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By JERRY ENOMOTO
Natl. JACL President

Sacramento
These words are being writ-
ten a few hours after the
Apollo XI Mission blasted off
for man's history-making trip
to the moon. By the time this
reaches the readers, God will-
ing, the astronauts will be on
their way home.

Nothing can really detract
from the dramatic and signifi-
cant impact of their achieve-
ment.

Apollo XI

Yet, it is in keeping with
the temper of our times that
a group of Americans were at
the site of the launch to pro-
test what it termed a "dis-
order of priorities." The ques-
tion of why millions were
spent to get us to the moon,
while some Americans con-
tinue to go hungry, was asked.

Although the symbol may
differ, whether it be the space
program, the Vietnam war or
whatever, the concern of
Americans about this seeming
lack of enough attention to
our domestic problems is at
least being voiced.

It seems significant, too,
that the concern was
voiced, not with the strident
and unreasonable cry of
hate, but in a way that com-
municated a proper respect
for the Apollo achievement,
and for the courage and de-
dication of its crew. It is
worthwhile, too, to note the
dignity and respect with
which the Rev. Dr. Abernathy's
message was received
by the NASA spokesman.

Whether our nation's do-
mestic problems can be tack-
led with the same single-
minded determination and
will court resources that have
been applied to the space pro-
gram and to the Vietnam war
is problematical.

We as citizens cannot know
the complex issues upon
which world peace hinges, so
most trust our elected leaders
to assume these awesome re-
sponsibilities. It becomes in-
creasingly clear, however, that
we are all the losers unless
there is some reordering of
priorities so that want, dis-
ease, civil injustice and their
consequences are not drastic-
ly decreased.

The lonely crusade of men
and women who call our
attention to these issues,
which most of us refuse to
face, is both needed and in
the best tradition of Ameri-
cans who care about their
country. It seems to me that
this is part of what real pa-
triotism is all about.

McClellan Hearings

Tenor of the current U.S.
Senate hearings into the caus-
es of student unrest being
conducted by the subcommit-
tee headed by Sen. John L.
McClellan of Arkansas does
little to contribute to clarity
or reason.

The McClellan approach il-
lustrates again the futility of
attitudes that do nothing but
polarize views.

Reports of the testimony of
both President Pizer of Stan-
ford and Chancellor Heyns of
UC Berkeley reflect what ap-
pears to be preconceived no-
tions and classical oversimpli-
fication on the part of the sen-
ator from Arkansas. He seems
determined to blame every as-
pect of student dissension
upon a few extremely radical
groups and the ever-ready
spectre of a communist con-
spiracy.

Apparently, McClellan is
singularly disinterested in pos-
sibly, just possibly, learning
from something these adminis-
trators might have to say.

Those who are quick to con-
demn men like Heyns and UC
President Hiltz would do well
to note that it was their de-
cision that originally made it
clear whose property the
"People's Park" was—the Uni-
versity's. There was no intent
on their part to give the Uni-
versity's property away. How-
ever, faced with situations
which defy simple answers
which, as in the case of the
"People's Park" issue, are
often rejected by politically
influenced men like the Board
of Regents.

I, for one, am surprised that
men like Hiltz and Heyns do
not tell the regents what they
can do with their jobs and
quit. We're fortunate that they
are men of conscience and tol-
erance.

Social Philosophy

I recall HEW Secretary
Finch's statement that the one
positive approach that will re-
duce the impact of minority
of loud, destructive and un-
reasonable student is the hon-
est attempt to correct these in-
equities and deficiencies that
exist.

That they exist has been
admitted by all the experts,
for and against student mil-
lancy. This attempt has to be
one with some substance, not
tokens to appease.

The biggest effect will
come from political willing-
ness to spend some money.
Unfortunately recent devel-
opments once again reflect
that these programs which
are needed to do some of
the correcting are being
dumped or reduced in effec-
tiveness through the lack of
money.

Adding to these problems is
the continuing tendency of
shortsighted politicians who
say the kind of things that
fire up punitive-minded peo-



CITY OF SAN JOSE DENIES USE OF FACILITY TO ELKS

Lodge's Nonwhite
Membership Policy
Cited as Reason

SAN JOSE—The City Coun-
cil has denied the Elks Lodge
permission to hold its annual
circus in Civic Auditorium,
because the organization dis-
criminates against non-Cau-
casians.

The startling development
came last week (July 14) on
a 5-1 vote, with Councilwoman
Virginia Shaffer dissenting.

Polack Bros. for years has
brought its big show into the
auditorium to give benefit
performances for the Elks.

This year's show was book-
ed for the facility from July
23 through July 27.

Municipal Code
The request for denial of
the permit came from James
Leininger, representing the
Catholic Social Justice Com-
mittee, who said the Muni-
cipal Code instructs the au-
ditorium manager to investi-
gate any organization using the
facility to determine if its use
is likely to contribute to a
number of detrimental things,
including "racial prejudice."

(For some time, National
JACL has been aware of the
white-only clause. And in re-
cent years, several cases in-
volving Nisei have come to
JACL's attention. There are
also several local Elks organi-
zations, like the San Jose
Lodge, which have been un-
willing to have the national
membership rules amended.)

He urged the Council to
deny use of the auditorium by
a group which would exclude
from membership a member
of the Council—referring to
Councilman Norman Y. Min-
eta, an American of Japanese
ancestry.

Local Elks' Stand
Officials of San Jose Elks
Lodge No. 522 are attending a
national convention in
Houston, Tex. and were not
available for comment.

Councilman Joseph Colla
said he has been a member
of the lodge for eight years
and that the local organiza-
tion has fought to have the
grand lodge eliminate the ex-
clusion clause, without suc-
cess.

"I'm against any form of
discrimination," he said be-
fore abstaining from the vote,
because of his Elks' member-
ship.

Rexburg to host IDC quarterly

REXBURG—The third quar-
terly session of the Inter-
national District Council will be
held Aug. 2-3 at the Veterans
Memorial Hall here with the
Rexburg JACL as hosts.

John Arima, IDC first vice-
governor, will preside at the
business sessions. Alice Kasai,
IDC civil rights chairman, will
chair a special committee
meeting at the same time with
Raymond Uno, JACL civil
rights coordinator, as special
guest.

Uno, who represented IDC
governor Ron Yokota at the
Interim national board meet-
ing last weekend at Los An-
geles, will report on that
meeting in a special session
July 28 at Salt Lake City.

Tommy Miyasaka, host
chapter president, will extend
greetings to open the third
quarterly session.

ple, which in turn leads to
defeat of school appropri-
ations, which finally ends up
punishing everybody's kids.

The radicals? They're laugh-
ing because they're the only
ones who win—if for no other
reason than they get egos stim-
ulated.

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FELLOWSHIP WINNERS—Pictured are the four 1969 winners of the Japan Air Lines-JACL summer fellowships at Sophia University in Tokyo. They are students of Japanese history and culture for the month-long summer session as well as participants in a field trip to Kyoto and Nara. They are (from left) Nancy Reiko Motomatsu of

Olympia, Wash., Associate Superintendent of Learning Resources in the Washington State Office of Public Instruction; Mrs. Michiye Yenokida of Galt, Calif., teacher's aide; Sally Masumi Nakai of Chicago, an editorial assistant on the Chicago Daily News; and Reiko K. Nakawata of Philadelphia, elementary teacher.

—Japan Air Lines Photo

Matsunaga bills to help more yen claimants, JACL in support

WASHINGTON—Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) last week (July 15) introduced legislation which would enable many persons who are now disqualified to recover on their pre-World War II yen certificates of deposit in certain Japanese banks.

One bill would permit internees who were paroled or released to file claims and to recover at approximately the pre-war four yen to a dollar exchange rate from the Yokohama Specie Bank account now being administered by the Office of the Alien Property.

A second bill would authorize payments to certain qualified claimants against the pre-war Sumitomo Bank who had filed their original claims before the statutory deadline, but had failed to submit requested documents to the Office of Alien Property several years ago. These claimants would receive payment only in the event that funds are still available after the present program and that proposed for internees have been completed.

Both bills have received support of JACL by action of the National Board at its interim session at Los Angeles.

Prewar Practice

Matsunaga explained that it was a common practice for persons of Japanese ancestry in Hawaii and on the mainland to purchase yen certificates of deposit from branches of Japanese banks in the pre-World War II era. After Dec. 7, 1941, following liquidation of certain accounts by the territorial and state banking commissioners, the remaining deposits were vested in the United States under the Trading with the Enemy Act.

After the war, some 10,000 claims were timely filed with the Office of Alien Property for the recovery of these yen certificates, but alien Japanese who were interned, though paroled or released after being found loyal to the United States, were declared ineligible to file such claims.

According to Matsunaga, after litigation had resulted in a 1964 U.S. District Court judgment that recovery on these yen certificates of deposit would be on the pre-war, and not the post-war, exchange rate, several thousand claimants against the Sumitomo Bank and the Yokohama Specie Bank, who had joined in the court cases, recovered on their deposits.

As the result of the 1964 case, all vested funds of the Sumitomo Bank were exhausted in paying its claimants, though some \$10 million remained in the Yokohama Specie Bank account after its claimants had been paid.

JAPANESE AMERICAN DAY AT FAIR PLANNED

SACRAMENTO—Plans are now being made to hold Japanese American Day at the California State Fair, according to special events director Gordon Logenson. The tentative date is Aug. 24.

Theme for the day will be the Japanese Immigration Centennial and the coming of the Japanese settlers at Gold Hill in 1869 to form the Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Farm. The cultural Japanese program of dancing, folk songs and instrumental is being planned for the Flower Pavilion.

Further litigation was then commenced in 1964 by additional claimants holding Yokohama Specie Bank certificates who had been excluded from the initial distribution program for technical reasons. In 1967, the United States Supreme Court ruled that these claimants were eligible for payment if their claims had been timely filed.

Internee Bill

The Hawaii lawmaker introduced his so-called internee bill "as a matter of simple justice." He noted that prior to the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, alien Japanese could not become naturalized citizens of the United States, although German and Italian aliens, among others, could become naturalized. After Dec. 7, 1941, all of these alien Japanese were designated as "enemy aliens" automatically. Some of the Japanese "enemy aliens" were interned as a precautionary measure, though practically all of them were subsequently paroled or released after investigation.

Moreover, many of these internees had sons who served with gallantry in the 442nd Central Postal Directory and Military Intelligence in the Pacific.

Almost all of the former internees, when federal law after 1952 authorized it, became naturalized citizens of the United States.

New York to host EDC Aug. meeting

NEW YORK—The Eastern District Council will meet Aug. 9, 10 a.m., at the American Red Cross Bldg., 150 Amsterdam Ave., with the New York JACL as hosts. It was announced by Dr. W. Watanabe, EDC governor, of Philadelphia.

All district committee chairmen and chapter representatives to various national JACL committees will meet to get up-to-date on district and national activities.

The meeting is also open to Jr. JACLers though no separate meeting is being planned for the afternoon session.

JAPANESE AMERICAN PROJECT FOR GRADE SCHOOLS SET

SAN MATEO—A Japanese American curriculum project has been organized in San Mateo by Mrs. Florence Yoshiwara, Advisory Specialist in the Title IV program of the San Mateo City School District. The newly formed organization consists of 10 Japanese American elementary school teachers of the San Francisco Bay Area who are concerned with the lack of materials available in the schools about Japanese Americans.

Under the sponsorship of the San Mateo City School District, the project has been researching this summer to create a syllabus containing a chronological history on Japanese Americans with an annotated bibliography and a list of recommended books for student reading.

Teachers are also working on pupil packets on specific

United States. But, because they had once been interned, they were not eligible to file claims to recover on their yen certificates of deposit.

Recalling that Congress in 1948 had amended the law to permit similarly interned Japanese aliens to file claims under the so-called Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act, Matsunaga cited that act as precedent for his bill to authorize internees who were paroled or released to recover from the Office of Alien Property.

Under the second Matsunaga bill, eligible pre-war Sumitomo Bank claimants would be paid only if vested funds of the Yokohama Specie Bank are still available after payment has been completed to internee certificate holders of that bank.

Berkeley delays ethnic studies plan; state only limited seminars, courses

BERKELEY—UC Chancellor Roger Heyns has abandoned plans to start a full-scale ethnic studies department at Berkeley in September. Instead, a "limited number of seminars and courses" in four separate ethnic programs will be offered this fall while the hunt continues for an acceptable chairman for that department.

A full ethnic studies department with a chairman has been promised by Heyns by September, 1970, "and sooner, if possible." He declared in the past that he would try to have a full department in operation by this fall.

A Third World Liberation Front strike earlier this year grew into a major campus confrontation over the issue of an ethnic department. The Academic Senate has endorsed a separate department as soon as possible.

Four chairmen were also named to head up the ethnic studies programs being offered this fall. They are Jack Forbes, UC Davis, an American Indian to head the Native American studies program; Paul Takagi, recently promoted associate professor of criminology and as-

sociate dean of the school of criminology, Asian American program; Octavio Romano, associate professor of sociology, the Mexican American program; and Troy Duster, associate professor of sociology, the Black Studies program.

Among the four coordinators-administrators named in each program, sociology lecturer Paul Wong will work with the Asian American section.

Dr. Takagi is teaching sociology this summer at the Univ. of Alberta, where Dr. Gordon K. Hirabayashi is chairman of the sociology department.

100 Chicagoans hear Noguchi and Isaac

CHICAGO—On a week's prior notice, some 100 Chicagoans attended a meeting July 10 to hear Dr. Thomas Noguchi, ousted Los Angeles county coroner, and his attorney Geoffrey Isaac, who was born here.

Called by the Chicago JACL and the Chicago Committee of Japanese United in Search for Truth, which is headed by Shig Wakamatsu, Isaac discussed the hearings at length.

Dr. Noguchi also appeared as guest on the Saturday night Kupp's TV Show, billed as the "former Los Angeles coroner who performed the controversial autopsy on Sen. Robert F. Kennedy" in Irvin Kupcinet's column.

Tom Fitzpatrick of the Chicago Sun-Times, who covered the meeting at Immanuel Lutheran Church billed as a talk by Dr. Noguchi, described Isaac as a "high-powered Hollywood lawyer working on a case that could earn him a national reputation." He was so "warmed-up" that he spoke for 90 minutes, the Sun-Times reporter noted, while Dr. Noguchi "did little more than get up and say hello." It was a "bravura performance." "It was a four-year state scholarship, as well as scholarships from the San Francisco JACL, Nikkei Lions and San Francisco Engineers' Week."

At the 1968 JACL national convention at San Jose, he won the low gross prize in the golf tournament. His essay, "A Sorry Memory," on

INTERIM BOARD SESSION Rights of individual within nat'l organization clarified

By HARRY HONDA

LOS ANGELES—Man has landed on the moon, lifting the realm of human reality to heights hitherto unimaginable. This lift in some way has prevailed during the opening hours of the interim session of the National JACL Board and Staff last weekend (July 18-20) when a free-wheeling discussion on "where JACL is going and how far" ensued for some four hours.

Summary of the open-ended affair was drafted into an untitled statement, which called for "more aggressive efforts in the areas of justice and equal opportunities."

JACL shall "respect the rights of individuals and groups within its membership to express and act on issues of common concern (even though they may not represent JACL views) as individuals," the statement said.

It further recognized the "Asian" factor in America, especially those groups and individuals who have common concerns with JACL related to improvement of human right. Support and assistance, when appropriate, has been promised by JACL, which at the same time is aware of the changing needs and diverse opinions of the membership and the people it represents.

Board Decisions

All national board and staff members were present except for Bill Marutani, legal counsel, who was detained in Tokyo; IDC Gov. Ron Yokota, who was represented by Raymond Uno of Salt Lake City; and CDC Gov. Tokuyama, who was represented by Tony Takikawa, vice-governor.

Three Jr. JACLers were also present: Patti Dohzen, national chairman; David Takashima, youth intern; and Winston Ashizawa, Northern California district chairman.

National Treasurer Yone Satoda, reported the 1969 quota picture looked "good" and urged outgoing chairmen to include budget requests for new programs before the Convention to insure continuity.

Satoda also felt a contingency fund (\$5,000) can be incorporated in 1971-72 general budget to back up requests during the biennium, which the Executive Committee can act upon.

Uniform Dues

On uniform dues, lack of data restrained MDC Gov. Henry Tanaka, chairman of the ad hoc committee studying this question, from submitting a firm proposal. In the discussion, however, it was urged by Satoda that elimination of the quota-rebate system to meet the budget should be phased out over a period of several bienniums. He suggested 40-20-0 percent stages on rebate schedules over three bienniums.

Henry Kanegae, nat'l vice-president, reported a study on computerization of membership rolls is underway. Requirements of the Inagaki Award to chapters with outstanding record in citizenship were submitted

and it was revealed there may be more than the \$500 first prize as was originally announced as the Inagaki Award fund generates approximately \$750 per biennium.

A second printing of the JACL brochure will be ordered and Kaz Horita, nat'l 2nd vice-president, will ask the Public Relations Committee to prepare additional material for the third printing.

On international relations, a resolution on the Okinawa question is being prepared. It will ask Japan also demand the return of the Kuriles from Russia at the same time. Position papers and research library are also in prospect when funds are budgeted.

Secretary to the Board Kay Nakagiri reported on the changes upcoming in the 1970 election with a president-elect and vice-presidents in charge of areas of responsibilities.

No action was taken by the Board on the suggestion for a new Emerald Pin for 20-year service. The idea of limiting the number of sapphire pins during the year was also withdrawn.

However, the Board agreed that the recipient of the Nisei of the Biennium should "enhance" the award.

Planning 'Coordinators'

A complete report on the 1970-80 planning will be ready by the convention, according to Kumeo Yoshinari, planning commission chairman. But revealed was a new concept of area coordinators to supplement the work of the nucleus in Chicago.

Specific concerns involve the youth, senior citizens, poverty and beautification as well as more scientific research data to support the studies.

The National Board agreed to continue its book-by-book basis when endorsement of JACL is invited. Details of the WRA final report reprint, published by Univ. of Arizona Press, are still under negotiation.

On the question of "Nisei the Quiet Americans," the Board rejected a district workshop resolution that title of the popular history be changed "even at the expense of delaying the publication of this important book." It was also announced the book will list at \$8.95 with JACL members and PC subscribers (well entitled to a special pre-publication rate to be announced).

There was much philosophizing when youth commissioner Mike Suzuki and youth delegates reported to

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Stuart Takeuchi
Akihiro Kanamori

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Sumitomo Bank Collegiate Awards

ANAHEIM—Stuart Minoru Takeuchi of Long Beach and Akihiro Kanamori of San Francisco were selected winners of the \$500 Sumitomo Bank collegiate scholarship administered by the National JACL.

Announcement was made last week (July 17) by James Okazaki, Orange County JACL president, spokesman for the five-member judging committee of distinguished Orange County educators and citizens.

Takeuchi, a senior at Occidental College, is majoring in political science with expectations of continuing studies in hospital administration. Kanamori, a junior at Cal-Tech is majoring in mathematics.

Son of the Frank Takeuchis, the Long Beach student was born at Bridgeton, N.J., graduated from Long Beach Polytechnic High, and active with the Alpha Tau Omega and organized the Oriental Interest Alliance on campus to push for repeal of Title II. He is a four-year state scholarship winner as well as a National JACL supplemental scholarship.

At the 1968 JACL national convention at San Jose, he won the low gross prize in the golf tournament. His essay, "A Sorry Memory," on

the constitutionality of Evacuation, which won a prize, was published in the 1968 Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue.

Son of the Kiyoo Kanamoris, the San Francisco student was born in Tokyo, graduated from Lowell High, and participates as violinist with a campus organized quartet and has written music for a campus production. Most recently, he won the West Coast Chess Open and El Segundo Chess Open. An honors student at Cal-Tech, he was awarded a four-year state scholarship, as well as scholarships from the San Francisco JACL, Nikkei Lions and San Francisco Engineers' Week.

The Sumitomo Bank collegiate scholarships were established in 1968 on the occasion of the 15th anniversary of its state banking charter for 2d, 3rd or 4th year college students in the business-economic and related fields.

Judges were Harry I. Hofert, principal, McFadden Jr. High, Santa Ana; Richard R. Ruiz, executive assistant to the Supervisor, 2d District, Santa Ana; Ivan H. Swanger, treasurer, Orange County; Charles A. Potter, president, First American Trust Co., Santa Ana; and Max Uyeyasu, businessman.

Washington Newsletter
by Mike Masaoka

Man's Greatest Adventure



As this is written, there has been a most successful blastoff and the Apollo 11 spacecraft is well on its way to a rendezvous with the moon. By the time this is read, it may well be that we of these times and of this planet earth have been privileged to witness man's first landing on the moon, the satisfying climax to the greatest adventure ever undertaken by man.

And, as we applaud not only the courageous astronauts who are making the flight, the landing, and the return through space, we must also recognize the tremendous feats of the others who dreamed, planned, and developed the rockets and spaceships and charted the course to the moon, and back.

Since we know that several Nisei aerospace experts were involved in parts of this historic decade-old program, we think it would be most interesting and impressive if a compilation could be made of the names and the contributions of those of Japanese ancestry to the successful American space program.

While we continue to marvel at the miracles that mankind has been able to achieve in science and research, such as the development of nuclear energy and of space vehicles, we remain conscience-stricken at man's inhumanity to men and his inability, or unwillingness, to cope with the social, economic, and political environment that he has created for his fellowmen on this planet which he claims is civilization.

We are aware that this identical question has been asked many times, how man who has conquered space cannot resolve the conflicts that beset mankind and the hunger, deprivation, and injustice that haunt a world that should have plenty, peace, and equality.

Perhaps the only real answer is comparable to the solution provided by our space efforts—a massive, multi-billion dollar emergency crash program, to which only the most capable, inspired, and knowledgeable are assigned, to concentrate solely within a specific period of years on solving the problems of the cities, of the minorities, of the disadvantaged and the deprived, of better and more healthful and dignified living among ourselves as humankind.

If our country would dedicate the same amount of money, the same kind of expert personnel, and the same effort and interest, that was placed into the space program during the past decade, for instance, would not our great social, economic, and political goals have been as successfully resolved as our desire to reach the moon—and beyond?

The time is long past when we must admit that in the area of human relations too, we only get back what we are willing to pay and work for—no more, no less. And, our political, industrial, financial, social, and civic leaders must be willing to give as much attention and money to the problems of people on this earth as they give to the problems of technology; otherwise mankind is going to suffer the consequences of "too little and too late."

And it seems to us, when mankind is at the crossroads, that there can be no greater service than the JACL could render to the cause of humanity than to join in a crash, emergency program to solve the problems of this world, while there is yet a planet earth to be saved from self-destruction by the default of its population.

The Right President, At the Right Time

As we prepare to leave for Los Angeles and the Interim National JACL Board and Staff meeting this weekend, we are struck with the destiny that always seems to favor such service organizations as the JACL, that there is always a National President who happens to be the right man, at the right time, at the right place.

At a time when the very existence of such organizations as the JACL is at stake, JACL is most fortunate in having Jerry Enomoto as National President, for he brings special and unique qualifications for this highly responsible office.

When there is an appreciable generation gap, with all its terrifying implications, between the Nisei and the Sansei, Jerry is of an age and of a maturity when he appreciates the thinking, the problems, and the aspirations of both generations. He recalls something of the Evacuation and its resettlement aftermath, as well as of the pre-World War II era for those of Japanese ancestry on the West Coast. He remembers the inspiration and the dedication of the immediate post-war years when those of Japanese ancestry rebuilt their lives and their fortunes after the tragedy and the travail of their wartime experience. He also understands as few can the unrest, the frustrations, the inquiry of the Sansei who are the beneficiaries of an affluent and permissive society, yet who see all around them the wretched inequities, the gross injustices, the obvious inequalities that are the sad lot and life of many of his fellow citizens who happen to have different skin, different perspectives, different objectives.

When trouble and tension, unrest and violence, protest and confrontation are the hallmarks of the day, Jerry has brought to his office the professional background and constructive understanding of the trained social scientist who has practiced what he has preached. He knows better than most the basic beliefs and motivations of the Nisei, as well as their apparent apathy and indifference to the demanding civil rights and human relations problems of a substantial part of America. He also recognizes the impatience, the anger, the questioning of values, of standards, of institutions, of ambitions, on the part of the Sansei.

Articulate and eloquent both in speech and in writing, Jerry also combines vision with realism, courage with discretion, and practice with preachment. Without doubt, he is JACL's leader for these times.

Over the weekend, we suspect that the JACL will be subject to re-examination and challenge as to basic views, structure, programs, and objectives. And questions no doubt will be asked as to whether a Nisei-oriented, anti-Japanese discrimination, and pro-Japanese American welfare organization, founded some 40 years ago to cope with the problems of another age, can service the needs of the Sansei, or whether, like the Issei Japanese associations of pre-World War II days, the JACL will soon go out of business because it can no longer provide vitally needed and necessary functions and operations.

For ourselves, we welcome such inquiry. And, with Jerry Enomoto in the chair as the presiding officer, we have no fear that JACL will come through with new and fresh programs and projects worthy of its history and of its membership.

Jerry is the conscience now of the better natures of both the Nisei and the Sansei, and none need have any concern for the future of JACL in the capable hands of such a uniquely qualified National President.

NEWS CAPSULES

Government

In an unprecedented open session, San Jose City Councilman Norman Y. Mineta was re-elected vice-mayor last week (July 15) on a 5-2 vote. His opponent, Councilwoman Virginia Shaffer, had asked for open discussion of the issue after Mineta's name was placed in nomination by Councilman Joseph Colla. Other councilmen said he would support Mrs. Shaffer if the vice-mayor's job were a ceremonial one, but he felt the mayor should choose a vice mayor he can work with.

Business

Founded 10 years ago by Edward M. Sakai, a printer of 34 years, Edward Enterprises, Inc., of Honolulu was organized on his philosophy that employees should have the power to fire the boss. Today, 46 of its 86 workers own stock in the company, which has won a lion's share of awards for excellence in printing and which expects to do some \$2 million in business this year. Its news plant includes computer-set type and color presses.

Yoko Ito of Los Angeles, daughter of the Charles Ito, has completed training as a hostess for Trans World Airlines at its Kansas City training center. She will be based on domestic flights from New York.

Sumitomo Bank set a new operating earnings record with the first six months of 1969 resulting in net \$914,926. Operating earnings before taxes of \$1,370,547 surpassed the million dollar mark for the first time. Total deposits of \$203,602,951 also set a new record. Total assets reached a new high of \$238,233,146—a 17 per cent increase over June 30, 1968.

Bank of Tokyo of California reported net operating earnings after taxes of \$1,124,000 for the first half of 1969 was 83.2 per cent above the same period of 1968. Deposits totaled \$250.7 million and assets climbed to \$289.9 million—a 26.4 per cent increase from last year.

Samuel J. Fujita of Belmont, purchasing manager at Beckman Instruments, Inc., Spincor Division, Palo Alto, was elected secretary of the No. Calif. Purchasing Management Assn. The group of 700 members is devoted to professional development and education of businessmen involved in procurement functions.

Equitable Life Assurance Society installed Stanley H. Furuta, son of the late George Furuta and Mrs. Mary Furuta of Los Angeles, as agency manager of its Van Nuys office. He is the first mainland Japanese American to head an Equitable Life agency and has been with the company since 1961 after graduating from USC. Emporium Stores of San Francisco promoted Joyce Yoshioka, College of San Mateo graduate, as sales supervisor at their Hillside Shopping Center store.

Marriott Inn, scheduled to open Aug. 26 in San Francisco, will have K. K. Sera as resident manager of the luxury motel. He was formerly associated with Miyako Hotel and Kabuki Theater-Restaurant.

Mentor International, a San Francisco-based electronics consulting firm, named James K. Imai as vice president of Mentor Japan and head of its branch in Tokyo. Formerly manager of Far East business operations for Philco-Ford's microelectronics division, Imai will present a paper on Marketing Electronic Products in Japan at the Western Electronic Show and Convention Aug. 21 at San Francisco.

CALENDAR

July 26 (Saturday)
Berkeley—Bowling party, ASUC Bowl, 2 p.m.
Chicago—YJA Outing in Wisconsin.
Progressive Westside—"Seaside Swing" dance, Surf Rider Inn, Santa Monica, 9:30 p.m.
Soc. Dist.—Awards dinner-dance, Tiki Hut, Town & Country Hotel, 7 p.m.; Jerry Enomoto, spkr.
July 27 (Sunday)
Chicago—YJA Cabinet Mtg., East Los Angeles—Beach party, Chicago—YJA Bd Mtg., JACL Office, 7:30 p.m.
Prog. Westside—Pancake breakfast, Food Giant Park, Lot 4, Crenshaw Square, 8 a.m.-12n.
Pasadena—Steak bake, Oak Grove Park.
Aug. 1 (Friday)
West Los Angeles—Music on the Mall program.
Aug. 2 (Saturday)
Chicago—JASC picnic, Wheeling, Milwaukee—Chapter picnic Brown Deer Park.
Aug. 3 (Tuesday)
Oakland—Bd/Gen Mtg., Sumitomo Bank, Oakland, 7:30 p.m.
Aug. 4 (Wednesday)
Mt. Olympus—Summer outing.
Aug. 9 (Sunday)
Oakland—JACL golf tournament.
Aug. 9-10
NC-WNDC-DYC—3rd Qtrly session, Oakland and Alameda County Club, Sunday meeting at Edgewater Inn, Colma, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Aug. 10 (Sunday)
Dayton—Bd Mtg., Bud Okubo's res. 2 p.m.
PSWDC—2nd Qtrly session, West L.A. JACL hosts: Elks Club, 214 E. Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica, 9 a.m.
Aug. 13 (Wednesday)
Pasadena—Bd Mtg., Bulch Tamura's res., 8 p.m.
Aug. 17 (Sunday)
Philadelphia—Outing.
Aug. 22 (Saturday)
Chicago—YJA Variety benefit, Francis Parker School, 8 p.m.
Sacramento—JACL golf tournament, Higgins Oak.
Aug. 24 (Sunday)
Milwaukee—Picnic, Brown Deer Park.
Aug. 24 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Gen Mtg.
Aug. 25—Sept. 1
EDC-MDC—Joint convention, Hotel Sheraton-Gilman, Cincinnati.
Aug. 25-26
Portland—JACL youth workshop, Lewis & Clark College.
Aug. 31 (Sunday)
Portland—Crenshaw—JACL outdate—Joint chapter picnic.

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Churches

The Rev. Wilbur Choy of Sacramento's Oak Park and Chinese United Methodist churches was appointed superintendent of the Bay View District (Alameda and Contra Costa counties) of the new California-Nevada Conference of the United Methodist Church. He will take over the 30-church district post Sept. 1. He was chairman of the conference's committee on language ethnic work for years, working with the programs of Chinese, Japanese, Korean and Mexican American heritage churches.

The Rev. Hogen Fujimoto, national youth dept. director of the Buddhist Churches of America, was the Buddhist chaplain assigned to the seventh national Boy Scouts of America jamboree held July 16-22 at Farragut State Park, Idaho.

A pension for ministers of the Buddhist Churches of America was adopted, retroactive to Jan. 1, 1969. Participation is automatic and the plan is paid entirely by the B.C.A. Pension benefits are \$4.50 per month for each year of "credited service" with a 40-year service maximum. Normal retirement date for a B.C.A. minister is the first day of the month following the 70th birthday but he may elect to retire before (after 60), provided he has completed at least 15 years of service. Ministers who join the B.C.A. service after Jan. 1 are eligible, providing they will have 15 years of service with the church by age 70.

Press Row

In Japan on a 20-day tour were 25 staff members of a New York Harlem newspaper, "40 Acres and a Mule," led by editor-in-chief Cyril James. The three-year-old Black Power publication takes its name from a post-Civil War pledge to grant each Negro 40 acres and a mule, a pledge which was never honored. A special on Japan is forthcoming. Most of the touring newsmen are college students.

With the number of news media in excess of 3,000 last week (July 16) to cover the ascent of Apollo XI at Cape Kennedy, Japan's 117 men comprised the largest delegation of foreign press from 51 nations.

Sister Cities

Masuji Fujii was installed president of the Oakland-Fukuoka Sister City Society. Upcoming programs include a welcome for Ryusuke Ushijima, now on a solo yacht trip across the Pacific ocean and due in Oakland sometime in August.

School Front

Fountain Valley (Calif.) High School's "girl of the year" was Karen Otsuka, daughter of the Ray Otsukas of Midway City, homecoming princess last fall and active in seven campus organizations. Dr. Kichichi Takamine, for his many years of service to children, was presented honorary life membership in the Los Angeles 10th Dist. PTA. A specialist in internal medicine, he has organized teen-age clubs to help youngsters kick the drug habit. Grandson of the famed Issei doctor who discovered adrenalin, he has been associated with the Venice Health Center since 1960, as an assistant professor of medicine at UCLA medical school and a member of Mayor Yorty's Commission on Narcotics and Drugs.

Mrs. Rosalind Uno and Mrs. Miyoko Kiritani were appointed to the textbook panel of the San Francisco Human Rights Commission. The panel reviews textbooks being used in the San Francisco public schools, making recommendations to correct errors and omissions concerning minority groups. Chris Shimizu, son of the Harry Shimizus of Westminster, Colo., was a delegate to Boys State and will be class president in the fall.

Flowers-Garden

The 85th convention of the Society of American Florists July 26-31 at San Francisco is being chaired by Yoshimi Shibata of Mt. Eden Nursery. It is the industry's only national trade organization representing growers, wholesalers, retailers, allied tradesmen and 215 affiliated groups.

Politics

Two Chinese Americans, Gordon J. Lau and George Y. Chinn, both attorneys, and Democrats, are candidates in

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the race for San Francisco county supervisor. Lau, a member of the city's juvenile delinquency prevention commission, is a partner in the law firm of Hardisty, Lau and Dalziel. Chinn, now in private practice, served nine years as assistant district attorney. President Nixon's appointee as Peace Corps director, Joe Blatchford, was saluted by many members of the Gardena-Torrance Nisei community as well as the Americans of Japanese Ancestry Republic Club July 3 at the Torrance-Lomita Board of Realtors. Bigd. Bruce Kaji was in charge of reservations. Among the ten invited women dining recently (June 25) with Gov. Reagan at an Inglewood restaurant was Mrs. Toshi Yamamoto, pres., AJAR club.

Courtroom

Morie L. Fukuto, 38, Los Angeles county deputy district attorney, was named head of the trials division with Aaron H. Stovitz in charge of felony cases in the central district by District Attorney Evelle J. Younger this week. A Boalt Hall law graduate in 1954, Fukuto will supervise the preparation of felony cases, confer with and advise master calendar deputy district attorneys, establish and assume the maintenance of effective trial techniques and procedures. He will also help prepare new and revised legislation related to work of the division. A native of Los Angeles, he joined the DA staff in 1957 after a stint in the Army as an intelligence analyst and had been legal adviser to the grand jury for 1½ years before being named to his new post.

Arrested last Jan. 25 for unlawful assembly and disturbing the peace at San Francisco State College, Sheila Sakamoto, 20, was sentenced July 2 by Municipal Judge Francis McCarthy to 40 days in jail as a condition of a two-year probation and fined \$300. She was also ordered to work a day a week for 10 weeks at the Center for the Physically Handicapped and Retarded Children. Her conviction is now on appeal.

Isamu Iwanaga, of 2093 Mardell Lane, San Jose, claimed his 6-year-old son Thomas drowned June 1 in a San Jose drainage ditch be-

cause the city neglected to fence the ditch, which was a part of the city's sewage disposal system. He is suing in a \$100,000 wrongful death damage case. Cuban exile Juan Garcia-Gardena, 31, was found guilty of 15 felony charges stemming from five terrorist bombings, including the explosion occurring last year (July 19) in front of the Japan Air Lines office in Los Angeles. Regarded as a ring-leader, his group was said to be organized to intimidate and coerce business firms and government agencies trading with Cuba.

Military

A druggist by profession, Sam Fujimura of Fresno was elected state surgeon of the California Veterans of Foreign Wars at its state convention in Sacramento. Sam Kawashima was installed commander of the Monterey Peninsula Nisei Memorial Post 1629, VFW.

The Chicago American Legion Nisei Post 1183 presented \$500 to the Japanese Mutual Aid Society of Chicago in appreciation of their role in aiding the Issei. Presentation was made May 30 by post commander George Shigehira at a program for the Issei with Japanese Consul General Umeo Kagel as guest speaker. Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) introduced legislation which would require the Armed Services to provide full military honors at the funerals of veterans, if requested by the next of kin. He had recently been advised by the Defense Department that military burials are provided for veterans "only when resources are available." On the other hand, he said, active and retired military personnel are always buried with full military honors upon the request of their next of kin. The bill provides that the Secretary of the military branch concerned shall make

available an appropriate complement of personnel for the purpose of providing military honors at the burial of a veteran if such honors are requested by the next of kin of the deceased, and if the deceased will be buried within a radius of 20 miles of a military installation or post.

Sports

Dave Masekawa of Gardena, breaststroke champion, who was undefeated in Metropolitan Conference and in the So. Calif. JC Championships in the 100 and 200-yard breaststroke, was voted the "outstanding individual performance" award by the El Camino College athletic department.

A polio victim 10 years ago, Rick Healy, 18, of Stockton is a triple-threat actor on Stagg High's football team and national high school judo champion. He left for Japan June 23 to study judo. He has credited Duke Yoshimura for his judo success. Little Tokyo Giants and Yamas

Lakers will co-host an Invitational Sasei Baseball Tournament over the Labor Day weekend Aug. 30-31 and Sept. 1 at Rancho Playgroud in southwest Los Angeles.

Top U.S. golf course architect Robert Trent Jones, 65, is designer of two new 18-hole courses being constructed at Karuzawa, Japan. One measures 7,165 yds., the other 6,815 yds. at the Jizogahara golf course.

Entertainment

Hollywood columnist Dorothy Manners noted Donald O'Connor will star in the musical production of "Tea-house of the August Moon" for Broadway. Composers Stan Freeman and Franklin Woodward are preparing the music and lyrics.

Obon festival

LOS ANGELES—The West Los Angeles Buddhist Church observes the Obon this weekend (July 26-27) at its church, 2903 Corinth Ave.

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Hiroshima, Japan

PEACE PARK—We had a choice in Hiroshima of visiting Miyajima, the justly famous shrine island, or Peace Park and the atomic bomb museum. There wasn't time to do both. Christie, who had seen plenty of temples and shrines, opted for the museum.

Hiroshima was still pretty much of a jerry-built shack town when we saw it in 1950, less than five years after it was devastated by the first atomic bomb ever used in warfare. Today, like most other cities, it is a place bustling with energetic activity, and the nuclear visitation seems like a nightmare of long ago.

But the memory is kept alive at Heiwa Koen (Peace Park), dedicated to peace among men, and the museum that displays the grim mementoes of that awesome day. The museum itself is housed in a handsome masonry and glass building and the admission fee is but 20 yen, a mere token. Generally, the displays are not grisly, although there are a few horror pictures that depict the suffering, the bewilderment, the agony of the time. There are exhibits of tile fused by the heat of the fire that followed the explosion, and of clothing charred by the nuclear flash, "brighter than the sun." Visible are stories of heroism and anguish, and the total effect is a new understanding of what makes so many Japanese such dedicated pacifists.

For a long time now we've been hearing the slogan, "No More Hiroshimas," a not particularly apt one. But it becomes meaningful as the horror of the unforgettable day sinks into the consciousness of the museum visitor. One begins to understand the abhorrence of nuclear violence among Japanese, the determination that its inhumanity shall never be inflicted.

And yet it is obvious that the number of persons who experienced the terror of that day, Aug. 6, 1945, is relatively few, that most here know of the agony only by hearsay, that recollections are short and nature has a merciful way of dulling with time the sharp edge of unpleasant memory. And so commerce races along at its heedless and headlong pace in Hiroshima, a city that rose as the phoenix, and a park and museum in the midst of its hubbub commemorates that ghastly dawning of the age of nuclear warfare.

LIVING MEMORIES—Later during our visit we got together with my cousin, Michizumi, Fukeda, whose mother was my father's sister. Fukeda is a rice inspector, a minor bureaucratic post I would guess, in a county about 40 minutes by bus outside of Hiroshima. He brought along his wife, his 22-year-old son Tetsuji, and his nephew Tsutomu Matsumune who is an official in a Hiroshima bank. It was a time of happiness, for although I had met Fukeda and his family on several earlier visits, they had never met Alice and Christie. Don Cieber and his wife Joanne of Denver were with us and although I forgot to ask to make sure, it was likely that never before had Fukeda and his family sat down to dinner with Caucasians.

Whatever shyness that existed soon broke down under the soothings of beer and sake and we were chatting like old friends. Fukeda, who served with the Japanese Army in China, was recalled for service after Japan attacked Pearl Harbor and he recalled that he was a non-com with a communications outfit in Kyushu when the war ended. Matsumune also was in Kyushu, an officer candidate undergoing training. But Matsumune's mother and sister were in Hiroshima that fateful day.

Their home was about a mile from the epicenter of the nuclear blast, and only the fact that they were indoors saved them. As he heard it later, there was a thunderous explosion and the ceiling of their home fell in. When Matsumune's mother made her way outdoors, flames were springing up in all directions. His sister was pinned down by a beam. His mother pulled a neighbor into the house, mainly by force, and with his help freed the girl. Cut and bleeding, they stumbled out of the city.

Fukeda's wife was working in the fields when she saw a flash of light, then the distant thunder of the explosion. Soon, clouds of smoke darkened the sky over Hiroshima, and soot-laden black rain began to fall. She hurried home, found the glass shattered and the roof askew even though her farmhouse was a long way from Hiroshima.

Before long a stream of refugees, many of them horribly burned, began to appear on the road in front of her house, a pitiful stream of humanity seeking shelter, water, food, a place to rest. She helped them as best she could. Next day she and her father-in-law breasted the human tide and started for Hiroshima with their two-wheeled cart to look for Matsumune's family. By lucky chance they found them on Hiroshima's outskirts and took them back home.

Life has been relatively good for Fukeda. He has a good home for his part of the country. His wife still farms a few acres. He has a married daughter and two grandchildren, a son who is learning to become a baker, and another son who is working in a county job after completing two years of college. Fukeda is not a profound man, but he has the simple honesty and candor of the peasant stock from which he has sprung. Late in the evening he looked at Don and Joanne Cieber and said to me in Japanese:

"I like them. They seem to be nice people. You know, you can never be sure what a foreigner is thinking, especially if he's a white man, but now that I know them, I like your friends very much."

Later, I told Cieber what my cousin had said. He was delighted to discover that it isn't only the Orientals that are inscrutable.

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REOPENING OF NOGUCHI OUSTER HEARING ASKED

Supervisor Hahn Not Satisfied with Six Week Long Event

LOS ANGELES—Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, who has a large number of Japanese American constituents in the Gardena area in his district, called a special press conference last week (July 18) to suggest that the County Civil Service Commission reopen the hearing into the dismissal of Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi, former coroner.

"I am not satisfied with the hearing," Hahn stated, and said that "the whole truth has not come out of the hearing" because Dr. Noguchi did not personally testify and affirm or deny the charges made against him.

Commission President O. Richard Capen said:

"If Dr. Noguchi makes a formal request to the commission that he would like to personally appear as a witness in his behalf, we would consider reopening the hearing."

"But I'm not saying that we would or we wouldn't," Capen said on behalf of the three-member commission.

The commission is reviewing 3,000 pages of testimony by 80 witnesses.

It did not have the Noguchi case on the agenda for its regular meeting this week (July 23) and has given no hint of when it will make a ruling on whether or not to order the coroner's reinstatement in his \$31,104-a-year post.

Referring to the full-page ads placed in the Los Angeles Times and the vernacular press by the JUST (Japanese United in Search for the Truth) Committee, Hahn said "a large segment of the Japanese American community is disturbed." He said he wanted to testify.

Willing to Dialogue

Godfrey Isaac, attorney for Dr. Noguchi, who was not informed of the proceedings, said he would be "willing to enter into a meaningful dialogue with the Board of Supervisors, provided he can be reassured that if the points questioned by Supervisor Hahn were cleared up, Dr. Noguchi would be reinstated."

"If he (Hahn) is just talking, then there wouldn't be any point in reopening the hearing," Isaac said.

Hahn, who admitted that he had not attended the hearings in person, except for the time he was subpoenaed by the defense, and had not read the transcripts of the hearing ("I've watched some of the TV news on the hearing and read about it in the newspapers," he said) insisted that in his judgment, "there is still confusion and a cloud over the hearing."

Three Points

He said Isaac had refused to permit Dr. Noguchi "to either affirm or deny the charges made by Lindon S. Hollinger, the chief administrative officer, that:

1—Dr. Noguchi threatened Hollinger's life by wishing to perform an autopsy on Hollinger while he is still alive.

2—Dr. Noguchi stated he would like to see Mayor Yorty's helicopter crash so there would be much publicity in the newspapers. (This charge was among six that were dropped during the hearing for lack of evidence.)

3—Dr. Noguchi stated he would like to see an airplane crash into the International Hotel to gain publicity for the Coroner's office.

Hahn said he had not discussed his proposal to reopen the case either with the Civil Service Commission or with Dr. Noguchi and his lawyer. He said he only consulted County Counsel John D. Maharg to see if the case could be reopened.

Hahn also distributed estimated county costs on the Noguchi hearing by the auditor-controller department, which is put at \$49,941 of which \$6,225 is "proration of general county overhead costs."

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PEN PALS—Patterson School eighth graders in Dayton hear how their letters will be delivered to children in Oiso, Japan. Mrs. Chieko Fisk (left) is one of 185 Dayton JACL members visiting Oiso under Sister

City program. With Patterson teacher Mrs. Ann Bulcher (center) is Mrs. Rosemary Hickey, chairman of the pen pal activity which resulted in more than 1,000 letters from Dayton area school children.

JACL group flies to Japan

By EVELYN BASSETT

DAYTON—On Saturday, July 12, 175 members of Dayton and Cincinnati JACL and their children departed by charter plane from Dayton's Cox Municipal Airport for a three-week visit to Japan.

Highlight of the visit will be a day in Oiso, Kanagawa-ken, Dayton's sister city. At a press conference on June 30, Dayton area citizens were told of the plans for the visit to

Oiso, and given details of the flight.

The Dayton JACL delegation left bearing gifts to the people of Oiso, including a letter from the Office of President Nixon with a goodwill message to the Mayor of Oiso and 1,000 letters from Dayton's school children to begin a "pen pal" exchange with Oiso's school children.

The flight also carried 10,000 signatures on greetings from members of churches of all denominations in the city to the people of Oiso and 100 hand puppets made by Dayton Senior Citizens for the children of the Oiso Orphanage to be presented by the Dayton Shindler Clowns during the show which they plan to put on at the orphanage.

Three American trees will be planted in Oiso to commemorate the event, and gifts to Oiso Mayor Genryo Nakajima from Dayton Mayor Dave Hall and other city officials will be presented. Included on the visit to Oiso will be an opportunity to tour the National Cash Register plant.

This flight is probably the largest exchange of sister city people in U.S. history, and Fred Fisk, chairman of the

exchange sub-committee has worked for many months with city officials to arrange the program.

Dr. Mark Nakaguchi and Ronald Egelston have put in many hours as flight co-chairman, and have done a remarkable job of organizing the entire flight JACL Chapter President James Taguchi is heading the delegation.

For many of the members this will be a first visit to Japan—for others it will be a return to their homeland after many years.

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Alyce Kondo, sec.; and Mrs. Irene Toya, treas.

The group, which is non-sectarian, nonpartisan and nonprofit, meets every six weeks or whenever its membership asks. Group is open to interested single adults in agreement with the purposes of the club. They may call Mrs. Yoshihara, 327-1311, or Mrs. Yukie Shoji, 323-2541.

This Sunday, We Are One is holding a picnic at Centinela Park, Inglewood.

SEATTLE'S NIHONMACHI NOT DOOMED BY STADIUM PLAN BUT BY APATHY

Domed Stadium Now Sited in Suburbs, Need Exists to Redevelop Old International Area

By UTE HIRANO

SEATTLE—One year ago circumstances made necessary the getting together of businessmen in Seattle's Nihonmachi. They formed a Nikkei Businessmen's Association to work together with the International Improvement Association. The group similar to the Chinese Chamber of Commerce which looks after the interests of the Chinese

community, was to express the and a revitalized Pike Place Market project.

A domed King County Stadium at 5th and Yesler would have leveled everything from Yesler to Jackson Street, and from 5th to 8th Avenue where Interstate 5 cuts through the area. Instead of deteriorated buildings there were to be parking areas for the new structure.

Downtown Seattle has kept pace with time and new buildings have been replacing the very old; the mayor's plan was to complement this effort and it certainly would have improved the appearance of its southern entrance.

At the time NBA joined Inter-Imp, Model Cities and others in protesting the 5th and Yesler site for the stadium, fearful that the impact would be catastrophic. Nevertheless, NBA was willing to offer its full cooperation if Nihonmachi was to be razed and a relocation problem came up.

The Stadium Commission chose a south suburban site and eventually voted to build the stadium at the Seattle Center. Nikkei Businessmen's Association seemingly felt it had accomplished its purpose since the threat of Nihonmachi being displaced was gone and the group ceased to do anything more.

The need for the organization is still urgent. A good organizer with the ability to rally the businessmen to get them to work together is needed.

As last year's letter to residents and businessmen state, the city is aging and "Nihonmachi, one of the oldest segments, has not even powdered its nose, when in reality it needs a major face lifting."

Funding of \$57.5 million for the first of the 5-year program has been coming to Seattle and Nihonmachi businessmen and citizens will have to take steps and become involved in the program if the International Area, including Nihonmachi, is to derive any benefit.

Private funds have not done the job so maybe an assist from the government is in order to improve conditions. And therein lies the need for a good organizer and organization to assist and coordinate programs for this area.



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NC-WNDC civil rights workshop adopts tough 12-point program

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) OAKLAND — The Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Civil Rights Workshop on July 13 adopted a tough 12-point civil rights statement, called upon the JACL to help Tokyo Rose in her present predicament, and pledged to support movements to secure an apology from Earl Warren.

Meeting in a marathon nine-hour session at the Oakland Buddhist Church, the Workshop also protested the title of Bill Hosokawa's forthcoming book, "Nisei: The Quiet Americans," and asked JACL to change the title "even at the expense of delaying publication."

Mrs. Iva T. d'Aquino (Tokyo Rose) was sentenced to 20 years in prison and fined \$10,000. She has served her sentence and is now living in Chicago. Although she is near poverty and without assets, the government is still trying to collect the \$10,000 fine.

Last year, Mrs. d'Aquino's attorney, Wayne Collins of San Francisco, petitioned the President of the United States for an executive clemency. No action has been taken on the request for pardon.

Workshop participants felt Mrs. d'Aquino did not receive a fair trial in San Francisco

in 1948 due to strong anti-Japanese prejudice. Furthermore, Mrs. d'Aquino had no funds to call defense witnesses from Japan, whereas the Attorney General used the vast resources of the U.S. government to call prosecution witnesses. The JACL refused to get involved at that time.

Since it is nearly impossible to re-open the case, the Workshop requested the National Board to "look into the case of Mrs. Iva d'Aquino to see if JACL can be of any assistance in her present difficulties."

"JACL could not face a case of treason in 1948, but at least, in 1969, the JACL can try to partially redeem itself," felt one participant.

Civil Rights Statement

The other items were intensely debated, in an unquiet Nisei manner. After considerable re-wording on each point, the Workshop hammered out the civil rights statement.

The preamble proclaims "the major cause of many minority problems in education, employment, income, and housing is white racism, and we, as members of a minority subject to oppression, join with our black, brown, red, yellow, and white brothers to work for the elimination of racism."

A pledge to "support movements to secure an apology from Earl Warren for his statements against Japanese Americans during World War II." Since letters have produced no results, some participants wanted to take more dramatic and direct action.

A pledge to "oppose attempts to impose rigid, narrowly defined white middle-class values on Japanese Americans and other minorities." Specifically, the Workshop voted to work for the rejection of the proposed "Moral Guidelines" of the State Board of Education.

A pledge to "support the establishment of Asian American and other ethnic studies in elementary and high schools, colleges and universities."

This was seen as a means of "promoting ethnic pride and self-determination for minority peoples."

UC Berkeley Admission

Also, the Workshop called for an investigation of the admissions policy of UC Berkeley to determine if there is any discrimination against Asian American applicants. There was concern over the increasing number of rejections and "re-directions" of Japanese Americans who have the grades to enter UC.

One participant claimed there is a deliberate effort to "break up" the Asian block on the Berkeley campus. It is a well known fact that Asian Americans are "over-represented" at UC. A number of Asian American students have been "encouraged" to transfer to the Davis campus.

Another participant expressed fear that Japanese Americans are being "squeezed" in admissions to professional schools. With the increasing pressure to admit minority students, Japanese and Chi-

nese students are usually classified "white," and their slots are used to admit Blacks and Chicanos.

The Workshop was conducted by Ed Hoshino of San Jose, District Civil Rights chairman. Participants were representatives from the Northern California JACL chapters, joined by members of the National Ad Hoc Committee to Repeal the Emergency Detention Act. In attendance were Raymond Uno of Salt Lake City, National Civil Rights Coordinator, and Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento, national president.

NC-WNDC Program

The program adopted by the Workshop will now be presented to the NC-WNDC meeting Aug. 10 in Oakland. If approved by the Council, it will become the official policy of the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District.

The text of the resolution: NC-WNDC Civil Rights Resolution. We, the participants in the JACL Northern California-Western Nevada District Council Civil Rights Workshop, meeting in Oakland, California, on July 13, 1969, proclaim:

I. The major cause of many minority problems in education, employment, income, and housing is white racism, and we, as members of a minority subject to oppression, join with our black, brown, red, yellow, and white brothers to work for the elimination of racism, and

II. We, individually and collectively, dedicate ourselves to protect the civil and human rights of all peoples, and pledge to work for the establishment of dignity and equal opportunity for all people.

In order to implement the above principles, we adopt the following 12-point program:

1—Help Japanese Americans and fellow minority who face persecution and discrimination.

2—Oppose attempts to impose rigid, narrowly defined white middle class values on Japanese Americans and other minorities. Specifically, we will oppose proposed Moral Guidelines of the State Board of Education.

3—Support movements to promote ethnic pride and self-determination for minority peoples, and the establishment of Asian American and other ethnic studies in elementary and high schools, colleges and universities.

4—Support movements to secure an apology from Earl Warren for his statements against Japanese Americans during World War II.

5—Oppose attempts to discriminate people without due process of law, and oppose the building of concentration camps in the United States.

6—Encourage the misrepresentation of justice as an integral part of the concept of "law and order," which has unfortunately at times been used to deny minority people, and other unpopular groups, their rights.

7—Investigate the admissions policy of UC Berkeley and other campuses, to determine if there is a deliberate effort to direct Asian Americans away from the Berkeley campus, or other campuses. If discrimination is found to exist, we will take steps to correct it.

8—Help persons of Japanese ancestry to investigate this situation.

9—Promote the goals of the JACL National Ethnic Concern Committee.

10—Work to educate our own community. Specifically, we endorse the program of the Ethnic Concern Committee to eliminate discrimination by Japanese business and activities.

11—Endorse the concept of educational grants on the basis of need and potential, rather than past academic achievement alone, in addition to the concept now existing.

12—Demand that a Northern California Regional Director be hired immediately. That more staff support can be made available for civil rights programs.

LOS ANGELES — UCLA has established a High Potential program for young people of Asian descent. This program aims at recruiting 25 individuals who do not meet normal university academic requirements, according to Elsie Uyematsu, secretary of Asian-American Studies Center.

A one year curriculum will enable them to develop the skills necessary to enter regular university course work. All universal Whing Ding.

It is a must for all you JACLers to see "Kokufuku," meaning to overcome or to conquer. In this TV documentary, you will see our Executive Chief, Mas Satow, playing the hero's part. He doesn't come riding in on a horse like John Wayne, but he is very effective in his Japanese samurai mannerism. He does all this without pulling out his sword.

The documentary is about the Evacuation, and Capt. Allan Bosworth is also in it and tells a little bit about his book, "America's Concentration Camps."

All in all, it is worthwhile for you to see it. It certainly brings back strong memories. I understand this film can be obtained by writing to Mas Satow.

The YJAs in Chicago, under the capable leadership of Gloria Sakamoto, Dr. Steven Kumamoto, and Gil Furusho, arranged for the film debut in Chicago and invited many of the YJAs to participate in an awakening. It was a very worthwhile meeting I must say. George Wakiji and I had a great symposium going.

So, I would like to recommend this type of program to be carried on for the local 1000 Club members.

Cherry blossom float entered in Utah parade

SALT LAKE CITY — To let the rest of the community know of the Japanese Americans in their midst, a cherry blossom float was entered in the "Days of '47" parade here this week (July 24).

Frank Yoshimura and Roy Tsuya, active local JACLers, are in charge of the float committee, which launched a \$400 fund drive — not expecting more than \$2 from a donor to secure wide support. Whatever funds not used for creation of the float was to be turned over to the Peace Garden committee.

It was the first such entry by the local Japanese Americans in the Days of '47 parade.

Skating Party

SALT LAKE CITY — The Rolan, near Macy's has been reserved for July 28, 7:30 p.m., a Family Night skating party by Eden Township JACL Young Adults are in charge of the arrangements, assisted by Aki Hasegawa and Fred Miyamoto.

Bowling party

BERKELEY — The Berkeley JACL family bowling party for members and their families will be held at the UC Berkeley's ASUC Bowl this Sunday, 2 p.m., according to Harry Takahashi and Nancie Nehira.

NC-WNDC workshop protests title of book

OAKLAND — The NC-WNDC civil rights workshop, which met here July 13, has protested the title to Bill Hosokawa's forthcoming history of Japanese Americans, "Nisei: The Quiet Americans," and petitioned the National JACL Board to have the title changed, "even at the expense of delaying the publication date of this important book."

While no substitute titles were suggested, the workshop participants preferred the original title by Hosokawa, "Nisei: Americans with Japanese Faces," which was turned down by the publisher, William Morrow & Co.

CENTENNIAL COIN SALES VERY ACTIVE

SACRAMENTO — The sale of the commemorative medallion struck by the U.S. Mint for the Wakamatsu Centennial Committee has been very active, it was reported at a special meeting last week of the committee here. Many people are ordering them in large quantities at \$2.50 each.

The committee emphasized that the commemorative coins make ideal gifts, particularly for the people in Japan, and a real keepsake for coin collectors. Coins are obtainable at all offices of the Sumitomo Bank and Bank of Tokyo of California or by writing to the Wakamatsu Centennial Committee, P.O. Box 7118, Sacramento, Calif. (An order form is found elsewhere in this week's Pacific Citizen).

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L.A. city schools offer own book on Mexican American problems, hopes

LOS ANGELES — A new book on the problems and aspirations of Mexican Americans has been published by the Los Angeles City Schools for use in high schools.

School Superintendent Jack P. Crowther said the book, "Mexican American: Realities and Hopes," is a compilation of essays by teachers and administrators from city high schools with large Mexican American enrollment.

The 320-page book includes a list of Mexican American recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor and the text of the Treaty of Guadalupe-Hidalgo which ended the 1848 war between the U.S. and Mexico.

California Assembly rules committee commends evacuees' faith & triumph

SACRAMENTO — The resolution sponsored by the California state assembly rules committee, co-authored by Assemblymen Willie Brown Jr. and John L. Burton, both San Francisco Democrats, commends Japanese Americans "for their unyielding faith in the United States and their triumph over wartime adversities."

The resolution was adopted in observance of the 27th anniversary of the Evacuation.

A similar resolution was passed in the State Senate. Both statements were requested by Ed Uno, representing the JACL Committee to Repeal the Emergency Detention Act and the San Francisco JACL civil rights committee. Text of Assembly Resolution No. 310 follows:

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE ASSEMBLY RULES COMMITTEE Resolution Relative to the 27th Anniversary of the Japanese American Evacuation

Whereas, As a result of the war hysteria and racial discrimination prevalent in the spring of 1942, some twenty years ago, exceptionally restrictive measures were summarily taken against American citizens of Japanese ancestry; and

Whereas, Over 100,000 Japanese were removed pursuant to federal orders to inland relocation centers where they were forced to remain for as long as three years; and

Whereas, The property loss of

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the board. Problems, which have been related in Patti Dohzen's column, "Saneel Slant," in the PC were repeated. She called for restructuring the Jr. JACL, having compensated "coordinators" and urged JACL become a "family-type" organization.

Youth Board Members

To better share ideas with the parent organization, Miss Dohzen suggested its eight national youth council representatives join the JACL national board.

Adult delegates countered with JACL relinquishing proprietary interest in Jr. JACL, that Jr. JACL be strictly a leadership training unit for those of high school age, that parents be the "supportive" element of Jr. JACL, and ex-Jr. JACLers in colleges organize new JACL chapters to speak on issues of interest to them.

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Haruo Ishimaru, cultural heritage committee chairman, was present to discuss current projects of his committee and especially the JACL celebration of the Japanese immigration centennial.

Deep concern was expressed by Dr. Roy Nishikawa, chairing a program tentatively slated in the fall to climax the celebration, as to the inability of tying down a date because of various unknown factors.

The board agreed that the Wakamatsu Colony commemorative medallion will be presented by National JACL as a token of appreciation to Issei 80 years and above who have responded or will have responded by Sept. 1. Details are to be announced.

Congressional push is required to secure a stamp commemorating the Japanese immigration centennial as Manaka urged that chapters initiate a letter-writing campaign.

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peditors" who may be federally funded to push civil rights. The board agreed, provided such person has the consent of the district in which he operates and works in conjunction with local JACL staff. Authorization for "foxes" in Southern California, Northern California and Chicago was also included.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

New state holiday

Hawaii has new holiday — Statehood Admission Day. Gov. John A. Burns has signed into law a measure establishing Admission Day, the third Friday in Aug., as a state holiday effective this year. Hawaii became the 50th state on Aug. 21, 1959. Beginning in 1971, the following holidays will always be observed on Mondays — Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day and Veterans' Day.

State Sen. Wadsworth Yee said recently that local Democrats have "unjustly" attacked President Nixon over delays in the award of new trans-Pacific air routes. Yee said a blast at Nixon by State Democratic chairman David C. McClung was unfair because the route case had been delayed for nearly a decade by Democrats in Washington.

At City Hall

Kauai County council members will get their pay raises along with other government workers, based on an opinion by County Attorney Kei Hironaka. Anselm Liu, Kauai finance director, said earlier that he would defer paying the new \$900-a-month figure set by the legislature until he had an opinion on the legality of the pay boost under the new county charter.

Congressional Score

Sen. Hiram L. Fong in a recent speech here called on the silent majority of Americans to stand up and resist those who would annihilate America. In criticizing "those impatient rebels who want to rebuild America overnight," Fong warned the young people in the crowd to beware of those peddling instant solutions to complex problems. "The trouble with most dis-

senary is that they magnify what's wrong with America and ignore what's right," he said. "Let the silent majority of America—the bulwark and backbone of our nation—no longer be silent," he said. "But let us expose, ridicule, and resist those who would annihilate America, the last best hope on earth."

Sen. Gordon Allott of Colorado, chairman of the Republican policy committee of the U.S. Senate, will be one of the keynote speakers at the Aug. 30 testimonial dinner for Sen. Fong. Organizers of the dinner say they are hopeful that two or three of the Nixon cabinet will also attend the dinner in honor of Fong's 10 years in the senate. The \$50-a-plate fund raiser will be held at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel.

Grapes vs. Pineapples

A high official of the Calif. State Grange said in Hawaii recently that the islands' boycott of his state's table grapes might backfire against the farm products. Gerald Walker, deputy grand master of the Calif. Grange, said the boycott could lead to a counterboycott of pineapple. Walker said the Hawaii boycott is hurting small farmers in Calif., most of whom belong to the Grange.

Community hospital

Support for a private, non-profit community hospital to replace the state-controlled Maui Memorial Hospital has taken a sharp upturn. Dr. John F. Morris, pres. of the Maui Medical Society, says a consulting firm will be brought to Maui to study the feasibility of the community hospital. "We can say there is going to be a study for this hospital. An anonymous individual is underwriting the fees for the consulting firm. They will be here in the very near future," Morris said.

Tourist Attraction

The Big Island has pulled ahead of Waikiki in the popularity ratings—at least on the basis of hotel occupancy percentages. Hawaii Hotel Assn. figures for June show: The Big Island, with 2,408 rooms, had a 77.2 per cent occupancy rate for June. Waikiki hotels, with 15,018 rooms, averaged 71.7 per cent.

Potpouri

Bus service to Leeward Oahu was started up beginning July 1. There are now 20 bus runs a day—10 from Honolulu to the Waianae Coast and 10 from Makaha to Honolulu. Fares are half price for children under 6. Leeward Bus Co. is providing the service under a one-year contract with the city. The temporary overseas terminal at the Hilo Airport, expected to serve until 1972, has been dedicated. The terminal building cost

\$600,000. United, Pan American and Northwest airlines have moved their check-in and baggage claim areas from the old terminal building to the new one. The old building will service interisland carriers, as it did in the days before direct jet service to the Big Island.

"Hawaii Calls" now aired on 437 Mainland and foreign radio stations marked its 34th anniversary July 5. With Webber Edwards as host, "Hawaii Calls" originated from the terrace of the Moana Hotel in 1935.

Hawaii Studios, Inc., has been granted the variance it has been seeking for the nearly completed motion picture studio in Ft. Ruger, thus making the building legal and assuring the continued filming of "Hawaii Five-O" in Honolulu. The vote at the City Zoning Board of Appeals was 2-1 with board chairman Jonah Ting casting the negative vote. The vote came after a tense public hearing at the city hall annex. Perry LaFetry, CBS v.p. for programming, said he had already given orders that, if the variance was not granted, Hawaii Five-O would have to go back to the Mainland within 13 weeks. "We can't go on losing \$1,000 a day," he said.

Names in the news

Dr. Daves N. Hieu, prof. of chemistry at Chaminade College, is one of 30 scientists from across the country selected to attend a two-week physics institute at San Diego State College on neutron activation analysis.

Bill Kennedy, the Los Angeles Herald-Examiner's widely-read columnist, and Eve Starr, nationally syndicated TV newspaper columnist, clinched their 10-year romance with a recent island wedding. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. William Kaina in the Chapel of Palm on the grounds of the Coco Palms Hotel in Kauai. Attendees included Lyle Guisander and Eddie Sherman.

Debbie Gima, the 1968 Miss Hawaii, will depart July 24 via United Airlines to spend part of the summer with the Warren S. Gimas of 3132 N. Rosemead Blvd., San Gabriel. Gima is the father of Debbie, who will be a freshman at the Univ. of Hawaii in the fall. Gima is operations manager of Bank of America's cash vault in Los Angeles.

Herman S. Doi has taken office as the first ombudsman in the history of the United States. Doi until recently was director of the Univ. of Hawaii's legislative reference bureau. He was appointed in March to the office of ombudsman for a six-year term at \$22,000 a year, effective July 1. Subsequent to his appointment by both houses of the legislature, however, the salary of the ombudsman was raised to \$27,500 a year.

Kenneth Ching, M.D., has opened his office for the practice of anesthesiology in the Pali Medical Building, 1834 Nuuanu Ave. T. Irving Chang, attorney-at-law, has announced the opening of his office at Suite 297 in the Alexander Young Building.

Vietnam KIA

S/Sgt. Melvin S. Fujita, 25, of 2515 Rooke Ave., was killed July 2 on a search and clear mission near Quang Ngai. In Vietnam since Mar. 7, serving with the 198th Light Infantry Brigade of Hawaii's 29th Infantry, he was a member of the 100th Infantry Battalion Reserve of the 442nd Infantry when the unit was activated on May 13, 1968.

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This 'n That, Rumor 'n Fact

Well it's finally happened! After searching my brain and my bowling library, I have failed to find a suitable topic to write about. This being the case, I thought I would just relay some news about bowling and hope it will be of interest to many of you.

FACT—About a year ago I wrote a column about the new computerized scoring machines. For Southern Californians who wish to witness these machines in operation, they can drive out to Aztec Bowl in Buena Park. Aztec Bowl is located just 1½ block south of the new Artesia Freeway on Bench Blvd. They have installed the Brunswick units which, in my opinion, are the most glamorous.

OPINION—I think the committee of the 1st Annual Oriental Mixed Tournament, being held at Beverly Bowl, erred when they did not provide a clause allowing non-Nisei bowlers to participate of the SCNBA to participate. I think that those bowlers deserve the opportunity to compete. I also feel that for the benefit of the majority of the bowlers, it is wise not to guarantee first place money in any of the events. By placing

a guarantee on the top places, especially in the tournament's first year, a large number of bowlers may be disappointed with their respective prize winnings if a large entry is not on hand.

FACT—The Southern California Nisei All-Star League at Jefferson Bowl will floor only 8 teams this year compared to the 10 they fielded last season. This reduction creates a problem of how to allocate the added \$1,000 that the house guarantees will go to the league. Too bad there aren't more such problems.

FACT—At the last banquet of the Gardens Nisei Bowling League, Ty Kajimoto was honored for his 20 years of service as the league's secretary. When talking to Tom Miyawaki, past president for many terms and one of the league's perennial sponsors, he commented, "Ty should be doubly congratulated for his efforts. He not only has acted as the league secretary but he has donated so much of his time in many other ways also. There aren't enough words to express our appreciation for a job well done."

RUMOR—Speaking of Ty Kajimoto, he and his comrades recently visited the resort city of Las Vegas, Nevada. Patiently over the weekend while they were gone, I awaited a special delivery telegram saying something like "Just won Stardust Hollywood Bowl" or maybe, "Fly to Vegas now - help spread winnings for tax purposes." As it turned out, I had to ask them how they did, and when you have to do that, you usually don't have to. Oh well, maybe I can pick up their deposit on my next visit.

FACT—I recently made reference to the new Roto-Star Bowling ball in one of my columns. I had asked my good friend Sam Sato of Sam Sato's Bowling Supply to order a new one for me. He actually ordered 16 balls and he told me that he had sold over 12 of them before the shipment even arrived. The bowlers using them seem to be scoring very well and only good comments have been heard.

FACT—It is amazing how many of the Nisei bowlers in Southern California are now married. There was Charlie (Chicken) Takenaka and his wife Irene, Gary Matsuno and his wife Dianne, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tokeshi, Sam and Mrs. Fred Tokeshi, Sam and Mrs. Fred Tokeshi, and Dennis and June Matsunami. This is a good indication that bowling is becoming a social sport rather than a competitive one. I always thought that all the bowling enthusiasts were single!

FACT—This column is getting tougher and tougher to write. Anyone who has any ideas for an interesting topic, please forward them to the Pacific Citizen office or directly to me at 1144 West 163rd Street, Gardena, California. Thank you.

Women outscore men at Alameda JACL pinfest

ALAMEDA—With over 40 members participating in the annual Alameda JACL bowling tournament at Mel's Southshore Bowl on July 12, the distaff bowlers took the high scratch series. The high series in the singles were: Helen Momono with 605; Cookie Takeshita 599; Nobu Asami 597; the best men's series was Don Yoshimoto's 531.

Co-chairmen Mas Kadota and Don Yoshimoto announced the following results:

Men's Single (Handicap): 1—Don Yoshimoto 649; 2—Bill Momono 621; 3—Mike Yoshimoto 624; 4—Helen Momono 605; 5—Hi Akagi 591; 6—Harry Hiramaki 587; 7—Ned Isokawa 578; 8—Kent Takeshi 555.

Women's Single (Handicap): 1—Helen Momono 788; Cookie Takeshita 692; 3—Rose Inazumi 692; 4—Nobu Asami; 5—June Kadota 619; 6—Flo Yoshimoto 612.

Fasttime Double: 1—Grace Okamoto 1531; Hi Akagi 1501; 2—Meri Ikeda 1611; 3—Mikie Ikeda 1603; 4—Yuk Yawata 1608; 5—Rose Inazumi 1638; Geo Matsuno 1571; 6—Lanau Shimamoto 1584; Mike Yoshimoto 1641; 7—Nobu Asami 1600; Harry Hiramaki 1620; 1220; 8—Helen Momono 1581; Don Yoshimoto 1635; 1216.

Golf tourney slated

SACRAMENTO—The Sacramento JACL golf tournament will be held on Sunday, Aug. 23, over the Haggins Oaks mini course, chairman Yamauchi announced. Competition will be handicapped in three flights. Persons without handicap will play on the Calloway system. On the tournament committee are: Ralph Nishimura, tournament; Alan Oshima, Jerry Miyamoto, pairings; Bill Matsunaga, Tak Fujita, rules; Eddie Yumikura, bank; Bob Matsui, Yoshihara Sato, awards.

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A FACET OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

Two weeks ago we devoted a full column on the Sansei search for his identity. Since they are not having much luck or satisfaction learning about their heritage and culture, one thesis has been advanced that the Nisei are apathetically ignorant of theirs and that perhaps this bid by the Sansei should really shake up the Nisei to know their background.

One facet of cultural heritage which the Nisei might appreciate has to do with given names. There is a Sansei girl who used to use Nancy now signing her name as Keiko after her eighth month's stay in Japan—an indication on her part that she had learned something of herself. We do not know whether Keiko is her given name or one she had adopted—as many Nisei without American given names have, adopting them while in grade school because the teacher and their classmates had a difficult time pronouncing one Japanese name, let alone two of them.

The Nisei would have been true to their cultural heritage had they had their given name suitably translated—but often, nothing appropriate or pleasant-sounding, was readily available.

Take Tsutomu, for instance. (Did you note in Time Magazine last week of the young Japanese percussionist Tsutomu Yamashita billed as Stone Yamashita?) This is probably one popular Japanese given name that stumps the non-Japanese eye and twists his tongue to stutters. In Japanese, this name connotes diligence. It also reads "ben" (as in "benkyo"—study) and many Nisei named Tsutomu adopted Ben as their American name since it was much easier to enunciate.

But Ben (short for Benjamin), the dictionary of given names says, means "son of the right hand" or the "favorite son" and it's of Hebrew origin. It may be that Tsutomu was the favorite son in fact but his parents named him in hopes that son would emulate the virtues embodied in the name. We couldn't find a comparable name with the same meaning in English. Closest might be Emmett—a six-letter word we remember from the crossword puzzles meaning "ant." Of Old English stock, Emmett means "industrious" as ants are known for that. So how many fellows named Tsutomu would adopt a given name of Emmett for their English-oriented friends?

We have yet to run across a Japanese with the given name of "Ari"—which means "ant" in Japanese. The sages who developed given names in Japan were indeed wise to prefer Tsutomu over Ari.

In my own case, Harry is not the short form for Harold, but because they (the non-Japanese who did business with my father who was tagged Henry) regarded me as "little Henry." And Henry means "home ruler" of Teutonic origin. It was not a name that I had adopted because my classmates couldn't pronounce Japanese names. They were all Nisei, too, and the good news of Maryknoll School where we went took a liking to Japanese given names. Some of my classmates later were called by their baptismal names—but in my case, Harry stuck.

My given name is Kazue, which translates "protector of peace." Undoubtedly the name (written with two ideographs) was in celebration of being born during the first year of peace after the first World War to explain the first ideograph, while the second is the same as my father's whose given name contains two characters. There are girls also named Kazue, but their second ideograph means "twig" in these cases.

In my case, the family always called me Harry (it sounded more like "hurry, hurry"). Only one uncle, long deceased, called me by my Japanese name but it sounded more like "Ka-ze," which means "wind."

We recall changing the mind of one Nisei mother who asked what we thought of Gayle if her child turned out to be a girl. It reminded us of "gale—a strong wind," so she dropped that. She might have also tabled the notion because to the Nisei ear "Abigail" (its shortened form is Gale or Gayle) doesn't ring right. We have yet to meet a Japanese girl named thus, but Abigail, of Hebrew origin, has a blissful meaning, "Father's joy."

We see black Americans adopting names of African origin, usually, Swahili. In some instances, they include their surname. The Sansei, if they have no Japanese given name, need not go to that extent. But like the Sansei girl in Japan who began to sign as Keiko (and we have no idea what it means), unless it refers to the Katsura tree — so many girls' name depict trees like Momo, "peach"; Ume, "plum"; Matsu, "pine"; Take, "bamboo," etc.), the Sansei here might be tempted to adopt a good Japanese given name.

What would help, of course, would be a dictionary of Japanese given names in English—which we haven't seen to date. Perhaps, hospitals with Nisei backing can come up with one.

As we have sensed Nisei are apathetic about their cultural heritage, there is one easy step we can take to make an effort to lift ourselves from this state. We can inform those who mispronounce "Nisei" (knee-say). How often that word strikes our ear as "nisi" which in Latin means "unless," often used in law.

There's no excuse for a Nisei not to help others how to pronounce a word now found in all American dictionaries. And Issai, if you hear it as "issi" can be French for "here-ici." The Sansei, on the other hand, seems easier to pronounce properly thus being spared of the verbal mangling their antecedents endure, often quietly.

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Center of storm: Dr. Noguchi

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By DICK TRACY

It is seldom that one man gathers the kind of storm which lashes now around Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi, Los Angeles County's brilliant and beset chief medical examiner-corer.

So much attention has been given the case involving the

unprecedented ouster of a top county official that his name is virtually a household word.

Still, the general public barely understands. Part of the problem is that the storm gathered and unleashed its fury around Noguchi with only a handful of people really knowing what brought the clouds in the first place.

It's obvious from his name that Noguchi is Japanese and, despite the fact that he is a naturalized American, some contend that his problems really began because of his ancestry and the accusations against him are but a veneer hiding racial prejudice.

GUEST COLUMN

It can be very unimaginative on a Saturday night

(Contributor to the Hokubei Mainichi, Sacramento served as PR chairman of the national JACL Convention held in 1969 at Sacramento.)

By STERING SAKAMOTO

After the Japanese Centennial Commemorative memorial and banquet, our last celebration, everything has fallen to a lull. Summer is here. It's different in San Francisco. When summer arrives, it's a brand new season there. As tourists arrive in droves, the rent is paid. The proprietors and the businessmen hope summer never ends. It's their bread and butter.

It was a week ago that a friend called to say that he is flying in and would I meet him. I told him that I certainly will, and will entertain him since his real purpose was to spend a day in a smaller town nearby here and since that agriculture town is just a town, he preferred to spend the night before here in our metropolitan city. According to his wishes we decided what to do for the night life entertainment. First, he was good enough to inform me that he's on the wagon. That's for that.

He said, "Well, what's new in town, anything additional?" I said, "Yeah, we got some new State buildings up, wanna see them?" He replied, "Nah, you see one building, you see them all."

I added, "Well, how about Suiter's Fort. I haven't been down there for quite a while." I lied. He looked at me and said, "Nah, I already been in to it." I pondered for a while and as I pondered we passed my favorite cocktail lounge and was going to suggest but quickly informed if he wanted to go to my gas station and watch the men there grease a car. He said he has seen them do that many times and it bored him so as my gas meter showed going down as we drove, we entered the city park and was going to suggest the Zoo, but I didn't think he would be interested in it, anyway.

I told him that San Francisco is only a hour and one half miles away from Sacramento and concluded that question in one breath that since he is on the wagon, it would be dull to go there as Jim at Ohja, Steve at Osho, and piano Joe at Geisha would be disappointed in not joining in for a few "kam-pais." Besides, why go all the way out there when we have here just as good lounges and the price is right.

As my throat began to get drier, I bravely drove into a drive-in and we both ordered root beer. It quenched my thirst for the time being but that's beside the question. I needed something stronger to fill me up and just my luck that no beer was on the menu. Later, I asked him how he was doing and he said, "Hey, this is great, it's really relaxing me!" and I replied, "Huh, is that so, that's great, too."

I mumbled to myself, man, this is a Saturday night, man, some Saturday night! "What did you say?" he asked. I said, "Oh nothing, I was just talking to myself." We pulled into a bowling alley and suggested we go in and see if we can spot some friends and have a nice ball session over a cup of coffee. He said okay.

Nobody there we knew was in sight. Some young Sansei with their dates were having a ball. I inquired if he wanted to bowl a few lines and he said no. He's off for the summer season. I told him I was too. In fact my back was killing me so I was glad that he didn't want to bowl. It would have killed me.

As I watched him put a few dimes into the pinball machine and the ball merrily rolling down with a clinking sound my mind kept thinking what the heck ought we do? Then all of a sudden, he turns around and faces me and says, "Hey, what day is today?" I replied, "Saturday, man, Saturday!" and before I could repeat it again he excitedly said, "Saturday, heck, I lost all days of date, I'm off the wagon!" I anxiously asked him, "You're what?" and concluded with, "No kidding, man, we're wasting our time, let's go!"

Next morning I drove him down to the bus depot for his final leg of his journey and just before the bus departed, he opened the small window and yelled at me, "Hey, what's a good cure for a hangover?" I laughed all the way home. —Hokubei Mainichi

A few citizens may remember that Noguchi was named county coroner in December of 1967 after some intense controversy over his qualifications to replace Dr. Theodore Curphey, himself a controversial figure in a controversial and mysterious office.

The California Medical

Assn. opposed Noguchi. So did the USC and UCLA medical schools.

But Supervisor Frank Bonelli and Kenneth Hahn supported him for the position and they later were joined by Supervisor Ernest Debs. Noguchi, who had placed only fifth in civil service examination, had the job.

If the appointment was stormy, and it was, that was but a light squall compared to the sequence of events since early this year.

Tales of erratic behavior, poor management and clinical incompetence have swirled upward from Dr. Noguchi's basement morgue in the Hall of Justice for months.

They were largely ignored, except by County Administrator Officer Lindon S. Hillinger, who opposed Noguchi from the outset. But Hillinger, during most of 1968, was happily contemplating retirement in March of 1969—until the tragic death of his wife in

January of this year.

In February, after more reports of erratic Noguchi behavior, Hillinger demanded the coroner's resignation. But he did not get it. Instead, Noguchi began to fight back.

In the negotiations that followed, charges and counter-charges felt like heavy rain. Mrs. Noguchi made it clear wherever she could that she considered the whole affair a matter of racial prejudice.

Then the County did a very strange thing. It offered Noguchi, a man now considered by county officials to be totally unfit, a job as chief pathologist at Rancho Los Amigos Hospital—at the same \$31,000-a-year-pay.

Noguchi accepted and then reneged on the transfer, choosing to fight what county officials obviously saw as a relatively painless way to remove him.

Enraged, supervisors first suspended him on March 4 and a few days later fired him completely.

Noguchi's attorneys promptly appealed for a hearing before the County Civil Service Commission, the coroner's last hope outside of a court of law.

In the confusion of clamor, of what was the coroner accused?

Noguchi was accused of wildly aberrant behavior, drug abuses, strange knife-wielding assassination threats, planning to form a "forensic Mafia" to take over all coroner offices in the U.S. and of hoping out loud for major disasters to propel himself into the limelight.

Hillinger, who developed the case against Noguchi, of course, also charged him with introducing bizarre laboratory techniques, abusing staff members and faulty record keeping.

At about that point, the Japanese-American community throughout California began lining up in support of Dr. Noguchi in an organization called Japanese United in Search for Truth. They, too, were convinced of racial overtones in the case.

At the start so overpowering, the county's case now began to look shaky. On the other hand, Noguchi's defense, which suffered much from frequent changing of attorneys, began to stiffen.

A number of top pathologists in the U.S. came forward to his defense when hearings before the Civil Service Commission opened in May. They cited Noguchi's clinical brilliance and disparaged the inferior facilities in which he had to work.

It was declared, for example, that Noguchi's autopsy work after the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy had been superior. If this did not shake Hillinger's case, it certainly did not help it.

Then the county dropped a number of the original accusations. Others were dismissed by the commission.

The matter came down more and more to judgments on "erratic" behavior, a difficult area in which to prove incompetence, as the county must to oust Dr. Noguchi.

Always the question remained: If Dr. Noguchi could not administer the coroner's office, how could he handle a very responsible job at a major county hospital?

Justice demands an answer to that and several other questions before it will be content with any Civil Service Commission ruling upholding Dr. Noguchi's dismissal.

Why was Hillinger allowed to investigate his own charges?

Why were only a handful of total coroner's office employees questioned by Hillinger?

Why were the charges which damaged Dr. Noguchi's reputation so severely when raised never documented at the hearing?

The storm has quieted somewhat for now. But Dr. Noguchi still stands in the center of it.

The Civil Service Commission will soon issue its findings and there will be new hurricane winds.

No one can win. Not Dr. Noguchi. His reputation appears irreparably damaged.

Not county government. Its handling of the affair is open to high question.

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Interim session—

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Accent on Youth Alan Kumamoto



Renewed Ethnicity

Japanese Americans are noted for "conservatism; models for minorities to emulate; quite humble people; hard workers; can be pushed around; a close friend; someone you really cannot fully trust and know; affluence, etc." These are but some of the hundreds of images, impressions, stereotypes and patterns which differing individuals harbor. These concepts are from the outside as well as within.

And if we keep looking further in the inner reaches of this American breed, what do we see of self-concept for this particular Asian American people?

Are the Asian Americans a "lost" people? Are they confused, complacent, proud, happy, satisfied, challenging or challenged? We don't see too many struggling physically to survive like so many of the darker complexions. Perhaps the Asian Americans are closer to the Jews in America.

And is the struggle any more or less in search for an identity and rightful place within this nation with its constitutionally guaranteed liberties?

Many of us find ourselves struggling throughout life to qualify our being and when we look in the mirror we can visibly distinguish our "somethingness." Then as we trudge outward, our own perceptions become fused, distorted and unloosened by the others.

So in this evolving existence are we now willing to determine our being in relationship to each other in the terms of how today is? Many would rather bury their head, go into a Cinderella Existence and pretend or just not dare venture. We feel the time is now, the place is now. We must no longer fool ourselves. We cannot afford to vegetate. We need in this present time, a moment to assess and to go beyond the change.

We feel strong pulls and pushes to our own very ethnicity and all its implications, yet we will not deny the majority influence. Nor can we deny degrees of acceptance and tolerance within the frameworks of our various relationships to others.

On perusal most importantly must relate to ethnicity and its relationship to the differing minorities and the majority. No denial can overlook the smothered and unleashed taints of racism. For those who don't live a pluralistic pattern, they must distinguish whether their entrance into the majority standards was a result of assimilation by minority into majority or if the make believe melting pot dream is true.

We feel as long as the American Dream hovers on the horizon, that we must help our people distinguish "where you are" in terms of "Japaneseness." Then we must build and reinforce a pride in this unique quality and build a confidence in this being. Awareness is not an original idea and when not reached, can leave us forever in the corners of dark rooms.

Becoming this aware person and knowing "where you are at" is the first step in self-determining future pursuits. Most minority programs and projects consciously capture youths in its web to change and influence change in its communities. When are we going to begin away from the established models of organization?

JACL and its younger counterpart must shatter many of the vestiges and complacencies of yesterday and today.

We remain for a new enlightened community, one rich in attempting to stretch its fingers to see itself as it is and then muster energy for harnessing change. Will we join the challenge together? Are we the Nisei-kai for tomorrow? Is it too late?

We will not deny what JACL is. We want you to support a new look. Help us today. Let it begin with you. We are changing to meet the new challenges.

This new look in JACL can start by staffing programs with young, energetic firebrands to go out and reach into communities. This new look for JACL must also modify our thinking on membership, new chapters, dues and ad hoc committees committed to specific changes. This new look with JACL can start with you as a member sharing your frustrations, joys and desires for betterment.

TIE AND GARTER: Dr. Frank Sakamoto

Questions for National Board

Chicago membership dues today are about \$6.50; 25 times \$6.50 is \$150. So, we may think of different basic rates for 1000 Clubbers.

For example: Grade 1 would be \$25, Grade 2 would be \$50, Grade 3 would be \$75, Grade 4 would be \$100, Grade 5 would be \$125, Grade 6 would be \$150.

I think this may be the answer to some of those who have written to me saying the 1000 Club should have a Century Club, meaning \$100 contribution a year.

Of course, those who have written on this thought I immediately got their entire family to sign up as 1000 Club members. For bachelors and bachelorettes who have written me about \$100 rates, I certainly will follow this matter up, and they may join a Grade 4 category in the 1000 Club.

4—Another factor is changing the 1000 Club to calendar year from the fiscal year basis so that the mailing can be done at the beginning or end of the year, instead of monthly throughout the year.

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