

Seattle Chapter John H. Matsumoto, President May 1976 Vol. XIII, No. 5

SEATTLE CHAPTER JACL MEETING SET FOR MAY 19

President John H. Matsumoto will be calling the meeting this Wednesday, May 19 from 8 p.m. at the JACL office, 526 S. Jackson St. This is next to the last meeting before the Biennial National JACL Convention in Sacramento. We have to start thinking about the regional office crisis. Delegates will have to check signals with the wishes of the Board for voting at the National Convention. It's time to flood Chapter offices across the country for support of our resolutions. Mark the Seattle JACL meeting date on the calendar. Everyone is welcome Refreshments as usual.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by John H. Matsumoto

With four months elapsed since assuming the Chapter presidency, many activities have been going on in the Seattle Chapter which has kept me very busy. However, I thought that it is about time that I come up for air once to say "hello" to everyone and say a few things. First, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all of you who have joined JACL for 1976. According to membership chairman Sam Shoji, as of early April, Seattle Chapter has already topped GOO members with membership dues still coming in. I am happy and proud of the way you have responded. For those who have not sent in your membership dues for 1976, would you please do so and help top the 700 mark and support J.A.C.L.?

Secondly, I wish to openly thank all the officers, board members, chairpersons and committee members for the wonderful support you have been giving me. It is through these great hard working people that has made the Seattle Chapter an active and viable organization.

On February 19, 1976 a historic and memorable occasion took place in the White House. The signing of a Proclamation by President Ford which officially terminated E.O. 9066, was the culmination of almost nine months of hard and determined work by Henry Miyatake and his committee. Much thanks also goes to Gov. Dan Evans and his Administrative Assistant James Dolliver for their assistance for if it were not for them, the revocation proclamation would never have been approved and signed.

Many other activities are in progress. One is the preparation to attend the National Convention in Sacramento in June. Will all those who are planning to attend the convention and have not notified me, please do so as soon as possible. I have registration forms available as well as reservation card to Sacramento Inn. My phone number is 232-0412.

A campaign is being initiated through the national chairmanship of Clifford Uyeda to coordinate a nation-wide appeal for a Presidential Pardon of Iva Toguri. The Seattle Chapter committee will be co-chaired by Jerry Shigaki with the other co-chairperson to be named later.

The Seattle Chapter was one of the early supporter of the Issei Concerns, Inc. in their quest to start a Japanese Nursing Home by contributing the initial seed money to start the organization last winter. There are many other on-going activities covering various aspects of social life relating to the Japanese, both young and old. The monthly board meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month and all members are cordially welcome to attend. Will you come and join us and offer your services to serve others.

## GREATER SEATTLE JAPANESE COLMUNITY QUEEN SELECTED

Susan R. Ishimitsu, 20, daughter of Mrs. Victoria T. Ishimitsu and the late Mr. Sadamu Ishimitsu, was selected by the judges as the new 1976 Queen to represent the Greater Seattle Japanese community. The ceremony was held May 1 at the Bush Garden Restaurant. The first runner-up was Deborah Suyama, daughter of <sup>M</sup>r. and Mrs. Shoichi Suyama. Her sister Eileen is past Princess. The second runner-up is Julie Maya Kusakabe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John I. Kusakabe. Queen Susan will be receiving \$500.00 scholarship award while the Princess Deborah and Julie will each receive \$250.00 scholarship award. The contest was sponsored by Seattle Chapter JACL.

The first words from 5 feet 2 inches Queen Susan following the selection by the judges were "I can't believe it!"

There were eight contestants. Others in the running were June Matsuzawa of Lynwood and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matsuzawa; Cecilia Kaneko Egashira, daughter of Mrs. Elmer T. Egashira and the late Dr. Elmer T. Egashira; Janet T. Misayo Yamamura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitsuo Yamamura; April Mae Sakahara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Toru Sakahara; and Noreen Suyematsu, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Suyematsu. Queen Susan was student body officer and homecoming chairman at the Rainier Beach high School. She is in her third year at the Univ. of Washington majoring in medical technology and business. She is active in Ethnic Cultural Heritage Program at the U.W. and teaches junior high students about Asian awareness and works with Japanese cultural components. She enjoys music and. swimming and plays the piano. Queen Susan when asked why she was running for the queen contest said, "I like the chance to represent my peers. The third generation (Japanese) are not too representative. The parents were more active and had positive ideas and like to expand there myself. On the difference between Sansei and Nisei, both expresses opinions and the motivation are not different. Sansei are a little more rebellious. Nisei are more conservative but both sides should be expressed." QUEEN CONTEST (Cont'd): Statuesque Princess Deborah (5'7") combines brain with her beauty. She was among "top ten" student in her class at Cleveland high school and was sent to Switzerland for three months on a grant. She is in her third year at the Univ. of Washington majoring in business administration and plans to follow up in the fashion merchandising college. She is active in the Asian Cultural Heritage Program at the U.W. She hopes to follow through on some facet of fashion industry. Debbie feels that as Asian we have lots to offer like promotion of cosmetic, etc. She does modeling, some floral design and likes to dance, swim, golf and read.

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Princess Julie attended Franklin and Garfield high school. She was active in Asian Student Coalition, honor society, business and Japanese language club. She received honor for being in the Seattle Buddhist Church Drum & Bugle Corps for six years. She attends Univ. of Washington majoring in humanities. She likes to ski, play tennis, bowling, Japanese classical dancing, enjoys modern and classical music, ikebana and likes to travel. She has qualified as Life Saver in swimming and teaches children to swim. She likes to help young and old people alike.

Former Japanese Community Queen Carolyn Murotani Kirihara and Acey Toda Arai were present to assist in the program. The last Japanese Community Queen was crowned back in 1971 when Queen Susan Nochizuki Doane reigned. The is presently in Tokyo after graduating from Yale University in Japanese Far East study. She is in Inter-State University (Tokyo) graduate school sponsored by Stanford University.

The judges for the queen selection were John Matsumoto; Mrs. Shirley Younglove of Seattle Art Museum; Hugh Wayt, Chief Marshall, Seattle Seafair Grand Parade; Acey Toda Arai, past Japanese Community Queen; and head judge Robert Tsukui, art instructor. Terry Nakano, chairperson for the project, presided at the program.

Assisting chairman Nakano were the following members of the committee (and we hope to get a complete roster when the full reports are in) include: Mrs. Kiyoto Mochizuki, Mrs. Iky Yamada, Roy Seko, Mrs. Joan Seko, Mrs. Lillian Iwata, John Matsumoto, Jiro Namatame, Mrs. Agnes Hattori, Mrs. Kimi Nakanishi, Dick Ishikawa, Bob Matsuura, Tak Kubota, Mrs. Midori Uyeda, Eira Nagaoka, Jerry Ikegami, Gerald Yuasa, prime mover and organizer Frank H. Hattori, Mrs. Connie Asaka, Fred Takagi, and others.

## RECOGNITION DINNER FOR GOV. EVANS AND JUSTICE DOLLIVER

The Seattle Chapter Redress Committee honored Gov. Daniel J. Evans and Justice James Dolliver May 7 at the Mikado Restaurant. Also the guest included mother of Gov. Evans, Mrs. Daniel J. Evans and son Danny Evans, Mrs. James Dolliver; Mrs. Loretta Hayes, secretary to the Governor; Mrs. Ann McCrae, secretary to James Dolliver; Mrs. Ruth Yoneyama, Ben Woo, and other. Also in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kadoshima, Chuck Kato, Cherry and Mas Kinoshita, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Koizumi, Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Matsudaira, Mr. and Mrs. John Matsumoto, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miyatake, Tomio Moriguchi, Eira Nagaoka, Ken Nakano, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Nakata, Shosuke Sasaki, Sam Shoji, John Takizawa, Ted Taniguchi, and Mr. and Mrs. Masao Tomita.

Gov. Evans and Justice Dolliver were instrumental in laying the groundwork for President Ford signing Proclamation to officially rescinding Executive Order 9066 last Feb. 19. Dolliver was then executive assistant to the Governor. Dolliver made at least two trips to the White House's legal counsel as well as to the administrative assistant to President Ford.

Seattle Chapter redress committee presented plaque and copy of the Proclamation to both Gov. Evans and Justice Dolliver. The citation reads: "For exemplary dedication to principal of human freedom and justice as manifested by his effort in bringing about the issuance of Presidential Proclamation Feb. 19, 1976. In grateful appreciation, Evacuation Redress Committee, Seattle Chapter, JACL."

Gov. Evans responded in turn by giving the Seattle Chapter a copy of the "American Promise," with mounted pen used by the President in signing the Proclamation, as well as Governor Evans letter to Seattle JACL, all mounted in glass covered picture frame.

Gov. Evans commented: "I think this is probably the best single example in the past 12 years to have a first rate staff and colleague. In this case a great deal of credit has given me but believe me, it comes from the staff people who cared very much in lending their efforts and for that I'm really grateful."

Dolliver in speaking of his trips said: "The doors opened up at the White House only because I was representing Gov. Evans. I want to tell you that reception was amazingly good. Some of you may wonder how the bureaucracy works in Washington, D.C. All the people I saw and had a chance to talk with indicated that Gov. Evans' real interest in the eradication of E.O. 9066. The doors did open and people who work with the President in the White House from the very beginning were helpful and I left with the assurance that work will be done." Dolliver then proposed a toast to a man who did sign the Proclamation to rescind E.O. 9066, the President of the United States. Incidentally this was Dolliver's first day of work as State Supreme Court Judge since his appointment.

KING-TV LOG SHOWS EVACUATION THELE TO BE A CONTROVERSIAL SUBJECT

KING-TV SHOWING OF "Another Point of View" special entitled "Justice Overdue," on Feb. 28 caused considerable negative feedbacks via phone calls to the station. The reading makes interesting public opinion study. A similar blistering of the phone line can be recalled when Barbara Tanabe produced for KOMO-TV the theme of Japanese evacuation entitled "The Fence in Minidoka." "Justice Overdue" was co-hosted by Wendy Tokuda and Andy Reynolds and program focussed on the loss of Constitutional rights, the loss of property and the emotional

#### JUSTICE OVERDUE (Cont'd):

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There were eight positive responses to KING-TV saying "Very good program, keep it up!" Other remarks received were: "Bunch of garbage! Wish I could choke the guy who produced this program," "What would this country be like, if the Japanese would have taken control?", "They should be happy to be alive. We should have bombed Tokyo," "I resent the entire program. They are attempting to white-wash the entire public," "KING is playing dirty politics when quoting statement's made by a politician some 42 years ago," "This is terrible, the Japanese want compensation for something they caused," "I am writing the FCC in protest to the outlandish way KING is brain washing the public!", "I am a Univ. of Washington student and I consider myself a liberal, however, I witnessed 'Another Point of View' do a hatchet job on Scoop Jackson. Very low tactic!", etc.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY CENTER ACTIVITIES (report to Seattle Chapter) by Sam Shoji, Art Yorozu and Keiji Sato

If there was any doubt that there was "NO LONGER ANY NEED FOR EOC" or that the effort and work--many long hours--expended in the name of EOC has been in vain can be dispelled.

Jerry Shigaki's Vietnamese staff people, at our last Board meeting, eloquently and perhaps -plaintively--expressed their intense pride - their wish to be SELF-SUFFICIENT - not to be dependent on PUBLIC ASSISTANCE nor to allow themselves into a life-style of "WHY WORK! LET PUBLIC ASSISTANCE TAKE CARE OF US!" There is so much yet to be done and so little time to prepare the refugees in there quest to become a real contributing member of the American scene.

It was a real pleasure to see new Board member Hank Imori representing the First Hill Lions Club and he has already made some input that bodes well for continued involvement from concerned people from the Asian community.

#### COLLINS PLAYFIELD DEVELOPMENT

The Seattle Betsuin Board of Directors approved the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation to proceed with the purchase and development of Collins field (Parcel 33B). The development has been reduced from the original bid to the City of Seattle to that of developing a park-like plaza and parking area. This development phase is estimated to cost approximately \$100,000 with land acquisition and other costs of \$100,000 for a total of \$200,000.

A meeting with the Department of Community Development was held April 20 at which time this proposal was described and submitted. A decision from the city on the acceptability of this plan is expected within a week.

## 1,000 CHERRY TREES AND THREE GRANITE LANTERNS PRESENTED TO CITY

A cherry blossom bicentennial celebration for City of Seattle was held May 8. There was a formal presentation of 1000 Kwanzan cherry trees by Consul General of Japan Sono Uchida as a gift from Japan to Seattle. Also the presentation of a granite monument commemorating the American Bicentennial along with three six-foot tall carved granite lanterns were made by Genji Mihara, president of Seattle Japanese Community Service with Keiichi Kaneko representing Shunju Kai and Ted LeGros, of Japan-America Society. Seattle Mayor Wes Uhlman, and David L. Towne, department of park and recreation superintendent accepted the gift in behalf of the city. Imperial Drum & Bugle Corps, and 252 Boy Scout Drum and Bugle Corps were providing musical entertainment along with others.

# BANK OF TOKYO SPONSORS CHILDREN'S ART EXHIBIT BEGINNING JUNE 1

The third annual Children's Art Exhibit sponsored by the Seattle Branch of Bank of Tokyo, Ltd., will begin on June 1 and continue through June 25 including two Saturdays, June 5 and 19. This unique exhibit consisting of entries, many of which reflect the children's cultural background, were submitted by students of Seattle Japanese Community Japanese Language School and Shunju Club Japanese School, which will be a delight to people of all ages. The bank invites the public to view the exhibit at its office on the 27th floor of the Bank of California Center, 900 4th Avenue, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Saturday from noon to 2 p.m.

## BENEFIT PROGRAM FOR ASIAN MULTI MEDIA CENTER MAY 22

A fund raiser is being planned for the Asian Multi-Media Center Saturday, May 22 at the Asian Multi Media Center, 1243 Rainier Ave. S., starting at 7 p.m. with no-host cocktail hour, at which complimentary hors d'ouvres will be provided. From 8 p.m. on, the evening will include slide-tape shows, video tapes, and a display of photography, graphic design, and screen pro-cess work. There will be improvisations by the Asian Exclusion Act, as well as music by members of the Franklin Jazz Lab, under the direction of Mr. Chuck Chin. It will be an opportunity to view the Center's facilities, as well as examples of the many different programs run by the Center.

Tickets for the event will be \$2.50 per person. For more information call 323-4100.

#### FROM THE BOARD:

Booklet published by Asian American for Fair Media entitled "Asian Image in the U.S.: Stereotype and Reality" had been mailed to TV and radio stations and to 21 daily newspapers in the State of Washington. Dr. Minoru Masuda reported on the feedback. Dr. Masuda was invited to refute with under-300 words to answer Chehalis Daily Chronicle. Everett Hearald invited MaFROM THE BOARD (Cont'd): suda as guest editorialist. Longview, Washington paper sent appreciation. KING-TV offered Masuda to discuss the theme on "Talk Back" program. KOMO-TV sent favorable comment. KVI radio suggested possible meeting with the staff. Masuda was invited to send delegates to Allied Daily Newspaper convention on May 15 to Vancouver, WA to discuss Asian image.

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Dr. Masuda received response to correspondence from Cliff Uyeda of the Iva Toguri committee. Included in the committee were Ray Okamura, Edison Uno, and David Yoshida. Chicago Tribune had two parts series on Tokyo Rose background on the trial and Part I was published in the Seattle Times. Wall Street Journal, Christian Science Monitor, CBS "60-Minutes" also carried the story.Seattle is forming the IVA Toguri committee. Masuda was interviewed by "N.W. Access" ASUW publication by third world people in communications and was given excellent coverage by Mary Parker. Retired Captain Gunnar Olsborg, Seattle JACLer, wrote to Fresident Ford. His boat off Alaska was reported sunk by the Tokyo Rose broadcast which gave rise to excellent morale among Olsborg crew.

Sam Shoji, membership chair, reports 620 members as of April meeting date. "I am pleased with the membershi so far. Last year we were 400 at this time and Tomio Moriguchi has been a real incentive and I appreciate his help."

Seattle contingent attended the National JACL evacuation redress committee meeting in Portland May 1. The meeting was chaired by Ed Yamamoto, recently appointed to chair the Nation-al committee. Edison Uno is advisor. Others present were Wayne Horiuchi from Washington, D.C.; Paul Tsuneishi, S. Calif.; Dale Shimabukuro (Nat'l youth director), Mike Honda, San Jose, Kaz Oshiki of Washington, D.C., as well as ken Nakano, Henry Miyatake and others. Three possible plans were unified into one component and the recommendations were drafted to be presented for the approaching National Convention.

Pacific Northwest District Council meeting: The regional office in Portland will receive \$7,-000 cut in appropriation or one-third of the regional budget. No alternatives have been determined. Voting rights were given to three "issue" chairpersons including political education, anti-discrimination and contemporary history resulting from amended by-laws. Dr. James Tsujimura of Portland will be the candidate for national office of Nat'l JACL vice president of research and services and Dr. Paul Ellis of Puyallup Valley chapter will run for National treasurer's post. The next PNWDC meeting will be hosted by the Seattle Chapter June 12 and 13. Ted Taniguchi and Cherry Kinoshita will chair the selection of the site. Seattle last hosted the district meeting in Sept. 1974.

Sam Shoji made the motion to give two official delegates to the Nat'l convention \$40.00 per day per diem in addition to plane tickets. The motion passes. Delegates to Portland convention were given \$25.00 per diem.

John Matsumoto inquired on the progress of the <u>Inagaki</u> <u>Award project</u>. Dr. Masuda said, "We got gypped at the last convention." Ben Nakagawa said, "They passed over the Seattle Chapter. They would not consider the Seattle Chapter. We were ineligible because we realistically dominated that award and they felt that it was politically unwise to have Seattle once again take that award." May 21 is the deadline and Nakagawa said it will take at least two weeks tordo a realistic job.

"Is the Chapter going to resubmit the two resolutions of two years ago?" asks Ben Nakagawa. "We got hell kicked out of us and it's a shame to quit now." Dr. Masuda suggested that rather than abolishing the creed, it should be called a historical document so it can "belong to the ag s." The Board disagreed. President Matsumoto said it was too late to bring to PNWDC meeting but the vote can be made via tele hone. Motion was passed to resubmit the resolu-tions to delete citizenship requirement for JACL and to retire the Masaoka Creed with honor.

Dr. Masuda asked the Chapter to bring ideas on program proposal for which funding can be used in JACL related projects. One page summary should be submitted.

#### Acknowledgements:

Note: Kimi Nakanishi requests Shigeru Osawa \$100.00 in memory of Edward Y. Osawa Kifu proceeds to be turned in at the next meeting.

Mr. Kyuichi Nagai \$10.00 Mrs. Shizuka Sata \$10.00

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Tanaka \$50.00 in memory of Mr. Kaichi Tanaka (to correct spelling error we found)

NEWS JOTTINGS: Kay Tokunaga, 12, a seventh-grader at Cascade Jr. Hi, won the Highline School District spelling bee. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tokunaga, led eight other Highline District students in the regional spelldown May 1 at Ingraham High School . . . 13 Beacon Hill residents received awards for service to Camp Fire Girls at the Galena District annual meeting. Among awardees were: Grace <sup>1</sup>chikawa, SaraKosugi--Wakan Awards; Grace is secretary of Seattle Betsuin Camp Fire Girls program; Sara is Unit representative for Mint Sale. Kiyoko Takashima, Toshi Imanishi--Hiiteni Award; Mrs. Minoru (Aiko) Fujii and Yosh Miyauchi--S Shawnequas Award. Aiko and Yosh are cochair of Seattle Buddhist Church Camp Fire Girls; Yoshi Hiroo received Charlotte Joy Farnsworth Award . . . KOMO-TV and Yesler Hardware & Plumbing Supplies and Ted Imanishi received certificate of recognition during the 57th annual dinner meeting of the Seattle-King County Council of Camp Fire Girls at Tyee High School April 22 . . . Mrs. Ray Hikida received Silver Totems, the highest award for volunteer work with Girl Scouts, April 29, during the seventh annual recognition dinner of the Totem Girl Scout Council at the Seattle Center. Mrs. Hikida will be among the three elected to the nominating committee for three-year terms . . .

BUSINESS: The Small Business Administration has awarded contractors for March under its 8(a) minority contractor assistance program including contract for J.T. Construction Co., 450 12th

127 1075 NEWS JOTTINGS (Cont'd): Avenue, \$31,549.00 for rehabilitation and repair of 5 single family dwellings in Seattle . . . ten Seattle business and civic leaders--eight of them women including Nobie Chan and Katharine M. Bullitt -- have incorporated a unique new financial insti-tution featured as "A Women's Place" the Sound Savings & Loan, P.O. Box 21509, Seattle 98101, are seeking investors at \$130 per share. Thefirm is already chartered, supervised and examined by the State of Washington. They also seek pledges of any size above the \$5 minimum per individual account . . . Beacon Hill Branch, Seattle First National Bank opened May 1. Manager is Ms. Mae Natori who has been with the International branch since 1937 and as assistant mana er there since 1965. Buddhist Boy Scouts Drum and Bugle Corps and Color Guard and the Franklin High Jazz Lab entertained. Two major art are quilted batik landscape by Jennifer Lew and a collage entitled "In the Realm of the Past," by Seattle artist Paul Horiuchi. The attractive building was designed and constructed by John Y. Sato and Associates . . . Facilities Review Committee of King County Comprehensive Health Planning Council coordinated hearing April 14 to review certificate of need application submitted by Issei Concerns and Providence "edical Center of Seattle with meeting held at601 Valley St. Certificate of Need is required for capital expenditure of over \$100,000 in advance donation and pledges and the most recent one was an unsolici ed check for \$10,000 from an Issei yet to be announced . . .

<u>Nobu Miyashiro</u> 52, April 10 . . . <u>Hideo Yamamoto</u> 71, April 23. Nichiren Buddhist Church and Okayama Club. Survivors include: wife Hrs. Hide Yamamoto, sons Tadashi, Masaru, Katashi, Satoshi, all of Seattle; five daughters Mrs. Kiyoshi (Yoshiko) Ishimitsu, Hrs. Masaru (Setsuko) Hamamoto, Mrs. Takashi (Ichiko) Ishii, Mrs. George (Fusako) Kamihara, Miss Yasuko Yamamoto, all Seattle . . <u>Elinor Y. Sadamori</u> 49, April 23. Japanese Baptist Church. She grew up in the Kent valley and was evacuated to Heart Mountain. She attended beauty school and worked as beautician. Later in life attended Seattle Central Community College graduating with honors and in 1971 was hired by the North Seattle Community College. She was accomplished in oil painting. Survivors include: brothers Roy, . Theodore, George, all Nyssa, Ore.; sister Mrs. Elaine Sugiyama, Sacramento . . <u>Sute Ujimoto</u>. Services April 30. Japanese Presbyterian Church. Sister-in-law of Isamu Ujimoto. Aunt of Takako Ujimoto, both of Salmon Arm, B.C. Also survivors include: sons henry T. Aoyama, Seattle and Frank S. Aoyama, Redmond; daughters Hrs. Minoru (Pearl) Araki, Syossett, N.Y. and Anne K. Aoyama, Seattle . . .

#### EXCERPT FROM ASIAN AMERICAN AFFAIRS MEETING

Commission on Asian American Affairs met Mar. 27 at the St. Peter's Episcopal Church and was chaired by Don Kazama. Present were Mike Castillano, Maxine Chan, Ray Corpuz, Jr., Dr. Richard Doi, Duc Hong Duong, Paula Frial, Frank H. Hattori, Phil Y. Hayasaka, Gil Hirabayashi, Don Kazama, Nan Hi Knowles, Doris Lock, Andre Loh, Barry Mar, Gene Matsusaka, Mako Nakagawa and Pham Ngoc Tuyen. <u>Item</u>. S.B. 3178 (teacher certification for non-citizens) was passed out of Senate Education committee, but died in Senate Rules Committee this session. Alternative may be court action. <u>Item</u>. In all likelihood, the Commission will cease its activities by end of June 1977. As an alternative to the push (by legislative members) for consolidation of minority agencies as an adjunct of the Human Rights Commission, staff is reviewing two models. <u>Item</u>: Réceived a proposal from Phil Hayasaka that an analytical, defin= itive report be written to ov. Evans with the purpose of providing a resource document for educators, agencies, the general public, legislators, supporters, and the media. Motion approved pending funding and ayasaka is appointed to chair this project. <u>Item</u>. Approved the motion in support of a full and unconditional presidential pardon for Iva Toguri.

## HEW TO HOST BICENTENNIAL OPEN HOUSE

The Department of <sup>H</sup>ealth, Education and Welfare's Region X office in Seattle will hold a week-long open house for the community beginning Sunday May 16, from noon thru 5 p.m., and continuing Monday, May 17 through Friday, May 21 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

HEW Regional Director Bernard E. Kelly has invited all interested citizens to participate in the open house activities, to be held at the Regional Office in the Arcade Plaza Building, 1321 Second Ave. in Seattle. Exhibits which will be set up on the building's first and second floors will honor the nation's Bicentennial and depict the history and the work done by HEW's component agencies.

#### NON-LEGISLATIVE INFO

The 1975 Pocket Data Book is now available from the Office of Program Planning and fiscal Management's Information Services Division, 109 House Office Building, Olympia 98504. The fi first data book was created in 1970 to provide a convenient source of data needed by policy makers of the state. The data book is invaluable for it includes facts and figures on population, the economy, general state government, human resources, education, natural resources and transportation. Also included is a source list of further information.

CONCERN RAISED OVER THE NEW PARKING METER RESTRICTIONS IN INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT

Inter-Im has initiated a petition to demand that the parking meter restrictions be returned to normal operations weekdays until 6 p.m. Inter-Im want meter enforcement after 6 p.m., Sundays and holidays only if stadium events are scheduled during these periods. All meters should be returned to theoriginal two-hour limit. Barricades were suggested to be placed two hours prior to stadium events to discourage stadium traffic and parking in the area. For the time being, barricades should remain placed on Dearborn Streets; 12th and Jackson; Rainier and Jackson and the rest of barricades should be removed along Jackson Street intersections. Meter restrictions are in operation seven days a week until 10 p.m. This restriction should be in effect only during stadium events.--extracted in parts from Inter-Im Newsletter

## Calendar of Events

May 13-15--The Asian Exclusion Act of the Asian Multi-Media Center presents "And the Soul Shall Dance," a play by Ms. Wakako Yamauchi, from 8 p.n. at the Ethnic Cultural Theatre, 3940 Brooklyn Ave. N.E., Seattle. The setting is in 1935 and revolves with lives in the desert farm community and feelings with regard to life in America. The play features Steve Sumida, Bea Kiyohara, Doug Sameshima, Marianne Exkrem, Nora Mar and Amy Hill. The play is sponsored by the Asian Student Association of the Univ. of Washington. For information call 323-4100.

May 14-16--Asian Family Affair sponsored benefit Japanese movies "5 Days in Search of Gold" and "Kamikaze Cop--Poison Gas Affair" at the Toyo Cinema. Tickets available at Uwajimaya Gift Dept., Fuji Restaurant, I.D. Community Health Center, 416 Maynard S.

May 15-16-Senke School's annual flower exhibit at the St. Peter's Episcopal Church from 1 to 7 p.m. on Saturday and from noon to 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. The exhibit is open to the public and there will be no admission charge.

May 19---Regular monthly JACL meeting from 8 p.m. at the JACL office, 526 S. Jackson St. Everyone welcome regardless of membership, Refreshment as usual.

May 22--A fund-raiser for the Asian Multi-Media Center, 1243 Rainier Ave. S., from 7 p.m. with no-host cocktail hour. Program 8 p.m. (See page 3 for details). \$2.50/person.

May 31 (Monday) --- Nisei Veterans Committee sponsored Community Memorial Day Service from 10 a.m. at Lake View Cemetery on the site of Nisei War Memorial Monument. Pat Hagiwara, N.V.C. chaplain and Kibo Inouye, special service officer, are in charge. Mr. Shinichi Seike, president of the Gold Star Parents Assn., as well as other representatives of community organizations including Seattle Chapter JACL, will be participating in the laying of wreaths at the base of the monument during the services. Charles Z. Smith, Associate Dean of the Univ. of Washington School of Law and National President of the American Baptist Churches of U.S.A., will be the speaker.

June 1 thru 25--The third annual Children's Art Exhibit sponsored by the Bank of Tokyo on 27th floor of Bank of California Center, 900 4th Ave. (See story page 3).

- June 4--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. June 5--Kobe Terrace Park celebration with community festival planned by the International
  - District Economic Association from 4:30 to 9 p.m. and will include entertainments, arts and crafts and indoor displays.
- June 9--Dedication ceremony for KobePark with mayor of Kobe and sponsored by the City.
- June 9--Newsletter mailing night, JACL office from 7:30 p.m. Please come and help. June 12-13--Quarterly session of Pacific Northwest District Council meeting to be hosted by
- the Seattle Chapter.
- June 20-26--24th Biennial National JACL Convention at the Sacramento Inn with Sacramento Chapter as host. Theme: "A Proud Legacy" and they promise good programming.
- July 17--Taiyo Club Golden Jubilee Celebration with its fifth reunion from 6:30 p.m. at the Nisei Veterans Hall from 6:30 p.m. Invitation is open to all friends, even husbands and wives whether they played for or against Taiyo Athletic Club or just watched . . . girls, wives, etc. . . Nippon Athletic Club (NAC), Asahi Athletic Club, Waseda Athletic Club, Ginsei, Mikado, White River, Auburn, Kent, Tacoma, Fife, Bellevue, Lotus, Green Lake, Bellevue, Winslow, Vashon, and a host of other clubs. This was the glorious period of Japanese community sports world of the roaring 20's, the 30's, and the 40's. Bring your memorabilia, albums, pictures, scrap books and whatever. BYOL. Dinner will be after the Happy Hours which will begin at 6:30 p.m. Entertainment by the "Polynesian Playmates"--a musical group. Donation of \$6.00 per person to cover costs. Notify your reunion chairman Voshito "Salty" Mizuta, 10432 66th Ave Ave. S., Seattle, WA 98178 (1-206-722-5763). Others assisting are: Mits Abe, Lefty Ichihara, Shiro Iwana, Kenji Kawaguchi, Sho Kiyomizu, Tad Kuniyuki, Tom Mayeda, Joe Nakatsu, Flax Sao, Roy Sakamoto, Kenji Yamada and Mat Yorita.

July 22-25--Nisei Veterans Reunion in Chicago with Chicago Sheraton as reunion headquarters. Aug. 15--Fifth annual 1,000 Club Golf Tournament at Jefferson Park course to be followed with awards dinner at Bush Garden Restaurant. Dr. Pete Yoshino, chairperson.

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