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JACL MEMBERS MEETING SET FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 17

Newsletter for February, March and the current April issue had been published without the benefit of attending the meeting in its entirety. March meeting was missed completely. All this happened because of conflicting dates of church basketball league schedule. Many thanks to those who helped to reconstruct the proceedings of the monthly meeting and to the writers of various articles. It just goes to show that everyone is wide awake. There should be more depth in coverage starting with the next issue.

The appointment to the board by President Nakagawa were Sylvester Tangalin, President of the Filipino Club, and Dean Charles Z. Smith, University of Washington Law School, and was announced during the February meeting.

Low keyed Greater Seattle Japanese Community Queen Committee under chairman Frank T. Hattori hopes to get underway this year. The Queen Committee of two years past still exists. The old or the new committee hopes to lay the groundwork to make the Japanese community more visible to the mainstream society starting with the Seafair activities.

One Thousand Club under chairperson Frank T. Hattori has been granted the request of \$50.00 working fund for the golf trophy. Tournament winners of last year Toru Sakahara and Mrs. Kimi Nakanishi have been appointed as chair-people for the Thousand Club golf tourney.

The next quarterly meeting of the Pacific Northwest District Council hosted by Puyallup Valley Chapter has been set for July 14 and 15 at Canterbury West in Westport. Room rates are \$18.50 (two double beds); \$20.00 (plus kitchen); and \$32.00 (plus kitchen and fireplace.) Dr. Kanda has reserved a salmon fishing boat for that weekend which will accommodate 20 persons. The total cost for the fishing trip is \$24.64 which includes pole, bait, and lunch. All JACL members are welcome. Contact Ben Nakagawa for further information.

Correspondence has been received from Coalition Against Discrimination (CAD) of which JACL is a member expressing concern about the Social Security Act granting social security credit for time spent in concentration camps during WW2. Bill stipulates that persons 18 or older and United States citizens at time of internment would qualify. This ruling would exclude Issei who were non-citizens at time of internment at the time of internment. President Ben Nakagawa has written to Washington Representative Barry Matsumoto to see what the National JACL plans to do.

The "Pride and the Shame" traveling exhibit chaired by Dr. Minoru Masuda, will be shown to ten Seattle high schools. \$1,050.00 grant has been received from Model Cities Multi-ethnic Curriculum Fund to write two textbooks on the Japanese Americans for elementary and secondary school levels. The Seattle Chapter JACL will maintain the copyright.

The City Council made final approval Mar. 24 for \$200,000.00 seed money to start Asian Cultural-Social-Trade Center in the International District. Earlier in March Mayor Uhlman assured President Nakagawa in a letter when he said: "I look forward to working with the Council to create the best possible program for the distribution of our revenue sharing money. I am sure that included in that program will be funds for the Asian Cultural Center."

The Seattle Chapter hopes to develop position paper immediately on the life style which the community wish to retain in the area. The advisory group for the Center are considering large foreign investments, commercial interests, large hotel complex for tourist attraction and stadium traffic.

Correspondence has been received from Frederick & Nelson agreeing to change procedure for labeling merchandise imported from Japan to read "JPN" rather than "JAP."

\$19.00 for the purchase of staple machine for newsletter has been approved.

The next monthly membership meeting will be held Tuesday, April 17 at the JACL office starting at 7:45 p.m. in the JACL office, 526 S. Jackson St.

In addition to the committee reports, one of the main item on agenda is the offer of Dr. Lindbergh S. Sata for the two-week leadership training under National Training Laboratories which was affiliated with the National Education Association. Details are covered elsewhere in this issue.

There has been a tremendous turnout in all the meetings. Everyone is free to take the floor and make presentations on the subject affecting the community. Interest is centered on the Asian Center in the International District. The community will be concerned when the Planned Variation portion of the Seattle Model City Program will be phasing out June 30. Bring your friends and acquaintances. Refreshments will be served. Mark the calendar for Apr. 17 at 7:45 p.m. in the JACL office. Everyone is welcome.

NEWSLETTER MAILING BOOSTED BY J.A. CULTURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM YOUNG PEOPLE

by Ms. Mako Nakagawa

Members of the Japanese American Cultural Heritage Program and friends made up the mailing crew for the Japanese American Citizens League newsletters in March. The young people turned out in numbers in spite of the fact that it was finals week at school and several postponements of mailing night was frustrating. By the time the late comers arrived the crew had wound up the work and was enjoying a can of Coke. The following young people walked away happily from the JACL Office being told they were a record breaking crew:

Mari Chin, Melvin Inouye, Gary Kiyonaga, Tim Louie, Betty Mihara, Pat Mihara, Gerry Miyazaki, Coleen Morisaki, Jeannie Nirano and Bob Watanabe.

They reported they were happy to be of service.

USHIO, MATSUMOTO, AND HAYASHI OF JACL STAFF CONVERGE IN SEATTLE OFFICE

Don Hayashi, new Regional director for the Pacific Northwest-Intermountain Districts, along with National executive director Dave Ushio and Washington Representative Barry Matsumoto, visited Seattle office Mar. 10.

Hayashi in his new job hopes to visit as many as 15 Chapters by the end of April. He will be trying to find out the Chapter concensus and to develop communication link. Japanese has done very little in Idaho and Oregon in the legislative field, Hayashi said. There is no governor's advisory committee. State human relations department in Idaho is understaffed while Oregon doesn't even have one, according to Hayashi.

We asked Hayashi what he might accomplish as a regional director. The office, he says, will provide information and membership services such as health plan, credit, and visual communication material. There will be a resource file of activities and projects which the local chapters could utilize. There will be a current file on the data for employment and discrimination. The office will assist in the community action program and hope to develop funding sources. There will be assistance from the regional office in refinement of any proposal written. "If you don't get down to Chapter level to develop critique then we aren't an organization," Hayashi said. Hayashi's regional office is located at 327 N.W. Couch St., Portland 97209. Phone (503) 223-4041.

Dave Ushio from the San Francisco office said they would lend technical assistance in training to develop local volunteers at the Chapter level. "We have very excellent staff people almost filled," Ushio said. (He was referring to recent staff appointments of Patricia J. Nakano, M.A. from HEW office in Washington, D.C. with experience as director of research and public grants for a firm in L.A.; Margaret Masumi Yamamoto, former assistant public relations officer at State University of N.Y. and is completing her Master's in Mass Communication; Eugene Takeshi Moriguchi, attorney; (Ms.) Gerry Inouye with B.S. in Business Education, etc.).

Ushio hopes to change the archaic membership system by computerization. At least potentially we have so many expertise, Ushio said. He sees high hopes for the future.

The Workings of JACL Table of Organization

One of the question asked the staff members was the JACL "Chain of Command" system. How does one get attention at the National level when the Chapter has a petition or resolution?

It was explained that resolution started in the Seattle Chapter would go to Northwest District Council under Gov. Dr. James Watanabe who is also member of the National Board. The District Council will be asked to give support. In the meantime copies of the letter should be sent to Regional Director Don Hayashi, Washington Representative Barry Matsumoto, National president Henry T. Tanaka, executive director Dave Ushio, and to various district governors. It was warned that any proposal will be killed by the executive committee of the National Board if the proposal was not worth the time and effort. The executive power is vested in the National Board which include National officers, District governors, District youth counsel, legal counsels, etc.

Once it get past the National Board, the question will be brought up to the floor of the National Counsel which is the regular business session of the National biennial JACL convention with each member chapter receiving one vote in the process of ratification.

DR. SATA CONDUCTS LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP

by Ms. Makro Nakagawa

The Japanese American Citizens League co-sponsored an Asian Youth Leadership Training Workshop along with the Harborview Mental Health Center on March 30 and 31. Participants of the workshop were all members of the Japanese American Cultural Heritage Program. Dr. Lindbergh Sata (First Vice President of JACL and Executive Director of Harborview Mental Health Center) organized and directed the sessions which were an exciting and most rewarding experience for the young people involved. The students unanimously agreed that the experience could not help but have an impact on their views of themselves. The only lament among them was they were greedy for more and wished more of their friends had the opportunity too. All of the participants were very grateful to Dr. Sata for being what he is and wished to extend their thanks to the Harborview Mental Health Center and the JACL.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR THE ASIAN COMMUNITY

(Ed. note: Dr. Lindbergh S. Sata has written the following letter to Chapter president on the possibility of discussion on this issue and possible sponsorship of trainees. The letter is self-explanatory.)

"During recent committee meeting within the National Training Laboratories, I had the opportunity to spend sometime talking with the president of the organization and one of his staff members with specific reference for the need to develop group oriented leadership potential from within the Asian community. At present the National Training Laboratories as an international association has, to the best of my knowledge, only two trainers who are Asians; namely, Bob Chinn in Boston and myself in the Seattle area. The interest of the NTR of encouraging the development of Asian trainer resources was encouraging and there is a good possibility that tuitions for training workshops could be waived on a selective basis as a first step towards developing a manpower pool.

"In our preliminary discussions with NTL, I also agreed to contact various organizations on the West Coast of potential community leaders with experience and/or interest in developing group skills as trainers. I also indicated my willingness to interview potential candidates and to make recommendations to the National Training laboratory of a potential applicant's ability. Although the National Training Laboratories has agreed to the possibility of waiving tuition requirements, the applicants will nevertheless be faced with travel and subsistence needs which collectively amount to approximately \$450 for two-week period."

SUMMARY OF 1973 NATIONAL JACL BOWLING TOURNAMENT IN PORTLAND MAR. 5-10

Men's Team Event--4th place Four Seas Restaurant 2865; squad 2 2nd Trident Import 2796; squad 3 1st Uwajimaya 2970; squad 4 National Bank of Commerce 2948; Women's Team Event--5th Imperial Lanes No. 1 2537; squad 2 Seattle NBA 2426; squad 3 Imperial Lanes No. 2 2542; Mixed Doubles 6th Diana Namba-Art Watanabe 1138; squad 3 1st Mary Yokoyama-Byron Kobayashi 1147; squad 4 2nd Pauline Yoshida-Ranky Hikida 1070; Men's 6-game Singles--13th Dave Huie 1248; squad 3 3rd Yuk Takeuchi 1217; squad 4 2nd Alan Fukuda 1205; squad 5 Steve Yamasaki 1332; Women's All-Events--4th Fumi Yamasaki 1620; Men's Singles 6th Ray Ko 666; 14th Alan Fukuda 20th Alan Fukuda 615; 30th Joe Ohashi 601; squad 3 2nd George Kishida 590; squad 4 2nd Doug Ikegami 579; squad 6 1st Roy Seko 644; squad 10 2nd Cecil Ohashi 634; Women's Singles--squad 2 1st Joan Seko 511; 2nd Donna Fujii 565; Men's Doubles--6th Arata Nakamura-Ken Takei 1168; 9th Hank Matsubu-Alan Fukuda 1138; 10th Sho Suyama-Kaz Fujita 1137; squad 7 1st Ray Otani-Hod Otani 1150; squad 8 1st Jeff Wong-Rod Namba 1179; Women's Doubles--4th Jeni Nakamura-Diana Namba 1061; squad 4 1st Yone Kishida-Yoyo Mikami 1050; squad 6 1st Neva Kawahara-Nina Chin 1080. Men's All Events--8th Alan Fukuda 1874; 24th Arata Nakamura 1788.

Young Diana Namba had a total of 2947 for her tournament 16 games to take home the beautiful Seiko transistor table clock donated by Nagoya Chunichi Shimbun, emblematic of the Women's Overall Events title. Dr. Roland Kumasaka received special prizes in drawings.

BUDDHIST IN OVERTIME WIN OVER BAPTIST TO TAKE CHURCH LEAGUE TITLE

Seattle Buddhist ended the four-year Baptist domination in the Nisei Interchurch Basketball League with a 31-25 overtime victory Mar. 20 in the Baptist gym. Alan Nakamura and Gary Kato contributed 4 and 2 points respectively in overtime while the Baptist was held at bay. Eric Kasahara scored 20 points including all 11 team points in the first half. Jeff Yamane countered for 10 points in a losing cause.

Buddhist (31)--Eric Kasahara 20, Gary Kato 2, Laine Tsujii 3, Alan Nakamura 6; Baptist (25)--Mark Nakagawa 4, Tommy Nakamichi 2, Jeff Yamane 10, Kris Kosugi 2, Joe Yoshikawa 7.

In the preliminary game ever improving Presbyterian had hopes for a major upset over Methodist only to lose in the closing minutes 37-36. Tom Yoshioka led the Methodist attack with 12 points while Mike Uomoto of Presbyterian won the scoring honor with 18.

Methodist (37)--Tom Yoshioka 12, Gene Segimoto 2, John Toda 8, Victor Yagi 3, Rick Mano 5, Stevens Rogers 4, Jay Segimoto 4; Presbyterian (36)--Scott Uomoto 6, Mike Uomoto 18, Jason Nishioka 2, Ken Kumasaka 6, Bryan Kumasaka 4. Jack Yamashita, First Hill Lions prexy, was MC of award program assisted by Bob Matsuura, past president of the same organization.

INTERCHURCH MIXED VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE BANQUET

The Interchurch Mixed Volleyball League banquet was held Mar. 17 at the Blaine Methodist Church, culminating 12 weeks of friendly competition in the Asian community. Methodist Team #2 won the perpetual runnerup trophy. This was the first attempt on the part of the community to organize a league of this sort, and because of the enthusiastic participation of the many churches, it will become an annual community activity. Kiyoshi Shimitsu and Yosh Tomita are the originator of this project. The trophies were donated by Osborn & Ulland Sporting Goods. Following is a list of the 11 teams and their captains which participated:

Japanese Baptist Church team #1, Kiyoshi Shimitsu; Japanese Baptist Church team #2, Yosh Tomita; Seattle Buddhist Church team #1, John Yamada; Seattle Buddhist Church team #2, Tsu Kanzaki; Blaine Methodist Church team #1, Bob Sato; Blaine Methodist Church team #2, Chuck Kato; Chinese Baptist Church, Wayne Mar; Japanese Presbyterian Church, Don Tekawa; Nichiren Buddhist Church, Ted Yamamoto; Faith Bible Church, Hiro Kawachi and St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Joe Shoji.

CANDIDATES PRESENTED FOR THE SEASON'S LAST MEETING APRIL 6

The executive committee came up with the following slate of next year's candidates: President Hiram Akita; vice president Kay Takeuchi; secretary Kachi Ikeda; treasurer Jim Dossett and historian Lorraine Kondo. A new by-laws for the Rokka Ski Club has been drawn up under the guidance of Harry Kadoshima to be ratified by general membership.

Trophy winners of Rokka Race were as follow: intermediate women--1st Wendy Hashimoto 1.05, 2nd Sheila Okamoto 1.08; intermediate men 1st Keith Koyamatsu .5479, 2nd Gordon Habu; advanced women 1st Patty Kitano .5747, 2nd Nadine Kakako .5819; advanced men 1st Wes Hashimoto .4988, 2nd Chris Suzuki .5530; expert women 1st Patti Kihara .5563, 2nd Lynn Murakami .5624; expert men 1st Steve Shimamoto .4852, 2nd Gordon Wong .4878.

A NEW COUNSELING SERVICE FOR ASIANS

by Donna Yee

Counseling and Referral services for needy Asian Americans will be offered, starting Apr. 1, by the Asian Counseling and Referral Service (ACRS). The service will be open every Monday from 3 to 9 p.m. at Blaine Memorial Methodist Church. ACRS will provide free outreach services in individual, family and group counseling as well as referrals to other agencies.

The 35-member volunteer staff includes bilingual and bicultural Japanese, Filipino and Chinese Americans with professional backgrounds in counseling.

Services to Korean and Samoan Americans will be added soon, according to Susan Tomita, ACRS coordinator. Blaine Memorial is providing church office facilities for ACRS at 3001 24th Ave. S. The ACRS phone number is 723-1536.

MS. NOBIE CHAN APPOINTED TO CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION POST

Mayor Wes Uhlman announced the appointment of Ms. Nobie Chan to a three year term as a member of the Civil Service Commission. Ms. Chan (formerly Nobie Kodama) will fill the position vacated by Allan Munro.

"Ms. Chan's extensive background in business administration, her involvement in community activities and her long standing support of affirmative action programs in both government and business make her an excellent choice to serve on this important Commission," said Mayor Uhlman.

NOBLE CHAN APPOINTMENT (Cont'd): Ms. Chan is a Department Head in the Renton Public School District, responsible for business education classes at Renton High School. She holds a Master of Education Degree from the U.W., a Vocational Education Certificate and has passed the National Certified Professional Secretary examination. A lifelong resident of Seattle, Ms. Chan has wide experience in business and as a civil service employee. She has been employed by the YWCA, Washington State University, Washington State Employment Security Department, the V.A. and by the Boeing Company. Ms. Chan is currently secretary of the Japanese American Citizens League, president of the Graham Hill Elementary School P-TA, Girls' Club Advisor at Renton High School and is a member of the Executive Board of the King County Council of Campfire Girls. Ms. Chan is also a member of the Chinese Community Service organization.

Uhlman cited in example that a number of important City posts have been filled by Asian minorities. Uhlman noted his appointees include Phil Hayasaka, Director of the City Human Rights Department, and Tomi Terao, Director of the City's Purchasing Department. Uhlman appointments to the City's regulatory boards and commissions include the appointments of Ben Woo to the Board of Adjustment, Frank Hattori to the City Planning Commission, William Nishimura to the Technical Advisory Commission on Aging, Toru Sakahara to the Citizens Housing Board, Herbert Tsuchiya to the Board of Park Commissioners and Tomio Moriguchi to the Downtown Coordinating Committee.

Uhlman cited the increase of Asians employed by the City during the first three years of his administration, an increase of 54% or 114 more positions since 1969, as an indication of the progress Ms. Chan must work for during her term. Ms. Chan is married to Superior Court Judge Warren Chan and has six children.

JAPANESE BAPTIST PLANS BENEFIT SUKIYAKI DINNER APRIL 27-28

Japanese Baptist Church will be sponsoring its annual building remodeling benefit sukiyaki dinner between 6 and 8 p.m. April 27 and 28 at the church, 901 E. Spruce St. The after dinner program begins at 8 p.m. and will feature koto solo by Mrs. Yukiko Ricker, Japanese classical folk dancing by Miss Tazue Kiyono and her pupils, and vocal solo rendered by Miss Kathleen Tanaka. There will be exhibits of ikebana, origami and Doll Festival display. Mr. Chikuji Katayama, dean of Seattle calligrapher, will demonstrate sumi writing. Decorative Japanese mobile bird and fish ribbon will also be on sale. The public is invited. The dinner is \$3.00 for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 years and under. Reservations may be made at the church office, MAin 2-7351 or Mrs. Sue Nakagawa, AD 2-3522.

Mrs. Charlotte Yamane is general chairman.

NEWS JOTTINGS: Cleveland High winners for the annual National Math contest Mar. 13 were 1st Ken Chun, second Jon Shimada and third Wilbur Chew. They will compete in district competition . . . David W. Tomita, son of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Tomita, was chosen as the KIRO Student Editoralist from Franklin High School. The topic for his editorial was on integration and the advantages of a multi-ethnic school. It was aired on the KIRO news segment on April 11 . . . Frances L. Tanaka, 3836 Courtland Place S., is listed among President's List honor roll at the Washington State U. for fall of 1972-73 . . . Named on the Dean's List at the Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine, included: Edwin M. Lee, son of Mrs. Gok S. Lee and Susan L. Tomita, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Tomita . . . Prof. Hiroshi Kasahara, of the Dept. of Fisheries at the U.W., has accepted the United Nations position for a \$7,700 increase to \$33,700 . . . Marilyn Tokuda, 1971 graduate of Franklin High and U.W. sophomore, is the star salesman for Renton Mazda and appears on television. She can also be heard on Seattle radio. Marilyn was chosen for the role from a field of 25 oriental girls. Before transferring to the University this year, she attended the School of Performing Arts in San Francisco. She plans a college arts degree in dance or drama. Recently a play written by Marilyn entitled "Marginal Man" and based on the difficult status of Asians in America was shown in the Ethnic Cultural Center with excellent response. Return showing will be made during Asian Cultural Week at the U.W. Marilyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Tokuda . . . Leslie Watanabe performed in ballet 'Sojourn,' with the 10-member Inner City Repertory Dance Company April 2 in the Opera House before 2,000 people. The praise according to the press belongs mainly to the hardworking beautiful dancers. In particular, Michelle Simmons and Leslie Watanabe must be singled out for their graceful, forceful and sometimes exalted joy in movement . . . The Greater Seattle Asian American Project representing English as a Second Language (ESL) sent delegates to the 1st International Multilingual Multicultural Conference held in San Diego Apr. 2-5 and sponsored by the U.S. Dept. of Education and Calif. Dept. of Education. Request made for Title 7 emergency fund will be used for Kimball School pilot program for bilingual education involving seven ethnic languages including Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Japanese and German. Attending the meet were P. Larry Flores, Hyun K. Lee, ESL Project Director Tony Ogilvie, Masao Tomita, and Linda Yang. Masao is member of Seattle JACL board . . . Agana, Guam--Sgt. Jack Kunitsugu, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kunitsugu, is on duty at Anderson AFB, Guam. Kunitsugu, a 1969 graduate of Cleveland High, is assigned with the Strategic Air Command's 43rd Combat Support Group, specializing in accounting and finance . . . Mrs. Homer Matlock of Tacoma and Russell Dalgleish of Camas, Clark County, were elected royal matron and royal patron of the Grand Court, Order of Amaranth of the State of Washington, at its annual session here on the weekend of Mar. 24. Bill Yaguchi of Bothell was elected a grand commissioner of appeals . . . Francis Fujioka, Lynnwood High School teacher, bought a wood carving set and has carved his family crest and his name in Japanese symbols for a front door panel to personalize his home. He used glowing redwood as a contrast to the walnut stained door and has cut the strips and panel on a table saw. The redwood strip and panel were attached to the standard slab door with screws . . .

MILESTONES: Moto Shitamae 87, Mar. 9. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship. Survivors include: daughters Mrs. Yoshito (Yukiko) Fujii, Mrs. Etsuro (Toshiko) Miyauchi, both Seattle; Mrs. Harold (Fumiko) Nichi, Rockville, Md.; Mrs. Joe (Miyoko) Ike, Tokohama . . . Etsu Kogane 88, Mar. 9. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship.

Kumamoto Club. Survivors include: sons Thomas M. (Anchorage); Kisanasa Kogane, Japan; daughters Mrs. Mitsuo (Eiko) Ishimoto, Japan; Mrs. Hisao (Sylvia) Kobayashi, Anchorage; Mrs. Harry (Tomiko) Tsutsumi and Mrs. Ben (Betty) Yamamoto, both Seattle . . . Henry T. Honda 75, Mar. 15. Japanese Presbyterian Church, Ohmi Club. Survivors include wife Misa; sister in Japan; sister-in-law Kiki Hagimori, Seattle . . . Miyono Shiomi 88, Mar. 23. Japanese Congregational Church. Long time resident of South Park. Survivors include: sons Roy Y., San Fernando Valley; Saige and Wilce H., both Seattle; Hardy H. Shiomi, Monterey Park, CA; daughter Mrs. Jim (Mary) Onishi, L.A. . . . Sadame Semba 78, Mar. 25. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship; Kumamoto Club; Japanese Community Service. Survivors include: daughters Mrs. Ray (Barbara) Nomura and Naoko Semba, both Seattle; Mrs. Masso (Miyo) Kurata, Fresno; brothers and sisters in Japan . . . Ritaro Yamamoto 65, Mar. 28. Seattle Buddhist Church, Shiga Club. Survivors include wife Mary; sons Toshi and Gene Yamamoto, daughter Joy H. Yamamoto; brother George Yamamoto, all Seattle . . .

BUSINESS AND FINANCE: Atsuyuki Sato was promoted to vice president at the National Bank of Commerce. Sato who is in the International banking department, received his B.A. in economics at Seattle University and also attended the U.W. He joined NB of C in 1953. A member of the Japan-America Society and the World Trade Club, he is also involved in scouting. Sato and his wife, Hisako, have three children . . . Taul Watanabe was one of the several speakers on the economic seminar of the Seattle Master Builders Association. Taul Watanabe, Burlington Northern vice president for International Commerce, downplayed the role of Japanese buyers in setting log prices. Contract with American firms, usually set in October, are set for the entire year and Japanese buyers do little spot bidding. He said that export trade accounts for \$200 to \$250 a year for each person in the Northwest in terms of the regional economy. Loss of each ton of general cargo amounts to \$78 in the economy while bulk commodity such as wheat or logs carries an impact of \$35 a ton in related services and jobs. Watanabe told the seminar that three Japanese industrial firms are seriously considering Puget Sound for manufacturing plants. "If that happens, payrolls of about 10,000 jobs will be involved and there will be a shortage of homes you wouldn't believe possible," he said. . . . George Okamura, a Seattle native, has been named vice president-general manager of the Seattle Branch of Marubeni America Corp. Marubeni is a large Japanese trading firm. Okamura, a University of Washington graduate, will arrive here in June from New York to assume his new position. He presently is a Marubeni vice president in the company's New York office. Yoshio Machida, present head of Marubeni-Seattle, has been reassigned to Osaka, Japan, as Marubeni coordination department manager . . .

NISEI CUSTOMS DIRECTOR AT BLAINE

Blaine--Masao Watanabe, the new U.S. Customs port director at Blaine, recites statistics which make the Blaine port of entry "one of the top five on the West Coast."

Blaine port of entry collects \$26 million yearly from duties and last year accounted for about 45,000 entries of goods. By customs standards, the 60 employees at Blaine are considered a large complement. "Vancouver is the fastest growing metropolis on the whole coast and Blaine is the main entry," he explained. "So it is natural for the port here to expand."

Watanabe was assigned to Blaine last August after Fred McMillan retired. Previously, Nisei was port director at Tacoma for 4½ years, and prior to that was a customs examiner and appraiser. All total, he has 20 years service in the federal government, 18 in customs.

His father was an immigrant who settled in Seattle and operated a produce market but early in 1942, the Watanabes were forced to sell the business and relocated to camps in Puyallup and later to Minidoka. The six months Masao Watanabe spent behind the barbed wire embittered him but all he says now about it is that it was "sad, sad part of our lives."

Watanabe was assigned to the much-decorated all-Japanese 442nd Combat team in Italy. A fellow veteran of that unit is Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii.

After his three year stint, Watanabe returned to the Puget Sound area and attended the University of Washington and majored in foreign trading and accounting. Now 49, Watanabe and his family reside in Ferndale. For four and a half months since his reassignment Watanabe commuted back and forth from Tacoma but later rented an apartment and went home on weekends. Early this month the Watanabes purchased a home in Ferndale.--Bellingham, Wash., Herald

LAWYERS MAKE PRESENTATIONS ON U.S. IMMIGRATION LAW

Immigration law conference was held Mar. 31 in the International Terrace. The sponsors were the Inter*Im, National Lawyers Guild, Legal Services and the Demonstration Project for Asian Americans. One of the purposes of the conference was to lay the groundwork for training non-lawyers into the working of immigration practices and procedures. Immigrant services will be extended by the Chinese Information Center, International Drop-in, Legal Services, Inter*Im, Employment Opportunity Center and Demonstration Project for Asian Americans. No lawyers are needed to provide help in representation of immigrants since this is an administrative procedure as Wendy Tokuda of the Legal Services kept stressing. Wendy also chaired the morning session.

Attorney Luke Hicken who seemingly anchored the six professional lawyers commented on the attitude of the public towards immigrants fluctuating in tune with the economic barometer. "To assume that unemployment is caused by people is a questionable concept," Hicken said. "In the case of blacks they were enslaved and forced to come here.

"Historically people have been brought into this country when they have been economically useful and under periods of strain of economic problems used as the first examples of scapegoats. Filipinos were deported for their involvement in labor activities when it was not the unemployment being the problem but rather the type of labor activities. We are entering a period of inflation and the number of people going to be blamed and the type of legislation of hiring illegal aliens will be surfacing more and more. It will become obvious

when you look at the history of the country that the relationship of who is deported when and why is directly related to the economy of the United States. Unemployment is not caused by people but by other things."

"John Caughlin, attorney, covered the area of civil rights for the foreign born. For the immigrants "the right to counsel and the right to representation at government expense is not clear when unable to pay for attorney fee." Another sticky question is the non-permanent immigrants participating in politics especially with student visa when this right is part of the civil rights package in the Constitution. He recalled that one time in history the United States citizenship was not a prerequisite for the right of voting.

Attorney Mike Withey lectured on the rights of alien relatives of citizens. There is no quota or numerical limitation of immediate relatives such as spouse or any unmarried child under 21 at the time visa was issued.

"Immigration quota limitation is divided between Western Hemisphere and Eastern Hemisphere residents and this is one of the incredible things about the immigration laws," Withey said. "All Eastern Hemisphere residents goes through various preferences subject to various visa requirements. For example for the first preference you must have visas immediately available to you. For the Western Hemisphere residents there is an overall annual limitation of 120,000. My understanding is that substantial plurality comes from Cuba. The policy of the United States is that people of Cuba are escaping a totalitarian regime and is almost like an asylum."

In summary some points to remember concerning immigration law: Those who entered the U.S. as non immigrant status and wish to change to permanent status, any type of conviction under Drug Act will be unforgivable by U.S. authorities. Non immigrant status residents who enter the country without intention of making an application for permanent status such as students and visitors are warned not to become involved in applying for and receiving social and health services since this will be a violation of federal law. Permanent status immigrants after so many years as residents are eligible for health services and welfare.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 14--Annual meeting of the Northwest Seaport, Inc. from 2 p.m. aboard sailing ship "Wawona" moored at Pier 39. Bob Ashley, president.
- 17--Regular monthly JACL members meeting 7:45 p.m. at the JACL office. Immediate problem to be discussed is the cutting off of the Governor's Asian American Advisory Council fund to mere \$14,000 when the budget request was \$200,000. Refreshment. Everyone welcome.
- 22--Nichiren bazaar from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. featuring takeouts and dining services.
- 27-28--Sukiyaki dinner 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. For reservations call Mrs. Sue Nakagawa (AD 2-3522) or church office (622-7351). Mrs. Charlotte Yamane, chairperson.
- May 4--News deadline for JACL Reporter. Mail articles, news clippings, announcements to: c/o (Editor) Eira Nagaoka, 170 11th Avenue, Seattle 98122
- 9--Newsletter mailing night. JACL office from 8 p.m.
- 15--Regular JACL meeting at the JACL office from 7:45 p.m.
- July 14--Pacific Northwest District Council salmon fishing on chartered boat in Westport. Open to JACL members.
- 15--Quarterly PNWDC meeting in Canterbury West in Westport, Wash.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL NOTE: Terms of office for the following members will expire July 1, 1973: The Rev. Hae Sound Kim, Fred Cordova, Joan Kis, Cheryl Chow, Maxine Chan, Dr. Joe Okimoto and Don Kazama. Persons interested in being considered for appointment are urged to submit resume within two months. BILL HCR-39: Introduced by Representatives Bauer, Ellis, Hoggins, Luders, Smyth, and Brown: Resolves that the Supt. of Public Instruction shall undertake a comprehensive study of bilingual/bicultural education needs, services, and funding. Kaiser Aluminum in Spokane is seeking minority metallurgist or mechanical engineer.

DR. MASUDA SENDS LETTER TO SENATOR GEORGE FLEMING. The letter said in part: "It is my understanding that the Senate Ways and Means Committee is considering the future role of the Asian American Advisory Council. I am writing in strong support of the continuation of the AAAC. This visible and active group has carried its message of hope and recourse to the more than 40,000 Washington Asians, the third largest minority grouping. To curtail its activities by statute and/or funding would slam the door of expression to this group and once again convey the message that a white society considers ethnic minorities to be less than equal or deserving. I urge that you use the powers of your office to sustain and keep healthy the great work of the Asian American Advisory Council."

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