

# JACL REPORTER

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## BACK-TO-NORMAL AUGUST 21 MEETING FOLLOWING CONVENTION EXCITEMENT

The next monthly Seattle Chapter meeting will be held next Wednesday, Aug. 21 while the convention proceedings are still fresh in our memory. The meeting starts 8 p.m. at the JACL office, 526 S. Jackson St. Refreshments as usual.

In the absence of secretary Lela Ann NeSmith who was directing the preparation for the Asian American Education Association conference, Cherry Kinoshita took care of the recording for July minutes. Two visitors were at the meeting from the Bank of Tokyo. They were administrative assistant Rokuro M. Kurashige and assistant manager Sadami Kubota.

Mitch Matsudaira made the motion which passed calling for the Chapter backing up the spending for Tomio Moriguchi for National JACL treasurer up to \$500.00 for promotional work at the convention. Hospitality suite was located near the poolside. Obviously cost to the Chapter will be minimal following contributions from other Chapters in the area and the PNWDC as well as individual contributions. Tomio Moriguchi was sworn in as National Treasurer the sole elective officer from the Pacific Northwest. Congratulations!

Ken Nakano, board member, reported on the project to find ways to purchase bus for the Issei Nutrition Program. 350 Issei are registered and the average of 40 luncheons are served each day. 22 are unable to walk. The bus specification calls for 15 people capacity with ability to negotiate the 22% grade. JACL has been asked to help in this community project.

Resignation of Charter member Dr. Joe Okimoto has created vacancy on the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs (formerly Governor's Asian American Advisory Council). Deadline for filing was Aug. 8. Ms. Mako Nakagawa, director of the Asian American Cultural Heritage program of the Seattle Public School system, volunteered to submit her name as a candidate during the July meeting. Seattle Chapter made immediate endorsement.

Ben Nakagawa reported on the Japanese Cultural/Service Center. The committee has already submitted the proposal both to the "regular" and to the "public works impact project" of the Economic Development Administration (EDA). The proposal has also been screened by the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District which is the body to prioritize all proposals. Nakagawa said he had reason to be optimistic on the Federal funds to be released about February. "We will know by September if we are in the ball game," Nakagawa said. One of the major shifts in the emphasis for the new proposal submitted was that Seattle is a major gateway to the Orient and the need to establish greater social and cultural linkage. Cultural programs shall be established in conjunction with Japanese industrial families in addition to taking care of our own.

The Seattle Chapter resolutions at the convention endorsed by the PNWDC calling for the elimination of citizenship requirements for JACL membership and the retirement of the creed with honor went down to defeat. Some of the most articulate presentations of the convention were made by the proponent of citizenship resolution including young leaders some representing the legal staffs in various levels of governments. Raymond Uno, elected Nisei of the Biennium, made a strong pitch for treatment of non-citizen as people. But we haven't heard the end on this issue. During the debate Tak Kubota brought to the mike the petition with 61 signatures which clearly refuted the Seattle Chapter board. Ben Nakagawa was quick to explain that only token opposition was expressed at the meeting. President Shoji speaking for the board expressed displeasure since the petition was not approved by the Seattle Chapter or PNWDC. Shoji promises that the petition issue will be aired in the August meeting.

## CONVENTION EXTRACTS

Dr. Masuda as Convention Keynote: Dr. Minoru Masuda was Seattle Chapter president in 1971 and authored the document which won for the Chapter the George Inagaki "Chapter of the Biennium" award for 1971-72. Masuda is a full professor in the Dept. of Psychiatry at the U.W. School of Medicine. On July 24 he was the keynote speaker for the 1974 Nat'l Convention.

Dr. Masuda explained the concept of Asian American and what it means. Masuda said, "It is an ethnic identification encompassing a broader viewpoint, over, beyond and inclusive of one's own ethnicity. Secondly, it is a strategy for joint socio-political action. And, finally, it is an enrichment process which expands our psychological horizons and embraces brotherhood and sisterhood of Asian peoples."

Masuda went on to say that Asians have concentrated on the West Coast, and here has been the common battleground for survival, and here has been the focus of Asian American problems and discriminations. He also noted that Eastern cultural values have often come in conflict with Western values, and the Asian American is caught in the middle as he struggles to achieve. And this has the effect of stifling our individuality and creativity. Masuda said this drives the Asian American to pursue the physical sciences and the skill-oriented vocations while foregoing the humanities, the cultural and the social sciences. He sums up the common denominator which binds the concept of Asian Americanism in the common experience of Asians clashing with racism of white American society. The Asian Americans have reacted to this American racism by turning the other cheek and simply working harder in the process of accommodation.

Visit to One of the Workshops: The assembly split into three workshops. "The Meaning of Asian American" was moderated by Kan Lagi of Portland. The five supporting resource people included Hayumi Tsutakawa and A. Barreto Olgilvie, both Seattle. Dr. Lindbergh Sata moderated the "Strategy of Asian American." Sil Kim and Bob Santos of Seattle was named on the program a resource people. We attended the third group entitled "Asian American and JACL" led by Midwest District Governor Lillian Kimura of Chicago. Steve Doi, co-charman of the building committee and attorney of San Francisco, Roy Flores and Sharon Maeda of Seattle, and Gerrold Iulka of Ogden were on the panel. Sharon is director of Ethnic Cultural Center of the Office of Minority Affairs at the U.W. She chairs the Higher Education Task Force for the Asian American Advisory Council.

What did the panel say? Short phrases are reproduced at random giving some inkling into thought process. There was lack of time for adequate refutation without interrupting the session. Frustrative situation. What about "adults withhold the dollars to coerce youth," "you have to have involvement," "if you want youth you'll have to deal with them honestly and openly." "JACL is a dying organization," "cautiousness of JACL and unwilling to stick their necks out to take risks and the strong-line between cowardiness and cautiousness." And "JACL being archaic and traditional in their attitudes towards women," "in the realms of economic oppression we should think of all third world people at the world wide level." Another panelist said, "Who am I that I shall tell you the JACL . . . we may have attained good educations and jobs, we have not attained power." "Then there is the obstructionists who are counter-productive to any Asian American movement."

Likei in Performing Art: One of the highlights of the convention was the excerpts from the five modern plays as played by the East-West Players troupe of Los Angeles with emphasis of Asian's stereotyped roles, ethnic identity, and the problem of intermarriage before it was accepted. Performing were Mako, Nobu McCarthy, Clyde Kusatsu, Alberto Isaac and Momo Yashima, all members of the 75-member non-profit theatrical group existing for about 10 years. The plays included "Monologue" by Bill Shinkai, "Cold Watch" by Honoko Iko, "Pineapple White" by Jon Shirota, "Yellow is My Favorite Color" by Ed Sakamoto, and "Harry Kelly" by Harold Heifetz. This was our first experience in watching the Likei in legitimate first class performing art. We were impressed. Theatrical group presentation was part of the convention's Asian American Fair.

#### PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR PEOPLE'S STREET FESTIVAL

The Asian Community welcomes the public to the second annual People's Street Festival. This festival is to bring honor to the early Asians that have struggled against poverty, racism and inequality that the system has perpetuated. The program is set as follows:

12 noon, open assembly; 1 p.m. bilingual speakers; 1:30 p.m. Buddhist Drum and Dugle Corps; 2 p.m. skits and songs (Filipino); 3 p.m. judo (Dudokan Dojo); 3:30 p.m. presentation by El Centro DeLa Raza; 4 p.m. Japanese dancers (Pokiwa-kai); 5 p.m. Barangay (Filipino dance troop); 5:30 p.m. poetry of Carlos Dulosan; 6 p.m. koto performance (Hiyagi Kai); 6:30 p.m. Filipino and Hawaiian dances (International Drop-in Center); 7 p.m. Korean dancers; 7:30 p.m. lion dance (Chinese youth club); 8 p.m. Samoan dancers; 8:30 p.m. skits and songs (I.D.Y.C. and Katipunan ng mga Demokratikong Filipino); 9:30 p.m. slide show on Alaska cannery workers association; 10 p.m. film; 11 p.m. slide shows on International District and Asian Women; 11:30 p.m. film; 12 midnight message to the people by bilingual speakers.

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During the July meeting the International Youth Council/represented by Rick Furukawa of the U.W., and Mark Della and Walter Chan of Cleveland High. There will be 20 booths and the P.A. system. The youth group which is the sponsor of the 2nd annual festival requested help from JACL. The board voted \$100 to the International District Youth Council.

#### MAILING CREW FOR JULY NEWSLETTER

There was a good turnout at the July 10 mailout and the workers continue to be dominated by the younger set. The following showed up for the evening: Bisin Esai, Larry Lee, Hideo Watanabe, Kayko Watanabe, Joy Watanabe, Stacy Watanabe, Joe Yamamoto, Jay Shoji, Brian Shoji, Leslie Shoji, Peggie Shoji, Haruko Shoji, Sam Shoji, John Matsumoto, Frank Tsuboi, B. Nagaoka.

#### Seattle JACLers and Friends Seen at the Convention:

While taking grave risk of omission we attempt to name names in addition to official delegates President Sam T. Shoji and Ben Nakagawa. Others included Mako Nakagawa, Dr. Minoru Masuda, Hana Masuda, Don Kazama, Mitch Matsudaira, John Matsumoto, Dr. Terrance H. Yoda, Hiyo Kiba, Shigeiko Uno, Kaz Kato, Suni Kato, Harry Kadoshima, Arlene Kadoshima, Bill Kawahara, Beth Kawahara, Jiro Aoki, Shea Aoki, Cherry Kinoshita, Masao Kinoshita, Kyle Kinoshita, Tomio Horiguchi, Lovett Horiguchi, Tyler Horiguchi, Kimi Nakanishi, Makako Yoda, Eaki Kubota, Dr. Lindbergh Sata, Yuri Sata, Hayumi Tsutakawa, Sharon Maeda, A. Barreto Olgilvie, Sil Kim, Roy Flores and Eira Nagaoka.

American Legion: Large contingent from Cathay Post 186 attended the 56th annual 1974 state convention in Yakima July 18-20. Those attending included Commander Jack Pang, David King, Tosh and Mickey Uno, Dr. John and Pat Uno, Aki and Ruth Higashi, Winston Lung, Al Claiborne, Tak Shigihara, and Eira Nagaoka. Masao Wada, past 6th Dist. Washington state commander, made the sole seconding speech for -rank atchelor of Seattle's Post No. 11 who was elected state commander. The Women's Auxiliary of the host Yakima included Chairpersons Hiyo Shintaru as treasurer, Sachi Wada as welcome committee, Sue Kuribayashi as trophies and awards committee chairman and Judge Umenoto chaired the state dinner committee for Women's Auxiliary. David King of Cathay Post was installed as first District vice commander. The Imperial Drum and Dugle Corps which participated in the July 19 Yakima parade placed 3rd in the State American Legion competition. Imperials has in excess of 80% rookies new to the corps competition.

# OBSERVATIONS AT THE PRIDE & SHAME EXHIBIT -SEATTLE CENTER

by Hana and Min Masuda

The Pride & Shame Exhibit had exposure to the public at the Seattle Center Food Circus from Tuesday, July 30 to Sunday, August 4 with monitors for each of the twice daily stints. We saw all sizes, shapes, ages, and color of humans, singly, in pairs, or in groups. Considering that perhaps less than 5% at the Food Circus below came up to the balcony, we think that the exhibit was a success. This report incorporates some monitors' observations also.

The people that came past the exhibit fell into one of at least four categories: 1) those who went right by without a glance at the exhibit, a remarkable performance since it was smack in the middle of the balcony, 2) those who hardly missed a stride or looked cursorily or glanced at the photos; 3) those who were caught by it, lingered a while at it, read parts of it seriously (at least 1/3 of it); 4) those who read every part of it all the way. The first two groups (the great majority) learned nothing, the latter two groups went away with some to great degree to new information. In our two stints (Thursday evening and Sunday afternoon) there were 122 and 218 in the latter two groups coming through; this averages out to 24 and 44 per hour respectively. We were very pleased by this. Weekday viewers were lesser in numbers.

Extrapolating, if the average number of serious viewers were of the order of 250/day, then in the six days we educated 1500 people--that's not bad at all. As a matter of fact, if one considers that people come to the Food Circus to eat and that they come to the Seattle Center for fun and relaxation, one can see that the exhibit with its serious message is really not in keeping with the atmosphere.

## A Study in People at the Exhibit

There were very few questions or comments considering the numbers of viewers. Those that did comment were favorable. Trudy H. mentioned that one old lady came up and gave her and Ken H. the bit about Pearl Harbor and "why drag this up now?" She had to frantically bite her tongue to keep her cool. On Sunday afternoon two young Germans (emigrating here 10 years ago) were very sympathetic to Asians and then gave me the bit about the "bad" blacks, of the need for law and order, and then about the inequities (to them) of reverse discrimination and affirmative action. Wow! Another case where we as the model minority are great, but the other ethnics are not--a very divisive concept.

We made another interesting observation in which it was generally the male of the pair or of the family group that fell more into the interested group. Hana reluctantly agreed that this was not a chauvinistic observation and I don't know whether the others so observed. In speculating about this, perhaps the female has been impressed by society that socio-political concerns are less her bag than the male's.

While age did not seem to be a criterion for exhibit interest, nonetheless, the younger people were more interested (but there were greater numbers of young people on the balcony) and they impressed me more with the depth of their interest. One could not predict from viewing the varied possible customers who would or would not become interested. Asians, including Japanese, were not uniformly responsive to the exhibit--it was disappointing because I guess our expectations were greater. But Sansei from Hawaii (at least three) were very interested. One expressed the thought that it should go to Hawaii and one mentioned to Jim M. about the Issei that were detained at Sand Island in Hawaii.

All in all, one monitor notwithstanding, we think that the Pride & Shame had a successful time, and I also want to thank the volunteer monitors, Ben Yorita, Don Kazama, Ted Tani-guchi, Tony Ishisaka, Cal Takagi, Trudy Hayashida, Ken Hopkins, Mako and Ben Nakagawa, Sharon Maeda, Jim Morishima, Keiko Watanabe, June Shimokawa, Lovett and Tomio Moriguchi (plus Tyler).

## RIGHTS COMMISSION MOVES TO INCREASE EFFECTIVENESS

Major changes are taking place within the Washington State Human Rights Commission to improve efficiency and effectiveness, according to Acting Commission Executive Secretary Thurman E. Edmondson. The changes in the law that Edmondson speaks of are those new provisions which prohibit discrimination in employment because of marital status, or physical, sensory, or mental handicap, and prohibitions against discrimination in housing, credit, or insurance because of sex and marital status. These were passed by the legislature and put into law in summer of 1973. Complaints filed with the human rights agency must be thoroughly investigated and, if legitimate, may have to be resolved through litigation.

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Recent appointments include new administrative officer for the Commission, to coordinate and control agency accounting, personnel, and budgetary concerns. Hired for this job is Ronald Takemura, an experienced fiscal analyst. Takemura comes to the Commission from the Governor's Office of Program Planning and Fiscal Management, where he was responsible for overseeing the budgets of several state agencies, including the Human Rights Commission. Prior to that, Takemura had worked as an information systems planner, a statistical consultant and a cost accountant.

JACL SHOWING CONCERNS FOR ASIAN ENGINEERS AT BOEING COMPANY

The Boeing Company has approximately 700 Nikkei engineers and technical employees. Total Asian American employees numbers just over 1400. Asian Engineers and Technical Employees Association (AETEA) which meets monthly and open to Asian engineers for membership has been pursuing the program to advance their positions on their merits rather than be a pawn in the existing system. The JACL endorses the program of AETEA and has been hearing regular reports during monthly meetings. The Seattle Chapter has now written a letter signed by President Sam T. Shoji and addressed to A.A. Larsen, Director of Urban Affairs of Boeing Corporate Headquarters in Seattle and dated June 3. The letter read in part:

"In reference to the Boeing Company's Affirmative Action Program, it is our understanding that none of the Asian organizations are listed as participants in your Community Relations Program. We request that the Seattle Chapter JACL be recognized as a local minority community relations participant in the Boeing Affirmative Action Program. Please be advised that the Asian Engineers and Technical Employees Association (AETEA), 3322 S. Austin, Seattle 98118 is our focal point for Equal Employment and Opportunities Programs and the AETEA is authorized to speak in our behalf in the absence of JACL representation. It is our understanding that in the past the Boeing Aerospace Company has refused to respond to AETEA's correspondence requesting an investigation of a problem between a minority employee and his direct supervisor . . . In order to provide an understanding of the Boeing EEO programs it is essential that the Boeing Corporate Office as well as the other Seattle area Boeing Companies (e.g. BAC, BXAC) provide both JACL and AETEA their 1974 Affirmative Action Program documents along with numerical breakdowns of total employees and minority employees utilization. We also request that you provide us with your Affirmative Action goals and objectives for the forthcoming time period. . . In support of this position we refer to U.S. Department of Labor, OFCC, Chapter 60, 60-2.10 Purpose of Affirmative Action Programs; "Procedures without effort to make them work are meaningless; and effort undirected by specific and meaningful procedures, is inadequate."

"We wish to cite various problems that have existed in the Boeing Company which have perpetuated past practices of non-equal opportunity or leave it as it is (status quo) philosophy that permeates the management such as the following examples:

- Asians don't have what it takes to be promoted into supervision and to management.
- Asians will stomach anything. Tell 'em Rome wasn't built in a day.
- Asians are willing to work for less than their Caucasian counterparts.
- Asians don't have any organization to create an unified front and furthermore they're not willing to create a fuss.

"Please be advised that Asians are aware of your Company's position relative to equal opportunity and equal rights. We are also aware of the few remedial measures taken by your Company to maintain a semblance of compliance. We view your present efforts relative to equal opportunity as mere tokenism and not beneficial to minorities in all categories of employment. For example, a review of last year's OFCC's audit in reference to the observation specified by Harry Winston as stated below.

"A two-day study of personnel folder at Commercial Airplane Group, indicates that during the first 13 years, Oriental engineers are paid less than other engineers, despite the fact that they appear to have higher educational achievements. This should be remedied. Later in life equality is achieved."

The Boeing Company Answers

The Boeing Company through Corporate Director Urban Affairs Albert A. Larsen makes a reply saying in part:

". . . As you may know we now employ a significantly higher ratio of Asian Americans than they represent in Seattle area civilian work force. Many Asian Americans have reached high technical, craft and managerial positions within our Company. The 1415 Asian Americans on the Boeing payroll is a significant asset to the Boeing Company.

"Candidates for employment with Boeing should be directed to apply at the Boeing Plant II Employment Office, 7755 E. Marginal Way. Mr. Earnest Thomas, who is supervisor of our special recruitment efforts in the minority communities of Seattle, will make certain that candidates receive every possible consideration . . ."

Mr. Larsen invited President Sam Shoji to meet with him at a mutually agreeable time.

Copy of the JACL letter was sent to Sen. Henry M. Jackson, Sen. Warren G. Magnuson, and Repre. Brock Adams. Sen. Jackson brought the letter to the attention of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance of the Dept. of Labor. The U.S. Dept. of Labor Employment Standards Administration Office of Federal Contract Compliance in Washington, D.C. has asked the Dept. of Defense to investigate the pertinent issues discussed in Mr. Shoji's letter and was instructed to report their findings and actions to this office within 60 days.

DEADLINES FOR FILING CITY OF SEATTLE CIVIL SERVICE EXAM FILING: Make applications at 200 Seattle Municipal Building, 4th & James (phone 583-2682). Assistant director public health nursing, filing closes not later than Dec. 31, 1974; public health nurse supervisor, Dec. 31, 1974; physical therapist, Dec. 31, 1974; steam engineer, Dec. 31, 1974; Sr. lifeguard, Dec. 31, 1974; key punch operator, Oct. 31, 1974; registered nurse, Aug. 30, 1974; public health nurse, Aug. 30, 1974; personnel analyst, Aug. 20, 1974; clerk I and typist I filing closes Aug. 29.

The University Students Club formerly known as the Japanese Students Club and also as SYNKOA is offering six scholarships of about \$500 for the 1974-75 school year to students of Japanese descent attending or planning to attend the University of Washington. Applicants will be mainly judged upon their financial need, and upon the promise they have shown of fulfilling the needs of the community. All students in financial need are encouraged to apply regardless of their grade point average as three scholarships will be awarded to students of 3.3 GPA or less. Application forms and further information may be obtained by writing or calling: Hideo Watanabe, 4566 S. Barton, Seattle, Wash. 98118 (phone 725-4193).

#### GEORGE M. KOSHI CONFERRED THIRD ORDER OF THE SACRED TREASURE

On June 27, 1974, Mr. George M. Koshi, upon his retirement from his position as attorney advisor in the office of the Staff Judge Advocate, United States Air Force in Japan, was conferred the Imperial Order of the Sacred Treasure, Third Class, by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan. The presentation was made by the Minister of Justice of Japan, Umekichi Nakamura. Mr. Koshi was honored in recognition of his meritorious service of nearly thirty years, during which time he greatly contributed to the improvement of the Japanese judicial and other systems and also to the proper and smooth implementation of the Agreement under Article VI of the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security between Japan and the United States regarding the U.S. Armed Forces in Japan, as well as the promotion of friendly relations between the two countries.

He was also awarded a Certificate of Commendation by L.F. Snowden, Major General, U.S.M.C., Chief of Staff, in recognition of his outstanding service during the period April 1946 to June 1974.

Prior to his return to the States, Mr. Koshi was honored at an official farewell reception at the new Supreme Court Building in Tokyo. It was hosted by Chief Justice Shimoda (former ambassador to the U.S.) and attended by other justices and members of the International Legal Society.

George Koshi is a native of Denver, Colorado. He was graduated from the University of Denver Law School and was admitted to the bar in the State of Colorado. He is one of the very few foreigners authorized to practice law in Japan. He is the author of the book, *The Japanese Legal Advisor*, thereby contributing to the better understanding of Japanese law and legal system by foreigners.

During World War II he served in the U.S. Army Intelligence. Upon going to Japan in 1946, he served as defense attorney in the war crimes trials. From 1948 to 1952, in his capacity as legislative attorney in the legal section at General Headquarters, Supreme Commander for the Allied Powers, he participated in the post war reform of the Japanese legal and judicial systems. From 1952 until his recent retirement from government service, he served as an attorney advisor in the office of the Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Air Force in Japan.

He and his wife Aiko (nee Takizawa) will be making their home in Seattle where their children are attending University of Washington. He is planning to engage in private law practice in the State of Washington. His mother Mrs. Matsu Koshi and brother the Rev. Peter T. Koshi, staff member of Central Seattle Community College Office of Minority Affairs, lives in Seattle. His brother Sam works in the field of social work in Olympia.

NEWS JOTTINGS: Eight Rainier Beach High students earned membership in the National Forensic League, a nation-wide high school speech honorary including Gary Kató who received Honor Degree membership . . . Valerie Fujiye Nayematsu, Minoru Shimozaki, and Roberta Volz Uno were among Cum Laude graduates from S.E. Seattle receiving diplomas at S.U. . . . Donna R. Fujii, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray T. Fujii was among the honored at the annual School of Pharmacy U.W. banquet May 28. Ms. Fujii was given the Charles Willis Johnson Award for "activities, attitude, personality, character and scholarship" . . . Mrs. Kenji Yamada was named president of Brighton PTA at its final meeting of the 1973-74 school year . . . Ft. Polk, La.--Pvt. Stan C. Sato, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. George K. Sato, completed nine weeks of advanced individual training at the U.S. Army Infantry Training Center last June . . . Sene Uchida, Japanese consul general in Seattle, has been named commissioner general of the Japanese Pavilion at Expo '74, officials said July 8. He succeeds Yoshiro Yasui, the former consul in Seattle . . . The State Board of Accountancy reports that 128 persons passed the CPA exam held May in this state including Arthur Y. Kageyama, Dwight D. Nakatsu, and Nancy G. Ng, all Seattle . . . The first Japanese American to join the professional scouting in the state of Washington has been assigned as an associate district executive in the Chief Seattle Council. He is Mike Funakoshi 24, of Spokane. Funakoshi graduated from Eastern Washington State College and taught two years in the Medical Lake School District . . . Karen Locke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Locke, was recently crowned as Chinatown Chamber of Commerce Queen with Judy Hoo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Berry Hoo, as her princess. The coronation took place at the Four Seas Restaurant. Karen, 19, will be junior at the U.W. . .

Filing for the coming campaign were 37th District Position 1--incumbent John Sy Eng and for 35th District state senate Robert (Bob) Santos, Democrats. (Mrs.) Rubye Huey Pang has filed as a candidate for the State Legislature as State Representative, Position #2 in the 41st District which covers most of the east-of-Lake Washington areas including Bellevue, Eastgate, Woodridge, Mercer Island, Cougar Mountain, parts of Issaquah and Renton. She has just returned from "hostessing" Japanese Delegation that visited Expo '74. She speaks very little Japanese. Rubye is of Chinese ancestry . . . Liem Eng Tuai threw his hat in the ring for Washington State Supreme Court position No. 1 being vacated. Tuai served as a temporary judge for the King County Superior Court and the Seattle Municipal Court before

NEWS JOTTINGS. (Cont'd): joining the City Council. Tuai said he would work for speedy decisions, simplified appeal procedures and study of compulsory malpractice insurance for attorneys . . .

MILESTONES: Daniel (Danny) R. Kumagai 3, July 18. Son of Dr. and Mrs. Richard Kumagai. Brother of Jeannette, all Kirkland. Grandson of Mrs. Hazel Feldkamp, Sulphur Spring, Ark . . . Sue Otsuji 77, July 6. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Ohmi Club. Survivors include: son Kiichiro Otsuji; daughters Mrs. Gene (Mary) Akutsu and Mrs. Ted (Sumi) Kuramoto, all Seattle. One sister in Japan . . . Seiso Bitow. Services July 20. Blaine Memorial Methodist Church . . . Tsuruichi Komoto (Kent) 86, July 15. White River Buddhist Church. Survivors include: wife Tokuyo; sons James and George of Kent; Frank and Teddy of Seattle; daughters Mrs. Satoye Suekawa, Morgan Hill, CA; Mrs. Rosei Kato, Kent . . .

Machi Ota 87, July 19. Services at Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. Member of Japanese Congregational Church, Rainier Ginsha, and Hototogisu. Mrs. Ota has been a resident of Seattle since 1905. Beloved mother of Setsu Matsumoto, Rae Yasumura, Amy Iritani, Yone Ota, May Higa, Kenneth K. Ota, Marjorie C. Ota and Frances K. Nakasone. Sister of Mura Yatsugi . . . Dr. Elmer Takenori Egashira 46, July 27. St. Edwards Catholic Church, Harvard Alumni Club, Japan-America Society, King County and American Medical Associations; past president of St. Edwards Parish School Board. Survivors include: wife Sumako; sons Leo N., Louis K., Paul K., Mark T., Tom A.; daughters Cecelia-K., Nina M., Lisa S., and Missa K. Egashira; parents Mr. and Mrs. Soichi Egashira, brother Henry Egashira, and grandfather Kamezo Nakashima, all Seattle. Egashira drowned while fishing on the Cowlitz River above Jody's Bridge near Packwood while apparently slipping on the river's rocky bottom. Divers found his body two hours later about 300 yards downstream . . . Take Nakamura Services Aug. 7. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Fukushima Club. Survivors include: husband Sanjiro; sons Haruo "Hal" Ise, Seattle and Yoshio Ise, Japan; daughters Mrs. Powell "Iyako" Pao, Daley City, CA . . .

BUSINESS: The White-Henry-Stuart Building will be razed and Commerce House will be built in its place in a 6-1 vote at the Univ. of Washington Board of Regents Aug. 2. The new 40-story Commerce House project was designed by Minoru Yamasaki, former Seattleite. The building will contain a daring, controversial 12-story pedestal base for the office tower to become the headquarters for the National Bank of Commerce. Yamasaki holds the American Institute of Architects' critics' medal . . .

Calendar of Events

- Aug. 17--2nd annual international District People's Festival from 12 noon to midnight at Hing Hay Park at Maynard and King.
- 18--The Greater Seattle Nisei Bowling Association picnic at Johnson's Hi-Dive Resort at Lake Surprise (near Milton). Jiro Namatame, general chairman.
- 21--Regular JACL meeting at the JACL office, 526 S. Jackson St. from 8 p.m. Refreshments.
- Sept. 6--Deadline for JACL newsletter. Mail articles, news clippings, announcement and press releases to: c/o (editor) Eira Nagaoka, 170 11th Ave., Seattle 98122.
- 11--Newsletter mailing night at the JACL office starting at 8 p.m.
- 14--The annual NVC sponsored scholarship benefit chowmein/chicken teriyaki dinner. The price of the tickets are \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 years and under. Dinner served at NVC Memorial Hall, 1414 S. King from 4 to 7 p.m. with takeouts. Mark Pugami, general chairman. 1974 scholarship winner was Naomi Sue Watanabe, Tye High senior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Watanabe. Scholarship was increased to \$400.00 this year.
- 21--The Seattle First Hill Lions Club will hold its annual Fall Dance at the Exhibition Hall, Seattle Center. Music by the Max Pillar orchestra. \$12.00 per couple.
- 22--The annual NVC golf tournament at the Jefferson Park course. Entry fee of \$5.00 to be paid at Mint Beverage or NVC chow mein dinner. Yosh Teshima, general chairman.
- Oct. 12 and 13--Seattle Buddhist Scouts Drum & Bugle Corp and All Girl Color Guard will hold its annual sukiyaki dinner at the church auditorium. Tickets are available from all Corp members and parents.
- Nov. 2--Seattle Buddhist Scouts Drum & Bugle Corp and All Girl Color Guard parents will hold a Fall Benefit Dance at the church auditorium. Live music. \$10.00 couple.

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