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Inouye proposes office of ADAMHA minority concerns

Washington

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hawaii) introduced on Apr. 6 a measure to establish an Office of Minority Concerns within the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration (ADAMHA).

The office is expected to develop effective utilization of knowledge about the nation's minorities and their problems in coping with and adapting to society's stresses.

"The Office will be expected to aggressively emphasize the training of (a) minority mental health workers, (b) researchers from minority groups, and (c) per-

sons serving bicultural and bilingual groups," Inouye explained.

"Minorities face specific problems in the alcoholism and drug abuse areas, especially since these problems are compounded by poverty and racism.

"Many experts also have emphasized that although there is a disproportionately high level of schizophrenia, alcoholism and drug abuse in these populations, the actual number of minority mental health professionals and behavioral scientists remains distressingly low," Inouye said.

Inouye also urged that the physically handicapped receive increased attention. He stated that "this popula-

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Ogawa elected to fourth term

Oakland, Ca.

City councilman Frank Ogawa of the 7th District was re-elected April 17 to his fourth term. A wholesale nurseryman in East Oakland, the Nisei councilman outpolled his closest opponent Mary Meredith, 25,855 to 16,900. Citywide tally gave him a 13,000 plurality.

Oakland council members run in the district in which they reside but are elected in city-wide balloting.

He was first appointed in 1966. He has been mayor protem or vice mayor during his previous 13 years in office. Among those endorsing him in the past election were various organizations plus the Oakland Tribune and Oakland Education Association. Noted the Tribune:

"In his day-to-day activities on the council, Ogawa has often been the good-humored voice of reason cutting through the speech-making to get to the heart

of an issue."

The Oakland JACLer and native of Lodi is credited for assisting the Port of Oakland in its development of strong trade ties with Japan. He is married to the former Grace Kitano and has one son, Alan, and two grandchildren. He is also active with the Oakland-Fukuoka Sister City affiliation, International Institute of East Bay, Golden Gate Optimists, and 1st District Agriculture Assn. #



Frank Ogawa

Nakagawa in bid city council post

Commerce City, Colo.

Frank Nakagawa, 68, a retired mail carrier, has filed his intent to seek an at-large seat on the Commerce City city council.

He is remembered as a longtime leader in Scouting,

a member of the John Custy American Legion Post 151, chairman since 1967 of the annual Commerce City Memorial Day parade and worked with the Mile-Hi JACL during the WW2 period. #

San Francisco Nakao murder trial interests JACL

San Francisco

Charles B. Nakao, who was found guilty for the death of 11-year-old Gary Ellenburg, has been serving time in San Quentin for over a year now. In early May he is scheduled to go before the parole board, but there is an indication an eight-year extension to his sentence is be-

ing considered before parole.

An independent ad hoc committee was formed in September, 1978, to investigate Nakao's case after a preliminary interview with him by Marin County JACL and National JACL. The committee recommended that further investigation be conducted and was granted authorization by NC-WNDC to do so. Nakao was living with Shir-

ley Ellenburg and her son, Gary, in January, 1977, when the boy entered San Francisco General Hospital. Gary died on Feb. 15, 16 or 17 (authorities are unsure as to time of death). Nakao was then charged with murder.

Inspectors played up the fact that Nakao was an expoliceman (due to an injury from an accident while on duty) and is of Japanese an-

cestry. The committee feels that it was impossible for Nakao to receive a fair and impartial trial due to the publicity the case received. Many jurors had declined to serve on the jury, stating that they had already formed an opinion to Nakao's guilt from "reading the papers".

The Sansei, 31, was found guilty of second-degree murder by starvation and entered

San Quentin in October, 1977. His writ of habeas corpus had been carried and at present his appeal is pending.

(Shirley Ellenburg Nakao was also held guilty for her son's death and is in a state prison.)

The committee, after looking into Nakao's case, believes that there is a great possibility that he is innocent of

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Patsy Mink helps Women USA to form

Washington

Three former members of Congress, Bella Abzug of New York, Yvonne Brathwaite Burke of California and Patsy T. Mink of Hawaii, have announced formation of Women U.S.A., which Abzug described as "a special project of the Women's Lobby in Washington". #

Public school teachers must be citizens, says high court

Washington

The U.S. Supreme Court last week (Apr. 17) upheld a New York law granting teachers certificates only to U.S. citizens or those who apply to become citizens. "Within the public

school system, teachers play a critical part in developing a student's attitude toward government and understanding of the role of citizens in our society," Justice Lewis F. Powell said for the majority in a 5-4 vote.

The challenge to New York's law was filed by Susan Norwick, who was born in Scotland and living and the U.S. since 1965,

and Taria Dachinger, who was born in Finland and living in the U.S. since 1966. Both have bachelor's and master's degrees from American universities, are married to U.S. citizens and yet neither women wanted to give up their nationality.

The women contended the New York law, requiring public school teachers to be citizens, violated the 14th Amendment guaran-

tee of equal protection of the laws. A three-judge federal court agreed with them, but the State of New York appealed.

Powell noted that the teachers could have applied for citizenship but did not. Justice Harry A. Blackmun, however, asked in the dissenting opinion: "Is it better to employ a poor citizen-teacher than an excellent resident-alien teacher? Is it prefer-

able to have a citizen who has never seen Spain or Latin America teach Spanish to eighth graders, and to deny that opportunity to a resident alien who may have lived for 20 years in the culture of Spain or Latin America?"

Justices Thurgood Marshall, William Brennan Jr, and John Paul Stevens joined Blackmun's dissent.

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ASSEMBLYMAN MORI'S AB 545:

Charitable deduction boost

Sacramento, Ca.

Assemblyman S. Floyd Mori (D-Pleasanton) introduced AB 545 to amend the California tax code to allow all taxpayers a deduction for charitable contributions whether they itemize or not.

Measure would benefit lower and middle income taxpayers as well as charitable organizations, Mori explained. And charitable giving has declined because most taxpayers use standard deductions, recent studies have indicated to the legislator.

"Prop. 13 also made the situation worse," Mori continued, by "creating more non-itemizers as the average homeowner loses 60% of his property tax credit, which is the second largest

tax write-off for the average taxpayer."

AB 545 is supported by a growing coalition of religious and charitable organizations. Similar legislation has been introduced in Washington (see Apr. 6 PC: Rep. Richard Ottinger's HR 621). #

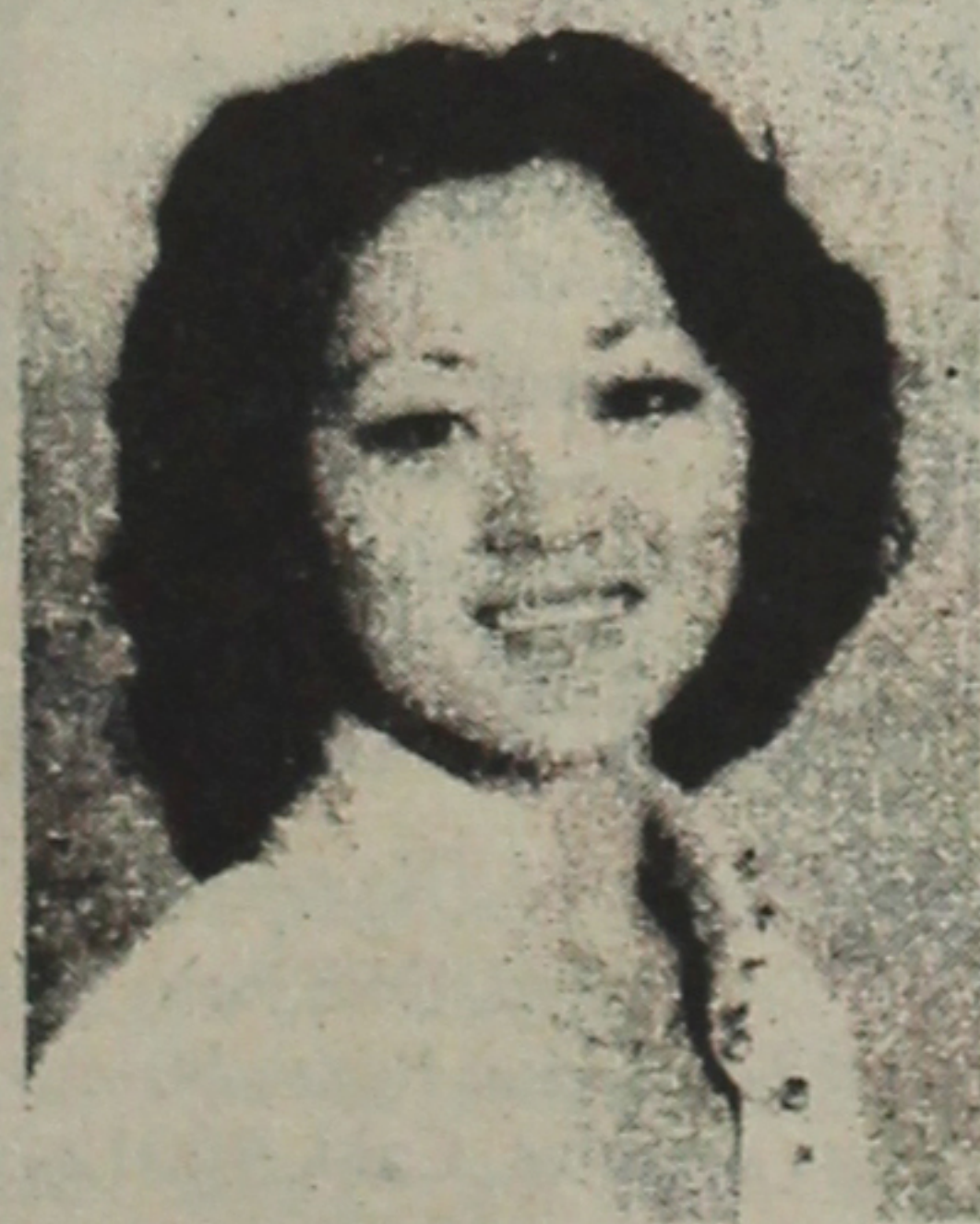
Carter appoints Sato to new post

Washington

President Carter has nominated Frank S. Sato, 50, a Puyallup, Wa., Nisei, to be inspector general of the federal Dept. of Transportation.

Sato is now deputy assistant secretary of defense for audits. In his new post, he will be responsible for investigating allegations of waste and corruption in the Dept of Transportation.

Festival queen



Karen Michiko Asano, 19, of San Francisco was picked queen of the 1979 San Francisco Cherry Blossom Festival. She is the daughter of the David Asanos, a student at Mills College and represented the No. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce.

HEW civil rights office finds WSU free of racial bias in JACL complaint

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) Spokane, Wa.

The HEW Office of Civil Rights in a memorandum dated April 3, 1979, has made its initial finding on a complaint of discrimination by the Spokane JACL in December, 1977.

The finding of no discrimination in the establishment of Asian American Studies and the dismissal of allegations regarding counseling and recruitment programs at Washington State University were immediately challenged by Denny T. Yasuhara, Spokane JACL chapter president, and Dale Minami, attorney for the complainants.

"These decisions again reflect the insensitivity and unresponsiveness of governmental institutions, even those designed to protect our civil rights," stated Yasuhara.

"They are comparable to the disgraceful governmental treatment of Japanese Americans during World War II, because they sanction discrimination against Asian Americans without any reasonable basis."

The finding of no discrimination was based, in part, on a policy memorandum issued by the Office of Civil Rights in Washington, D.C. "This policy memorandum is disjointed and virtually incoher-

ent," Minami said, "and has no basis in either the statutes or case law. In my experience, the Office for Civil Rights is not too concerned with Asian American issues."

The Office of Civil Rights has claimed it does have the legal authority to "regulate what is taught (course content) or the teaching methods utilized by federally assisted institutions". Yasuhara responded, "We never asked them to do so. We never have requested that particular courses be taught with specific content materials or that particular teaching methods

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U.S. Civil Rights Commission zeroes in on Asian/Pacific American issues

Washington
Some of the leading Japanese American and other Asian luminaries on the U.S. civil rights scene will participate in a two-day consultation May 8-9, at the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights observance of Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week.

Entitled *Civil Rights Issues of Asian and Pacific Americans: Myths and Realities*, the two-day program will be held at George Washington University's Lisner Auditorium, 21st and H Sts NW, Washington, starting at 8:30 a.m. both days. Dr. Arthur S. Flemming, commission chairman, will open the proceedings.

Topics to be discussed include:
Census undercount, immigration, refugees, women's issues, territorial people's concerns, employment, education, housing, mental health and social services as affecting Asian/Pacific Americans.

Panelists will be expected to make a brief presentation, discuss the issue

May 7 deadline for ride to Tule Lake

San Francisco
Chartered buses for the Tule Lake Pilgrimage May 26-28 leaving Saturday afternoon from San Jose, San Francisco, Eastbay or Sacramento and returning Monday will be limited to the first 375 persons signing up by May 7.

Registration forms are available at JACL Headquarters (George Kondo). Fees are:

Under 5 yrs free; 6-12 yrs \$15; 13-65 yrs \$25; over 65 \$15; students \$20. (Includes registration, transp, two nights lodging at Tule Lake Fairgrounds—bring own sleeping bag, four meals but bring own snack for 8-10 hr. ride up.)

Lodging at nearby motel is provided to Issei 65 and up if registered.

Program includes dedication of monument (2 p.m.), a reunion picnic, campsite tour and evening entertainment.

and respond to whatever questions Commissioners may raise. A report of the proceedings will be published.

Preliminary agenda released lists the following Nikkei panelists:

For May 8 (Tuesday)
MINORU YASUI, Exec Dir, Comm on Community Relations City and County of Denver; Overview of Civil Rights in A/PA Community, 8:40am. IRENE HIRANO, Dir, To Help Everywoman (THE) Clinic, Los Angeles; Poverty Perspective, 10:50am. RITA ELWAY, Legal Asst, Seattle (Wa.) City Council; Political Participation of Women, 10:50am.

For May 9 (Wednesday)
SETSUKO NISHI, Prof of Sociology, Brooklyn College, City

Univ New York; Employment: Myths and Realities, 8:30-9:10 am. TOSO Y. HIMEL, Justice Dept., Employment Litigation Section; Federal and State Policy on Employment, 10:20-10:50am. KERRY DOI, Pac Asian Consortium in Employment, Los Angeles, and REV. MASARU NAMBU, Exec Dir, Japanese American Service Committee, Chicago; Impact on Housing, 11:05-11:35am. FORD KURAMOTO, Dir of Planning, Mntl Hlth Div County of Los Angeles; PAT OKURA, Dir, Internat'l Div, Nat'l Inst of Mental Health, Rockville, Md.; Health and Social Services, 2:15-2:55pm. SHARON FUJII, HEW Fellow, San Francisco; LARRY KOSEKI, Dep Dir, Hawaii Dept. of Soc Sv and Housing; KINZO YAMAMOTO, Dir, Analysis and Eval, HEW Health Resources Admin, Hyattsville, Md.; Community Services, 3:10-4pm.

Deaths

Utaka Harada, 51, Ogdan pharmacist, died April 5 following complications of heart surgery. A San Francisco Eastbay Nisei who was evacuated to Utah and stayed, he was state high school wrestling champion and lettered in baseball at Weber College, a Korean War veteran and a pharmacist since 1960. Surviving are w Martha, s Scott, d Dianne, Katherine Iverson, 3 gc; m Shimao (Los Angeles), br Eugene (L.A.), sis Dorothy Rollins (Manhattan Beach), 1/2-br Dean Tanji (Chicago).

Tayeko Isono, 52, active West Los Angeles JACL member, died April 14 following an illness. Surviving are f Taiichi, br Walter, Herbert, Jerry and sis Louise Starcher.

Dr. Gary Mayetani, 37, a dentist and Monterey Peninsula JACLer, was killed; his wife Bea, two children Kevin and Holly were slightly injured April 10 when a boulder dislodged from a cliff by strong winds smashed through the windshield of their station wagon on Hwy 154 northwest of Santa Barbara. Also surviving are p Mr. and Mrs. John Kazuichi Mayetani and br Ray.

Yeichi Nimura, 82, of New York, who founded the Ballet Arts School at Carnegie Hall in 1940, died April 3. A student of Michio Ito and contemporary of Ruth St. Denis, he made his debut in 1930 with Pauline Koner at the New Yorker Theater, later choreographed musicals in the U.S. and Europe. Surviving is his wife and dance partner Lisan Kay. In 1969 he was awarded the Order of the Sacred Treasure from the Japanese government.

Manzanar trip needs volunteers

Los Angeles
Among the highlights of Manzanar Pilgrimage on April 28 will be mini-tours around the camp site. The tour is made much more vivid and interesting when a person who was actually incarcerated in the camp participates, and that is why the Manzanar Committee is asking ex-internees of Manzanar to volunteer as resource people for these tours.

Help is needed to place new fence posts around the cemetery, patch and paint the monument, and clean up some of the tea garden areas. The help should bring appropriate tools such as shovels, post hole diggers and rakes with identification on. Contact Tak Yamamoto, 974-6752.

Chicago Nisei heads northside chamber

Chicago
Longtime JACLer Dr. Frank F. Sakamoto became the first non-Swedish person recently to be installed president of the Andersonville Chamber of Commerce, a Chicago northside group which is predominantly Swedish and which celebrates Swedish festivals

throughout the year as well as Leif Erickson Day for the discoverer of the North American continent.

Sakamoto's office at 5423 N. Clark St., is a block away from the Andersonville chamber office. In between is the Midwest-Chicago JACL Office.

Inouye wonders about \$73,000 job

Washington
Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) discovered an employee of the Inter-American Development Bank who earns \$73,000 a year for sharpening pencils and filling water pitchers at meetings.

gressional approval for funds to aid various international financial institutions, was stunned as he heard the Nisei senator read the job description of the man in charge of a staff that sets up meetings and conferences.

Treasury Secretary W. Michael Blumenthal, appearing before Inouye's appropriations subcommittee to seek con-

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Presidential pointers on JACL Constitution

• Here is a continuation of a Fourth Friday Focus on the forthcoming National JACL Constitutional Revision Convention by our past national JACL presidents. The first series was published in the Jan. 26 PC.—Ed.

● Dr. Roy Nishikawa

National President, 1956-1958

Los Angeles

At the last National JACL Convention in Salt Lake City, delegates seemed vaguely discontented with the current state of affairs in JACL, yet not quite sure how to improve the situation.



The issue of Constitutional changes seemed attractive in view of the need to do something. Changes in membership requirements, proportional voting, nomination procedures, national vs. regional conditions, etc., may make things more equitable. And may even help in the growth and development of JACL.

But my gut feeling after almost 40 years of observation and participation in the JACL is that we did not come to grips with a more fundamental problem in JACL. The basic one of SURVIVAL and future direction.

Over nine years ago, I raised the question, "Is JACL Dead?" (Pacific Citizen, Dec. 5, 1969). And eleven years before that at the 1958 Convention (Pacific Citizen, Aug. 29, 1958), I maintained that the greatest enemies of the JACL were apathy, indifference and complacency. I implied that these could kill the JACL.

This is more true than ever today because a number of factors are now coalescing to form a picture which is far from sanguine.

Consider:

1—In 1978 National JACL had 127 fewer members than in 1977.

2—The 1979 National JACL budget was based upon an increase of over 25% in membership fees and an anticipated 7% increase in the number of members.

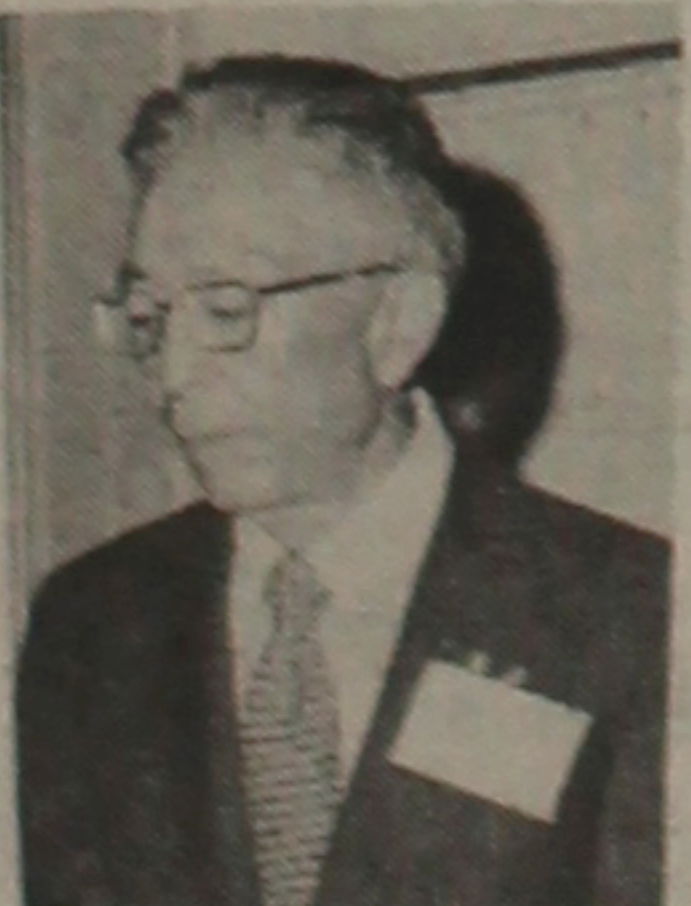
3—In its last report, the JACL-Blue Shield Health Plan estimated that 13,000 JACL members were enrolled. Another separate JACL sponsored health plan (in the PSWDC) estimated 4,000 JACL subscribers. The JACL Travel Program may account for another 1,000 or 2,000 members. JACL had 31,592 members in 1978. The arithmetic speaks for itself. I have no objections to these fringe benefits for over one-half of our members because they do fulfill a need and provide a service.

But I do hold some reservations. In our Wilshire Center (my wife Alice is Membership Chairperson), we get many, many

● Hito Okada

National President, 1946-1950

Since the convention in July of 1978, I have not been feeling very good. At that time I had intended to participate in the convention, as I had reserved a room at the convention site in order to spend more time at the National Council meetings, but I was unable to participate because I was not feeling well.



But, seeing all of the young people participating in the council meetings, I now feel that the JACL is in good hands and that my participation is not necessary.

phone calls based not on an interest in JACL but based upon a desire to get bargain rates for insurance and/or travel. If the prospective insuree is turned down because of a poor health history, there is no way he will sign up for JACL the following year. One insuree has said, "Don't bother sending me the Pacific Citizen." Another member signs up each time she takes a trip to Japan and drops out in the years she doesn't go. And in renewing memberships, some insurees will not sign up until warned that their health policy may be voided.

This is not to imply that all members enjoying these fringe benefits are that cynical. But I raise again a question that I have been asking almost every year for the last five years. "Is the Insurance (and/or travel) Tail wagging the JACL Dog?" If so, there is a need for JACL to re-examine its priorities. And, if necessary, restructure its organization. The painful truth is that today JACL has become so heavily dependent upon insurance membership income that it probably could not maintain its current scale of operations without it.

4—There are other factors indicating we are reaching a critical stage in membership support:

A. The Nisei are fast reaching retirement age. This generally means living with reduced incomes. I understand that several 1000 Club members have already dropped out because of reduced finances and the high cost of living.

B. Retirement also means that more Nisei will go on Medicare. This will reduce the need for group health protection and its mandatory membership requirements.

C. The rate of Sansei outmarriage is over 50%. A majority of the Sansei are not particularly knowledgeable about the JACL. Too many feel that JACL is outmoded and cannot relate to it in a positive way.

D. There are many chapters which are "just hanging in there". They have a hard core of old-timers, who loyally and stubbornly refuse to let the chapter die. But once these old-timers retire for good, who will carry on the work of the chapters?

E. There are some chapters that NEVER have representation at a district meeting. And there are chapters and even districts which have a hard time getting even a quorum together so that they can conduct business. And everyone knows how hard it is to get qualified officers to run at election time.

I have not painted a very pretty picture, but these are the realities, and we must face up to them or else it will mean the slow death of JACL eventually. These problems, of course, are not unique to JACL. Similar problems face other minority groups. Unfortunately, we live in an age of apathy, indifference and complacency. We live in an age of special interests, in an age of "What's in it for me?"

What, then, can be done? I have discussed these problems with some National Board and Staff members over many, many years. The problems were recognized, but there has been no practical way of dealing with them in an effective manner. Perhaps in the future our minds will be forced open by what Solzhenitsyn calls the "pitiless crowbar of events." Why is the obvious so easily overlooked? When do we bite the bullet?

I hear some voices saying, "If you're so smart, what is the answer?"

I am not that smart, and there are no easy answers, but I do CARE, and for whatever they are worth here are my suggestions:

1—First of all we need to recognize the existence of the problems and their significance. We must become more AWARE, and if it takes sharp language to cut through the apathy and complacency, so be it.

2—Second, we can do some research. We can search our files and try to come up with some answers to questions like: What is the turnover rate in JACL membership? Why is this so high among young people? We all know people who were once active in JACL but are not now. Why? How many

members would JACL have if there were no dropouts? Why not develop a follow-up program for dropouts? Just what is the relationship between membership, insurance and travel programs? A lot of work? Of course, but remember, JACL's existence depends upon its membership.

3—Perhaps the most important step of all is to provide adequate information and education. As the Redress Committee has learned, information and education for our membership and for the Nikkei community (internal public relations) must precede these same efforts in the wider community (external public relations). Otherwise, the movement (whatever it may be) will never have a decent chance to succeed.

In the past the leadership in JACL has been very strong in external public relations. Strong (for its size) in dealing with public officials, with legislators, with bureaucrats and with Congress. Perhaps so much so that it neglected the very vital internal public relations which is needed to nourish, sustain and attract membership.

The image of JACL should be such that nearly all Japanese Americans would be proud to belong to it and would feel morally obligated to support it. And well they might if they were properly informed and educated about JACL's history, goals, watchdog functions and accomplishments.

But such is not the case. Internally we have taken our membership for granted. We have failed to mount a well-thought-out and well-organized membership campaign. We are failing to get commitment and participation because we are failing to inform and educate adequately.

At the same time, we have had bitter internal fights over personnel, over the administration of certain projects, over differences in philosophies. Somehow we

● Henry T. Tanaka

National President, 1972-1974

Cleveland, Ohio

To be honest, I am not optimistic about the Constitutional Convention in 1980 making any significant impact on changing the goals and directions of JACL. But I feel we should make this serious and concerted attempt to change JACL into a truly membership organization which is responsive to the changing needs of its members. This is possible if all of us, as members, participate now in meaningful deliberations at all levels of JACL. To rely only upon the views and advice of JACLers in leadership capacities may well indicate an attitude of indifference or a desire to be told what's best for JACL.



The apathy among us may be symptomatic of the lack of clear goals and directions of JACL. If so, our constitution may need revisions to more explicitly state JACL's mission. Article II, section 1 on "Policy" states,

"This organization shall promote, sponsor and encourage programs, projects and activities which shall be designed to further and encourage every member to perform faithfully his duties and obligations to the United States of America."

In section 3 on "Policy", the constitution further states,

"The primary concern . . . shall be the welfare of Americans of Japanese ancestry. In its programs and activities, however, it shall strive to secure and uphold full civil rights and equal justice under the law for all Americans, regardless of race, creed, color and national origin."

Compare the above statements with the following purposes suggested by the re-

have overcome these internal differences, but our image has been hurt in the process. Can you blame the average Nisei who says, "Hey, those JACLers are always fighting among themselves. They ought to put their own house in order first."

The committed JACLer knows that JACL is the leading nationally organized group dedicated to the promotion of the welfare of the Nikkei—so he hangs in there despite his occasional disenchantments and frustrations. But he is a vanishing breed. Not enough Sansei and Yonsei can fully grasp this concept about JACL and therefore feel no need for supporting the organization.

To grasp the full significance of the question "Is JACL Dying," imagine for a moment that we had no national JACL organization. If we had to build a National JACL today, would it be possible? Think of the Herculean task of establishing chapters, raising funds, training leaders and winning public acceptance! Isn't it much smarter to support, nourish and preserve what we have?

Finally, there is one ray of hope. Although one book cannot do it all because education is a continuing process, perhaps author Bill Hosokawa when he writes the JACL STORY will somehow be able to make the concepts of awareness, commitment, obligation, loyalty, sacrifice and perseverance come to life for the thousands of Sansei and Yonsei who are the only hope we have for the long-range survival of National JACL.

These concepts may sound old-fashioned in today's world, yet we think of them first when we recall the lives of past JACL leaders like Saburo Kido, Dr. Tom Yatabe, George Inagaki and Mas Satow.

cent national Ad Hoc Committee on Organization Structure:

- 1—Protection of the rights of Japanese Americans.
- 2—Preservation of the culture and values of Japanese Americans in a multi-cultural society.
- 3—Participation in the development of understanding between all social and ethnic groups.
- 4—Development of the membership to carry their responsibilities as citizens in a democratic society.

That's just for an opener.

It's interesting to note that nowhere in our constitution is there a statement on the functions of the National Council or the National Board! Was this intentional?

I served as a member of the National Ad Hoc Committee on Organization Structure. The frustrations of the committee were threefold:

- a) the difficult task of recommending viable organization structural changes within a constitution that does not articulate a clear mission;
- b) inadequate funds allocated and later eliminated due to JACL's financial crisis; and
- c) the only alternative to rely upon the commitment of non-committee members to obtain "grass roots" input on the committee's report submitted at the Sacramento convention in 1976.

The Committee, in my opinion, made some excellent suggestions for structural changes in 1976. [Report is being reprinted, starting with this issue.—Ed.] It should be used as a reference material for discussions on constitutional changes.

To that report, I add some of my own opinions which would require constitutional change as follows:

- 1—The national director's appointment

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Mariculture

More Nisei grew up listening to their parents extoll the virtues of *tai no sashimi*. We all knew what tai looked like. We saw it at weddings, festivals and during holidays. In the Pacific North-

west we often wondered whether the only red fish we commonly saw at fish markets, the red snappers, were the same fish. But red snappers came from the deep sea. Tai, our parents told us, were caught in abundance in the Seto Inland Sea.

The favorite Japanese fish with a characteristic red glow is the red sea bream. Its white, firm textured meat is highly prized among Japanese. Since ancient time tai has been associated with good fortune.

Since the mid-1960s the catches of tai started declining drastically in the Inland Sea. Industrial pollution was the reason.

Japan has been experimenting with cultured tai. Since the tai fertilized eggs float while the dead ones sink, these naturally spawned eggs are collected and transferred into large hatching tanks where they remain until matured into fingerlings.

Most of the fingerlings are shipped to fish farmers and stocked in net cages until they reach marketable size. A large amount is also released into the Inland Sea to join the natural stock.

Japan is the world leader in mariculture. Yellowtail (Buri) is Japan's most successfully farmed fish. Fish, however, represents a mere 1½ percent of Japan's mariculture. Seaweeds, shellfish and crustaceans make up the bulk.

Here in the United States the most successful ones have been the fresh water variety—rainbow trout and catfish.

In 1975 an interest in mariculture took me to the Ocean Exposition in Okinawa. There is an increasing need to develop and refine mariculture techniques. Our lands are over-utilized and over-populated; there is very little left to explore. Out there, however, is the ocean covering three-fourths of the surface of this planet. We must look to the ocean to solve many of our future problems.

A STRUCTURE REORGANIZATION PROPOSAL:

For JACL in Changing Times

In the cover letter by Lillian Kimura to the July 1976 report of the Ad Hoc Committee on (JACL) Organization Structure, it was pointed out that recommended structural changes in the decision-making process of JACL could not be taken without further discussion by the membership. It was hoped the chapters would through 1977-78 act on recommendations, but they opted to call for a constitutional convention for 1980.

Lillian Kimura, in her report to the 1978 convention, focused on Karl Nobuyuki's State of the Arts Report, Sept. 9, 1977, outlining his methods for improving administrative operations at Headquarters as another valuable resource.

The cover letter also observed the financial difficulties facing the JACL had intruded into their deliberations. The large deficit was described as a "demoraliz-

ing and inhibiting factor to creative thinking".

While much of JACL decisions continue to be made "family style" in piece-meal fashion, Kimura noted the growth of the organization: over 100 chapters, the budget and assets of over a million dollars and the issues being more complex. Thus JACL is required to be more sophisticated and efficient in its decision-making process.

Introduction

The Ad Hoc Committee on Organization Structure was formed in response to a recommendation made by the 1974 National Planning Commission "to review the National Committee structure and National staff patterns to increase their efficiency and effectiveness."

In reviewing their assignment, Committee members realized that this change was not encompassing enough; therefore, we redefined our

¶Film: '1941'

Editor:

Is this (Steven Spielberg's film for Universal-Columbia, "1941") a racist movie? Better check it before it hits the public.

H. RENGE
Fresno, Ca.

"Parade" Magazine had synopsis of the film as follows: "In the early days of World War II, a Japanese submarine surfaced near Santa Barbara, Ca., and fired a few salvos on the Pacific Coast. There was a 14-hour blackout in Los Angeles on Dec. 13, 1941, when residents were fearful of Japanese invasion. '1941' is a large-scale comedy dealing with the reactions of Los Angelenos during the blackout.)

¶ Redress Comment

Editor:

Is the JACL of late living in a circumscribed world with overtones of archaism, obsessed with its heroics and past grievances? As an example, to carp on past injustices of the Evacuation, weekly for lo these 30 years or more, the JACL now languishes in provincial medio-

¶ From Nobuyuki Nakajima

Higher Education

If one becomes a good carpenter, a good cobbler, or any other skilled craftsman, is college education unnecessary? In Cleveland area there are many immigrants from Europe and I used to see their repair shops, where such skills were offered. But it is difficult to find these shops anymore. Such skills do not seem to pay.

Speaking of a carpenter, I haven't met any in the U.S. except for one. But he was a Harvard graduate! He lived in the northern part of New Jersey, where a number of beautiful lakes are scattered in the mountains, a little more than an hour's drive from New York City. He

lived in a huge mill-house. In the basement were the large mill stones. The first floor was his shop, where he designed and built cabinets and furnitures on order. The second floor was used as a store, where he displayed antique furnitures. The third floor was their living quarter.

His clients were well-to-do people of the area; the most of them were college graduates. Of course he understands his clients' needs and desires very well. Didn't his college education help?

Moreover, the way he managed his business was unmistakably Harvard-style, was it not? #

crity by having lost relevancy for the Japanese Americans, its lack of intelligible direction. It impresses one as an organization made up of social "whing dings", conventioning in ego-winning plaudits, and now seeking redress in cash for a grievance that has exhausted the statute of limitations, not to mention the signing by recipients of a waiver in the adjudication some years ago?

The five salient points spelled out by Dr. William Nakashima's letter bears considered appraisal.

More than 55 percent of Nikkei marriages today are mixed unions. In this singular social aspect of Japanese American mores the JACL has little, if any, to offer in guidance or wisdom relevant to credibility. There are other areas of ethnicity in the Nisei scene.

Perhaps the governing body of the PC should consider formulating an editorial policy to bring testimony to the JACL creed and incorporate some of the "five points" as it relates to giving the League substantive direction encompassing the

whole of Nikkei life.

WILLIAM M. NOSAKA
San Mateo, Ca.

¶Wendy Yoshimura

Editor:

Our fellow Americans of mainstream ethnicities will not be known to posterity for their leniency (or even plain justice) to Japanese American defendants Wendy Yoshimura and Iva Toguri. Many of us felt Patty Hearst had been done a genuine injustice when she got sentenced to all the time she got and we, including me, asked for her release.

Now, apropos of Miss Yoshimura, we should be no less concerned for Wendy, whose original predicament was the circumstance of having been impressed and demeaned in a red, white and blue concentration camp beyond the control of her juvenile years to resist. She is not faring quite so well.

Nikkei should continue to press for an early amnesty for Wendy Yoshimura using all the means at hand. Our

35 YEARS AGO

IN THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

APRIL 29, 1944

April 12—Pvt. Noboru Nakamura, 19-year-old Nagasaki-born volunteer to 442nd RCT, of Reedley, Ca., naturalized a U.S. citizen by virtue of military service.

April 20—L.A. Sheriff Biscailuz first voter to sign initiative to tighten anti-alien land law; sponsored by Japanese Exclusion Assn. and Native Sons of Golden West.

April 24—Sgt. Ben Kuroki, Air Corps aerial gunner, visits Heart Mountain, first trip to a relocation center.

April 25—Nineteen more Nisei GIs sentenced by Army court for refusing to take training at Ft. McClellan, Ala.; 28 were on trial.

April 25—First group of 45 Nisei civilians pass through San Francisco unescorted since Evacuation, enroute home to Hawaii.

April 26—WRA announces Leupp Segregation Center near Winslow, Ariz., will reopen for Tule Lake agitators; about 100 Nisei were arrested last November.

disappointment in the judicial system which gives her so harsh a deal, compared to Angela Davis of the same period, is not paranoid. Will asking the President to help do any good when he is not particularly known for his compassion in similar cases?

TARO KAWAKAMI
San Gabriel, Ca.

¶A Flattered Columnist

Editor:

I was flattered to see one of my articles serving as springboard by which Miyuki Yoshikami (Apr. 13 PC) launched herself into her dissertation on citizenship ...

"The Nikkei mayors as bellwethers of Nikkei communities ..." was not my unqualified, final assessment.

As for the word *bellwether*, the sense in which I used it is in the second definition in the Random House '67.

JIN KONOMI
El Cerrito, Ca.

A signed letter includes an address we can verify.

Japanese Americans.

2—Preservation of the culture and values of Japanese Americans in a multi-cultural society.

3—Participation in the development of understanding between all social and ethnic groups.

4—Development of membership to carry their responsibilities as citizens in a democratic society.

The Committee felt that JACL should continue to derive its strength and support as a membership movement; however, we believe the National organization can only be as strong as its local units. Therefore, a more decentralized service approach is necessary and for this reason, we have given rebirth to Tanaka's Federation Plan. This plan is in line with the thrust of the federal government to become closer to the people. To this end, former President Nixon instituted the concept of the "New Federalism". Its rationale is that state and local governments are obviously closer to the people and therefore better able to discern their needs and design programs to meet them. They must be given more re-

sources and more flexibility in using these resources. Revenue sharing and block grants are the means by which the federal unit provides financial assistance to localities.

Henry Tanaka describes the primary objective of the Federated Plan to "provide greater autonomy for each district council to develop and carry out programs which are unique to the area it services". He outlined a plan for distributing JACL resources. The Ad Hoc Committee made no attempt to update this plan or to formulate a new one. It is hoped that discussions at the local level can generate creative ideas about funding.

An organization which speaks out for human values must be able to keep pace with new developments and shifting conditions. The recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee are made toward achieving the following conditions:

1—Maximum use of the membership, staff and financial resources of JACL.

2—Effective participation of

1—Protection of the rights of

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EAST WIND: Bill Marutani

Polish National Anthem



Philadelphia
FOR THE THIRD year in a row now, I've attended the annual dinner of the Polish American Citizens League of Pennsylvania. Because I find these good people to be open, down-to-earth and cheerful, I feel at ease with them. But, then this happens to be true of many other ethnic groups whose affairs I attend.

THIS LAST TIME when I attended the Polish American dinner, I was suddenly struck by something that routinely and naturally occurs at these dinners: the singing of the Polish National Anthem. Here were these loyal, dedicated Americans who, after singing the Star Spangled Banner, launched into a gusto rendition of the Polish National Anthem. And I wondered.

IT OCCURRED TO me that I, an American of Japa-

nese ancestry, was not given to singing the Japanese National Anthem. And I wondered to myself over the difference between my Polish American brethren and me. But as I pondered the matter, while listening to the anthem with its Polish words, it occurred to me that a number of other ethnic groups also make reference to their ancestral land: the Greek Americans sing the Greek National Anthem; the diners of the Delaware Valley Pilipino Association are also preceded by the Philippine anthem; the Vietnamese have their national flag prominently displayed; and so on. My brethren of the Jewish faith sponsor and participate in purchase of Israeli Government bonds. And I don't even own a share of Sony.

OH, I'VE HEARD "Kimigayo" and have even attempted to struggle through its phrases. But I have no idea whatsoever what those formal words mean. For \$64,000 I'd hazard a guess something about fealty to

the Emperor. And I don't even own a Japanese flag, whether it be the "hino-maru" or the rising sun. And, as I say, I don't even own a share of Japanese stock, let alone any Japanese government bonds.

NOW, IT ISN'T that I seek to avoid the land of my parents: it's simply that I have no particular interest or affinity in these respects. On the other hand, insofar as cultural heritage and some values are concerned, I endorse and embrace them. But I can identify the same values in other ethnic groups, be they Chinese, Korean, Pilipino ... or Polish.

WHICH STILL LEAVES me without an answer to the question: Why is it that many of my fellow Americans seem to have an affinity to their ancestral lands, as a nation, and yet we Nisei do not have any inclination to sing "Kimigayo", own or display "hino-maru" flags, or out of any sense of affinity own Japanese bonds? I'm not particularly bothered by all this. But I am curious. #

sponsive program.

4—A clear line of accountability in the structure and organization.

5—An organization that can impact its concerns and needs for the improvement of the quality of life for our people.

5—To designate the location of National Headquarters.

6—To issue public policy statements reaffirming the purposes of the organization.

7—To outline a program of action for the following Biennium.

8—To pass upon and decide on any other issues properly introduced.

Previous National Council meetings have revealed certain shortcomings in the deliberations of the Council. Acting like a "family", the Council is too involved in the maintenance functions of the organization such as approval of the budget and approval of the Executive Director. These are properly the function of the National Board. The Council should concern itself mainly with broad policy directions.

Although some of the power of the Council is being transferred to the Board, a change which might concern chapters, it should be noted that the Committee is also considering a new election process for Board members which will include greater input from the Council delegates.

National Council

The National Council which meets once every two years is the single most important JAACL activity. By constitutional authority, the Council, as the legislative body of the national organization, sets the direction for the organization for the ensuing Biennium.

We define the legislative functions of the Council to be as follows:

- 1—To elect national officers.
- 2—To set the National Dues rate.
- 3—To amend the Constitution.
- 4—To grant charters to chapters.

STRUCTURE

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the total membership in the development of policy on both the local and national levels.

3—A flexible structure which would ensure a balanced and re-

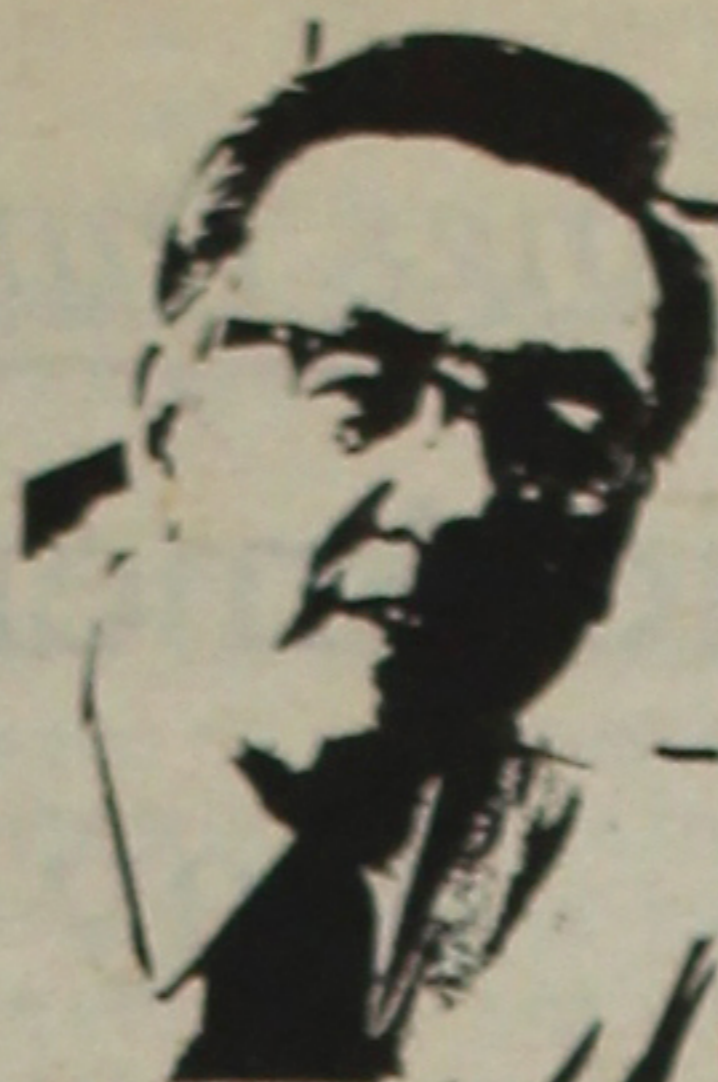
Assessment & Recommendations

It is the opinion of the Ad Hoc Committee on Organization Structure that the basic structure of the National JAACL is sound. We define "structure" to include the National Council, National Board, Board Committees, National Staff, District Councils and Chapters. However, we also feel that there are significant shortcomings in the manner in which the structure actually operates. This is due to such factors as size, composition, frequency of meetings, selection process for membership, etc.

This report will analyze each component in the national structure and make recommendations to correct any weaknesses that have been determined. The bases for these determinations

FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

First Look at Hokkaido



Sapporo, Japan

None of my previous trips to Japan had led to Hokkaido, the sparsely populated northernmost of the four main islands

which contains one-fifth of the nation's total land area. It was an error not to come earlier; Sapporo is a fine city in a delightful setting. And Hokkaido, while thoroughly Japanese, is also quite different. In fact, some of the farming country is reminiscent of New England and much of the terrain resembles that stretch of the American Midwest between Milwaukee and Chicago.

One is accustomed to thinking of Japan as an ancient land. Thus it is something of a surprise to learn that Hokkaido was settled in much the same manner as the American West, and just about the same time. The Hokkaido equivalent of the American Indians are the Ainu, a primitive people who lived by hunting and fishing. Unlike the Indians, most of the Ainu have been absorbed by the people who took over their land, only about 15,000 full-bloods remaining.

The story of the Japanese settlement of Hokkaido is told vividly in the Hokkaido Historical Museum, and much of it echoes the story of American pioneers who cleared virgin forests to establish fields and villages.

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It should be of particular interest to Japanese Americans that just about a generation before the Issei began their migration to the United States, many Japanese were migrated from the southern islands to Hokkaido. Thus there are towns with names like New Hiroshima—the Japanese equivalent of names like New Haven and New Bedford in New England. (Since my parents migrated to the United States from Hiroshima, I suppose there is a remote possibility they might have gone to Hokkaido instead, and I would have

been born there instead of in Seattle.)

In this sense, some older residents of Hokkaido can be considered local Nisei.

Oddly enough, Americans played a substantial role in the development of Hokkaido. In 1869 the newly formed imperial government of Japan established the Hokkaido Development Commission which then asked the United States for help. President U.S. Grant selected his secretary of agriculture and commerce, Horace Capron, as adviser to the commission. During the commission's 13-year life some 70 Westerners, 50 of whom were Americans, came to Hokkaido as technical advisers in agriculture, road-building, education and other skills needed to modernize the region.

One incidental result is that the city of Sapporo is laid out in an orderly grid pattern instead of the streets wandering tortuously as in most other Japanese cities.

The Americans helped establish some farming practices. That's the reason Hokkaido has dairy farms. The introduction of hops gave birth to the beer industry and Sapporo beer.

The best-remembered of Americans is William Clark Smith, although he was in Sapporo only eight months in 1876. He is considered the founder of Sapporo Agricultural School which is now Sapporo University. An American-style wooden building with clock tower still stands near the center of downtown Sapporo as a monument to the American contribution to Hokkaido's progress. When Smith left, he concluded his farewell speech with an admonition: "Boys, be ambitious," a phrase known by millions of Japanese.

Hokkaido also has its own "evacuees," 14,518 Japanese from four offshore islands which were seized by the Soviet Union in the waning hours of World War II. Two of the islands have been fortified by the Russians. They and the Ainu will be the subjects of the next column. #

TANAKA

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by the national board should NOT require the approval of the national council.

2—The national director should be accountable to the national board, NOT the executive committee.

Other shortcomings include chapter delegates who are uninformed as to the national issues to be discussed and those issues of concern in the preceding biennium. The Ad Hoc Committee feels this is partially the result of the selection process used in choosing delegates at the chapter level.

For example, many chapters select representatives simply on their ability to make the trip to Convention through coincidental vacation plans. This helps to relieve the financial burden on the chapter if the participant was willing to pay for part or all of his/her costs. Unfortunately, the process does not insure that the most active or involved chapter leaders attend the National Council meetings.

A second factor has been the failure of the national leadership to provide an ongoing process, as opposed to simply prior to the Convention, which asks for input as to the issues which should be brought to the National Council. Chapter articula-

3—Membership should NOT be limited to "American citizens"; it should be open to any person "who agrees to abide by the constitution and by-laws."

4—The national nominations committee members should be elected by the membership; NOT appointed

by the national president. 5—The national officers should be elected by the membership; not by the national council at national conventions. Provisions should be made for continuity of leadership.

6—The district youth chairpersons should be eliminated from the national board; however, the national youth chairperson shall continue to serve on the board.

7—District councils would continue to be represented as voting members of the national board; however, it would be the option of each district to determine how to select its representatives. Such person could be the district governor or a person elected by the district chapters.

8—The national board would meet at least annually.

9—The executive committee would meet on an emergency basis ONLY.

10—There should be a national uniform dues structure, with established rebates to each chapter and district. A suggested rebate might be:

To National 67%

To Chapter 25%

To District 5%

To District Pool 3%

(The district pool would be administered by the District Governor's Caucus to en-

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Happenings During Heritage Week

Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week

May 4 - 10

DAVIS, CALIF.

• Asian/Pilipino Heritage Festival, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., May 5, Freeborn Hall, Univ. of Calif. Davis campus. Ethnic exhibitions, handicrafts, community information booths; lunch; speakers; Asian American Theatre Workshop and Bando Mitsusa Kai; disco dance 9 p.m.

LOS ANGELES

• Loyola Marymount Univ. second annual Asian/Pacific Cultural Awareness Day, April 29, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunken Gardens on campus. Guests: actors Brian Tochi, James Hong; Frank Kwan, KNBC "Saturday" show; Paul Bannai, Mas Fukai, Gardena assemblymen; March Fong Eu, California secretary of state; Chinatown and Nisei Week beauty queens and courts.

• Art exhibit, 25 Asian Pacific artists, April 29-May 12, M.M. Shinno Gallery.

• Exhibit, Calif. Bonsai Society, Calif. Museum of Science and Industry, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; daily demonstrations, 2 p.m., April 29-May 6.

• Black/White Photo Contest exhibit, W.G. Still Community Arts Center, May 1-10, JACL-sponsored.

• "Asian/Pacific Americans" pictorial exhibit, East-West Federal S & L.

• "From AAPAA with Love" musical directed by Danny Toguri, Dept. of Water and Power Auditorium, May 1-3, 8 p.m. Call Ben Quan, 481-4211 x5627.

• Asian Issues Forum, Agape Fellowship Ctr., May 2, 7:30-9:30 p.m. Panel speakers on Asian movement in '70s. Call 387-7881.

• "Pacific Overtures," Stephen Sondheim musical, East West Playhouse, May 3-10. Reservations 660-0366.

• Pan Asian JACL "Disco Dance and Contest", Gen. Lee's restaurant, 8 p.m.-1 a.m., \$5, 626-4471.

• "Farewell to Manzanar," "China Girl," other films. Occidental Life Insurance Auditorium beginning 5 p.m., May 5. Call Chris Ung, 485-4420.

• Asian Pacific Dance Groups and Martial Arts, Glendale Galleria, May 5-6, 1:30-2, 2:30-3 p.m.

• Monterey Park Asian/Pacific Festival, Mark Keppel High School, Alhambra, May 6, 2:30-4:30 p.m. Call Terry Suzuki, 282-8840.

• "Heritage Dinner," Asian/Pacific Planning Council, Ambassador Hotel's Coconut Grove, May 6, 6 p.m. Call Ron Wakabayashi, 293-6284.

• Asian Women's Health Project and Visual Communications presents service, education, health screening and photo display at T.H.E. Clinic for Women, May 6, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Call Mia 295-6571.

• Slide/talk on Huntington Japanese Garden at Huntington Library, San Marino, May 8, 2:30 p.m.

• "Decorative Arts of Japan," Pacificulture Asia Museum, Pasadena, opens May 9.

• Community Picnic, MacArthur Park Bandshell area sponsored by Asian/Pacific Coalition on Youth, May 14, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Bring own food. Call 660-7830.

• Performances by Japanese artists, Torrance Recreation Ctr., May 12, 8 p.m. Call 328-6840.

• Asian Voluntary Action Ctr.'s Little Tokyo Food Coop scheduled to open. Place to be announced.

• Santa Anita Bonsai Society exhibit, Huntington Library Botanical Gardens, Ikebana House, May 15-16, 1-4 p.m.

• Asian American Educators Scholarship Dinner, VIP Palace Nightclub, May 19, 6:30 p.m. \$10.50, reservations 288-0024.

• "Japan Today" film series coordinated by Japan Society, University Theater, Cal. State Univ. Long Beach, 7 p.m., May 22.

NEW YORK CITY

• "Nipponanza" April 29, from 2 p.m. Asakawalker Dance Co., music, martial arts, featured at Beacon Theater. Call 840-6942.

• From May 4, week of special events sponsored by Asian Americans United, Atrium of Citicorp Ctr. Visual, performing, martial arts and cultural program.

• Festival of arts, workshops 11 a.m.-6 p.m., May 6, Damrosch Park and Fordham Univ. Entertainment, craft and food booths, slide shows, workshops. Call Philip Nash, 925-3258.

OAKLAND, CA.

• Festival, Oakland Museum, May 12-13. Food, crafts, art stands; Asian-themed films; Asian Ameri-

can Dance Collective, Asian American Theatre Workshop, Asian American Playwriting Workshop. Artwork by Asian Americans displayed April 27-May 20, Special Exhibits and Education Foyer.

PALO ALTO, CA.

• Heritage Fair, May 6, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Chinese Community Ctr. Poets Janice Mirikitani, Lane Nishikawa; Asian American Dance Collective; singers Peter Horikoshi, Patty Shih, Keith Inouye, Darryl Noda; jazz musician Rick Yamashiro. Will have bulgogi, won ton, chow mein, lumpia, chicken teriyaki; and historical Asian/Pacific photo display.

• Free lectures at Annenberg Auditorium, Stanford University, 8 p.m., April 26—"Ink Decor for Indolent Mons: Style and Its Function in Late 15th Century Monastic Residences," Richard Stanley-Baker. May 2—"Gardens and Architecture of Edo Period," Ronald Herman.

• "The Monk Chogen and the Rebuilding of Todai-ji," John Rosenfield. May 17—"Transmission and Transformation of Japanese Calligraphy," Yoshiaki Shimizu.

• May 24—"Meiji and Post-Meiji Art," Michael Sullivan. May 31—"Japanese Maki-e Lacquer," Ann Yonemura.

SAN FRANCISCO

• "Expressions from Exile: 1942-1945," over 100 art works created by Nikkei within the barbed wire fences of World War II American concentration camps, will be displayed April 27-29 at JACL headquarters, the Masao W. Sawtooth Building.

Artists whose works will be featured include:

Chiura Obata, Mine Okubo, Hisako Hibi, Matsusaburo Hibi, Nobuo Kitagaki, Roy Abbey, Tadashi Toyota, Mitsu Sato, Charles "Suiko" Mikami, Sam Nagase, Jack Matsuoka, Harry Suto, Takeyuki Harada, Yonekichi Hosoi, Yajiro Okamoto and Estelle Ishigo.

Exhibition hours are 7-10 p.m. April 27; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. April 28-29.

SEATTLE, WA.

• The annual Seattle Cherry Blossom and Japanese Cultural Festival is being expanded with the Ondekoza Demon Drummers performing at 1 p.m. May 4 and 5 at Seattle Center.

Seattle Center will also feature cultural displays and demonstrations, kite flying, martial arts, ondo and films on Japan.

The weekend festival is co-sponsored by:

Japan America Society; Seattle JACL, Seattle Center, Port of Seattle, Japanese Community Service; Shunji-Kai.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

• Congressional Reception hosted by JACL DC chapter, May 3, 6 p.m. Senate Caucus Room, limited to 250, contact Gerald Yamada, (703) 321-7071.

• Pan Asian Women/Federal Women Program Managers, May 4, 4-8 p.m., Cannon Caucus Room, contact Fu Sing Temple, H-365-1239, B-433-1146.

• Asian and Pacific American Heritage Festival, May 5, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Washington Monument Grounds and Sylvan Theater. Entertainment, concerts, demonstrations, foods, arts, crafts, exhibits. Mark Au (eve.) 983-1845, Betty Garbern (day) 530-8269.

• May 6, 1 p.m., Cong. Robert Matsui speaker, Wreath-laying Ceremony, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington National Cemetery, sponsored by JACL.

• May 7-11, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission EEO Office: showing of "Pacific Bridges," recruitment workshops, lunches. Call Mark Au 427-4211.

• Workshops on Asian/Pacific Concerns, workshops geared to Congressional staffers and general public, at House of Representatives, May 9-10. Call Jeannie Jew, 354-8974.

• Judge Bill Marutani guest speaker at EEO Office

of Dept. of Justice, May 10. Reception planned. Call Presley Pang, 633-3111.

• Salute to Community/Congressional Reception, May 10, place to be announced.

• Hawaii Cong. Daniel Akaka guest at reception, U.S. Office of Education, HEW, May 11. Education exhibits during week. Call Stephen Thom, 472-3730.

Asian American Roster published

Los Angeles

The UCLA Asian American Studies Center announces the publication of *The National Asian American Roster 1979*. The Roster contains the names and addresses of Asian American elected officials at the federal, state, and local levels for 11 states of the U.S., Guam, American Samoa, and Canada. It also lists major Asian American political party clubs and employee associations. The roster was compiled by Dr. Don T. Nakaniishi of UCLA.

The Roster is available for \$2 from the Asian American Studies Center, 3232 Campbell Hall, UCLA, Los Angeles, CA 90024. Mail orders must be accompanied by 50¢ for postage and handling. California residents add 6% tax.

Items

Tomie Arai and Sharon Shiraga, artists, have an exhibit "Works on Paper" at the Basement Workshop in New York City until May 20.

The Indochinese American Assn., Inc., 5890 Newman Court, Sacramento, Ca. 95819, has been incorporated as a nonprofit organization with Gen. Nguyen Van Chuc (ret.) as president. Membership is \$12 a year. Its current project is to buy food and medicine to equip a ship to aid refugees.

San Jose Sumitomo Bank's fifth annual tennis doubles tournament will be held June 17 at the SJSU courts in three classes—men's women's and mixed. Tournament is limited to the first 162 signing up, according to Fumio Kimura, chairman. Pete Nakahara is tournament director. Entry deadline is May 21. Forms are available at the bank.

Dr. Isami Arifuku Waugh discusses crime and deviance in the Japanese community during 1920-1946 at Pine United Methodist Church in San Francisco April 27, 8 p.m.

Pulitzer Prize

New York

The 1979 Pulitzer Prize for Music went to Joseph Schwanter of New York City for his "Aftertones of Infinity," an orchestral work orchestrated last January by the American Composers Orchestra. UCLA composer Paul Chihara (Feb. 23 PC) had been a nominee this year for his ballet score, "Shinju".





DOWN TO EARTH: Karl Nobuyuki

An 1871 Law

It's interesting to hear some of the comments raised by individuals regarding REDRESS issue. To say the least, the REDRESS program has made it very clear

that there are many people who don't seem to understand that this country of ours is one of many different people of varying backgrounds. In a way, it is very sad that some people just don't realize that cultural diversity of America is a dynamic factor that can provide a positive force in the American life-style.

A good example of what I am referring to is the comment that the Evacuation and incarceration was "for our (Japanese Americans) own good" and that this action was "for our own protection". Such comments are ludicrous. It implies that Japanese Americans, apart and aside from the rest of America's citizens, had to have their constitutional liberties suspended in order to improve themselves.

It is unfortunate that not enough people are aware that all Americans are entitled to their civil liberties and that any violations of such liberties is wrong. Any person whose rights are deprived is entitled to REDRESS. It is the law of the land passed in 1871. Witness Section 1983, Title 42, of the United States Code:

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When some individuals suggest that Nikkei were put into camps "for their own protection", they seem to forget that it is the responsibility of the police to protect its own citizens. Further, if such local law enforcement fails to carry out its responsibility to the public, it is wrong to deprive the victim of their constitutional rights.

Sometimes it may sound "cute" to hear one in high political office make quibbling remarks. But just as the comments of Senator Joe McCarthy raised havoc on constitutional freedoms, so can others. As Americans who treasure their freedoms, let us not ignore the potential danger of ignorance. JACL must continue to serve the American public through education, and REDRESS is one of those means to that end. #

chapter pulse

● Hoosier

RETIREMENT SUBJECT OF MAY 16 MEETING

Hoosier JACL will meet May 16, 7:30 p.m. at the Nora Library, 8625 Guilford Ave., Indianapolis, to hear Susan J. Jennings speak on "Personal Investment in the Retirement Years". She is an account executive with Paine Webber, a graduate of Butler University and now in postgraduate work.

Norman Selby was named to the vacant chapter post of treasurer. Michiko Selby's treasured collection of Hinamatsuri dolls was displayed Mar. 3 followed by a dance program choreographed by Keiko Nolan and Mrs. Selby.

● Pan-Asian

DISCO DANCE OPENS HERITAGE WEEK

Pan Asian JACL is sponsor of the disco dance opening Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week festivities in the Los Angeles area on Friday, May 4, 8 p.m., at General Lee's Restaurant in Chinatown. Disco music and lite show by Alan, disco contest with cash prizes and proceeds toward a scholarship fund comprise the program.

Tickets are \$5 in advance (call Chris Naito 660-7830 or Carlene Ige 626-4471) or \$7.50 at the door.

● Sacramento

ALL-STAR BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT HELD

Sacramento JACL staged its second annual boys' all-star high school basketball tournament April 21-22 at Sam Brannan Jr. High with four teams competing: San Jose, Orange County, Sacramento and Diablo Valley. Jim Kawano was chairman. Contributions to defray tournament expenses should be sent to:

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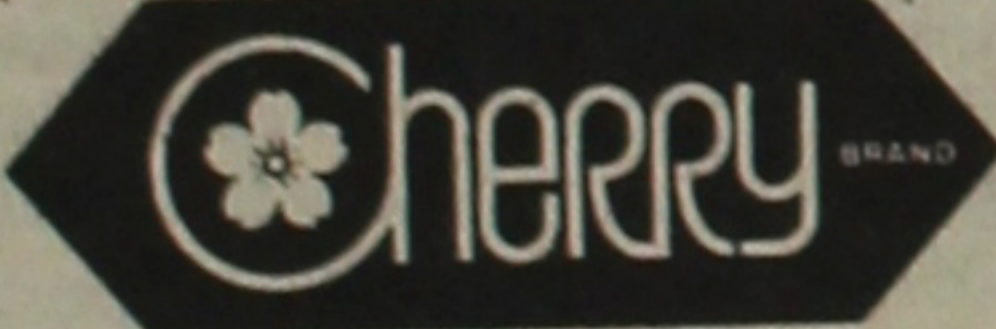
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● APRIL 27 (Friday)

*San Francisco—SFCJAS mtg, Pine Methodist Church, 8pm; Dr Isami Waugh, spkr, "Crimeless Japanese Community?"

*Seattle—Fesitival (2da), Japanese Baptist Church.

*Fremont—Family night, Roller World, 5:45-7:45pm.

*Amherst, Ma—Asian Amer Conf (3da), Univ of Mass.

● APRIL 28 (Saturday)

Tulare County—Benefit movies, Visalia.

Marin County—Rummage bake sale.

Marysville—Potluck dinner, Church Annex.

*Manzanar—Pilgrimage program.

PNWDC—Gresham-Troutdale JACL hosts: Qtrly sess (overnight), Coachman's Inn, Gresham; Sat 7:30-9pm, Sun 9am-4pm.

*Angel Island, Ca—Immigration Sta memorial

● APRIL 29 (Sunday)

Dayton—Mtg.

Cincinnati—Potluck dnr, Maple Ridge Lodge, 4:30pm.

French Camp—Community picnic, Micke Grove.

● MAY 1 (Tuesday)

*Denver—"Japan Today": Issei Photo History (through May), Colorado Heritage Center.

● MAY 3 (Thursday)

Washington, D.C.—Heritage Week reception, Senate Caucus Rm., 6pm.

● MAY 4 (Friday)

Cleveland—Bd mtg, Buddhist Church, 8pm.

New York—Asn/Pac Amer Heritage Week: Redress mtg.

● MAY 5 (Saturday)

Contra Costa—Golf tourney.

Milwaukee—Graduates dnr, Limehouse Restaurant, Brookfield.

Washington, D.C.—Heritage Week festival, The Mall: Washington Monument.

*San Jose—Sr Serv program, Buddhist Betsuin, 2:30-5:30pm.

*Evanston, Il—JASC benefit concert, Pick-Staiger Hall, 7:30 pm; Tsuyoshi Tsutsumi, cellist.

*Seattle—BSA Tr 53 benefit dnr, NVC Hall, 3-8pm.

● MAY 6 (Sunday)

New Age—Picnic, Walteria Pk, Torrance, 1pm.

Washington, D.C.—Memorial Sv, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Nat'l Arlington Cemetery, 1 pm; Rep. Robert Matsui, spkr.

● MAY 8 (Tuesday)

Stockton—Gen mtg, Cal 1st Bank, 8pm.

● MAY 11 (Friday)

Oakland—Bd mtg, Sumitomo Bank of Calif., 7:30pm.

San Jose—Bd mtg, JACL Office, 7:30pm.

● MAY 12 (Saturday)

Alameda—Bowling Fun Night, Mel's Bowl.

Hoosier—Workshop: Tea ceremony, Woodward res, 1pm.

● MAY 13 (Sunday)

St Louis—Asian Heritage Week party, Forest Park.

● MAY 14 (Monday)

Marysville—"Day of Remembrance" display (till May 26), Yuba City College Library.

● MAY 16 (Wednesday)

Hoosier—Mtg, Nora Library, Indianapolis, 7:30pm; Susan Jennings, spkr.

Washington, D.C.—Bd mtg, Yusa res.

● MAY 19 (Saturday)

Contra Costa—Benefit dance.

*San Diego—Asn art & food festival, Balboa Park.

● MAY 20 (Sunday)

PSWDC—Qtrly session, Pan-Asian JACL hosts: Bahoo's, 4501 N Rosemead, Rosemead, 9am.

Cleveland—Issei day, Euclid Mall.

*Concord—50th anny Gakuen reunion, Diablo JA Club, 301 Treat Blvd, 2pm.

*San Diego—UPAC 7th anny dnr, CPO-32nd St, 5:30pm.

● MAY 26 (Saturday)

Dayton—International Festival (3da), Convention Center.

● MAY 27 (Sunday)

NC-WNDC—Tule Lake Plaque dedication.

Stockton—Comm picnic, Micke Grove.

Cleveland—Nisei Memorial Service.

Join the JACL

Korean treasures to go on display

San Francisco
A major exhibition of Korean national treasures and art objects, "5,000 Years of Korean Art", opens a two-year U.S. tour on May 1 at the Asian Art Museum in

Golden Gate Park. Show travels to Seattle, Chicago, Cleveland, Boston, New York and Kansas City.

INOUE

Continued from Front Page

tion often faces overt discrimination and lack of access to the mainstream of American society and are most vulnerable to the devastation of mental illness, drug abuse and alcoholism."

The proposed Office, according to Inouye, will "improve the minority mental health in American and eliminate institutional indifference which has pervaded America's societal structure and impaired the mental health, not only of minorities, but of all Americans." #

TANAKA

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gage in special short-term projects and studies.)

The JAY as a national organization should be phased out. JAY would be retained as a mandated function of each district council to provide ongoing technical assistance in organizing and sustaining JAY chapters in its district. Additional funds and staff would be allocated to each district to carry out this function.

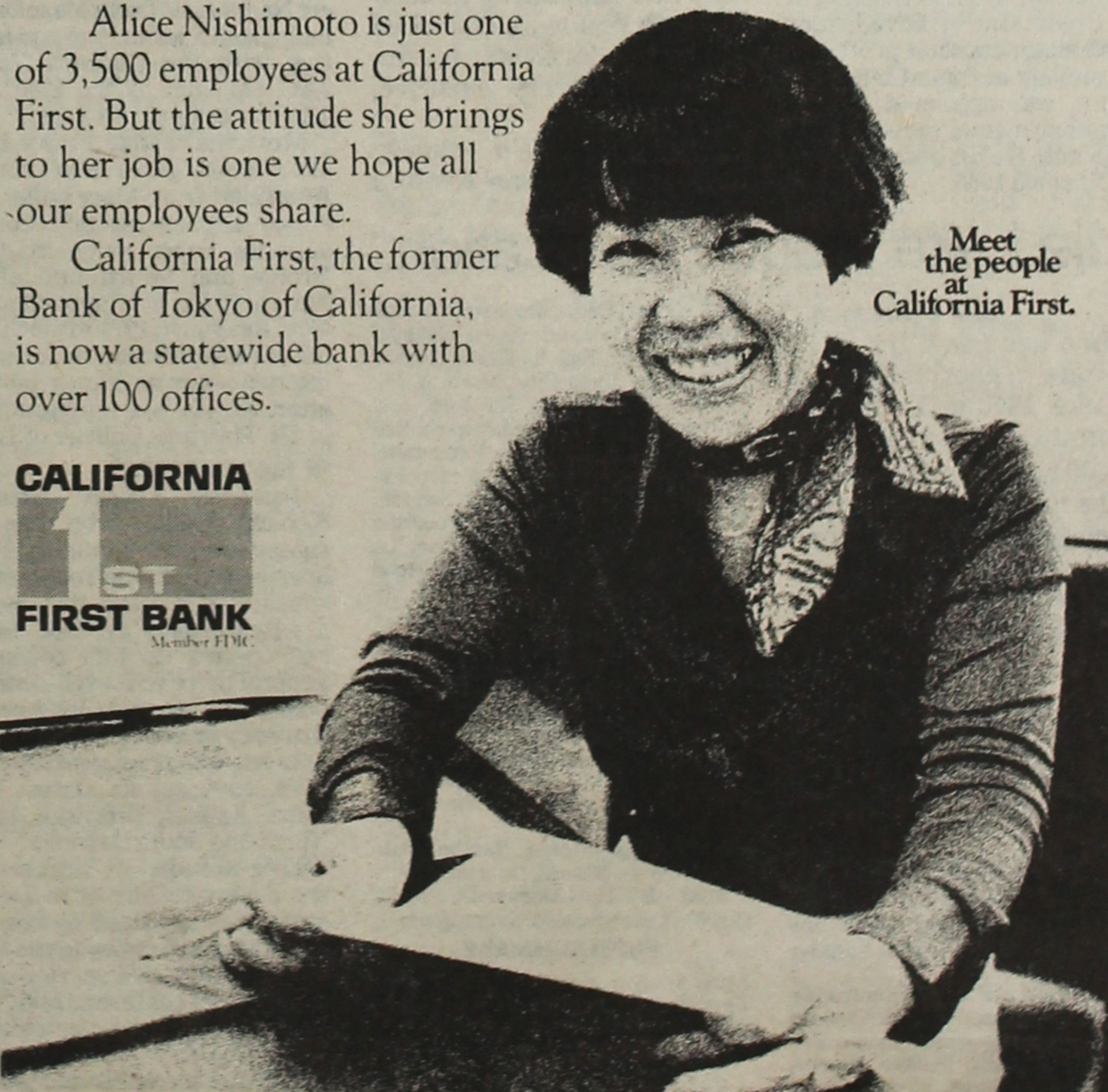
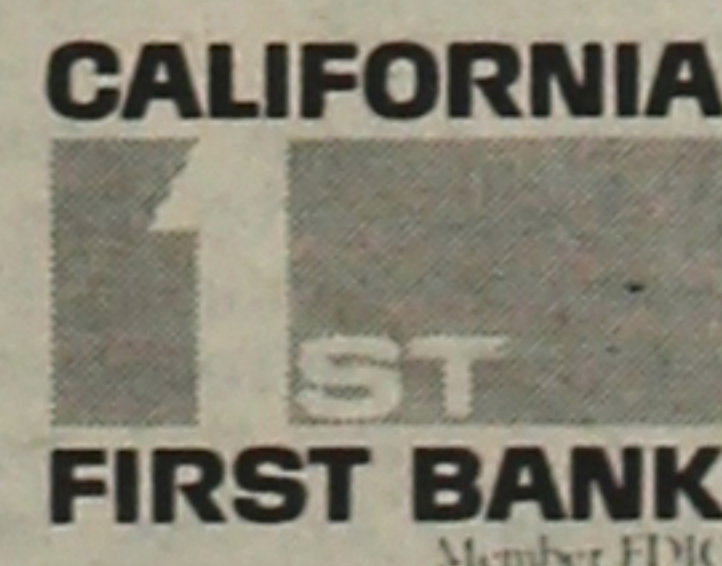
JACL as a national organization will stay alive. The questions remain; in what form, for whom, and for what purpose? Only its membership can best answer these questions. #

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TAB LYN UNO, 23:

School board member to seek change

By DIANE COLE
Salt Lake City

There are some basic differences between Tab Lyn Uno and other recent and new members of Salt Lake City's Board of Education.

His age, as it affects his experience and perspective, is not the least of them.

At 23, he is an idealistic student of political science and philosophy at the University of Utah. His aspirations extend beyond this board post, which for now will be his primary source of income. Eventually, he will seek a career in public administration, and the school board post should provide him with some valuable experience.

Unlike other candidates for the board, young Uno is not a parent of district students. He has no children. But he is a relatively recent student of the district schools.

The new board member does not personally pay property taxes in the district. One of five sons of Salt Lake City Judge Raymond S. Uno, Tab still lives in the family home at 1135-2nd Ave., while he attends the university.

Another distinction between him and new board members Lorna Matheson and Susan Keene is that he began attending board meetings only in preparation of running for office to replace "a poor representative." The other two became involved through their participation

Education

Dr. Hiro Kurashina, 30, formerly of Morioka, Iwate and Berkeley, Calif., was appointed assistant professor of anthropology at the Univ. of Toronto, Canada. He was graduated Phi Beta Kappa from UC Berkeley in 1970 and completed his doctorate at the same university in 1978. His research has been financed by The Ford Foundation, Smithsonian Institution, and the National Science Foundation. He has done extensive anthropological fieldwork in Africa, the Near East, Arctic and Melanesia. He and wife, Alison, are now residing in Port Credit, Ont. ... **Dr. Kiichiro K. Iwamoto**, assistant professor of sociology at Santa Clara University, was appointed department chairman of the sociology last month. He has been teaching at SCU since 1965.

Tule Lake Plaque Dedication

San Francisco

Time has come for JACL chapters to energize the Tule Lake Plaque Dedication Committee campaign for \$15,000 (\$2,000 more needed for the monument), according to George Kondo, NC-WN regional director who is keeping track of donations here at JACL Headquarters.

As of April 12, there was a total of 420 contributions for \$10,220. Marysville JACL is the eighth and latest chapter to contribute. The latest donors are:

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Under \$10—Harumi Nagai, Oakland; Michiko Mukai, San Mateo; Shizue Lee, Daly City; George Kamiha, Seattle.

\$10 & Up—Hike Yego, Howard Naka, Placer County; Frank Omi, El Cerrito; Suna Kinoshita, Castro Valley; Aiko Ohama, Sadako Ohama, Thomas T. Takahashi, Eiichi Takahashi, Shoichi Matsuo, Kiyoshi Imai, Sacramento; Fumi Usui, Salt Lake

(Election of Tab Lyn Uno, treasurer of the Salt Lake JACL, to the Salt Lake School District Board has made many a Utah Nisei proud to see a Sansei succeed. Even his father, Judge Raymond Uno, in a recent talk with the Pacific Citizen, couldn't restrain a tinge of happy pride when asked how his son was as a school board member.—Ed.)

in their children's school programs.

Tab is an independent thinker and somewhat of a loner, he says of himself. Consequently, most of his campaigning was his own work. He walked the precinct and engaged patrons and educators in issue-packed discussions.

On the night of the general election, Tab closely followed voting tallies by hovering over reporters as they received the news. As is typical of him, he was alone when he learned of his modest victory of some 650 votes over Dan Bushnell.

Ordinarily, Tab could have faced insurmountable odds in challenging the 10-year incumbent, a prominent attorney serving as chairman of the board of education.

But the young candidate capitalized on voter sentiment toward recent district blunders and soaring property taxes.

There are also some similarities between the youngest board member and his fellow decision-makers and predecessors.

A familiarity with law stemming from his father's profession has infused him with values of truth, honesty and fairness, he feels. "I hope these values still count for something."

He also believes his Japanese heritage has given him a special affinity for minority viewpoints and for fairness and hospitality in dealing with residents displaced by board decisions, for instance. "I'm very sensitive, too," he said.

Tab said he's closely aligned with Susan Keene's

philosophy toward the board of education, but perhaps to a less radical degree.

"I'm probably somewhere between Susan and the rest of the board," he guessed, adding that he would have identified with anti-establishment movements of the '60s and early '70s had he been born earlier. Now he feels he can work for necessary changes through the "system," and he predicted that with more experience, he could grow more conservative over the years.

Like most new board members, Tab is "a little paranoid" about his ability to relate to the others on the board and on his ability to achieve the changes he and his constituency desire.

While he's full of ideas and the energy to push for them, he's also new to the world of bureaucracy and red tape.

"I'm an activist ... I want to go in and solve problems and prevent problems. I also want to listen to the community and to the specialists

and to bring schools back to the people."

His emphasis on community involvement puts him in the same camp as the other two new board members.

"We need to defend our position, something the board hasn't done very well in the past," Tab said, noting that the district should tell the public the rationale for closing old schools and building new ones. "But I'm not convinced there's a good reason ... maybe Salt Lake District is too arrogant, high on the hill."

He would like to see local community councils with more power to make decisions in the district.

One of his educational priorities for the district is the expansion of alternative types of teaching.

For example, he would like to see the open classrooms at Dilworth and Whittier schools combined into one location and to have fundamental, open and combined structures available upon re-

pc's people

Courtroom

Oakland-born Chinese Japanese **Barbara Tam Thompson**, 28, of Santa Ana was appointed in by Gov. Jerry Brown and sworn in April 6 to the Orange County municipal court. She is the youngest jurist in California, a Phi Beta Kappa UC Berkeley graduate, who finished law at Boalt Hall and admitted to the bar in 1973. Married to attorney Martin J. Thompson, she was working with the Orange County county counsel's probate division. She is the daughter of Albert and Utako Nomoto Tam of Oakland, was a Cherry Blossom Festival queen runner-up and is active with the Japanese American Bar Assn.

Los Angeles County deputy district attorney **Louis Ito**, 48, who has gained public print as prosecutor and administrator, is leaving to enter private practice and will be associated with **Robert Nagata** and **Doug Masuda**. Ito hails from Sacramento and is active with the Gardena Valley JAC. (Masuda is the East L.A. JACL president this year.)

Municipal Judge **Frank Kim**, 48, a fourth-generation Chinese American from Marysville, was appointed San Joaquin County superior court judge by Gov. Brown and sworn into office March 9. He was appointed by Gov. Reagan in 1971 to the Stockton municipal court after serving two years as deputy district attorney. He is a 1959 graduate of UC Hastings College of Law.

Government

Japanese Consul General **Kenichi Yanagi**, who was assigned to Seattle in August, 1977, has been recalled to Tokyo and is scheduled to leave this month ... In Kansas City, Mo., Japan has opened its 13th consulate general there with a full-time appointee to be made by April 1. Attorney **James E. Burke** served as honorary consul general since 1974, covering six states: Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, North and South Dakotas.

Lani Sakoda, 37, active with the Japanese American Democrats, was appointed by Los Angeles Mayor Bradley to the five-member city civil service commission and confirmed Mar. 9 by a 10-1 vote in the city council. She is the first Asian named to this commission. She is married to **James Sakoda**, attorney, and the mother of two children and

lives in Pacific Palisades.

Assemblyman **Floyd Mori** (D-Pleasanton) introduced a bill (AB 546) to give California a rape law like Oregon's, which allows a husband to be charged with raping his wife. He sponsored a similar bill in the last session that died in committee ... Calif. Gov. Brown named **Anne Sands**, 37-year-old aquatic biologist at UC Davis, to succeed **Peter Hamatani** of Sacramento on the State Reclamation Board.

Rock Springs (Wyo.) Mayor **Keith West** appointed **Paul Sugano**, 31, a Nisei engineer with the State Highways, as city public works director. Sugano is a Rock Springs native.

Medicine

Newly-elected Solano County JACL president **Ronald E. Furukawa, O.D.**, recently opened his office in Fairfield and will be conducting a seminar for visiting Japanese refracting opticians at the annual Calif. Optometric Assn. conference in Reno. A native of Tokyo, he is an honor graduate in engineering from UC Berkeley in 1972 and obtained his optometric degree with honors in 1976.

Skagg's "New Seasons" magazine featured the story of **Dr. Munagi Yoshitaka**, 90, of Ogden, Utah, who hasn't missed a day at the office. He finished dental school in Japan and was also graduated in 1½ year from Univ. of Pennsylvania in order to practice in America. He has been practicing in Utah since 1922. Since he was president of the Japanese Utah Wildlife Assn. in 1941, he was detained for a short period as an enemy alien. A Caucasian patient of his was instrumental in obtaining an early release. He makes his home with his daughter, Mrs. George Aoki, and family. His wife passed away in 1944.

Organizations

The Asian and Pacific American Federal Employee Council, Washington, D.C., welcomed its 1979 national officers at a Dec. 18 meeting. They are: **Laura Chin**, ch; **Frankin Fung Chow**, vc; **Clyde Takiguchi**, cor sec; **Marguerite Gee**, treas; and **Anna Wong**, rec. sec.

Ford Foundation named attorney **Frank A. Thomas**, one of the most prominent blacks in New

York City, as its president, succeeding McGeorge Bundy. He assumes his office June 1. He has been a Ford Foundation trustee since 1977.

Last November, retired U.S. Army Col. **Tom Kobayashi** of San Francisco was elected president of the 350-member Islam Shrine Rod and Gun Sportsmen's Club, and in December he was appointed as a lieutenant commander in the Shrine Temple's Legion of Honor unit ... **Tom Sakaji** and the **Rev. Dr. Paul Hagiya** were admitted as Shriners in the Al Malaikah Temple of Los Angeles. Sakaji is a Santa Maria, Calif. businessman, and Rev. Hagiya is the senior minister of the Centenary United Methodist Church of Los Angeles.

Admitting he'll have limited input on school financing, he said he favors reducing property taxes and shifting school financing to income and sales taxes.

Since Tab was elected to the board, he has developed a deep respect for such board members as Wayne Evans and Carolyn Kump.

The compulsive talker admits he doesn't always work

quest to students throughout the district.

through his thoughts before speaking, but he feels this possible flow reflects his attempt to be honest about his feelings. He is not too stubborn to change his mind about issues, yet he's no pushover, he indicated.

"I will vote the way I think my constituency wants me to vote," he said, adding that he must "do everything possible to convince the community to re-elect me in four years. —Salt Lake Tribune

Politics

Wayne Nishioka succeeds **Nobusuke Fukuda** as president of the San Francisco Japanese American Democratic Club for 1979.

Radio-TV

In eulogizing the late **Goro Suzuki** (Jack Soo) of ABC-TV's **Barney Miller Show** in the Congressional Record Jan. 15, **Rep. John Murphy** (D-N.Y.) noted the "12th Precinct" in lower Manhattan which provides the background for the series falls within his 17th Congressional District. Murphy paid special tribute "to his talent in creating such marvelous humor for all of us ..."

KPIX Evening Magazine co-host **Jan Yanehiro** of San Francisco told college and high school students attending a contemporary communications conference at Ohlone College that it was up to the audiences to force improvements on television because "TV belongs to all of us," and urged her audience to complain in writing when programs or commercials are offensive. The FCC keeps them on file for seven years.

San Francisco's KRON (4) reporter **Sam Chu Lin** narrated a five-part special, "Chu Lin Is an Old American Name", aired during the first week of Jan. 28. It was a story about his family, starting with grandfather, who ran a grocery in Mississippi, but also an introduction of Chinese social history in the U.S. from the 1850s to the present day.

Sansei koto-samisen student wins Mombusho Fellowship

Washington

The Henry Wakabayashi family was elated a second time with a Mombusho Fellowship for advanced study in Japan announced for another member of their family. A fellowship has been won by their second daughter **Lynn**, senior at Wesleyan University, who is completing a double major: music and East Asian studies.

Three years ago, **Karen Wakabayashi** received a similar fellowship after completing postgraduate studies at the Univ. of Michigan and studied Japanese economics 18 months at the Hiroshima University. She is presently research coordinator for the Federal Reserve Bank in San Francisco.

The Mombusho (Japan's

Ministry of Education) award is highly competitive and provides graduate scholars up to two years of study in Japanese universities.

Lynn Wakabayashi plans to attend Tokyo University of Fine Arts this academic year to study the musical theory, literary and historical background of the **Yada-ryu sokyoku** repertoire as well as the performing arts. She has studied the **Yamada-ryu koto** and **samisen** under **Namino Torii**, visiting artist-in-resident at Wesleyan, and has performed at the historic King's Chapel in Boston.

Her parents are longtime Washington, D.C. JACLers. Mother is Eastern District Council governor.



Mike Eguchi

Michael S. Eguchi, son of the Hiro Eguchis, was promoted to a new position of Information Systems Manager by Fisher Broadcasting Inc., owner and operator of KOMO, radio-TV, Seattle; and KATU-TV, Portland, effective Feb. 1. He had been the traffic systems manager. He is a June 1970 graduate in radio-TV and marketing from Univ. of Washington.

Sports

Takezo Shimoda, 71, former justice of the Japan Supreme Court and Japanese Ambassador to the U.S., was named the new Japanese baseball commissioner effective April 1, succeeding **Toshio Kaneko**, who resigned. Shimoda was in Washington 1967-70.

Clem Oyama of the Golden Gate Golfers scored his second hole-in-one in five months at the Presidio course's difficult 164-yd par/3 4th hole recently. His first career ace came last October. He's been playing for over 40 years.

Ruby Taki, 54, of Whittier won in her age category at the Loma Linda Half Marathon held April 1. Her time of 2 hr. 11 min. for the 13 miles was among the best for women. In the past three months of long distance running events, she has either won or placed in the top three among her age group in ten races. Her goal is to complete a full marathon in January of 1980.

End of war in sight; but fight big for Iwo

Continued from Last Week

IX Corps headed up the 77th and 81st in the Philippines. Colgate Dorr had its team, led by Yukio Taniguchi, son of a Big Island grocer in Hawaii. With him were Kenneth Kihara, Gary Shibuya, Hiroto Mukai, Bill Oshita and Gulstan Enomoto, plus a man with a name like the leader's—Yukiwo Taniguchi.

Enomoto had six kids at the time he volunteered and five more after he got home. His Japanese name, Toshisuke, meant "ocean of help." His father may not have been far off the mark selecting it. John Tanikawa had four kids when he left for Australia and New Guinea, and James Yoshinobu had a bunch when he stepped ashore at Iwo Jima in February, 1945. In India a man with a bad heart and five kids back home was Charles K. Tanaka.

Nothing daunted Nisei who intended to serve, espe-

Frank Takao, Hisashi Nakagawa and Morris Taketa were still with various Tommy units. So was Harold Hanaumi, who had people convinced by his attitude that he was actually personal bodyguard to Major General Gracey, commanding the 20th Indian Division.

Hanaumi had gotten bored and disgusted with behind-the-lines work and being hospitalized. He liked Arnold Dadian, whom he considered "more a gentleman than a soldier", but was glad to get to the front. Things like translating a work called "Imperial Army Paratroopers", only to find out in the process that it was a novel, irritated Harold. But there had been rewards. Like getting a tip from the front on where about 150 enemy soldiers were hiding, verifying this, and being a part of laying on a strike by bomb-carrying P-47 fighter aircraft. Hanaumi helped

Armored Regiment, so he volunteered when he learned that a Japanese language team was needed in Europe.

Dave Itami, Kazuo Yamane and George Urabe were the Nisei assigned to the team, but Itami, a former newspaperman, had made himself so valuable with his expertise that it was decided to freeze him right where he was. Pat Nagano was given his spot.

A Navy officer, Arthur English, was the fifth member of the team when it arrived secretly at Fort Totten, New York. There Army routine nearly fouled the deal. An officer at the New York base, seeing three NCO's arrive, figured he now had three more candidates for his Charge of Quarters roster.

The three Nisei wangled a pass and went all the way into Manhattan, where they had a big Japanese dinner,

the southern Philippines, wrote a gripe letter to Muna-kata. He said that his team members had gotten their promised promotions but that men of a 15-member unit from MacArthur's command (Higa's was assigned from JICPOA) hadn't gotten any. "Most of them believe," he said, "that the reason they didn't get their promotions is because the enlisted men are drawing more pay than the Australian officers who are in charge of our boys." He also relayed general comment that some of the men from ATIS in Indoorsopilly complained they'd gotten a raw deal there, too.

One bunch of Nisei were actually busted one rank as soon as they arrived in Australia, the officer-in-charge saying, "General MacArthur wants you to earn



George Kawamoto, dug in deep on Iwo Jima.



On Iwo Jima. (wearing caps in center of picture) are Ben Kuwahara (left), George Kawamoto and Shorty Koyanagi. (Author does not identify the fourth man.—Ed.)

YANKEE SAMURAI © by Joseph D. Harrington, 1979

cially those from Hawaii. Mainlanders, too, fudged on the qualifying tests for MISLS, dozens arranging to memorize the page they'd have to read, just before the testing.

The 32nd Division would finish its fighting in the Philippines, totalling more than 13,000 hours in a combat situation, something no Marine Corps unit has ever been able to claim. Milton Tanizawa was with it when 32nd finished up at Leyte and headed for Luzon, where it fought on down to Manila. Ken Ohta, Kiyoshi Umibe, Charles Imai, Tom Kadomoto and Masami Fujimoto were still with him.

KNOWLEDGE of Japan, passed on to them by their parents and accented where necessary by Akira Oshida and other members of MISLS staff, made Nisei linguists aware that "a true Japanese does not lie". This gave them a weapon for breaking down captives. It was not difficult to make a POW remorseful and to understand why, when caught in a lie as one in Australia had been by Steve Yamamoto, a POW might kill himself. Or break down and talk. Staunch loyalty to a code, or one's country, is an admirable quality, but when not combined with a strong sense of military intelligence security, it can be a glaring weakness to be exploited by those who have studied it.

The British 14th Army had crossed the Irrawaddy River in Burma by this time, striking toward Mandalay. The Burma Road was reopened before February 1, and supplies really began to pour into China. Henry Kuwabara, Hiroshi Osako, Harry Ueyehara, Isao Kumabe,

make the body count, afterward.

Just as he'd raised hell with fellow Nisei who'd been conned by Japanese POW's giving phony names, Hanaumi tore a strip off the British soldiers who woke him at 2 a.m. to do an "emergency translation for Gen. Gracey." He was given a small black notebook, read the first line in it, and hit the ceiling. Hanaumi was still chewing out staff members when Gracey walked up behind them. After Harold's explanation, the general laughed, and the redoubtable Hanaumi went back to sleep.

"Since I left Japan ..." had caught the eye of a British officer, who knew some Japanese. He'd become excited, convinced he was on to something hot, so he had Hanaumi awakened. Harold immediately recognized that this was but the opening words to "Aikoku Ko Shinkyō," a sentimental Japanese song.

Los Banos and Cabanatuan prison camps in the Philippines had been re-taken. When Yoshikazu Yamada—now commissioned—led a team into Cabanatuan, he met none of his old buddies from Mindanao, who were still at Del Monte when he'd been evacuated with a bad back from a truck accident nearly three years before. He did find traces of friends in camp records. Some were dead.

John White, who led a Nisei language team in the Aleutians campaign, had taken a photo intelligence course at Camp Ritchie, location of PACMIRS, and then went to the Current Intelligence section of the War Department's G-2 staff. He had hopes of visiting the grave of his brother, who had been killed with the 33rd

after which they went back and hit the sack. The captain, who planned to add them to his watch list, wakened them at 4 a.m., stunned at the high priority he read on their orders, and they boarded a C-54 transport plane while he was still aghast. Only then did John White open their orders.

"We were supposed to get assigned to a British Commando unit," Yamane said, "and train with them for an attack on Berlin. We were to invade by air, or submarine, or whatever, confiscate Japanese language documents in government buildings, and return. Our orders read that our base of assignment was SHAEF (Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force), at Versailles. We stopped at Newfoundland and Scotland enroute, and when we got to our destination, we were quartered with Moroccan troops in the Royal Stable of the Grand Palace, with our headquarters in the Petit Palais."

For a Hawaii boy whose major project before the war was helping his father collect rents from some income properties, the experience was thrilling. Visits to Paris were not what they might have been, though. The Germans had broken through in a thrust toward Antwerp. The Battle of the Bulge had everyone wondering which way the war might yet go. Security restrictions were tight, although they had seemed pretty sloppy at Versailles. It puzzled Pat Nagano that "all kinds of documents, with the highest of security classifications, were just scattered around everywhere." Victory fever, it appeared, was making some Allied staffers careless.

Warren Higa, with the 96th Division cleaning up

your stripes." Chances were excellent that the officer had never said a word to MacArthur outside of "Good Morning, Sir," when passing, and saluting him.

DESPITE the USMC's historical division's being unable to provide any details on Nisei who served with marines in the war, the author has established that nearly three dozen were in the Iwo Jima campaign. The number may have exceeded 50 because there were at least 14 I could not track down.

In an effort to find Caucasians capable of mastering at least some Japanese, the MISLS staff made a country-wide search among Phi Beta Kappa members and snatched up a few, some of whom turned out to be true geniuses.

Manny Goldberg might not have been a genius, but his men thought him terrific. Ben Hirano was on the team that Goldberg led at Iwo Jima. Hirano took the place of Raymond Aka, who had been hospitalized. Also on the team at Iwo Jima with Goldberg were Pat Honda, Kunio Takai, Frank Kami, Ritsuo Tanaka, Hideto Kono, Takamori Oishi, Raymond Takata, Goro Igarashi and Yutaka Masuda. Half the team volunteered from Hawaii for 442nd combat and were disappointed when selected in-

stead for language school. They saw enough action at Iwo to last them a lifetime.

Nobuo Furuiye was no longer wearing the heavy woolen uniform he'd had to tolerate while serving in the Aleutians with grenadiers from Canada, but he may have wished he were at times. "I landed on D-plus-1," he said, "on February 20th at 10:30 under heavy mortar fire." He was with the 5th Marine Division. Tadashi Ogawa and others were on the same team but scattered among USMC units.

"The 1st battalion was ahead of us. It lost nearly all of its men. Only 17 men and one officer came out of it," said Furuiye. "All the others died or got wounded. Our battalion also suffered heavily but not as bad. I received only a minor flesh wound, but that was tended to right at the aid station."

For the first three days and nights, Furuiye devoted his efforts to "just staying alive. We moved only about 30 yards from the beach during that time," he said. "On the fourth day we could stick our necks out of our foxholes and saw that the shell- ing by our naval guns had hardly damaged the enemy bunkers, which were all practically intact."

Enemy and friendly fire

was so thick on the beaches, said Furuiye, "that our dead and theirs had to lie where they were, for three days. They couldn't be removed. I interrogated one POW at our hospital, who was badly burned from one of our flamethrowers. All I got out of him was that his home was in Tokyo and a request that I forward a message to his wife."

The POW died "so peacefully that I was overwhelmed," said Furuiye. Death came while the interrogation was going on, but the flamethrower had burned the POW so badly that nothing like an address could be recovered from his clothes.

Furuiye was also touched by a document he translated, a personal paper of Baron Takeishi Nishi, a colonel in the enemy armed forces. The baron had represented Japan in the Olympics at Los Angeles in 1932 as an equestrian and had a wide circle of friends in America. "Ironically," said Furuiye, "he died in one of our tanks that they had captured and turned against us."

Furuiye's most important contribution to the campaign on Iwo Jima, and perhaps the war as a whole, was his interrogation of another POW. He elicited from the

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man, who had been cooperative as the result of decent treatment by his captives, that he was a cipher specialist. The man was put on a plane for Honolulu.

After the campaign, Furuie, like most of the Nisei on Iwo, went to Saipan to help handle the native population, few of whom were actually friendly toward the conquering Americans. He wrote Munakata later, saying how he had enjoyed working with marines but was hoping he'd never have to endure another campaign like the one he'd just been through. A rational judgment, indeed.

On Okinawa, while this was going on, a military genius named Yohara predicted to General Tamachi Kuribayashi that Okinawa would be next and began devising the defense tactics that would be used there. Yohara, who would make the cost of Okinawa as painful as Iwo Jima, is not at all mentioned in the U.S. official Navy history, despite the fact that the man charged with getting it written had access to all Japanese and American records obtainable. Plus a staff that included volunteer doctoral candidates at Harvard University and almost exclusive use of documents that were not formally declassified until his 14-volume history (which later required publication of a 15th volume, devoted solely to correcting the previous 14) was completed in the 1960s.

Yohara had a surprise for the U.S. Navy, which at Okinawa as at Iwo Jima, did not deliver enough firepower against the enemy beaches and defenses before the landing force was sent away. He also had one for American aviation, Navy and Army, which had become convinced that airpower was the be-all and end-all of warfare, a belief also proved false later, in both Korea and Vietnam. He also had one for USMC and Army infantrymen, who had to pay the price for the arrogance and contempt of more senior Americans. Among those to die at Okinawa needlessly were some Nisei.

Ben Yamamoto landed at Iwo Jima with the 3rd Marine Division. Wesley Fishel had his team, which also included an intrepid loner named Terry Takeshi Doi. A Kibe who'd been drafted while in Japan and had actually served in the prewar Imperial Army, Doi was often

taken from Camp Savage to outside military installations while in school to demonstrate Japanese bayonet and other infantry tactics to other American soldiers.

When the fighting eased a bit on Iwo Jima and the cave flushing began, Doi showed unbelievable courage. He would strip naked except for his helmet to show the enemy he had no weapons, then enter a cave, calling out to hidden soldiers that if they didn't come out and surrender, they would be sealed up forever. Doi was shot at many times, his helmet once being carried away by a bullet, but he survived. He got a Silver Star.

Ben Yamamoto, once ashore, did not get near the front very often. He was held back to await arrival of POW's and documents. This is what all Nisei were supposed to do, but over and over again, the need to prove one's self as a worthwhile American would make a Nisei risk his life. Yamamoto had been at the secret Byron Springs camp in California for POW's and begged for transfer out of there because his nerves began to fray. "It was touch-and-go in human relations," he said, "and the day and night strain of interrogating people, then spending many hours reporting what they'd said, then repeating the process over and over again finally got to me."

Yamamoto was thoroughly debriefed by John Aiso on his return to Savage, and he then got assigned to the Home Furniture Building offices at JICPOA's annex in Hawaii, where Nisei worked and slept so they wouldn't be intermingled with Caucasians at Pearl Harbor. It was nice getting weekends at home for awhile, but Iwo Jima wasn't exactly the place for a rest cure.

Ben watched others dig foxholes deeper than he thought necessary, then dug his own even deeper. Then fellow GI's piled sandbags around their foxholes for even more protection after three nights of enemy mortar barrages, but when Ben went looking for some, a SeaBee officer knocked him down, stuck a .45 pistol against his forehead and said, "Who the hell are you?"

It's not easy to deliver a calm explanation while

pressed down by the burly body of a gun-waving SeaBee, but Ben tried. He was allowed to dig out of his pockets two I.D. cards. One, signed by Lt. Col. G.M. McCormick, USMC, and numbered #546, showed he was on Item Team with the marines. Another, card #50 signed by General Joseph J. Twitty, at JICPOA, showed he was from Hawaii. The officer got off Ben's chest, let him go, and told him he'd better stay in his own area so

suda worked with two POW's, one named Yamada and the other Hoshino, at cave-flushing, nearly getting killed twice while doing it.

He caught Yamada running out the other end of a cave he was exploring, by quickly dashing over the top of a hill to the exit after catching a glimpse of him. Using names given him by the captive, Masuda called out to those still in the cave. A lot came out, nearly all

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some other SeaBee wouldn't shoot him.

With the 4th Marine Division on Iwo Jima was James Yoshinobu, a veteran of an earlier war, although he'd had no overseas assignment in that one. His work won him a Silver Star. George Inagaki, with Saipan and Tinian behind him, also interrogated prisoners and translated documents there, later writing of it to the author from what proved to be his deathbed.

Joe Harada, another veteran of the Byron Springs (Ca.) POW camp, also hit the island. So did Ben Kawahara, James Saito, George Kawamoto, Henry Yokoyama, Mineo Yamagata, Tsugio Aoyama, Jiro Matsui and Harry Okada. There was also Tamotsu "Shorty" Koyanagi, whose nickname must have been really apt because when a Nisei calls you short, you are!

Yutaka Masuda was only "almost captured" on Iwo Jima when his patrol ran into another patrol. His patrol members were quick with explanations, and the other patrol went on its way. Ma-

wounded, but two officers were holdouts. Masuda's importuning got him a grenade in response. Its blast blew him off a hill. Another detonation immediately followed, as the officers killed themselves.

Now more cautious, Masuda then used Hoshino to go into caves, and the POW reported seeing no one while handing out two swords and a pair of binoculars. "Look in the corners!" said Masuda, and more people were found. A sergeant came out, but when another soldier tried it, he got both feet blown off when two officers tossed grenades at him. Masuda made a team of medics rush the man to help, and his life was saved, but the officers had killed themselves.

Don Oka told the author of one incident that very nearly made the marines do without Nisei linguists on Iwo Jima.

Their sailing from Pearl Harbor delayed by one day, about 30 Nisei were able to get one last night at home or with friends. Next morning, trying to return to their ships, they were told by an adamant sentry, "No Japs allowed to enter Pearl Harbor!" This infuriated them so much, being called "Japs" (an insult for which Roy Nakada of the Marauders and many other Nisei had broken heads in Minneapolis and elsewhere), that nearly all said, "Screw them! Let the so-and-so's sail without interpreters!"

Don Oka was acting first sergeant. He got his friends to calm down and accept an officer escort to get them to their ships. The Nisei went on to Iwo Jima and glory, although they had to wait decades for the latter.

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Guidelines issued for vocational school

Washington
The Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare has issued guidelines, effective Mar. 21, which affect vocational education programs in high schools, community and junior colleges to assure equal opportunity.

The Washington JAEL Office said the guidelines prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, national origin, sex and handicap in federally assisted programs. They assure school administrators, for instance, that minority students with limited English skills are afforded an equal educational opportunity.

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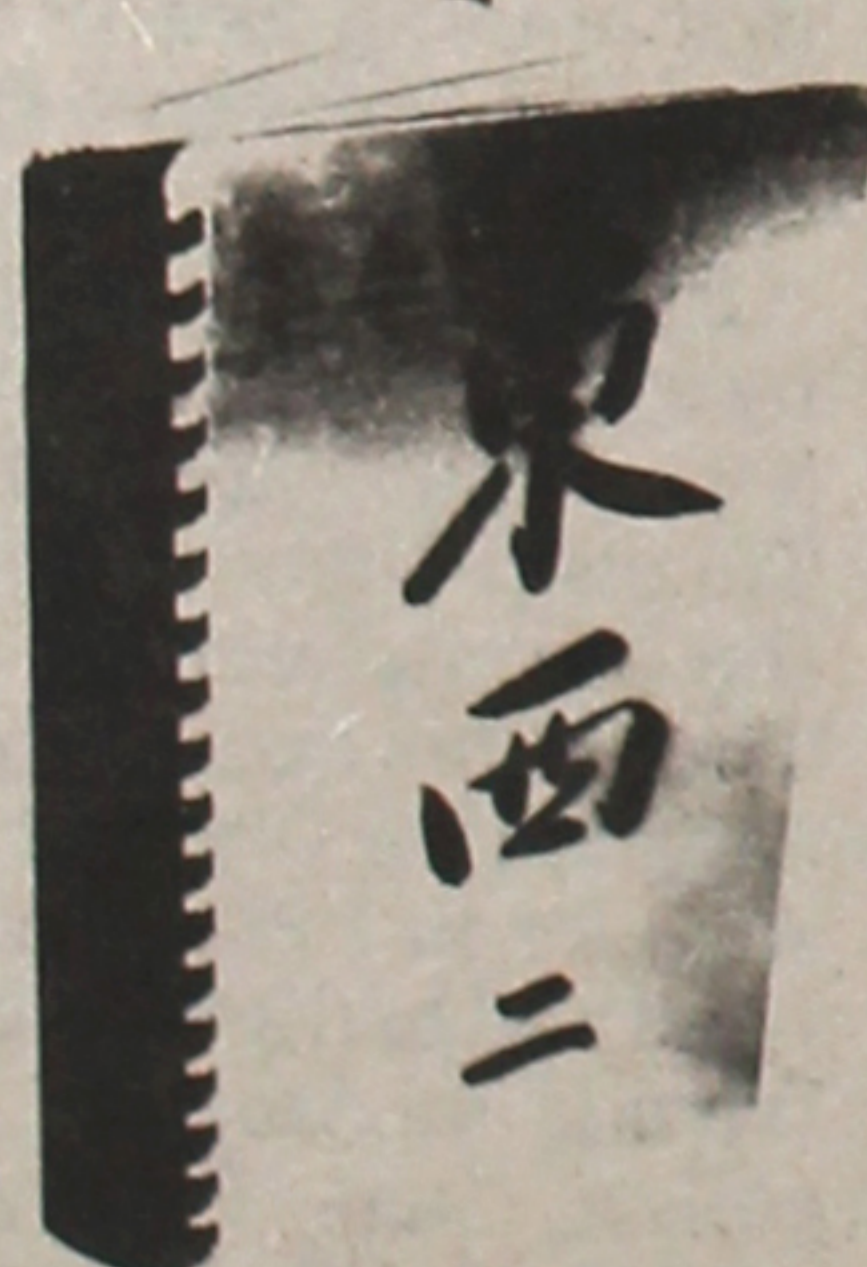
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George Y. Yasuda, 96, recalls being Pres. Taft's honor guard

Salt Lake City

George Y. Yasuda, member JACL's Mt. Olympus chapter in Utah, celebrated his 96th birthday April 26. Born in Wakayama, Japan in 1883, he came to America in 1902 to further his education.

Yasuda was able to read, but not speak or write English, well. He attended Salt Lake City High School, now known as West High School, where he became an ROTC cadet.

When President William H. Taft visited Salt Lake City, Yasuda served as honor guard with the cadets escorting the President, and he recalls that Taft rode in a horse-drawn buggy.

After completing high school, Yasuda went to Ricks Academy, which is presently Ricks College. After a year, ill health compelled him to discontinue his education.

Returning to Japan in 1915, he married Yasuko Miki on Feb. 11, 1916. They left

for America shortly after and bought a farm in Kimberley, Idaho.

Yasuda remembers buying his first new Ford the following year for \$410. The highest speed the car could travel was 15 miles-per-hour, since the roads were dirt and gravel.

On July 27, 1955, Yasuda obtained a cherished privilege—he became a naturalized U.S. citizen.

Before retiring in 1965, he owned a fruit farm in Orem, Utah. He had spent most of his adult life farming in that state and Idaho. Yasuda had also become a convert to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He has five children:

George, of Sioux Falls, S.D.; Tommy, Lancaster, Calif.; Priscilla (Wallace) Nagao, Honolulu, Hawaii; Lily (Ralph) Shino and Mariya (Shigeru) Motoki, Salt Lake City. Yasuda has 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. #



A vintage photo shows Mt. Olympus JACLer George Yasuda, who just celebrated his 96th birthday on April 26, wearing his Salt Lake City High School ROTC uniform of the 1900s.

THERE OUGHT TO BE Nikkei fine arts directory

Denver, Colo.

A directory of Nikkei in the arts was proposed by Jerry Yoshitomi after a recent luncheon at Denver Art Museum attended by a group attending the first biennial Western States Art Exhibition.

Yoshimoto, a Portland, Ore., Nisei, is deputy director of the Arizona Commission on the Arts & Humanities, Phoenix. To his knowledge, "there are a lot of Nikkei" just in the category of curators at museums across the country.

He noted Ron Otsuka is the Oriental art curator at the Denver Art Museum. Yoshimoto felt such a directory

ought to contain a wide spectrum of professionals and nonprofessionals, art collectors, supporting members of local museums and curators—a roster of "disenfranchised" Japanese Americans in the arts.

Also present were Dennis Ochi, associate professor of art at Boise State, and his wife who served on a selection panel. His parents are Fred and Yoshiko Ochi, active Idaho Falls JACLers.

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Literary Guild

Joe Harrington's "Yankee Samurai" will be an October selection for Literary Guild members, it was learned this week. Readers wishing an autographed copy from the author have until May 5 to place an order.

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Los Angeles

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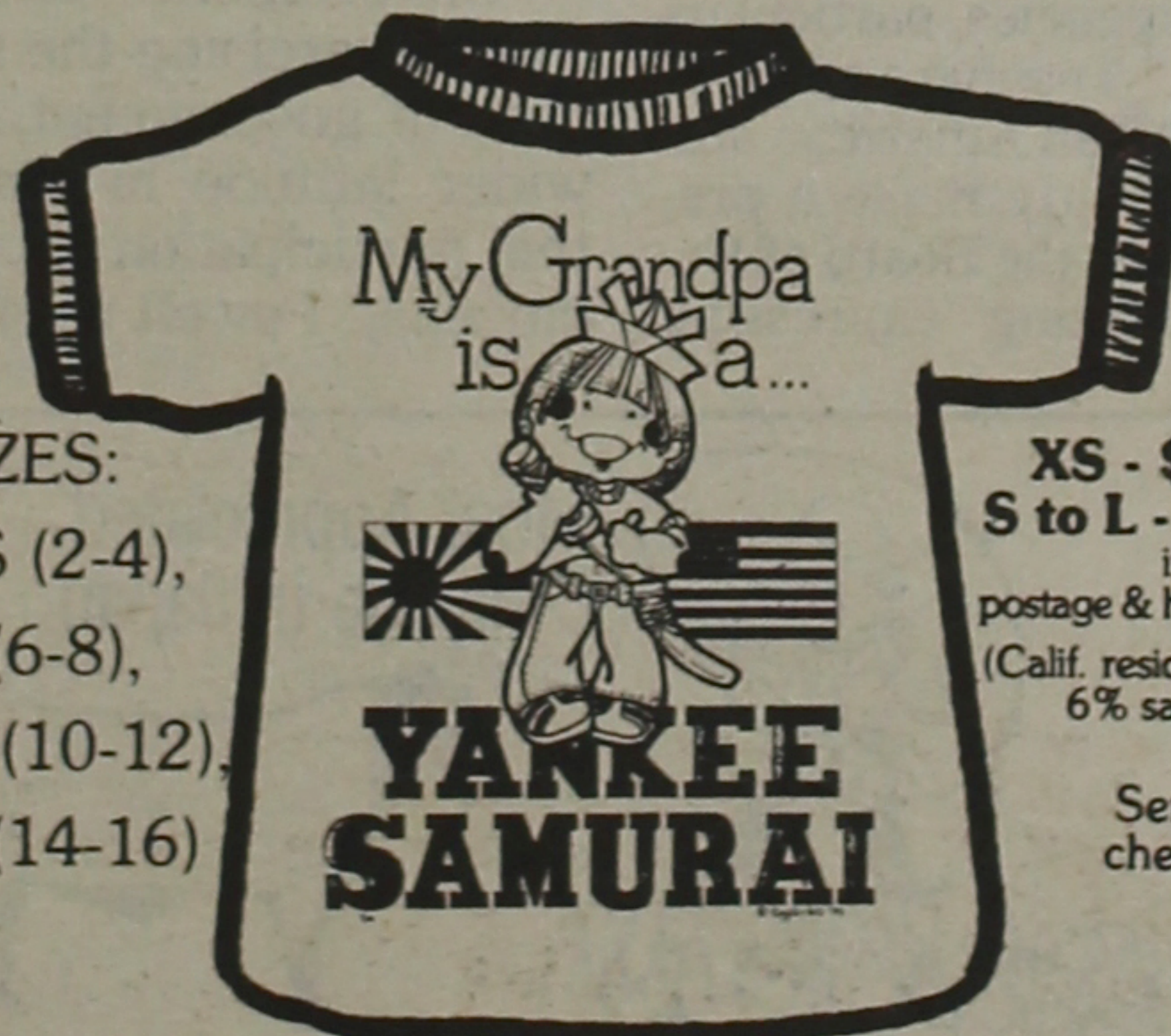
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HEW used "similar logic" in dismissing the allegations regarding counseling and recruiting, Yasuhara believes, citing HEW's stating that the mere act of having minority counselors and recruiters for each of the other minority groups and not Asian Americans does not constitute a vi-

olation because Asian Americans have access to Black, Chicano and Native American counselors, programs and services. The implication was, he said, that the presence of these counselors was coincidental.

"The Office of Civil Rights totally ignored the fact that while all other minority groups and women have access and the opportunity to participate in programs, services, benefits available regarding their special groups, Asian Americans do not.

"We did not suggest or request that they hire counselors or institute programs exclusively for Asian Americans. We contend that they as well as all other students should have access and the opportunity to participate in such programs and services if they so desired and to deny them that access and that opportunity is discriminatory," Yasuhara added.

Both Yasuhara and Minami

MURDER

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charges for the cause of the boy's death has never been established. The committee states:

—One doctor testified that the cause of death was pneumonia, yet a test was never done to prove that.

—Another doctor testified that the boy's heart had just stopped.

—Exact time and day of death has not been confirmed. One doctor states that the boy's death occurred around noon, and another doctor testified that the boy died at midnight.

—A psychiatrist stated that the boy could have suffered from anorexia nervosa (subject refuses to eat).

—An angiogram (surgery to locate possible brain damage) was performed without legal parental consent, the reason given was that the boy's mother could not be located. Records show she was three floors above in the same building. The date the angiogram was performed is also questionable. Testimony shows that the angiogram could have been performed on any one of three days.

—All medical records were not accounted for when Nakao went on trial. There is no death summary or death notice on Gary Ellenburg. Also, the boy's body was cremated without legal parental consent and the ashes were scattered into the bay.

The following are some questions the committee wants answered:

—Why were medical records not complete?

—Why is there no record of the angiogram that was performed?

—How could Nakao be charged and prosecuted for murder without evidence to prove that he did commit such a crime, or that the crime was even committed?

The Committee for Charles B. Nakao needs help in ascertaining whether Nakao did in fact receive a complete and fair trial. Persons interested may call JACL Headquarters (415) 921-5225. #

point out that the Office for Civil Rights conducted virtually no investigation of the case, did not interview any of the complainants or Asian American students and accepted statements by the University officials without any documentation to support such statements.

Documents produced by complainants indicate that when the "American Minority Studies" programs were established at Washington State University in the early 1970s, Asian Americans were not consulted nor even considered as a "minority" for inclusion in the process of establishing those programs, they said. Moreover, despite specific requests for a program by Asian American students and faculty as far back as 1973, WSU has consistently denied such requests.

Yasuhara stated that WSU has spent over \$1.4 million for studies, counseling and recruitment programs for Black, Chicanos and Native Americans through the spring of 1978, but not one cent on Asian Americans during that period of time.

In the fall semester of 1978, a single temporary position was provided with temporary or "soft" monies and no commitment for a program beyond the '78-'79 academic year.

"We are not trying to cut back other minority programs for the sake of Asian American studies and programs. We feel that WSU has a duty and obligation to provide Asian Americans with programs in addition to those for other minorities," explained Yasuhara.

Spokane JACL asking court its case against WSU be continued as class action

In the meantime, the Spokane JACL, in its Federal District Court suit, is moving for an order that the case be continued as a class action representing all past, present and future Asian American students at WSU. The motion will be heard in the U.S. District Court in mid-May. "This court action, which is independent of the HEW decision and complaint, was instituted precisely because of our concerns regarding the politics and biases of federal agencies, particularly HEW," Yasuhara said.

WSU Asian American students recently made a presentation at the Board of Regents meeting expressing

their desire and need for an Asian American studies program. (This is not the same board of regents headed by Taul Watanabe for the Univ. of Washington. Each state university has a different board.—Editor.)

At about the same time, the University Academic Affairs Committee approved the Asian American studies proposal and their recommendations have now gone to the Faculty Senate for approval and should have been acted upon on April 26. Even with the Faculty Senate approval, however, there is no assurance that a permanent comprehensive program will be established next year.

WSU, while advertising for two positions, has still made no firm commitments and are claiming that such positions are contingent upon funding from the legislature. While WSU did submit a request for an Asian American studies program in its biennial budget request, they placed the Asian American studies program monies in a low priority category vulnerable to legislative cuts, "which it was (cut) as expected," Yasuhara said.

The State Senate in Olympia is now considering reinstatement of the program. However, according to Spokane JACL, word has been received from the State Capitol that the chances of this occurring are remote. #

TEACHERS

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The high court has been striking down laws since 1971 distinguishing between aliens and citizens. Such laws are valid only if they serve some "compelling" purpose, the court held. In 1973, the justices held that aliens could not be denied admission to the bar or jobs in a state civil service system.

Now, the court appears to be shifting direction and allowing more curbs on aliens. Last year the New York law to exclude non-citizens from jobs on the state police force was upheld.

"Government entities, when exercising the functions of government, have wider latitude in limiting the participation of non-citizens," Powell wrote. At

least 16 states, including Texas, Illinois and New Jersey, have regulations requiring teachers in public schools to be citizens.

In Honolulu, a similar challenge has been in the federal court focusing on controversy of non-tenured teachers of the Japanese language at the Univ. of Hawaii being Japan-born or American-born. The East Asian Languages Department for years has been replacing the foreign-born instructors.

In 1974, Prof. Agnes Niyekawa, chairman of the East Asian Languages Dept., recommended against giving tenure to the plaintiff, Yukiyasu Ishigami, who came in 1971 from Japan to teach Japanese at the Manoa campus. The matter came

to a head in 1977 when Ishigami sued and finally coming up for trial last November. Meanwhile, he is teaching Nihongo at Punahou, a private prep school. Ironically, Niyekawa is Japan-born herself.

Ishigami charges he was denied due process and equal protection under the laws as guaranteed by the 14th Amendment. #

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