

# JACL REPORTER

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## PRESIDENT RAYMOND UNO, NATIONAL JACL PRESIDENT, TO "RAP" WITH YOUTH FOLLOWING POT LUCK LUNCH

Spanish Lounge and Ballroom in the Olympic Hotel has been designated as the site of the Seattle Chapter JACL Golden Jubilee Banquet to be held Oct. 30, according to Frank Hattori, banquet chairman.

National JACL President Raymond Uno has consented to take part in the afternoon "rap" session program for youth. Last month, Mayor Norman Yoshio Mineta of San Jose has been named as the keynote speaker. Mineta is the first Nisei mayor of a major American city.

In anticipation of a large turnout for the jubilee celebration, the price of tickets have been reduced to the bone at \$10.00 per person. Tickets will be ready for distribution and this is one event you cannot afford to miss.

Iwata Trio has been asked to perform during the entertainment portion of the program. Dr. Lindbergh Sata will be the master of ceremony.

The following is the roster for the Seattle JACL Golden Jubilee Committee:

General chairman, Tomio Moriguchi; treasurer, Harry Kadoshima; recording secretary, Kimi Nakanishi; corresponding secretaries, Cherry Kinoshita, Lovett Moriguchi; banquet, Frank Hattori, Roy Seko, Genji Mihara; hostess, Hana Masuda, Lovett Moriguchi; program and entertainment, Dr. Terrance M. Toda, Midori Uyeda, Tomio Moriguchi; finance, Tak Kubota, George Fugami, H.T. Kubota; publicity, Ryo Inouye, Budd Fukei, Ute Hirano, Eira Nagaoka; history, Dr. Minoru Masuda, Shigeko Uno, Ute Hirano; graphic, Tom Tsutakawa, Roy Tsuboi; program and graphic, Bill Kawahara; tickets, Connie Asaka, Bob Oki, Lillian Sumii, Tak Kubota; youth and luncheon, Don Kazama, Helen Akita.

## SEATTLE JACL MONTHLY MEETING TO BE HELD SEPT. 15 IN THE UNIVERSITY DISTRICT

September members meeting for JACL will take a sudden change of pace as the meeting will get underway at the University of Washington Ethnic Cultural Center located 3931 Brooklyn Ave. N.E. (southwest corner of N.E. 40th and Brooklyn Ave. N.E.). Scheduled for showing this Wednesday, Sept. 15 will be the film on historical landmark case Korematsu v. United States on the military civilian relations during wartime documenting the conflict of individual rights against governmental powers in emergency period. The meeting begins at 7:45 p.m. A short tour of the Center will precede the meeting and program.

Ben Nakagawa, JACL representative to Central Seattle Community Council, reported that the Seattle Model City Program has cut off the fund to support CSCC. Originally before SMCP support, the CSCC was aided in part by the United Good Neighbor Fund. CSCC is in a fund drive to raise \$5,000 to tie over this emergency. Seattle Chapter with board approval donated \$50.00. CSCC facility was used by the Seattle JACL before moving to the present location.

Queen Susan Sumi Mochizuki was presented with \$200.00 check during the regular meeting when she was named to National JACL Supplemental Scholarship.

Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoto K. Mochizuki held an Open House Aug. 22 for the Japanese Community Queen Committee members and Queen Candidates. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed the refreshments. A \$500.00 check to Queen Susan Mochizuki and \$250.00 checks to Princesses Diane Narasaki and Elise Iwasaki were presented in a brief ceremony by President-elect Tomio Moriguchi.

## MITSUYUKI YONEMURA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR NATIONAL JACL

Mrs. Fusako Yonemura residing at 4424 Brandon Street has donated \$5,000.00 to the National JACL Scholarship Program. The annual \$250.00 scholarship will be known as the "Mitsuyuki Yonemura Memorial Scholarship," and will begin in 1972.

Masao W. Satow, National Director of JACL, wrote in part to Mrs. Yonemura:

"We are deeply grateful to you for your generous contribution of \$5,000.00 to National JACL to be used as a Scholarship in memory of your late husband Mitsuyuki. We thank you for your faith in our Japanese American young people, and giving them this incentive and encouragement to strive for the best education possible in keeping with our rich heritage from our Issei parents. We also appreciate your confidence in National JACL for entrusting to us the responsibility of administering this Scholarship. . ."

## 1000 CLUB CHARTER FLIGHT TO JAPAN

Those who have signed up for the 1000 Club Charter Flight shall have their passport and application for duty free commodity list shall be submitted by Sept. 10. Application for visa shall also be made.

Departure time, last minute details, and arrival schedule will be forthcoming in the mail from the Pacific Northwest District Council 1000 Club chairman. In the meantime inquiries on Charter Flight may be made to either Dick Yamane (EA 2-0538), Connie Asaka (PA 5-3597) or Cherry Kinoshita (PA 5-0765). Questions on tours sponsored by Kinomoto Travel Service may be made to Mrs. Asaka. So check on your immunization, passport, visa, and application for duty free commodity lists.

## DONATIONS:

Seattle Chapter JACL gratefully acknowledges the following generous donations:

\$25.00 to the Asian Drop-in Center from Mr. and Mrs. Shiro Iwana.

\$20.00 in memory of late Mr. Jiro Kaneko from the Kaneko Family.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE TO MEET SEPT. 14

The first meeting of this committee will be held at the home of Chris Kato, 8000 36th Avenue South on the evening of Sept. 14 (Tuesday) at 8 p.m. The telephone number is PA 5-3014. The nominating committee is desirous of having a well-rounded Chapter board to serve the needs of total community. It's time to start thinking about the candidates and the committee is open to any suggestions.

The following list of names of people consented to serve on the nominating committee headed by chairman Chris Kato:

Roy Ogasawara, Barry Matsumoto, Art Yorozu, Ted Taniguchi, Tom Tsutakawa, Dr. Terrance M. Toda, Eira Nagaoka, Mrs. Yuri Sata and Eric K. Inouye.

JACL NATIONAL YOUTH PROGRAM GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

The 1971 National JACL Scholarship Program will offer one graduate scholarship for either entering graduate students or those continuing graduate work and is known as the Dr. Mutsumi Nobe Memorial Scholarship of \$500.00. Deadline for chapter nomination is Oct. 1, 1971. Finalist will be announced Nov. 1971. Graduate student must be in the field of either physical or biological sciences or engineering and shall be of Japanese American ancestry. Must be selected and nominated by a local JACL and each chapter may nominate as many candidates as they choose. Membership in the JACL is not a prerequisite. Attainment of other scholarship awards does not disqualify. Point system is 80 pts for scholarship, extra-curricular activities 60 pts, statement 20 pts, and letter of recommendation and financial needs 20 pts or 180 pts total. Call John Matsumoto, scholarship chairman, EA 4 3324 if interested.

PNWDC QUARTERLY MEETING SET FOR SEPT. 26 IN PORTLAND

The following is the partial reproduction of the letter from Don Hayashi, president of Portland JACL, the host chapter for the quarterly meeting:

"We invite you to attend the next District Council meeting on Sept. 26 at the Rodeway Inn (7101 N.E. 82nd Ave., next to the Portland International Airport). The Council meeting begins at 10 a.m. We will have lunch together followed by an afternoon workshop on membership and program. We hope to have national staff leadership for this, and it should be informative and helpful to the chapters. The meeting will conclude by 4 p.m.

"If you can make it, we'd like you to join us for an informal supper on Saturday evening at 6:30 p.m. at Nobi Tsuboi's (625 NE 107th Place). After some fellowship, we will informally discuss some concerns and agenda items of the District Council. Everyone is encouraged to bring and share their ideas and opinions.

"Overnight housing arrangements are available at Rodeway Inn, and reservations should be made directly with Rodeway Inn (7101 N.E. 82nd Ave., Portland, Ore. 97220 or phone (503) 255-6722). Room rates begin from 1 person \$12.50, 2 persons \$15.50. Free ride to airport."

AGENDA TO THE PNWDC MEETING (TENTATIVE!)

Gov. Tak Kubota will preside. Roll call will be made by recording secretary Bessie Matsuda, and minutes will be read by Bessie Matsuda. COMMITTEE REPORTS: budget and finance, Tom T. Imori; membership, George Fugami; 1000 Club (Japan tour), Ed Fujii; recognitions, George Azumano; Pacific Citizen, Eira Nagaoka; Nat'l Civil Rights - Title II, Don Hayashi, National chairman; traveling exhibit (Pride and Shame), Dr. Minoru Matsuda; youth, Leonard Noji, DYO chairman; health insurance, Ed Yamamoto; Golden Jubilee, Tomio Moriguchi; PNWDC Constitution, Dr. James Tsujimura; LUNCH BREAK; National Director's Report, Mas Satow; National Convention, Wash., DC, 1972, Tak Kubota; National Bowling Tournament, 1973; National Convention Report, 1974; National Planning Commission, Dr. James Tsujimura.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE TO VOTE ON REPEAL OF TITLE II SEPT. 13

JACL have been, for many months, striving to repeal the infamous Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950. Because we as JACL members have gone on-record strongly to eliminate this type of law, we have been doing all in our power to influence Congress and the Federal government to repeal this law. Next month, Sept. 13, the culmination of many long years of hard work may be realized as on that date the House of Representatives will vote on whether or not to repeal Title II. It is, therefore, extremely important that each JACL member make a final vigorous attempt to make sure their individual Congressmen will support the JACL-endorsed repeal bill. Write longhand to Congressmen.

Thomas M. Pelly, Catherine May at Rayburn House Office Bldg, Wash DC 20515; Lloyd Meeds, Julia Butler Hansen, Thomas S. Foley, Brock Adams, at Cannon House Office Bldg, Wash., DC, 20515; Floyd V. Hicks, Longworth House Office Bldg, Wash., DC 20515.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR THE REV. ANDREWS

The Rev. Emery E. Andrews received a birthday gift in the form of brand new Chevrolet passenger car from his many well wishers in an informal party at Ginza Restaurant July 28. The "retired" minister is serving as Minister of Visitation at the Japanese Baptist Church. Contributions are still being received for the "Friends of Andy" car fund. Due to the nature of the drive to maintain the cover, there may be those who were not aware of the surprise present for the Rev. Andrews. Any information regarding the drive is available by calling Hideo Hoshide, EA 5-3843. Contributions may be mailed to him at 2302 18th Avenue South, Seattle 98144.

BENEFIT SKATING PARTY FOR SEATTLE DOJO OCT. 25

Seattle Dojo will sponsor a roller skating party at the Tiffany Skating Inn in Kent Monday, Oct. 25 Veterans Day from 7-9:30 p.m. Tickets may be purchased from the Dojo members for \$1.00 each. Tickets may also be obtained from Chris Kato (PA 5-3014).

(Ed. Note: The content of this article does not reflect the policy of JACL necessarily and is written for whatever interest it may provoke.)

The various Asian Baptist churches affiliated with the American Baptist Convention long noted for its religious conservatism suddenly broke through the shell when they met at the Gardena Valley Baptist Church in Gardena, Calif. Aug. 27-29. More than 40 delegates of Korean, Chinese and Japanese Baptists including representatives from New York, Pennsylvania and Minneapolis were present to formally organize the Asian American Baptist Caucus.

Chairman Rev. Dr. Paul M. Nagano was the prime mover for this convocation and was assisted by a whole team of staff including Rev. David Hirano, Rev. Dr. Bill Shinto, Rev. Charles Y. Ho, Rev. Soo Ho Han from Vermont, social worker Rev. Dave Nakagawa of Temple City (Calif.), Rev. Dr. Jitsuo Morikawa, Rev. Frank Shindo of Minnesota, Rev. Roy Sano, Rev. Sam Tanomura, Rev. George Y. Nishikawa, Rev. Roy Ishihara, Rev. Eichi Hirose, and many others.

Officers elected to this newly organized Asian American Baptist Caucus include chairman Rev. Dr. Paul M. Nagano of Seattle Japanese Baptist Church, vice chairman Rev. Dr. James Chuck of San Francisco, and seven additional cabinet officers Wally Choy, Rev. Sam Tanomura of JEMS, Carl Chan (mid-west), Yoshitada Nakagawa, Tai Shigaki from Minneapolis, Francis Tsuneishi, (social worker from Philadelphia) and one member to be filled from the East Coast.

The Caucus is trying to keep abreast of the social revolution. The contemporary society has placed emphasis in a trend towards self determination for each ethnic pocket as they live together in a pluralistic society. The Blacks, the American Indians, and the Hispanics (Mexican Americans) and the Asian United Methodists have already paved the way in the formation of a caucus in the church world. Under the cultural pluralism, each ethnic group maintains its own identity within the American cultural totality. The late President Dwight Eisenhower was proud of his Germanic background. The late President John F. Kennedy made most of his Irish heritage and Spiro Agnew took pride in his Greek ancestry. And so it goes. The "melting pot" concept is out. Pluralistic society with its rich diversity of people and culture is "in."

The Asian Baptists are going on record in seeking recognition for the validity in the continuance of its ethnic church.

Give credit to the Sansei and the Yonsei activists who have long sought Asian identity on a priority basis to enhance their total personality. The Asian Now Generation knows of the path taken along this line and for reasons unknown will actuate in greater fulfillment and gives rise for greater vitality and imagination to express the joys of existence. The Asians are ready to shuck the concept of superiority of one culture over another and in this instance the Western vs. the Asian heritage.

#### Scarcity of Bilingual Ministers

What triggered the crisis in recent years was the liberalization of the immigration law to cause large influx of Asians into this country. These constituents will have to be administered to. To cite only one example, delegate Rev. Dr. James Chuck of San Francisco estimated that its city has increased its Chinese population from 50,000 in 1960 to approximately 90,000 today. The magnitude of the problems defies imagination.

The bilingual ministers are fast becoming an elite specialist. The feeder corps within our ranks in training bilingual ministers are running into greater obstacles each year.

Not to be outdone a crash program is being organized to follow the pattern of Buddhist and the United Methodist Churches where the prospective Sansei and Yonsei candidates are sent to Japan for linguistic training. The alternative plan calls for Japanese nationals to be invited to fill the pulpit here in the United States.

The machinery for the perpetuation of Asian culture among church constituents is receiving high priority. Admittedly there is an overlapping from the secular world in achieving this same goal and the churches will be ready to cooperate and to lend their resources.

The Asian Baptist Caucus hopes to have a voice which can be heard at the national convention and certainly will be in a position to present specific projects requests.

All was not quiet at the Caucus. There were dissenting voices against the formation of the Caucus. Rev. Chuck who was elected vice chairman had certain misgiving when he said: "Isn't there some way to affirm ourselves on some kind of theological rather than on the racial basis which makes it possible to affirm ourselves without glorifying our racial heritage?"

However, the Caucus is here to stay and the lay leaders of the various churches will form their strategies with greater assurances in the share of national planning and with clearer vision of the problems which lie ahead.

Seattle Japanese Baptist Church was represented by Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Hoshide, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Shimono, Robert Koba, Rev. Paul M. Nagano, Eira Nagaoka, Yosh Nakagawa, Masao Tomita and Gary Young. --Eira Nagaoka

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POST FOR KATO AT SHARPLES JUNIOR HIGH

Chris Kato has been appointed the first Oriental to serve in the secondary division of the Seattle Public Schools as an administrator. He is now serving in the capacity of an administrative assistant at Sharples Junior High School. This action is the result of JACL's push to get more Orientals in school administrative posts. He leaves Queen Anne High School after 13 years as its chemistry teacher and science department head. Kato is very active in the Seattle Chapter and serves as its vice president and chairman of the nominating committee. Kato is also president of the Seattle Dojo, a non-profit organization whose history goes back in the twenties and dedicated to maintain the fine cultural aspect of the Japanese people.

Our congratulation to Chris Kato for establishing a new landmark for the Seattle Nisei.

SEATTLE JACL SEND LETTER OF PROTEST TO SEATTLE MODEL CITY PROGRAM

A letter was sent to Walter Hundley, SMCP director, for terminating funds for third year contract with Central Seattle Community Council. The letter reads in part:

"... As an organizational member of this Council, we were very distressed and 'shocked' to hear about your decision. CSCC has done a tremendous job to date in soliciting community involvement in issues so relevant to the Central Community. No other established organization is capable of filling the vacuum that would be created by the dissolution of CSCC. "Would you please send our organization your rationale for considering termination of the CSCC contract and your final decision in the matter? Thank you very much for your time and consideration."

The letter was signed by Minoru Masuda, Seattle Chapter president

NEWS JOTTINGS: Frank Nishimura, Scoutmaster of Troop 53, was in charge of one of three Seattle area troops on the 21-day tour of Japan, including attendance at the World Boy Scout Jamboree Aug. 2-10. Others in Troop 53 included Ron Hiraki, son of Tom Hirakis; Michael Otani, son of Dave Otanis; and Timothy Goon, son of Cliff Goons. Seattle Betsuin's Troop 252 was represented by Peter Adachi, son of Shin Adachis; Warren Higa, son of Jim Higas; and Bryan Maruhashi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maruhashi. . . . Four members of Troop 53 left Aug. 16 to attend Order of the Arrow National Conference on the campus of U. of Illinois, Champagne, Ill. The boys are Wayne Shiota, son of Jack Shiotas; David Tomita, son of Yoshio Tomitas; Stanley Takemoto, son of Victor Takemotos; and George Abe, son of Mits Abes. Ken Hayashi, son of George Hayashis, and serving as Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 53, also left with the group . . .

Orlando, Fla.--The Jolos, Seattle's Jefferson Park Recreational Center team, and Pacific Northwest regional champ, was ousted from the Women's National Softball Tourney Aug. 24 following a 2-0 loss to Telford, Pa. team. Miss Barbara Yamauchi is one of the stars on the Jolos team . . . Spokane--Steve Kubota, behind 4-1 in the first set, rallied to whip Whitworth College ace Butch Tomlinson 6-4, 6-4 in the men's single final of the 31st annual Inland Empire Tennis Championship at the Spokane's Racquet Club Aug. 15. Kubota grabbed the lead early in the second set and never let up as his volleying got sharper and sharper and he continued to run down everything Tomlinson had to offer. Steve is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tak Kubota . . . Betty Fukuyama, wife of the Rev. Tom Tsutomu Fukuyama, was elected to a term on the board of the Pacific Northwest Writers Conference when it met at the Pacific Lutheran University this summer. She has also been activating secretary for the Washington Poets Association, a new group in this area. The Rev. Fukuyama, formerly of Bainbridge Island, is pastor of Oberlin Congregational Church in Steilacoom . . . The annual picnic for freshmen, transfer and returning Stanford students from western Washington was held Aug. 29 at the Robert Wenke residence in Bellevue. Freshmen entering Stanford from the Seattle area include Steve Sakahara and Evan Shu . . . Artist Tadashi Sato of Maui opened a one-man show at the Richard White Gallery. Sato, who has had exhibits in Honolulu, New York, London and San Francisco, brought 20 paintings here for the show which will be open to the public for a month beginning Aug. 16. He was commissioned by Hawaii's Gov. John A. Burns to design the mosaic in the center of the court-yard at Hawaii's new Capitol Bldg . . . The University YW-YMCA is in the process of collecting items for its 11th annual Bargain Bazaar from 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Sept. 24 at the YM building, 4525 19th NE. Ms. Kathleen Koski and Ms. Sara Sakuma are co-chairmen . . . Donald D. Kazama, chairman of the Cleveland Citizens School Advisory Council, submitted a letter of resignation at the council's meeting last month and was to be acted upon by the Council. Seward Elementary School representative and council chairman Yoshio Aoki has also resigned . . . Herbert M. Tsuchiya has been reappointed a section chairman in the District Business Division for the up-coming United Way of King County (formerly UGN) drive. Tsuchiya, owner of Genesee Street Pharmacy, has been active in each UGN campaign since 1959. He is president of SE Community Council, a member of the boards of the Seattle Park Dept., Rainier Boys Club and Rainier Optimist Club, a member of Rainier Recreation Advisory Council and of the Chinese Parents Service Organization . . .

WEDDING BELLS: Mrs. Kenneth Yokoyama (Arlene Kato) daughter of the Tony Katos, wed recently at Seattle Buddhist Church to son of the Kazuo Yokoyamas. She's Highline Community College graduate. He attends the U.W. . . . Mrs. Tetsuo Miyata (Linda Tsuchida), daughter of Takeshi Tsuchidas, wed recently in Seattle Buddhist Church to son of Mrs. Tadao Miyata and the late Mr. Miyata. She is UW graduate . . . Linda Kazumura and Christopher Eng were married Aug. 7 in the Mercer Island Presbyterian Church. Their parents are Larry Kazumuras and Albert Eng of Mercer Island . . . Miss Eileen Reyko Suyama wed Air Force Major Yuzo Mark Tokita Aug. 22 at the Plymoth Congregational Church. The Rev. Ai Chih Tsai performed the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shoichi Suyama. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Ann Haruko Tokita. Miss Suyama has been following a career as a songstress ever since her graduation from the U.W. and the circuit took her to all the major cities in the Western United States including Honolulu and Las Vegas . . . Mrs. Frank Eng (Janice Hayashi), daughter of the Joe Hayashis, wed Aug. 28 at Beacon Hill Presbyterian Church to son of Bong Eng. She attends the U.W. He's Shoreline Community College student . . .

MILESTONES: Fred F. Kondo (Priest River, Idaho), 51, Aug. 4 . . . Martin A. Nakata (Bainbridge Island), 13, Aug. 6. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Momichi Nakata. Brother of Ronald, B.I.; Larry Nakata, Wash., DC; Daniel Nakata, Seattle. Grandson of H. O. Koura, Seattle . . . Kiku Matsuzaki, 89, Aug. 9. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship. Survivors include: sons Joe, Seattle; Frank Tobo Matsuzaki (Chicago); daughter Mrs. Arthur (Setsuko) Suzuki, Seattle; grandson Robert H. Matsuura, Seattle and granddaughter Mrs. Hideo (Lillian) Yamamoto, N.Y. . . . Nobuyuki Yokoyama. Funeral Aug. 11. Blaine Memorial Methodist, Shinano Dejin Kai. Survivors include: wife Ishi; daughters Mrs. Minoru (Tamiko) Tai; Mrs. Hiro (Kazuko) Sasaki; Mrs. Henry (Minnie) Itoi, all Seattle; Mrs. Harry (Masako) Masto, Moses Lake;

NEWS JOTTINGS (Cont'd): brother Roy Shigeyoshi Yokoyama, L.A., two brothers and a sister in Japan . . . Magotaro Akita, 89, Aug. 15. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, Japanese Community Service. Survivors include: wife Matsu, sons Robert M. and Hiram G. Akita, both Seattle; daughter Mrs. Hiroshi (Nancy) Kasamoto, Hawaii . . . Shungo Hirabayashi, 82, Aug. 17. Blaine Memorial Methodist, Shinano Dojin Kai, Washington State Nursing Home Assn. Mr. Hirabayashi operated Hirabayashi Nursing Home 16 years. Survivors include: wife Sadako; sons Gordon (Edmonton, Alberta), Edward (Rio de Janeiro), James (S.F.), Richard (Urbana, Ill.); daughter Mrs. Esther Furugori, Seattle; a stepson, Arthur Abe, Seattle and two step daughters Mrs. Kazuko Nishimura (Seattle), Mrs. Lila Tsutsumi (N.Y.) . . . Koichi Kojima (Maple Valley), 90, Aug. 19. He was struck by Seattle Transit bus coach at 6th South and South Jackson Feb. 24 . . . Yasuo Ito (Olympia). Funeral Aug. 23. Member of Trooper Point Bridge Center; Life member NVC, American Contract Bridge League, SW Wash. Assn of Professional Engineering Employees, Olympia Country and Golf Club, Olympia City Assn of American Bowling Congress, Northwestern Society of Highway Engineers, Puget Sound Golf Club, Mint Golf Club. Survivors include: parents Mr. and Mrs. Torataro Ito, Seattle; brother Takuji Ito, Seattle; Shunji Ito, Japan and Mitsugu Ito, Casper, Wyo . . . Keisuke Yoshida, 69, Aug. 18. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Men's Fellowship, Fukushima Club, Seattle Japanese Community Service. Survivors include: wife Ineko, sons Yukio Yoshida, Seattle; Richard M. Yoshida, Torrance, CA; Capt. Roland S. Yoshida, USAF; daughters Elaine E. Yoshida and Pauline K. Yoshida, both Seattle . . .

BUSINESS: At the Port Commission meeting of July 27, Capt. Merle Adlum, Commission President, presented a scroll to Taul Watanabe commending him for his efforts on behalf of the Port in securing agreements in the field of Japan Six Lines container consortium, the port of entry for Mazda autos and for San Mode Freight Service/Honda motorcycles, and port of entry for Datsun vehicles for the Port's Overland Common Point shipments to the Midwest. Shortly on the heels of his resignation from the Port of Seattle, Burlington Northern announced the appointment of Watanabe as executive director of international trade with offices in the line's Seattle regional headquarters in the Central Building.--Port of Seattle Reporter . . .

#### CLASSES IN ENGLISH IN BEACON HILL AREA

Washington State Literacy Council (Southwest Seattle Chapter) and the South Seattle Community College announce the special English Class entitled "English as a Second Language," with special emphasis on problems of the student with an Asian language background. Classes will be offered at two locations in Beacon Hill this fall. Call the registrar (587-3881). Bertha S. Tatsumi is TESL tutor.

#### POETRY BOOK FOR YAA SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT

Young Asians for Action chaired by Susan K. Tomita is establishing its organizational Asian American Student Scholarship Fund. First edition copy of poetry book is being published with art work contributed by Prof. George Tsutakawa, Frank Fujii, Photographer Norman Mar and calligrapher Chikuji Katayama. Scholarship Advisory Board includes the Rev. Yugo Suzuki, Councilman Liem Eng Tuai, Y. Philip Hayasaka, Prof. Isabella Yen, Bernice Stern, Dr. Minoru Masuda, Ben Woo, Father Harvey McIntyre, Dr. Joseph Okimoto, Robert Santos, Walt Hubbard, the Rev. Mineo Katagiri, Dr. Eugene Ko, Prof. James Morishima, the Rev. Lincoln Eng, Dr. Lindbergh Sata and Lois E. Fleming.

The title of "Founder" is reserved for \$25.00 contributors, "Patron" for \$10.00 donors and the names will appear in the book. Checks may be made out to Young Asians for Action, 2619 Fifth Ave., Seattle 98121. John Sy Eng is the scholarship chairman. Incidentally both Susan K. Tomita and John Sy Eng are on the JAACL chapter board.

#### WHO ARE WE?

by Dr. Jitsuo Morikawa

(Dr. Morikawa, Director of Evangelism of the American Baptist Home Missions Society headquartered in Valley Forge, Penn., was the keynoter for the recent Asian American Baptist Caucus. Portions of his speech is reproduced herewith.--Ed.)

We have unfortunately regarded the hyphenated American as a liability in the past and attempted to reduce our ethnic visibility by deliberate or unconscious disregard of our ethnic language, history and tradition, to prove that we were Americans. And in so doing we have impoverished and eroded two generations of Asian-Americans of the rich cultural legacy of our forefathers. In part, cultural coercion brainwashed us into assuming incongruence of Asian with American culture, but basically we hold ourselves accountable that we failed to value, claim, and turn into currency and use, our rich heritage.

Who are we? We are people who by the pressures of history have learned to endure suffering, internalize the pain, live for long periods of time without exteriorizing and giving vent to our inner fires of resentment and protest.

Professor William Peterson of the University of California, speaking of the Japanese Americans, says that no ethnic minority in American life has suffered the degree of discrimination and injustice. Yet in contrast to other minorities, Asian Americans have engaged in no loud protest, nor engaged in demonstrations, in little corporate political action, and minimal action through the courts. Is this good? Have we achieved comparatively more by our invisible and quiet approach? Is there moral power and judgment in silence and in internalizing the pain and seeking to transform that pain into creative endeavor? One part of me says we were morally irresponsible for quietly accepting the perpetration of injustice, and another part of me says that while the style of life today is uninhibited expression in the name of honesty and integrity, I believe life at its profoundest level is mystery and silence, the secrecy of the human spirit known only to God, so that there are dimensions of human reality not available for the marketplace, but only for the secret chambers of the heart. "Inscrutable Oriental," used as a discrediting label, may in fact be a tribute and a mark of respect. But the other part of me resents the silent posture we maintained, (continued next page)

MORIKAWA (Cont'd): feels that we have confused and equated self-expression with self-assertion and the exercise of power with self-aggrandizement. There is much in our Oriental background which looks with suspicion upon anyone who is too forward, aggressive, and particularly one who is self assertive.

But in our quest for humility we may have diminished our ability to exercise power. Power is an ingredient without which we cannot achieve legitimate goals and objectives. In fact, contemporary rediscovery of human reality is that change rarely occurs without exercise of responsible intellectual, spiritual, political, social and economic power.

"Who are we?" We are a people, co-heirs and co-inheritors, entitled by right of birth to all the privileges and rights as citizens of the United States. There are certain inalienable rights which are ours by virtue of being human, by virtue of being born, by virtue of being members of the human family, by the Sovereign grace, and act of Jesus Christ. These are not negotiated or determined or won or seized or given or mediated. They are ours--already ours--as a gift of God--no one can take them away from us, inseparable ingredients of our personalities--freedoms, liberties, and rights. To become fully human through the exercise of unrestrained responsible freedom is our legacy and our inheritance from the Lord of history. But we--that is, Asian Americans--have acted out of a posture of negotiation and appeal to the white majority, to have them consent and permit and dole out to us with reluctance or generosity what rightfully belongs to us! We have reinforced white arrogance by thanking them for giving us what belongs to us, by being impressed when as Asian American gets elected to the Senate or the Presidency of a university. We ourselves need a change in consciousness, a recovery of who we really are--to renounce our psychic servitude to the white majority--denounce the dehumanizing and destructive enterprise of earning and achieving equality rather than to accept, acknowledge, and admit our equality and live it out. (Aug. 27 in Gardena, CA)

#### Calendar of Events

- Sept. 11--The annual NVC chow mein teriyaki benefit dinner at the NVC clubhouse from 4:30 to 7 p.m. Tickets are \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children 12 years and under. Takeout service available. Last April Steve Sakahara, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Sakahara became the third recipient of the \$300.00 NVC scholarship. Keiji Sato, tickets & Jiro Namatame, chrmm.
- Sept. 11--Registration for Japanese Language School, 1414 South Weller St. and beginning of fall term. Also special beginners class for children under 10 and thereabouts. \$10 lifetime registration fee. Tuition \$4.00 per month. For information call EA 3-0250 (1-4 p.m.) or EA 3-8080 after 1 p.m. week days.
- 14--Nominating committee meeting at the home of Chris Kato, 8000 36th South from 8 p.m.
- 15--JACL membership meeting at the U.W. Ethnic Cultural Center (SW corner of NE 40th and Brooklyn Ave. NE) at 7:45 p.m. Film on Korematsu v. United States
- 18-19--Seishin School of Japanese Flower Arrangement's annual show to be held at the Scottish Rite Temple, 1155 Broadway E. from 2-9 p.m. on Sept. 18 and on the 19th 1-6 p.m. A tea house sand garden and stones with symbolic meaning, including traditional water stone featured. Mrs. Pricilla Uno is principal of the School.
- 25--Informal supper 6:30 p.m. at the Nobi Tsuboi residence, 625 NE 107th Place, Portland. Phone 255-4370. 8:30 p.m. informal discussion on Constitutional Revisions and National Planning commission report.
- 26--PNWDC business meeting from 10 a.m. at Rodeway Inn (Portland), 7101 NE 82nd Ave.
- 30--Newsletter deadline for JACL Reporter c/o Eira Nagaoka, 151 11th Ave., Seattle 98122 News item for month of October only, send c/o Dr. Minoru Masuda, 103 Erie Ave. Seattle 98102
- Oct. 13--Newsletter mailing night starting at 8 p.m. at the JACL office. Please call Tom Hirai, Jr. if you can help.
- 25--Seattle Dojo benefit roller skating party at the Tiffany Skating Inn in Kent from 7-9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$1.00 each. Tickets from Dojo members or Chris Kato (PA 6-3014).
- Nov. 7--NVC bazaar-carnival featuring rib steak dinner. Masao Tomita, general chairman.

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