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## JACL MEETING SET FOR WEDNESDAY, OCT. 22

President-elect John Matsumoto has again presided over the monthly JACL meeting doing an excellent job in limiting the time in spite of the controversial and complicated issues. We should receive report from delegates to the quarterly meeting of Pacific Northwest District Council held Sept. 21 in Portland. We should hear from the 1000 Club chairman on the golf tournament. We are afraid that some of the members may be going to the JACL office on Oct. 15 (the third Wednesday). The monthly meeting date has been extended to this Wednesday, Oct. 22. The meeting begins promptly at 8 p.m. with refreshments available during the session. Please save the date and everyone is welcome. We have consistently enjoyed great turnouts.

Two months ago the mailing crew enjoyed a healthy number of volunteers which made the work pleasant. In attendance were Ben Nakagawa, Takako Yoda, Fumi Yamasaki, Fumi Noji, Hiram Akita, Helen Akita, Barbara Nagaoka, Stacy Nagaoka, Krister Nagaoka, Pamela Nagaoka, Kari Kobata, Kimberly Kobata, and Julie Noji. For the September issue workout we had Sheryl Watanabe, Jill Watanabe, Joy Watanabe, Stacy Watanabe, Adolph Briscoe and friend, Kayko Watanabe, May Sasaki and Mako Nakagawa. The month of October was something else. The work crew showed up on Oct. 8 which was really the second Wednesday. But the regular meeting had been extended to 4th Wednesday and hence the newsletter mailing was moved forward to Oct. 15. Mako Nakagawa treated the would-be work crew to noodles. Sorry about that. Sometimes the communication bogs down. The Chapter thanks all the faithful helpers.

Chairman Sam Shoji reports that the Chapter membership has passed the 600 mark with few more envelopes to be processed. Shoji said that next year's strategy will be different.

Ben Nakagawa was asked to serve as National Anti-Defamation Committee Chairman. Nakagawa wrote to National president Shig Sugiyama indicating he will be willing to serve if given minimal budget to cover mailing cost. It took two months to get a response from Sugiyama last June. Nakagawa wrote again without response. However, Stan Kiyokawa received a budget which did not contain any funding for this committee. Nakagawa feels that the thinking for the need of Anti-defamation committee at the National level is minimal.

## SEATTLE PLAN ON REPARATION PROGRAM PRESENTED TO TRI-DISTRICT JACL CONFERENCE

The Seattle Chapter delegates attending the recent JACL California Tri-District Conference in Anaheim were Henry Miyatake, Chuck Kato, Ken Nakano, Sam Shoji, John Takizawa, Tomio Moriguchi, Shosuke Sasaki, and Tom Koizumi. Regional Director Stan Kiyokawa also joined the group. The delegates basically coordinated with E.O. 9066 Inc. and Henry Miyatake made the pitch on the so-called Seattle plan on the reparation program. (See P.C. Oct. 10). The unusually large number of Seattle delegates were made possible by the use of Tomio Moriguchi's motor home van.

As Miyatake explained at the Seattle Chapter meeting, the Tri-district represents 77% of the total JACL population. Once we get the consensus of these districts, Miyatake explained, we should have no problem at the national level which comprise approximately 60 of the total 96 Chapters.

"The disappointment was the fact that many of the Chapters have not discussed this problem and Issue at the local Chapter level," said Miyatake.

Miyatake reflected the John Takizawa's summation that "don't rock the boat" attitude seem to be quite strong among the individuals. Takizawa's observation is that they look upon their own image as being reflective of their own community. If they're doing well, they feel everyone else is doing well. This constitutes the basic reason of their apathy.

Unfortunately our presentation was geared for detailed discussion of philosophy and rational for the structure and funding system as conceived by the Seattle plan but many did not know what we were talking about, said Miyatake. However, large chapters of the Bay area, San Jose, East Los Angeles, and others represent the bulk of the population and they are interested in the reparation.

### John Dean Speaks

John W. Dean III, former Council to President Richard Nixon, made the presentation at the dinner. Dean recalled that as assistant to Dept. of Justice Attorney-General's office he was given assignment to ascertain the level of action to be taken during Title II action, according to Miyatake. Dean was the right hand man for Assistant Secretary of State William Bundy. His job was to secure file of past evacuation events and compile the case for the government. This is where Dean first got involved with evacuation and the legal process that took place. He was amazed at the kind of miscarriage of justice that took place.

Dean's point of view expressed at the dinner was that Nikkei has a moral obligation to provide educational baseline to the public to rectify this evacuation episode from the law standpoint, legal standpoint, and the educational standpoint. Dean said he will be working with people in conjunction with JACL and others. Dean's presentation was very candid and favorable concluded Miyatake.

CULTURAL/SERVICE CENTER NOTES:

Ad hoc Japanese American Cultural/Service Center committee released the correspondence between the committee and the Seattle Betsuin board. The letter was in answer to the previous inquiry for the definition of certain terminology used in the previous Betsuin communication. The lease of \$1.00 per year at "triple net basis" may be referred as "community corporation shall be responsible for any and all assessments imposed on the facility if there shall be any, all insurances and cost of maintenance of facilities." The term "management responsibility" means that development shall adhere to the purpose for which City of Seattle sold the parcel to Seattle Buddhist Church. The purpose is to develop this parcel for education and community services by a non-profit organization,

The ad hoc committee has maintained the position that they cannot guarantee any time table because they're being asked to second guess what and when the federal funding will be. The time table can be negotiated up to a certain point according to co-chairman of the ad hoc committee Chuck Kato. For the ad hoc committee the time table will have to be a flexible matter. Seattle Buddhist Church being a religious organization cannot qualify for funding.

Betsuin board chair Horike letter said in part: "We hope that your definitive position in order to bring the Japanese cultural center building to the Japanese Community Center project can be communicated to us as soon as possible in order that responsible Japanese community organizations would be able to call community wide organization meeting to form a non-profit Japanese community service corporation. We hope that Nikkeijin Kai and JACL would act as cosponsor for a organizing meeting. We base this concept in the belief that Issei and non-Issei of the Japanese population of Greater Seattle area would like the reply on this matter as soon as possible." \* \* \*

Kato said EDA is set to receive or already has received more money than last year under Title 10 program. "We tried to get on Title 10 last year," said Kato, "but Western regional office had about \$3.5 million. And this year the Western Region will receive \$10 million."

A community wide organizations had been invited to the JACL office last Sept. 30 meeting. Deadline for submission for fund request was Oct. 8. Approval was received to send in the request documents. Within a month we will receive a communication whether the grant will be received. If we don't, there will be a provision for similar request again this December. As far as we can ascertain the only Asian project funded under this funding program was for Chinese Immigrant Development Center's Chinese Cooking School in California.

DR. YOSHINO AND Ms. OTANI WINNERS IN 1000 CLUB GOLF MEET

The Seattle Chapter 1000 Club took time out Oct. 5 for the 4th annual golf tournament. Billed as fun-day the weather didn't turn out to be so funny. Only days before the tourney the record breaking August dry spell made a complete turnabout resulting in heavy downpour all through the tournament. This didn't detour the 32 determined linkspeople.

Dr. Pete Yoshino copped the prize in the men's division with 74-13-61 including four birdies. Susan Otani won the women's division on 93-16-77. The first six places were recognized as placing in the winners brackets and received merchandises. The top winners received perpetual trophies. George Kawachi donated plants. Fred Takagi donated bowling tickets.

The scoring results are as follow: Men's division--1. Pete Yoshino 74-13-61; 2. Roy Seko 85-21-64; 3. Shig Otani 78-12-66; Hiram Akita 79-10-69; 5. Kay Yamaguchi 92-17-75; Roy Sakamoto 90-14-76; Toru Sakahara 77; Eddie Shimomura 77; Jim Matsuoka 78; Ted Sakahara 79; Tomio Moriguchi 79; Tom Tsubota 80; Frank Hattori 80; Fred Takagi 81; George Kawachi 82; Mamoru Sudo 83; Joe Hirota 84; Kaz Yokoyama 88; Ed Otsuka 101. Women's division-- 1. Susan Otani 93-16-77; 2. Lillian Iwata 134-54 $\frac{1}{2}$ -79 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3. tie Aya Shimomura 104-22-82; 3. tie Kiyoko Sakahara 101-19-82; 5. tie Reiko Tsubota 107-24-83; 5. tie Jo Sakamoto 111-28-83; Amy Matsumoto 84; Fumi Noji 85; Miye Ishikawa 86; Mabel Shigaya 89; Helen Akita 91; Kimi Nakanishi.

The golfers and Club members ret at the Bush Garden Restaurant for delicious family style dinner. Frank Hattori is chairman of the 1000 Club Golf Committee which included James Matsuoka, Kimi Nakanishi, Kiyoko Sakahara, Roy Seko, Fred Takagi, Jiro Namatame and Terrance Toda.

Chairman Hattori said, "I certainly want to thank you for playing in the golf tournament and coming to dinner." Dr. Lindbergh Sata who attended the dinner with his wife Yuri said, "I admire you crazy golfers."

SIBONGA APPOINTED AS RIGHTS AGENCY DEPUTY from Washington State Human Rights Commission

(Seattle)--The appointment of Dolores Sibonga as the new deputy executive secretary of the Washington State Human Rights Commission was announced by Commission executive secretary Bill W. Hilliard. Ms. Sibonga comes to the Commission from the staff of the King County Council, where she is currently a legislative administrative assistant.

A graduate of Seattle Garfield high school, the Univ. of Washington communications school, and the U of W law school, the new rights official was admitted to the state bar association in 1973. She subsequently practiced law with the Seattle-King County Public Defender's office. Ms. Sibonga has an extensive background in communications. She was a producer, writer, and a assistant promotion manager for KOMO television and she edited the Filipino Forum, a minority publication. Ms. Sibonga's past community involvements included membership in the minority law students association at the U of W, Asian Coalition for Equality, Filipino Americans Concerned for Equality, National Association of Television Arts and Sciences, and the Pacific Northwest Industrial Editors' Association. She is currently vice chairperson of the International District Improvement Association and of the Employment Opportunity (cont'd on page 6)

HONTO-NI

by Stan Kiyokawa, N.W.-Intermountain JACL Regional Director

During the past year JACL has been plagued by philosophical and ideological differences which have polarized our organization. I have seen objectivity and rational analysis of our problems turn into innuendoes, hate and dissatisfaction that spawn a much more harmful attitude of paranoid emotional reaction to all that does not set right within us. Polarization and confrontation are now household words within JACL.

It is extremely difficult to maintain a rational and objective attitude when dissatisfaction is suggested in an organization such as JACL, which over the past three decades has been so instrumental in affecting the lives of all Japanese Americans. It becomes a normal reaction to stop any moves that might be construed as being harmful to the organization, but was it not rational analysis and objectivity that JACL demonstrated when the early "dissidents" offered change and new direction during the war years which became so valuable in the shaping of today's organization? It was in these early stages of JACL at a convention in Los Angeles that Mike Masaoka was asked to leave when expressing his ideas of changing the organization. We all know the invaluable ideas Mike Masaoka gave to JACL.

It would be fair to assume that we have again reached that fork in the road, the time to re-assess our priorities and our direction. To experience growth, we must look beyond the many emotional outcries and explore the factors that motivate them; could it be possible that something is wrong within JACL?

Being a staff person, JACL has given me the opportunity to hear many views on many issues which all differ. There is one common element that all of these people possess, and that is a belief in JACL and the need for the best for our organization although techniques and methodologies differ. It is with this common attitude that we can begin to correct our mistakes and begin representing a broader spectrum of our community. We can resign ourselves so easily to the fact that we cannot truly work with the many generations of people, their ideologies, philosophies and traditions to form separate groups, but is this truly what the founding fathers of JACL wanted?

JACL today represents only 19.6% of the entire Japanese population in the U.S., according to statistics compiled from the 1970 census. This statistic can be used to determine the effectiveness of our organization and the limited scope of programming that we offer; that could be one of the factors influencing our current problems. We are no longer a one-issue oriented organization, and our strength comes from the grassroots and what they think and feel. This is a justification to seek out new and different ideas and philosophies for the betterment of JACL.

If we fail to listen to the criticisms of our organization, are we not assuming the role of a tunnel-visioned bigot who only listens to himself? Have we not fought to give ourselves the opportunity to be heard within the white majority? Freedom of speech and thought are fundamental in a human rights organization such as JACL. Can we continue to use that label of human rights if we block the process of true communication within JACL? Are we not obstructing its growth?

We have yet to actually give a close and objective look at the many issues which have been voiced throughout the country. We have labeled districts such as PSW as troublemakers and dissidents; but have we truly educated ourselves with their problems and issues, have we taken the time to at least understand the motivations behind their actions?

I have felt that need to educate myself, to better represent JACL. I believe that we, as staff and officers of JACL, owe that much to our membership. It has been apparent that the nitty-gritty of all issues never gets to the grassroots membership and many decisions are made from gossip and what a few of us believe is right. That attitude must be eliminated, so that we can begin relating to what our organization truly stands for, a truly representative human rights organization.

#### ASIAN OF THE MONTH: DONALD KAZAMA

reprinted from Pacific/Asian Coalition publication

Born in Donald, Washington, Don has been leading a very colorful and fulfilling life. Could anyone guess that he actually was a pharmacy graduate from the University of Washington? However, he switched careers and got his Master's degree in Social Work in 1950, and since then has been working for the Veteran's Administration in the Social Service Outpatient, Seattle. Prior to being a social worker, he served for seven years in the Air Force and in the 442nd Combat overseas.

Don is a warm-hearted, very lovable person; always reaching out for his brothers and sisters. Perhaps, not everyone can agree to that because he can be so honestly cold and blunt. Armed with prepared homework and sharp mind, he calls his shots effectively which naturally can make other people uncomfortable. As all true leaders are, he is a controversial figure, but his feathers don't get ruffled by the controversies he stirs. Someone describes him as a "man ahead of his time."

In the recent past, he was: chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Committee of the V.A. Hospital; chairman of the Cleveland Area Citizens Advisory Council and the Franklin High School Advisory Council. He shared his expertise with the Model Cities' Planned Variation Task Force. He was a charter member of the Asian Coalition for Equality. With the Puget Sound Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, he held varied important posts.

Someone else describes him as an "angry old man." Being that way for so long can be very

tiring. Is he or isn't he? Not Don - he is very much like that bright-eyed youngster filled with stamina and motion; forever asking, questioning, scrutinizing, provoking, - not for himself, but for the present and future generations of Asians to have the good life.

Currently, his community involvements are with the JACL (was a past president plus numerous other positions); vice-president of the Central Seattle Community Council Federation (received an "Outstanding Citation" award sometime ago); vice-president of the Coalition for Quality Integrated Education; Council of Planning Affiliates; vice-chairman of the Seattle Human Rights Commission; chairperson of the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs; board member of the Demonstration Project for Asian Americans; board member of Human Services Committee for King County. On top of all these, he is the co-chairperson of the Peter Jamero Committee for Seattle School Board.

Don is a great Asian of our times. With all his community commitments, he spends most of his evenings in endless bouts of meetings. Thanks Heaven for wives like Sally. Or is that women's liberation, Asian style?

KSTV-CHANNEL 11 DROPS PLAN FOR SHOWING OF CHARLIE CHAN MOVIES

Gary D. Iwamoto, Administrative Assistant for Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs, has received the following letter from M.B. Johnson, program director for KSTW-TV:

"Thank you for your recent letter concerning our plans to televise a series of the old Charlie Chan movies.

"The Station received a number of telephone calls, letters, and even some visits from persons of Asian heritage who objected to our plans. It became clear to us that these were not just a few isolated opinions, but represented the views of a sizable group of people. Therefore, we sought out a number of community and professional leaders, both Asian and non-Asian, to get the benefit of their thinking. A substantial majority felt that showing these old movies, as a weekly series and at a time when a large number of children might be watching, could be harmful in projecting and prolonging an erroneous image of Asian people.

"Certainly, this was not our intent. Our only purpose was to show a group of movies that are generally regarded as classics of the mystery game.

"Nonetheless, it is now obvious that such showing would have additional and undesirable side-effects. For this reason, we have changed our plans and will not televise the Charlie Chan movies as a Saturday afternoon series.

"Thank you again for bringing your views to our attention.

"Sincerely,  
/s/ M.B. Johnson"

ROKKA SKI CLUB NEWS

The coming ski season will mark the 40th year that Rokka Ski Club has provided skiing lessons to the Japanese community. Club officers this year are: Kay Takeuchi, president; Steve Takahashi, 1st vice-president; George Gojio, 2nd vice-president; Matsue Watanabe, secretary; Masako Muromoto, treasurer.

Dr. Paul Suzuki, ski school director, states that standard and graduated length methods will be taught again this year at both Snoqualmie and Crystal Mountain slopes. Lessons begin on January 4. Forms for membership and ski lessons are available at the regular ski club meetings and also at Imperial Lanes and Uwajimaya. The Nov. 7 and Dec. 5 meetings will be held at Glaser Beverage, 2300 20th Ave. S. at 8 p.m.

APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR IMPERIALS MEMBERSHIP

The Seattle Imperials Drum and Bugle Corps is currently accepting new applications for membership. Anyone interested may obtain further information by calling 723-0277 or coming to the "Home of the Imperials" at 4200 S. Othello St. The Imperials membership is open to boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 21 and the only requirements are a genuine interest in becoming a part of a musical organization.

The Imperials travel extensively during the Summer months and are currently the holders of more Washington State Champion Titles than any other organization of its type. Rehearsals are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. The Imperials welcome any interested boys or girls and their parents to attend.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS DONATION REQUESTED FOR VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

"Project Pioneer/EOC" (Vietnamese Assistance Program) and the Asian Family Affair newspaper are currently engaged in starting a "household goods" bank for the Vietnamese refugees in this area, and we are asking the community to please donate all your spare household goods to the bank.

In order for the Vietnamese to move out on their own, they must have these very basic articles in order to set up housekeeping. The articles needed the most are: pots, pans, silverware, cups, toasters, tea kettles, coffee pots, cooking utensils, towels, bedding, etc.

All articles can be brought to "Project Pioneer/EOC" at 4726 Rainier Ave. S., DAILY; or the Asian Family Affair office at 417 Rainier Ave. S. by APPOINTMENT ONLY (until October).

For further information on obtaining or donating these goods, contact Jerry Shigaki at "Project Pioneer/EOC" at 725-8200, or Alan Sugiyama of the Asian Family Affair at 232-7580.

MUSEUM HOSTS "NORTHWEST ARTISTS TODAY, PART I: WORKS ON PAPER"

In order to provide greater recognition to the increasing number of Northwest artists working in all types of media, the Seattle Art Museum has scheduled a series of exhibitions broadly entitled "Northwest Artists Today." Part I opened in the south galleries of the Volunteer Park Museum and continues through Oct. 12. The second exhibition in this series, opening in late November, "Northwest Artists Today, Part II: The 61st Annual Exhibition of Northwest Artists," will continue the time-honored Annual. The "Works on Paper" exhibition includes work by Kenneth Callahan, Paul Horiuchi, David Watanabe, Norie Sato, and Nancy Mee among others.

NEWS JOTTINGS: 168 seniors from 46 Seattle-area high schools were named Sept. 17 as semi-finalists in the annual National Merit Scholarship competition. To become finalists, students must be endorsed and recommended by their principals, have school records which show high academic standing and earn equivalent scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test. Included in the list were Karen K. Narasaki, Karl K. Narasaki and Michael K. Tamada, all from Renton high school. Michael K. is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tamada. Karen K. and Karl K. are twins of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Narasaki. They have an older daughter who was selected Princess Diane for the Greater Seattle Japanese Community. She is finishing Honors Program at the Univ. of Washington majoring in Slavic language and history. Dick Narasaki is currently commander of the Nisei Veterans Committee, Inc. . . . First meeting of the Ikebana International was held Sept. 18 at the Seattle Art Museum. Mrs. George Tsutakawa is president. Other officers are Mesdames W.R. Wilson and Joseph Poxon, vp; L.P. Collins, Jr. and Wells Thompson, sec; James Akitsu, treas and Frank Zappalo, historian, Kimiyo Nakaye, Mary Shigaya, T.T. Nakamura and W.L. Green, program . . . The Senke Seishin School of Japanese Flower Arranging held their annual flower show at the Scottish Rite Temple. Mrs. Henry Miyake assisted with the showing. Mrs. Harry Uno is principal and Mrs. Warren Grantham is president . . . Dorothy Cordova, associate director of a Demonstration Project for Asian Americans, was one of the four Seattle residents appointed by the State Library Commission to the Washington State Advisory Council on Libraries . . . Ray Inouye, 38, a copy editor, became chief of copy desk, as announced by John A. Blethen, publisher of The Seattle Times . . .

MILESTONES: Masao Nakamichi 57, Sept. 2. CWO, U.S. Army, ret. Beloved husband of Christenia, father of Michael, Seattle; Ronald, Janet and Linda, all Pleasanton, CA; brother of Yoshio Nakamichi of Seattle; and Mrs. Mary Siki, Chicago . . . Namiiji Kodama, 85, Sept. 4. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Men's Fellowship, Hiroshima Club, Seattle Japanese Hotel and Apartment Owner's Assn, JACL, Hyakudokai, Shumino Kai, Go Kai Sho, and has been in the hotel and apartment business since 1916. He retired in June 1974. Survivors include: wife Sadako Kodama, Seattle; sons George K. and Tom T., both Seattle, brother Koichi Kodama, Japan . . . Yamaju Arakawa 87, Sept. 6. Japanese Baptist Church, Shinano Dojin Kai. Survivors include: wife Sawano Arakawa, Seattle; son George J. Arakawa, Chicago; daughter Fujiko, Mary N. and Hisako Arakawa, Mrs. George (May) Takizawa, Seattle . . . Fred K. Iwasa 71, Sept. 9. Nichiren Buddhist Church, Okayana Club. Survivors include: wife Kimiko Iwasa, Seattle; brothers and one sister in Japan . . . Rikuye Kawasaki (Auburn) 87. Services Sept. 19. Resident of Tacoma and Auburn area since 1912. White River Buddhist Church. Survivors include: husband Hikoza, four sons and four daughters . . . Masuyo Sato 77, Sept. 21. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. Survivors include: husband Masamori Sato; sons John H. Sato, Honolulu; Robert S. Sato, Seattle; Frank S. Sato, Annandale, Va.; daughters Mrs. Betty Y. Okura, Seattle; Mrs. Martin (Bessie M.) Binitzer, San Juan, Puerto Rico; Mrs. Hugh (Rose) Stults, Ypsilanti, Mich. and half sister Mrs. Shizuko Fuji, Japan . . . Takashi Goto. Services Sept. 30. Member Postal Employees Union. Survivors include: wife Yasuko Goto; son Robert T. Goto; daughter Barbara M. Goto; brother T.R. Goto . . . Takeji "Ted" Tagami 55, Oct. 4. Seattle Buddhist Church, Kishu Club, Japanese Community Services Club. Survivors include: wife Kazue; daughters Vickie Setsuko Tagami; Mrs. David (Janice Tomiko) Sao; nephew Yukio Tagami, all Seattle. Brother Takeo Tagami, Tokyo . . .

CHARGES IN DEMONSTRATION DISMISSED

Charges of property damage were dismissed Sept. 18 in Municipal Court against four persons who participated in a United Construction Workers Association demonstration in February. Judge Charles V. Johnson dismissed charges against Michael Kozu, Stephen Lock, Nancy Whitnack, and Paul Zilsel. A bench warrant was issued for Ramon Ramirex, who did not appear for the trial. He also was charged with property damage in connection with the incident.

The demonstration took place at a construction site at Rainier Ave. S. and Empire Way S. Prosecutor Robert B. Johnson said testimony from two employes of the construction company was necessary to prove property damage. The two witnesses had agreed to appear, but they did not show up, he said, so Judge Johnson dismissed the charges.

A TRIBUTE TO LATE ROY YOKOYAMA, FORMER SOUTH PARK RESIDENT  
from Pike Place Market's Merchants Association News

It was the first time in 26 years that the canvas cover over Roy's Market stall had not been rolled up by early morning. It was July 21. Roy Yokoyama had died, and his family stayed home.

Market people mourned that day the loss of an old friend, for Roy Yokoyama had been here for 50 years. "He was very good to everyone," Helen Yokoyama, his wife, says, "He had a lot of friends."

Roy Yokoyama was born in Fukushima. When he was 12, he left Japan to join his family on their Rainier Valley farm. He came to the Market as a young man, selling produce

YOKOYAMA (Cont'd): on the farmers' tables. In 1949, he bought Arcade 1, as Roy's Market. Although he retired last year, and his son, Dick, took over the family business, Roy still was here most mornings, helping set up the rows of fruit and vegetables. That done, quite often he would round up an old friend or two and go fishing.

Fishing was his special love. Roy belonged to the Tengu Club and competed every year in the Japanese community's fishing derby. "He won twice in the last five years. He was so proud, he had photographs of him and the fish, so big, between the trophies."

There are five children, three of them Market people, and Helen herself has worked in the family stand since they bought it. John Yokoyama owns Pike Place Fish, Diane Clift works with Dick. "Diane's been here all her life," says Helen. "I would bring her to the Market when she was a baby, and Roy would take her home in the afternoons." There are two other daughters, Barbara Brown and Elsie Yokoyama. "Roy's family always came first, he was a good family man."

His customers, his old fishing companions, the Market community, will miss Roy Yokoyama very much.

SIBONGA (Cont'd from page 2) Center. She is a member of the Seattle Women's Commission, Women in Communications, Inc., Washington Women Lawyers, and the U of W Filipino Alumni Association. Ms. Sibonga's yearly salary as deputy executive secretary will be \$21,500.00.

Calendar of Events

- Oct. 17--Mrs. Midori Fujita, talented mezzo soprano solist from Tokyo Conservatory will give a recital with many Japanese folk song. There will be sacred numbers both in English and Japanese. 7:30 p.m. at the Japanese Baptist Church. Public is invited.
- 19--White River Buddhist Church bazaar.
- 22--Regular monthly JACL meeting from 8 p.m. at the JACL office, 526 S. Jackson St.
- 22--Community wide Nikkei meeting on Nursing Home for the Issei as topic. Starts at 7:30 p.m. at the Nisei Veterans Memorial Clubhouse, 1212 S. King St.
- 24--Seattle First Hill Lions Club will present Autumn Japanese "ENKA" Musioal Festival featuring Hiroko Ohgi, Bob Satake and 6 other top Japanese entertainers. The project will have the backing of Japan America Society of Seattle. This will be the first of the series to bring Japan entertainers here in Seattle. All net proceeds will be used for redevelopment of the Kobe Bell Area at the Seattle Center. The entertainers will then continue on to San Francisco and Los Angeles. Hiroko Ohgi was part of the troupe which entertained in Vancouver, B.C. last winter with premium price admission. The general admission price will be \$5.00 on non-reservation basis. For tickets please call 722-6868, 325-6555, 322-4550.
- Nov. 2--The annual N.V.C. benefit bazaar-carnival at the N.V.C. hall at 1212 S. King St. from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Takeout food service, delicious home baked pastries, hand-craft articles, steaks, beef curry, udon. Games of skill amid carnival atmosphere, snack bar and children's booth located in the main upper hall. A variety of delicious food items served in the lower level dining hall. Tosh Okamoto, general chairman; Hiro Nishimura, ticket distribution chairman; Dorrie Abe, Auxiliary bazaar chairperson; and Commander Dick Narasaki, in charge of manpower.
- 7--Deadline for JACL newsletter. Mail articles, news clippings, announcements and press releases to: c/o (editor) Eira Nagaoka, 2809 N.E. 54th St., Seattle, WA 98105.
- 7--Rokka Ski Club meeting from 8 p.m. at Glaser Beverage, 2300 20th Ave. S.
- 12--Newsletter mailing night. JACL office from 7:30 p.m. Please come and help.
- 15--University Students Club, Inc. (SYNKO) reception to honor the scholarship recipients from this organization. Starts 7:30 p.m. at the Kawabe House.
- Dec. 5--Rokka Ski Club meeting from 8 p.m. at Glaser Beverage, 2300 20th Ave. S.
- 6--16th annual Christmas dance sponsored by the Ai-iku Guild to benefit the Children's Orthopedic Hospital and Medical Center. The dance will be held at the Filipino Community Center, 5740 Empire Way S. Mrs. Sakaye Nakamura is general chairman and Mrs. Tami Tai is in charge of tickets (\$10.00 per couple). Tickets should be obtained from members prior to the dance. Ken Noreen's orchestra will provide the music.

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