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## REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING FOR SEATTLE JACL OCT. 20

President John H. Matsumoto will preside with session starting at 8 p.m. at the JACL office, 526 South Jackson Street. Nomination for slate of officers for the 1977 will be received from the floor. Pacific Northwest District Council meeting of Sept. 26 will be summarized. Emiko Leonard from Kawai was a visitor at the meeting. Also present at the Seattle JACL meeting was board member Ms. Rita Fujiki Elway who wed. (Congratulation and best wishes). Please save the calendar date for Oct. 20 JACL meeting. Everyone welcome. Refreshments served.

## NISEI AGING CONFERENCE SET FOR JAN. 22

John Takizawa of the Elderly Concerns Committee together with his assistants including Mitsi Mihara have set the conference date of Jan. 22 for Nisei Aging at the N.V.C. Hall. The program places emphasis on "awareness" of the various facets that add up to the Nisei profile "today" covering social, economic, health, death, etc. The workshop will further explore and will field surface reactions and opinions from the floor, primarily from the Nisei audience.

The panel will include the/Rev. Paul M. Nagano on religious and spiritual role in later life; Dr. Chazz Kawabori, on the aging process including all aspects; Ms. Sally Kazama, on services available overview; Mits Mihara on Nisei women, its profile, role, past, present and the future; George Koshi, attorney, on estate planning; and speakers will be sought in the area of Nisei profile and clinical evaluation, mental health in later life, and the Sansei views.

The conference starts at 9:30 a.m. and \$5.00 registration fee will cover box lunch and refreshments.

## SEATTLE/PNWDC GA/100 FLIGHT TO JAPAN

JACLers in the Pacific Northwest can start looking forward to visiting Japan in the beautiful sakura season of 1978. With approval of the Seattle Chapter board to proceed with sponsorship of Group Affinity-100 flight to Tokyo, tentative dates have been set for a 3-week trip in April 1978, it was announced by Seattle Chapter chairperson Harry Kadoshima. At the Pacific Northwest District Council in Tacoma on Sept. 26, co-sponsorship of the flight was approved, with Dr. Terrance M. Toda appointed as District Council chairperson.

Each year numerous JACL flights leave from California cities, but this will be the first JACL group flight departing from Seattle since 1971 when a Chicago-originating charter flight joined up with a contingent of Seattle JACLers. Further details will be announced as firm dates are set, carrier routes are selected, and different tours are planned. Touring Japan can not only be a memorable experience but also a barrel of fun when going with friends and fellow-JACLers. Let's mark the dates and start saving for that trip!

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

The Seattle Chapter JACL gratefully acknowledges the following donations:

Mr. and Mrs. Don Kazama and Ruth Kazama \$25.00 in memory of Kameno Kazama.

The Seattle Chapter JACL was recently notified that last will and testament of Harry S. Kawabe dated March 19, 1965 left \$500.00 to the Seattle Chapter.

## TOGURI COMMITTEE MEETING TO PRESENT DEAN CHARLES Z. SMITH

The next meeting of the Iva Toguri Committee will be held on Oct. 28 from 7:30 p.m. at the JACL office. The highlight of the meeting will be a presentation by Dean Charles Z. Smith of the School of Law, Univ. of Washington, on the legalistic perspective of the Iva Toguri case. Following the presentation a mailout campaign will be done in order to establish community support. EVERYONE IS URGED TO ATTEND!!

## FROM THE BOARD:

Nomination committee as chaired by Tom Koizumi will designate October and November regular meetings for accepting names for nomination. The slate is wide open until close of Nov. 17 meeting. The nomination committee met Sept. 15 with the following in attendance: chairman Tom Koizumi, Ken Nakano, Henry Miyatake, Sam Shoji, Takako Yoda, Mid Uyeda, Cherry Kinoshita, and Eira Nagaoka. List of nominees with many names unconfirmed read as follows:

President Cherry Kinoshita; president-elect, Ted Taniguchi; 1st vp Harry Kadoshima; 2nd vp, Eira Nagaoka; 3rd vp, Chuck Kato; 4th vp, Paul Isaki; corres. sec., Mid Uyeda (on condition that someone will run against her); treas., Harry Kadoshima; Board of Governors (group I) Chris Kato, Hideo Watanabe, Dr. Minoru Masuda, Sally Tsuboi, Tom Koizumi, Rita Fujiki Elway, Hiro Nishimura, Wendy Tokuda, Dr. Terrance Toda, Terry Nakano, Tomio Moriguchi; (group II) Al Shimoguchi (Portland), Dr. Lindy Sata, Yuri Sata, Mitch Matsudaira, Helen Akita, Kimi Nakanishi, Mary Fujita, Michiko Fujii, Takako Yoda, Lawrence Iwamura, Arlene Oki, Genji Mihara; group III Ben Nakagawa, Sam Shoji, John Takizawa, Gil Hirabayashi, Jerry Shigaki, Toru Sakahara, Jiro Namatame, Masao Tomita, Mako Nakagawa and Phil Hayasaka.

National Committee for IvaToguri had agreed to mail packets to state the case to Sparky Matsunaga, Hubert Humphrey, James Carter and President Gerald Ford as well as to S. I. Hayasaka, and others. Jerry Shigaki and Gil Hirabayashi of the Seattle Chapter committee for Iva Toguri is planning public speaking campaign as well as meeting for Oct. 28 at the JACL office.

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NURSING HOME DEDICATED TO ISSEI PIONEERS

The Seattle Keiro Nursing Home for elderly Japanese was dedicated Sept. 19 with participation by numerous civic and Japanese community leaders. Among the speakers were John Spellman, King County executive; Consul General Sono Uchida; Genji Mihara, Japanese Community Service; and Edwin Hiroto, administrator of Keiro nursing homes in Los Angeles.

The home was dedicated to Issei pioneers (first-generation Japanese) in recognition of their courage, industry and sacrifices in establishing their roots in America.

Tomio Moriguchi, president of Issei Concerns, Inc., the non-profit group which organized the nursing home, said the dedication marked the realization of a long-time dream of Nisei community leaders to provide health-care services for Issei in a comfortable bilingual and bicultural environment.

The traditional ribbon-cutting was performed by Mrs. Aya Teramoto, who will be the first patient to be accepted by the nursing home, and Mr. Tadashi Takehara, an Issei pioneer who contributed \$10,000 to the Keiro project.

Seattle Keiro (in Japanese, Keiro means "respect for elders") was purchased by Issei Concerns last July for \$300,000. The 63-bed facility, located at 1700 24th Ave. S., was the former Mt. Baker Convalescent Center. It has been completely renovated and redecorated. The first patients were admitted Sept. 30.

Issei Concerns has been conducting a campaign, based on five-year pledges, to raise \$500,000 to cover the purchase of the home, capital improvements and operational expenditures. To date over \$310,000 in pledges and contributions has been received from local organizations, churches, business firms and individuals.

Russell Akiyama, formerly employed by the Washington State Department of social & Health Services, is administrator of Seattle Keiro.

BUSH GARDEN BENEFIT DINNER

The benefit sukiyaki dinner staged by the management and employees of Bush Garden produced nearly \$7,000 for the Seattle Keiro Nursing Home fund, according to Roy Seko of Bush Garden and Tomio Moriguchi of Issei Concerns, Inc. This total included \$6,500 from ticket sales and approximately \$500 from Seattle Keiro's 50-percent share of bar receipts. The entire proceeds from the sale of 1,300 tickets at \$5.00 each were turned over to Seattle Keiro.

The idea of the benefit dinner was conceived by the employees of Bush Garden, who received the full support of the restaurant's management. The employees volunteered their services in preparing and serving the meals, and the Seko family, including Mrs. Suye Seko, Roy and Joan Seko and Bob and Amy Seko, donated all the food ingredients.

One of the most successful benefit affairs ever held in the Japanese community, the dinner was a heartwarming display of community teamwork at its finest. The Bush Garden employees and management put in many, many hours of planning and work, and numerous volunteers pitched in, performing the endless number of tasks so necessary for putting on a dinner of this magnitude.

BENEFIT BOWLING

Imperial Lanes has sent a check for \$425 to the Seattle Keiro fund. Fred Takagi, proprietor, donated the entire day's receipts of Sept. 1 as his firm's contribution to the nursing home. Takagi says he hopes to make this an annual event, turning over the income from one day each summer to the nursing home project.

KEIRO FUND PASSES \$310,000 MARK

Tosh Okamoto, campaign chairman, reports on institutional pledges as follow:

Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church \$10,000; Faith Bible Church \$1,000; JACL \$1,000; Japanese Baptist Church \$5,000; Japanese Congregational Church \$1,000; Japanese Gardeners' Association \$1,500; Japanese Presbyterian Church \$5,000; Konko Church of Seattle \$750; Meijikai \$1,300; Nichiren Buddhist Church \$3,000; Nisei Veterans Committee \$1,000; Nisei Veterans Women's Auxiliary \$500; Puyallup Valley JACL \$2,000; Seattle Buddhist Church \$10,000; Seattle First Hill Lions Club \$1,000; Seicho no Ie \$500; Seventh Day Adventist Church \$250; St. Peter's Episcopal Church \$1,000; Tacoma Buddhist Church \$1,000; Whitney Memorial United Methodist Church (Tacoma) \$1,000; Rainier Lions \$750.00.

75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FOR BETSUIN, NOV. 12-14

The Seattle Betsuin will celebrate its 75th Anniversary Nov. 12-14. The 75th year observance for the founding of Seattle Buddhist Church is dedicated to the pioneer members and ministers who have made this day possible. "Nembutsu Now" has been selected as the theme for the anniversary.

Registration begins Nov. 12. Members 75 years old and over will be invited as special honored guests free of charge. The three-day program will feature events for all ages, ranging from the Children's Games Night on Friday, Nov. 12, to the Issei entertainment.

The Anniversary Banquet will be held Nov. 13, at 6 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Olympic Hotel. Two of the special events for the banquet will be the recognition of Betsuin members for their meritorious service, and the introduction of alumni ministers and special guests. Keynote message for the evening will be delivered by former Rinban Kenryo Kumata. Also present will be Bishop Kenryu Tsuji and Mr. Hiroshi Mayeda, president of the Buddhist Churches of America. Also present will be Bishop Kenryu Tsuji and Mr. Hiroshi Mayeda, president of



75TH'S ANNIVERSARY FOR SEATTLE BETSUIN (Cont'd): the Buddhist Churches of America. Other alumni ministers expected to be present are the Rev. Koyo Okuda representing the Kyoto Nishi-Hongwanji headquarters, the Rev. Eiyu Terao of Alameda and the Rev. Seiichi Kobara, the Rev. Tetsuo Unno, the Rev. Kazuo Nakagami (Oregon), the Rev. Kakuyei Tada (Palo Alto), and the Rev. Seiko Okahashi (Honolulu).

The 75th Anniversary Commemorative Service and Muen Hoyo will be observed Nov. 14, in the Church auditorium. This combined service will begin with the traditional ochigo procession. The chief officiant is Bishop Tsuji, who will deliver a message to the Sangha. The Anniversary celebration will close with picture taking and a delicious lunch prepared by temple members.

#### JAPANESE BAPTISTS SPONSOR LAOTIAN FAMILY

The Seattle Japanese Baptist Church congregation had previously voted to take this action. The Vieng Khou arrived Aug. 27 from Hong Kong and were greeted by the church special committee. Prior preparation had been made expecting them to make home in Seattle. It became known that relatives were living in the United States and Mr. Vieng Khou's youngest sister had come from California to meet them. They wanted to leave for Los Angeles as soon as possible. However, the church committee did manage to arrange several dinners for the family, brought them to Church Worship Service and arranged for the completion of necessary papers with governmental agencies. The committee picked up the tab for air fare to Los Angeles and gave them a big sendoff in September.

Eiko Shibayama and Sadao Nakagawa were co-chairs for the committee and assisted by Alice Kono, Nobu Omoto, Mary Hide Kimura, Charlotte Yamane and Taneichi Ota.

#### JOHN SATO PLANS "FUNKY" RESTAURANT, \$6 MILLION SHOPPING CENTER IN BELLEVUE

John Sato now has under way several interesting projects along 148th Ave. N.E. in Bellevue. Sato, the Seattle-based developer of apartments, commercial projects and builder of the Seahawks headquarters, now has under construction at 2239 148th Ave. N.E., what promises to be one of the funkier restaurant-discoteques around. Called Saratoga Trunk, it will seat 400 to 450 persons in various nooks and crannies in a setting of glazed comic book covers, wine bottles and Indian teepees.

And across the street, Sato is preparing to start construction of a \$6 million shopping center called Overlake Village to include a Payless drugstore, three restaurants, various shops and the biggest Safeway grocery store in these parts containing 41,000 sf. of floor space.

Saratoga Trunk will be joined later by a 10,000 sf. retail area which will join the restaurant to the Standard Brands store already in operation. The entire complex, called Sunset Plaza, also includes an Olympic Sports Center. The Sato firm is owner-constructor-architect.

Overlake Village, scheduled to open in late spring, 1977, will have a total floor area of 147,000 sf. Not all of the tenants have been signed up yet. But the three restaurants will include Corkscrew's, a stucco building done up in King Arthur's castle style, Coco's, a chain operation, plus a pizza eatery. The other buildings will be mainly red brick and tile mansard roof. Owner of Overlake Village is Overlake Village Associates with Sato the principal. Sato Corp. will be general contractor and John Y. Sato Associates, architect.

#### "AN EVENING WITH QUEEN SUSAN" HELD OCT. 3

The Japanese community and friends had a chance to meet Queen Susan Ishimitsu who is Seattle Seafair Queen of the Seas as well as the Queen for the Greater Seattle Japanese Community, at the Bush Garden Restaurant. Publicized as "An Evening with Queen Susan," the Greater Seattle Japanese Queen Committee, which has gained the non-profit corporation status recently, sponsored the event for the Queen to meet the community and according to Master of Ceremonies for the evening Jiro Namatame, "give the moral support during her reign and a chance for us to feel proud and to share in her glory." Prime mover Frank H. Hattori added color throughout the evening filling in the past history of past Queens and floats as well as during the showing of professional quality Roy Seko films of "Mikado" float as well as others.

Introduced to the audience were Princess Julie Kusakabe; Princess Debbie Suyama; Princess Barbara Fox of the Seattle Seafair; Mr. Joseph James, Seafair King Neptune Rex XXVII and Mrs. James; Mrs. Jane Stekonberg, Chief Chaperon; Seafair Head Coordinator Mrs. Katy Milton; Seafair Queen's personal chaperon Mrs. Janet Riley; Seafair Office's new director of public relations Pat Lafayette Patterson and Diane; the Ishimitsu family and relatives; Mr. and Mrs. Shoichi Suyama; and Mr. and Mrs. John Kusakabe.

Tak Kubota, representing the Greater Seattle Japanese Queen Committee, presented a gift of crystal crown as well as framed photo of Queen as it appeared in The Seattle Times front page to Queen Susan. Ice carving of boat displayed at the buffet table was the work of Bush Garden chef Kenzo Kogo who spent the entire afternoon preparing the art work. The two cakes one reading "Queen of the Seas" and the other in kanji characters were made by Mrs. Betty Mochizuki, mother of past Queen Susan Mochizuki. Tomi's Flower Shop provided the banquet flowers.

Queen Susan who spoke briefly said she was really scared during the Queen Contest held at Bush Garden. "I'm not the queen type but auntie Joan Seko encouraged me," Susan said. "I had no hope and had to be there." Susan believes that we have the greatest community. In the meantime she had received \$1500 in scholarship as well as \$500 scholarship from the Japanese Queen Committee. She has the use of Datsun B210 for one year. She had a lengthy chat with Presidential candidate Jimmy Carter when he arrived at the airport. She was in Kiddies Parade, Ellensburg Rodeo, Vancouver, B.C.'s Pacific Northwest Exposition parade honoring



MEETING QUEEN SUSAN (Cont'd): Hawaii with Gov. Ariyoshi participating. Her float in Yakima caught fire but according to King Neptune, "she is quite agile."

Greetings were made by King Neptune of Seafair and Queen Susan paid a visit to each table.

Officers of the Queen Committee is Terry Nakano, president; Tak Kubota, vice president; Frank H. Hattori, secretary; and Bob Matsuura, treasurer.

#### NEW SKI SEASON OPENS FOR ROKKA SKI CLUB

The Rokka Ski Club will again be conducting meetings and ski school lessons for the 1976-77 ski season. The first meeting was held Oct. 1 at the NVC Hall. All meetings are scheduled for the first Friday of the month at 8 p.m. except for November which will be on Nov. 12.

Officers for the coming year are President, Steve Takahashi; 1st V.P. Warren Saito; 2nd V.P. Cliff Barstow; Secretary Janet Deguchi; treasurer Pat Koyamatsu.

Ski school will begin on Jan. 9, 1977, at both Snoqualmie Summit and at Crystal Mountain. Standard and GIM ski classes will again be offered. Forms for membership and ski lessons are available at the regular ski club meetings and also at Imperial Lanes and Uwajimaya.

#### HARBORVIEW MEDICAL CENTER BONDS ON BALLOT

On September 16, 1976 the King County Council voted unanimously to place Harborview Medical Center's \$19.5 million capital construction bond issue on the King County general election ballot. The bond will be used to modernize Harborview Medical Center and to build a new and expanded burn center. About \$7 million of the amount will be for plumbing, electrical, and ventilation repairs, \$1.5 million to renovate the Inpatient Psychiatric Unit, \$3 million to create improved triaging capability in the emergency room as well as to update certain specialty clinics in the Outpatient Department, \$6 million for the Burn Center, and \$2 million for Radiology Services.

Mr. Robert Jetland, hospital administrator, said the only increase in beds in the entire project is for the Burn Center to which 19 beds will be added to make a total of 40 beds. The rest of the project is modernization and updating of existing facilities." Jetland said that the national Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals safety and physical requirements as well as those of other regulatory and safety agencies have indicated an immediate need for updating of Harborview's facilities. Without the funds from the bond issue, the hospital could have difficulty meeting accreditation standards.

Owned by King County and operated by the Univ. of Washington Medical School, Harborview provides health services for primarily the King County area. Anyone who needs the specialized services of the Center may be treated as well. The emergency trauma center handles 125 patients on an average day and the burn center serves the entire Northwest, since the nearest other regional burn center is in Los Angeles.

The cost of the bond issue to the King County property owners would be 17 cents a year per \$1,000 assessed valuation for 20 years. This would amount to \$5.10 a year on a \$30,000 home. The hospital will try for matching federal moneys if the voters approve the bonds.

The hospital will have to apply for a certificate of need for the improvements in the county owned center if the voters approve the bond issue. City Council Chairman Dave Mooney who introduced the measure on behalf of the hospital said the prime requirement is the expanded burn center. This specialized service is a necessary County resource.

Endorsed by Asian Physicians Committee for Harborview Bonds.

S. Mark Sumi, M.D.; John Lee, M.D.; Lindbergh Sata, M.D.; William K. Sata, M.D.; and Ben T. Uyeno, M.D.

NEWS JOTTINGS: Named Sept. 16 as semi-finalists in the annual National Merit Scholarship Competition were 137 seniors from 45 Seattle area high schools including Janet L. Abe, of Cleveland High School and Sandra K. Hirano of West Seattle High School . . . The Jefferson Community Center is offering new program for pre-schoolers at a minimal tuition. Penny Fukui and Jean Nishi who will teach at the pre-school both graduated from Univ. of Washington with degree in elementary education. In addition to being mothers, they have worked in the public school and community . . . A total of 505 out of 711 taking the exam in July passed the Washington State Bar. The successful candidates included Rodney L. Kawakami, Seattle and Gary L. Ikeda, Tacoma . . . Norie Sato, graphic artist who is a member of the Seattle Art Commission, has won two awards in past weeks in major competitions of printmakers from around the world. The Bradford Biennale in England awarded Ms. Sato a purchase prize for her print, "Edge Glass II." Her print titled "Signal Interference: Horizontal Roll," won third prize in international competition in Grenchen, Switzerland. Both prints incorporate etching and lithography techniques . . .

Paul Horiuchi, Jr., tenor, is member of 36-voice of Seattle Opera Chorus since the tryouts were announced during the Seattle World's Fair of 1962. He is also full-time 6th grade teacher in Kirkland. He has a wife and 3 children. Horiuchi graduated from Franklin High, Seattle University and received his Masters from CWSC. He is the son of Paul Horiuchi, Sr., well known Seattle artist . . . Seattle Art Museum met Oct. 6 for the annual meeting. Trustees reelected to the board included George Tsutakawa . . . Mrs. William Kodama (Laura Minata), daughter of George Minatas, wed Sept. 11 in the Highland Park United Methodist Church, Spokane, to son of Dr. Shigetada and Aiko Kodama. She was graduated from W.S.U. where she was member of Alpha Phi sorority, three pharmaceutical associations. He is WSU grad . . . The Plymouth Congregational Church was the setting Sept. 12 for the wedding of Bisim Starr Tsai, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Ai Chih Tsai, and Larry Pang Lee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Len Him



NEWS JOTTINGS (Cont'd): Lee. The bride's father officiated at the ceremony. The couple are graduates of the Univ. of Washington . . . In Victoria, B.C. the new causeway for embarking from Princess Marguerite for Seattle-Victoria run, is decorated with ten pictures, one of which reads Japanese Immigration 100 years 1877-1977. . .

MILESTONES: Tomi Kano. Services Sept. 17. Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women's Fellowship, Ohmi Club. Survivors include husband Seichi Kano; daughter Mrs. Mas (Mary) Kajioka, Seattle and Mrs. Jay (Mabel) Mitoma, Seattle . . . Sawayo Mukai 83, Sept. 22. Japanese Congregational Church, Hiroshima and Wakayama Club. Survivors include: sons Masahisa Ikeda, Japan; George H. Mukai, New York City; Dr. Frank H. Mukai Ramsey, N.J.; Henry M. Mukai, Seattle; daughters Mrs. Hisaichi (Shizuko) Enomoto, Japan; Mrs. Tomo (Mariko) Ando, Alexandria, Va.; Mrs. Bobby (Lily Y.) Takatsuka, Seattle; sisters, Mrs. Kazuma (Toshiko) Horita, Seattle; Mrs. Matsuji (Chiyono) Matsushita, Los Angeles . . . John J. Reddin 62, Oct. 2. Retired Seattle Times columnist "Faces of the City." Worked 35 years with the Seattle Times as police and courthouse reporter whose beat was under the shadows of old Nipponmachi. His column featured many, many articles of Japanese and Chinese communities . . . Harry K. Murotani, 76, Services Oct. 8. Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, life member of Nisei Veterans Committee, Puget Sound Golf Club, JACL, Soroban Club, G.S.A. Employees Assn. Region 10. Survivors include: wife Tama K.; daughters Mrs. Carolyn Sue Kirihara, Seattle; and Joi Murotani, Seattle; brother Guy Murotani, Bakersfield, Ca; sisters Mrs. Maebelle Nakamura, Sanger, Ca; Mrs. Marnell Watanabe, Cincinnati, Ohio; and Mrs. Nellie Tatsuno, Bakersfield, Ca . . .

BUSINESS: Kazama International is Seattle-based subsidiary of Tokyo-based Kazama Ski Mfg. Co., Inc. Haruo Kazama, 37, Univ. of Wash. educated Japanese chairman of Kazama International says "I feel that if I sell Japanese products in the United States, I should buy from the United States." Yosh Nakagawa, president of Kazama International and of Osborn & Ulland, Inc., 1123 2nd Ave., puts the reason for being of Kazama International even more specifically: "With every dollar Kazama produces from sale of Japanese products in America, he wants to buy American products for sale in Japan." Kazama now buys a sizable portion of the output of Century Ski Mfg., Tacoma. Also water skis from Terry Mfg Co., Issaquah, and Kesser ski binding from Chicago . . . Physio-Control Corp. has nearly 400 employees. Its products include heart defibrillators, patient monitors, peritoneal-dialysis systems, etc. Sharing in the management responsibility include Harold H. Kawaguchi, 10-year veteran, senior vice president for corporate support . . . Elections and promotions at Seattle-First National Bank include assistant vice president Patrick K. Fukuda, branch development, marketing planning . . .

Galaxy Specialty Company, 2329 Rainier Ave. S. and located next door to Mutual Fish Co., embarked on massive capitol improvement. 2200 square feet of floor space has been added to the existing 2500 square feet on the ground floor. Second floor addition has 4,000 square feet. The building is completely renovated in modern design including loading area, storage room, & possible rental space. The construction is a boost for the Rainier commercial district complex. The expansion was committed within three years after moving to this new site. Bob Matsuura, president, said he has about 30 persons working for him including part time salesman and representatives extending into California. John Y. Sato, and Associate is the architect and Sato Corporation is the builder . . .

FROM THE BOARD (Continued from page 1): Last July Dr. Minoru Masuda sent a memo to the National JACL office that they try to establish national level Committee Against Defamation. No reply. A similar letter was sent to National JACL VP Judge Uchiyama. No answer. Dr. Masuda followed up with the summary of Seattle Chapter committee work. No letter. It appears that the work of Committee Against Defamation which is the basic grass root raison d'etre for the existence of JACL continues to be ignored.

Sam Shoji and Haruko Shoji chairing the membership committee have been working tirelessly and effectively and have reached the 697 members as of Oct. 20. Kimi Nakanishi who chairs the One Thousand Club said the Chapter has 110 members in good standing including two Century Club and six Fifty Club members. There are 9 new members and seven past members reactivated. A tremendous showing by Kimi.

#### JACL DROPS THE BALL IN HANDLING PRIVATE GRANT FUNDED PROJECT

Early this year well wishers were happy for JACL receiving United States Catholic Conference sponsored Campaign for Human Development (CHD) grant. This was a form of breakthrough. Dr. Minoru Masuda now reports on the "sad saga" of certain JACL conflict of interest and serious problems in complying with ground rules laid down by CHD in implimentation of the project. The difficulties were expressed by CHD to JACL in the letter of June 18 addressed to Dave Ushio. This remained unanswered. Letter was again addressed last July 29 to Mr. Ushio.

The difficulties pointed out by CHD follows: 1) Your reliance on exclusive use of the outside consultant for project direction and implementation for an extended period of time. The proposal called for the hiring of staff for this purpose 2) Your contracting the consultant's services without the prior knowledge or input of the Project Advisory Board 3) Your changing the program implementation methodology without prior review or approval by the CHD national office 4) Your failure to establish a separate ledger for the CHD account until approximately May 20, 1976 5) Your charging portion of your salary to the CHD account 6) Your representing expenditures in your reports to CHD as having been made during the first program quarter when in fact such was not the case 7) Your selecting the initial "nucleus" Advisory Board in a manner not consistent with the proposal's projection.

This problem has the effect of JACL losing credibility for future fund grants. CHD, we hear, has stopped the fund after the first quarter. Dr. Minoru Masuda who was on the National Advisory committee for the implimentation of the grant wasn't even given the courtesy of the



JACL DIFFICULTY IN IMPLEMENTATION OF CHD GRANT (Cont'd): copies of correspondences and the problems besetting the fund. CHD fund to JACL was to study how the various Japanese American organizations were being slighted for the share of grants. Which makes for the irony of this mess.

Calendar of Events

- Oct. 15--The Vice-Presidential debates will air Oct. 15 at 10:p.m. through 12:30 a.m. on Public TV 9.
- Oct. 15-17--Benefit Japanese movies sponsored by Seattle 1st Hill Lions at the Toyo Cinema featuring the Red Peony in "Humanity and Justice" and Sonny Chiba in "Great Diamond Swindle" Fri.-Sat. 6 & 9:20 p.m., Sun. 6 & 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 17--A MINORITY REPORT, broadcast Sunday, Oct. 17 at 5 p.m. on Public TV 9 when eight Black and Hispanic leaders of the Republican and Democratic parties talk about campaign and the issues in panel discussions in Campaign '76.
- Oct. 20--JACL's regular monthly meeting at the JACL office, 8 p.m. Refreshments served.
- Oct. 28--Iva Toguri Committee meeting featuring presentation by Dean Charles Z. Smith at the JACL office from 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 29--Joint meeting of NVC and Women's Auxiliary and presentation of Bicentennial Essay awards. Program will include showing movie of Nisei Veterans Reunion parade on Chicago's State Street July 24th.
- Nov. 5--Deadline for JACL newsletter. Allow one week for delivery. Notices effective before Nov. 11 will not be printed. Mail articles, news clippings, announcements and press releases to: c/o (editor) Eira Nagaoka, 2809 N.E. 54th St., Seattle 98105.
- Nov. 6--University Students Club, Inc. (SYNKOVA) homecoming and presentation of annual scholarship awards with recipients and their parents as guest. Kawabe Memorial House, 7:30 p.m.
- Nov. 7--The annual Nisei Veterans Committee carnival-bazaar at NVC Memorial Clubhouse. Mack Shoji, general chairperson.
- Nov. 10--Newsletter mailout night at the JACL office from 7:30 p.m. Please come and help.
- Nov. 12--Rokka Ski Club meeting from 8 p.m. at NVC Hall.
- Nov. 12-14--75th anniversary celebration for Seattle Betsuin.
- Nov. 25--Nisei Interchurch Council Thanksgiving Day services with Japanese Baptist Church as host. Services begin 10 a.m.
- Dec. 4--17th annual dance to benefit the Children's Orthopedic Hospital and Medical Center to be held at the Filipino Community Center, 5740 Empire Way S. from 9:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Tickets are available at \$10.00 per couple. Ken Noreen's orchestra. Martha Imabori, general chairman, assisted by Billie Yoshioka, ticket chairman.
- Jan. 22--"Nisei Aging Conference" starts 9:30 a.m. at NVC Hall.

LAST CALL FOR ADDING NAMES TO JACL DIRECTORY

The JACL project for Greater Seattle Japanese Community telephone directory is getting into finalizing stage, according to chairperson Jiro Namatame. If you have a new phone number, or married to non-Japanese surname and wish to be listed, mail your request to "Directory Committee, JACL", 526 S. Jackson St., Seattle 98104. Please hurry as time is running out.

INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT GARDEN NEARS COMPLETION

The partial completion of the ID Community Garden on its beautiful site near 7th and S. Washington is in clear sight. Construction phase is near finish after four months of labor. Six students have been hired through INTERIM to help install the retaining walls. Railroad ties are being used to hold the soil of the terrace site from sliding once the winter rains commence. This phase also consists of making pathways, the wall, and laying water and drainage lines. Next is making favorable growing medium for the garden by mixing sand and horse manure with clay soil on the site. This will break-up the clay presently on the site and provide excellent top soil.

If anyone is interested in lending some free time, or would like to see our progress, this is the time to visit or contribute to the garden. Also many more hours of labor is needed if we want to plant produce early next spring. Come view the garden progress--follow the street up Washington from 6th S. located next to Kobe Terrace Park! Donate your labor, materials or monies. Talk to Glenn Takagi, garden coordinator c/o INTERIM. Alaska Cannery Workers Association has donated labor. --INTERIM Newsletter

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