

# JACL REPORTER

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## FROM THE BOARD

A turnout of approximate forty strong attended the January meeting as presided by Ben Nakagawa, president. The International District Improvement Association (Inter-Im) who shared the space for two months with the JACL office has left for the new quarters above the Vision Clinic of Seattle (Drs. Chins and Toda) at 7th and Jackson.

Many came prepared to present their case pros and cons on the tapping of Greater Seattle Japanese Community Queen Committee fund for the purpose of annual Asian scholarships grant. The proposal was dropped during discussion before the vote was taken.

There was an announcement on fire department plans to increase minority hirings and their request to meet with the Seattle Fire Department to help recruit minorities. Mitch Matsudaira spoke on the forthcoming Asian American Advisory Council hearing on racial discrimination as it affects Asians sometime this month. The purpose of the hearing is to receive information from Asians of their experiences regarding overt acts of discrimination, or, of patterns of racial discrimination affecting Asians. Such public hearing will add to the increased awareness and understanding of problems Asians continually face due to racial discrimination.

The January meeting formed a committee to find facts on Tak Ishii's advertising technique which has a tendency to reinforce Japanese stereotype which the community has been trying so hard to erradicate.

The last two pages of January issue of newsletter were completed by Lovett and Tomio Moriguchi by gathering of late news item and cutting of stencils. Thanks for the wonderful job. Also the report by Jiro Namatame on the Japanese American Directory Project showed a gratifying response by the public which we are most grateful. We are also thankful for Chairman Namatame and his committee who have volunteered long hours to make this all possible. The membership chairman and committee have reminded that JACL dues must be paid before participating in the National JACL tourney in Portland Mar. 5-10. Donna Yee of Demonstration project for Asian Americans will be distributing brief skill banks information sheet. Donna speaking during JACL meeting said that skills bank is a listing of skills and experiences of persons in the community willing to share their time and efforts with others. Persons will be asked to volunteer their skills only to the extent authorized by that individuals. The names will not be used for politics, fund raising efforts or obtaining personal information about any individuals. Donna Yee is member of JACL board.

The February meeting will discuss the successful installation dinner as chaired by Tak Kubota and committee. Other committee members will make their report.

Regular monthly meeting will be continued to be held on Tuesdays for the whole year. The February meeting will fall on Tuesday, Feb. 20, at the JACL office. The meeting starts at 7:45 p.m. Refreshments as usual. Please bring your friends. We need input.

## ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF ISSEI STORY TO BE READY THIS FALL

Reservations are being taken now for the English translation of "Issei Story of the Pacific Northwest." Limited 2,000 copies will be printed in this \$30,000 translation and printing project. 730 copies have already been reserved each donor that contributed \$15.00 or more. 1200 books will be available at \$15.00 per copy donation. Reservation for purchase may be left with Genji Mihara (PA 3-4332), Yoshito Fujii (EA 5-2394), Terumitsu Kano (PA 2-4401) or Tak Kubota (PA 2-6868).

## JACL AMONG COSPONSORS FOR ASIAN COMMUNITY POTLUCK DINNER SET FOR FEB. 16

The first annual Asian community potluck dinner and get-together will be held this Friday, Feb. 16 from 6 p.m. The purpose is for all Asians of every age to get together, to eat together, to talk together, and to enjoy entertainment together. The Asian community with common bonds, concerns and needs should socialize, share friendships and widen horizons. The event is sponsored by some 20 Asian organizations who also should talk to each other and share common activities. Everyone is invited. The JACL is one of the supporting organizations. There will be a variety of potluck dishes, some of which you've never tasted before. The JACL food coordinator is Ben Nakagawa (RO-2-7824). Call him if you want to be a contributor. Come, regardless, and enjoy an evening of food, talk, and entertainment with our Asian companions, young and old.

The program will include FYA drill team and Jhabandah. There will be welcome for Asian leaders from Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Jose and Washington, D.C.

Participating groups include AASW, Asian Family Affair, Asian Ed. Assn., Asian Elderly Project, Cleveland ASC, Concerned Asians of I.D., OPPA, EOC, ESL, Filipino Comm. Inc., FYA, G.Saac, I.D. Youth Council, Inter-Im, I.D. Drop-in Center, JACL, Korean Artists Assn, SCCC-ASC, Sea. Korean Assn, State Asian Advisory Council, Tacoma Asian Concerned Task Force, and U.W.-ASC. For information call Marion Fukuma 725-6098, Min Kim 525-0467, or Sue Tomita 682-3850.

## SEATTLE IMPERIALS LAUNCH DRIVE

The Seattle Imperials Drum and Bugle Corps has launched a recruiting drive. The Imperials have been the defending Washington State Champion Drum and Bugle Corps for the past four years. The Imperials have won awards throughout the entire nation as well.

A widely traveled corps, in recent years the Imperials have visited on their summer tours such places as Chicago, Washington, D.C., St. Louis and Dallas. The Imperials is seeking young people between the ages of 9 to 21. The Diplomats Drum and Bugle Corps, a feeder Corps for the Imperials, allows for younger individuals (9-14) to participate on a smaller scale. The Imperials program offers a professional staff to aid in further developing the musical talents and marching abilities of young people.-----o-----



SMITH ACCEPTS U.W. LAW SCHOOL POSITION

Charles Z. Smith, whose term as Superior Court judge ended Jan. 8, accepted a position as professor and associate dean of the U.W. Law School.

Smith was appointed to the Superior Court bench in 1966 and elected to a full term in 1968. A lawyer since 1955, he served as a law clerk to a State Supreme Court justice, was a deputy prosecutor and served as a special assistant to former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy. Smith also served on the Seattle Municipal Court bench.

Smith plans to remain directly involved in continued efforts to improve the judicial function in society. As one of his final actions on the bench, Judge Smith appointed a scholarship screening committee to administer trust funds for former prostitutes who need financial help in attending a college or vocational school. Defendants convicted of accepting the earnings of a prostitute will pay \$1,500 to the court for establishing the fund.

Smith is a member of the JACL board.

PLANNING GROUP ENDORSES ASIAN NURSING HOME

The Puget Sound Health Planning Council has voted to endorse an application for a certificate of need for Swan Enterprises, Seattle, which plans to build a 120-bed nursing home primarily for Asian American patients.

Certificate-of-need legislation was passed in an effort to control the building of unneeded hospital and nursing home beds or the institution of services that might duplicate existing ones that were underused. The Swan Enterprise project, an estimated \$750,000 construction job, will be at 17th Avenue and Washington Street.

SANSEI ENCOURAGED TO BECOME PART OF SEATTLE FIRE DEPARTMENT TEAM

The Seattle Fire Department (SFD) affirmative action minority employment program is being accelerated with objective of raising the departments 7.0 minority employment percentage to at least 14.7%. This percentage (14.7%) when achieved will provide more realistic ratio with the community's total minority population. The SFD anticipates that as many as 125 positions will be filled by 1) regular civil service exams 2) the department's Trainee program. Fire Chief Jack N. Richards of SFD wrote the JACL that "We would be happy to meet with you and your organization to discuss our programs and objectives in greater details."

SUMMER CONFERENCE PROPOSED BY ASIAN EDUCATORS

A Washington State Asian Educator's Association is in its formative stages. A state-wide conference is being proposed for this summer. The AEA will be mainly a service organization to the Asian community and to educators, and administrators and for interested community individuals are encouraged to find out more about this group. Write to Mr. Frank Fujii, 2455 62nd SE, Mercer Island, WA 98040.

PAPER DRIVE FOR CLEVELAND HIGH STUDENTS ACTIVITIES

Cleveland High School students are now conducting a paper drive to raise funds for student activities. If the JACL members would save their newspapers, the school will gladly pick them up so that it can be put in the drive. Magazines or slick print papers are not desired. If you get a substantial load built up, call Mr. Kato or Mrs. Woodard at Cleveland High, 587-3550, so that a pickup could be arranged.

APARTMENT AND HOTEL OWNERS CELEBRATE NEW YEAR

Seattle Japanese Hotel and Apartment Owners Association with 130 members held their annual New Year's party Jan. 24 at the Bush Garden. The slate of new officers was announced with Elmer Shizuto Tazuma reelected president and supported by vice presidents George Fugami, Tak Hori; secretaries Hitoshi Taniguchi, Tom Kodama; treasurer Yukio Nakamura and assistant treasurer Ryoichi Akada; auditors Dr. Terrance M. Toda, Shoji Watanabe and George Minato. Toru Sakahara is the legal adviser.

The hotel association was loosely organized in 1905 when Japanese immigrants started to manage rooming houses and hotels. All the hotel facilities were leased as non-citizen Issei were unable to purchase real estate properties, thanks to the alien land law which was primarily passed to stem the Japanese business thrusts. Old timers at the banquet recalled Evergreen Hotel being managed back in 1905 and the Empire Hotel in 1909. Empire Hotel building also known in the past as Oriental Bank building is still part of Uwajimaya, Inc. complex at 5th and Main St.

Past president and dean of the association Mr. Kamekichi Shibayama who gave the toast for the evening remembers being a member of the group as far back as 1918 when he managed the Wright Hotel. Others mentioned the old Rialto Theatre, Vison Theatre, Jackson Theatre and the Edison Electric Theatre. The latter three were in the present International District. It's not too far fetched to categorize Rialto Theatre in the same vein as the old Chinatown used to be centered in Washington St. close to the Pioneer Square.

Greetings were extended by Consul Shinichi Tomihari of Japan, Mr. Genji Mihara of the Japanese American Service, and Mr. H. T. Kubota, businessman and publisher of North American Post. President Elmer Tazuma in a brief message (in English) evaluated the past year's accomplishments. In reference to Landlord-Tenant Act, Tazuma said: "We learned enough and if this comes up again, we will know what to do."

Entertainment was provided in classical Japanese dances performed by Miyuki Saito of Hanayagi and Fujima Fujimine Sensei. If anyone entertained the notion that Japanese language here was being phased out this might have been the night for revelation. Most of the proceedings were in Japanese except for the conversations at the table. Frank H. Hattori and George Fugami took turns in MC with flawless Nihongo in a true tradition.

HARA ASKS EXTENDED POWER IN AUDITOR'S OFFICE

The King County Council is on the verge of giving Auditor Lloyd F. Hara, a super-watch-dog role in the financial affairs of county officials and department. Hara's powers would



AUDITOR HARA (Cont'd): include search and seizure and the right to call uncooperative officials before him for questioning under oath. Anyone refusing to answer questions is subject to a \$250.00 fine for each violation. Before passing this ordinance the County Council decided Feb. 5 to delay until latter part of month to study the legal implications. This year Hara and his eight-person staff, most of whom have masters' degrees in business administration, intends to concentrate on scrutiny of law enforcement and judicial operations. Hara was appointed auditor three years ago, has a U. of W. bachelor's degree in economics, a master's degree in public administration, and he hopes to complete a doctorate this year in public finance and urban government. Hara is member of JACL board and chairman of the EOC board.

#### MAYOR ANGRY OVER RAID

Mayor Wes Uhlman publicly apologized Feb. 6 for the police department's handling of an International District gambling raid 11:15 p.m. Feb. 5. Vice officers and patrolmen apprehended 76 persons at the Chinese Hong Say Society hall, 510 Maynard Ave. S. where a combination Chinese New Year celebration and club anniversary party was in progress. The adults were booked into the City Jail, a procedure which lasted until 6 a.m. "It concerns me very much and it appears that some people in the Police Department are treating Chinese citizens as second class citizens," Uhlman said. The mayor also suggested that it was not necessary to book the suspects physically at police headquarters. In some such raids citations are issued. Police chief indicated that charges for innocent bystanders will be dropped.

NEWS JOTTINGS: Glen Nakamichi of the Rainier Beach scored all nine of his markers in the final eight minutes for Rainier Beach Vikings' win over Cleveland Eagles 63-74 Jan. 16. Ishino scored 2 for RB while Nikaitani had 3 counters for the loser. . . Franklin High grad Patricia Yoshida is enrolled in the arts and sciences honors program at the UW. Each student in the program has the personal attention of an honors advisor. . . Barbara A. Chikusa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sadanobu Chikusa, is on the Dean's List at the Seattle Pacific College for superior scholarship autumn quarter. . . Don Kazama was named Cleveland area chairman to work against the recall of four Seattle School Board members. The recall bid failed. . . Mrs. Tim Chinn serves as 1973 Parkway District Mint chairman in the Seattle-King County Council of Camp Fire Girls' annual mint sales ending Feb. 21. Committee members include: Mrs. Yoshito Harada, Mrs. Rupert Fujii, and Mrs. George Okamoto. . . The Lighthouse for the Blind, Inc., marked 55 years of service to the blind Jan. 23. Kenneth Kiyoshi Tomita, who has been employed in the Lighthouse machine shop nearly 14 years, was named "Blind Worker of the Year." Tomita operates milling machine making parts for the Boeing Co. . . .

Mrs. Isaac (Lensey C.) Namioka, 43, earned herself a week's trip to Japan after winning a Radio Japan essay contest. Mrs. Namioka, whose husband is of Japanese descent, was one of three winners in the world-wide contest. America shortwave radio program in English is broadcast every afternoon, Seattle time. . . John Eng and Chatalas, both Seattle Democrat filed a bill in legislature HB42--Removing citizenship requirements to teach in state public schools. Corresponding bill in senate was introduced by Gardner, Durkan, and Fleming. . . Paul Horiuchi sang in the chorus of Seattle Opera's production of "Manon Lescaut" in Italian on Jan. 25, 27, 31 and Feb. 3. Horiuchi, a tenor, will be seen as a student in the upcoming production. He has been a member of the Seattle Opera chorus for ten years and has been a church soloist in addition to his singing appearances at Seattle U. He and his wife Allene have three children. . . The Presidents' Forum met Jan. 8 in the Roosevelt Hotel. Tsuguo Ikeda, executive director of the Atlantic St. Center, gave a talk. Helen H. Hewitt, parliamentarian, led a discussion. . . Ben Masin has been elected to a fourth term as president of the Pioneer Square Association. David Ishii of the David Ishii Bookseller was among the 11 board members elected to two-year terms. . . Herbert M. Tsuchiya, Rainier Valley businessman, has been named for a second three-year term on the Seattle Park Board. . .

Harold Booker of the King County Housing Authority has been elected president of the Seattle-King County Economic Opportunity Board. Lloyd Hara, representing the King County Council, was elected vice president. The headquarter is being relocated to the Campion Tower, 907 James St. . . The Rev. Leroy Brown has been elected president of the Atlantic Street Center board of directors succeeding George Fugami who held the post for at least two years. Other officers include Phyllis Oshikawa, chairman of the nominating committee. . .

Spokane:--Lt. Col. James Y. Nagahiro stationed at Fairchild Air Force Base near Spokane are among the four Spokane B-52 fliers listed as missing just before the bombing halt. Col. Donald Keplinger, 92nd Bomb Wing commander at the base, said B-52s in the past have been able to jam the radar-guided missiles fired at them during missions. "But it appears the North Vietnamese have abandoned radar control and are firing salvos of missiles set to go off at the approximate altitude our planes are flying," he said. "B-52s simply aren't very maneuverable in situations like that, you can expect losses." . . . James V. O'Conner has been elected president of the Washington Notary Public Association. Other newly elected officers includes Midori S. Uyeda, owner of Mid's Secretarial, as secretary-coordinator. The State of Washington has more than 20,000 notaries public. . . Chinese American women from Seattle who are 17 to 26 were invited to enter the 16th annual Miss Chinatown U.S.A. contest with entry blanks available in Chinese Chamber of Commerce in S.F. The deadline was Jan. 15. . . The Washington State Board of Accountancy reported Feb. 4 that 138 passed the CPA examination given last November. James Shuichi Baba and Gary U. Kobata, both Seattle, were among those passing.

Miss Kathleen Uno became the bride of Steven Yuasa at the St. James Cathedral Church Feb. 10. Kathleen is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John H. Uno and Steven is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Yuasa. Steven graduated from SCCC and is employed by the printing firm while Kathleen works in the doctor's office. . . Miss Charity Kay Pieracci and George Isami Hamano were married Dec. 25 in Reno. Hamano, a civil engineer and U. of Hawaii graduate, worked for the City of Seattle Engineering Dept. before entering recently into law school of U. of Gonzaga. . . (Cont'd next page)



**MILESTONES:** Maaaye Kuramoto 75, Dec. 24. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Hiroshima Club, Hyaku Do Kai. Survivors include: s. Tetsuo, Ted T., Masao Kuramoto, all all Seattle; Toshio Hashimoto, Tokyo; d Mrs. Joe (Miyoko) Nakatsu, Seattle . . . Kakujiro Tanabe 84, Dec. 29. St. Peter's Episcopal Church . . . Tsuneaki Matsudaira (Tokyo) 68, Dec. 31 . . . Tase Sagara (Summer). Services Jan. 5. White River Buddhist Church, Auburn. Resident of Auburn community since 1911. Mother of Takeshi Sagara, Buffalo, NY; Mrs. Jeanette Egusa, Dayton, Ohio and Mrs. Frances Grangruth, Auburn . . . Shigeno Fujii 84, Jan. 6. Nichiren Buddhist Church, Okayama Club. Survivors include s Masao, Seattle and Tameo Fujii, L.A. . . . Sukesaku Kubo 89, Jan. 7. Seattle Buddhist Church, Ohmi Club, Hyaku Do Kai. Survivors include: s Kazuo Kubo, Seattle; George Kubo, Des Moines, WA; d Mrs. Ike (Lily) Kunimoto, Seattle; Mrs. Mike (Yasuko) Nomi, San Jose . . . Mary O. Kozu 57, Jan. 10. Private services. Survived by h Dr. Shinji Kozu; s Robert Allan Kozu, Arlington, VA; Lawrence Mark Kozu, Seattle; two brothers Frank Okamura, Seattle; George Okamura, Englecliff, NJ; sis Mrs. Matthew (Hannah) Kozasa, Seattle; Marguerite Okamura, NYC . . . Kyotaro Kurahara 83, Jan. 11. Blaine Memorial Methodist Church, Kumamoto Club, Senryu Club. Survivors include: w Miyuki; s. Dr. Louis Kurahara, Spokane; Ted N. Kurahara, NYC; d Mrs. Show (Shizuka) Okazaki, Seattle . . . Ohisa Nakata 79, Jan. 13. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Hiroshima Club. Survivors include: s Charles T., Okinawa; Ted T. and Ben M. Nakata, both Seattle; d Mrs. Frank (Pauline) Yamashita, Seattle; Mrs. Tad (Helen) Ichinokuchi, L.A. . . . Kugayo Tamura 79, Jan. 17. Seattle Buddhist Church, Hiroshima Club. Survivors include d Gladys Tamura and Mrs. John (Nobuko) Takizawa, both Seattle; Mrs. Ossie (Mary) imayanagita, Huntington Beach, CA; Mrs. Atsushi (Sue) Shintani of Spokane . . . Yoshisaburo Miyauchi 87, Jan. 21. Private services. Memorial services at the Japanese Baptist Church, Ehime Club. Survivors include: w Tami, s Dixon Y. Miyauchi, Morrisonville, NY; David T. Miyauchi, Seattle; d Mrs. John (Esther) Kashiwagi, Seattle; Mrs. Martha Ito, Honolulu; Mrs. Terry (Mary) Kumagai, Lexington, Ky . . . Joe Mitsuburo Amano 83, Jan. 23. Seattle Buddhist Church, Okayama Club, Cooks & Assts Union. Survivors include: wife Ito . . . Tsukie Taniguchi (Bainbridge Is.) 71. Services Jan. 27. Mother of Teruo "Bozo" and James Taniguchi, both Bainbridge Island. Aunt of Mrs. Frank Michiko and Mrs. Yoshiko Mayeda, Seattle . . . Michael M. Yoshikawa 27, Jan. 24. Japanese Baptist Church. Also member of First Baptist Church, Teamsters Union of Local No. 117, National Guard of Washington. Survivors include: w Shirley; s Troy Yoshikawa, parents Mr. and Mrs. Jack T. Yoshikawa, b Terry Y. Yoshikawa, sis Joyce C. Yoshikawa, grandmother Mrs. K. Takakoshi, all Seattle . . . Naoto Saiki 86, Feb. 2. Services Feb. 6. International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers. Survivors include: w Io; s Hideo, Spokane; Yoshio Saiki, Seattle; d Mrs. Masao (Yaeko) Tatsumi, Cleveland; Mrs. Will (Mitsuko) Shiomi, Seattle . . . Sekiyo Yamamoto 74, Feb. 4. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Hiroshima Club. Survivors include: s George, Robert M., Ben T., Joe I., Tom T., and Kay Yamamoto; d Mrs. Umio (Fumiye) Nomura, Mrs. Donald (Yaeko) Suyetani and Mrs. Robert (Toshiko) Chinn, all Seattle; and Mrs. Akihiko (Tome) Mihara, Philadelphia . . . Tsunezo Tsue 84, Feb. 4. Seattle Buddhist Church. Survivors include: w Yone; s Teruyoshi Ted Tsue and Yoshio Tsue, both Seattle; d Mrs. Kazuya (Fusako) Ichikawa, Anaheim and Mrs. Alice Arita, Seattle; Mrs. Richard (Yukiko) Abe, Redwood City, CA . . . Fujitaro Kubota 92, Feb. 6. Konkokyo Church. Born in Japan, Mr. Kubota went to Hawaii in 1907 and later lived in California. He came here in 1910 and worked in sawmills, later operating a hotel and apartment house. Mr. Kubota established a gardening and landscaping business from a hobby in the early 1920s and landscaped many properties in the Northwest, including the Rainier Club and Seattle University. He retired about 20 years ago but remained a consultant until recently to his sons, Takeshi and Tom Kubota.

Mr. Kubota helped establish the Bunraku, a musical and theatrical group and was an instructor. He was a director of the Konkokyo Church and a member of JACL Thousand Club which provides financial aid. Last November he received the Fifth Order of the Sacred Treasure from the Japanese government for promoting Japanese-American relations. Surviving besides his sons are two daughters Mrs. May Yano, Seattle and Mrs. Okada Tsuyomi, Osaka, Japan . . . Suwabe Ise. Services Feb. 10. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Womens Fellowship; Kanagawa Club. Survivors include: s Takeji "Tak", Seattle; and Akira Suwabe, San Mateo; d Mrs. Masao (Kaoru) Inouye . . .

**BUSINESS AND FINANCE:** Leasing began Dec. 26 at International Terrace, 202 6th Ave. S., a 12-story, 100 unit bldg for low-income elderly developed for the Seattle Housing Authority. The opening brings to an end a Turnkey construction program begun in 1968 that has added 2,515 units to the authority's housing stock, according to William Nishimura, authority's executive director. Riley Pleas, Inc., developed the bldg at a cost of \$1,995,157. The Seattle Chapter JACL board had opposed the construction site location due to the heavy street grade while walking from the heart of the International District . . . \$250,000 for an auto sales room and garage sold to Taul Watanabe by Burk Hawk . . . Atsuyuki Sato of the National Bank of Commerce were among the ten officers promoted to vice president . . . Burlington Northern filed Jan. 16 an "impact statement" for the proposed center's two 16-story towers Pacific Trade Center running from Seneca to Madison Sts and bounded by Western Ave. and the Alaskan Way viaduct. Taul Watanabe, Burlington Northern vice president for International commerce, said initial reaction in the proposal "has been excellent." . . .

Michael S. Eguchi has been named to the post of Sales Coordinator for KOMO-TV, Phelps K. Fisher, local sales manager for the Seattle ABC Television affiliate, announced. Eguchi will handle sales service liaison between clients and the Channel 4 sales department. Michael joined KOMO-TV in May 1969, as a part-time film room assistant, becoming fulltime film editor in June 1969. He held this position while continuing his education. Prior to coming to KOMO-TV, Eguchi served for two years under Dr. Dixie Lee Ray as a science demonstrator for the Pacific Science Center. Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiro Eguchi. Mike graduated with honors in Radio-Television from the U.W. in 1970 and completed on his work on his second degree with honors in Marketing in 1972 . . . -----o-----



PATSY MINK SPEAKS ON WOMEN'S RIGHTS

Representative Patsy Mink (D) spoke Feb. 2 at the Seattle University to open a series on the theme "Women in Charge," sponsored by S.U. Associated Women Students. The distinguished lawyer and professor of business law spoke on "The Role You Can Play to Effect Change."

"If women wish to achieve recognition in this country," she said, "it will be necessary to create a sense of what the priorities are, what the human needs are. Discrimination against women is a reality and it will be a tremendous job for the few who recognize it as a problem. More women should band together and mobilize their efforts. Many women still are a part of the silent majority who even resent other women who are active. The message I want to convey is that each individual has an important role to play," Mink continued.

She spoke of sex discrimination in universities where she said enrollment of women is limited to a percentage. She urged a better education for women because without it they "come out second best."

AMERICAN WOMEN VISITS HANOI

Three American women are visiting Hanoi at the invitation of the Vietnam Women's Union, Alice Franklin Bryant said Jan. 31. Mrs. Bryant, chairman of the Seattle Branch, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, said the three women took packages and letters for American prisoners of war. They arrived in Hanoi Jan. 27. The three are Marii Hasegawa, Richmond, Va., president of the league's United States section; Dorothy R. Steffens, its executive director, and Louise Leone, a reporter-photographer for the Knight Newspapers.

ACCIDENTS STRIKE TWICE AT BUDDHIST NURSERY

Mrs. Kiyo Harada, director of the Seattle Buddhist Day Nursery, was hurled across a basement room and burned seriously in an explosion in the nursery at 1416 S. Jackson Jan. 23. About 40 to 50 preschool children escaped injury in the blast. Mrs. Harada's condition is now described as good. On Feb. 6 two small children were injured slightly when a Buddhist Church Day Nursery bus overturned after colliding with a car at 19th Ave. and E. Union. Five or six other youngsters were aboard the bus when it overturned but escaped unhurt. The driver, Harry Anzai, also was uninjured.

HOBBY COURSE AT THE MAIN LIBRARY

The Seattle Public Library is offering a series of free classes in six different crafts beginning with one on Japanese floral arrangement taught by Patricia Swerda Feb. 6. Each class is held from 1 to 4 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month for the next five months, all in the Main Library auditorium. There is a separate registration for each class. Other classes include knitting, jewelry making, macrame and weaving.

TAUL WATANABE URGES POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT FOR JACLERS IN KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The annual Seattle Chapter JACL installation and awards banquet featuring luxurious steak, was held Jan. 26 at the Bush Garden Restaurant. 140 attended. Ben Nakagawa was formally installed as president along with the rest of the cabinet by Governor Dr. James Watanabe of PNWDC. Nakagawa is principal of Wing Luke Elementary School, vice president of Central Seattle Community Council Federation, and member of the executive board of Seattle Teachers Association. His wife Mako is equally proficient in the educational field having originated and now coordinates the "Japanese American Cultural Heritage Program" for the elementary school students.

City Council President Liem Eng Tuai and master of ceremony for the evening introduced Mayor Wes Uhlman. What's this story about politics bringing together strange bed fellows? Mayor Uhlman and Council president Tuai are on collision course for the majority race this fall.

Mayor Wes Uhlman sent greetings on behalf of all of the citizens of the City.

Consul-General Yoshiro Yasui expressed his joy in attending JA functions and considers the Japanese Americans as one of its proudest aliens having the same scheme and interest in the Japanese culture. He gave credit to the Issei upbringing.

In the award presentation program Mrs. Mickey Oyama who has been the backbone in the production staff of the JACL newsletter was given recognition for her long service in making the newsletter possible. Roy Seko, coowner of Bush Garden Restaurant, received the Silver Pin Award for unswerving devotion, service and loyalty to the cause of JACL. A Thousand Club member for 14 years, he worked for years on Japanese Seafair floats, and was on the committee of Coronation Ball, 50th anniversary banquet, and installation and awards. His committee initiated the JACL directory project in 1967 and chaired the two subsequent editions.

Ben Nakagawa in accepting the gavel said: "I did have some reservation about accepting the position of president but after meeting the board members, I feel confident that they'll give me all the support I'll need." Outgoing president Tomio Moriguchi touched on the year's accomplishments: Pride and Shame traveling exhibit chaired by Dr. Minoru Masuda; Art and Helene Yorozu as scholarship chairmen received \$1,000 addition from Uhachi Tamesa to the Minoru Tamesa Memorial Scholarship Fund and Chapter nominees were awarded two \$500.00 Sumitomo Collegiate Scholarships; \$500.00 Inagaki Award; Mitch Matsudaira's Social Concerns

Committee with the workshops involving the whole Asian community; revival of golf meet with Thousand Club under Frank H. Hattori; Jiro Namatame's very successful Japanese directory project; joint picnic with White River and Puyallup Chapters; and highlighted by the acceptance of Barry Matsumoto to the Washington Representative office.

City Council President Liem Eng Tuai introduced the speaker Taul Watanabe, who has a long list of accomplishments in finance and management. Watanabe spoke on "Ethnic Productivity for Recognition and Identification." He pondered the question "What is the best way to let people know who we are, what are capabilities are (if we have any)?" Watanabe said:

"I think to date JACL is the most powerful productivity organization. The effectiveness of JACL I could go back to all the goods they have done prior to the war and right



INSTALLATION DINNER (Cont'd): after the war. I'm sure there isn't one person here tonight who can question the results and achievements that the JACL have attained up to now."

But at the same time Watanabe feels JACL has been like a ship without a rudder for the last 15 to 20 years. We raise money to fight certain discriminatory legislation. But "who are the people responsible for passing laws directed against minority? We wait until the law is passed and try to extinguish the fire. We are working the problems "ass backward," he said.

Watanabe believes the greatest duty of JACL is to get involved politically to steady the rudder of JACL. "Have you contributed to the candidates cause? Have you been politically involved with any candidates? I want to ask yourself this question." He had hopes for the state of Washington Japanese Americans for having the most progressive and the most educated anywhere else in the country in the words of Taul Watanabe.

Program: Invocation and benediction--Rev. Paul Nagano; flag salute--Commander Paul Minato of Nisei Vet Committee; musical selections--Deems Tsutakawa; banquet committee--Tak Kubota, general chairman; Connie Asaka, Cherry Kinoshita, Tomio Moriguchi, Kimi Nakanishi, Terry Nakano, Ted Sakahara, and Jack Shiota.

JACLERS INVITED TO JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY DINNER

Mike M. Masaoka of Washington, D.C., prominent Nisei leader, will address the annual meeting of the Japan-America Society of Seattle, Tuesday, February 27, at the Olympic Hotel.

A special invitation is being extended to JACL member. A no-host reception will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Spanish Lounge, with dinner to follow in the Spanish Ballroom at 7:30 p.m. Dinner fee is \$10.00 per person, and reservations may be made with Dr. Terrance M. Toda, MA 3-6863. Attendance at the dinner is by advance reservation only, and deadline for reservations is Wednesday, Feb. 21.

The society, founded here in 1923, will be observing its 50th anniversary. Presiding at the meeting will be William Y. Mambu, society president. Members will elect new officers and directors, and other highlights will include naming winners of society scholarships and the annual haiku contest.

Masaoka is credited with helping to secure most of the corrective and remedial legislation of the past 25 years benefiting persons of Japanese ancestry. He resigned from the JACL post and will concentrate more on trade problems.

Calendar of Events

- Feb. 16--First annual Asian community potluck dinner and get-together. Program 6 p.m., potluck 7 p.m. Filipino Community Center, 5740 Empire Way S. Free.
- 16 thru 19--Rokka Ski Club benefit movie at Kokusai Theater featuring "Sword of Vengeance" and a drama feature. \$2.00. Fri., Sat. 6:30, 8:00 p.m. Sunday 2:00 cont.; Mon. 6:00, 7:45 p.m.
- 19--(Monday and legal holiday for students). Benefit skating party sponsored by Cleveland High School Asian Coalition Students from 7-9:30 p.m. at Tiffany's Roller Skate Inn. Tickets can be bought from Chris Kato, vice principal of Cleveland High (587-3550) or from Dennis Iwami, the advisor at the same number. Admission 50¢.
- 20--Regular JACL monthly meeting at the JACL office from 7:45 p.m. Refreshments.
- 27--Annual meeting of Japan-America Society of Seattle. A no-host reception 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m. in the Spanish Ballroom of The Olympic. Mike Masaoka, speaker. Reservation with Dr. Terrance M. Toda, MA 3-6863.
- Mar. 4--The annual banquet by the Cathay Post 186 American Legion at Four Seas. Eddie Yip, commander.
- 5-10--27th Annual JACL National Bowling Tournament in Portland at Timber Lanes, 4030 N.E. Halsey. Each participants must be a current member of American Bowling Congress or the Women's International Bowling Congress and JACL. Deadline was Jan. 23.
- 9--Deadline for JACL Reporter for March issue. Mail articles, news clippings, announcements to: c/o (Editor) Eira Nagaoka, 170 11th Avenue, Seattle 98122.
- 14--Newsletter mailing night. About one hour work. JACL office from 8 p.m.
- 20--Regular JACL meeting at the JACL office from 7:45 p.m.
- 23--Rokka Ski Club bash at the Rainier Brewery from 6 to 10 p.m. \$3.00 per head includes buffet, tour, and all the beer you can drink. For members, guests, and persons interested in Rokka Ski club. Fred Hirai, chairman.
- 25--The benefit Seattle Buddhist Church bazaar to be held at the Seattle Buddhist Church auditorium, 1427 S. Main St.
- April 27-28--Sukiyaki dinner for remodeling fund benefit at the Japanese Baptist Church from 6-8 p.m. Program from 8-9 p.m. \$3.00 for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 and under. Doll display, origami display, ikebana isplay and sumi writing. For reservations call Mrs. Sue Nakagawa (AD 2-3522) or church office (622-7351). Mrs. Charlotte Yamane, chairperson.
- June 25--7th National Nisei Veterans Reunion in Honolulu from June 25 to July 5.

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