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NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING ALSO DESIGNATED AS NOMINATION MEETING

The November board meeting will be held this Wednesday, Nov. 20 at the JACL office, 526 South Jackson Street starting promptly at 8 p.m. President George Fugami requests the presence of all board members and committee chairmen. Cordial invitation is extended to all members and friends to join in the discussion. Added nominations for 1969 office will be accepted from the floor in accordance with procedures established as follows: Petitions with the names f 10 active members nominating an individual may also be submitted with a statement from the nominee with permission to do so.

Slate of officers for nomination is as follows: Jiro Aoki, president; Don Kazama, president-elect; Dr. Minoru Masuda, 1st vp; Eira Nagaoka, 2nd vp; Fred Takagi, 3rd vp; Tomio Mori-guchi, 4th vp; recording secretary (to be nominated); Midori Uyeda, corr sec; Thomas T. Imori,

treas; George Fugami, dist counc del; Kimi Nakanishi, historian.

Board of governors (20 to be selected): Cherry Kinoshita, Takako Yoda, Helen Akita, Mary Kashiwagi, Sally Kazama, June Shimokawa, Fran Wada, Dr. Calvin Takagi, Kay Mori, John Matsumoto, Akira Aramaki, Eugene Lam, Roy Seko, Roy Sakamoto, Liem Tuai, Ted Sakahara, Sad Ishimitsu, Nobi Kyono, Tom Hidaka, and John Sato.

Election date will be prior to December board meeting. Ballots will be mailed at least one week prior to election date. New officers and board members will be announced in January newsletter with installation dinner to follow. Richard M. Ishikawa is nomination chairman.

October meeting notes: Don Kazama requests any bibliography of issei in existence and available be reported to UW archive. Question was brought up for added distribution of "America's Concentration Camps" by Allan R. Bosworth for public relations. Details of previous distribution pattern will be studied before request is complied. The proposed membership (single) will be \$8.50 and \$15 for couple dues. National office assessment is \$6.50 per person and 50¢ by district council leaving \$1.50 from singles dues to carry on Chapter program.

Fred Takagi has been appointed to take care of the holiday issue ads for Pacific Citizen. Personal greetings and commercial advertisements should be sent to Fred as soon as possible.

AI-IKU ORTHOPEDIC GUILD SLATES BENEFIT DANCE DEC. 7

The 9th annual Xmas Dance sponsored by the Ai-Iku Guild will be held on Saturday, December 7 from 9:30 to 12:30 p.m. at the Seattle Chamber of Commerce. Proceeds will benefit the Seattle Children's Orthopedic Hospital.

Jim Wilder's orchestra will play for the dance. Tickets may be obtained from Ai-Iku Guild members or by calling Mrs. T.T. Nakamura at WE 5-8490 (evenings) or EA 3-1333.

INNUENDO CHARGED IN CAMPAIGN FOR INITIATIVE 32

The Japan-America Society of Seattle Oct. 23 deplored what it called "divisive and malicious use of innuendo in public debate" arising from the campaign for Initiative 32.

In a statement issued by its officers, directors and past presidents, the society said it takes no corporate position on the measure, which is aimed in part at curbing log exports to Japan. A spokesman for the society said the statement referred to unflattering references to Japanese and those of Japanese descent during public debates centering on the initiative.

The statement described the initiative as a "matter of logs, not race." And it urged those involved in the controversy over the initiative, their writers, agents and representatives freely to debate the merits of the proposition and to quit injecting into that debate

the sick and destructive emotionalism of the haters and the racists."

But during the Nov. 5 election the "local processing of state timber" bill lost out.

UMMARY OF QUARTERLY PNWDC MEETING OF OCT. 27 AT SPOKANE'S HOLIDAY INN

Emi Somekawa for the <u>Japanese History Project</u> reported that Bill Hosokawa's <u>Americans</u> with <u>Japanese Faces</u>, the "popular" version of social history will be out by the end of this year and circulated Aug. 1969. Prof. Robert A. Wilson's <u>History of the Japanese in the United States</u> will probably come out the following year. Masao Satow stated that people in Japan inquired about the possible Japanese language version of the same books.

Tak Kubota in thanking for the help received in the National Confab election campaigns in promoting Northwest candidates acknowledged Jim Hada, banner signs; photos, Elmer Ogawa; mimeographing of publicity materials, Mickey Oyama; and Uwajimaya Co. Others assisting were Nobi Tsuboi, Emi Somekawa, Willie Maebori, Dr. Albert Oyama, Tom T. Imori, George Fugami, Eira Nagaoka, Yosh Kosai, Tom Takemura, and Gov. Henry Kato of PNWDC all in team effort

National Executive Reorganization was reported by 3rd vp John Kanda. Executive committee under national board will be formed to meet three times yearly. Vice-presidents will be des-

ignated by their jobs rather than by numbers. Secretary to the Board will be dropped.

100th anniversary of the first immigrants to the U.S. when they founded the Wakamatsu Colony will be celebrated next year. Six PNW chapters, including Seattle, reached all time high in membership and each received a scroll. Tak Kubota, selected JACLer of the Biennium and receiving Gold Medallion, was presented with a giant scroll by National Director Masao Satow. The youth group with Kay Mori representing the Chapter, met Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday discussing problem of communication. Discussion groups were broken into several small roups for better involvement. Stan Kiyokawa of Portland will take over from Paul Tamura as District Youth Chairman. PNWDC endorsed JACL Japan tour for the fall of 1969. The first ten days starting from Seattle will cover Tokyo, Nikko, Kumakura, Hakone, Kyoto, Nara, Ise, Toha, and Nishinomiya. Cost is \$800 including all breakfasts and many other meals in the itinery. 5-day extension trip to Taiwan and Hong Kong available at \$95 per person. For information contact Tourasia, Inc., 318 Dexter Horton Bldg., Seattle 98104.

Spokane Chapter was PNWDC host. Seattle Chapter delegates were Tom T. Imori, Don Kazama,

George Fugami, Tak Kubota, Rose Ogino, Kay Mori, and Eira Nagaoka.

ANY REASON TO PANIC WITH INFLUX OF MINORITIES? WHO IS ENTITLED TO LIVE IN A NEWER NEIGHBORHOOD? AND IS IT THE COLOR OF THE SKIN THAT CAUSES CRIME AND DELINQUENCY?

SEATTLE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION Presi at 8 p.m. By Y. Philip Hayasaka, Executive Secretary

"Hello, Bill. You're just the one I want to talk to. Did you see that oriental family. looking at that house for sale down the street from you? What are you going to do about it "About what?"

"Just as I thought. Look! You know darn well that once we let those orientals in here, the Negroes are going to follow. And when that happens — there goes our neighborhood. Here!

Sign this petition to keep that real estate guy from selling that house."
"What in hell are you talking about, Ray? I'm not going to sign any petition like that." "You sure are naive, Bill. Don't you know that once these people move in, the neighborhoods going to pot? We'll lose our shirts on our property. just spent a bundle remodeling the kitchen."

"Ray, there've been comprehensive studies made that contradict what you're saying. Values haven't dropped just because an oriental or a Negro family move in."

"Look Bill, if one moves in, others will too, and soon, this neighborhood is going to be crowded with them. I'm going to put my house up for sale and move to the North End. You better do the same, and in a hurry too unless we can stop them now."

"If anything causes prices to drop, it's your kind of reaction, Ray. If no one panics and moves out, how could there be any homes to sell? And if there are no homes to sell, how could there be an influx of minorities? Panic results in frightened exodus. That's what causes property values to fall. There's no reason to panic. Besides, with open housing laws in effect, all houses, North End included, are available to all. So where do you think you can run and hide?"

"Bill, you just haven't been keeping up. These people are going to bring crime and juvenile delinquency here."

"Come on, Ray, it's not the color of skin that causes crime and delinquency. Poverty, slum conditions and inadequate police protection are factors. And there's plenty of criminals, whose color of skin is white."

"That may be, but you know as well as I, that they don't take care of their property.

Have you ever driven through the Central Area?"

"Not only driven through, but stopped and saw a lot of the area. There are plenty of homes that are better kept up than even yours. And of those run down houses you've seen, have you ever thought to consider that they were built over 50 years ago? They have gone through a number of owners, and most likely, are lived in by renters. The has the responsibility of keeping up a house — the absentee landlord or renter?

"I just don't know, Bill. Thy can't they stay where they belong? They won't be happy here. They should be with their own kind."

"Why did you move out here, Ray? Wasn't it for better housing, better living conditions, to improve your living environments? Everyone is entitled to better living and if it's better here in a newer neighborhood than in the oldest neighborhood like the Central Area, seems to me that the reasons are the same as yours and everyone should have that freedom of choice. For those who believe that it's better here than some place else, they're entitled. Wherever anyone wants to live, it's their business, not yours nor mine."

"But I can afford my house -- me and the bank, that is. These people are all on welfare

and won't be able to keep up the property."

"Studies were made on that too, Ray. It shows that minority persons who move into pre-viously all white neighborhoods generally have a better, if not same, income as others already living there, and take better care of their homes."

"If all those studies show all that, why haven't there been minorities living in this and other areas before now?"

"Mainly because of attitudes like yours: Discrimination, both overt and subtle has done much toward keeping neighborhoods segregated. I can't blame people for hesitating to move into a potentially hostile area."

"Well, I don't know if I want to associate socially with them. Next thing, you know,

they'll be wanting to marry my daughter."

"Seems to me that marriage is a private matter between two persons -- and it still takes the consent of both to marry. Besides, what makes you think they would want to marry our daughter?"

"Maybe the new neighbors wouldn't want anything to do with you, either. Usually it's the similarity of interests, backgrounds and tastes that determines social relations. Our new neighbors expect and deserve, as did other new neighbors before them, respect, courtesy and some privacy."

"Well, what do you think we should do, Bill?"

"First of all, tear up that petition, and if you meet anyone else that tries to prevent a minority from moving in, no matter how subtle, stop them. It's against the law, as well. If any real estate salesman tries to scare you into selling your house, report him to the Human Rights Commission. Then, and by all means, do this -- meet your new neighbors and welcome them to the neighborhood. (Continued top of next page)

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HAYASAKA (Cont'd): Be friendly and neighborly as you would to any other newcomer. Invite them to community activities. I know that your home and neighborhood means a lot to you. I think your new neighbor is going to feel the same, if you'll let him."

"Thanks, Bill. I'm glad I talked to you. By the way, are you coming to the meeting tonight? We're going to discuss law and order. It's about time we started to crack down."

"I'll be there, and what I have to say isn't what you have in mind."

NEWS JOTTINGS: Katherine Kuriyama, daughter of Takashi Kuriyamas, and 1967 Cleveland High grad is chairman of the campus pep rally and Whitman College yell squad queen . . . 24 Seattle U. seniors were awarded ROTC Distinguished Military Student Award, the highest in ROTC program which included Larry J. Tamanishi of Hawaii . . . Three certificate designating the recipients as "Certified Professional Secretary" was presented Oct. 8 at Chapter meeting of National Secretaries Association (International) at the Arctic Club. Mrs. Mary Morita, secretary to William B. Gillespie, chief engineer, Flood Control Division of King County Engineering Dept., was recipient . . . Mrs. Kearney Kozai was one of four North and women serving as P-TA area chairmen for the Seattle Public Schools' annual levy campaign. Mrs. Kozai is a member of the Lincoln, Hamilton and Interlake P-TAs and is serving as Lincoln's treasurer this year . . . An Honor: Mrs. Hosoye Kodama, headmaster of the Vashington State Ikenobo School of Japanese Flower Arrangement, attended a reception Oct. 23 in Tokyo to meet the Emperor and Empress of Japan. Mrs. Kodama is also head of the Onoto Senke School of Japanese Tea Ceremony and is known for her exhibitions at flower shows. Before she leaves Japan, Mrs. Kodama plans to visit a brother who is a Buddhist priest in Tieken and make stops in Kyoto and Fukushima . . .

St. Peter's Episcopal Church was the scene of the Sept. 1 wedding of Judy Ichikawa and Gary Yamashita. The bride, daughter of Mrs. Shizue Ichikawa, attended the UW. The bridegroom is the son of Frank A. Yamashitas. He is a graduate of Bowdoin College and received a MA from Columbia where he is working for his doctorate . . . East Madison YMCA in Central Area dedicated Olympic size swimming pool Nov. 3 with Gov. Dan Evans in dedication ceremony. Dick Carter, black, is executive director, Gene Uno, sansei, is program director, and Dan Meyer, white, is director of physical education and aquatics . . . Japanese Baptist Church voted Oct. 27 to accept the resignation of the Rev. Peter T. Koshi. He will be working as planning specialist in education with the Model Cities Project. He has been doing graduate work at the UW . . .

Mrs. Hubert H. (Muriel) Humphrey slipped away from her Vice President husband Sunday morning (Sept. 29) during their visit to Seattle, and relaxed with four lines of bowling at Imperial Lanes. Strict security was in order, even to the point that owner Fred Takagi (Sapphire Pin) didn't know about it until he saw Muriel's picture in the Monday morning Seattle P.I. Imperial Lanes was the site of 22nd Annual JACL National Bowling Tournament last March . . .

MILESTONES: Gonzaburo Muramoto. Funeral Oct. 5. Seattle Buddhist Church, Okayama Club. Survivors include: w Masu; s Kimitomo, Minoru; d Mrs. Tom (Sadae) Yamashita, Fresno, Ca . . . Mrs. Yae Kumakura. Funeral Oct. 8. Seattle Buddhist Church, Women's Fellowship, Fukushima Club. Survivors: s Haruo, Milwaukee, Harry K.; d Dorothy T. Kumakura, N.Y.; Mrs. Shigeru (June) Momoda, Bellevue. One brother in Japan . . . Mrs. Yukiye Okazaki, 75, Oct. 8. Japanese Baptist Church, Nara Ken Club, Gold Star Parents. Came to U.S. in 1913. Survivors include: s Tom T., Raizo; d Mrs. Nobuyuki Kawata, L.A., Mrs. Junpei Mine and Mrs. Robert Kikuchi, both of Skokie, Ill . . . Satoru Kumasaka, 81, Oct. 13. Fukushima Club, Seattle Japanese Hotel and Apartment Owners Association. Operated a hotel from 1933 until he retired in 1961. Survivors include: w Masami; s Roy, Wash. D.C.; Henry, Bankok, Theiland; d Mrs. Frank Nishimura, Seattle . . . Mrs. Ishi Yasui, 78, Oct. 13. Seattle Buddhist Church. Hiroshima Club. Operated Holland Dye Works on 4th Ave. before VM2. Survivors include: s James M., Redmond; d Mrs. Harry (Lily) Ota, Bothell; Mrs. Kenji (Rose) Kaneoka, L.A.; Mrs. Harold (Pansy) Yamagata, Chula Vista, Ca; sister of Seiji Kawaguchi, Honolulu . . . Mrs. Tane Osawa, 73, Oct. 19. Shizuoka Club. Came to U.S. in 1918. Survivors include: h Carl; s George, Henry; d Mrs. George Yamada, Kent; Mrs. Harry Kataoka and Mrs. Koichi Nakashima, Seattle . . .

BUSINESS AND COMMERCE: Art Yamada, a 23 year veteran in auto sales work, has been assigned to new and used car staff as announced by Pat Goodfellow, Chrysler-Plymouth . . . Joseph U. Hamanaka has joined Ricks-Ehrig, Seattle advertising agency, as production manager. He is a U.W. graduate with experience at three other NW agencies . . . Hideo Sasaki, chairman of the Dept. of Landscape Architecture at Harvard University, was re-appointed to a three-year term on the commission by the Board of Regent at the UW . . . Robert Nishi accounted for commercial property transaction paying \$305,600 for a four-story store and apartment building at 2720 26th Ave. S.W. to M. Malaspina . . . Land sales of 11.4 acres north of Auburn for 134,000 by Koji Norikane to Palmer G. Lewis Co. . . \$190,780 for a three-story building completed this year at 3805 S. Angeline St. bought by Minoru Tai from Fred Kahn . . . The commercial sale of half block on Second Avenue between University and Seneca Streets comprising of \$300,000, \$120,000 and \$80,000 purchases of buildings at 1214, 1218 and 1222 Second Ave. by Willard Hatch from Kawabe Co., Inc. . . \$315,000 for 20.4 acres south of Orillia sold to the Tally Corp by T. T. Nakamura . .

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ADD TO JOTTINGS: Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Akita announce the engagement of their daughter Coralie to Jim Kozu, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Kozu . . . Don Masuda, who was an active officer with the Young Adult Group, has left for the Officers Candidate School . . . V.A. hospital here presented awards Nov. 8 to 26 employees including Takeo Isoshima and Martha Kimura. Takeo also received cash awards for suggestions for improved services. Samuel T. Shoji is one of two receiving hospital director's commendation . . . Warren Chan, 45, a Seattle attorney, has become the first American of Chinese ancestry to be elected to the Superior Court bench in Washington State. Chan defeated Juvenile Court Commissioner Horton Smith, 43, for the King County judgeship being vacated by retiring Judge Henry W. Cramer . . . (Cont'd next page)

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NEWS JOTTINGS (Cont'd): Helen Akita was elected captain of the Tokiwa Women's Golf Club (name changed from Nisei Women's Colf Club) to succeed Kiyo Sakahara. Other new officers are Fumi Yamasaki, assistant captain; Eva Chikusa, secretary; June Kumasaka, treasurer; and Toyo Fuji-yama, handicap chairman. Hide and Aya Shimomura were tied for first place in the first annual perpetual trophy tourney held Sept. 15 at the Carnation Golf Course. Hide won the playoff with Aya taking second place. Toyo Fujiyama took third place with net 70. The perpetual tropiy is in memory of charter member Sumi Kawaguchi . . .

PHYSICAL PLANNING TASK FORCE DOCUMENT FOR FIRST PHASE READY TO BE SUBMITTED TO CITY COUNCIL Model Cities Program's Physical Planning Task Force Steering committee under co-chairmen Tom Kennedy and Liem Tuai with Weldon Lee as secretary met Oct. 30 at the Eastside YWCA after the adoption of the program's five-year plan for submission to the City Council later this month. Initial 500 copies (each weighing 4 lbs.) have been distributed. Task force steering committee was unhappy with the way Model Cities Program staff bypassed them in adoption of this document but Dr. Lemuel Peterson, technical adviser to the Task Force, had an answer to their complaints as follows:

"The sample of documents turned in so far to HUD meets their specification. They are very anxious to get this (project) funded and operational and circulated around the country, not so much for the content but for the form and the style. This sounds crazy but that is what we are responding to — the form, and not the content, since back in Washington they are not able to judge whether the content is what we say it was or not. The City Council are not approving the words of this document. They're approving the guideline for further refinement. And nothing will happen out of this until we get the action program written. Anything lost in the process will be worked back in again. We are acting under pressure from Washington to get this thing funded.

"The document will have to be something the citizen will recognize, and it will have to be something City Council will endorse, and it will be something that HUD will approve, and it will have to be something that other agencies will fund."

report of condition of buildings in International District (including Nihonmachi) Sound building, 30%, basically sound, but needing repair 54.2%, deteriorated 12.5%, and dilapidated 3.3%. THREE BASIC PROBLEMS IN INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT: 1. housing problem since there is a great shortage of apartment-type accommodations for families. The major part of the accommodations now existing is dormitory-type housekeeping rooms in hotel 2. lack of park and open space problem since the only public playground is at an elementary school east of the freeway, and sitting areas for the elderly are totally lacking in this area 3. transportation in this area is potentially excellent for in-city living, with a good view and proximity to the central business district.

Basic causes of blighted condition of many structures are that large prime parcels of land is held in trust or by absentee landlords. The difficulty of acquiring financing and insurance on property in this area discourages development. Another cause is that the area has long been considered by the city as a commercial and business district; zoning has permitted heavy commercial and industrial uses in the southern portion. The area has been considered a part of the central business district and as asconsequence has received little recognition as a place of residence. The city, businesses, and general public have not viewed the area as having residents who live there permanently of these recently been encouraging cooperation from the design section of the City Planning Department. Model cities hope to upgrade all public utilities to current national standards. New multiple housing units would be required to meet present and future population needs. Commercial and community activities wou be closely integrated with the new housing and readily accessible to the surrounding community. CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov. 17-Pacific NW Shigin and Ginbu odori tourney at Seattle Buddhist Church from 12 noon to 6 p.m. Sponsor: Kokufu Club. Special guest: Vancouver, BC Shigin. Free admission.

20-Regular monthly board meeting

8 p.m. JACL office 28--Nisėi Interchurch Council Thanksgiving Day service. Miss Diana Japanese Presby-Zediker, Japanese Bapt. Christian Ed director will speak. 10 a.m. terian Church 8 p.m. JACL officer:

3—Human Relations Committee meeting 9:30 6—News deadline for JACL Reporter, Mail articles to: 6-News deadline for JACL Reporter,

c/o (Editor) Eira Nagaoka, 151 11th Avenue, Seattle 98122

7--Ai-iku Orthopedic Guild Benefit Dance from

9:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. at the Seattle Chamber of Commerce Hall

11--Newsletter mailing night

18--Regular monthly board meeting 8 p.m. JACL office

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