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FROM THE BOARD

Fred Takagi and the Imperial Lanes donated 36-cup coffee percolator and was used for the first time at the annual JACL Christmas social following the meeting Dec. 17. By 11:30 p.m. the food was almost gone as the group of people kept coming in and out all evening. Our thanks to Fred Takagi and the Imperial Lanes for the timely gift and to Mmes. Iky Yamada and Shea Aoki for co-chairing the social.

As we look through the Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue we become aware of the tremendous job Fred Takagi has done as the advertising manager and Sam Shoji as solicitor of personal greetings. Advertising space was in excess of a page and a quarter this year. Let's support our advertisers and show our appreciation. To Fred, Sam and to the many advertisers we say thank you.

Pride and Shame exhibit was set for preview Jan. 9 at the NVC Hall. The show goes on the road to Evergreen State College with premier showing Jan. 16 and will continue through Jan. 28. To reach the Evergreen College, get on U.S. 101 facing Aberdeen. Then find Kaiser Road and head north to college.

Communication from the JACL-Abe Hagiwara Memorial Scholarship Fund asked the Chapter to contribute in light of Abe's true concerns for JACL and youth. \$25,000 is the goal. Seattle share was computed in the neighborhood of \$600.00. No motion was made by the board pending further study. Abe Hagiwara, formerly of Alaska and Seattle was married to Esther Sakai of Seattle and settled in Chicago after the war. In the meantime any contribution may be made to Kathy Kadowaki, Abe Hagiwara Memorial Fund chairman, 7651 Koch Drive, Parma, Ohio 44134.

The nomination meeting for the president-elect set for Dec. 17 suddenly received an unexpected twist. The nomination for the board was reopened to allow the name of Martin Matsudaira to be included in the Group I list. This was made possible by a parliamentary procedure whereby 2/3 majority agreed to reopen the nomination in spite of the nomination being previously closed for these positions. Don Kazama's name was submitted for the nomination list for president-elect. The ballots will be counted Jan. 12, the same day as the newsletter mailing night.

The regular monthly membership meeting will be held this Wednesday, Jan. 19 starting at 7:45 p.m. at the JACL office. No special program has been announced. Tomio Moriguchi, 1972 president, will preside. This meeting will be important in making last minute strategy for ticket selling. Let's all turnout and show our support for Tomio. Everyone is welcome to attend.

DR. KENJI OKUDA TO KEYNOTE JACL INSTALLATION -AWARDS DINNER JAN. 28

Tomio Moriguchi, businessmen and civic worker, will be installed as president of the Seattle Chapter along with his cabinet, Jan. 28, at the Bush Garden Restaurant, 614 Maynard Ave. S. according to general chairman Frank Hattori. Dr. Kenji Okuda will be the keynote speaker. Cocktail begins at 6:30 p.m. Dinner will be served from 7 p.m.

We hope to have PNWDC Gov. Jim Watanabe of Spokane as the installation officer.

Lloyd Hara will be the Master of Ceremonies.

Dr. Kenji Okuda is on the staff of Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, B.C. He graduated from Franklin High School here as a salutatorian and attended Oberlin College where he was a student body president. He received his advance degree at Harvard. Dr. Okuda taught and was an U.S. economic adviser in Puerto Rico, Uganda, Nepal and Pakistan. This will be a homecoming for Dr. Okuda. He is a past Seattle Chapter JACL president.

Incoming president Tomio Moriguchi, co-owner of Uwajimaya, chaired the Pride and Shame summer exhibit in the Museum of History and Industry and is co-chairing the traveling exhibit. He chaired the Seattle Pioneer Chapter Golden Jubilee celebration. Last year as president of International District Improvement Association president, he received the award by the King-County Municipal League as the outstanding civic organization for 1971.

Ticket chairman are Tak Kubota and Connie Asaka. Tickets are \$6.00 per person. Reservations may be made to Tak Kubota (PA 2-6868), Connie Asaka (PA 5-3597) or Helen Akita (EA 4-1670) or any of the board members.

Let's turnout for this big social event of the year and meet your fellow JACLers!

TAMESA ADDS TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND: Uhachi Tamesa, retired orchardist, as noted in last issue, donated \$1,000.00 to the already existing Seattle Chapter administered \$10,000.00 Minoru Tamesa Memorial Scholarship Fund. The occasion was his 88th birthday which came in mid-December. Two years ago Tamesa donated a substantial fund to his boyhood grade school in Yamaguchi Prefecture for which he received a citation from Premier Eisaku Sato of Japan. He has also established scholarship in Highline High School where his late son Minoru attended.

AI-IKU GUILD THANKS PUBLIC FOR SUPPORT: Ai-iku Guild of Children's Orthopedic Hospital wishes to thank the community for the wonderful support given the annual Christmas benefit dance held Dec. 4 at the Filipino Community Center. Mrs. Mary Maruhashi is president.

U.W. ASIAN STUDENT COALITION VOICES OBJECTION TO THE HAIRSPRAY COMMERCIAL: The University of Washington Asian Student Coalition under Mayumi Tsutakawa, president, sent a self explanatory letter to the manufacturer of Command hair spray using the U. of W. Ethnic Cultural Center letter head. The letter said in part: ". . . the Asian table tennis player versus the blond Anglo-Saxon male walking off with the Asian woman, we frankly point out to you its racist nature in that it perpetuates White Anglo-Saxon supremacy and commercializes Asian Women as dehumanized objects. This is not only degrading but doubly insulting to both Asian men and women in particular, and to all non-white racial minorities in general. (Cont'd bottom page 6)

PARTING WORDS FROM OUTGOING PRESIDENT

By Dr. Minoru Masuda

Dec. 29, 1971

At the start of 1971, I made some comments in the Reporter on the activities of the Seattle Chapter and my hopes on the continuation and expansion of action. As I look back over the past hectic year, I feel a great sense of satisfaction in what has been done and in working with the people who have helped. Let me give you a quick itemized run-down on some of the more important of the chapter's activities:

1. The membership has risen to 650 and hopefully will continue to rise as programs become more meaningful.
2. The Blue Shield Group Medical Insurance came on board to extend health coverage to JACL members.
3. The 1000 Club Tour to Japan was a success (although a big headache to administer).
4. The Drop-in Center that was initiated last year received a funding grant from the Methodist Mission to operate its varied programs under another corporate structure.
5. The regular monthly meeting programs have been interesting and I feel have contributed to the increase in meeting attendance.
6. The Pride and Shame Exhibit/Program was funded and on its way toward scheduled tours in this area and throughout the State in 1972.
7. The Queen Committee did a fine job in the selection of the Community Queen.
8. We have seen the repeal of Title II (Emergency Detention Act) because of the concerted efforts of the National JACL and the chapters.
9. The Seattle Chapter hosted the P.N.W.D.C. convention.
10. The Golden Jubilee banquet was a tremendously successful operation which gave an uplift to the community.
11. In the field of education we have been especially active:
 - a. Supported the Oriental Student Union in its fight for SCC Asian administrators, confronted the Board of Trustees and lodged a charge of discriminatory hiring practices with HEW.
 - b. Worked to place Asians on Seattle schools' Citizens Councils.
 - c. Pushed for Asian administrators and counsellors in Seattle schools.
 - d. Participated in the Asian community protest of problems at Franklin High School.
12. We were frustratingly involved with Interim in trying to get Model Cities to fund an International District multi-service center.
13. We publicly opposed the location of the International District Turnkey housing project for the elderly because of the hilly site.
14. We were involved in working with other Asian groups in a variety of ways.
15. We helped initiate and fund the Employment Center to bring people and jobs together.
16. We have acted to fight discrimination against exclusionary clubs, Charlie Chan movies, etc.
17. We helped put together the KOMO-TV documentary "The Fence at Minidoka."

These are some of the activities that come to mind and I note them because we constantly hear the question asked, "What the hell is JACL doing?" from young and old alike. I hope that the above listing gives you some idea of the direction and the relevance of JACL to all Nikkei. Under Tomio Moriguchi, I know that we shall continue to mount meaningful programs. I wish him the best of luck and the continued support of the membership that supported me during the year. To these hardworking people, too numerous to mention, I express my warm thanks and appreciation.

TANABE PRODUCED DOCUMENTARY ON EVACUATION SHOWN ON KOMO-TV DURING PEARL HARBOR ANNIVERSARY

KOMO-TV presented a half-hour documentary on the chapter in the American history "The Fence at Minidoka," on Dec. 7, the 30th anniversary of the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor. Following the program, the station was flooded with unprecedented hate calls and letters as well as letters and calls of goodwill. The program was written, produced and narrated by Barbara Tanabe, staff member of the evening newscaster. She is the graduate of U. of W. in communication. Her father Frank Shin Tanabe of Seattle works for the U.P.I. in Okinawa. Seattle JACL assisted in the project.

Pearl Harbor attack by Japan led to the crisis in the United States for the Japanese Americans. They were the victim of hate campaign against Japan, Tanabe narrated. False rumors were started that Japanese espionage spread throughout the American continent. That sense of fear and hate turned against the people here who looked like the enemy, the Japanese Americans. Each year we pay tribute to the soldiers and sailors who died Dec. 7, 1941. Their sacrifice was one of the highest duty to the United States. But there are others too who lost part of their lives. The Japanese Americans who were subjected to the (continued next page)

humiliating status of non citizens abused and imprisoned during the war. After honoring the memory for the dead, it is time now for honoring those who lived through one of the blackest period in American history, Tanabe continued.

On Mar. 22 forcible evacuation of all Japanese from Bainbridge Island and Puget Sound opposite the Bremerton navy yard was ordered to be effective Mar. 30 followed by the evacuation of Seattleites in April. Few American friends spoke out in defense of the rights of the Japanese neighbors. The mayor of Seattle Earl Millican told the Congressional committee he favored the incarceration of the Japanese Americans. He was followed in office by William Devin who was campaigning for the office when the evacuation occurred. Devin said:

"The evacuation of the Japanese was not a local problem. It was a problem which the government was undertaking and I didn't feel it was the part of the responsibility of the mayor's office at that time so I probably wasn't as impressed with it as if it has been the responsibility of the local government. I think that most people were quite shocked to think that measure of that kind had to be taken but as I look back I don't think there was great deal of opposition to it because I think everyone was afraid. I think they were afraid of what might happen and afraid of the unknown. Because of that fear I think the government took the action they took. But looking back on it now it just seems inconceivable."

One of the few American officials to openly speak up in behalf of the Japanese American was Harry P. Cain, then mayor of Tacoma and later to become U.S. Senator said:

"The action was morally indefensible. It was an evidence of the loss of confidence of the large majority of the Japanese Americans whom I knew personally were extraordinarily hard working people most of whom made their living on the farms. They were known as truck farms. We who were white lived off of those farms and very early it occurred to me that if those Japanese were incarcerated somewhere else the white men will buy up the property at 10¢ on the dollar, endeavor to produce the food we needed on the table and go broke in the process to our own detriment and in too many cases it worked out just like that."

Bill Mambu, attorney and past Seattle Chapter president, said: "It was kind of a shock when we did realize finally that all of us of Japanese ancestry (regardless of citizenship) were going to be moved out of the Western area."

Dr. Minoru Masuda, Seattle Chapter president, stated: "We have always placed faith in the Constitution about the democratic principles then all of a sudden with one sweeping executive order that the President could enforce the evacuation of people from the West Coast into a concentration camps. It was a bitter disappointment, really a black day, I think, for the Constitutional democratic ideas." Hana Masuda said, "Actually when I tried to think back about lots of little details like what to pack, what to keep with us, where shall we leave it, those were really problems then. And when I look back now, how were we able to do all that?"

Tanabe continued her narration: The Nisei were forced out of their homes and imprisoned because they were said to be too dangerous to national security if they were left free. Yet when Idaho beets needed to be harvested then the Nisei were not a threat but a welcome labor relief. And while guards surrounded the camp, army recruiters went inside and asking the internees to come out and fight for their country. Many Nisei boys stepped out and joined the army while the family remained behind barbed wire. Some Nisei boys were serving in the armed forces when their family was evacuated. Don Kazama, past Seattle Chapter president and membership chairman, remembers going home on furlough. "My feeling on Hunt, Idaho was it was like another army camp, desolate and isolated," Kazama said.

Objectivity and Calmness by Internees

Officials of the War Relocation Authority report officer John Bigelow recalled about the biggest complaint about the camp. "The dust and the condition of living," Bigelow said. "Oh, certainly there were philosophical arguments at times, not argument but debates about the whole thing. I think the response to the 442nd recruiting demonstrated that by and large they were taking it in stride and looking at the whole episode as a phase that would end some day. They took it with great deal of calmness and objectivity and in a sense a learning experience. I thought it demonstrated to me their character and they took it in a very superior way."

While many Americans turned their back on their minority citizens a few came forth to offer their services. One was the Rev. Emery E. Andrews, pastor of the Japanese Baptist Church. He followed his people to Minidoka. Said Rev. Andrews: "This was a concentration camp all right. I used to call it relocation center. You were confined behind barbed wire. While you could get passes to go out, you couldn't live a normal life. It was impossible. The youngsters didn't know what it was all about except they didn't like it because oftentimes you hear four or five years old wanting to know when you are going back to America?"

Floyd Schmoie, member of the American Friends Service Committee who helped the Nisei in whatever way he could said, "Personally I sort of ran shuttle service between 100 Japanese patients at the Firland Tuberculosis Sanitarium where bedridden people were not moved. When patients died as several of the young people did, the parents were not allowed to come back except under armed guards and then we took them into our homes and take the responsibility and sponsor them more or less for funerals sake which was absurd but it happened."

What happened thirty years ago is now part of history. It is a bitter period for some, tragic for others and certainly for the U.S. government. Can that same hateful emotionalism sweep our country again?

For an answer to this question, Y. Phillip Hayasaka, past Seattle JACL president and director of City of Seattle Human Rights Department, said:

"I don't see anything that would prevent it. In fact I do see things that cause me to believe that it can and will happen again. There are things happening today (Cont'd next page)

that happened thirty years ago. Before evacuation there were lots of hysteria, emotionalism, racism, discrimination and stereotypes about Japanese. It is directed at Japan, as a military threat, Japan as an economic threat invading the other Eastern countries, etc. What do we find today? Because Japan is becoming an economic threat, they have established themselves as a world power and their threat to the U.S. economy, in the textile industry and what have you, we are hearing things derogatory now about Japanese things and Japan. The meaning is there of what happened thirty or thirty-five years ago. And this transfers over to the people who are over here. And unfortunately we are finding out is that many in white America tends to view Nisei and Sansei of those who are American citizens of Japanese ancestry as they view Japan. The Japanese should direct their attention at their stereotypes that they are victim of and make white America realize that stereotype good and bad are derogatory. There is a tendency to feel that if it is good why fight it?

"There are many things that happened to the Japanese that want you to lose your identity to become white. And I think it's a tragic thing. And I think it's a recognition that's growing now that you can't lose your identity no matter how hard you try. You're not going to be white and why should you be white? And I think there's effort being made as symbolized by different organizations that to be yellow is not bad and to be white is not right."

Tanabe in concluding her narration said:

In a war everyone is a victim. The tragedy of the Japanese American were that they were the victim of a stereotype. They were blamed for the activity of the enemy they resembled. The Japanese Americans aren't Japanese and they aren't white Americans. They're one of several ethnic group in the United States who will always be different. That is the beauty and perhaps the tragedy of the people of the United States. Let us not forget there was once a fence at Minidoka.

POSSIBLE MERGER OF COCA WITH ACE?

Coalition of Concerned Asians (COCA) have been meeting together informally to form an organization which will involve those who want to do something, which can speak for the community and to add teeth to the Asian voices in various confrontations, especially in the area of education. Someone suggested that COCA may be duplicating the role of an existing organization, namely the Asian Coalition for Equality (ACE).

On Dec. 19, the COCA met with ACE at the St. Peter Claver Hall. The ACE co-chairman and spokesman for the evening, the Rev. Stan DePano, made an affirmation that "ACE is alive."

Lois Fleming, speaking for ACE, said, "The attention is focused in Black-White issue and not on the Asian-White issue. Active work in united effort by group of concerned and interested people from the Filipino, Chinese and Japanese community have been meeting together under ACE to identify the common area of concern and to establish guidelines." Fleming mentioned that the Rev. Mineo Katagiri and the four members from each of the ethnic community constituted the governing body of ACE when it was formed.

"There is no membership list. The ACE responds quickly and effectively," Fleming said, "and when necessity demands, pickets and other means will be used to effect changes."

Some of the activities of ACE involvement as summarized by Fleming included:

1. Action in the special educational program at the University of Washington to secure inclusion of Asians
2. Vigorous petition campaign in support of the Repeal of Title II in churches, business and schools
3. Campaign against exclusive social clubs. It is insulting to be classified as being ineligible
4. Formation of 40 organizations into coalition against discrimination. Don Kazama and Lois Fleming represented the ACE
5. Seattle Civil Service Commission's average height requirement of 5'8" effectively excluded minority groups. The requirements for Asians, Mexicans and Indians were reduced to 5'6".

In the closing note, Jim Takisaki, co-chairman of ACE, owner of contracting firm and member of the Central Area association of contractors, stated that contracting in Seattle is a \$60 million business. Only 2/10 of 1% of the minorities are in contracting business. It will be the biggest industry for Seattle in the future Takisaki said and it is very important that we get our fair share in this industry. * * *

Should COCA merge with ACE? This problem undecided at the meeting will be discussed further at the board level. The question still to be answered is 'For whom does the COCA-ACE speak?' Does it speak for the whole Asian community or does it speak for the special interest group? This same question will have to be answered whether the confrontation is made with the Mayor, Governor or with the School Superintendent.

Reducing the whole system to the basic, one Filipino aptly put the problem in these words: "We want one organization when we call for help will be responding."

HEAVY COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR ASIAN JOB CENTER PHASE I PROGRAM

The Asian Employment Opportunity Center which became operational Dec. 15 was officially opened Jan. 4 with the TV coverage. Councilman Liem Eng Tuai cut the ribbon with Councilman-elect John Miller, Councilman Bruce Chapman, County Auditor Lloyd Hara, Mrs. Karen Sing, Vicki Asakura, Alison Sing (manager) and Art Yorozu participating in the ceremony.

The job center is staffed by volunteer workers to provide aid primarily to members of the Asian community. If you are unemployed or underemployed, you may call MA 2-2695. Under managership of Alison W. Sing, the Center hopes to be staffed by fulltime counselors who are bilingual. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. You may call in person at 610 6th Ave. S., in the N.P. Hotel Building.

\$1,250.00 donation for the 3-months Phase I were received from N.V.C. Inc., Blaine (Cont'd next page)

ASIAN JOB CENTER (Cont'd from page 4): Memorial United Methodist Church, Seattle Buddhist Church, Faith Bible Church, Japanese Baptist Church, Nichiren Buddhist Church, St. Peter's Episcopal Church, and the Seattle Chapter JACL. Floyd Hara is general chairman with Jiro Namatame and Keiji Sato as acting chairmen in the absence of chairman Hara.

NEWS JOTTINGS: Chosen "Eagles of the Month" for Oct. at Cleveland High and selected by Industrial Kiwanis were Joanne Fujita, daughter of Atsushi Fujitas and Ken Mochizuki, son of Eugene Mochizukis. Joanne was selected for planning of school's Longmire conference and Ken was selected for organizing Cleveland's successful "Walkathon" . . . Gayle Ikeda, daughter of Roy Ikedas, was among winners of The Bon Marche's Dr. Seuss "Color the Grinch" contest . . . The Seattle Atlantic Street Center board of directors reelected the following officers to serve in 1972 at its December board meeting: George Fugami, p; Mrs. Glenn Anderson, 1st vp; Mrs. Donald Johnson, 2nd vp; Mrs. Barbara Oldam, sec; Joseph Lyon, treas; and Mrs. Luther Franklin, nominating comm chrmn . . . MESBIC of Washington, Inc. Minority Enterprise Small Business Investment Co. with office in 3300 Rainier Ave. S. is part of nationwide program instituted by President Nixon to encourage minority owned business. Mrs. Yoshi Iwamura is administrative secretary . . . The Southeast area Citizens Advisory Council of Seattle Model City Program (SMCP) elected Ted Choi, representing the Cleveland Area School Council, as chairman; Sam Shoji, representing Rainier Vista Community Council, as first vice-chairman; A. Bretta Ojilvie, representing Filipino Community of Seattle, Inc., as assistant secretary and Lloyd Hara, representing Seattle JACL, as secretary . . .

Assisting the chairman of the Metropolitan Soroptimist Club's Mini Bazaar held Dec. 8 in the Spanish Ballroom was Mrs. Bernadette Kamihachi . . . Dedication of the new \$1 million WING Luke Elementary School was held Jan. 13. Ben Nakagawa is the principal. Short biography of the late Wing Luke was read during the dedication by Benjamin Woo, director of the Wing Luke Memorial Museum . . . Dr. John Kanda of Puyallup Valley Chapter and past national JACL 3rd vice president was elected president of the Pierce County Medical Society for 1972 . . .

KOMO TV program of the "Fence at Minidoka" presented at the prime time of 7 p.m. Dec. 7, the reaction of readers is included in The Seattle Times TV Showtime Dec. 26 on page 9 showing attitudes in the likes of "I am sure there were much more atrocities committed there, much more severe than being sent to a camp" etc. and signed by mere initials "D.C." and "C.O.T.B."

Letters of more favorable tone is supposed to be forthcoming . . . Vern Taylor talked with Mrs. Patricia Swerda, Ikebana expert and Chikuji Katayama, dean of Seattle calligrapher, in the Channel 9 KCTS Prisim program, Jan. 6. Mrs. Swerda wrote to the JACL newsletter in part: "I have studied with Katayama sensei for a while, and have long hoped to bring some of his great knowledge and gentle character to the TV screen. You probably know that this dear man was 89 last October and much of his knowledge in the ways of calligraphy has not been passed on to the Nisei and Sansei because it is not used in most homes. Too, many characters have been dropped from the language. How fortunate are we, his students!"

Mr. and Mrs. Masato Uyeda received a letter Dec. 11 from The White House which read:

"I want to extend my warm congratulation and best wishes in the occasion of your 50th wedding anniversary. May you enjoy many more years of happiness together. /s/ Richard Nixon"

Mr. Masato Uyeda is the owner of Togo Gardens, importers and distributors of bronze, iron and stone figures, lanterns, bonsai pots, kutani ware, etc. He is also recipient of the 6th Order of the Sacred Treasure and is active with the Japanese American Service . . .

Carol Sue Morio became the bride of Gene L. Hanson Dec. 19 in the First Methodist Church, Bellevue. The bride, a graduate of the U.W., is the daughter of Noboru Morios. Hanson, of of Stanley P. Hanson of Milton, Pierce County, is a U.W. senior . . .

MILESTONES: Hakuta Fujioka. Funeral Dec. 9. St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Ikayama Club. Survivors include son Tadashi C. Fujioka, Seattle; and daughter Mariko Fujioka, Chicago . . . Hatsumi Korekiyo (Kent), 79, Dec. 11. Nichiren Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Okayama Club. Survivors include husband Tsuneta, son Tsuyoshi Korekiyo, Seattle; daughters Mrs. George (Misao) Sumida, Portland; Mrs. George (Yukiko) Kido, Kent; Mrs. Calvin (Edythe) Hayashida, Seattle . . . Takichi Takehiko (Renton) 84, Dec. 14 . . . Tom Eitaro Watanabe, 69, Dec. 16. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Men's Fellowship, JACL, and operated the Star Tofu Mfg Co. Survivors include: wife Katsuko Kay, Seattle; sisters Mrs. Kaku Yamada, Seattle and Mrs. Rucky (Toshiko) Balk, Pleasanton, CA . . . Shizuyo Sumimoto. Funeral Dec. 21. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Sei-Cho-No-Ie, Hiroshima Club. Survivors include nephew Toshio Sumimoto, Seattle and one niece, Mrs. Ets Mizokuchi, Alameda, CA . . . Yonezo Tamura, 88, 203.23rd Avenue, Jan. 2 . . . Tsuru Ikeda, 78, Jan. 4. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Kokufu Shigin-Kai, Dai-ichi-Bu, Seicho-no Ie, Hyaku Do Kai, Seattle Go Club. Survivors include: husband Taiiro; son Victor Ikeda, Seattle; daughters Mrs. George (Martha) Imabori, Seattle; Mrs. Edmund (Hannah) Lai, Oakland . . .

HISTORY OF ORIENTALS IN CALIFORNIA FEATURED IN HISTORICAL SOCIETY PUBLICATION

The latest copy here of the California Historical Society Quarterly for Sept. 1971, Vol. L, No. 3, at the downtown Seattle Public Library in the periodical section, devotes the whole issue to history of ethnic minorities in the State of California and includes chronology on history of California ethnic minorities. Of interest may be the lengthy dissertation "Race and the San Francisco School Board Incident: Contemporary Evaluation" by David Brudonoy, lecturer at Northeastern University. The incident relates to San Francisco School Board's intent to establish separate schools for Chinese and Japanese pupils back in 1905. The clause existing in California state law gave trustees the power to "establish segregated school for childrens of Mongolian and Chinese descent." On Oct. 11, 1906 the principals were "hereby directed to send all Chinese, Japanese or Korean children to Oriental Public School (located near the earthquake devastated area of Chinatown) on or after Oct. 15, 1906." This caused repercussion on both sides of the Pacific. Tokyo Mainichi newspaper (Cont'd page 6)

stated Oct. 21 in an agitated tone that Japan should send her navy to chastise the Americans. Theodore Roosevelt declared: "Thank Heaven we have the navy in good shape." Historians may note that compromise which ensued was made at the cost of pacifying the Californians on the promises by Congressmen in working towards Oriental immigration restrictions.

Other articles include: "The Chinese Must Go!!" by Roger R. Olmsted dealing with the 1876 propaganda cartoons when Chinese included 148,600 of the total 750,000 California population; "Black Community in California" by James A. Fisher, lecturer at U. of C. of Davis; Executive Order 9066--All Enemies Look the Same picture essay by Masie and Richard Conrat; and "Ethnic Experiences in California History: An Impressionistic Survey" by History Department chairman Charles Wollenberg of Laney College in Oakland.

ROKKA SKI CLUB FEATURES FASHION SHOW FOR FEB. 4 MEETING

Rokka Ski School under administrator Bill Kawahara, began classes Jan. 9 and will run for six consecutive weeks. The instructors and area chairmen are Chet Murakami for Snoqualmie and Paul Suzuki for Crystal. Dennis Hoshino, transportation chairman, announced that buses available at Jefferson Park parking median ready to load at 7:15 a.m. and will be rolling by 7:30 a.m. Additional pickup spot for those going to Snoqualmie at Albertson's parking lot, Eastgate. Jim and Lorraine Dossett, program chairman, will have a fashion show chaired by Kathy Hashimoto of Nordstrom Best for the Feb. 4 meeting from 8 p.m. at City Light Auditorium 8th and Roy.

1972 AUTOMOBILE TABS TO BE SOLD BY THE IMPERIALS

1972 automobile license tabs will be sold by the members of the Imperials Drum and Bugle Corps at the booth set up in Uwajimaya store in Seattle. The sale will continue through the end of January. The booth will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day except on Monday and Fridays the sale will be extended to 8 p.m.

Only passenger car licenses will be handled.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST SANSEI METHODISTS CONVENE IN SPOKANE

Spokane--More than 100 high school and college students from Japanese Methodist Churches from Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane, Portland, Ontario, Ore. and Denver met Dec. 27-30 at the Highland Park United Methodist Church. Margene Omoto, EWSC frosh was general chairman for the conference with the theme "Reaching Out." The Rev. Paul J. Beeman, Superintendent of Spokane District of Methodist Churches, was the keynote speaker. Robert P. Crosby, Spokane, led the church youths in a program "Sensitivity Awareness" Dec. 29. The conference banquet the same evening was held at Ridpath Motor Inn with a dance afterward.

Calendar of Events

Jan. 16--Reception for the premiere showing of a Japanese American pictorial essay exhibit "The Pride and Shame" at the Evergreen State College, Daniel J. Evans Library from 2-5 p.m.

19--Regular JACL monthly meeting starting from 7:45 p.m. at the JACL office.

20--Panel discussion program of "The Pride and Shame", 2-4 p.m. Seminar Bldg of Evergreen State College

21-23--Benefit Japanese movies sponsored by Seattle First Hill Lions at Toyo Cinema, 5608 Rainier S. Donation \$2.00 (2 shows) 6 p.m. and 9:20 p.m. on Friday Saturday; (1½ shows) 6 p.m. and 7:40 p.m. Sunlay. "Nagurikomi Samurai" & "Inochiazukemasu"

28--The annual JACL installation and awards banquet. Cocktail 6:30 p.m., dinner 7 p.m. \$6.00 per person. Dr. Kenji Okuda, speaker. Frank Hattori, general chairman.

Feb. 4--Rokka Ski Club meeting featuring fashion show from 8 p.m. City Light Building, 8th and Roy. Tom Ohtani, president.

4--News deadline for JACL Reporter. Mail articles to:

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

9--Newsletter mailing night 8 p.m. at the JACL office

Aug. 13--Joint Puyallup Valley-Seattle JACL picnic

ASIAN STUDENT HAIR SPRAY PROTEST (Cont'd from page 1): What makes you think that Asian women prefer the stereotyped White male to our own men? The racist and exploitive practices of American business and economic policy has been left unchallenged far too long. You are participating in that brand of institutionalized racism which poisons the minds of all viewers especially children through this audio-visual medium of subtle brainwashing to accept Anglo-American social standards and values."

DONATIONS:

Seattle Chapter JACL gratefully acknowledges the following generous donations:

Mrs. Iky Yamada, \$25.00 in memory of her husband Noboru

Miye Ishihara \$5.00; George Sumida \$10.00; Yoshie Nakagawa \$4.50; Roy and Joan

Seko \$15.00; and Tak and Sumi Kuriyama \$6.00.

LATE ADD: Dr. Rev. Paul Nagano of the Japanese Baptist Church has been asked to speak at the annual meeting of the American Baptist Convention to be held in Denver in May.

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