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FROM THE BOARD

Dr. Minoru Masuda, cochairman for "The Pride and the Shame" traveling exhibit reported on the 9 day stand at the Western Washington State Fair in Puyallup. Ironically the fair site was the former Camp Harmony Assembly Center in 1942 and the exhibit completed the full cycle of 30 years. About 3500-4000 people watched the exhibition. "The response was positive," Masuda said, "and we felt the project was worthwhile. Puyallup Valley Chapter shared the exhibition cost and helped to monitor the exhibit."

37th District Position No. 1 candidates for state representatives Michael K. Ross and John Cy Eng gave their respective campaign pitch during the October meeting.

Also during the meeting Tomio was able to borrow from the Portland Chapter a video tape on the NBC TV program "Guilty by Reason of Race," as recorded in Portland area on Sony equipment. Dr. Masuda was able to borrow the playback equipment and was shown after the business portion of the meeting. This is the same NBC program scheduled to be shown in Seattle Sunday, Nov. 12.

It was vacation time for mailing chairman Pat Sado. Nevertheless we were able to find sufficient help for the newsletter work crew. The chore was completed within the hour with help from the following: George Kawachi, Rose Ogino, Kimi Nakanishi, Harry Kadoshima, Tomio Moriguchi, Marilyn Motonaga, Cherry Kinoshita, Eira Nagaoka, and Chimiko Kamiishida from Osaka, a sales representative of Shiseido Cosmetics, who was staying at the Olympic Hotel.

And thanks to one reader pointing out the glaring errors in things Japanese as written in the last issue of Reporter such as "Kumakura" for Kamakura and "Marumachi" for Muromachi, etc. As for Kamakura, I have no excuse having visited there only a year ago. All I can say is I'm beginning to feel almost like the Western tourists of 1880 who visited the magnificent Buddhist Daibutsu at Kamakura who used to refer to it as "Diaboos" in their typical disinterest in the right Japanese pronunciation. Another reader referred to the error in the spelling of SYNKOA which was incorrectly written SYNCOA. The derivation of the word is based on the initials of former members of the Japanese Student Club killed in action during World War II, so I am told.

Past president Don Kazama and 1971-72 membership chairman for the Seattle JACL, requested that dues for 1973 be raised to \$12 single and \$21 couple. The board approved.

After years of handling the Pacific Citizen Holiday Ads solicitation, Fred Takagi turned in his book. He had indicated his resignation in previous years but he always ended up doing the work. This time he hopes to make it stick. It would be most difficult to make an accurate gauge of his tremendous contribution to the Chapter made in years past through this assignment. This is one of the primary sources for our budget. The successor will have a big shoe to fill. We thank Fred Takagi for his long contribution to the Chapter.

Request for \$3.00 personal holiday greetings and advertisement for the Pacific Citizen Holiday Edition shall be sent to Ms. Lovett Moriguchi, 903 E. Lynn St., Seattle 98102. For information on advertising rates for the Holiday Edition, call Tomio, MA 4-6248.

The appointment of Barry Matsumoto who had been groomed for 1973 JACL presidency, made it necessary for Ms. Yuri Sata and her committee to work overtime. Ben Nakagawa, principal of Wing Luke Elementary School is on the ballot for president. Nakagawa is currently on the JACL board, vice president of the Central Seattle Community Council Federation and member of the executive board for the Seattle Teachers Association. Sam Shoji, social worker, and member of the JACL board is listed for president-elect. Shoji is chairman of the Advisory Council for S.E. Model Cities, past president of Washington Association for Social Welfare, board member of Employment Opportunities Center and active in the St. Peter's Episcopal Church. Ms. Yuri Sata and her committee shall be commended for the excellent work done. The results of the ballots will be announced in the next issue and certainly will be available in time for the November membership meeting.

The November meeting will be scheduled for next Wednesday, Nov. 15 at the JACL office, 526 S. Jackson St. from 7:45 p.m. The meeting is full of surprises as we are beginning to find. Bring your friends and input of ideas. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments.

SAKAHARA WINS GRAND PRIZE IN THE FIRST THOUSAND CLUB TOURNEY

Toru Sakahara was declared the Grand Champion with the lowest net of the entire field (82-19-63), as 14 men and 9 women competed for the first annual JACL One Thousand Club tournament held Oct. 14 at the Jefferson Park Golf Course. Twenty persons attended the family style dinner following the meet at Bush Garden. The awards presentation was chaired by Frank Hattori.

Others receiving the hardware were; MEN--1st place, Mits Kashiwagi; 2nd place, Fred Takagi; WOMEN--1st place, Kimi Nakanishi and 2nd place, Kiyo Sakahara. This was the first golf trophy ever for both Kimi and Toru.

Co-chairmen of the tourney were Frank Hattori and George Kawachi. Kimi Nakanishi was chairwoman for the Women's Section. The results of the tourney were released as follow:

1st FLIGHT--Mits Kashiwagi 82-15-67; George Kawachi 95-23-72; Esther Kashiwagi 114-35-79; Chiyo Hirota 116-36-80; 2nd FLIGHT--Miyo Shikawa 101-23-78; James Matsuoka 87-16-71; Roy Seko 90-18-72; Kiyo Sakahara 78-21-72; 3rd FLIGHT--Eddie Shimomura 91-19-72; Frank Kinomoto 108-26-82; Maly Furuta 116-36-80; Bill Mambu 96-18-78; 4th FLIGHT--Aya Shimomura 106-25-81; Hiram Akita 85-9-76; Kaz Yokoyama 107-34-73; 5th FLIGHT--Cont'd hear top of page 4

MARYKNOLL NUN IN VISIT TO NOSTALGIA

(Ed.'s note: The Catholic Japanese community in Seattle have their history. And this is one of the many chapters. Sister Mary Gemma Shea MM, came to Seattle in 1920 to open kindergarten and day nursery for Japanese on E. Spruce St. and later moved to 17th and Jefferson. She entered the Maryknoll service in 1912. The article was first published in the Catholic Northwest Progress weekly newspaper.)

A tiny Maryknoll Sister who weighs just slightly more than a pound for each year of her life--73--was given a tremendous welcome by Seattle's Japanese Catholic community recently when she paid the city her first visit since 1949.

The little nun is Sister Mary Gemma Shea MM, a veteran of a total of 37 years in Japan, Korea and Manchuria (two of which were spent in an internment camp during World War II). She is well known by the Japanese here because of her three tours of duty (1920, 1927, 1948) at the former Queen of Martyrs Church when it was a Maryknoll charge.

Sister Gemma was in Seattle because of a gift of a plane ticket to mark the 60th anniversary of her admission to the Maryknoll community. Retired since 1968, she now lives in the Maryknoll House at Monrovia, California.

While here she stayed at Providence Hospital as a guest. Providence, she said, was especially dear to her since it was in the hospital chapel she pronounced her final vows 50 years ago. At that time she was stationed just across the street where the present St. Peter Claver Center is located.

The Maryknoll nun was one of the first six young women gathered by Mother Mary Joseph Rodgers MM, foundress, to form the present community. Sister Gemma is the only survivor of that first group of novices.

Early Kindergarten Recalled

Sister's initial assignment in Seattle, in 1920, was the organization of kindergarten for the children of Japanese parents. How well she did her job may be indicated by the fact that among her first pupils was Thomas Kobayashi, current president of the Central Council of Seattle, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and one of the outstanding laymen in the archdiocese.

"Tommy hated Kintergarten . . . at first," Sister Gemma reminisced. "In fact, he ran out of the room several times during the first few days. Then he settled down and was a wonderful boy and student." The nun was silent for a moment, her eyes took on a faraway look. She had stored so many good memories she was having trouble choosing the one most becoming at the moment, like a girl selecting a frock.

Seeing her frailty, it is hard to believe she had spent two years in an internment camp with about 100 other sisters from various religious communities and "about 25 Protestant missionary ladies," she said rather quaintly. How were they treated? "Fine," she shot back. "The Japanese respected us and treated us well." (Pause) "Why I have been pushed around more on the Boston subway."

No one was going to say anything about her beloved Japanese people. "They are beautiful people--kind, considerate, polite. My years among them have been a great experience. I am glad God chose me to work with and for them."

Her Irish eyes lost their sparkle only once, when Father Leopold Tibesar MM, former pastor of Queen of Martyrs Church who died in retirement several years ago was mentioned. The brightness of her eyes were dimmed an instant as tears welled.

Then she said, with typical Irish female finality: "He is a saint."

NEWS JOTTINGS: Rainier Beach Viking ballcarrier Bryan Takeuchi ran for 87 yards in eight rushes in a losing cause against Franklin 26-8. A week earlier he ran for 66 yards on 12 carries against Garfield . . . Larry Namba of Ingraham High scampered 38 yards for TD Nov. 3 as the Ingraham routed Roosevelt 46-7 . . . Carla Mizuta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshito Mizuta, was chosen Girl of the Month at Rainier Beach High. Carla is Senior class treasurer, co-chairman of Activity Card Sales, co-chairman of Cultural Exchange, PTSA recording secretary and member of Pep Club. She plans to attend the U.W. to major in business . . . Gregory Aramaki has been named Cleveland High School Boy of the Month for September. Gregory, son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Aramaki, is ASC president and member of Asian Student Coalition and the Journal staff. He was selected to Boys State delegate. He want to attend UCLA and major in law . . .

Seattle Chapter, Artists Equity, held a party and program Oct. 23 at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Raphael H. Levine to honor members and former members who have distinguished themselves in the arts. 12 honor guests included George Tsutakawa, James Washington, Jr. and Fay Chong . . . Seattleites will have the privilege of viewing new work by Paul Horiuchi for the first time in two years through Nov. 10 at the Gordon Woodside Gallery, 803 E. Union St. According to John Voorhees, "It is a stunning show, a truly major collection of new work by Horiuchi, a body of work that builds upon the tradition of the past while adding new dimensions and new directions. There is a wealth of beauty in this show, the kind of beauty an audience has clearly been awaiting: of the 39 pieces in the show, 21 were sold the first two days." . . . Tomoe Shimizu returned from the biennial World Congress of Intercoiffure in Brussels. Tomoe said elegance is on the upswing. Gloves and hats are coming back into view. There is a trend toward natural styles and smaller heads. Tomoe, owner of the Capitol Hill salon bearing her name, is Seattle's only member of Intercoiffure. The world-wide organization confines its invitation-only membership to salon owners who've met its standards for styling and management. Tomoe said, "We're the Fifth Avenue of hair. We take care of the Who's Who of our cities. We also exchange customers. If one of my clients is flying to Mexico City or Paris, I give her the names of the Intercoiffures there." . . . Wing Luke Elementary School has received certificate of Exceptional Merit and has been placed on the National School

NEWS JOTTINGS (Cont'd): Safety Honor Roll of the National Safety Council. Ben Nakagawa is the school principal . . . Formation of a new Citizen Zoo Advisory Committee has been announced by Hans A. Thompson, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation. The committee will advise the mayor, City Council, park commissioners, and zoo director. Tomio Moriguchi, our JACL president, is on this new advisory committee . . . Thomas Kobayashi, Seattle proxy of Society of St. Vincent de Paul, attended the 127th annual national meeting held in Miami . . . The ordination services were set Nov. 5 for Mr. Nobuaki Hanaoka, Nichigo minister for the Seattle Japanese Baptist Church . . . Mesdames Cherry Kinoshita and Massie Tomita served on the candidates evaluation committee for the Seattle-King County Municipal League . . . Mrs. Frank Hori is the treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary to the Seattle-King County Dental Society . . . George Shinbo Quartet continues to play at the Top of the Hilton in downtown Seattle. George is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shinbo of Garland Florist . . .

MILESTONES: Takemaru Hirahara 82, Oct. 5. A native of Oita prefecture. Came to U.S. in 1906, worked in Denver and joined the Salvation Army in 1925 in San Francisco, retiring in 1952. Survivors include sons Davis (Seattle), Mike (Oakland); daughters Midori Furushiro (Caldwell) and Lily Oshiro (Chicago) . . . Seiichi (Sam) Kawahara 79, Oct. 7. Seattle Buddhist Church . . . Tamei Kumai 70, Honolulu, Oct. 9. Removal to Hawaii. Survived by wife, Hideko, Honolulu; one daughter Eleanor Yoshimura, Seattle . . . Masa Nakano. Funeral Oct. 18. Seattle Buddhist Church and it's Women's Fellowship, Fukuoka Club. Survivors include: husband Hikotaro; sons Nobutake Jim Nakano, Seattle, Kazuo Nakano, Mercer Island . . . Reisaburo Hachiya 82, Oct. 19 . . . Ted Tadashi Toyoji Oct. 21. Seattle Buddhist Church, Young Buddhist Assn., Asian American Social Workers, Asian Students Coalition U. of W., Young Asians for Action, Coalition of Concerned Asians, Minority Coalition of the School of Social Work U. of W. He had just received his Master's Degree from the U. of W. School of Social Work. Toyoji was assigned to the Seattle JACL for field work by the School of Social Work last year. Survivors include: parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tadae Toyoji, San Jose; stepbrother Bob Yoshito Kondo, Seattle; Yoshinori Frank Kondo, Costa Mesa; four stepsisters, Mrs. Ken (Florence) Tainaka, San Jose; Mrs. Ray (June) Piete; Mrs. Tom (Sanaye) Kawamura, Mrs. George (Takako) Hirai, all Seattle; sister, Mrs. Barry (Bessie) Matsumoto, Seattle . . . Mihoko Nakatani 51, Oct. 21. Seattle Buddhist Church, Goji Kai. Survivors include: husband Kenny K.; sons Andrew R. and David K. Nakatani, both Seattle; daughters Mrs. Masao (Sandra) Tokita, Bellevue; Mrs. Goro (Tileen) Tokita, and Mrs. Paul (Wanda) Miyahara, both Seattle; father Kiichiro Takahashi, L.A.; brothers Susumi and Noboru Takahashi, both L.A.; sister Mrs. David (Shizue) Yoshimoto, L.A. . . . Stanley F. Hanada 18, Oct. 21. Seattle Buddhist Church, Hiroshima Club, Mgr of Foster High School basketball team. Survivors include: parents Mr. and Mrs. Seiji T. Hanada, Seattle; sisters Diana F. and Sharon D. Hanada, both Seattle; uncles Pete and Hatsuji Hanada and aunt Mrs. Mary Akada, all Seattle . . . Frank K. Ouchi 82, Oct. 24 . . .

BUSINESS AND FINANCE: Nikko Restaurant at S. King & Rainier S. reopened under new management Nov. 3 with owner Shiro Kashiba and partner Shunji Inoue . . . \$750,000 for 80 units in seven buildings at 3040 S. 154th St. sold to Minoru Uchimura by the Pacific National Bank of Washington . . . \$150,000 for a 10-unit, two story building at 3600 S. Oregon St. sold to Edwin Todd by a group headed by Kiyoshi Tomita . . .

ADD TO MILESTONES: Tomi Konishi (Moses Lake) 77, Oct. 26. Services in Moses Lake with Rev. Ikuo Fishimura. She was born in Hiroshima April 8, 1895 . . . Saichi Takemoto (Bainbridge Island) 87. Buddhist services held Nov. 2. Survivors include: Victor and Fred Takemoto, both Seattle; Billy, Kent; Roy, U.S.A.F., Omaha, Neb.; James, Tacoma; Mrs. Tinei (Teruko) Suo, B.I.; Mrs. Isamu Morishita, Seattle . . .

PERSONNEL DIRECTOR SOUGHT FOR ASIAN GROUP IN THE U. OF W. EMPLOYMENT OFFICE
by Mayumi Tsutakawa (U. of W. Daily) 10/8/72

A confrontative meeting between Asian students, faculty and staff and Dave Williams, U.W. director of personnel, Oct. 17 centered on the question of the need for an Asian interviewer at the Staff Employment office. Frank Irigon, ASUW second vice president, who initiated the meeting said, "The affirmative action program which is in effect now is supposed to help those groups oppressed by this white racist society. There are Black, Chicano and Indian staff at that office and we demand an Asian."

The meeting was also attended by blacks, Chicanos, and Mitch Matsudaira, director of the Governor's Asian Advisory Council.

The Asian students are asking for a reply from Williams on whether there will be a commitment in personnel administration to hire an Asian in the Staff Employment office.

"This is not a numbers game," Larry Flores, EOP Asian Division counselor. "This is a human game. Asians have a very broad base and there are many kinds with problems," he said.

Williams further said that, "I'm not saying that it will be possible at any given time to have on our interviewing staff representatives from all the special interest groups like the Vietnam Vets or the handicapped."

Dr. Jim Morishima, director of Asian American Studies, answered, "The federal government's Affirmative Action Program is not concerned with those other groups. It states specifically minority ethnic groups and women."

After the meeting, Rod Kawakami, Asian Student Coalition chairperson, said, "Williams did not perceive the problem we tried to articulate. I think he slighted us by not trying to understand the need."

There are presently nine interviewers at the Staff Employment office--four white, two black, two Native American and one Chicano. -----o-----

BILINGUAL LEGAL SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR LOW INCOME PEOPLE

Having legal problems but can't afford a lawyer? Contact legal Services Center, an agency designed to give free legal advice, representation and referrals to low income people.

LEGAL SERVICES CENTER (Cont'd): Basically, the financial qualifications are that a client earn no more than \$2,500 a year, plus \$500 for each dependant.

Legal Services will handle most civil legal problems, such as cases involving landlord tenant, welfare, unemployment compensation, domestic or civil rights cases. Criminal cases (e.g. traffic violations, or anything involving an arrest) cannot be handled by Legal Services and will be referred to the Public Defender. Bilingual services will be made available for those who need them.

The locations are: Pioneer Square Office 104 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cherry Street (MA 2-8125); Rainier Office 3230 Rainier Avenue S. (PA 5-2600); Central Area Office, 2516 E. Cherry St. (EA 3-0350).

The interviewing hours are from 1-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and no appointment is needed. For further information, feel free to call Wendy Tokuda or Vivian Luna at PA 5-2600.

THOUSAND CLUB GOLF (Cont'd from page 1): 5th FLIGHT--Toru Sakahara 82-19-63; Tomio Moriguchi 99-27-72; Kimi Nakanishi 111-36-75; Fred Takagi 84-15-69; 6th FLIGHT--Joe Hirota 107-27-80; Fumi Noji 112-32-80; Helen Akita 100-20-80; Frank Hattori 85-15-70. Fujimon Chrysanthemum centerpiece for the dinner was donated by George Kawachi and the perpetual grand trophy cup was donated by Yoshiro Yasui, Consul General from Japan for the Seattle area.

BARRY MATSUMOTO PETERED: Dinner honoring Barry Matsumoto, appointed to Washington Representative post, was held Oct. 18 at the Mikado Restaurant by Employment Opportunities Center, Inter-Im, and JACL in joint sponsorship. Barry is 1st vp of Seattle JACL, and wrote the bylaw and incorporation paper for EOC as board member. Barry received attache case and cake with inscription "Good Luck Barry" was donated by Irwin and Bruce Yoshimura. In attendance were: Mitzie Mihara, Paul Minato, Dr. Terrance M. Toda, Mitch Matsudaira, Tomio Moriguchi, Takako Yoda, Cherry Kinoshita, Lovett Moriguchi, Lloyd and Sharon Hara, Marilyn Motonaga, Keiji Sato, Sam Shoji, Barry Matsumoto, Alison Wo Sing, Caroline Sing, John Matsumoto, Vicky Asakura, Don Kazama, Fred Takayasu, Jackie Kay, Glenn Akai, Caroline Harano, Dr. Minoru Masuda, Art Yoro-zu, Helene Yoro-zu, and Eira Nagaoka. "I want to squelch the rumor that I took the job to avoid the JACL presidency," Barry said, "and I hope you'll remember that I'm back there."

Calendar of Events

- Nov. 11--Monthly meeting of the Governor's Asian American Advisory Council from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. to be held at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 1610 S. King St. Agenda will have reports from the committees on matters concerning Asians. The monthly meeting open to public.
- 11--The University Students' Club, more familiarly known as SYNKO, will have a cocktail party and reception to honor the 1972-73 recipients under its scholarship program. This function is coordinated with the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Japanese Students Club, its predecessor. Refreshments will be served. An invitation is extended to all club members, their families and friends. 8 p.m. at the Kawabe Memorial House, 221 18th Ave. S. (This is the new location). Officers of the club are Ken Sato, president; Don Mackawa, secretary, and Yoshito Fujii, treasurer. Members of the board of directors are Charles Kato, Joe Sasaki, Harry Kadoshima, Ben Nakagawa, Bill Mackawa, Bob Nakao, Min Masuda, Terry Nakata and Hideo Watanabe.
- 12--NBC News television report special "Guilt by Reason of Race," is scheduled for this date. Check TV program. The documentary covers evacuation.
- 12--60th Anniversary Celebration of the Japanese Christian Church Federation of Seattle 2 p.m. at the Blaine Memorial Methodist Church.
- 15--Regular monthly JACL members meeting 7:45 p.m. at the JACL office. Refreshments.
- 19--60th Anniversary of Japanese Christian Church Federation of Seattle banquet 5 p.m. at the Blaine Memorial Methodist Church.
- 29--Committee meeting for Issai Rest Home project from 7:30 p.m. at 1212 S. King St. All interested organizations are urged to send representative. George Fugami is interim chairman.
- 30--Deadlines for articles, poems, etc. for the Pacific Citizen Holiday Edition. Send material directly to Pacific Citizen, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles, CA 90012.
- Dec. 2--Ai-iku Guild benefit Christmas dance at Filipino Community Ctr. \$7.50 per couple.
- Dec. 8--News deadline for JACL Reporter. Mail articles, news clippings, announcements to: c/o (Editor) Eira Nagaoka, 170 11th Avenue, Seattle 98122.
- 13--Newsletter mailing night. JACL office from 8 p.m. Pat Sado chairman.

ASIAN PROTEST SLOWS STADIUM DEDICATION CEREMONY: About 35 Asian Americans carrying signs and placards expressed disapproval of stadium site by disrupting the groundbreaking ceremonies for the domed stadium Nov. 2. Cancelled was the symbolic kicking of a field goal by County Executive John Spellman. Dirts and muds were thrown at the dignitaries. Many elderly International District residents particularly Filipinos have been already displaced by selective hotel condemnations. Executive Spellman had been the target of the Asian Family Affair publication with full page photo of the Executive on its cover in the Oct. 1972 issue. Some of the demonstrators from the U. of W. and some were from the International District. Photo coverages were in Nov. 3 Seattle P.I. and Nov. 3 Seattle Times including a A.P. photo on page F-3.

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