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## MEMBERSHIP MEETING SET FOR MARCH 19 TO BE FOLLOWED BY SPECIAL PROGRAM ON INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT

President-elect Don Kazama will preside this Wednesday pinch hitting for Jiro Aoki as was the case last February. Meeting will be kept short in order to include a special program starting at 8:30 p.m. on Model Cities' Neighborhood Development Project for the International area. A senior architect student Meritt Sakada from the UW School of Architecture and Urban Planning will speak and will be ready to answer questions. Slide program will fill in the evening.

Pacific Northwest District Council meeting to be held Sunday, Mar. 23 at 10 a.m. at Moses Lake's Elmer Restaurant will be briefed. Chapter members on the Moses Lake agenda include Tom T. Imori, treasurer and Rose Ogino, historian. Committee chairmen includes Don Kazama on human rights and Dr. Terrance T. Toda, membership.

If you are in a mood for getting a head start, a no host cocktail and dinner will be held on Saturday at Elmer's Restaurant from 7 p.m. with National Director Masao Satow as honored guest. Make reservations with Tom T. Imori. Elmer's Restaurant is on 117 W. 3rd St.

Chapter meeting is open to everyone. We have plenty of seats. Help liven up the meeting with your pertinent thoughts. The Chapter is in need of new ideas and you may be the one to provide it. The meeting 7:45 p.m. this Wednesday.

FROM THE BOARD: Tomio Moriguchi, Chapter's 4th vice-president and president of the International District Improvement Association reported that he had talked with the Seattle Housing Authority on housing for the Japanese elderly. "We like to have some kind of study made by the board to justify any effort made in this direction. I like to have the board gather existing information to determine if more study should be made. If it is justified and means are available and if there is a need for it, we should take action on this worthwhile venture," Moriguchi said.

Members drive continues. Chairman Tak Kubota reported during the February meeting that 361 members have already signed, passing the half way mark. Various donations received during application for membership now totals over \$200.

Installation dinner may be held sometime in late March or later.

University Heights PTA has requested through Mrs. Midori Kono Theil that Seattle Chapter give support to their proposal for school system adopting in-school television broadcasts of minority studies with KCTS staff. The broadcasts would be programmed to the existing elementary school social group studies curriculum. The Chapter board went along with the proposal but added suggestion that Japanese and Chinese cultures be included in this program.

Mrs. Theil is former member of the Chapter board.

National JACL Bowling Tournament held in San Jose was represented by eight men's team and three women's team from Seattle indicating a high performance selling job by San Jose boosters when they visited Seattle last year. Details of games will be published in P.C. Early report has Rodney Namba winning 6-games sweep with 1363.

## APRIL: DEADLINE FOR JACL JAPAN AIR LINES FELLOWSHIPS

JACL National Headquarter is accepting JACL-Japan Air Lines Summer Fellowships for 1969. All applicants must be in hands of the district governor Henry Kato, 7620 SE 190th Drive, Portland, Oregon 97236 by April 10, 1969. The fellowship includes round trip transportation via Japan Air Lines, tuition and fees for the one month summer classes, room and board, and educational tours in the area. Must be JACL members and have reached their 21st birthday by April 30, 1969. Scoring to be based on educational 15 pts, activities 25 pts, motivation and plans for seeking fellowship 30 pts, adaptability of group living, travel and self evaluation 15 pts, and potential 15 pts. For application form call Don Kazama, president-elect, PA 5-3472 or MA 4-7200/371.

A CHECK FOR \$2030 WAS GIVEN BY THE JAPANESE COMMUNITY SERVICE to John M. Haydon, co-chairman of the Seattle-Kobe Torii Fund. Genji Mihara, president of the Japanese Community Service and recent recipient of 3rd Class of the Order of the Sacred Treasure by the Japanese Government, made the presentation. A total of \$30,000 will be needed. Other contributions so far include \$500 from the Kerr Steamship Co. and \$100 from the World Trade Club of Seattle. Torii will be built in the water of Elliott Bay or Shilshole Bay as a colorful symbol of welcome and friendship to the ships as they call in Seattle.

## DR. MASUDA EXPLAINS GOAL OF CENTRAL AREA SCHOOL COUNCIL DURING MEMBERS MEETING

Central Area School Council is a semi-autonomous subschool board and represents a big concession on the part of the Seattle School Board, Dr. Masuda said. The school board has given up the power of appointing. Central Area Administrator reporting to the Seattle School Board was also a concession.

Drop out rate at Garfield High School is 13% compared to the city wide average of 7.8%. This is just one sample of many indices showing the lack of effectiveness of the existing system with the Central Area students. The objective now is to work within the existing framework of existing laws to have the community's residents become policy making partners to help bring effectiveness to students living in Central Area.

Dr. Masuda was hopeful that 15 to 20 percent of voters will respond to the election to be held on March 29. -----o-----

PREJUDICE, WAR, AND THE CONSTITUTION  
by tenBroek, Barnhart, and Matson

(Editor's note: The report is written by Dr. Masuda. The book was shown by Dr. Masuda during the last membership meeting. Several orders were taken.)

This is, by far, the best over all book on the subject of the evacuation of the Japanese from the West Coast in 1942 and the constitutionality of this movement. Written by three University of California social scientists, the study was begun in 1942 and took twelve years to complete. Now reissued as a paperback it is a well documented, scholarly book which records the half century of anti-Japanese discrimination as a prelude and background to the evacuation. The rapid-fire events after December 7th, 1941, are analyzed thoroughly and the military mind is indicted as the real culprit and architect of the evacuation. While this might be debatable to those of us who at the time read the newspapers, heard politicians, and knew the pressure of selfish interests, it is never-the-less a fascinating dissection of the hysteria of the time. The final section on Supreme Court decisions on the constitutionality of the evacuation and the many legal intricacies are thoroughly and often bewilderingly discussed.

In the final summary, the succinct thrust of the book is revealed in the following quote:

"Viewed in the perspective of a decade, with all the advantages of hindsight and subsequent disclosure, the Japanese American episode of the World War II looms as a great and evil blotch upon our national history. The whole vast, harsh, and discriminatory program of uprooting and imprisonment . . . is without parallel in our past and full of ominous forebodings for our future."

"The entire Japanese American program violated and degraded the basic individualism which sustains a democracy. It impaired the trial tradition of the common law. It disparaged the principle that guilt is individual. It sapped the vitality of the precept of equality. It made racism a constitutional principle. It tolerated preventive incarceration for assumed disloyal beliefs and attitudes-unaccompanied by acts-attributing them without proof, probable cause, or reasonable suspicion to an entire race . . . The episode embodies one of the most 'sweeping and complete deprivations of constitutional rights in the history of this nation.'"

Not as flamboyant as Bosworth's 'America's Concentration Camp,' this book is much more revealing in its analysis and more telling in its conclusions about the deprivation of constitutional rights of the Nisei and the outright racism in the event. This added weight is given to the book by its documentation and scholarly analysis. It is readable book that all Japanese Americans should read. Although the evacuation was an event of a generation ago -- we Nisei as participants in it should not lose sight of the complexity of events and furthermore, our offsprings should be aware of the circumstances and of how human beings can behave in times of crisis. While there are those who would choose to ignore the past, a knowledge of history is a better base on which to stand in the present.

Sales of the book are being promoted by the Nisei Voters League of San Francisco as a fund raising project. To obtain, please send \$2.50 to Edison Uno, 515 Ninth Avenue, San Francisco, California 94118.

BISHOP TSUJI SEES AMERICANIZATION OF BUDDHISM HERE TO MEET NEEDS IN THIS COUNTRY

Seattle Buddhist Church hosted 750 delegates to the 22nd annual Buddhist convention ending Feb. 9. Theodore Taniguchi was convention chairman. Bishop Kenryu Takashi Tsujii, head of the Buddhist Churches in America at the banquet in Seattle Center, stated that Americanization is one of the significant changes now occurring in the church. The movement now draws from second and third generation Japanese Americans. The major development is the improvement in religious education with considerable time and money being expended to translate religious documents in English. Bishop Tsuji visited Vietnam recently out of his concern for about 150 church members in the American armed services but without a chaplain.

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON TO PRESENT KUROSAWA FILM SERIES

The University of Washington this spring quarter will present the eight works by Kurosawa, Japan's best known director. Seeing his films in chronological order offers series subscribers the rare opportunity to study the evolution of his concerns as well as his manner of expressing them. The date for showings are: Drunken Angel April 8, Stray Dog April 15, Rashomon April 22, Ikiru April 29, Throne of Blood May 6, Seven Samurai May 13, The Bad Sleep Well May 20 and Yojimbo May 27. The cost of this series Akira Kurosawa in Retrospect is \$4 for students and \$6 for non-student. It is shown 3:30 p.m. (HUB) and at 8 p.m. (Health Sciences). Make check payable to University of Washington and mail to Lectures and Concerts, University of Washington, Seattle 98105. Single admissions are not available.

PACKAGES OF HOME-MADE GOODIES AIR LIFTED TO VIETNAM BY NVC-AUXILIARY CLUB

The Nisei Veterans Committee and Women's Auxiliary Club prepared packages of homemade cookies, hard candies, and other goodies to be air lifted to Vietnam Mar. 3. Names of the servicemen were obtained from local churches and friends. The NVC group sent similar packages last year in time for the Christmas holiday. The project chairmen are Jiro Namatame, special services officer, and Mary Fujita of the Auxiliary.

NEW OFFICERS FOR JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY ON ITS 45TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR

Clayton R. Jones, president of Rothschild-International Stevedoring Co. was elected president of the Japan-America Society. Vice presidents include Frank H. Clark, dist mgr of State Steamship Co.; Yoshio Machida, branch mgr Marubeni-Iida America, Inc.; Shigesato Okada, vp-sec, C.T. Takahashi & Co. Inc.; F. Lynnwood Steinbright, president Northern Pacific Railway. F. Jack Graves, asst supt Seattle Public School was elected secretary and Roger N. Christiansen, vp and mgr International Bank Dept of Seattle First National Bank, was elected treasurer. Among 13 members of director include John Y. Fukuyama, James K. Fukuda, former mayor Gordon S. Clinton, William Y. Mambu, and Jutaro Yamashita. The society is marking their 45th anniversary this year. The society has awarded \$250 scholarships to Shinichiro Nakamura, Japanese student in comparative literature, and Floyd Smith, enrolled in Japanese studies, both at the University of Washington.

SEATTLE PUBLIC SCHOOL RELEASES BREAKDOWN OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS BY RACIAL CATEGORIES

Survey was made public Feb. 13 by the Seattle public Schools confirming that Seattle's black enrollment stands at 11% with Negro educators at 4.2% of certificated personnel among 94,000 students. Of these 77,355, including 1397 Spanish Americans, for an 82.3% are white; 10,355 or 11% Negro; 2181 or 2.8% Japanese; 1455 or 1.5% Chinese; 800 or 0.9% Filipino; and 602 or 0.6% American Indian. Of 3843 teachers and librarians 3555 or 92.7% are white; 145 or 3.8% Negro; 94 or 2.5% Japanese; 28 or 0.7% Chinese and 12, or 0.3% other racial combinations.

The report lists three Negro principals and one Spanish-American among the 115 schools in the city. Vice principals include seven Negroes and two Japanese. The greatest administrative minority representation is in counselors, deans and coordinators. There are 19 Negroes, one Japanese and one Spanish-American out of 147. Twelve Negroes, three Japanese and one Spanish-American are in administrative posts in the district's central office out of a staff of 411.

NEWS JOTTINGS: Jack Shiota had a perfect-300 game Feb. 11 at Imperial Lanes rolling for Massi's Aquarium in the Nisei Commercial League. He started with games of 221 and 198, and completed with a perfect game for a 719 series. Shiota will be receiving honors at National JACL Bowling Tournament being held at San Jose. The award is given to all JACL members rolling a perfect game. He is vice-president of Greater Seattle Nisei Bowling Association . . . Pat Suzuki has been signed to make her film debut in "Skullduggery," comedy-adventure film for Universal, co-starring Burt Reynolds and Roger C. Carmel, directed by Gordon and currently filming at Montego Bay . . . Sandra S. Nakatani, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Nakatani, was married to Dr. Kenneth M. Tokita on Feb. 8 at St. Mary's Catholic Church. Bridegroom is son of Mrs. Ann H. Tokita and is graduate of the UW School of Medicine. He is presently interning at Los Angeles County Hospital and is scheduled to do his residency at Mayo Clinic this June. They are honeymooning in the Orient . . .

Of the 67 persons filing for positions on the Central Area School Council for residents of the Garfield High School district the list of candidates included the following nisei: At Large positions: Takashi Hori; Seward elementary school district: Yoshio Aoki; Bailey Gatzert elementary school district: Sachiko Iwami . . . Mrs. Robert Mullarkey was elected president of Seattle-King County Visiting Nurse Service at the organization's 40th annual meeting Feb. 24 at Women's University Club. Dr. Mineo Katagiri was the main speaker. Madame Lindberg Sata was among 7 elected to board for 1969-72 term . . . The Past Presidents' Assembly met Feb. 18 in Mayflower Hotel for lunch and panel discussion on "Understanding Other Cultures." Members of panel included Dr. Minoru Masuda, representing Asian cultures. Others were American Indian and Black cultures . . . Mrs. Frank Y. Tanaka was among seven women representing Seattle Junior Programs at the Northwest Drama Conference in Eugene, Ore., Feb. 13-15 . . . With newly installed state officials and members of the 41st Legislature the Governor's Ball was held at Capital Pavilion of St. Martin's College. In Jan. 16 issue of The Seattle Times society page Mr. and Mrs. George Tamura in closeup picture with the caption mention of their watching the formal introduction . . . An urban plaza and fountain at Sixth Avenue and Seneca Street in Downtown Seattle has been selected as one of three national winners of awards for excellence in highway beautification by the Dept. of Transportation. Focal point of the plaza is the sculptured bronze fountain by George S. Tsutakawa and set in gracefully curving paved area with background of trees and shrubs. Perry B. Johanson, architect and William G. Teufel, landscape architect was also on the design team . . . Mrs. A. M. Rehn won a two-foot high loving cup for three lines in haiku writing contest. Society sponsored the contest for the first time, at John Fukuyama's suggestion. Fukuyama is assistant to the vice president for student affairs at the UW. Mrs. Rehn's winning entry: "The fluttering leaf As it falls from the tree Makes me want to BE." . . .

MILESTONES: Uchisada Anraku, 80, Feb. 11 . . . Tadashi Okura, 54, Auburn, Feb. 26 . . . Ted T. Tanaka, 42. Funeral Feb. 24. Husband of Teruko. (Cont'd top next page.)

TANAKA (Cont'd) Son of Mrs. Tei Tanaka, Japan. Brother of Kosaku and Miss Noriko Tanaka both Japan; Mrs. Paul (Atsuko) Toba, Seattle. Member of Seattle Buddhist Church, Puget Sound Golf Club, JACL. Mr. Tanaka owned and operated Tanaka Restaurant . . .

BUSINESS AND FINANCE: One and two story buildings at 1108 9th Ave. W. and 1101 Olympic Way W. sold by John Graham to Masatoshi Aoyama for \$188,000 . . . 11.4 acre farm at 840 H. St. N.W., Auburn sold to Howard Keller by Hiroshi Sagara for \$137,000 . . . A three-story nine-unit apartment at 1512 14th Ave. So. sold to K.K. Tamada by E. T. Hinrichs for \$130,000 . . . Yosh Nakagawa, of Osborn & Ulland, has been named to a one-year term on the executive committee of Ski Retailers International. The committee recently held its organizational meeting in Houston, Tex. SRI's members include the nation's leading ski retailers . . . Seattle P.I.'s Feb. 21 issue had a quarter-page article on Yosh Nakagawa, vice president of the four Osborn & Ulland Sports Specialists stores. "My years at Osborn & Ulland have given me a strong feeling for quality merchandising of building a business based on faith in the future," Nakagawa said . . . The Seattle Times of Mar. 7 had a by-lined article by Sally Gene Mahoney on Mrs. Edwin K. Natori, assistant manager of International Branch of the Seattle-First National Bank. Her brother Thomas Masuda is a well-known attorney now of Chicago. "Mrs. Natori," the article said, "in addition, is chairman of the Western Group of the National Association of Bank Women, women officers of banks around the country, who now number about 6,300." She has been with the same firm for 32 years. She is member of Japan-America Society, the Wing Point Golf and Country Club and an Orthopedic guild . . .

Calendar of Events

- March 19--Regular monthly membership meeting 7:45 p.m. JACL office
- 19--Model Neighborhood Development of Nihonmachi and International District program. Slides and talk by UW architect student Meritt Sakata. Everyone welcome 8:30 p.m. JACL office
- 22--No host cocktail and dinner at Elmer's Restaurant in Moses Lake with Masao Satow as honored guest. Make reservation with Tom T. Imori. Starts 7 p.m.
- 22--NVC-Auxiliary Club annual installation dinner-dance in the Birch Room of Washington Athletic Club. David Katagiri and Tama Murotani, general chairman. Stuart G. Oles, former deputy prosecuting attorney of King County to speak. Social hour 6 p.m. Dinner and program 7 p.m. Dance to the music of Bob Elwood Quartet from 9:30 p.m. Dave Katagiri and Tama Murotani, general co-chairmen. Masao Tomita (PA 2-0496) and Judy Katagiri (PA 3-0743) will handle reservations at \$7 per plate.
- 31--Boy Scout and Cub Scout Pack 53 of Japanese Baptist Church roller skating party from 7-9:30 p.m. at Tiffany's 19639 East Valley Highway in Kent near El Rancho drive-in. Admission tickets at 50¢.
- 23--Quarterly session of Pacific Northwest District Council at Elmer's Restaurant, 117 West 3rd Street, Moses Lake starting at 10 a.m. At 12:30 p.m. lunch the installation of Columbia Basin Chapter officers.
- 25--Nisei Interchurch Council Basketball League Playoff at Japanese Baptist gym. 6:30 p.m. Consolation game, 7:30 p.m. championship game, 8:30 p.m. Award program
- 29--Special election for Central Area School Council posts
- April 1--Human relations committee meeting 7:30 p.m. JACL office
- 4--News deadline for JACL Reporter. Mail articles to: c/o (Editor) Eira Nagaoka, 151 11th Avenue, Seattle 98122
- 6--Easter morning pancake breakfast at the Japanese Baptist Church, 901 E. Spruce. Sponsored by Boy Scout Troop & Pack 53. 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$1 donation.
- 9--Newsletter mailing night 8 p.m. JACL office
- 15--Community forum on "Nisei and Sansei Personality." Dr. Harry Kitano acting director of Oriental studies at UCLA to speak. 8 p.m. Blaine Methodist Church
- 16--Regular monthly membership meeting. Everyone welcome. 8 p.m. JACL office

JACL MEMBERSHIP MEETING THIS WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19 STARTING AT 7:45 p.m. AT JACL OFFICE

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Chapter President

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