



MONTEREY OFFICERS — Jerry Enomoto (center), national JACL president addressed the Monterey Peninsula JACL installation dinner. He is shown

with George Uyeda (left), outgoing president, and Dr. John Ishizuka, 1967 chapter president. —Monterey Peninsula Herald Photo.

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● Jerry Enomoto Nat'l President

WHAT'S THE ANSWER?

Gene Orro, a "where the action is" type of psychologist, addressed the San Francisco Chapter Installation last Friday night. Steve Doi, active JACLer and politically active Republican (a healthy combination) introduced the speaker. Employed at the Youth Opportunity Center in Hunter's Point, Mr. Orro gave an often blunt, hard-hitting presentation that was attention holding throughout, and never without humor. The problems of poverty and the ghetto were the subjects of his talk, and he offered no easy answers.

Yet within the cynical and sardonic text of his commentary, upon what were not the answers, there was a message as to what direction we might look, if we cared enough. His remarks confirmed again that the idea of money and jobs being panaceas for ending poverty and ghettos is an illusion.

Plainly put, one of the things he was saying was that it is difficult, if not impossible, to make people in ghettos care about the same things we care about.

Mr. Orro also seemed to be citing something which my own experience in the "War on Poverty" in San Joaquin County revealed. When people who have been left alone to live as best they could are suddenly urged to "lift themselves up and be heard", to come to meetings, to be "helped", etc., we should not be surprised when they misunderstand our motives or are "ungrateful" for our proffered hand of friendship. I met people who lived in ghettos who tried to respond, but who quickly became discouraged by a combination of people in the power structure without enough tolerance, bureaucratic processes that drowned you in red tape, well meaning people with no understanding of the problems, bickering and jealousy among their own groups.

Another point, not new but worth noting, is that discrimination no longer makes practical, economic sense. The idea that it should be fought on those grounds, and not on ethical, moral grounds, is at least logical from the point of view that people who lack ethics, often have a keen awareness of economics and practicality.

Personally, I found Mr. Orro a timely speaker who had something to say to us, if we wanted to listen. At one point he said, he was asked to "give em hell", and that he was tired of giving people "hell". Perhaps we in JACL ought to give ourselves hell for a change.

PARTISAN POLITICS

On the eve of our National Board meeting, I was glad to

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108 teams sign up in JACL bowling meet

LOS ANGELES — A total of 108 teams (78 men's and 30 women's) have registered for the 21st annual National JACL Bowling Tournament scheduled Mar. 6-11 at Holiday Bowl, 3730 Crenshaw Blvd., according to Easy Fujimoto, tournament chairman.

(As in previous years, the Pacific Citizen plans to carry the roster of individual teams the week prior to the tournament.)

While the bulk of men's team range in the 900 average class, Shig's Service of Culver City captained by Shig Nakagiri ranks on top with a 1001, followed by two 992 teams captained by John Kim of Los Angeles and Fuzzy Shimada of Santa Clara.

In the women's division, majority of the teams are in the 800 class but three are in the 900s: Jewels by George, 946, and Hotel Riviera, 911, of Los Angeles, and Kikkoman International, 905, of San Francisco.

Six men's teams are competing out of Honolulu, 16 from Utah-Colorado (11 men's, 5 women's), and four from the Pacific Northwest (3 men's, 1 women's). A men's team from Chicago is also entered.

22 200-Bowlers

While the majority of men bowlers range in the 800s, there are 22 sporting averages 300 and better. Dennis Matsunami of Los Angeles is the top bowler with 213. The leading female bowler is Judy Sakata of Los Angeles at 198.

Tournament schedule:

Tuesday, Mar. 7

Mixed Doubles — Four squads: 6, 7:15, 8:30, 9:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 8

Men's Sweepers — Five squads: 10 a.m., 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 9 p.m.

Women's Sweepers — Two squads: 12n, 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Lechner dies, once sued the PC

LOS ANGELES — Dr. John R. Lechner, 67, founder of the American Educational League, died Feb. 12 after a lengthy illness.

The Austrian-born educator came to California in 1924 and founded his league in 1927 "to promote the American constitutional form of government and expose subversive propaganda." He was honored for his work by the American Legion in 1957 and by the City Council in 1959.

Dr. Lechner was to have been commended for his Americanism by the California state legislature in February, 1961 but then national JACL president Frank Chuman strongly opposed and the resolution was permanently tabled.

Chuman had referred to stories in the Pacific Citizen, which described Lechner as a "bigoted racist" for his activities during and post WW2 period questioning the loyalty of persons of Japanese ancestry in America.

A month later, Lechner sued the Pacific Citizen for retraction or damages of the article written by Larry Tajiri commenting upon the legislative action. No retraction was made and no further action was taken. It was the first time the JACL publication had been sued.

Rev. Katagiri heads Seattle-King City EOB

SEATTLE — The Rev. Mineo Katagiri was elected president of the Seattle-King County Economic Opportunities Board recently, succeeding Don Custor, mayor of Renton. An all-day seminar was held for board members to primarily educate new members.

Thursday, Mar. 9

Men's Team — Three squads: 10 a.m., 1, 7 p.m.; Women's Team — One squad: 4 p.m.

Men's Doubles — First squad: 11:15 p.m.; Women's Doubles — First squad: 10 p.m.

Friday, Mar. 10

Men's Doubles — Six squads: 10, 11:15 a.m., 1:45, 3, 5:30 p.m.; Women's Doubles — Two squads: 12:30, 4:15 p.m.

Men's Singles—Three squads: 8, 9:15, 11:45 p.m.; Women's Singles—Two squads: 6:45, 10 p.m.

Saturday, Mar. 11

Men's Singles — Three squads: 10, 11:15 a.m., 1:45 p.m. Women's Singles—Last squad: 2:30 p.m.

Men's Team — Three squads: 10 a.m., 1, 7 p.m.; Women's Team — One squad: 4 p.m.

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Kiyosaki to head Hawaiian schools

HONOLULU — Ralph H. Kiyosaki, 47, was unanimously selected by the Hawaii State Board of Education Feb. 9 to be the new superintendent of schools at a salary of \$26,000 per year, effective June 1.

Currently the director of the Univ. of Hawaii Peace Corps Training Center in Hilo, Kiyosaki is a home-born, home-grown, home-developed administrator.

Born in Spreckelsville, Maui, he received his B.Ed. degree in 1941 from the Univ. of Hawaii. Most of his early work was as a teacher and intern supervisor at the university. He served as superintendent of the Big Island District in 1959 and last spring was named assistant state superintendent for curriculum but refused in face of internal controversy.

Dr. Richard E. Ando, board chairman, said Kiyosaki "possesses an intimate knowledge of the Hawaii educational system, a distinct advantage to us in that the solution of problems need not wait a long period of orientation". Over 100 leaders in education had applied for the position.

Intermarriage blast surprises PSW CLers

BY ELLEN ENDO

English Editor, Rafu Shimpo

LOS ANGELES — "We're losing our Japanese heritage through intermarriage," World War II war hero and newspaperman Ben Kuroki told a luncheon gathering during the Pacific Southwest Council JACL's first quarterly meeting.

Kuroki's comments were greeted by chuckles combined with subdued shock. The session was held last Sunday (Feb. 12) at the Alondra Club in Lawndale, hosted by Gardena Valley JACL.

The luncheon audience did not seem as surprised at the Nisei veteran's statement as it did of the fact that he had prefaced his sharp comment with a lengthy recapitulation of the prejudice he had suffered as probably the first Japanese American to return to California since the evacuation.

Kuroki recalled headlines such as "BROADCAST CANCELLED BEWILDERED U.S. JAP HERO," which followed the much-publicized cancellation of his schedule appearance on a Ginny Sim's radio program. He included several incidents of discrimination against him in his talk, pointing out the American people "have come a long way since then."

Lauds Issei Spirit

Kuroki, who is copy editor for the Ventura County Star-Free Press, praised Issei "for coming here and knowing along so well, without knowing any English." He then proceeded to chastise the Nisei for their "tendency to forget and take for granted things we should remember," and counted his remark with statistics proving 56 percent of Japanese American hold white collar jobs, and 26 percent are professional men—far above the Caucasian percentages.

He added "it seems to be a tad nowadays for the Nisei to marry blonde girls."

"I have even heard," he said, "that the Nisei boys on college campuses won't date Nisei girls; they want to date blonde girls!"

"We're getting a little bit too good for our own kind."

In his half hour address, Kuroki hopped from politics to his war and postwar experiences to intermarriage to anecdotes about Issei and their language barrier.

Republican Supporter

Concerning politics, the Nisei newsman boasted of his Republican party affiliation and his support of 1964 Presidential candidate Barry Goldwater.

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RECOGNITION

JACL SAPPHIRE PIN

Twin Cities—Tomo Kosobayashi (Feb. 4).

JACL SILVER PIN

Gardena Valley — Mrs. Dorothy Dohi, John Fujita, Leon Uyeda (Feb. 12).

Evacuation issue looms in yen deposit arguments

WASHINGTON—The U.S. government's treatment of Japanese Americans during World War II loomed as the larger question this week before the U.S. Supreme Court, which Tuesday heard the plea of 4,100 Japanese Americans to have returned their bank savings seized in 1942.

Referring to the U.S. seizure as enemy alien property deposits in the prewar Yokohama Specie Bank, Joseph L. Raub, Jr., attorney for the claimants, told the court, "These are people who were wronged by our government."

Richard A. Posner, the government's attorney, countered that there was "no arbitrariness, no injustice, no unfairness" in the refusal to return the funds estimated at more

than \$4 million. He said the Japanese Americans "slept on their rights" by failing to seek judicial review of an adverse 1961 decision concerning their claim within the 60-day statute of limitations provision of the Trading With The Enemy Act.

The argument was replete with legal technicalities. Raub claimed that the government's argument runs afoul of the doctrine of equitable estoppel, which holds that a party who has caused an opponent to fail to sue by misrepresentation may not later claim that the statute of limitations has expired. Posner said that doctrine applies only to suits between private parties, not the government. Even if it did apply, he added, there was no misrepresentation by the gov-

ernment.

Two members of the high court played key roles in the treatment of Japanese Americans 25 years ago—Chief Justice Earl Warren and Associate Justice Tom C. Clark. Warren, as California attorney general in 1942, supported the legality of evacuating persons of Japanese ancestry from the west coast. Clark, as head of the Wartime Civilian Control Administration (predecessor to War Relocation Authority), directed the move of Japanese into assembly centers.

Last July Clark told a board of San Diego Union editors he regretted the Evacuation, admitting he has made a lot of mistakes in his life but that there are only two he would

acknowledge publicly—his role in the Evacuation and the other as prosecutor at the Nuremberg trials.

California Attorney General Tom Lynch last summer in an extraordinary move filed a brief in support of the Japanese American appeal, calling the lower court decision of Jan. 13, 1966, rejecting the claim as a "regression to an unfortunate era we hoped had ended."

In 1946, Congress had set aside \$10 million for paying claims on deposits seized by the government. In 1957, the Office of Alien Property decided to use the postwar yen-dollar conversion rate (360 to 1) on return of deposits. This represented 2 pct. of the pre-war 4 to 1 rate.

The government then asked depositors to surrender their deposit certificates in return for settlement. About 4,100 of them failed to reply, fearing to lose their "last tangible evidence of claim" and that such surrender meant acquiescence in the 2 pct. return offer.

Those who failed to surrender were informed by the government that their claims had been dismissed and that under the statute further judicial recourse was closed till after publication of the validated claims.

Those who did reply instituted further legal proceedings and received the higher, prewar conversion rate after the government reversed its position. Th 4,100 depositors

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Anti-poverty measures too late at Hunter's Point

SAN FRANCISCO — Most of the present programs to fight poverty in places such as Hunter's Point are "too late" and virtually ineffective, declared Gene Orro of the Hunter's Point Youth Opportunities Center in his talk at the San Francisco JACL installation dinner Feb. 10.

Some 150 members and guests attended the annual event at which Mrs. Yo Hironaka assumed the chapter presidency as the second woman executive in the chapter's 37-year history.

Also inducted were Mrs. Toyoko Doi, chapter women's auxiliary president, and Glenn Watanabe, new president of the S.F. Junior JACL, plus officers of the three groups and chapter board.

In his talk on "Ghetto Psychology," Orro presented some of the problems he faces daily and some of the attitudes of both the white and Negro communities.

'Secure, Comfortable'

He said that most of those in such racial ghettos as Hunter's Point remain because they feel "secure and comfortable" and are "recognized as equals" by their neighbors.

Because they feel rejected and are conditioned to expect rejection, organized efforts to help them as the current poverty program have not been successful.

"Poverty is not a matter of money," Orro said. It has been a way of life to them and until they were told they are living in poverty most of them don't realize it.

"If the poor people didn't want to be poor, there have always been ways of getting out," Orro declared.

By Mike Masaoka

Washington Newsletter



Washington

JACL & SENATORS

Now that the United States Senate has been formally organized for business for the First Session of this 90th Congress, it may be of interest to note the positions of leadership and committee assignments enjoyed by Senators from the various states where most Americans of Japanese ancestry reside and where, in most instances, there are also JACL chapters.

In addition to noting their congressional service and seniority on their respective committees, other leadership aspects are mentioned when applicable.

But first, it may be worthwhile to identify the names of the Democratic chairmen of all the standing committees and to compare the ratio of Democrats to Republicans in this Congress with those in the last (89th), since the November 1966 election resulted in a net gain of three GOP seats.

Aeronautical and Space Sciences — Clinton P. Anderson of New Mexico, 16 to 6, as compared to 11 to 5 in the last Congress.

Agriculture and Forestry — Allen J. Ellender of Louisiana, same as last session, 10 to 5.

Appropriations — Carl Hayden of Arizona, 17 to 9, as against 18 to 9.

Armed Services — Richard Russell of Georgia, 12 to 6, from 12 to 5.

Banking and Currency — John Sparkman of Alabama, 9 to 5, from 10 to 4.

Commerce — Warren G. Magnuson of Washington, 12 to 6, same as last year.

District of Columbia — Alan Bible of Nevada, 5 to 3, from 5 to 2.

Finance — Russell B. Long of Louisiana, 12 to 7, from 13 to 6.

Foreign Relations — J. W. Fulbright of Arkansas, 12 to 7, from 13 to 6.

Government Operations — John L. McClellan of Arkansas, 10 to 5, from 10 to 4.

Interior and Insular Affairs — Henry M. Jackson of Washington, 11 to 6, from 11 to 5.

Judiciary — James O. Eastland of Mississippi, 11 to 5, same as last Congress.

Labor and Public Welfare — Lister Hill of Alabama, 10 to 6, same.

Post Office and Civil Service — A. S. Mike Monroney of Oklahoma, 8 to 4, same.

Public Works — Jennings Randolph of West Virginia, 10 to 6, from 11 to 6.

Rules and Administration — B. Everett Jordan of North Carolina, 6 to 3, same.

Washington — It is the only non-southern, non-border state, which has two chairmen for major committees, Warren G. Magnuson of the Commerce Committee and Henry M. Jackson of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee. In addition, Magnuson is the dean of the West Coast senatorial delegation, having served since 1944. Previously, he served in the House from 1937 to 1944. He is also a member (6th) of the Appropriations Committee and (3rd) of the Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee. Jackson also served first in the House, from 1941 to 1953, prior to his Senate service that year. He is also a member (4th) of the Armed Services Committee and (2nd) of the Government Operations Committee.

Oregon — Democrat Wayne Morse, Senate service from 1945, (2nd) on Labor and Public Welfare Committee, (4th) on Foreign Relations Committee, and (2nd) on District of Columbia Committee. Republican Mark O. Hatfield, elected last November, (15th) on Agriculture and Forestry Committee and (17th) on Interior and Insular Affairs Committee.

California — Republican Thomas H. Kuchel is the Minority Whip, or Assistant Republican Leader, from 1953, (12th ranking overall) ranking minority member of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, and (21st) fourth ranking Republican on the Appropriations Committee. Republican George L. Murphy, elected in 1964, is (14th) the fourth ranking minority member of the Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee and the (14th) fourth ranking Republican on the Public Works Committee.

Although not a legislative committee, Senator Murphy is also Chairman of the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee, which help elect GOP candidates to the Senate, and raises and dispenses funds for this purpose.

Hawaii — Republican Hiram L. Fong, who was elected to the Senate when his Territory attained Statehood in 1959, is the (14th) third ranking minority member of the Judiciary Committee and the (10th) and (12th) second ranking Republican on both the Public Works Committee and the Post Office and Civil Service Committee. Democrat Daniel K. Inouye, who was elected to the House when Hawaii became a State, was elected to the Senate in 1962. An Assistant Majority Whip or Assistant to the Assistant Democratic or Majority Leader, he is a member (9th) of the Armed Service Committee and (6th) of the Public Works Committee.

Arizona — Venerable Carl Hayden is not only the dean of the Senate but also of the Congress, having been elected to the House when Arizona became a State in 1912 and serving consecutively since. He began his Senate service in 1927 and is the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, chairman of the Appropriations Committee, and a member (8th) of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee and (2nd) of the Rules and Administration Committee. Republican Paul Fannin, elected in 1964, is a member of three committees, (15th) fourth ranking Republican on Interior and Insular Affairs, (15th) fifth ranking minority on Labor and Public Welfare, and (12th) fourth ranking Republican on Post Office and Civil Service.

New Mexico — Democrat Clinton P. Anderson served in the House from 1941 to 1945, before being named Secretary of Agriculture. A Senator since 1949, he is the chairman of the Aeronautical and Space Sciences Committee, (3rd) on the Finance Committee, and (2nd) on the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee. Democrat Joseph M. Montoya served in the House from 1957 to 1965 before being elected to the Senate. He is a member (7th) of the Agriculture and Forestry Committee, (8th) of the Public Works Committee, and (10th) of the Government Operations Committee.

Yen deposit — (Continued from Front Page)

asked for the same treatment, but the government refused, citing their failure to appeal the decision before the 60-day deadline.

(In the June 27, 1966, PC, a thorough background of this case appears in Mike Masaoka's Washington Newsletter. In it, he says the yen claims represents "one of the few unresolved inequities and injustices remaining out of the WW2 mistreatment of Americans of Japanese ancestry.")

NEWS CAPSULES

School Front

A \$135,000 two-story building for the Japanese Language School Unified System at 1218 S. Menlo Ave., Los Angeles, is scheduled for completion in May, according to Kakuo Tanaka, chairman of the board. It will have 14 classrooms and will feature studies at the junior high and high school levels, according to Dr. Yae-mitsu Sugimachi, school director and founder. The Japanese language school system has a staff of 64 instructors and student body of 1,300 throughout its eight-school system in the county. One hour sessions are held during the week and a five-hour session on Saturdays. . . . The Los Angeles City School Superintendent Jack Crowther, faced with \$15 million deficit in next year's budget, has proposed to drop the mandated foreign language program that would free nearly \$900,000. The State Board of Education is being asked to exempt the foreign language program, including the teaching of Japanese in grades six through eight for the 1967-68 term.

Press Row

Jim Hijiya, 17, student reporter for the Spokane Spokesman Review and senior at Lewis and Clark High, won the Spokane Jr. Press Club \$1,500 journalism scholarship. He is the son of Mrs. Nami Hijiya, Spokane. . . . Kay Funakoshi, editor-in-chief of the Los Angeles High School paper, shared the Hollywood Citizen News Outstanding Journalism Award with sports editor Dave Muzzatti. Kay is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Funakoshi.

New officers of the Hawaii Hochi, bilingual newspaper in Honolulu, took over Feb. 10 following a stockholders meeting. Larry Sakamoto was named editor. Other officers include: Hideo Tanaka, bd. chmn.; Paul Yempuku, pres.; Masanori Ikeda, v.p.; Kiyotaka Imai, managing editor; publisher: Shigeru Sueno; sec.: Kenosuke Oishi, Chiruko Kawamoto, Waichi Fukui, Isamu Tomioka, Masakazu Ikeda, board of directors.

Churches

Japanese Protestants and Buddhists joined in the 50th anniversary celebration of the Selma Japanese Mission Church Feb. 5 as 13 of the original members were honored. Founded as a Christian Sunday school for Japanese in 1917, it also was a meeting place for local Buddhists since 1923. The original site was on the 1700 block of Whitson St. and the property was sold in 1954 for a two-acre parcel on Floral Ave., where a new mission was built.

Military

Despite protests of veteran groups in the U.S., which have recently cooled, to erect a memorial to the Japanese war dead on Guam, Msgr. Oscar Calvo, a Guamanian war hero and sponsor of the project, reported Roman Catholics and Buddhists in Japan have added their support in the amount of \$500,000. The project has both U.S. State Dept. and Interior Dept. approval. Ground was broken Jan. 18 for the 97-ft. cenotaph being designed by Kenji Hara, a Tokyo architect.

Missing for a whole week, Capt. Shigeru Yanagihara, 44, of the Japanese Maritime Self-Defense Force, attending an anti-submarine warfare school at San Diego, was found Feb. 12 in nearby Encinitas after a civilian recognized him from a photograph in the San Diego Union. He is one of 13 officers representing 11 countries attending the school. Authorities said no foul play was involved.

Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) introduced legislation to provide an average over-all increase of 5.4 percent in pension payments to veterans, or their widows and children.

Organizations

The Japan-America Society of Seattle elected Charles L. Spence, president, Pacific Lumber & Shipping Co., as 1967 president. Among the officers are James K. Fukuda, Weber Industries, and Yoshio Minato, Mitsui & Co., Ltd., v.p.; Peter I. Ohtaki, Japan Air Lines; Shige Okada, C.T. Takahashi Co.; Henry S. Tsumi, Univ. of Washington; Masanori Izawa, Bank of Tokyo, board members.

Business

Dick Y. Nerio, president of the Westminster Board of Realtors, is the Orange County chairman of the Industrial and Commercial Assn. of Real Estate Brokers. . . . Kenji Osano, Japanese owner of hotels in Waikiki who made a conditional purchase of the Flamingo Hotel and casino last month, may not realize his ambition of owning a Las Vegas hotel because of his citizenship. Purchase was contin-

gent upon transfer of the gaming license to Osano, who had organized the Fujiya Nevada Corp. to operate the hotel.

Entertainment

International folk songs and dances were featured in the West Park Jewish Community Center Brotherhood Week observance last Sunday at Canoga Park. A Japanese dancing group under direction of Miyoko Komari participated. . . . A Los Angeles Singsel pop singer by the name of Joji Hama, 20, who signed with Victor-Japan last year, has his first record released this week: Kimisae Areba Boku wa Shiawase (I'm Happy as Long as I Have You). He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hama, 1765 S. Westmoreland, schooled in Japan but completing his high school education here. He began as a vocalist with the Taiheyo Band at 16 and introduced by Tak Shindo, Hollywood composer and musician, to Victor-affiliated composer Masanobu Tokui, who trained him.

Music

Shigemi Matsumoto, 20, music student at San Fernando Valley State College, won the western regional auditions of the Metropolitan Opera held Sunday at the Univ. of Southern California. The one-time Nisei Week princess will compete in the national finals in New York in April. She sang three arias to win in the competition embracing singers from California, Nevada and Arizona. Prizes include \$300 from the Metropolitan Opera National Council and the \$250 Mario Chamlee Memorial Award, which was presented by Mary Costa. . . .

Government

Frank Natsuhara of Auburn was appointed to the Auburn Park Board for a three-year term by Mayor Robert Gaines. . . . The Nisei wife (nee Shuko Miwa) is a member of the Canadian Parliament, Howard Johnston of Okanagan-Revelstoke, B.C., is secretary of the Parliamentary Wives Assn. in Ottawa. The group is comprised of wives of members of the Canadian senate and house of commons. . . . The Rev. Russell K. Nakata, canon at St. John's Episcopal Cathedral, was appointed by Denver Mayor Tom Currigan to the unexpired term of the late Rabbi Samuel Adelman as member of the Denver Housing Authority Board. The Nisei cleric will serve until Aug. 31, 1967.

Vital Statistics

Shinro Frank Takaki of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, died Feb. 3, 11 days after his 100th birthday. A pioneer in raising sugar beets and a labor contractor in the Pacific Northwest area since the 1900s, he first came to the U.S. in 1885 and was living in Idaho the past 22 years. He was recently interviewed by the Japanese History Project. His wife died last year at the age of 91, a few days before their 75th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Takaki came to the U.S. with her mother in 1880 at the age of 4 and spoke virtually only in English.

Crime

Julio Hayashida, 24, exchange student from Peru, was shot by police as he allegedly attacked Mrs. Doris Murayama, 27, a young Los Angeles widow in her bedroom Feb. 10. Police had answer a call from a neighbor who heard the woman scream. . . . Five gunmen raided a drug store at 5825 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, Feb. 12, and held captive 10 customers and five employees, including pharmacist Tom Sakamoto, escaping with about \$500 from the cash registers.

Fashions

An assortment of new textiles from the Japan Silk Assn. are on preview exhibit this week (ends Feb. 17) at the Ambassador Hotel under direction of Kow Kaneko, Pasadena couturier. In the fashion design contest for Southland collegians, two Nisei entries were among those picked for the final judging. The finalists: Patricia Jean Tsumura, Chouinard's, and Lorraine Kidani, Woodbury.

Beauties

An Oriental dance student for 13 years, Laura Watanuki, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Watanuki of San Mateo, is in the running for Miss Michigan State University, who will compete later in the Miss America pageant preliminaries. While at San Mateo's Aragon High, she was senior class vice-president and student body secretary.

Welfare

Tsuguo Ikeda of Seattle is executive director of the Atlantic St. Center, which is completing a \$500,000 study seeking ways to help troubled junior high school youth and their families. The center is financed by the Missions of the Methodist Church, the National Institute of Mental Health and United Good Neighbor.

Intermarriage rising among 'Sansel' Mexicans, UCLA study project finds

LOS ANGELES — Mexican Americans in Los Angeles County are intermarrying at an increasing rate with Anglos (members of the majority population), according to a report just published by the Mexican-American Study Project at UCLA.

Twenty-seven percent of Mexican American women who married in 1963 chose Anglo husbands, while on the man's side, 24 percent took Anglo brides, a survey of Los Angeles County marriages revealed.

Roughly comparable figures for the period from 1924 to 1933 show only 10 percent intermarriage at that time, according to the authors of the report, entitled "Intermarriage of Mexican-Americans."

Joint authors of the report, which is No. 6 of the preliminary publications of the Ford Foundation-sponsored project, are Frank G. Mittelbach, Dr. Joan W. Moore, and Ronald McDaniel.

Other findings of the report are as follows:

1—Intermarriage rates in Los Angeles are considerably higher than in other communities such as San Antonio.

2—Mexican Americans of the third generation are more likely to marry outside their own community than first and second generation immigrants. Among the third generation a man or woman is "more likely to marry an Anglo than a re-

St. Peter's continues

pre-school program

SEATTLE — The St. Peter's pre-school enrichment program, first such program in the city, has started its second year. The JACL Human Relations Committee reported this week.

Staffed by volunteers, it meets on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings from 9:30 a.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 1610 S. King.

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By Elmer Ogawa

Northwest Picture

'Fringies' in Action



The word "fringe" might be new, but here in the Northwest we have had that type of character in varying degrees for a long time.

Perhaps it is the weather or some other wonderful influence beyond the immediate control of mankind that has brought on this phenomenon, a special breed of dissenters, some of whom can be blamed for hindrance of progress, the holding up of the freeway (in 1953 we were dreaming of seeing it completed by 1960), the stadium, backwardness in port development, the long hassle about one-way streets, the second Lake Washington bridge, etc., etc. We're starting what will probably be another 15 year argument about three more bridges.

For years we have had a group which vigorously opposed any addition to the near original pioneer population. The reasons: traffic congestion, community crowding and contamination or shall we say pollution of our naturally clean wonderland and deterioration of the natural virgin recreational facilities.

Industrialization
Just recently, a reputable, long-established slick-paper publication offered a tongue-in-cheek proposal to limit the size of our Northwest communities. Just how this all might be done was not quite clear. Legislation, perhaps? More and more legislation.

In recent months there have

been hundreds of thousands of words written pro and con about the proposed establishment of an aluminum plant on Guemes Island, just across the channel from the fishing town of Anacortes, long in the doldrums. Such industrialization, it is charged, would establish a beach head on another virgin recreational area, the San Juan Islands.

Of course we old timers can sympathize with the viewpoints in this many sided problem.

In our own lifetime we have seen the day when there were acres and acres of clams only a few hundred yards from the docks where the ships discharged their cargo to the waiting silk trains. The waters of Elliott Bay were clear, relatively uncontaminated, full of lunker salmon in season, and the kid fisherman could spot flounder and sole against their matching sandy background, and drop the bait right in front of the quarry.

But to get back to the original intent of this: There have always been a varied group of dissenters exercising their American birthright, perhaps on account of the weather, shall we say. And a big percentage are hardheads too—some opposed one thing; some opposed others. Making the majority see the light (in the wake of the rest of nation on the Alien Land Law) was only one little thing.

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By Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

SINO-JAPANESE RELATIONS — A Chinese American friend of ours, born in the old country but a longtime resident of these parts, gave an engagement party the other day for his daughter. Her fiancé was a California Sansei. They made a handsome couple and the average Caucasian seeing them hand in hand would never have realized one was of Japanese parentage, the other of Chinese origins. Matter of fact, it probably would not have made any difference to the Caucasian observer if he had wondered about it at all. After all, don't Irish Americans marry French Americans and Italian Americans marry Polish Americans and so on and so on and so on?

These things are easy enough to say, of course, but sometimes marriage between people of different cultural backgrounds can be a prickly matter to kinfolk, particularly parents. In this case our friend, the father of the bride-to-be, was thoroughly philosophical about his daughter's choice. He saw nothing wrong about her marrying a Japanese American if he was an upstanding individual and besides, he said, it would be easy enough to imagine that he was a northern Chinese if the thought of Japanese blood was uncomfortable.

The bride's mother had been somewhat more difficult to win over, but eventually she had blessed the engagement and everyone seemed to be properly happy about the way things turned out.

Perhaps it had never occurred to the bride's father, but he was relating his feelings to an oddly assorted group. One couple was a Jewish lad from New York who had gone to Japan in military service, and his Japan-born wife. The others were a Nisei couple who have a Swedish American daughter-in-law.

A PERSONEL MATTER—It long has been argued that choice of marriage partners in the American ethic is strictly a personal matter. Thus efforts to regulate inter-racial marriage by law have been opposed in many quarters and many anti-miscegenation (that's a word with an unpleasant sound) statutes have been abolished. In the Oriental culture, however, marriage by tradition has been considered a family affair with the principals involved having little or nothing to say about choice of life partner.

In travels around the country, I get the impression that among Nisei with youngsters of marriageable age, the search for eligible Sansei is a matter of some considerable concern, particularly among the mothers. This is especially true east of the Pacific coast where opportunities to associate with other Nisei families may be limited and where in all other respects the Nisei families have been thoroughly integrated into the greater American community.

Why the distaff side of the parental team should be the more deeply concerned is, to a layman, somewhat difficult to understand. Perhaps it is the natural protective instincts of mothers. Still, it is the female who, forsaking family, parents and all others, breaks away from hearth and home and vows forever after to accept a new life with the man of her choice. The woman is the adventurous one, the adaptable one, the pliable one who is able to adjust to new circumstances.

Meanwhile, human nature being what it is, we in this land of many cultural and racial origins are likely to see an increasing number of inter-ethnic and inter-racial marriages. Even today couples of mixed backgrounds are not looked upon with the same kind of curiosity as a decade ago.

It would be nice, of course, if all parents could have their way, but history shows that it is the youngsters who demand and make change and the parents who accept it.

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UC, state college tuition may have stymied Nisei

MONTEREY—Jerry Enomoto, national JACL president, told the Monterey Peninsula JACL at its annual installation banquet Feb. 4 that he is gravely concerned with the proposed tuition charge at the Univ. of California.

"A free education has resulted in providing a rich heritage. Had there been no historical state policy against tuition, we must wonder how many of us would have arrived at this position."

Dr. John Ishizuka was installed as chapter president at the dinner at the Mark Thomas Inn. He took over the gavel from George Uyeda before a capacity audience who had gathered to hear the national president.

Man of the Year

Mas Yokogawa was named the man of the year and received a special recognition award from Paul Ichijima and a beautifully lettered copy of the Japanese American Creed. Enomoto said that as the JACL grows stronger, having just organized its 89th chapter, and "as our image grows" the organization must work for equal rights for all Americans.

While the JACL has always been nonpartisan, he said, it is his personal opinion that perhaps the time has come to take a more active political stand on civil rights, naming names and supporting those who work for it and campaign against those obstructionists who work against it.

"We should speak up," he said. Enomoto installed the chapter officers as well as the Women's Auxiliary and Jr. JACL cabinet members headed by Ruby Hori and Sumi Nakamura, auxiliary co-chairmen, and James Ogata, Jr. president.

Guests at the headtable included Pete Dinkel, Pacific Grove city councilman, and Mrs. Dinkel. The Rev. Kisan Ueno gave the invocation. Ted Durein was master of ceremonies.

—Monterey Peninsula Herald.

Chapter Call Board

Sequoia JACL

Potluck Supper: Sequoia JACL has scheduled an Oriental potluck dinner on Saturday, Mar. 4, 6:30 p.m., at the Palo Alto Buddhist Church with Roz Enomoto, social chairman, in charge. Edes Enomoto and Taz Kuwano are co-chairing the preparations.

Blue Cross: The Sequoia JACL Blue Cross program will launch its enrollment period from April 1, according to chairman Mamoru Fukuma (245-3775). A companion plan for those over 65 who are in Medicare is also available.

Fremont JACL

Potluck: Fremont JACL commences another year with its Get Acquainted family potluck supper tomorrow (Feb. 18) at the Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church from 6 p.m.

Mrs. Eleanor Sekigahama, chairman for the event, is being assisted by: Mrs. Chiemi Sakuda, Mrs. June Handa, Mrs. Michiko Handa, and Mrs. Sally Inouye.

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Paper glider soars 137 ft. for top award

SAN FRANCISCO — Robertson Reed Smith, a 9-year-old San Franciscan, won the origami category in the first International Paper Airplane Competition sponsored locally by the San Francisco Chronicle in conjunction with the Scientific American.

The Pacific basin division gold trophy went to Y. Nino-miya of Tokyo, whose slender paper glider soared 137 ft. when launched by hand from a loading ramp 10 feet above the hangar floor at San Francisco International Airport this past week.

All entries are being forwarded to New York for the final competition.



INSTALLATION SCENE — Mrs. Jerry Enomoto (left), wife of the Nat'l. JACL president, meets Ted Durein, managing editor of the Monterey Peninsula Herald, a member and director of the Monterey Peninsula JACL chapter, and Mrs. John Ishizuka, wife of the 1967 president at recent installation.

—Monterey Peninsula Herald Photo.



AUXILIARY OFFICERS — Three officers of the Monterey Peninsula JACL Women's Auxiliary attending the 1967 installation are (from left) Ruby Tabata, Ruby Hori (co-chairman) and Harkie Honda.

—Monterey Peninsula Herald Photo.

Matsunaga bill would permit western hemisphere natives to adjust status

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) last week introduced legislation which would enable any national of a Western Hemisphere country, being physically present in the United States, to acquire immigrant status without leaving the U.S.

According to the Hawaii lawmaker: "The only recourse now available to an alien from a Western Hemisphere country, other than a refugee from Cuba, who wishes to have his status changed to that of a lawful permanent resident, is to leave the U.S. for an indefinite period of time in order to secure an immigrant visa at a U.S. consular office abroad and then reentering as a permanent resident."

Legislation enacted by the 89th Congress permits Cuban refugees to adjust their status without having to leave the U.S. Aliens from countries outside of the Western Hemisphere are not required to leave and then reenter the U.S.

"Such procedure places a great burden upon the U.S. consular offices in Canada and Mexico which at present do not have large enough staffs to handle the large volume of immigrant visa applications from such applicants. Moreover, existing law frequently imposes considerable expense and great personal hardship upon their applicants."

Social Security option for gov't. employees eyed

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) introduced legislation Feb. 1 to give federal and postal employees the option of securing social security benefits in addition to their civil service retirement benefits.

The legislation would be self-supporting since the cost would be borne entirely by federal employees who would pay the prevailing social security tax in return for the benefits. Such employees would then be eligible for all social security benefits on top of their civil service retirement benefits including Medicare.

Said Matsunaga: "Each employee would have a two-year period to elect whether to come under social security. Those who decline would have another chance at the end of five years to elect to come under social security."

MIS veteran heads Stockton chapter

BY JAMES TANJII

STOCKTON — George Matsumoto, incoming president of the Stockton Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League, will be installed along with his staff of officers by Judge Bill Dozier on Feb. 26, 6:30 p.m. at the Rizzo's Restaurant on Waterloo Rd.

The new president was born in Sebastopol, Calif. graduated from Anahy High School there and attended the Latter Day Saints Business College in Salt Lake City. He is a World War II veteran having served with the Military Intelligence Service at Fort Snelling.

Recent activities in the JACL include serving as the CPS Insurance Commissioner and a member of the Northern-California and Western Nevada JACL District Council Board. He has been a member of the JACL since 1938. He is also a member of the American Legion, Karl Ross Post and the Better Business Bureau.

He and his wife, Amy, are parents of two sons Jerry and Allen and a daughter, Janie.

Mr. Matsumoto is the proprietor of George's Shoe Store and has lived in Stockton since 1959.

Guest speaker for the evening will be Jerry Enomoto, national JACL president.

INDIAN PRE-SCHOOL NEEDS, TOYS, TRUCKS

SEATTLE—Toys, books, plastic buckets, medium-size trucks, sand shovels and rhythm instruments are being sought for the Indian preschool sponsored by the Plymouth Congregational Church and held on the second floor of the Japanese Congregational Church Bldg., 305-17th South, according to the JACL Human Relations Committee.

Be a Registered Voter

Twin Cities holds 20th installation, hear progress of History Project

BY PAUL IIDA

MINNEAPOLIS — Japanese History Project chairman Shig Wakamatsu, after describing the difficulties encountered during the early days of the project, told the 20th annual Twin Cities JACL installation dinner here Feb. 4 that adequate finances now will cover studies of the Nisei and Sansei.

Wakamatsu, keynote speaker and installing officer, also cited the persons and organizations who have assisted in

the history project, which began some four years ago as a sociological history of the Issei in America.

Minneapolis Mayor Arthur Marks, lauded the contributions of the project, in the opening remarks of the Twin Cities Japanese in various fields.

Dr. Frank Sakamoto, national 1000 Club chairman, presented the JACL sapphire pin to Tomo Kosobayashi and the JACL silver pin to Kimi Hara, Sumi Teramoto and Paul Tsuchiya.

Receiving the past president pin were Bill Doi, outgoing president, Paul Tsuchiya and Kay Kushino.

Dr. Roy Yamahiro is the 1967 chapter president.

There were 130 members and guests present.

Maryland—

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said they had heard of none of the churches.

"This is obviously phony as hell," State Sen. Royal Hart (D-Prince George's) said of the postcard campaign.

Sen. Verda Welcome (D-Baltimore), a Negro and sponsor of the bill, said "this was the work of a white man—we know who he is." She declined to name him.

The message on the cards said, in part, "We of this Negro Church are against racial intermarriage because it is against God's Will . . . It is evil."

Open Housing Bill

The open housing bill, covering the sale of new homes and rentals in old and new apartment projects of five or more units, was introduced by Hart, Mrs. Welcome, Sen. James Clark Jr. (D-Howard, Montgomery) and three others.

It is based on proposals made earlier by Democratic members of Gov. Spiro T. Agnew's Advisory Committee on Human Rights, but the Committee itself has not decided whether to endorse the bill.

The bill would prohibit racial discrimination by real estate agents or home builders but permit sales agents to follow "express written instructions" of an owner if the owner is not involved in the real estate or building business.

This would provide a loophole to exempt the sale of most existing homes from the bill's provisions.

The bill also contains a ban against blockbusting, exempts of homes operated by religious or fraternal organizations for their own members and puts enforcement in the hands of the State Interracial Commission.

PNW Japan tour plans announced

SEATTLE—The Pacific Northwest JACL District Council has announced its group tour to Japan via Japan Air Lines, departing Saturday, Nov. 4 and returning Nov. 25, at \$895 per person, including meals, accommodations and sightseeing.

(The National JACL Japan Tour is scheduled for Oct. 15-Nov. 4 at \$849 per person. See Feb. 10 PC.)

Reservations are now open and require a \$100 deposit to hold definite space. Balance is due not later than Oct. 1. Deposits are completely refundable upon cancellations of reservations made prior to Oct. 1. For reservations checks should be made payable to Emi Somekawa and forwarded to 200 SW 4th Ave., Portland, Ore. 97204.

The itinerary includes visits to:

Tokyo, Nikko, Kamakura, Hakone, Odawara, Nagoya, Toiba, Ise, Yamato, Yagi, Kyoto, Nara, Takarazuka, Kobe, Beppu, Hiroshima, and back to Tokyo with stopover in Honolulu.

Credit union TV prize tickets based on loans

SALT LAKE CITY—Winner of the color TV set offered by the National JACL Credit Union has been ascertained, according to Hito Okada, credit union treasurer.

The tickets were provided on the basis of loans and not on share deposits, as previously reported (see Feb. 3 PC).

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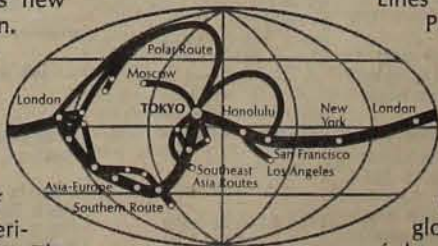
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By Jeffray Matsui

Sounding Board

About six years ago while still living in Kaimuki, Hawaii, I was sitting under a tree on Sunday trying to take a short nap when I was interrupted by voices from the neighbor's house. It was just the usual conversation between the mother and her 12-year-old child. It went like this:

"Mother, mother, when can I buy a bra? Mother, when can I buy a bra? Mother! I said when can I buy a bra!" "Aw shuddup John!"

The reason I mention the above story—and it is a story—is to set the mood for today's column which will be a question and answer type dealing with a few of the most frequently asked questions on JACL. There was also supposed to be a moral to the story but I couldn't figure it out so let's just get into the questions.

Q—WHAT IS JACL?

A.—The JACL is the only organization in the U.S. whose specific interest is to protect and promote the welfare of all Japanese Americans. Every minority group has its counterpart of the JACL.

Q—WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF JACL?

A.—Actually the organization serves many purposes. It serves as a fraternal organization, cultural organization, and it promotes and encourages programs and activities which enhance our image as good citizens. But above all, its purpose is to provide leadership by encouraging its members to take on civic responsibilities and be alert to the problems and needs of the community. There are also at times problems and needs (such as the Alien Land Laws) that are common to all Japanese Americans and which can be best combatted through the concerted action of all J. A. through a national organization with a network of chapters throughout the country.

Q—WHY SHOULD WE HAVE A JAPANESE-AMERICAN ORGANIZATION; AREN'T WE PROMOTING SEGREGATION?

A.—Dr. Scott Miyakawa, Sociology Professor at Boston University, answered this question by saying, "Because we are an identifiable minority we cannot as individuals set ourselves apart from the problems of the rest of the group. Since we cannot escape being judged as a group it is important for us to have an organization that promotes the good image of the Japanese-American. Public acceptance of this image results in more rapid and lasting integration."

Q—I'M TOO BUSY TO GO TO MEETINGS AND PARTICIPATE IN THE LOCAL PROGRAMS.

A.—Even if you can't actively participate in the organization, you can provide support by paying your dues which is used to finance such programs and activities which may be directed to assist not only the J.A. community but also the total community.

For example, while standing by the gymnasium doorway at the Pacific State Hospital where the Progressive Westside Chapter was giving a huge Christmas party for the retarded patients, I was asked by a Caucasian gentleman who had been watching the party activity for a few minutes, "Are these Chinese or Japanese?" I explained the hosts were Japanese-Americans from the JACL. He didn't take notice of the fact that they were JACLers — only that they were Japanese. He stayed only a few seconds longer but before he left he commented, "It's a very nice party. The Japanese are nice people."

The reason I mention this is to show that whenever an activity is directed at the whole community, it reflects back not only to the JACL but to everyone in the J. A. community whether you're an active member, non-active member or non-member. And it's a positive reflection. So don't be a free-loader—support the organization with your dues.

Q—HOW COME THE DUES ARE SO HIGH?

A.—I would change this question to why are the dues so low. Let me explain. A single membership costs \$7 in the majority of cases, depending on the individual chapters.

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Q—ISN'T JACL TAKING TOO MUCH CREDIT FOR WORK DONE FOR JAPANESE AMERICANS?

A.—To the contrary, after going through the files and records, I find that the organization has been far too modest in its accomplishments and has been very naive in doing so.

In my opinion, modesty is appreciated only as character traits of heroes in the novels and cinema and is not in the least appreciated practice by an organization.

And just to show you that I do believe that JACL should do a little bragging, let me end this column with President Lyndon B. Johnson's message to JACL at its last convention:

"What your organization has accomplished is not only a tribute to our democratic system but also to those of you who were willing to accept the challenge of leadership in making the American dream more meaningful for all Japanese Americans."

CALENDAR OF JACL EVENTS

Feb. 17-19
San Francisco — National JACL Interim Board Mtg. Hilton Airport Inn.
Feb. 18 (Saturday)
Fremont — Get Acquainted family potluck, So. Alameda Buddhist Church, 8 p.m.
Feb. 19 (Sunday)
Chicago — Brotherhood dinner, Francis Parker School, 330 W. Webster Ave.
Feb. 20 (Monday)
West Los Angeles — Auky Mtg. Dr. Robert Watanabe res., 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 21 (Tuesday)
Sequoia — Bd Mtg.
Contra Costa — Panel: Problems of Sansei Teenagers, Richmond Free Methodist Church, 8:30 p.m.
Potrero Ave., El Cerrito, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 22 (Thursday)
Downtown L.A. — Luncheon Mtg. Tokyo Kaikan, 12n; Dr. Tom T. Omori, speaker.
Feb. 23 (Friday)
Seattle — Young Adults bowling party, UW Campus.
Philadelphia — Bd Mtg. Isami Yamakawa's res., 8 p.m.
Feb. 25 (Saturday)
Mile-Hi — Memb Mtg. Tri-State Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.
Cincinnati — Potluck supper, 1st United Church on Walnut Hills, 8 p.m.
Mt. Olympus — Issei Appreciation Night, Salt Lake Buddhist Church.
New York — Installation dinner, Park 100 Restaurant, 8 p.m.; Capt. Allan Bosworth, speaker.
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ALL-WOMAN CABINET — For the first in San Luis Valley JACL history, an all-woman cabinet will govern. Looking over new issues are (from left): seated—Mrs. Roy Inouye, La Jara, pres.; Mrs. Francis Wakasugi, Blanca, v.p.; standing — Mrs. Harry Sumida,

Blanca, rec. sec.; Mrs. Morris Tanaka, Blanca, treas.; and Mrs. Lamar Smith, Alamosa, cor. sec. The women were installed Jan. 28 at the annual dinner at Mt. Blanca Inn, Fort Garland, Colo.

—The Valley Courier Photo.

Women assume chapter command

BY PEARL MALLON NICHOLAS
Valley Courier
Woman's Page Editor

ALAMOSA, Colo. — For the first time in the history of the San Luis Valley Japanese American Citizens League five women form the cabinet, the governing body of the organization.

They are as follows: Mrs. Roy Inouye, La Jara, the new president; Mrs. Francis Wakasugi, Blanca, vice president; Mrs. Harry Sumida, Blanca, recording secretary; Mrs. Lamar Smith, Alamosa, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Morris Tanaka, Blanca, treasurer and Mrs. Elsie Ogura, Alamosa, historian.

These women were sworn in to office Jan. 28 at the annual JACL banquet held at Mt. Blanca Inn. District Judge Richard Conour, Del Norte, conducted the ceremonies.

Following the dinner Morris Tanaka, president, introduced Gus Guzman, Alamosa, who in turn introduced the Singing Hutsells of Alamosa, Ralph

his wife, Joyce, daughter Holly and son, Steve, who entertained with several musical selections. Mrs. Hutsell, accompanied by her husband, sang the National JACL Hymn.

Issei Honored

Several first generation Japanese in the Valley were present and were introduced by Roy Inouye. They were Yuji Fujimoto, K. Ono, Mrs. F. Uyeda and Mr. and Mrs. M. Miyake, all of Alamosa. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moroye of the JACL Denver Chapter, were among the guests.

Mrs. Y. Fujimoto recited the creed of the JACL which was followed by the introduction of the speaker of the evening, Dr. John Marvel, president of Adams State College, who along with Mrs. Marvel were special guests. Bob Showalter made the introduction.

"You, as Japanese American citizens are carriers of promise," Dr. Marvel began. "You are a reconciling agent in a world that is hostile and you are filled with great convictions which are reflected in your objectives by restoring faith in people."

Three Goals of Man

Dr. Marvel went on to say there are three basic goals for man: First, he is seeking a way to identify himself; second, he is trying to seek satisfaction in a way of life; third, he is establishing a rightful relationship with his fellowmen. These three goals, he pointed out, cannot be fashioned without education.

He spoke of the tremendous comeback of the Japanese nation since World War II, the

prejudices they have overcome and the economic stability of Japan. He stated the educational level in that country was high indeed.

"All education does not take place on a campus. Good home environment plays a great part and the fact that no matter how old we are we never stop learning."

Dr. Marvel praised the Japanese people as a whole, the JACL organization individually, and pointed out the fine records Japanese students attained. He said that as the standard of living rises, so very often the standard of morality declines.

"Man cannot live by bread alone, neither can he live without bread. He must learn that the way to serve an invisible

Creator is to serve a visible people with character to match the mountains," he concluded.

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West LA earth-science members may have discovered some new fossil fish

LOS ANGELES—Fossil fishes of the Miocene age (15 million years) and their paleoecologic significance were discussed Feb. 3 by Jules Crane, professor of biology, Cerritos College, to 89 members of the West Los Angeles JACL Earth Science Section.

Crane spoke on those related to the specimens collected by the JACLers at a quarry near Lompoc during the December field trip and in the Santa Monica Mountains.

After his most enlightening talk, a workshop was conducted under Crane's supervision to prepare and identify the specimens collected from the Lompoc quarry. Several fishes were uncovered which seemed to be new, and these were donated to Crane for further study.

He stressed the importance of the occurrence of fishes in the diatomaceous shale primarily to determine the condition of deposition of the fish beds. These strata, which contain minute diatoms (secreted by a calcareous Algae), was believed to have been deposited in shallow (100-200 meters) quiet waters.

Viper Fishes

From the fossil fish fauna, he singled out the viper fishes (Chauliodontidae) as being a very characteristic form which can be compared to the living species.

The living forms inhabit waters near a depth of about 1,000 meters and the diatomaceous shale is inferred to have been deposited near that depth.

The difficulties encountered while trying to make a direct comparison between the living forms to the fossil specimens were also mentioned. Fossil specimens are flattened and show only the hard parts, while the living forms are in three dimensions, making comparative study difficult. To this end, a strong X-ray is being used to obtain a picture of the living specimen which then resembles the outline of the fossil form.

Auxiliary Meeting

LOS ANGELES — Orthopaedic surgeon Dr. Robert Watanabe will show a research film he made on bone fusion of the hip at the West Los Angeles JACL Women's Auxiliary meeting Monday, 7:30 p.m., at his home, according to Mrs. George Kanegai, Auxiliary president.

Meeting will also welcome new members, discuss future events dealing with kimono and harmony of colors and organize the Auxiliary's canvass for the American Cancer Society. Mmes Robert Watanabe and Kiyoshi Sonoda are Cancer Drive leaders.

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CHERRY BLOSSOM TIME—Fifteen Cherry Blossom queen candidates were introduced aboard the SS Monterey in Honolulu harbor. They are (from left) Germaine Maehara, Carol Arita, Sharon Ota, Cynthia Aoki, Christine Suzuki, Cindy Shigeno, Gwen

Nishizawa, Barbara Higashi, Ginger Matsumoto, Sheila Shimizu, Karen Kameda, Lynette Nishioka, Audrey Nakagaki, Judy Katayama, and Sonia Asayama. Ages range from 17 to 22, in weight from 95 to 125, in height from 5 feet to 5 ft. 6. The prettiest will be

chosen April 1, succeeding Queen Sandra Shimokawa, culminating celebration starting with a cultural and trade show Feb. 23-25 and ending with a Honolulu Symphony Orchestra concert April 15.

—Jack Matsumoto Photo.

Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima



Honolulu

Democratic backers of Sen. Nelson K. Doi and one defector—Sen. Sakae Takahashi—from the faction which supports Sen. Naoe Yoshinaga named Doi the state senate president for the session which was to open Wednesday. Takahashi, formerly a Yoshinaga supporter, gave the Doi group the eighth vote it needed to have a majority of the 15 senate Democrats. But victory for Doi was not a certainty at press time. . . . Homecoming for Sen. Daniel K. Inouye was saddened Feb. 9 when he learned that the family's 12-year-old fox terrier was missing. The senator's parents left the dog, Chibi, out early the morning of Feb. 8 without her collar or her dog tag. (Dog was found last Sunday.)

Hawaii's alien population will be up about 1,000 over last year's total of 45,794. In 1965, 4,076 persons born in China immigrated; in 1966, the total was 17,210. Filipino immigrants jumped from 3,208 to 9,981. Natives of Hong Kong increased from 697 to 4,075. Japan and Korea had smaller increases—Japan from 3,000 to 3,663 and Korea from 2,198 to 2,869. . . . Wallace F. Aoki has been elected treasurer of Aloha Airlines, replacing O. Ben Thomas who left the company in November. Aoki, 29, previously was assistant treasurer. He is a graduate of the Univ. of Hawaii.

Killed in Action . . .

Airman 1st Class Ronald Kazuo Miyazaki, 24, of 67-427 Akahua St., Wailua, was killed in action Jan. 31 in Vietnam where he had been serving as a flight mechanic in the 12th Air Commando Squadron. He was the 70th serviceman from Hawaii to die in Vietnam. . . . Air Force 1st Lt. James S. Miura of 66-057 Kam Highway, Haleiwa, was a navigator on an HC-130 Hercules aircraft that rescued a U.S. civilian pilot during an early morning search operation over the Atlantic. Miura and his crew began the mission from Lajes Field, Azores. . . . Airman 2nd Class Howard H. Kaneshiro, son of Mr. and Mrs. Seiichi Kaneshiro of 94-065 Waipahu St., Waipahu, has been decorated with the Air Force Commendation Medal at Nha Trang Air Base in Vietnam. He was awarded the medal for meritorious achievement as an aircraft mechanic at McClellan AFB in Calif.

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye has selected Brian Y. Fukuda of Pearl City as his principal appointee to the Air Force Academy, and Alan T. Murakami as principal appointee to the Naval Academy. Inouye selected Randy L. Harrison, John M. Jones, Charles H. Lawrence and Michael F. Tanigawa, all of Honolulu, as his Merchant Marine Academy choices.

Outstanding Farmer . . .

The Hawaii State Jaycees have named Hilo farmer Harold Tanouye, Jr., 31, as Outstanding Young Farmer of the Year. He will represent the state in the national award program to be held in Harrisburg, Pa., Apr. 8-11. Tanouye is manager of two floral farms, Hawaiian Heart and Hawaiian Artichokes. . . . Lloyd Oki, 17, Punahou School senior, will represent Hawaii in the national finals of the Voice of Democracy script-writing contest sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Ladies Auxiliary. Oki will leave Mar. 2 for a five-day trip to Washington, D.C., as a guest of the VFW and also receive a \$100 U.S. savings bond. . . . Donald Fujimoto, co-ordinator of Kapiolani Community College, has been elected president of the Hawaii Community College Assn. for 1967.

Toshio Koge, 27, a State Prison parolee, has filed a \$750,000 claim against the City for injuries he said he suffered at the hands of police Oct. 23. Koge, who is reportedly paralyzed from the neck down, filed the claim with Mayor Neal S. Blaisdell.

Jack P. King, 57, a former legislator who is now a watchman, was beaten over the head Friday night, Feb. 3, by one of two men he discovered burglarizing the Hawaiian Cold Storage Co. at 348-A Puuhale Rd. Police said King was struck with a hammer and required treatment for head injuries. King served in the Territorial House of Representatives between 1949 and 1955. . . . A group of 78 Kailua, Oahu, children between the ages of 12 and 14 were arrested for gambling Feb. 8 in a raid that kept policemen in the Windward Oahu community busy for six hours. The raid took place at a home on S. Kainalu Dr. near Kailua Intermediate School. . . . Christine Sui Lin Wong is Hawaii's entry in the Miss Chinatown USA contest held annually by the San Francisco Chinese Chamber of Commerce. The contest will be held on Feb. 18. Last week's Top Ten Tunes: 1—Young Rascals' "I've Been

Lonely Too Long's

2—Buckin' horns' "Kind of a Drag"; 3—Monkees' "I'm a Believer Stepping Stone"; 4—Galls "Bonsoir John"; 5—Hermits "Kind of a Hush"; 6—Rolling Stones' Ruby Tuesday/Let's Spend the Night Together; 7—Moto Men's "Sit Down, I Think I Love You"; 8—Robins' "Bittersweet"; 9—Trial Lopez' "Gonna Get Along Without Ya' Now"; 10—Jay Black's "What Will My Mary Say." Former Honolulu deputy Ronald Jacobs reportedly is earning \$60,000 annually as program chief for KHI in Los Angeles.

Charles Ane, former National Football League star, has joined American Security Bank as a special accounts representative in the business development department. He most recently was with Gold Bond Stamp Co. . . . Morris S. Yoshii, a loan representative with National Bank, has been named an officer of the bank and is earning \$10,000 annually as program chief for KHI in Los Angeles.

Barbara Ann Yamanaka, a 1964 Kaimuki High School graduate, has finished a program at the national training center of Volunteer in Service to America (VISTA) at Cincinnati, Ohio. She has been assigned to the Grace Hill House in St. Louis, Mo. . . . Ben H. Oshiro was honored as Member of the Year by Hui Makala at a banquet Feb. 4 at Kahala Hilton. The hui is composed of Americans of Okinawan ancestry. Its primary objective is to provide scholarships to the Univ. of Hawaii. . . . Hideo Uradomo is the new treasurer of Pacific Guardian and Life Insurance Co. He will keep his job as vice-president.

The Hawaii Redevelopment approval to the plan of a Honolulu development firm for a \$5 million shopping center in a 14 1/2 acre parcel of Project Kalia. The plan provides gross leasable space of 177,000 square feet, including a J. C. Penney department store around an air conditioned pedestrian mall. It has been named tentatively as the Hilo Mall.

Kona physicians are concerned over a serious deficit of registered nurses and other professional personnel at Kona Hospital, they advised County Chairman Shuntchi Kimura Feb. 6. Dr. Chisato Hasegawa is head of the medical staff.

Church Award . . .

A Hilo man received the United Buddhist Assn. Distinguished Service award for 1966 Feb. 4 at an inaugural ball at the Volcano House. He was Hiroshi Ikeda, president of the Hilo YBA and a mail carrier for the Hilo post office. . . . The Venerable Ernest K. Shinkaku Hunt, 90, the only Caucasian Buddhist priest in Hawaii, died Feb. 7 at his home, 3815 Monterey Drive. He served on the staff of Soto Mission of Hawaii on Nuuanu Ave. for many years. . . . An Episcopal priest on Feb. 8 re-

ceived the annual distinguished service award of the Maui Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is the Rev. William H. Aulenbach, Jr., 35, of Wailuku, pastor of the Church of the Good Shepherd. . . . Mitsuo Tokita has been elected moderator of Lihue Christian Church for 1967.

Paul M. Akama is the new president of the Lihue Republican Club. . . . George Tamura, manager of the Lihue branch of the Bank of Hawaii, is the new first vice-president of the Kauai Chamber of Commerce. He was elected to the post by chamber directors to fill out the term of James F. Morgan, Jr., who resigned. . . . Dr. Jack T. Ishida, associate specialist in agricultural economics, is the new president of the Hawaii Extension Specialists Assn. of the Univ. of Hawaii Cooperative Extension Service. . . . Charles A. Miyata, president of Masonry, Inc., was installed recently as president of the Oahu Masonry Contractors Assn. at Natsunoya Teahouse. . . . Richard Mikami, lab technician with HCC&D, Ltd., is the winner of the first annual "Kahuna" award sponsored by Construction Products, Ltd.; the award will be given annually to an outstanding member of the Concrete Technicians Assn. . . . Stanley T. Himezo, president of Airport Volkswagen, is one of 160 executives who will attend the 43-week Advanced Management Program of the Harvard Univ. Graduate School of Business Administration; the session begins this week. . . . There's a new \$500,000 building and a new name—Ala Moana Farmers Market. Kiyoshi Tanoue, market president, said the Ward Estate spent \$250,000 replacing the burned-out building, and the 12 merchants who occupy the market contributed a like amount.

The Rev. Niles Kageyama has always been a live wire. At Kauai High School he was a sprinter on the track team and speedy member of the football team. And he has continued his lively pace in adult life. In the course of a few weeks last summer, the 23-year-old native of Koloa, Kauai, got married, was graduated from a seminary and became pastor of Windward Missionary Church in Kaneohe.

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Deaths

Mutsuko Nogomi, 53

TOKYO—Mrs. Mutsuko Nogomi, 53, a former Alameda (Calif.) resident, died of cancer at her Shinagawa-ku home on Feb. 12. She was the wife of Kiyo Nogami, president of Nissel Corn Co., a confectionery firm, and onetime Hankyu Braves baseball player.

SAN FRANCISCO
Endo, Tomo, 70; San Jose, Feb. 3 — s. Katsuhiko, Mitsuhiro, Torii, d. Sachie Sugita, Kazuyo Masahiro, Satuki Hira. Haruta, Yusaku; Cupertino, Feb. 1—w. Shizue, s. Hiroshi, Isao. Morita, Tami, 73; Watsonville, Jan. 26—h. Seitaro, s. Hiroshi, George.

PORTLAND
Shiohshi, Mrs. Haruno, 88; Feb. 7—s. Sam, Chikara, d. Margaret Sera (Seattle). Sunamoto, Mrs. Sen, 73; Boring, Feb. 4—h. Shozo, five children.

SEATTLE
Chihara, Tama, 75; Bainbridge Island, Feb. 8—s. Takashi (Apples, Calif.), Toshio (Japan), Masa, Joe, Tokuo (Auburn), d. Mame, Richard Shimono, Sioji Suke, Sam Shirasaga (Harden, Mont.), Stan Tsujikawa (Auburn). Nishimoto, Takahiko, 83; Auburn, Jan. 30—w. Misuno, s. Joe, Henry, d. Alice Hama (Seattle).

SALT LAKE CITY
Nakai, Kihieji, 83; Jan. 29 — d. 4 gcs.

IDAHO
Takaki, Shintaro, 100; Couer d'Alene, Feb. 3—s. Robert, Max (Chula Vista, Calif.).

Suisun Oldtimers
SUISUN—Oldtimers of Suisun Valley and their families are gathering for a reunion Mar. 18 at Cordelia Firemen's Center. To prepare for the event, the Suisun Nisei Club and Suisun Nisei Women's Club expect those planning to attend to notify Roy Nakamura, Rt. 1, Box 128A, Suisun, or Mrs. Sumi Okahara, 801-5th St., Fairfield, by Mar. 1.

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Ye Editor's Desk

BEN KUROKI

JACL has long recognized the sacrifice and heroism of the Nisei who fought during World War II. They were the ones who bought with life and blood the freedoms persons of Japanese ancestry take for granted today.

And Ben Kuroki, aerial gunner during WW2 with 58 missions over Europe and the Pacific theaters of operation, is perhaps the most well-known.

Last Sunday, he addressed the Pacific Southwest District Council meeting at Gardena Valley, recounting the prejudice he encountered during his between-mission stay in Southern California 25 years ago and the personal fight he waged to overcome anti-Nisei discrimination. Lack of speaking time cut into his talk but he recalled the guttier episodes.

Some have taken his closing remark about intermarriage as a "rap" as he wondered aloud why Nisei fellows today prefer blondes. Kuroki, still the fighter, was expressing what many Nisei parents across the land regard as a break against the traditions their Issei parents tried to teach if a Japanese marries a non-Japanese. Yet this may be the desire which might virtually disappear by the fourth generation if immigration from Japan were suspended. But immigration is now more open than ever.

Of JACL's current push on cultural heritage, Kuroki hailed it as a meaningful contribution not only to the American scene but especially to the younger Japanese American.

Of JACL's concern in poli-

Perspectives—

(Continued from Front Page)

see our Nationalist V.P. Tom Shimazaki deal with this topic in last week's "By the Board". With respect for Tom's views, and hoping others will honestly express theirs, I offer the following reactions.

I very much agree that JACL is a political organization. It is tough to be a nonpartisan political organization, but we have successfully trodden that middle ground. The middle ground is getting increasingly tough to chart. As Tom says, issues such as "civil and human rights" have become "inherent in the partisan political structure of our nation". The point is made that no person or organization can crusade in this area without involvement in "partisan political philosophies".

Precisely because of the points Tom makes, I contend that JACL must become increasingly involved. It is naive in these times to separate civil rights from partisan politics. However, when the issues concerned us directly, JACL did not hesitate to get involved.

Was Prop. 14 a partisan political issue? JACL committed money and staff to the campaign against it, where does that put us?

As for the U.C. tuition problem, I feel that the NC-WNDC resolution carefully and completely spells out its position, as a JACL district, in declaring itself against tuition.

Lastly, this is an issue that provokes emotions and I am of the opinion that emotion triggering issues that may cause strife and division in JACL should not be dodged. Imposition of narrow, rigidly defined, constitutional limitations to activities on behalf of we Japanese Americans alone, is a good way to starve JACL to death. As former Contra Costa Chapter President, Ben Takeshita, put it, JACLers who don't like the way we're going have every right to make themselves heard and, further, to try to influence the policy and direction of our national organization through active participation.

NOTE OF THANKS

To the Oakland Chapter for its welcome support of the idea that JACL must be involved in the issues that face us. Welcome, not because the Chapter agrees with me, but because it was the first sign that a Chapter cares enough to write a letter.

tics, he was surprised by the JACL rebuttal over use of the National JACL scroll of appreciation to him in connection with a Nisei for Goldwater leaflet circulated in the fall of 1964. "I thought JACL was for Nisei getting involved in politics," he said. But JACL's point was the possible misrepresentation in the leaflet that National JACL was connected with the campaign by obvious use of he scroll.

Now a copy editor with the Ventura County Star-Free Press, Kuroki spoke rather easily to his first Nisei audience since coming to the west coast. In the months to come, he may be asked to address other Japanese American groups on the issues of the day. He'll be ready the next time. His record in the past gives us that assurance.

POSTAL RATES

The Congress will be asked again to raise postal rates on the premise that it's not paying its way—especially newspapers and magazines under Second Class and the so-called "junk" mail under Third Class. Because of the last increase in 1964, the Pacific Citizen had to boost its subscription rates for JACL members. But whatever the increase might be again, we are not anticipating a further raise in subscription fees.

This much said, we can consider the problems of postal rates with a more detached perspective.

Originally, communications through the posts were considered a subsidized public service, a cost that must be paid if democracy were to be served for it depends upon an informed electorate and citizenry. And in all governmental departments the concept of service has been traditional. Agriculture is served by the Dept. of Agriculture; commerce through the Dept. of Commerce, and down the line of the President's cabinet. None pay their own way.

But the Hoover Commission years ago recommended the Post Office Dept. might become a non-profit organization, if politics were removed and have it operate on a business-like basis. But the White House and the party in power have used the Post Office Dept. for paying off political favors. If this condition is to persist, then the public is entitled to subsidization of the posts just as other departments are helped by tax monies.

The furor against "junk" mail deserves another look. Since our government, like many other postal administrations in other parts of the world, maintains the class, it is obligated to handle it as efficiently and adequately as possible or banish it.

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Those who complain their mail boxes are filled with Third Class mail should remember there are waste-baskets, if this material upsets them.

Parcel post or Fourth Class, which has had more increases in rates, is losing out to private concerns, which puts the Post Office to shame.

If further postal rate increases are to be considered, it may be also proper at the same time to reorganize the entire system so the public can be served efficiently.

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— Letters from Our Readers —

COLLEGE REGENT

Editor:

In the Feb. 3 issue of the Pacific Citizen, there appears a picture of Mr. Taul Watanabe together with President G. Herbert Smith of Willamette University with the caption that reads in part, "Watanabe is believed to be the first Nisei serving as trustee and regent for a college of higher education in the continental United States." Several readers of the Pacific Citizen have questioned me about this.

Not with any intent to detract in any way from the many accomplishments of Mr. Watanabe, but only to keep the record straight, may I point out that the caption appears to be incorrect.

On Feb. 14, 1964, Governor Mark O. Hatfield appointed my husband, Ray T. Yasui, a member of State Board of Higher Education of Oregon to fill a one year unexpired term of Mr. William Walsh. On Feb. 26, 1965, he was then reappointed by Governor Hatfield, with confirmation of the State Senate, to serve a six year term from March 3, 1965, to March 7, 1971. As one of the nine members of the Board of Higher Education, he serves as a regent for nine universities and colleges.

The Oregon state system of Higher Education is comprised of Oregon State University, Corvallis; University of Oregon, Eugene; Portland State College, Portland; Oregon College of Education, Monmouth; Southern Oregon College, Ashland; Eastern Oregon College, La Grande; and Oregon Technical Institute, Klamath Falls. The medical and dental schools of the University of Oregon, Portland.

There is a bill introduced in the Oregon Legislature which will change the name, Board of Higher Education, to Board of Regents so as to avoid the confusion of the former with the Board of Education which administers elementary and high schools.

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LESS PARTISAN?

Dear Editor:
Our JACL president's column Perspectives sounds more and more like a political column. Why not be honest about it and call it the Democratic Perspectives. Often it has little to do with Japanese Americans specifically; it sounds like a recruiting column for the Democratic Party with its peculiarly slanted interpretations.

I believe I can guess what the column will say. The battle against tuition proposal for the university is not political. It is in California in that the Democratic Party has made it so. A request for the students who use the university facilities to make a token payment of the cost of educating them is not unusual. The tax payers are still paying the majority expenses. An added personal expenses for the use of public facilities, such as the State universities and colleges, is not uncommon. Those who drive on the public highways pay gasoline and auto taxes to help finance the roads.

"I'm certain that Nisei's record of college attendance is as good in other States as in California. If in California the State universities were tuition free, in other States it was and is not. A minimal tuition fee is not what will determine whether a student can or cannot attend college; much more will depend on his ability and his motivations. You don't need a silver spoon in your mouth in order to pay a minimal tuition fee.

The great cry concerning the firing of the University President Clark Kerr is even more politically motivated. Whether Kerr was a good president or

bad president, I do not pretend to know. But it was obvious that the tax payers who foot the bills were pretty unhappy about the universities, especially the Berkeley campus. When taxpayers become dissatisfied, it isn't uncommon for the head man to get the ax.

When Kerr was in office the militant students did their best to drag him down. Now that he has been fired they threaten to get the regents who fired him. When Kerr was still in these same students said that Berkeley was a bad campus. Now that he has been fired the Student Senate passed a resolution praising Kerr for lifting Berkeley from a "good campus to the best."

What does the faculty members mean when they demand autonomy for the university? If they mean freedom from interference from every politician who wants to dictate what should and should not be taught, that autonomy is a necessity. But if they mean that the bill-paying taxpayers have no right to examine the end product of the university occasionally and say whether or not they are satisfied, that kind of autonomy of course cannot be granted.

Kerr was not fired for his political beliefs. His firing reflected the disenchantment among taxpayers with the way the university was being run.

It may be stated that our president's statement concerning "Caucasian friends of JACLers" is also one sided. They have praised us as much for the way we achieved success as for the success itself. Some have even deplored Nisei's involvement in certain civil rights tactics. They are also a little sad and disappointed at the Nisei, but for a completely different reason than our president's friends. We need a better definition and understanding of the term "involvement in civil rights struggle."

In general I am in agreement with most of the well stated sentiments expressed by our president. Above, however, are some of the other-side-of-the-coin picture which should not be ignored. In JACL there are both Democrats and Republicans. All topics are fair game for comments. But shouldn't our president's column be a bit less partisan?

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ISSEI HISTORY

Dear Editor:

To find accurate data and facts about Japanese pioneers in the United States is not an easy task.

About the (PC Jan. 27) item about the death of "Dr. Katsuki, first U.S. trained Japanese doctor, who graduated from the U.C. School of Medicine in 1896"—there was at least one who graduated from a U.S. school of medicine prior to '96.

Seinosuke Oishi, from Wakayama, attended the University of Oregon School of Medicine in 1891 and graduated in 1895. After graduation Oishi returned to Japan to practice medicine. Later he became interested in Socialism and was arrested in the so-called "Dai-gyaku Jiken"—supposedly plotting to kill the Emperor Meiji.

Dr. Oishi was hanged on Jan. 24, 1911, in Tokyo, along with 11 other Japanese "anarchists". These may be "unpleasant facts" but they are part of history.

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Ogawa —

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ing, albeit from different sources which made the Kishida people the toast of uptown cocktail parties in that time past, but the rank and file found its place in the ghetto of Main and Jackson Street, and their children were sent to the balcony of movie houses and got the cold shoulder or a long, long wait in the after theater joints.

Problem Today

"Assimilation" was the key word to the problems of the time, as much as the word "integration" now.

To quote the words of Fred Marshall's P.I. Saturday feature cartoon "Twas ever thus on Puget Sound", and looking back through the roster of "undesirable" minorities from the time of the anti-Chinese riots of 1885-86, we look askance at the latest development.

In connection with President Johnson's program to help some 700 families to migrate from economically distressed areas of the U.S. to this locality where things are booming and labor is in short supply, comes now a well informed source which says that some few hundred families of Watts, California area are included, and the tone of alarm from this source is indeed resonant. They say we are already beset with the problems of taking care of more desirable, alert, and able citizens who come under their own power from other parts of the country, so why should this area be burdened with assimilating the less desirable type of immigrant? Seems to me we've heard the story before.

Sakura Script: by Jim Henry

Family Crisis

Yokohama
Those Nisei who thought it would never happen in male dominated Japan, take notice. With the disintegration of the family unit in postwar Japan, the father-image has changed considerably. In the past, the father was the mainstay of the family both economically and emotionally. Now, he often feels himself an outsider in his own home, particularly after his children, nearing adulthood, disregard his presence. His wife on the other hand, in order to help pay the children's education expenses, spends much time away from home doing some part-time work.

There is the case of the man who threw a lit cigarette into the sleeve of a party kimono worn by a young girl. On arrest, he turned out to be an employee of a leading firm, in a supervisory position. A similar case was that of a man who poured ink on a girl's kimono. Both, on questioning, said they felt left out at home. Truly this pattern of disintegration poses a deep social problem and undoubtedly will increase. It is a far cry from the old Japan and quite ironic in a way.

RESPIRE FROM WAR

U.S. soldiers from the Vietnam front come to Japan on their brief leaves. It is said that approximately 50 soldiers a day come to spend their five-day passes here in a short respite from the rigors of war.

What do they do and see in Japan in such a short period? The average soldier's radius of activity takes in perhaps Tokyo Tower, the department stores, a theater, a Tokyo night club, and maybe a quick trip to Nikko at most. Aside from that, his stay is lonely and hectic mainly.

In a foreign land, speaking a different language in most cases, he is denied the companionship of most people as well as being unable to understand, appreciate or enjoy many of the things some of us here take for granted.

It is the little chat with a Japanese family met on the train, the feeding of pigeons in the park, a telephone call

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