manifested in prayer, food and dancing.

Origin of the Obon Festival comes from a Buddhist legend telling of Mogallana, a disciple who was able to see the agony of his mother as she suffered in the hell of hungry demons. The scene showed his mother emaciated, in rags and frustrated. In front of her was displayed a variety of delicacies and rich food which, when she picked up to eat, would burst into flames. This was the retribution for her greedy and selfish ways.

Mogallana asked the Buddha how she might be helped. "Offer food to your followers with a compassionate and generous heart," the Buddha said. (The Buddhists refer to this practice as the virtue of "selfless dana-giving".)

Mogallana did as he was bid, holding a big feast in honor of the priests. To his great joy, he saw his mother rising out of her suffering into the pure land. He was overjoyed, his friends rejoiced with dance and music. Thus began the Obon dance.

The Japanese American Buddhist scholar, Taitetsu Ueno, explains Obon is "mother's day and father's day rolled into one", a time when children think of the welfare of their parents. Unlike the American tradition, the people of Asia pay respects to their parents for seven generations past.

Hence, the Obon celebration, beginning with a religious service represents the disciple's questioning of the Buddha; a carnival dominated by all kinds of food (hot dogs, hamburgers along with the sushi and teriyaki chicken) carries out Mogallana's offering of food to his followers; and finally, as the sun sets, the Obon dance.

The Nisei Week Festival about to come to the Los Angeles scene is a cultural fanfare. A variety (the publicity says over 35 this year) of Japanese arts, music, dance and sports are fused with typical American festivities—the queen contest, a baby contest, carnival and a gala parade.

As the oldest of Japanese American festivals, it has its bevy of traditions that makes this annual celebration rich, adding to our nation's multi-ethnic wealth.

Founders of Nisei Week in the early 1930s said the Festival should be a time when everyone got together in Little Tokyo and made merry Japanese style. That basic beat of merriment pulsates in the folk dances—a rhythm even spectators pick up with the clapping of hands.

The public can don the kimono this one time of the year and dance on the street. Civic and community dignitaries and honorees welcome an invitation to participate in the parade. Not only the young and old, but Japanese and non-Japanese rejoice in unison.

While our focus is Asian thus far when it comes to festivals, the just concluded Los Angeles Garden Theater Festival of the Performing Arts and Folk Life (which was all free—including hot coffee and do-it-yourself orange juice) has been emerging to enrich the cultural life of our city.

The night we went found Toshiko Akiyoshi/Lew Tabackin Big Band in a non-stop 75-minute concert. Toshiko's diction was muffled over the microphone ("What's the name of that piece?" I was asking myself), but her downbeat at the piano was pure and clean. A single LP disc we have of her piano artistry was made in early 1950s. Since then, her individualistic spirit of jazz leaps with joy for the eyes and ears. One composition of hers took off on a folk Japanese beat which made the evening at Barnsdall Park complete for us.

PEPPER POT:

In February, the Cleveland JACL education committee visited the Bowling Green State University campus and addressed an Asian American Studies class conducted by R. Errol Lam, who submitted the following piece published in the "Obsidian", the campus Third World publication. The writer was graduated in June.—Ed.

By JEFF KONISHI
(Obsidian)

Bowling Green, Ohio

The Asian American portion of the student body is a small, quiet, and fragmented group that is rarely heard from. Asian Americans include those of Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino, and Pacific descent. Each of these groups has their own unique views and experiences and should not be assumed to all be the same, although I am sure that we all have some of these in common. I, however, am of Japanese descent and wish to have my viewpoints expressed. Perhaps it would be beneficial to tell you where I am coming from. These are some experiences of a Japanese American.

I was born in Cleveland. My parents then resided on Hough Avenue. A year later, we moved to Willowick, a suburb east of Cleveland. Willowick is middle class and suburban, with a population of about 20,000. It is almost entirely white, with some of Asian and Chicano descent residing there. There are no black residents in Willowick. This was the environment I grew up in.

All my friends were white. I went to all-white schools. I always felt that I was part of everything, and I wanted to be a part of everything. I went out for football, basketball, and track in junior high. Being too small for athletics in high school, I got involved in band, dramatics, and student government. In my own way, I was trying to be "Joe Normal Student." I was definitely a conformist because I was told that it was desirable.

On the surface, I felt like everyone else. Yet, underneath, I was vaguely aware that I was Japanese American, that I was racially different. I denied this, held it away from myself. Anything reminding me that I was racially different was very upsetting and was soon forgotten.

letters

Sen. Hayakawa

Editor:

Thank you for the reports of Sen. S. I. Hayakawa's activities. I wish there were more individuals like him who are not afraid to speak out and also do it as effectively as he does. We need more positive feedback in the PC, instead of dwelling on the negative so much of the time.

BERTHA (YONEMORI) MILLHAM
Granger, Utah

Short Notes

Editor:

I'm happy to add that the person I wrote about (July 29 PC) with property tax problems received a (rebate) check of about \$390.

GEORGE KONDO
NC-WN Director

San Francisco

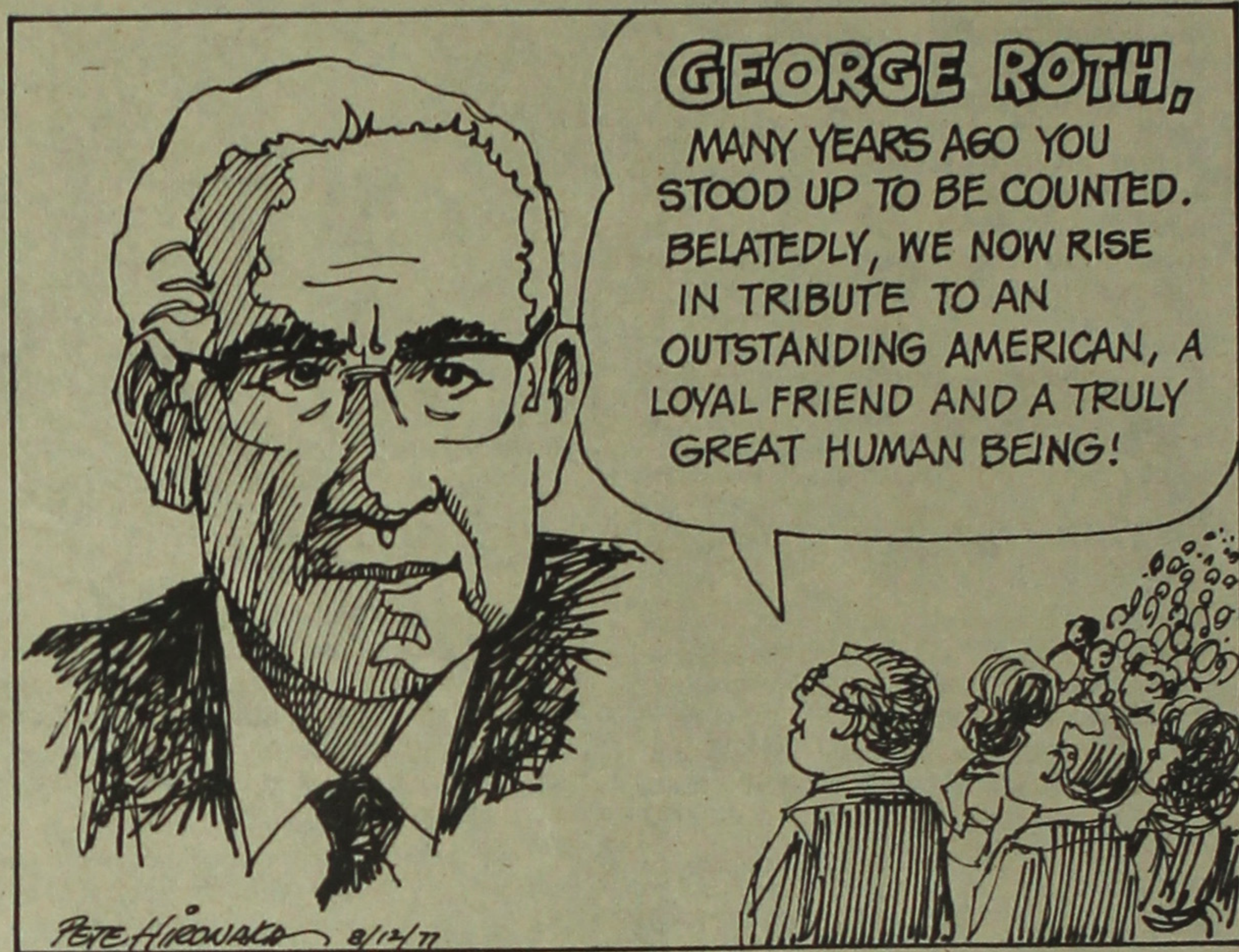
A Sansei Awakening

However, there were always reminders, blatant and subtle, that I was in fact Japanese American. The shop rats (those in the technical classes like auto mechanics or welding) could always be counted on for racial slurs. When they heckled me in the halls, I would become quietly enraged. Some little

kids would call me a "chink" and point me out to their mothers in the supermarket. Some would look at me as if I were a Martian. Working as a salesman, I would sometimes have my customer ask me "Where are you from?" the assumption being that I must be from another country because I

looked so different—that I'm not from the U.S.A. Occasionally I would have people compliment me on my knowledge of English and express wonder at the lack of an accent in voice; again the assumption that I'm not American, i.e., foreign.

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From the Frying Pan: Bill Hosokawa

Tacoma Reunion



Denver, Colo.
Seichi (Bud) Konzo was born in Tacoma, Wash.,

in 1905. That would place him among the older Nisei, although of course there were a few born as much as ten years before him. In 1923 he left for Champaign-Urbana, Ill., to attend the University of Illinois. Until then he had never been more than 100 miles from Tacoma. His world was circumscribed by Olympia on the south, Bellingham on the north, the eastern edge of Mt. Rainier National Park on the east, and Camp Seabeck on Hood Canal on the west.

As a boy, one of Konzo's chores was to stack firewood in the shed outside his home, and chop slabs into pieces suitable for burning in the kitchen range and in the parlor heating stove that warmed the house. Until he left Tacoma he had never seen any other device for home heating.

Oddly enough, his professional career of more than 50 years was centered on fuels, combustion and other energy sources. He is associate head of the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering at the University of Illinois.

Not long ago Bud Konzo sat down at his typewriter and wrote 15 pages of recollections about his boyhood in Tacoma. They will be presented at a reunion of Japanese Americans from Tacoma, now scattered over the nation. He sent me a copy, inviting me to use the paper as I wished.

"It was not many years ago," he writes, "when we were considering the aging of the Issei and their inability to leave behind written record of the existence in a strange land. Now, lo and behold, the Nisei are getting on in years, and are leaving precious few records of their contributions."

Konzo's recollections reach back to horse-drawn fire engines, cranking the balky engine of a Model T Ford truck, the first arc lights that brightened the street outside his home, the newspaper extras

that announced the sinking of the Titanic, and his first crystal radio set.

Even more interesting are memories of what it was like to be a Japanese American in those times.

"I was brought up by a widowed mother, only 95 pounds in her fighting togs and a real fighter she was for her entire 91 years," he writes. "I remember vividly one incident. I was about 9 years old when I saw a shiny half dollar on top of the dresser one day and slipped it into my pocket to buy some goody later. Mother discovered the loss soon afterwards (we were poor and money was scarce), and came after me with upraised broom and chased me around the house until I slid under a bed. Never again did I touch anything that was not mine. . . . Mother was the one who reminded me that if I let her down, she would not be able to show her face in the community. . . ."

"We were all brought up on the wrong side of the tracks and our environment was not ideal. If environment had any effect on us, very little rubbed off to taint us. Even now I have been known to pick an argument with any sociologist who argues that environment is the major factor in juvenile delinquency. Maybe so, but not in Japanese town, not only in Tacoma but also up and down the Pacific Coast."

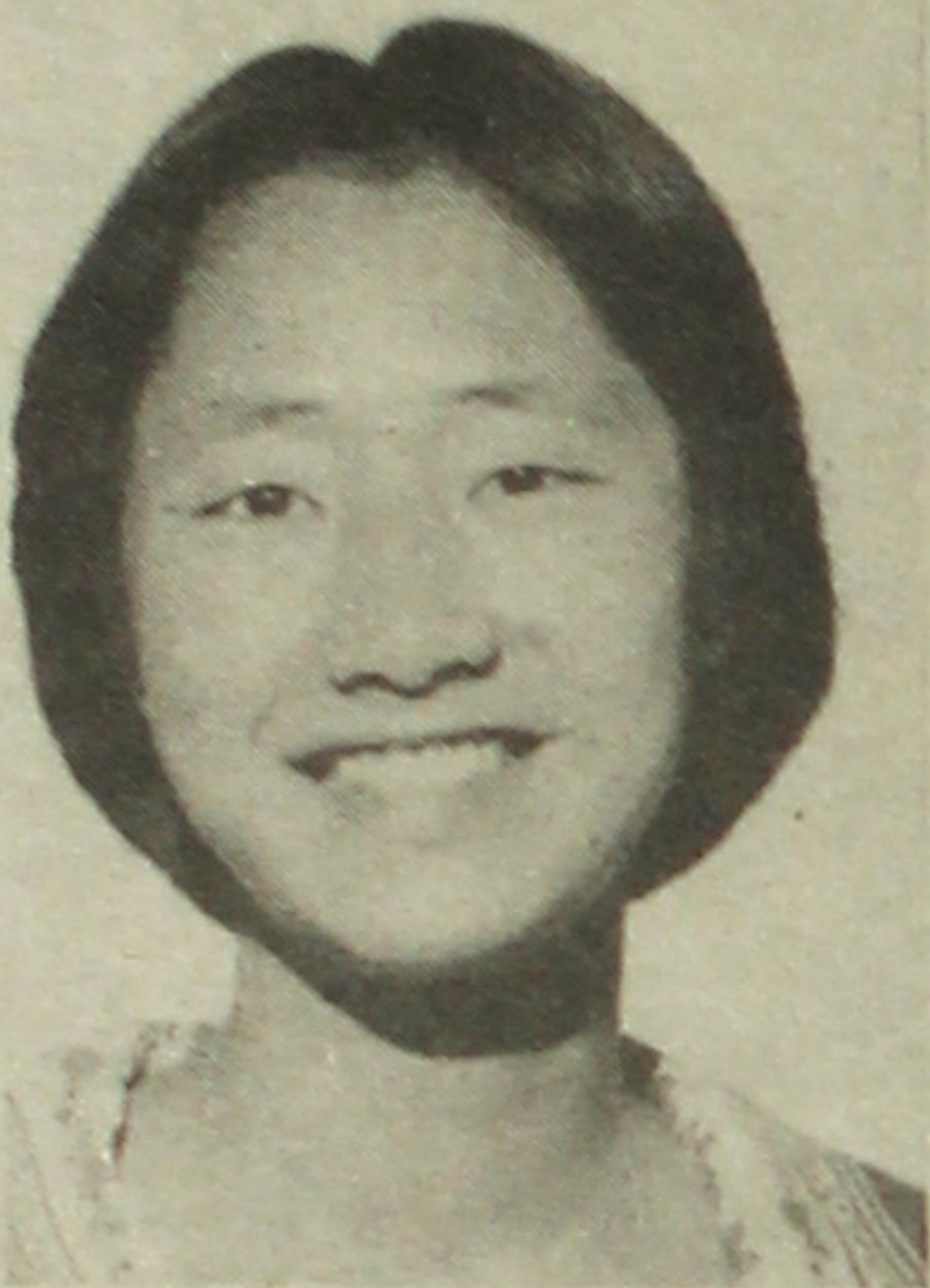
Konzo recalls he and Hito Okada were the only two Nisei among all the Issei on the Tacoma Taiyo baseball team, the first Nisei to play on the Stadium High team, and how they were recruited to play for a crack lumber company team.

There are many other Nisei who could tell similarly interesting stories. If they don't have the confidence or the knack for putting down their recollections on paper, younger folks ought to interview them on tape. Some day their reminiscences will provide priceless insights into the life and times of the first Nisei.

Nat'l JACL scholarship: 17 out of 217 share \$9,000

SAN FRANCISCO—A record high of \$9,000 has been awarded to 17 outstanding high school graduates in the JACL National Scholarship Program. There were 217 applications received from across the mainland, Hawaii and two from Japan.

Four district scholarship committees screened the applicants and a final judging committee then made the actual selection. The judging was based on a point system with equal weight given to scholastic achievement and financial need. Consideration was also given to school and outside activities.



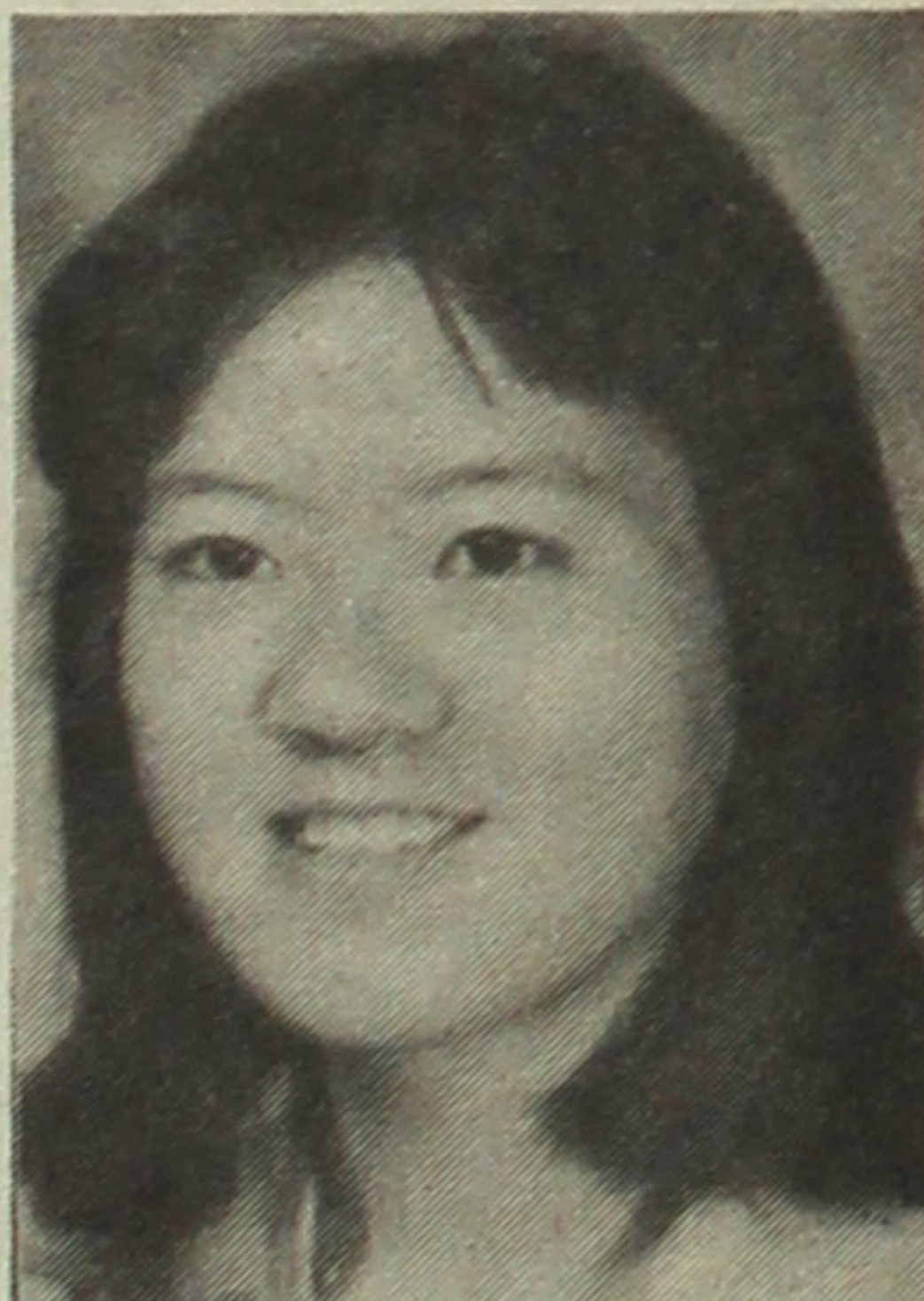
Paula K. Kakimoto

Calif. First Bank Award

PAULA KASUMI KAKIMOTO is the daughter of Harold and Janet Kakimoto of Los Angeles. She was graduated first in her class at Marlborough School and plans to attend Princeton University in the fall. She is interested in doing research in environmental studies.

Paula has received many honors including the Harvard Book Award, Rensselaer Math and Science Award, National Merit Scholarship letter of commendation, California Scholarship Federation (CSF) member, Cum Laude Society.

Paula was active with the school debate team, student council, was editor of the literary magazine, captain of the math team, co-captain of the basketball team, and a member of the varsity gymnastics and softball teams. Outside activities included Japanese school, volunteering for the L.A. Free Clinic, participant in the National Science Foundation Student Training Program, and her church youth group.



Sharon N. Teraoka

JACL Scholar

SHARON NORIKO TERAOKA of Los Angeles, is the daughter of Venice Culver JACLers, Masao and Reiko Teraoka. She is a graduate of Venice High School, ranking 1st in a class of 850 with a 4.00 GPA. She will enter UCLA in the fall and is interested in becoming a medical or biological illustrator.

Sharon is a CSF Seal Bearer, listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students, and has received awards from the DAR and Bank of America. She also won honors for her artistic abilities from California Federation of Women's Clubs, Rotary Club, Fine Arts Festival and the L.A. Times.

Her many school activities included Chatelaines service/honor club, Ladies service/honor club, Girls League, American Field Service, Delphian Society, Ephebian Society.

Medicine dominates the choice of majors with 10 of the recipients planning to enroll in pre-med course. Remaining awardees have chosen: engineering (2), sciences (3), business (1), and occupational therapy (1).

There were seven students with perfect 4.00 grade point averages and eight ranked first in their class.

The district scholarship committee chairpersons are:

Jeff Fukawa, CCDC; Gordon Yoshikawa, MDC; Peter Suzuki, MPDC; Harry Hatasaka, NC-WNDC; Al Abe, PNWDC.

The National Scholarship Committee is chaired by Dr. Izumi Taniguchi of Fresno.

Kenji Kasai Award

TERRI MITSUYE TESHIBA, Los Angeles, is the daughter of Mrs. Itsuye Teshiba and a West L.A. JACLer. She was graduated from University High School with a 4.00 GPA and expects to enter the pre-med program at UC Berkeley.

Terri has received an achievement award from the National Council of Teachers, merited the UC Berkeley Regent's Scholar for the coming year, is a National Merit scholar and a CSF Gold Seal bearer.

Terri was a member of the Girls League, of the 10th, 11th, 12th grade class councils, a Senior Class historian, copy editor of the yearbook, and staff member of the literary magazine. She was voted "Most Intelligent" and "Most Likely to Succeed" by her classmates.



David J. Loftus

South Park Community

DAVID JAMES LOFTUS of Coos Bay, Oregon, was graduated from Marshfield High School, second out of 380 students. He is the son of Donald and Mitzi Loftus, members of the Mid-Columbia JACL.

David has not yet chosen a major although he is interested in astronomy and the physical sciences. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Quill and Scroll, and a National Merit Scholarship finalist. He has received the NCTW Writing Achievement Award and has competed in the state forensics competition in extemporaneous speaking and radio commentary.

David was a four-year letterman and captain of the cross-country team and was a participant in the 1976 Boys' State and Oregon Youth Government Legislative session. Other interests include photography and Scandinavian folk dancing.

David plans to attend Harvard University in the fall.

Dr. Terami Award

WILLIAM YOSHIO HATA is the son of Jack and Judith Hata of Palisades, N.Y. A graduate of Tappan Zee High School, William will attend Massachusetts Institute of Technology and major in engineering.

William is a recipient of a National Merit Scholarship letter of commendation, a New York State Regents Scholarship certificate, a Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Medal for Excellence, and the Jewish War Veterans Award.

During his school career William chaired the Math Team, was captain of the College Bowl, a member of the Honor Society, marching band, wind ensemble, stage band and ecology club. His extracurricular activities included Jr. Assistant Scoutmaster for the Boy Scouts, National Science Foundation "Science Honors Program", Sunday school teacher, and Little League baseball coach.

JACL Freshman Scholarships

Cal First Bank, \$1,000/4 yrs.—**Paula K. Kakimoto**, Los Angeles 90004.

JACL Scholar, \$1,000—**Sharon N. Teraoka**, Los Angeles 90066.

Kenji Kasai, \$700—**Terri M. Teshiba**, Los Angeles 90064

South Park Community, \$700—**David J. Loftus**, Coos Bay, Ore.

Dr. Takashi Terami, \$600—**William Y. Hata**, Palisades, N.Y.

Mr. & Mrs. James A. Michener, \$500 each—(1) **Delores L. Coull**, Fremont, Calif.;

and (2) **Alan K. Kamei**, Anaheim, Calif.

Gongoro Nakamura, \$500—**Rajan K. Saigusa**, Waialua, Hawaii.

Sumitomo Bank of Calif., \$500 each—**Ellen T. Matsumoto**, Fresno, Calif.; and (2) **Helen H. Kyomen**, Buena Park, Calif.

Col. Walter Tsukamoto, \$500—**Deborah Yokoe**, Los Angeles 90029

Majiu Uyesugi, \$500—**Michiko Yoshizawa**, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mitsuyuki Yonemura, \$500—**Todd R. Miyoshi**, Gardena, Calif.

JACL Supplemental, \$250 each—(1) **Aileen M. Morimoto**, San Mateo, Calif.; (2) **Patricia A. Tanabe**, Mt. Prospect, Ill.; (3) **Sally A. Hinatsu**, Portland, Ore.; and (4) **Leslie Lyn Wyeno**, Olney Springs, Colo.

Two Michener Awards

DELORES LEE COULL is the daughter of Harold and Teruko Coull of Fremont who are affiliated with Alameda JACL. She was class valedictorian, ranked first out of 386 at American High School. She hopes to become a nurse and has chosen to continue her studies at California State University at Hayward.

At American, Delores was elected Senior Class president, voted "Most Dedicated Senior", and was nominated for the Soroptimists International Youth Award by the school faculty. She received a Bank of America achievement award.

Her school activities include Student Body Council, Junior Class senator, California Scholarship Federation, MVAL Interleague Conference, and GAA gymnastics.

Delores found time to volunteer at the Swine Flu Clinic, the Fremont Freewheelers, Candlelighters, Alameda March of Dimes, and as a tutor for emotionally handicapped children.

ALAN KAZUO KAMEI is the son of Hiroshi and Tami Kamei of Anaheim (Hiroshi is currently the Selanoco JACL President). First of 514 students with a 4.00 GPA, Alan is a graduate of Canyon High School. He will major in engineering at the California Institute of Technology.

Alan's school honors include Bank of America Award, CSF Seal Bearer, Principal's Honor Roll, a listing in Who's Who Among High School Students and Society of Distinguished American High School Students, Gemco scholarship representative, and recipient of an Orange County Savings and Loan Award.

Alan participated in the student council, class steering committee, marching band, jazz ensemble, and was commissioner of clubs. He was the Selanoco JAYs president, Presidential Classroom participant, YMCA Youth Government assemblyman, and member of the Canyon Community Advisory Council.

Gongoro Nakamura Award

RAJAN KEI SAIGUSA, Waialua, Hawaii, is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Takamaro Saigusa. He was ranked second out of 183 at Waialua High School and has chosen to attend Cornell in the fall. His career interests lie in the field of medicine and gerontology.

Rajan is a member of the National Honor Society, is listed in the Society of Distinguished American High School Students, and has received awards from the Rotary Club, United States Senate Youth Program, State Science Fair and Student Council. He served as president of the Student Council and was first chair trumpet in the band. He was an officer in various school clubs and many student committees.

Outside of school, Rajan found time to be an active participant in the Jr. YBA, Hawaii Federation of the Jr. YBAs, Waialua Hongwanji Sunday School, the Waialua Kendo Club and the Boy Scouts.

Two Sumitomo Bank Awards

ELLEN TOMOYE MATSUMOTO of Fresno, is the daughter of Sunao and Shizuko Matsumoto, who are affiliated with the Clovis JACL. She

will attend CSU Fresno and intends to major in psychology.

Ellen is a CSF life member and was president of the group at Clovis High. She was Junior and Senior Class senator, member of the Clovis House of Representatives, participated in varsity forensics, and earned varsity letters in volleyball and basketball.

Outside activities included vice-president for the Junior Pilgrim Fellowship, member of the Clovis Judo Club, and a nomination to the City All-Star volleyball team.

HELEN HISAE KYOMEN is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keiso Kyomen of Buena Park. A graduate of John F. Kennedy High School, she will enter the Univ. of Southern California to pursue a career in medicine.

Helen's scholastic honors include a National Merit Scholarship letter of commendation, CSF Gold Seal Bearer, the Honor Roll, participant in the USC Resident honor program, and a listing in Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Helen was vice-president of the Science Club, president of the MGM Club, Junior Class secretary, and member of the Medical Careers Club, Inter-Organizational Council, Junior House, and Junior Spectrum.

Col. Tsukamoto Award

DEBORAH YOKOE, Los Angeles, is the daughter of Yoneo and Kimiko Yokoe. She ranked first in her class of 602 with a 4.00 GPA at John Marshall High School. She is thinking of pursuing a career as a physician or medical researcher and will be enrolled at Stanford in the fall.

Deborah has received a letter of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship, a certificate of merit from the California Scholarship Federation, and an outstanding services award from the Minute Maids service club. She was president of the Citizenship Honorary Society, vice-president of the Minute Maids and Red Cross Club, and a member of the Orchestra, Spanish Club, Math-Science Club, Biological Society and Ephebian.

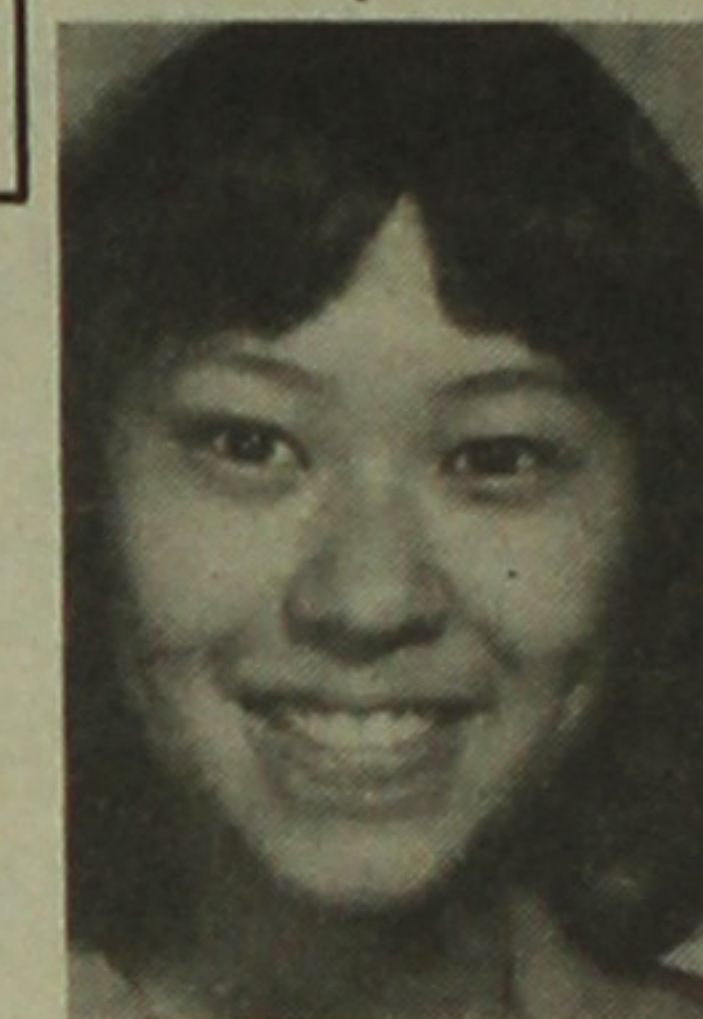
She was also a church school assistant teacher, choir organist and volunteer at the Casa Feliz Convalescent Hospital.

Mrs. Uyesugi Award

MICHIKO YOSHIZAWA is the daughter of Salt Lake City JACLers Zensaku and Teiko Yoshizawa. She was ranked first with a 4.00 average in her class of 675 at Skyline High School. A medical career is what she strives for and she will work toward that goal at Yale University.

Michiko is a member of the National Honor Society, has received a National Merit Scholarship letter of commendation, and is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students. She was a recipient of a Univ. of Utah Summer Scholarship, a Science Fair award, and was named as the Salt Lake Tribune's "Most Valuable Staffer".

Michiko was editor-in-chief of the school newspaper, a member of the yearbook staff, and was active in the concert choir, Ski Club, Pep Club, Folk Club, Science Club and Japanese School.

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Fresno, Calif.Deborah Yokoe
Los AngelesMichiko Yoshizawa
Salt Lake CityTodd R. Miyoshi
Gardena, Calif.

Yonemura Award

TODD RICHIE MIYOSHI, Gardena, is the son of Mrs. Mokoto Miyoshi and affiliated with the Gardena Valley JACL. A graduate of Gardena High School, Todd will enter Occidental College where he will enroll in a pre-med program.

Todd is a member of the Ephebian Honor Society, Honor Roll, CSF; received an American Legion School award, Key Club president's award, Knight's commander award, Outstanding Scholar/Athlete award and Distinguished Leadership Award.

Todd was active in the student government, was Key Club president, and was a member of the Knights, Athenians and Japanese Club. He earned letters in football and track.

Todd's extracurricular activities include being a coach for a Gardena baseball team, YMCA youth leader, and a FOR Sports Association Coach for girls.

Four JACL Awards

AILEEN MIWAKO MORIMOTO, of San Mateo, is the daughter of San Mateo JACLers Kazuomi and Setsuko Morimoto. As a graduate of Hillsdale High School, she will enter UC Berkeley to pursue a career in hospital pharmacy.

Aileen is a CSF life member and recipient of a Mills Hospital Auxiliary scholarship. Her school activities included concert/marching band, orchestra, pep band, math team, student council representative, GAA, elections commission and the Asian American Students Assn.

Aileen served as the president of the Jr. YBA at the San Mateo Buddhist Church where she is also a Sunday School teacher and organist. As a Candystriper and volunteer aide at Mills Memorial Hospital, she earned a 100 hour service pin.

PATRICIA AIKO TANABE is the daughter of Tad and Kimiko Tanabe of Mt. Prospect, Illinois. Patricia was first in her class of 588 at John Hersey High School with a 4.00 average. She will enroll at Augustana College

in pre-med in the hopes of becoming a physician or pathologist.

Patricia was a member of the National Honor Society, listed on the Senior honor roll and Who's Who Among American High School Students and received 4th and 7th semester honors. She was a member of the jazz band and band club and placed first in the ensemble contest.

SALLY ANN HINATSU is the daughter of Dan and Masako Hinatsu of Portland, who are affiliated with the Gresham-Troutdale JACL. She is a graduate of David Douglas High School and will enter Oregon State University where she would like to prepare herself for a career in the field of occupational therapy.

Sally's school activities included the National Honor Society, TAIF-Social Club, Stage Crew, Adventure Club and co-captain of the varsity basketball and volleyball teams.

Outside of school, Sally was active in the Portland Asian Athletic Assn., the Epworth United Methodist Church youth group, Explorer Post 632, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

LESLIE LYN WYENO, Olney Springs, Colo., is the daughter of Arkansas Valley JACLers Harry and Darla Wyeno. Leslie was first in her Crowley County High School with a GPA of 4.00. She is interested in either business or education and will attend Northern Colorado University.

Leslie has received the DAR Good Citizen award, Voice of Democracy award, was a Girls State delegate, Senior Class Queen and nominated to the Society of Distinguished American High School Students. She also was a member of the Cheerleading Squad, Pep Club, Future Business Leaders of America, GAA, track team, Honor Society, and Student Council.

Outside of school Leslie found time to be active with her church youth group, volunteered as assistant church pianist and organist and was a substitute Sunday school teacher.

Sally A. Hinatsu
Portland, Ore.Aileen M. Morimoto
San Mateo, Calif.Patricia A. Tanabe
Mt. Prospect, Ill.Leslie Lyn Wyeno
Olney Springs, Colo.

calendar

August 12-14
Tacoma—35th anny Pre-Evacuation
reunion, Bicentennial Pavilion.
August 13 (Saturday)
San Jose—Baseball night at Candle-
stick (Giants vs Cincinnati), order
by July 22.
PSWDC—George Knox Roth dnr,
Little Tokyo Towers, 7:30 p.m.;
Rep. Norman Mineta, spkr.
Alameda—Fishing outing.
August 14 (Sunday)
Milwaukee—Picnic, Brown Deer
Park Area 3.
St Louis—Bd mtg, Stix House, 2 p.m.

PSWDC—Qtrly sess: Wilshire JACL
hosts: Olympian Motel, Los Angeles,
9 a.m.-4 p.m.
Los Angeles—Maryknoll Ladies Guild
benefit luau, Maryknoll School, 2-5
p.m.
Portland—JACL/ONV picnic,
Kenilworth Park, 11 a.m.
Portland—Obon Festival, Japanese
Garden, 7:30 p.m.
August 18-20
NC-WNDYC—JAYs Tri-District
Conference, UC Davis; Sat disco-
dance at San Francisco.
Aug. 20 (Saturday)
Alameda—Bowling Awards dnr.,
Union City—Obon Festival, Southern
Alameda County Buddhist
Church, 4:30 p.m.

chapter
pulse

● Alameda

Summer season for Ala-
meda JACLers is both light
and serious. A party boat
fishing trip for the first 30
people signing up will leave
from Berkeley Sportsfish-
ing Pier on Saturday, Aug.
13. The following Saturday,
Aug. 20, the chapter sum-
mer bowling league has its
award dinner, to be served
buffet style.

In between will be the reg-
ular board meeting Aug. 15
(Monday) at Buena Vista
Methodist Church from 7:30
p.m., with all members wel-
come, adds chapter presi-
dent Hi Akagi.

On the serious side, the
chapter is calling for people
to serve as officers this
coming year. "All the offi-
cers now serving have been
doing so for a great many
years and it is only fair to
give them a rest," the news-
letter pointed out. "Mem-
bership (should) participate
and do something or we will
not have an Alameda
JACL".

A call to support for the
internment credit bill (HR
6214 authored by Rep. Nor-
man Mineta) and a modified
20-point questionnaire on
JACL reparation program
to be filled out by members
were also presented by the
July newsletter.

● Cincinnati

Nikkei members of the Cin-
cinnati community who
resettled here during World
War II have formed a club and
have named it, "Pioneers",
according to the Cincinnati
JACL newsletter Grain of
Rice. Pioneers will picnic at
the home of Mr. and Mrs.
George Buyo in Osgood, Ind.
Fred Morioka (563-6718)

Chapter also announced In-
troductory Japanese has been
reinstated for the 1977-78
academic year at the Univ. of
Cincinnati Evening College
meeting Monday and Wednes-
day, 6:40-8 p.m., starting
Sept. 26. To register by phone,
call 475-4431 by Sept. 10, or
register in person after that
date.

● Contra Costa

Contra Costa JACL has a
block of 50 tickets at the Col-
iseum for Wednesday, Aug.

24, when the Oakland Ayes
meet the Detroit Tigers in a
double-header, it was an-
nounced by Glenn Onizuka
(933-0863). Tickets are \$2
each.

● Lodi

After two members from
the No. Calif.-Western Ne-
vada district committee on
reparations spoke at the Lo-
di JACL general meeting July
21 at Lodi Buddhist
Church Annex, the chapter
will mail questionnaires to
the community-at-large for
its opinion. The two speak-
ers were John Tateishi of
Marin County and Paul Ta-
kata of Berkeley.

Chapter also decided to
hold general meetings
every other month, develop
a fund drive, establish a
scholarship committee, a
Reno-Tahoe trip and a din-
ner-dance next January.

● Marin County

Marin JACL picnic will be
held this Sunday, Aug. 14, at
Stafford Lake in Novato.

It was also announced the
dinner meeting with Karl
Nobuyuki, national execu-
tive director, for Aug. 27 has
been called off.

● Monterey Peninsula

Monterey Peninsula
JACL's rummage sale will
be held Aug. 13 at the JACL
Hall from 8 a.m. till 4 p.m.
Donors are to be given re-
ceipts for income tax pur-
poses, according to sales
chairman Doug Jacobs.

Local members also have
group dental insurance
available, it was announced
by Mas Yokogawa (394-
1814). Chapter has its own
Blue Cross-administered
program.

During the June 12 com-
munity picnic at the county
fairgrounds, achievement
and scholarship awards
were presented to area high
school graduates. The JACL
awards went to Karen Ueno
and Ted Matsushita, the Ni-
sei VFW Post award to
Jeanne Boskie. The picnic is
co-sponsored by the JACL,
VFW, Buddhist Church and
El Estero Presbyterian
Church. Henry Nishi and
Barton Yoshida coordinated
the picnic this year.

On June 22, JACL presi-
dent Royal Manaka and six
representatives from the
Japanese community were
among civic dignitaries in-
vited by Fort Ord command-

ing general, Maj. Gen. Rob-
ert Kirwan, to a luncheon
honoring Gen. Hiroomi Ku-
risu, chief of staff, Japanese
Self-Defense Ground For-
ces.

Royal Manaka's wife, Hi-
roko, attended a special
luncheon hosted by Mrs.
Kirwan honoring Mrs. Ku-
risu the same day at the
Monterey Country Club.

● Portland

Portland JACL and Ore-
gon Nisei Veterans are co-
sponsoring the annual com-
munity picnic on Sunday,
Aug. 14, 11 a.m., at Kenil-
worth Park, SE 35th and
Holgate.

Chapter also reminded
the Obon Festival at Japa-
nese Gardens the same date
will start at 7:30 p.m. After
prayers by the Rev. Koda-
chi, lighted lanterns and
flowers will be floated on
the lower pond.

● Seattle

Seattle JACL presented
four scholarships at its June
meeting. Uhachi Tamesa,
94, who set up the memorial
scholarship named for his
son Minoru, was present.
Awardees, all of Cleveland
High, were:

Rev. Emery Andrews Memorial
(\$200)—Mellissa A. Nakamura,
daughter of the Terushi Nakamuras;
Minoru Tamesa Memorial (\$300
each)—Shirley Subala, d of Urbano
Subala and Mrs. Seiko Miyabe; Sue
M. Yamaguchi, d of the Jack Yama-
guchis; and Kristine M. Kyono, d of
the Noboru Kyonos.

The scholarship commit-
tee had asked counselors at
Cleveland High to submit
names of any Japanese
American senior with a
grade point average of 2.5 or
better so that they might be
handed an application. It
was found that all of them
qualified.

At the forthcoming Aug.
17 meeting at the JACL Of-
fice, a slide presentation
with questions and answers
surrounding construction of
the controversial Trident
base at Bangor (15 miles

from Seattle) is scheduled
after the regular board ses-
sion. Members of Live With-
out Trident, against the mul-
ti-billion dollar base, will
make the presentation.

● Washington, D.C.

Washington, D.C. JACL
presented five scholarships
during its recent cultural af-
fairs night program at River
Road Unitarian Church.
Presentations by Dave
Nikaido, chapter scholarship
chairman, were made to:

\$300 Award — Cheryl Nakao, daughter of
the Ben Nakao; \$200 Awards — Brenda
Kurihara, d of the Jim Kuriharas; and James
Mori, son of the Ichiro Moris; \$150 Awards —
Roger Ishimoto, s of the Paul Ishimotos; and
Steve Nose, s of the Akira Noses.

After the award cere-
monies, Mrs. Dallas Finn spoke
on Japanese involvement at
the 1876 Centennial Exposi-
tion at Philadelphia.

The chapter picnic,
previously scheduled for Sept.
11, has been postponed to
Sept. 25 with Shuko Yoshikami
as general chairman. The site
is to be announced.

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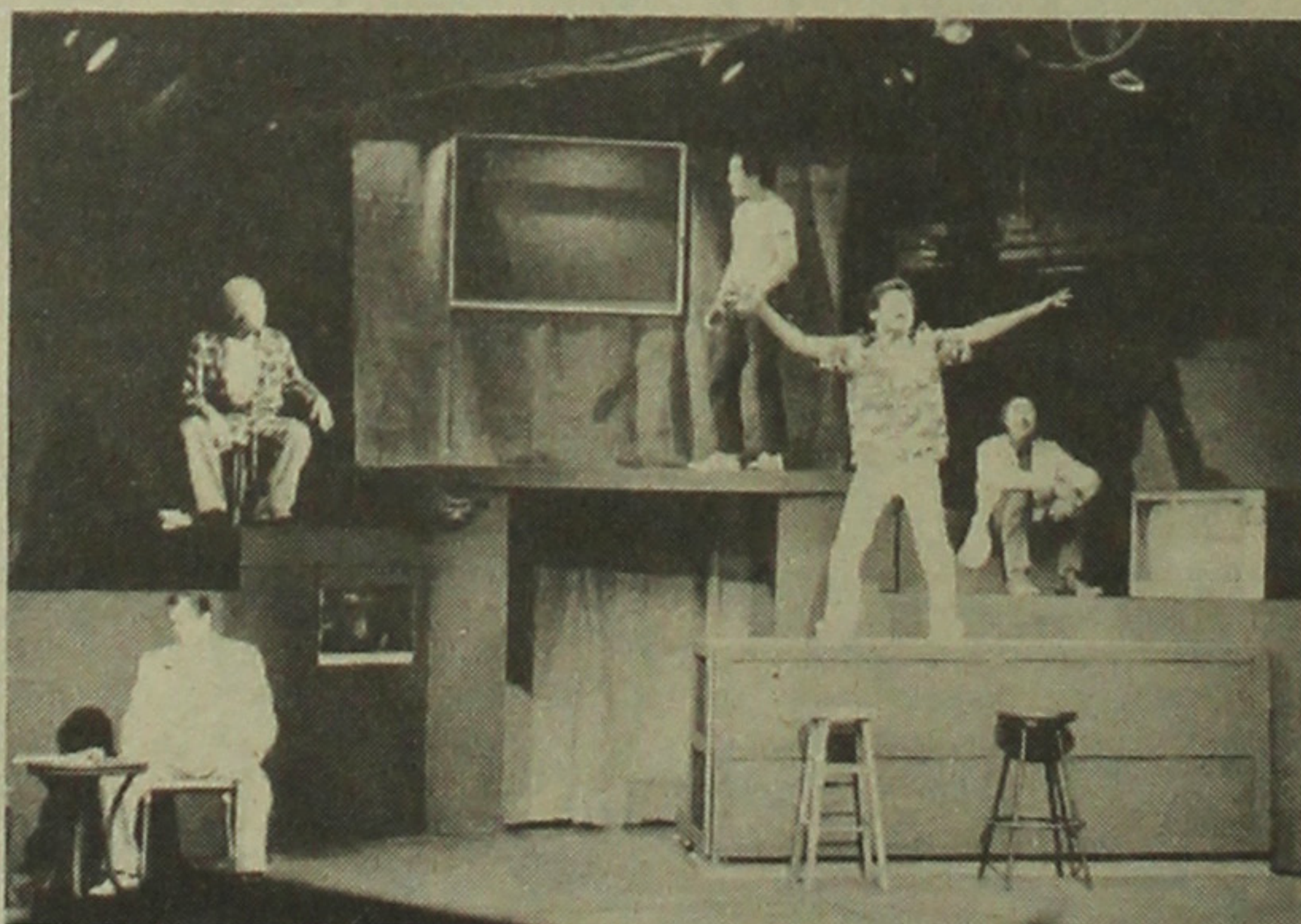
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Young Peoples Christian Conference foundation stone for Nisei leadership

It might be said the leadership developed in young people by both the Christian and Buddhist churches in the early 1920s continued to flower when the Nisei movement on a non-denominational basis coalesced into establishment of the Japanese American Citizens League in 1929. The Young Peoples Christian Conference (YPCC), which was founded in 1925, is holding its 50th anniversary reunion in a couple of weeks. Rev. Dr. Lester Suzuki recently retired from the active ministry after serving Nisei Methodist congregations for over 40 years.—Editor.

By DR. LESTER E. SUZUKI

Berkeley, Calif.

A very significant NCYPCC Reunion event will take place on Aug. 28, 1977, at the Pacific School of Religion and the First Congregational Church of Berkeley. A committee headed by Dave Tatsuno and a host of subcommittees have been working on it for a long time to make this a very successful event.

With that in mind a few historical comments are in order.

From a modest beginning in 1925, with Margaret Tann Uyei as the first chairperson, the YPCC in Northern

East West Players to offer Shakespeare

LOS ANGELES—East West Players present their final production of the season with Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night", starting Aug. 18, in what will be the first time the comedy is performed by an all-Asian American cast. Play will continue Thursday and Friday nights only at 8. Director Francine Parker hopes to blend the play's wisdom, humor and comedy "with certain qualities of the Asian American psyche".

California grew to be one of the greatest movements among Nisei in the pre-World War II period and much of the postwar period. Most conferences are preacher dominated and influenced, but the YPCC became an indigenous youth and young adult oriented organization. The young lay people themselves elected the cabinet, chairpersons and all officers, and planned and executed the program in a year-round planning.

The conferences began from less than a hundred people in 1925 to a massive 500 to 800 delegates in the prewar conferences. During the war there was one significant YPCC held at Tule Lake Relocation Center, with 700 delegates in attendance. That conference was a mixture of California people and Northwest people.

The Rev. Suzunosuke Kato, who was the pastor of the Berkeley Christian Church (now a united part of the Berkeley Methodist United Church), is usually given the credit for founding the YPCC movement. However credit must be given to the other pastors and leaders, among whom was Dr. Ernest A. Sturge of the Presbyterian Church, who had served the Japanese from 1886 on. His 77th birthday was in 1933.

Dr. Frank Herron Smith, superintendent of Japanese Methodist Mission from 1926 on, really added a tremendous push and inspiration to the YPCC movement

and often spoke and sang at conferences.

The 1935 conference was dedicated to Dr. Smith's tenth anniversary of serving the West Coast Japanese. The 1936 conference was dedicated to Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, the great Japanese religious and social leader.

Margaret Tann Uyei, the first chairperson, passed away on Feb. 18, 1976 at Berkeley. Sumile Morishita Oda served as chairperson from 1926 to 1929, and Dr. Henry Takahashi served from 1930-1932. These persons laid the groundwork and put the YPCC on a firm footing, so that from 1933 on others were able to take the chairmanship and carry on in splendid fashion.

Other prewar chairpersons were:

Shigeru Saito, Yone Hirano, Heishiro Takao, Wilbur Takiguchi, Dave Tatsuno, Henry Tani, George Kyo-tow, Robert Akamatsu and Mitsuo Kaneko.

In 1929 the Rev. S. Kato Memorial Scholarship was instituted, and every year a worthy ministerial student was awarded the scholarship at a fitting ceremony. Prewar recipients were:

Masaichi Goto (deceased), Francis M. Hayashi, Joseph Tsukamoto, Lester E. Suzuki, Junichi Fujimori (deceased), Shigeo Tanabe, Donald Toriumi, Alfred Akamatsu, Hideo Hashimoto, Tetsuo Hayashida, Howard Toriumi, George Aki.

In 1932 the series of summer YPCC Retreats were significantly started and these retreats were great places for leadership pro-

duction. They were held at the S.F. Theological Seminary grounds at San Anselmo, Calif. Dr. F.H. Smith and Dr. Albert Palmer were some of the many speakers.

After the initial YPCC, sectional YPCCs were started in the Bay Region, Sacramento Valley, Fresno area, (Central) Coast Region, and finally Santa Clara Valley YPCC. These sectional YPCCs were usually held in the Spring and the NCYPCC were held in the Fall, the Retreats in the summer. It was a great institutional set-up, youth-young adult oriented and operated.

The postwar YPCC was resumed at a reduced scale in 1947, with Rhoda Nishimura as the first postwar chairperson. That year Lloyd Wake, Abe Dohi and Seiichi Adachi were the first postwar Kato Scholarship recipients.

After 1948 the NCYPCCs were held at Lake Tahoe at the Presbyterian Conference grounds until 1966. It was a week-long affair. The chairpersons in order were:

Joe Kamiya, Paul Tani, Lois K. Yee and John M. Takeuchi, Etsuko Onizuka, Wayne Osaki, Arthur Okuno, Katsumi Hikido, George Nishikawa, William A. Takahashi, Joshyo Kinoshita, Albert Haruyama, Eizo Kobayashi, Joe Kawakami, Roy Takeuchi, Mitz Mizutani, Arthur K. Ikuma, Tyler Nakashima, Ken Namikawa, Joe Hori.

The 1967 conference was run by an advisory board, with Willie Takahashi as executive secretary and Stan Ishii as moderator. The 1968 conference was run by a

steering committee at Squaw Valley. One report says the last conference was held in 1974 but on a very low key. Willie Takahashi participated the longest time, from 1955 to 1968. So two Takahashis (no relation), Henry Takahashi prewar and Willie Takahashi postwar, both participated significantly for over ten years.

The sectional YPCCs started from the second year of the YPCC movement. They held yearly conferences and even postwar sectional YPCCs, especially the Bay Region one, were well attended.

The writer remembers well when the Sacramento Valley young people began to question the need for the YPCC and it died a natural death in the late 1960s. To mention names of leaders would be too long, but many many Nisei and Sansei leaders took part in these sectional conferences. At present the Lake Sequoia Retreat for the Fresno section can be said to be a remnant of the Fresno Sectional YPCC and thriving well.

The prewar NCYPCC Summer Retreat was started in 1932 and this too was a significant leadership training center and many Nisei were developed at the Retreat. The Retreat idea spread to other sections like Southern California.

The YPCC idea also spread to other areas as Southern California, Pacific Northwest, Rocky Mountain and Intermountain. The writer was a participant and attendant in all but one of these area YPCCs.

The YPCC Movement, being a lay-oriented movement, was a significant factor for leadership growth of the Nisei and Sansei, not only in the ecclesiastical circle but in the political and social circles for fifty years.

The Aug. 28, 1977 YPCC Reunion will be a rousing and successful reunion on this 100th Anniversary year of Japanese Protestant Mission in America. All former YPCCers would do well to take advantage of this reunion, a very happy occasion.

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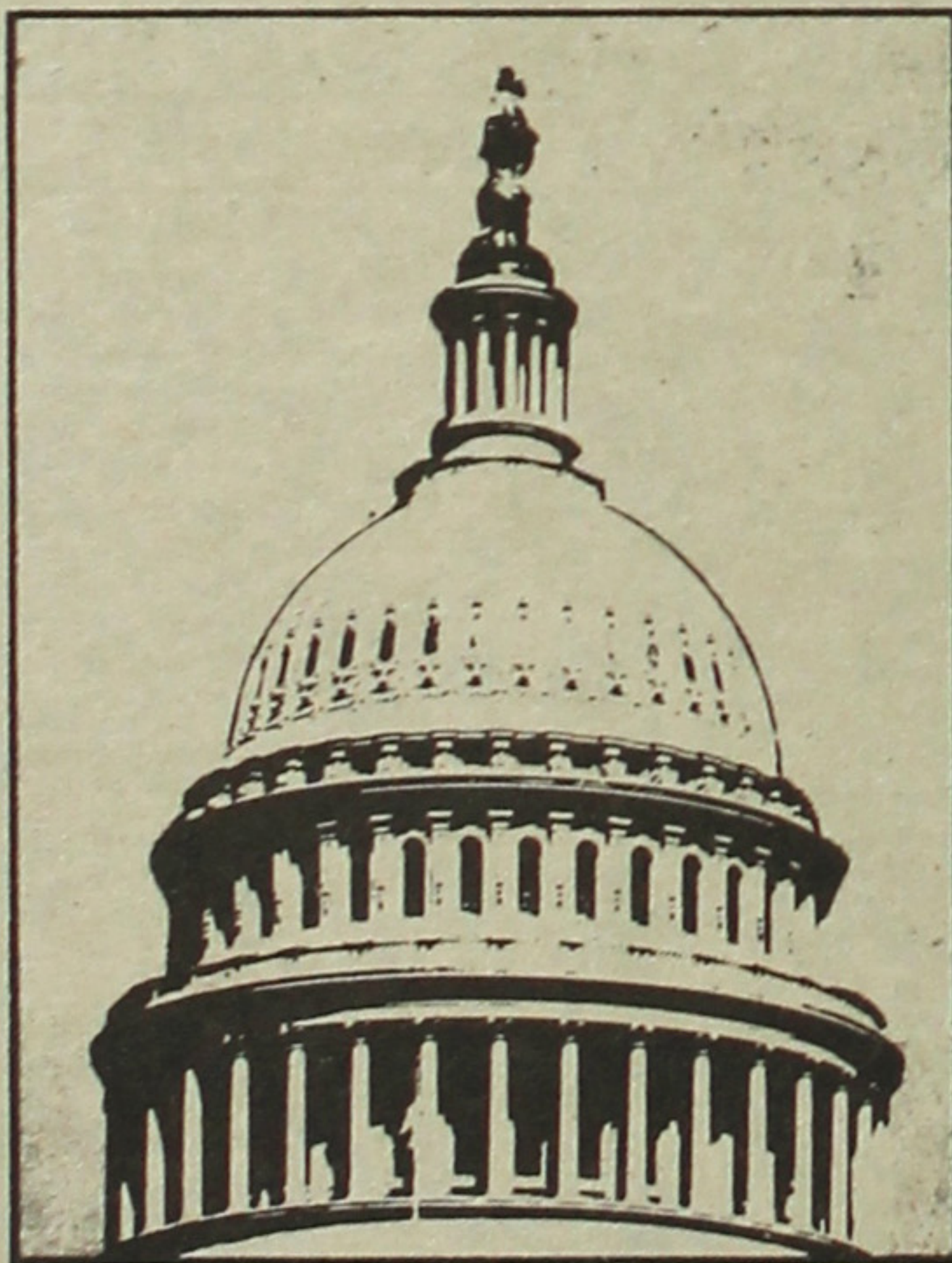
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In retrospect, World War II movies presented a special kind of dilemma. The good guys, John Wayne and tenes, were pitted against the bad guys, the Imperial Japanese Army. The Japs were inscrutable, cold-hearted, and ruthless. Ironically, I always rooted for the Marines. The assumption was that it was US against THEM, and since I was an American, I was one of us. And Japan was some faraway island.

Since becoming a student at Bowling Green, I have started to have my consciousness raised on many things. Only now am I learning to realize and accept my Japanese heritage and my racial distinctiveness. I am becoming aware of how the mass media perpetuates racial stereotypes about Asian Americans, and what those stereotypes are. I am becoming aware of the institutional racism that is present in corporate America. And, I am learning the reasons why my parents, grandparents, and other relatives suffered during their Relocation into concentration camps during World War II. I am slowly but surely becoming aware of these and other issues.

My views are vague and rough, but that is because they are just beginning to form. They are in their infancy and are just beginning to grow. I'm keeping my eyes and ears open. I'm glad I've gotten this far! □

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Takuji "Tug" Tamaru, 55, of Huntington Beach, who heads the Los Angeles city data services bureau, became head of Anaheim's new data processing center July 18. Salary will be \$2,914 per month. Tamaru has designed several computer information systems, including one for 52 law enforcement agencies providing information on warrants and warrants. ... **Rep. Norman Mineta** was named to the newly-created Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence to provide centralized review of all intelligence activities of the Executive Branch.

Eddy S. Tanaka was named assistant director of the Los Angeles County Dept. of Public Social Services, with an operational responsibility as chief deputy to director Keith Comrie. DPSS is the second largest in the country with 12,000 employees and an annual budget in excess of \$1 billion. He began as a social worker in 1958, spent two years with the Assessor's Office supervising the budget research section and returned to the newly established DPSS in 1967. He is the son of the Yeichi Tanakas of Walnut Grove, a graduate of Courtland High and UC Berkeley in business administration. He is an Army veteran with service with the UN Command in Seoul.

Eddy Tanaka



Akira Okuda

Business

Akira Okuda, recently the assistant v.p. at California First Bank's Crenshaw office, was named manager of the North Fresno office, succeeding Sam Sato, who has been assigned to the bank's Japan Center office in San Francisco. California-born Okuda joined the statewide bank in 1966 and held a variety of posts at the San Francisco head office and the Los Angeles office.

Award

Former Hawaii Circuit Judge **Benjamin Tashiro**, 73, received

Harris to head CSU-LA Japanese Center

LOS ANGELES — H. Jay Harris, Ph.D. of Pasadena has been named coordinator of the Center for Japanese Studies at CSU-Los Angeles, effective Oct. 3. On the Cal State L.A. faculty since 1970, Dr. Harris is assistant professor of Japanese in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literature, with degrees in Japanese from Indiana (Ph.D. 1973) and Georgetown (B.S. 1967).

The Center for Japanese Studies, opened in 1975, is a depository of historical, cultural, political, economic and technical data on Japan.

the Order of the Rising Sun, first class, in recognition of his services promoting U.S.-Japan relations, in Tokyo while he and his wife were on a three-week visit in June. The San Francisco Hastings College law school graduate was the first Nisei appointed to the federal bench by a U.S. president. In 1955, Eisenhower named him to the territorial circuit court in Lihue, Kauai; was reappointed by Gov. Quinn in 1959 after Hawaii became a state. Tashiro retired in 1969. (Old-time JACLers will remember him as among the fund-raisers in the late 1940s for JACL's evacuation claims and Issei naturalization programs.)

Montebello Japanese Women's Club presented \$100 book scholarships to **Glenda Ung**, straight A student at Schurr High, and to **Karl Oshima**, another straight A student at Montebello High with a 3-year perfect attendance record.

Los Angeles City Human Relations Commission, in its year-long program to salute one volunteer for each day of the month, last month presented **Jessica Tachibana**, a therapist and counselor in special education at Julia Ann Singer Center, a school for neurologically handicapped children; and **Steve Takemoto**, UCLA honor student of West Los Angeles who has been chairing Omega Sigma Tau's bike-a-thons. Asian American Drug Abuse Program executive board chairperson **Esther Soriano** and coordinator to Philipino Youth Testimony was also saluted.

Michael Hara, 18, recent graduate of Mt. Eden High School in Hayward, Calif., was recognized by the Hayward Daily Review for his "courageous act" in pulling an elderly man out from a burning apartment. The son of George and Jeanne Hara modestly said he didn't feel like a hero. "It was instinct. I've never done anything like that before." The paper presented him with a plaque and a \$50 check.

When **Lynn Konishi**, of St. Mary's Academy, Inglewood, Calif., won a National Merit Scholarship recently, she became the third member of the Dr. and Mrs. Donald Y. Konishi family to win this high honor. Her brother Mark was a National Merit scholar in 1973 and brother Scott in 1975. She plans to attend Harvard-Radcliffe in the fall. She is currently attending a National Youth Science Camp in West Virginia as one of the two students from California chosen from among 50 state scholarship applicants with the highest SAT scores.

Mae M. Nanjo, a part-time employee of the U.S. Geological Survey in Menlo Park, Calif. was awarded a \$500 scholarship by the Federal Personnel Council of Northern California at a special FPC luncheon May 19 at the Nimitz Club on Treasure Island. A student at Menlo-Atherton High School, she plans to use her stipend to attend UCLA Berkeley.

Entertainment

Aaron L. Morishita, Univ. of Utah senior, won the 1977 campus playwriting competition with his "Glittering of Spring", which will be produced at the University's Babcock Theater Sept. 29-Oct. 1. The play is also entered in the regional American College Theater Festival competition, with winner in this contest receiving a full production in the national competition held at Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. Interested in theater from high school days, he is the son of the Mits Morishitas, active Mt. Olympus JACLers.

Honolulu Advertiser's entertainment editor **Wayne Harada** raves about "Expressions" (Silvercloud SLP 1004), **Teddy and Nanci Tanaka's** second album, filled with bilingual ditties of old and new. "The variety of musical moods ... captures the per-

sonality and charisma of Teddy and Nanci". Harada notes. The Tanakas, a familiar nightclub pair in Waikiki, have played before Mainland audiences.

Education

Mrs. Ruth Oshiro was elected head of the Univ. of Hawaii board of regents for the coming year. The 48-year-old real estate broker and wife of former Democratic party chairman **Robert C. Oshiro** has been on the board since 1974 and appointed

Japanese doll-making class planned in Michigan

TROY, Mich.—Mrs. Yukari Sugano (755-6644) will teach Japanese doll-making to adults this fall at Troy High School, starting Sept. 20, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Having exhibited her dolls at local art shows, this is her first attempt to teach this art. Students are expected to complete three dolls during her eight-week course. Fee and material will be about \$30. Another class at Sterling High in Warren is also contemplated.

First JACL group tour to Europe: great fun

Tom Okubo coordinated JACL's first group tour of Europe during June-July and reports what it was like briefly. Trips to other parts of the world (besides Japan) are being considered by the Travel Committee, such as the Caribbean in February 1978, South America in 1979 and to China and Southeast Asia in 1980.

By **TOM OKUBO**
(Sacramento JACL)

Seventy-nine persons participated in JACL's first group tour of Europe, seeing seven countries (Holland, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, France and England) and two principalities on a 28-day tour during June and July. Forty-eight persons were from the Sacramento area.

It was a good group and traveling as a group made this trip a lot of fun. Although there were some trying moments at one time or another for one person or another, the trip was a real success and a fun experience.

Weather was most cooperative ... Accommodations were excellent to so-so ... Food delicious and sometimes not so, but we had to try it ... Water was purchased most of the time for drinking ... Wine was cheaper than coffee, tea or Coke ... Custom and cultures were different ...

Most of the people were friendly and helpful ... Communications wasn't really a problem ... Girls on the beach—seen one, seen 'em all ... Some of us had pocket calculators to figure costs and things are cheaper in California ... Our buses were comfortable with superb drivers ... Took thousands of pictures ... Bought just as many postcards and we spent a lot of money—a little money—some money ... But it was well worth it.

TOUR WITH ... Japan Travel Bureau International

8-Day MAIN TOUR: TOKYO TO HIROSHIMA

Basic Fare: \$537*; Sgl Rm Supp \$123
Tokyo (2 nights), Toba (1), Katsuura (1), Shirahama (1), Kyoto (2).

6-Day KYUSHU EXTENSION: Hiroshima to Fukuoka

Basic Fare: \$378*; Sgl Rm Supp \$43.50
Beppu (1 night), Miyazaki (1), Ibusuku (1), Kagoshima (1), Fukuoka (1)

6-Day TOHOKU EXTENSION: Tokyo to Tokyo

Basic Fare: \$434*; Sgl Rm Supp \$53
Tokyo (1 night), Asamushi (1), Yasumiya (1), Hanamaki (1), Matsushima (1)
(This tour operated from June to October.)

* TOUR PRICES based on 15 or more members traveling together. Includes hotel accommodations, land transportation, English-speaking guide and escort. All fares may be subject to change.

Tour Fares Revised as of May 20, 1977

Arrival and Departure Packages

Arrival: Transfer to hotel, overnight in Tokyo.....\$30
Sgl Rm Supp \$15.50

Departure: Overnight in Tokyo, transfer to airport....\$30
Sgl Rm Supp \$15.50

1977 Orientation Meeting Schedule

For members participating in the JACL Travel Program

- (A): LOS ANGELES—Sumitomo Bank, 3d fl, 250 E 1st St.
(B): SAN JOSE—Wesley Methodist Church, 566 N 5th St.
(C): SAN FRANCISCO—JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St.

Group 9.....Aug. 25 (C) Group 12 (L.A.).....Sept. 13 (A)
Group 10 (L.A.).....Aug. 30 (A) Group 13 (S.J.).....Aug. 31 (B)
Group 11 (Berkeley).....Sept. 2 (C) Group 14.....Sept. 2 (C)

EACH MEETING FROM 7:30 P.M.

If there are any questions regarding the National JACL Travel Committee policies or decisions, write to Steve Doi, c/o JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115 or telephone (415-921-JACL) and ask for Mich Mizushima.

to a second term this year by Gov. Ariyoshi. She had been vice-chairwoman the past year. Other regent officers elected were **Tom Shibano** of Maui, vice-chairman; and **Roy Takeyama**, secretary.

A foreign language school in Honolulu aimed at Japanese

students wishing to enter U.S. colleges and at American students wishing to study in Japan was opened earlier this year. Close to 300 now attending **Kansai Gaidai Hawaii Ko**, 5257 Kalaniana'ole Hwy. Retired UC Berkeley professor **Susumu Nakamura** is director.

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GROUP FLIGHTS TO JAPAN

Via JAL 747/GA 100

Round Trip Fare: \$564*

GROUP NO.	DEPART FROM	DATES
9—	FULL San Francisco	Sept. 25-Oct. 16
11—	FULL San Francisco	Oct. 2-Oct. 23
12—	FULL Los Angeles	Oct. 9-Oct. 30
13—	FULL San Francisco	Oct. 9-Oct. 30
14—	FULL San Francisco	Oct. 11-Nov. 1
20—	FULL San Francisco	Oct. 12-Nov. 7
19—	FULL San Francisco	Dec. 20-Jan. 9

Via Pan Am 747/GA 100

Round Trip Fare \$564*

16—	FULL Los Angeles	Aug. 13-Sept. 3
10—	FULL Los Angeles	Oct. 1-Oct. 22

Via JAL Charter

Round Trip Fare \$549*

17—	FULL Chicago	Oct. 2-Oct. 22
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San Jose JACL, 724 N. First St., San Jose, Calif. 95112
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* Air fare, effective Aug. 1, 1977 (except for Chicago charter), includes round trip air fare, \$3 airport departure tax and \$20 JACL administrative fee. Adult and child seats same price on any flight; infants 2 year old, 10% of applicable regular fare. ALL FARES, DATES, TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Projected 1978 Group Flights to Japan

From Los Angeles: (9) April, May, June-July, July-August, August-September, September, two in October, October-November.

From San Francisco: (7) May-June, June-July, July-August, two in October, October-November, November-December.

From Seattle (Vancouver, B.C.): (1) April.

Information Coupon

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