

'TITLE II' CAMPAIGN

Why San Diego's Riled

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)
SAN DIEGO—The San Diego County board of supervisors in March, 1942, labeled the Nisei as "who are now disloyal or may become disloyal to the United States" in a resolution urging the evacuation of Japanese from the west coast.

This has been the impetus of the San Diego JACL in recent weeks to have the resolution rescinded.

Similar references are also contained in a wartime resolution passed by the local chamber of commerce, which

has been saying to JACLers here, "things are OK for you now, so why not forget it," according to longtime JACLer Bert Tanaka.

The board of supervisors has muffed two opportunities to rid the spurious expression relative to Japanese Americans.

Though on Mar. 30 it endorsed repeal of Title II by supporting California Assembly Joint Resolution 1 on a 4-1 vote, it dropped a section calling for repeal of the 1942 resolution. The motion to repeal was introduced by Supervisor Jack Walsh.

JACL approached the board a second time and had Walsh's resolution reconsidered on April 7, when a rescission was sought but by a 5-0 vote amended it so that the action of their predecessors in 1942 "is not now considered appropriate."

Local JACLers regard the amended stand a "cop-out."

The 1942 resolution also asserted "during the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Japanese were aided and abetted by fifth columnists of the Japanese race living and residing in and about Pearl Harbor"—which has never been substantiated and even repudiated by the FBI.

Supervisor DeGraff Austin, 73, said it was "cheap" to repudiate the 1942 resolution at the Mar. 30 session, asserting it was a resolution passed in support of the President in time of war. Austin cast the lone nay vote for endorsing AJR 1 to repeal Title II.

Austin headed the local parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West in 1943-44.

Torrance City Council

TORRANCE—In an unprecedented move, the Torrance City Council voiced its vigorous support for repeal of Title II a second time.

The first time was on Mar. 20 when Torrance attorney Thomas N. Shigekuni presented the Gardner Valley JACL-sponsored resolution. The full city council passed it 7-0.

The second time was on April 7 when the city clerk read a letter from Rep. Glenn Anderson, congratulating and

thanking the third largest city in southern California for sending so many letters in support of Title II repeal to the congressional delegation. Anderson is a co-author of the Title II repeal bill.

The stand of the Torrance city council is significant because the city is "lily-white, conservative and a hotbed for rightist organizations," according to Shigekuni.

Marin County Actions

SAN RAFAEL—The Marin County board of supervisors and the Marin County human rights commission both endorsed repeal of Title II in separate actions recently.

The human rights commission had been approached by Raymond Okamura and Edison Uno, national JACL co-chairmen of the Title II repeal committee, to urge support from the board of supervisors.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS—Referred to as the "Stalag bill," the St. Louis Post-Dispatch on Mar. 26 called for repeal of the Emergency Detention Act.

The famous paper founded by Joseph Pulitzer, noting that five Japanese Americans had testified before the House internal security committee, said the law "ought to be erased forever, lest what cannot happen happens again."

It called the Evacuation as one of the "more shameful and unnecessary acts of our history."

Chicago City Council

CHICAGO—Ross Harano, Chicago JACL president, in his Mar. 26 testimony before the House Internal Security Committee, entered the resolution of the Chicago City Council supporting repeal of Title II for the record.

The resolution was introduced by Alderman Paul Wigoda in February and subsequently approved by the council committee on national and state legislation.

Harano also revealed the Illinois General Assembly was going to consider a resolution urging repeal of Title II.

Per spec tives

By JERRY ENOMOTO
National JACL President

The term "credibility gap," although perhaps overused, is the best way I can think of to describe the implications of some recent national happenings.

The Senate rejection of the Carswell nomination and President Nixon's misguided and petulant attitude during the controversy, and after the Senate action, is one example. Evidently under emotional

'Credibility Gap'

stress, the President made statements which suggested that he had the sole prerogative to appoint Supreme Court Justices, implying that the Senate should merely be a rubber stamp.

The fact that the rejection was a direct result of key Republican votes, in itself makes it clear that Judge Carswell's qualifications were found lacking. The President's statements regarding his inability to nominate a worthy Justice, from the South, because of geographical bias, insults the Republican Senators who rejected Carswell. If the outcome was a personal tragedy for both Judge Carswell and Judge Haynsworth, the responsibility rests solely with the people who nominated them. The nominations tend to test the credibility of the Administration's claimed intent to bring the country together.

The recent high-handed and grandstand play of Florida's Governor Kirk in defying the law, and stand in the way of progress in school desegregation, is another example. His behavior brings back the memory of Wallace standing in the doorway of the University of Alabama, and is no more admirable than that spectacle. For those of us who are committed to law and order, what do you think of the behavior of the Governor of Florida? Certainly it doesn't strike me as symbolic of law and order, with justice.

The recent response of the Commission on Civil Disorders chaired by Rev. Hesburgh, president of Notre Dame University, to President Nixon's speech on school desegregation is another example. Since this official body, which is not composed of "left wing nuts" is critical of basic philosophy offered by the President concerning busing and the neighborhood school concept, you have to wonder how the minority communities view this. I for one, see a definite credibility gap between the Administration's statements and actions, and its proclaimed commitment to school desegregation.

Last but not least, the role and influence of Attorney General Mitchell in some of the above mentioned developments lead one to question further the credibility of the Nixon Administration's commitment to racial equality, and law and order with justice. The interperate mouthpiece of the Attorney General's wife does not improve anything.

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

The opening business session of the coming National Convention will lead off with policy recommendations, and decisions by delegate, concerning JACL's future. I see this Convention as the place where the increasingly concerned voices in JACL can join a dialogue, hopefully resulting in increased commitment toward equal justice under the law for all minorities.

I hope that we will all reflect divisive thinking or tactics, whether they be in the direction of radicalizing JACL or, as some may perceive, reversing what they see as an inappropriate trend toward full involvement in facing today's problems. Whether attendance at the Convention is possible or not, I urge all concerned JACLers to let their views be known.

There is a crying need now for JACLers to insist that their organization be visible and out front in the fight against racism and poverty, in the establishment of communication with our youth, and in the multitude of community service problems that face us. Standing pat today means that we abdicate the position of leadership that our heritage demands.

Cherry Blossom queen crowned

SAN FRANCISCO — The queen of the '70 Cherry Blossom Festival, Marilyn Matsuno, presided over colorful ceremonies April 12 at the Japanese Cultural Trade Center which inaugurated the program's third season.

The 20-year-old clinical sciences student at the San Francisco State College was introduced with her beautiful court, all attired in traditional kimono.

Her first princess was Barbara Chiem Tam, 19, a pre-law student at UC Berkeley.

The week-long celebration included display of arts and culture, climaxed with a grand parade April 19.

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5-Man JACL team to do field work in Northern Cal

SAN FRANCISCO—Employment of five Sansei to work as a team as field directors, special projects in Northern California was announced this week by Masao Satow, national JACL director.

The assignment, effective April 15, calls for implementation in the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL district council area of programs to fulfill the community needs among peoples, especially in the San Francisco Bay area.

Designated as coordinator of the team was Kaz Maniwa, a UC Berkeley student who is also associated with the Berkeley Asian Study Task Force, the Issei program at Hamilton Center, San Francisco Youth Council and the current survey on the Japanese American Community Center in San Francisco.

With him are Shoshun Arai of Berkeley, Arty Kameda of San Jose, Glenn Watanabe of San Francisco and Dennis Yotsuya of Berkeley.

Arai, active with the Chicago YBA, Black Neighborhood Housing and Concerned Asians at the Univ. of Illinois, is currently a student at UC Berkeley and a member of the Asian American Political Alliance at Berkeley. He also worked with the anti-poverty program in Baltimore.

Kameda, a vice-president of the Santa Clara Valley Jr. JACL and chairman of the Jr. JACL human relations committee, was also president of the Palo Alto YBA and active with the Progressive Asian American Coalition at San Jose.

Watanabe, 1967 president of the San Francisco Jr. JACL, is a senior at UC Berkeley, has tutored at Hunter's Point, worked with Educational Opportunities Program at Berkeley and the Autistic Schizoid program at San Francisco Children's Hospital. He was also associated with the Asian Students at San Francisco State.

Yotsuya is a senior in architecture at UC Berkeley, specializing in social and urban planning. He has worked on the low-cost housing surveys, the Japanese American Religious Federation of San Francisco plan for Asian housing development, the Hamilton Center Issei program and Asian studies programs.

PRELIMINARY CALL ISSUED TO CHAPTER CONVENTION DELEGATES

SAN FRANCISCO — National JACL Headquarters this week issued its call on preliminaries to the forthcoming national council session, urging the National JACL Convention in Chicago July 14-18.

Items for agenda consideration by the National Council are due at Headquarters in writing by June 1. By June 15, the agenda will be published.

Items for the 1971-72 budget must be submitted by May 4 to Yone Satoda, treasurer, to include some rationale and breakdown of the total amount. The proposed budget is expected to be announced by May 15.

And chapters have been reminded to report the name and address of official alternate delegates to Headquarters immediately so that they can receive all of the necessary papers and reports prior to the convention.

National committee chairmen were also given until June 15 to submit their reports for reproduction and distribution to all National Council delegates. Headquarters will handle the mechanical aspects in having the committee reports available.

STALIN'S DAUGHTER IS DR. S. I.'S SISTER-IN-LAW

SAN FRANCISCO—Examiner columnist Jack Rosenbaum has noted Svetlana Alliluyeva, daughter of Soviet premier Josef Stalin, is a sister-in-law to Dr. and Mrs. S. I. Hayakawa.

Miss Alliluyeva was recently married to architect William Wesley Peters, who is Mrs. Margaret Hayakawa's brother.

KAANAPALI, Maui — Sen. Daniel K. Inouye says that the United States should admit that it made a tragic mistake in Vietnam and should propose an immediate and complete cease-fire.

Inouye, in a speech prepared for delivery April 9 to IBM World Trade Corporation convention, said "The one essential step which we must take to bring this war to an end is to admit to ourselves—and to the world—that we made a tragic mistake."

"We must acknowledge that the Vietnam War has been a failure," he said.

He said the United States should make clear that it seeks a political settlement and "should propose an immediate and complete cease-fire without terminal date."

"To secure such a cease-fire, we should, if necessary, be prepared to unilaterally halt all offensive operations and limit our forces to purely defensive roles," he said.

Error of Judgment

Inouye said the Paris peace talks are getting no place and urged the calling of "a conference on the overall problems of Indochina."

"This should be an Asian conference, and not a European conference trying to impose European solutions on Asian problems," he said.

Inouye said he believes "there was 'legal and technical justification for our involvement in Vietnam,'" but there was also an error of judgment that "assumed our ability to win the war and, thereby, gain the peace."

But, said the senator, "Not only have we been unable to win the war, but we now find our actions almost indistinguishable from those of the enemy."

"We develop Operation Phoenix—employing mercenaries to torture, assassinate and murder members of the Viet Cong infrastructure."

"We have employed instruments of war we deemed too horrible for use in European

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Convention anticipates change based on theme: Understanding

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JACL criticizes non-Asian casting in L.A. musical

LOS ANGELES—Casting of Kenneth Nelson to portray the Okinawan Sakini in the Civic Light Opera Assn. production, "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen"—musical version to "Teahouse of the August Moon"—was criticized this past week by the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council.

"The portrayal of Asians by Caucasian actors in the American theater is regarded by the Asian American community as, at best, patronizing, frequently repugnant and always unreal," George Takei declared.

The active Wilshire JACL member who is PSWDC cultural committee chairman added:

"Today, when we see the emergence of a renewed sense of pride in one's ethnic identity and recognize the fact that America's true uniqueness consists in her wealth of racial diversity, this casting can only be viewed as ill-advised."

Takei said there are qualified Asian performers who are equipped to fill this role adequately.

He has asked the producer, Herman Levin, and Edwin Lester, director of the Civic Light Opera Assn., to reconsider the casting.

'NISEI OF BIENNIAL' NOMINATIONS DUE FROM CHAPTERS BY MAY 1

LINDSAY—All JACL chapters were reminded that May 1 is the deadline for submitting nominees and supporting data for the Nisei of the Biennial honors.

The JACLer of the Biennial nominations are due June 14, it was added by Tom Shimazaki, national recognitions chairman, of P.O. Box 876, Lindsay, Calif., who is handling both awards programs.

The Nisei of the Biennial is conferred upon the outstanding person of Japanese ancestry who has contributed immeasurably toward advancing the general welfare of Japanese in America, exemplary conduct and active participation and acquainting fellow Americans with persons of Japanese ancestry.

JACL Caucus slates L.A. meet April 25

LOS ANGELES—Action-oriented members and individuals interested in making JACL more relevant to the times will gather April 25 at the So. Calif. JACL Office.

The first meeting is expected to attract JACL and Asian American activists from various parts of the nation. National JACL President Jerry Enomoto is expected to attend as an observer.

Referred to as the New JACL Caucus, the group is expected to define their purposes and goals as well as organizing to implement some of the objectives.

A broad range of topics is expected to be discussed from creation of young adult chapters, greater involvement of JACLers in areas of civil rights, human rights and education, and community programs to help meet some immediate needs of the elderly, jobless, hungry, etc. Further information about the meeting may be obtained by calling MA 6-4471.

DEADLINES

(Like the "Calendar," this space is reserved for JACL-Jr. JACL programs only.)

April 30—Nat'l Essay contest; Mary Saburawa, 3837 N. Alta Vista Terrace, Chicago 60615.

May 1—Nisei of Biennial nominations; Tom Shimazaki, PO Box 876, Lindsay, Calif.

May 15—District finalists for Nat'l JACL oratorical contest; Karen Suzuki, 3109 W. Carmen, Chicago 60625.

June 1—Items for National Council agenda; National JACL Headquarters, 1634 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

June 14—Amendments to be proposed for JACL Constitution; Nat'l JACL Hq., 1634 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

June 15—Reports for distribution to all National Council delegates from national committees; National Headquarters, 1634 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

June 16—Name and address of delegates official and alternate chapters to the National Council; National JACL Headquarters, 1634 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

Capital Comments



Washington

At a time when the value of human life seems to be becoming less and less important as man's inhumanity to man continues in the armed conflicts in various parts of the world and as violence and destruction are becoming more and more commonplace as instruments of dissent, the fantastic and perilous flight of Apollo 13 appears to have renewed man's faith in his fellowmen and his concern for the courage and safety of individual beings.

In a working week when much was happening on earth and in the United States, most of mankind who was aware of what was taking place in the heavens listened, watched, and prayed that the gallant astronauts would be safely returned to this planet after a mysterious explosion on April 13 while in flight wrecked plans for the proposed third landing of man on the moon. After a dramatic 500,000 mile journey into space and around the moon, the spacecraft splashed down in mid-Pacific last Friday afternoon (April 17), thereby bringing to a more or less successful conclusion what could have been a most tragic odyssey.

The efforts of three mortals, crowded into a spaceship, to return to earth from deep in space on radioed instructions from Mission Control in Houston, powered mostly by the alternate Lunar Module which was supposed to have landed two of the trio on the moon, crowded almost all of the rest of the news off the front pages and television screens as millions marveled at what science has achieved in the way of technological progress.

At the same time, the sobering note was that it was probably a human error or "goof" that caused the explosion and nearly ended the space expedition before it had even reached its moon objective.

Still, every space flight, usually so successful that they seem almost effortless and destined to succeed, remind all of us how little we have moved in the area of human relationships on earth, how slow the progress of social justice, how tardy the move toward equality and dignity, how delayed the elimination of pollution and the development of a healthy and free society and environment.

Again we repeat what we have said over and over again, if only the government would devote the time, money, and people on a crash basis to improving the quality of life on this earth as is done to encourage exploration of space, and was done to discover the secret of the atomic bomb, we have every confidence that mankind can also solve most of the problems that now challenge our survival on this planet.

All that is needed is a simple reordering of priorities; and then providing the necessary men, money, and materials for an emergency crash program to rehabilitate the world and its peoples in a meaningful and constructive manner.

After suffering two humiliating rejections of nominees to the Supreme Court, the President last week announced the nomination of Judge Harry A. Blackmun, of Minnesota, to the vacancy caused by the resignation over a year ago of Associate Justice Abe Fortas.

Said to be a thoughtful and careful jurist, who is a "law and order" man, a moderate on civil rights, and relatively a "strict constructionist", so far the Senate has received his nomination with cautious approval. Since the Senate Judiciary Committee and the Senate itself gave careful scrutiny to the nomination of both Judge Clement Haynsworth and Judge G. Harrold Carswell, fairness requires that the background and qualifications of this latest nominee be carefully studied.

Speculation continues as to the reasons for President Nixon's unexpected outburst when Judge Carswell was rejected by the Senate. And there are questions too as to whether the new Nixon has reverted to the old Nixon at long last.

And, in the House in what appears to be retaliatory actions against Senate liberals and moderates who voted against confirming Haynsworth and Carswell, Minority Leader Gerald Ford of Michigan sparked a drive to impeach 71-year-old William Douglas of Oregon. But, in order to avoid referral to the House Judiciary Committee, where Brooklyn, New York, liberal Emanuel Celler is Chairman, the 52 Republicans and 52 Democrats, almost entirely of the conservative stripe, resorted to a resolution calling for an investigation of the second oldest Justice on the nation's highest tribunal in terms of years of service. Such an investigative resolution would be considered by Dixiecrat William Colmer of Mississippi, Chairman of the House Rules Committee.

Into this legislative maneuvering, Chairman Celler has already moved, announcing that beginning on Tuesday of this week his Judiciary Committee would consider an impeachment resolution offered by Congressman Andrew Jacobs of Indiana. While the Judiciary Committee will probably report the resolution unfavorably, that is it would recommend against impeachment, its report would be subject to House consideration, where it might well be reversed and impeachment ordered. The Senate would then have to sit in judgment and decide whether to impeach the "activist" western jurist who is accused of insensitivity to both general morality and association with gangster-gamblers.

Frankly, we have never been particularly appreciative of Justice Douglas insofar as the Evacuation cases are concerned, for like so many other liberals of that time he voted for the constitutionalization of the curfew, travel, and evacuation orders. But, we do not feel that he should be the victim of political reprisal.

On Thursday, April 16, the House passed the historic Family Assistance Plan as part of its welfare legislation by a 243 to 155 margin. This may well be the greatest legislative victory yet won by President Nixon, for the FAP concept is probably the most revolutionary change in the national welfare system since the days of Franklin D. Roosevelt and his New Deal. The 100-page measure abolishes a major portion of the widely criticized welfare program and establishes for the first time the principle that the Government should guarantee every family a minimum income, even if one or more members are working.

There is expectation that the Senate will also agree to the FAP, though some of the liberals there may attempt to increase the \$1,600 for a couple with two children minimum to a higher figure.

The President, however, opposes such an increase and has threatened a veto of the whole modified welfare system if the Senate does not act "with the same responsiveness and the same responsibility as the House" to achieve meaningful reform for the "poor and the helpless, and the taxpayer", in the Chief Executive's words.

NEWS CAPSULES

Awards

Sen. Hiram L. Fong (R-Hawaii) will receive a 1970 Horatio Alger award from the American Schools and Colleges Assn. on May 6 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York. Selection is made by ballots distributed to some 500 colleges. Awardee recognizes those who as youth overcame handicaps and poverty to win fame and fortune through hard work, honesty and determination. Sen. Fong was the seventh child on 11 children of poor immigrants from China, born in Hawaii, shined shoes, sold papers, caddied, caught and sold fish. He founded a multi-racial law firm, served in the Hawaii legislature for 14 years and went on to become the first Asian American U.S. senator in 1959. As president of several corporations, the assets are listed in excess of \$80 million.

Daniel Deguchi, son of the Yone Deguchis, active Pasadena JACLers, was named the 1970 Boy of the Year by the Pasadena Boys Club. He is Boys Club band president and an Eagle Scout.

Gilbert Konishi, who is an American specialist in Buddhist art, and doctoral candidate at the Institute of Fine Arts, New York, has been awarded a John D. Rockefeller III Fund grant to produce a prototype film for an audiovisual encyclopedia of Japanese art.

The Radio KFWB presented its "Good Mike" award to the Mayor's Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee, chaired by Akira Kawasaki, in recognition of its actions promoting community involvement, participation and helping to better society. LTC/DAC was credited for sparking community interest in the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project by holding 118 meetings during the 10-month period prior to City Council's unprecedented action unanimously adopting the redevelopment project last Jan. 29.

Only Denver winner of a Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship this year was Mrs. Gary (Aline) Tsutsui, 23, Univ. of Colorado Denver Center sociology major with a 4.0 GPA graduating this spring. She is the daughter of the Yutaka Terasakis. Her husband is CU Denver Center student also.

School Front

Henry G. Suyehira, a prominent Emmett, Ida. farmer, was one of three men recently elected trustees of the College of Idaho. He has served six years as chairman of the Emmett school board, is a 1937 graduate of the College of Idaho. He is a past JACL chapter president and a member of the American Legion. Mr. and Mrs. Suyehira have two daughters attending G of I-Lisbeth, a senior, and Janice, a junior.

Military

Mrs. Aki Miyagi, currently compiling a Japanese American military history resume for the souvenir booklet of the 1970 Nisei Veterans Reunion to be held in Los Angeles July 1-6, is in need of information and pictures of the Japanese American war, World War I, the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. She may be reached at her office, 606 E. 1st St., Suite 206, Los Angeles, MA 2-1619, or at home, NO 6-4627.

Henry Ajima, 46, of Sacramento was promoted a colonel in the U.S. Army. He is stationed at the Pentagon with intelligence section. He joined the service in 1945 out of Heart Mountain Relocation Center, enrolling at the MIS school at Presidio of Monterey. He, his Yokohama-born wife and three children live at Arlington, Va.

Crime

Masahiro F. Noguchi, 25, of East Los Angeles was booked on suspicion of assault with intent to commit murder April 17 after he allegedly held Peggy Sato captive in her home. Distraught over the estrangement of his wife and son, Noguchi held his sister-in-law at knife-point for 1½ hours. Winfred Oshiro, 18, and Kenneth Rowell, 20, of LaVerne were arrested on charges of possession and cultivating marijuana April 16 after sheriffs confiscated some 500 marijuana seedling plants. Mrs. Oshiro, a nursery owner, apparently knew nothing of the plantings and was not held.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge John Cole cleared Katsutoshi Sakai, 26, of any criminal charges in his April 14 decision after a two-day trial for involuntary manslaughter. A Japanese student was stabbed to death Jan. 1 at the Biggie restaurant. Sakai said he was trying to stop an argument when the victim assaulted him and he picked up a knife to defend himself. He was not aware the victim had been stabbed until informed by friends several hours later when he voluntarily came forward to tell officers of his part in the incident.

Press Row

Yoran Tsubokawa, editor and publisher of the weekly bilingual Rocky Mountain Jihon in Denver, is recovering from a circulatory ailment (aneurysm) that kept him hospitalized for a month.

Politics



Tom Kitayama

Mayor Tom Kitayama of Union City lost his bid for another term on the city council by a 10-vote margin in the April 14 municipal elections. First elected in 1959 when the city voted to incorporate, he served as its charter mayor and has served continuously since that time. He finished third in a five-man race for two vacancies. The top three vote getters scored over 1,000 votes, and Kitayama received 1,019. Shioichi Tsuboi, incumbent, was re-elected to the Parlier City Council with 103 votes. Incumbent Sak Yamamoto lost by less than 100 votes for one of the five seats in the new city of Carson (between Gardena and Long Beach). He polled 3,052 votes for sixth spot.

Ken Nakaoka of Gardena was re-elected to the city council, leading the 7-man race for 3 vacancies with 4,438 votes. Paul T. Bannai, in his first bid for public office, had 2,708 votes for fourth place—125 short of becoming Gardena's second Nisei councilman. At Monterey Park newcomer George Ige polled 3,681 to gain one of three vacancies. He was 80 votes behind an incumbent who paced a field of 12 candidates.

Nine members of the Americans of Japanese Ancestry Republican Club, led by president Sachio Takata, MD, appeared at the April 8 fundraising dinner for Gov. Reagan, a \$250-plate affair at the Century Plaza.

Business

First of nine JAL Boeing 747 Garden Jets made its initial test flight out of Seattle Mar. 31. Its delivery is expected later this month for placement into regular service July 1 between Los Angeles-Honolulu-Tokyo.

Los Angeles Insurance man Kiyoshi D. Kagawa, CLU, of Occidental Life of California attended the company's Top Club sales convention April 5-8 at Greenbrier Resort at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

Bank of Tokyo of California reports a 51.7 pct. increase for the 1970 first quarter. The bank's income on Mar. 31 reached \$700,828 compared to \$461,906 for the same period last year. Net income including security gains totaled \$233,461, up 61.7 pct. from the same quarter last year. Bank deposits were \$251,576, 982—an increase of \$33,936, 954 (15.6 pct.) from a year ago.

Credit Card Sentinel, Inc., appointed Ben Tagami of Los Angeles as its special representative serving Nikkei communities on the west coast. Dentsu Advertising copy director, Mrs. Gerry Muir, at Los Angeles won one of the Golden Lulus at the Advertising Women awards dinner for her efforts on behalf of Kikkoman Soy Sauce, Sumitomo Bank of California and Pentel Pen (a TV commercial).

Churches

Consecration and open house of the new \$300,000 Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church at 6229 Franklin Blvd. will be held May 3. It marks a three-year program after merger of the Florin Japanese Methodist and Sacramento Pioneer Methodist churches. Wayne Osaki of San Francisco was the architect; Bob Guro and Harry Yamasaki of Sacramento were general contractors; William Sakai and Dr. David Asahara, project co-chairmen. Bill Kashiwagi will chair the afternoon

services. Church seats 500, the multi-purpose hall has 4,000 sq. ft.

The Rev. Mineo Katagiri, senior minister of the Ecumenical Metropolitan Ministry, Seattle, since its inception in 1967, will resign June 15 to accept an appointment on the national staff of the United Church of Christ headquarters in New York. He will work with the Commission on Mission Priorities. Mr. Katagiri was active with many community groups, including the Asian Coalition for Equality, Urban League, U.S. Civil Rights Commission as a state adviser, and county anti-poverty programs.

West Los Angeles Buddhists Church observes Hans Matsuri April 25-26 to commemorate the birth of Buddha. Cultural exhibits, programs and bazaar follow the English service planned for April 26, 2 p.m., with the Rev. Shoko Masunaga of Los Angeles as speaker.

Flowers-Garden

California Certified Nurserymen credentials, certified by the Calif. Assn. of Nurserymen, were issued to Toshio Yamashita of Richmond; Itsumi Uenaka and Tad Nakagawa of Cupertino; George Kunimoto of Sunnyvale; Edwin Santo and Masa Suhama San Jose. The certification program is aimed at upgrading customer service and professionalizing the role of the retail nurseryman. A three-hour examination is given the candidate.

Government

Berkeley businessman Frank Tsukamoto is now sergeant on the Contra Costa County sheriff reserve. He volunteers a day per month in the communications section at Martinez. His son, Ronald Tsukamoto, 27, is member of the Berkeley police force, joining the department last year after graduating from San Jose State in criminology.

Sports

Veteran equipment manager Yosh Kawano of the Chicago Cubs was unofficially credited with saving the first victory for the Cubs in the April 10 game at Montreal. He paused long enough from his clubhouse chores to watch an inning or two just off the Cub's bullpen along the right field line. Ron Fairly had shot a single to right in the sixth and Johnny Callison had dropped the ball. While looking in all directions trying to find the ball, there was Kawano yelling: "There's the ball, Johnny! It bounced dead right there." Given this assist, Callison recovered and threw the ball back to the infield as Fairly advanced all the way

to third. Yosh was pleased that Fairly didn't make it all the way home. Pitcher Bill Hands went on to pitching himself out of trouble and left Fairly stranded on third and kept the Montreal lead at 1-0 at the time. The Cubs came back to win 2-1 but in the clubhouse, Kawano was credited with the game-saving play.

The 1970 National AAU Judo nationals at Cal State L.A. attracted over 4,000 spectators on the April 11-12 weekend. Nikkei winners include Larry Fukuhara, 22, 3-dan of Long Beach, in the 139-lb. class; Paul Maruyama, 28, 4-dan of Los Angeles at Yokota Air Base, Japan, 154-lb.; and Hayward Nishioke, 28, 4-dan of Los Angeles, 176-lb. Allan Coage of New York over 205-lb. winner, was crowned the grand champion, while Maruyama was voted the sportsmanship award. So California Yudanshakai and New York tied in the team competition. Seigoro Murakami, 74, of San Fernando Valley Judo Club was promoted by the Black Belt Federation to 8-dan. Masayuki Yoshioka, 48, of Seinan L.A. Dojo, and Masaki Nakaoka, 48, of Long Beach, and Goro Kakita, 52, of Sawtelle Judo Club were promoted to 6-dan.

Yosh Hayasaki, 23, Univ. of Washington gymnast who has won the 1970 NCAA all-around title, will have completed his five years of residence since moving from his native Osaka to study in the U.S. in July and he intends to become a U.S. citizen and become the first American to ever win the all-around championship in the Olympic Games.

Tokyo bowling writers named Kayoko Suda, runner-up in the BPAA women all-star tournament at Miami last year, was a unanimous choice as bowler of the 1969-70 season. The Yokohama lass averages 195.

Organizations

Bank of Tokyo official Sam Sato of San Francisco was elected president of the South O'Market Lions. He and Yosh Hara are the only Nisei members in the 40-member club comprised mainly of businessmen.

Expo '70

Japanese architect Kenzo Tange, who master-planned Expo '70, was presented the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation Medal in architecture in ceremonies April 13 at the Univ. of Virginia. The prize carries a \$5,000 award and recognizes distinguished achievement in architecture. Some 250 San Franciscans participated in the San Fran-

cisco Day ceremonies at Expo '70 on April 2, including a 100-member goodwill mission headed by Thomas Mellon, S.F. chief administrator, and the 102-piece Lowell High Symphony orchestra. Mayor Kaoru Chuma of Osaka and Expo officials greeted the group upon its arrival here from Tokyo on the super-speed Tokaido Line express.

Expo '70's seven-millionth visitor passed through the gates on April 3—the 23rd day of the 183-day run.

Flowers-Garden

Mitsuri Naji of Seattle, in business for the past 30 years and proprietor of Columbia Greenhouse was among floriculturists singled out for outstanding service to the industry last month.

Music

Emmett Yoshioka, originally from Hawaii instructing music at USC, is musical director of the USC production of "West Side Story" being staged April 23-25, 30-May 2 at Bovard Auditorium from 8 p.m. After graduating from USC, he served as arranger-composer for the U.S. Military Academy Band at West Point for three years, member of the academy's saxophone quartet, and taught flute at NYU-Albany. He was second flutist of the Honolulu Symphony.

Medicine

Dr. John M. Kanda of Sumner, Wash., was re-elected to active membership in the American Academy of Gen-

eral Practice. Re-election signifies the physician has successfully completed 150 hours of second largest national medical association. It is the only national medical group requiring its members to keep up with medical progress through continuing education.

Dr. George M. Matsumoto of Lincoln, Ill., is national secretary of the American Society of Geriatric Dentistry. He is a unit director at the Lincoln State School.

Marilyn Takahashi, a West Los Angeles JACLer, teaches several adult evening classes at Pierce College, Glendale College, Los Angeles Community Adult School and at two hospitals such specialized subjects as Basic Medical Terminology, Advanced Medical Terminology, Medical Insurance for the medical secretary or medical assistant, and Medical Machine Transcription. Those interested may call or write her: 3538 W. 27th St., Los Angeles 90018, 458-8070.

Breaths

Stanley Earl, Portland city commissioner, who died last month was remembered as the executive secretary of the CIO council, covering the waterfront during the early years of World War II, who defended the rights of Nisei to stay on the job and in the waterfront union until the government forced them out because of Gen. DeWitt's evacuation order. Earl's courageous stand helped to quiet the hysteria, which broke immediately after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, against Japanese-Americans.

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

A PERSISTENT ISSUE—Almost immediately after the War Department announced in early 1943 that an all-Nisei regimental combat team would be formed, voices were heard protesting the concept of a segregated outfit. Many Nisei with good reason demanded that they be treated like any other American citizen and allowed to serve where their abilities were most useful without regard to race or ancestry. Thus it was that the War Department had to send teams of Nisei recruiters out to the various WRA camps to explain the official line of thought—that a few thousand Nisei dispersed through the rank and file of the entire U.S. Army would be lost from view while an all-Nisei organization fighting as a unit would be able to dramatize Nisei valor and loyalty.

As it turned out, the officials were right from a practical view if not in principle. The 442nd Regimental Combat Team wrote a valiant chapter in American military history with its blood and the record captured the public imagination. Many observers have said that the sacrifice of the men of the 442nd and the attendant publicity had more to do with the acceptance of Japanese Americans than any other single factor.

What brings all this to mind again is the determined and admirable effort of many to make the JACL, largely a segregated ethnic organization, more closely attuned to the burning social issues of the day. They would have the organization as a body react more sensitively and energetically to these issues to underscore the Nisei minority's concern with the frustrations and injustices borne by other minorities.

Today, however, the various channels of action is tackling these problems are not closed to the Nisei the way the U.S. Army was closed to those seeking to serve their country in 1942. Nisei support is welcomed, in fact solicited, by many non-segregated community organizations concerned with the problems of society. Yet it can be argued that Nisei working together through JACL in segregated fashion, as in the 442nd, can create a greater impact in the war against social injustice than individual Nisei scattered out among many community organizations.

Still, it is possible to argue from a different point of view. Who, for example, was the greatest single Nisei war hero? Sadao Munemori who gave his life and won the Medal of Honor with the 442nd? Dan Inouye? Kenny Yasui or Hank Goshu who served in Burma? No, you'd have to pick Ben Kuroki, the Nebraska Nisei who somehow made his way into the Air Corps and was never associated in any way with the 442nd. It was Kuroki who by simply telling his personal story moved the overwhelmingly Establishment Commonwealth Club on San Francisco to a standing ovation, and stirred the national conscience through the New York Herald-Tribune forum.

A few days ago a press release reached my desk announcing that Ben Yoshioka of Chicago is executive vice president of the 1970 International Design Conference in Aspen which will tackle problems of the man-made environment. It is not too far-fetched, I think, to see a rough parallel between Yoshioka's contributions to efforts to solve a major contemporary problem, and Ben Kuroki's wartime role, in that both operate outside the Nisei mainstream.

Nor is Yoshioka the only Nisei currently in such a position. Pat Okura as president of the Urban League chapter in Omaha has played a key behind-scenes role in helping that community to keep the cool while solutions to serious racial problems were being worked out. The same could be said for Min Yasui, director of Denver's Community Relations Commission, and Phil Hayasaka in a like capacity in Seattle. And there certainly are many other Nisei similarly cast that I haven't heard about.

And so now as in 1943, it is possible for Nisei to work for the same goals inside or outside the Nisei Establishment, in noisy street rallies or in the dignity of board room conferences. And who is to say one mode is more noble or more effective or more dedicated or more sensitive than the other if each is doing his thing for the same cause of justice?

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MERCED—Shiro B. (Bob) Morimoto, Livingston area rancher, issued a candidacy statement in which he lists as one of his prime qualifications his lifelong residency in the county.

Morimoto is one of four candidates seeking the office of Third District Supervisor. His statement:

Last week, a tremendous number of friends urged me to become a candidate as a supervisor for Merced County. I responded to their support and their trust in me by accepting the nomination. If elected, I will endeavor to the best of my ability to assist the other members of the Board of Supervisors in guiding the growth and development of our county that will best serve its people for the present and the future.

I feel that my prime qualification for this position is my knowledge of the county gained by experience and background by being a lifelong resident of this county.

At present, I supervise the operation of a diversified farm and farm land improvement business and at the same time serve with 19 boards, commissions and other organizations.

My interest in our county and the well-being of its people is deep-seated. I will welcome the opportunity to discuss this with the people during the campaign.

Planning Commission

A veteran of World War II, Morimoto has been a member of the County Planning Commission for the past 12 years. He resigned from the commission following his nomination. He has lived in the county 50 years.

He is also chairman of the Almond Control Board on which he has served for 10 years. He has served two terms on the Grand Jury, 1958 and 1965; is a member of the County Economic Development Commission and is a member of the board of directors of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Morimoto is a past president of the Livingston Rotary Club, a member of the Livingston-Merced JACL, the Livingston and state chambers of commerce, the California Council of Growers, Merced-Stanislaus Growers Harvesting Committee, Exchange, California Caring Peach Association, Advisory Council of California Canners and Growers as well as the California Freestone Peach Association.

He has been involved in several special projects including formation of the Livingston Farmers Association, housing for low income people in the Livingston area and county wide housing for farm laborers.

Sherman Kishi, 12077 W. Olive Ave., Livingston, is campaign treasurer.

\$15,500 budget for Nisei Week set

LOS ANGELES—The Nisei Week Festival announced a \$15,445 budget was approved for the 1970 edition, slated for Aug. 15-23, according to general chairman Harry Yamamoto. Bulk of support is supplied by the Little Tokyo Businessmen's Assn. and Japanese business firms.

At the same time, the numbers for the Nisei Week On-Do were selected by Mme. Chiseye Fujima, choreographer: "Fujiyama Bayashi" (Columbia), "Bankoku Haku On-Do" (Denon), and "Dai Nagoya On-Do" (Victor).

Dr. Rodger Kame and Jim Higashi, ondo chairmen, revealed ondo practice sessions on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Hirohata Auto Park commences July 14 and ends Aug. 13. The ondo parade is the grand finale of the Festival on Aug. 23.

NVR '70 registrants

LOS ANGELES—Over 500 veterans and their family members are registered for the 1970 Nisei Veterans Reunion here July 1-6, according to Kokusai International Travel, registration agents.

Renew Your Membership



Bob Morimoto

Laws barring alien from civil service jobs under fire

SACRAMENTO—Legislation to repeal state laws discriminating against the public employment of non-citizens was introduced Mar. 9 by Assemblyman Alan Sieroty (D-Beverly Hills).

One of Sieroty's bills would repeal laws which prohibit the employment of aliens on public works projects.

Sieroty pointed out that these laws were declared unconstitutional last year by the State Supreme Court, *Purdy and Fitzpatrick v. California*, because they violate the "equal protection" clause of the Constitution and conflict with federal immigration laws.

The other of Sieroty's bills would remove the laws restricting the employment of aliens in city, county and state government.

Sieroty said, "All prohibitions against the public employment of non-citizens should be repealed because of their discriminatory nature."

In 1968 the Legislature modified the prohibition against employing aliens in civil service positions (AB 2081 by Sieroty) by allowing the employment of non-citizens who declare their intent to become citizens.

JACS to honor Toshi Terasawa

LOS ANGELES—The Japanese American Community Service will honor Toshi Terasawa at a testimonial dinner May 2 at Chalon Mart in recognition of his many years of community work.

Terasawa has been president of the JACS during its past six years, is president of the city building and safety commission, president of the International Institute, active with the Centenary United Methodist Church and Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project.

Dinner tickets are \$7.50, according to Linda Iwataki and Sam Ishihara, dinner co-chairmen.

Kawasaki re-elected L.A. redevelopment head

LOS ANGELES—Pleased with the tremendous strides made during the past year under the leadership of the present executive board, the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee last week (April 16) returned Akira Kawasaki to office as chairman.

Project manager Kango Kunisugu reported plans can be expected to move in high gear by the end of this year. A banquet to honor the new officers will be held May 15 at the Baltimore Hotel Blue Room.

Pioneer Project presents Pioneer Night program

LOS ANGELES—In its continuing effort to add gaiety to the lives of Little Tokyo residents, the Pioneer Project will stage a talent show May 9 at Koyasan Hall, offering a program of local artists and movie starlets from Japan.

The two-hour show will be emceed by George Takei. The West Los Angeles accordion band, the Kansuma dance troupe, the Okinawa dancers, Tomi Asakura and choir, the Kineya Jorokusho koto ensemble, violinist Kengo Sakamoto are among the headliners. Tickets are \$1.50.

Arrest New Yorker on false bomb threat

BUFFALO—Shinichi Oda, 25, with Matsushita Electric Corp. of America in New York boarded a Boston-bound plane here April 13, carrying a cardboard box labeled "time bomb".

Alerted by a passengers and crew, the pilot turned the plane around and returned to Buffalo, where FBI agents evacuated the plane and inspected the box, which contained only electronic parts. He will face federal court action here April 28.

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'Let's admit Vietnam war a failure'

(Following is the text of a major speech prepared for delivery April 2 to the 12th World Trade Corporation convention at the Sheraton-Maul, Kaanapali.)

By SEN. DANIEL K. INOUE

Ever since President's Nov. 3 speech on our nation's Vietnam policy, those writers who interpret the American scene have been telling us that Vietnam is no longer an issue. Polls seem to have confirmed this analysis.

They tell us the issues today are rather the high cost of living, the housing shortage, increasing unemployment, high interest rates, and increasing concern over the pollution of our environment.

It would almost appear that we have emerged from a period of intense concern with Vietnam—a period when that was the only issue on which political candidates were to be judged—to a period when we, as a nation, have seemingly buried our heads in the sand and have become reluctant to admit its existence.

We have entered a period when we hesitate to look at the continuing problem which is Vietnam, let alone the larger problem of our involvement in the whole Indochina area — and to look at that involvement critically.

WE HAVE AVOIDED making such an examination despite the fact that this problem is in reality still the principal affliction which infects our society. It is still the problem which so limits our capability to solve the many other problems with which we wrestle—whether it be inflation, pollution, housing, the draft, more adequate funding of education and health, or the whole list of bread and butter issues which we now place so high on the agenda.

For if it were not for this tragic war I am certain our nation would not be wracked by inflation or torn by the postal strike, or by campus unrest.

Therefore I believe the time is now overdue that we refocus our attention — that we re-examine the problem, which is Vietnam. It will not go away through wish-

ful thinking. It will not disappear because we refuse to admit its continuing presence and its destructive influence on our efforts to deal with the other problems, national and international, which beset us.

I CAN UNDERSTAND the desire of most Americans to push this unhappy subject from their minds. I can appreciate their reluctance to let it intrude on their thoughts. It is unpleasant to hear of massacres such as has occurred at My Lai. It is unpleasant to talk of American war crimes. It is a

THE TEXT

most unpleasant task to bring criminal charges against American soldiers who under the stresses of combat, commit acts which no civilized people can tolerate or ignore.

Nor is it a joy to watch the latest atrocities of Thien or Ky, or to look at the continuing corruption and black marketing, which are the facts of life in Saigon and elsewhere in South Vietnam.

Distasteful as it may be, Vietnam remains a problem that must be discussed and dealt with if it is ever to end.

IT WOULD SEEM that the conflict raging in Southeast Asia is now entering a new and perhaps critical phase. With the change of government in Cambodia, the recent Pathet Lao successes in Laos, and Thai involvement beyond its borders, the broader nature of this conflict once more becomes evident.

The whole question of our increased involvement in these areas which these recent events raise, directs our attention to what should be the lessons of Vietnam. I believe it would serve well to take a good look at them.

This war has, to date, cost our nation the lives of some 49,000 of our finest young men. Since Nov. 3, when our President assured us



Sen. Dan Inouye

of our diminishing involvement we have lost some 2,800 young Americans. And the grim toll continues to mount by more than 100 each week. This climbing death toll is a tragedy fully appreciated only by those loved ones who bear the primary burden.

WE MUST ADD to this total the more than 70,000 Americans who have been wounded in battle—more than half of whom were wounded seriously enough to require hospital care. And of these numbers, I know many are horribly scarred and mangled.

A new dimension has been added to this problem of the wounded. Because of the helicopter and the advances of medical science many of the more seriously wounded survive than was the case in previous wars. Men who would formerly have died on the field of battle are now living—though some exist as virtual vegetables.

Such has not always been the case. In my own situation, I remember well that day in WW II, when I was wounded about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. It was 9 o'clock in the evening, six hours later, that I reached a forward aid station, and I am by the time I got to a field hospital.

Today, that time lag has been cut to less than an hour in most cases. The result has not only been a reduction in loss of life, but also a rapid increase in the number of permanently disabled who now flood our veterans hospitals, invalids whom we are not caring for with adequate funds, facilities, and programs.

THIS WAR has also brought forth a new breed of Americans—Americans bitter with their government—Americans without faith in our institutions or our leaders.

And our cost in this conflict is, of course, not a measure of the war's total cost. We must add the more than 100,000 South Vietnamese who have died to date. We must also add the nearly 4,000 dead among our other allies which have been fighting there.

This war's cost must also be measured in the number of enemy dead, which are estimated at more than 600,000, in addition to the uncounted wounded.

We must add, too, the awesome cost of the damage wrought on the Vietnamese countryside by the use of modern weapons of conflict. This includes the destruction of plant and animal life, causing a change in the ecology of the land which may endure

for many years.

THE COST of warfare is fantastic. Worldwide military expenditures now total \$200 billion a year. These are increasing at a 7 per cent rate with no limit in sight. This is more than three times the rate of increase in the value of our gross world product.

Meanwhile education and health expenditures remain not only far less but are showing no per capita increase. Today, the nations of this earth spend an average of \$7,800 per year for each man in military uniform while spending an average of \$100 per year for each child of school age.

As we bear these awesome burdens of war, and witness our many other pressing, but as yet unmet needs, we must ask ourselves—why don't we stop? Why don't we bring this Vietnam war to an end?

It is to this question that I wish to address myself today.

We have taken an important step towards ending this war. We have publicly and officially declared that this war cannot be won militarily.

WHILE THIS is a significant move, I regret that the steps we have taken subsequent to this declaration have not been consistent with that conclusion. Our actions do not demonstrate ac-

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battlefields. We have used chemical agents, defoliants and tear gas... not as a nonlethal weapons to avoid the killing of noncombatants, but as an agent to drive the enemy from his lair so we can gun him down."

Inouye said he was deeply saddened by what happened at My Lai. "When men are trained to hate and to kill with proficiency, and when they reach the frame of mind where those whom they have come to help are called 'gooks' and when we place impersonal price tags on human beings, we should expect My Lai to occur."

"When war reaches such a stage it is time we called a halt. There can no longer be any justification for the war's continuation," he said.

The Vietnam War has taught several lessons which should be remembered in future dealings with Cambodia, Laos and Thailand, he said.

"Vietnam should teach us to be very cautious in making commitments less we be 'conned' into offering our men and our treasury to scoundrels who proudly proclaim, 'Send me help and I will fight the Communists for you.'"

"Vietnam should teach us that we must, whenever we have the opportunity, decide in favor of people and not tyrants."

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Happiness is...



...dreaming of the Whing Ding, JACL National Convention in Chicago, July 15, 1970

A picture (above) from Dr. Tom Tamaki of Philadelphia, (1000 Club Life member) and his wife Marion stating this certainly depicts them and their hopes for the coming convention in Chicago was touched up by Mas Tokiyama, a Chicago artist and member of the Whing Ding committee. It's an example of the depths to which this committee goes to assure all conventioners a scintillating activity. I am astonished as I go to these convention committee meetings at how things are finally formulated. Be sure to come with your dancing shoes.

Ruffle

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ed the flora and fauna, took notes on what we saw throughout Mexico following the paths of the gold seekers who crossed that country on their wild journey to California. All this meant day after day of hard driving through the long, lonesome stretches of the Central Plateau, the wild mountain canyons of the Sierra Madre, and the insect-infested tropical jungles.

"In some areas of Mexico we were both surprised to meet Mexicans who looked Japanese, sometimes even had Japanese names. In other regions, the people thought Marty was Mexican. When she failed to respond to a rapid outburst of Spanish, we often got the feeling they were insulted because they assumed that here was a Mexican girl married to a gringo and who was now rejecting her native language!

"After we returned from Mexico and the real writing of the book began, Marty helped by typing the final draft and reading galley proofs. But her greatest contribution resulted from her ability and infinite patience to listen to what I had written each day and tell me when I had or had not captured the story of the gold seekers on their way to El Dorado."

Publication Date

EGAN's book, THE EL DORADO TRAIL, has been published by McGraw-Hill for release March 16.

The author's wife and helper, Martha Toki Egan (nee Oshima) was born and raised in the Berkeley-Oakland area. She attended Muskingum College at New Concord, Ohio, San Francisco State College, and UC Berkeley. Her husband is already gathering material for another book, and Marty expects he will say one day, "Marty, pack our bags, we are going to..." (Who knows where?)

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CALENDAR

- April 23 (Thursday)
Portland-Candidates forum.
Epworth United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. City Council and County Commission candidates.
- April 24-26
Sonoma County-Japan Culture-Trade Show, Sonoma County Fairgrounds.
- April 25-28
IDC-Pre-convention rally, Idaho Falls hotel; West Bank Motel, 3 p.m. Sat.
- April 26 (Sunday)
French Camp-Community picnic, Mickey Grove, 10 a.m.
Centre Costa-Oratorical contest, Monterey Peninsula-Women's Aux. Spring Luncheon, Franco Hotel Restaurant, Castroville, 3 p.m.
- May 1 (Friday)
West Los Angeles-Earth Sci mtg, Stoner Rec Ctr, 7:30 p.m.; Tak Suzuki, spkr.; Topanga Fossil.
- May 2 (Saturday)
West Los Angeles-Japanese film, "NHK Songfest", Sawtelle Gakuen.
- West Los Angeles-Bd Mtg, Capitol Life Ins Bldg, 7:30 p.m.
- May 3 (Sunday)
Dayton-Culture of Japan Festival, V.W.A.
- Portland-Graduates dinner, Sheraton Motor Inn.
- May 8 (Friday)
Downtown L.A.-Mother of the Year dinner, Man Jen Low, 7 p.m.
- May 15 (Friday)
Salinas-Movie night.
Riverside-Open practice, Gakuen, 7:30 p.m.
- May 16-17
PSWDC-Pre-convention rally, West Los Angeles hotel; Newport Marina Hotel.
- May 17 (Sunday)
San Gabriel Valley-Late potluck dinner, ESGV Community Center, West Covina.
- Salinas-Cemetery clean-up.
- May 22 (Friday)
San Francisco-1000 Club party.
- May 23 (Saturday)
East Los Angeles-Emerald Ball.
- May 24 (Sunday)
Detroit-Open appreciation.
- May 30 (Saturday)
San Francisco-Memorial service.

PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:

'Awareness House' workers explain work with Marysville area drug users

Marysville JACL Following the March 18 JACL meeting, guest speakers from the Yuba City "Awareness House" appeared on the program to inform the audience regarding the drug prob-

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lems existing locally and the work of the Awareness House organization. George Souza, house director and principal of Yuba City High School, John Graves and Brigid Macaskill, trained counselors from the Awareness House were the speakers.

The local Awareness House is the fourth one established in the U.S. The first house was started at Fort Bragg and it was so successful that they have closed and re-established their main office in Arizona. The purpose of the organization is to help former drug addicts and users to rehabilitate without use of any form or type of drugs. The local group is sponsored wholly by individual donations thus far and if able the group hopes to continue to operate without federal aid as long as possible.

Since the House has been in operation little over six months, it is difficult to assess the effectiveness of the program, the speakers said. However, it was interesting to hear that the Medical Director of the Sutter County Gen-

eral Hospital in Yuba City commented that the number of drug users seen in the Emergency Room prior to the existence of the Awareness House was running about 12 to 15 individuals during the month in acute distress and more recently has dropped to about 3 per month.

Drug users are usually teenagers and the rough estimate of youngsters having used and are on drugs in the local area probably runs between 60 to 80 percent.

Cortez JACL trophy for best troop presented

Cortez JACL Scio Mastuda, Cortez JACL president, presented the Troop of the Year trophy to the Cortez-Ballico Scout Troop 32 at the annual scouts recognition dinner held at the Turlock Memorial Hall.

The Cortez JACL trophy is awarded to the most deserving troop of the El Capitán district, Yosemite Area Council.

The trophy is awarded on a point system with consideration given to number of advancements, community service, special awards received, troop activities, number of boys and committeemen registered, etc. Participating as judges were:

Peter Yamamoto, Yenchin Sakaguchi, Yoshio Asai and Gale Zinert, district commissioner.

MRS. RUTH FUKUSHIMA, 79

Minister's wife of 50 year to be feted

Downtown L.A. JACL Mrs. Ruth Hida Fukushima, widow of the late Rev. Joseph Kumazō Fukushima, will be honored as the "Mother of the Year" when Downtown JACL chapter sponsors its ninth an-

Bank of America, Western and Washington branch. He attended Colorado State College and was graduated from USC. He served in the U.S. Army and was in Japan for two years.

Mrs. Fukushima was nominated by Mrs. Tomiko Nakazawa of the Japanese Women's Christian Federation of So. California, of which the tidist is a member.

Dinner arrangements are being supervised by Takito Yamagata, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce whose affiliated So. California Fujinkai members yearly support the program.

Married in 1911

Mrs. Fukushima was born Mar. 13, 1891 in Yonago, Tottori. She was graduated from Shimane Ken-ritsu Koto Jogakko in 1909. She lost her mother a year after her graduation.

Since it became necessary for the honoree to find work, Mrs. Fukushima soon turned to teaching at the Yonago Keijo Shogakko. She was married to the minister in 1911 at Oakland, Calif.

For 50 years, Mrs. Fukushima was active in church-related work, supporting her husband in his ministries to the Issei-Nisei communities in San Francisco, Fresno, Ogden (Utah) and Montebello.

During World War II when her family was removed to Rohwer Relocation Center in Arkansas, the couple directed church functions for the evacuees.

She and her husband taught Japanese schools in Fresno; Blue Hill (now known as La Mirada); and in East Los Angeles.

The naturalized citizen has 18 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Seven Children

Her adult daughters are Mmes. Ruth Takahashi of Whittier; Esther Oka, Ogden; and Irene Kataoka, Pico Rivera. Her sons are John and Paul, Los Angeles; David, a doctor in New York; and Samuel, Montebello.

John, the eldest son, was graduated from Pomona College in 1933 and has been with San Lorenzo Nursery the last 35 years. Presently, he is vice president and personnel manager.

Paul was graduated from Whittier College and works for San Lorenzo as an assistant manager. David, having attained his B.A. degree at Whittier, continued his study at UCLA for his M.A.

Having received his Ph.D. from the Univ. of Rochester in New York, David is associated with cancer research laboratory there.

The youngest of the four sons, Samuel, is manager of

Spring luncheon set at Castroville hotel

Monterey Peninsula JACL

The local JACL women's auxiliary will have its annual spring luncheon April 26, 1 p.m., at the newly remodeled Franco Hotel Restaurant in Castroville with gourmet chef Jim Tanaka preparing the buffet.

Tanaka owns and manages the restaurant.

A fashion show featuring items from the Carmel Knit Fabric Shop follows. Lunch tickets are \$3.50, open to members of the family and friends.



Midst his slides and microscope, the late Dr. Ikeda

DR. KANO IKEDA (1886-1960)

Issei pathologist posthumously cited at International Institute's 50th

ST. PAUL—Golden Anniversary Awards by the St. Paul International Institute were presented Mar. 2 to four foreign-born longtime Minnesotans for their contributions to community life. Among them was a posthumous citation for the late Dr. Kano Ikeda, who graduated in medicine at the Univ. of Illinois in 1914 and then came here in 1919.

The Japanese American community in the Twin Cities was proud to have the distinct honor conferred upon the late Issei pathologist who had assisted evacuees during World War II resettling here. He was also a member of the Twin Cities JACL.

Dr. Ikeda was born in Tokyo and came to the U.S. in 1904 to study medicine. He began his distinguished career as director of laboratory in 1919 at Minneapolis General Hospital, went to St. Paul Hospital in 1926 and then to Miller Hospital in 1929 where he served until his death in 1960 as either director of laboratory or pathologist. He also taught at Univ. of Minnesota Medical School and at Macalester College.

In constant demand, he lectured widely, contributed some 50 articles to professional

Ann.

Banquet guest speaker will be Dr. Gregory Wolfe, president, Portland State University. Highlight will be the presentation of awards to outstanding students. Banquet co-chairmen are Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shinske and Dr. and Mrs. Fred Nomura.

Fund-Raisers

Friends to chat with

Masaoka at testimonial

Salt Lake JACL

A pollack dinner to kickoff the local campaign for the Masaoka testimonial trust will be held April 24, 7 p.m., at the Japanese Church of Christ, it was announced by Rupert Hachiya, chairman.

A special telephone arrangement will be set up so that old friends, classmates and JACLers can converse with Mike Masaoka in Washington.

Benefit movie proceeds to be shared with Juniors

West Los Angeles JACL

Will sponsor a benefit movie, "Kohaku Uta Gassen," on Friday, May 1, 7:30 p.m., at Sawtelle Japanese Institute, 2110 Corinth Ave. Film features all of Japan's premier singers and the best music of 1969.

Proceeds will be divided with half going to the Junior JACL for their service program and the other half will be used for the Sunday afternoon Issei program at Felicia Mahood Recreation Center.

The Sunday Issei program is under the direction of George and Toy Kanegai with the help of many bilingualist chapter members. In July, City Parks & Recreation Department will provide a 38-seat bus for the Issei to visit the Laguna Art Festival.

Portland graduates banquet on May 3

High school and college graduates of Japanese American families in the Greater Portland area will be honored by the Portland JACL at the Graduation Banquet May 3, 5:30 p.m., in the West Ball room of the Sheraton Motor

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alized in Minnesota in 1953. In spite of heavy demands, he was a devout member of the Lake Harris Baptist Church, where as Sunday School superintendent he increased enrollment from 100 to 400.

He was always seen at the Festival of Nations program of the International Institute. His hobbies were photography and raising roses. He was married and the Ikedas had two children: Aiden and Ethel.

Fr. Kitagawa

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dared sound disloyal by standing up for the Japanese.

In looking back to the public hearing, Kitagawa regrets that he did not testify at the time. Although he was only on a temporary visitor's visa and not an American citizen, still he felt that he ought to have stood up at that moment to speak up for the Japanese in this country.

'I Was a Coward'

Kitagawa writes "I was a coward, for I did not dare express what I was convinced was the truth because of all sorts of secondary considerations."

As one re-reads this honest testament of a young leader of the Japanese in a highly charged atmosphere of those war days, one cannot help but compare it with the tense social-political climate of the present time which likewise challenges all Americans.

To those outside of the Japanese communities in the war days after Pearl Harbor (and even before), the Japanese seemed homogeneous, clannish, and self-sufficient. This could seem so only to outsiders. For all the complexities and ambiguities of human beings when faced with severe pressure imposed by the viciously prejudiced populace were showing in the

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Life of Blacks

Three Negro women discussed recently what it is like to be black and live in Hawaii. Mrs. Cassandra Burnett said Hawaii has fewer race problems only because it has fewer black than the Mainland. Fay Clarke, a Univ. of Hawaii graduate student, said, "I have nothing positive to say to you. I think this meeting is a big waste of time." Mrs. Kay Brundage, a teacher of French, said blacks should point out the dangers of "hidden racism." She added, "The idea of the super-nigger is what we have to get away from - being better than everyone else to get my just due." She said the "typical black process of degradation by society" turned her into a person who spoke out against racism. The women spoke to a group of YWCA volunteers.

Abortion Law

Island hospitals are averaging 12 abortions daily, according to reports from hospitals. In the three weeks since Hawaii became the state with the most liberal abortion law in the nation, 260 abortions have been performed up to April 4. A majority were performed at Hawaii's largest maternity hospital, Kapiolani Maternity Hospital.

"We have been averaging about 10 a day since March 13," said Richard Davi, Kapiolani's administrator. Hospital officials report that the youngest abortion patient was 13 and the oldest, 46. More than half were in their 20s, a third under 20 and the rest over 30. About 75 per cent were single women. About 50 per cent were Caucasians, and a third Oriental. Average cost of an abortion was \$300.

Crime File

Two gunmen held up a Pilikoi St. jewelry store after lunch April 2, tied and gagged three workers, and took about \$45,000 in jewelry and \$100 in cash. Detectives on April 3 arrested a 33-year-old McCully man near his home as a suspect in the case. A second man was sought. Toru Arai, 33, part-owner of jewelry by Sugai - a month-old shop in the Levers & Cooke building at 404 Pilikoi St. - called the police at 1:21 p.m. He told police that he, clerk Helen Okamoto, and another salesgirl were taken by surprise shortly before 1 p.m. The gunmen, who wore no masks, tied all three with ropes they brought along, taped their mouths, then emptied trays of rings from display cases.

Names in the News

Winners of the statewide essay contest on disabled veterans were honored at a Pagoda luncheon April 2. They were Rose Marie Tamura, first; Pamela Otake, second; Patricia Chai, third; and Gail Morikawa, fourth. Paul Breese, who left Hawaii in 1964 after 17 years as director of the Honolulu Zoo, deserted his avocado farm in California to return to the islands as director of the Wildlife Dept. of the State Division of Fish and Game.

The family and the estate of the late George T. Segawa have received an award of \$163,153 by a circuit court jury. Segawa was crushed to death in an elevator in the Walkiki Biltmore Hotel in 1962. The jurors granted Segawa's widow, Mrs. Amy Segawa, \$163,153; his daughter, Valerie, \$20,000; and his son, Keith, \$24,000. A total of \$1,153 was allowed for special damages.

The visit of Cesar Chavez which had been scheduled the weekend of May 1 has been postponed indefinitely because of the breakthrough in talks with California grape growers. Chavez had been invited to Hawaii for talks in Honolulu and Hilo under the sponsorship of the Hawaii Table Grape Boycott Committee and Univ. of Hawaii's Symposia and Forum Committees.

Democratic State Rep. Howard Miyake, majority leader, was presented recently with the Eva H. Smyth Award for meritorious service on behalf of the blind. The award was presented by the Hawaii Federation of the Blind at its third annual convention at the Princess Kaiulani Hotel.

Joyce N. Kaneda of Kailua High School is Hawaii's 1970 Betty Crocker Home Baker of Tomorrow. Selected from 2,276 senior girls in Hawaii, she will receive a \$1,500 college scholarship from General Mills, sponsor of the annual education program. Miss Kaneda is the daughter of the Isamu Kanedas of 1440 Hummala St., Kailua.

Norman Okamura, 16, Damien High School student, has been named Junior Achiever for 1970. As award winner, Norman has won a free trip to San Jose, Calif., where he will compete in regional finals. The local contest is sponsored by the Sales and Marketing Executives of Honolulu.

Political Scene
Toshi Anai, 62, Maui Republican senator, is recovering from massive heart and arterial surgery. But he said he expects to be on hand for the conclusion of the 1970 legislative session late in April. Anai has never lost an election since his first campaign in 1932.

Mitsuo Watanabe, office administrator at Molokai Electric Co., has been named chairman of the Hebeon Porteus Governor campaign on Molokai. Senate Republican leader Porteus is seeking the GOP nomination for governor. Watanabe's appointment was announced by Dr. Franklin Kometani, state chairman of the Friends of Porteus Committee.

Sports Scene
Tatsuhiko Hikiji of the Hawaii Wrestling Club won in the 114½ pound division and was awarded the outstanding wrestler honor April 4. The AAU State Freestyle Wrestling Championships at Kluem Gym on the Univ. of Hawaii campus.

Business Ticker
State Sen. Sakae Takahashi has been elected chairman of the Central Pacific Bank by its directors. He has succeeded Koichi Lida, who retired after 16 years at the head of the board.

Raymond T. Tengan, principal of Central Intermediate School, has been installed as president of the Hawaii Education Assn. for 1970-71. Installed as v.p. is Mrs. Yuriko Takaka, 4th grade teacher at Wilcox School in Lihue, Kauai.

Hawaiian Airlines expected operating revenues of \$22.5 million in 1969, as compared with \$19.6 million in 1968, an increase of 14.9 per cent, according to the company's annual report issued recently. Operating expenses, however, followed the revenue trend - 1969 expenses totaled \$22.6 million, 1968's expenses were \$21.1 per cent lower at \$18.2 million - providing the airline with an operating income of minus \$57,000, as compared with the year before, and a net loss of nearly \$1.5 million. In 1968 net income was in the black to the tune of \$253,000.

Pan American World Airways began regular Mainland-Hawaii service of its Boeing 747 jumbo jets, bringing in the largest load of passengers ever to arrive in Hawaii in a single plane - 261 persons.

Police Force
George A.K. Martin, Big Island chief of police since Dec., has announced his retirement effective April 30. His wife's poor health is believed to be his major reason for giving up the office.

Tourist Attraction
For the first time in many years, railroad track was laid in Hawaii as the Lahaina-Ka'anapali & Pacific Railroad prepared to start operating on Maui. Locomotives and coaches of an 1880 design are on order from the Mainland.

Buddha Day

More than 2,000 persons nearly filled the Honolulu International Center concert hall April 5 to commemorate the birth of their spiritual founder, Gautama Buddha. Buddha Day, recognized officially by the state legislature in 1963, is among the highest of holidays for more than 150,000 island Buddhists.

School Front

Mauna Oia College, Upper Palu, Maui, is expecting a record enrollment this fall. Recently the school's admissions office received 217 applications - more than double the number received by the end of March 1969. The school received only 64 applications by the same date in 1968. Dr. Cummins E. Speckman, Jr., president of the college, said the Sept. enrollment will easily top last fall's enrollment of 302 students and will probably break the college's Sept. 1965, record enrollment of 229 students.

Appointments

The state senate has confirmed 36 of Gov. John A. Burns' appointments, only one of which stirred up any measure of dissent. It came on the appointment of David E. Thompson, Jr., an ILWU official by Burns to the Advisory Commission on Manpower and Full Employment. Four Republican senators opposed the appointment, including Hebeon Porteus, Eureka Forbes, D.G. Anderson and Frederick W. Schilling. Among those receiving Senate confirmation was James H. Bush, new director of the State Dept. of Personnel Services, a cabinet post.

Congressional Score

Rep. Spark Matsunaga has urged the Federal Labor Relations Council to give equal treatment to labor representatives and management representatives in collective bargaining. He urged that objectionable portions of Executive Order 11461 be clarified before it is fully implemented. Matsunaga said the provision is unfair and discriminatory since management representatives are permitted to use official time to negotiate agreements while those on labor's side are not.

Rep. Abner J. Mikva (D-III.) has praised Rep. Patsy T. Mink as one who has sought with consistency to change the U.S. position on Vietnam. "In spite of mounting frustration about prolonged American involvement," Mikva said in remarks inserted into the Congressional Record, "she continues to call for a cease-fire and rapid withdrawal of troops." Mikva called Mrs. Mink "one of the long-time advocates of peace in Vietnam" and added, "for this I commend her."

Vietnam Consulate

The U.S. government will permit South Vietnam to open a consulate in Honolulu. The State Dept. has granted a request made by the South Vietnamese government on Jan. 14, which said that many South Vietnamese travelers pass through Hawaii en route to the Mainland.

Deaths

Mrs. Hina Fujikawa Kawamoto, 74, of 819 E. Kela Ave., who was critically injured when she was hit by a peddler's truck Mar. 13, died Mar. 22 at the Queen's Medical Center.

Kikimatsu Urakami, 63, of 6163 Summers St., died Mar. 31 in waters off Sand Island. He was an apparent drowning victim. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Harue Ono and Mrs. Sakae Masumoto.

Traffic Fatality

Three persons were killed in separate traffic accidents Mar. 15 that also injured three others, one critically. A fourth crash injured 15 persons, one critically. Cadysa Marie Jaber, 27, of 7231 Nuholo St., Takako Y. Ogata, 36, of 1313 Hoowail St., Pearl City, and James K. Ontai, 47, of 45-265 William Rd., Kaneohe. The deaths put Oahu's traffic fatality toll this year at 18, one more than at this date last year.

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High School Pitcher

Tokyo

Japanese pro baseball has a number of promising rookies this year but none come closer to the Kintetsu Buffaloes' Koji Ota—at least in popularity.

Few pro prospects have ever been played up as much as the half-Caucasian boy from Misawa High School, in northern Honshu.

Ota, as every baseball addict in Japan knows, pitched his team into the final of the annual national high school baseball championship last summer against Matsuyama Commercial High. Thirty teams participated in the tournament at Koshien Stadium, survivors of eliminations involving more than 2,500 schoolboy nines.

Misawa and Matsuyama Commercial battled for 18 innings to a scoreless tie in the finale. In the replay the next day, pitcher Ota and his Misawa teammates lost 4-2. While Matsuyama pitcher Akira Inoue was the winner in the grueling two-day fight for the title, he was forgotten. It was Ota, the handsome Misawa righthander, who caught the fancy of the nation.

Never has a losing pitcher in the high school final been the object of such adulation throughout the country.

¥10 Million Bonus
Ota, who has a Russian mother and Japanese father (but is said to be an adopted son), reportedly received the limit of ¥10 million or slightly less than \$28,000 for signing with the Buffaloes, the league team that drafted him, and another ¥10 million as a bonus.

The price was dirt cheap. The Kintetsu club soon got about half of the amount back via television commercial contracts. With Ota a household word, more than 10 companies were reported to have sought the young pitcher for TV ads. Out of the number, two were tapped, one of them an electrical goods company that paid ¥10 million and the other a pharmaceutical outfit that shelled out ¥5 million.

Half of the total of ¥15 million or some \$40,000 for ads reportedly went to Ota and the other half to the Kintetsu club. Needless to say, while the Yomiuri Giants' Golden Boy Shigeo Nagashima, top paid player in Japanese baseball, receives ¥30 million for TV commercials, no rookie has ever been paid as much as Ota.

'Second Starlin'
Keiji Suzuki, a 24-game winner last season, and long-ball hitter Masahiro Doi are two big stars of the Kintetsu club, which almost won the Pacific League pennant last year.

However, with Ota now a Buffalo, he has been gaining most of the attention on the team. Ota has been dubbed a "second Starlin" and to live up to that billing is a tall order. Victor Starlin was a towering White Russian, a Hall of Famer who was the first pitcher in Japanese baseball to win 300 games.

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PLANNING IS FOR THE YOUNG

We thought our stint as staff with the Planning Commission was over when we worked on Executive Reorganization two years ago. Alan Kumamoto was assigned the responsibility, but with his recent departure from staff, that role was handed back this way. In a week or so the JACL chapters in California will receive an edited transcript of the recent all-day session of the Planning Commission chairmen of the three districts in the state, together with abstracts and recommendations. Some of the material will be published also in the PC in the coming weeks. It was with that in mind that the abstracts were prepared.

In playing back the tapes to prepare the transcripts, it's amazing how many "y'knows" shower a free-wheeling conversation. And the Nisei syntax vocally can rival Casey Stengel's. As the meeting wore on, we detected more and more people engaging in extraneous conversation—so that it became difficult to follow the main speaker. Perhaps the topic was not as compelling at the time or maybe it was our stomachs grumbling for we all getting hungry by 6 p.m.

Briefly, we delved into 10 areas:

1—What are the social service needs in the community? As the opening question, it consumed a major portion of the discussion time.

2—What can youth do with relation to community services? This turned out to be a review of Jr. JACL problems and young adults in JACL.

3—What else can be suggested in the area of civil rights and human rights? It was the most provocative issue since we were talking about a separate legislative arm as well as changing the name of the organization.

4—What are the public or political issues that chapters feel important? Here, the variety of thinking indicates how composite a JACL chapter can be and how difficult it is to attain or rely upon a consensus.

5—What should JACL do in the area of education? Because of the thrust in ethnic studies today, JACL should bolster its staff and resources to push in this area. The JACL ties with UCLA also came under scrutiny.

6—What are some of the feelings with regard to business and employment opportunities? Here, the JACL name can reduce red tape if it wants to help. And the JACL name can be brightened if we help recent immigrants from Japan.

7—How can JACL increase membership participation? Simple switch of conducting clinics at the chapter rather than district level seems most feasible.

8—How can we increase membership? Limiting the size of chapters was one possibility, among others.

9—How and when should the Endowment Fund be used? Time was getting short, so we're leaving that to an ad hoc committee to study and present recommendations for the 1972 convention. One suggestion, however, called for expansion of staff and developing a full-time Washington Office so as to prevent the kind of "emergency" that it is required to make use of the Endowment Fund.

10—What about other concepts? These were only mentioned in passing: Ethnic studies, student aid, make-up of JACL.

Presence of the young JACL staff members, some of the new blood in JACL ranks as well as some long-time members who provided valuable background information lent a balance to the discussion any good Planning Commission might welcome. But when I left the group as staff two years ago, it was my hope that the planning commission — from the chairman and staff on down, the district members as well, would all be 35 and under. As I tell my daughters, I'm four years beyond that mark.

Some long-term forays into the 1970s were made in the areas of what JACL should be in terms of its make-up, education and program. The short-range proposals were, like President Jerry Enomoto said during the meeting, really in the province of existing committees to pursue.

Of all the national standing committees in the JACL structure, planning ranks with the National Board when it comes to scope. Planning is a far-reaching, open-ended affair. The late Abe Hagiwara who staffed the first planning commission in the 1950s said money shouldn't be a factor when thinking ahead. And indeed, money was hardly mentioned at the meeting several Saturdays ago. Other committees in the organization are better able to tackle these intricate and necessary details.

In the weeks to come, as some of the transcripts are published, we hope the flavor of the sessions will permeate to the chapter level, inspire some to concur or dissent in print, and help crystallize some of the hopes expressed by the planning commission.

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Fourth Japanese auto manufacturer to launch sales

By JOE HAMANAKA

We have a word that in the very near future, a fourth Japanese auto manufacturer will launch sales drives in the United States—this one is the first with rotary cylinder engines, called Mazda.

It seems that Toyo Kogyo reasoned that Seattle would be the closest port, via the Great Circle Route from Hiroshima to the U.S.A.

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3 in Japan after Toyota and Nissan, and producer of something like 11.5% of the total. But far from Toyota's 26.9% and Nissan Motor's 23.3%.

Located in Hiroshima, Toyo Kogyo in 1967 succeeded first in putting a sports car on the market rotary cylinder engines. These engines, they say, could develop greater power and a smoother rotating cycle than the reciprocating engine.

Toyo Kogyo has a capacity for producing 50,000 cars per month, and it introduced a rotary coupe last year which has two rotary engines. The firm employs around 27,000 persons and is engaged in the manufacture of rock drills, machine tools, gauge blocks, liquid resins, and of course, cars.

The Mazda car is already being sold in British Columbia, Canada, And Vancouver is the national sales headquarters, Seattle for the U.S.

Earlier, like last year, Fuji Heavy Industries' "Subaru Star" began moving into the American market. The Pacific Northwest picture for the first 11 months in 1969 showed sales of 7,394 Volkswagens, 3,021 Datsuns, 2,887 Toyotas, 1,119 Opels, 1,102 Volvos, and way down at 243 registered owners is Subaru.

Imagine! One million imports are sold in the U.S. and Japan, for example, has 12 auto makers. However, the trend in Japan is for mergers and consolidation into coalitions or groups. Japan's auto industry will see some drastic changes, what with Chrysler breaking the bar on foreign capital investments and joining forces with Mitsubishi.

Meanwhile, the American makers, seeing the advance of the imports, will begin moving into the subcompact. Studying the reasons why the foreign cars are selling so well. Reasons like: size, economy, reliability and fun of driving—as American Motor's survey showed.

First out is AM's "Gremlin" out this spring, then Ford's "Pony" or "Colt." General Motors has one called "GMini" and Chrysler's prototype goes by No. 25. The market is changing. Consumer preference has switched to smaller cars.

Here, as in Japan, the next few years will see one helluva sales fight in the auto industry.

Japan produces about 3.5 million units, and after Toyota, Nissan and Toyo Kogyo are: Mitsubishi (Minica, Colt) 9.0% share of the total, Honda Motors 8.5%, Daihatsu Kogyo (Fellow) 6.6%, Suzuki Motors (Fronte) 4.7%, Fuji Heavy Industries (Subaru) 4.5%, Isuzu Motors (Bellett, Florian) 3.8%, Hino Motors (Contessa) 0.8%.

The sales potentials of cars (one of the Three C's of luxury) in Japan is tremendous, considering that only 17.3% of the 27 million households own a car.

Rotary cylinder engines are coming from Japan in the Mazda. What next?

We think the next "new" thing from Japan might be the electric cars, used in Japan during World War II and immediately following by necessity. No crude oil. So Japan has the past experiences.

Prototype models have been shown at the big Tokyo Motor Shows. And this year, a battery firm, Yuasa Battery will begin marketing the first economical and acceptable electric car. A battery manufacturer now joins the auto industry.

Yuasa's "Gascon" Electric goes 30-40 miles per hour, and can travel 80 miles before a battery recharge. Recharging with electricity is reported to be half the cost of gasoline.

They'll have to work on the speed, because Americans do not drive 30-40 mph on freeways. Stay off the freeways and Yuasa's "Gascon" might just fill a need in the U.S.

WORLD TRIP FUND FOR MASAOAKA INVITED

LOS ANGELES — In paying tribute to Mike Masaoka for his 30 years of service as Washington JACL representative, a special campaign has started here to present a round-the-world trip for the family, it was announced by Takito Yamagata and Katsuma Mukaeda, co-chairmen of the project.

As of April 15, a total of \$1,135 was acknowledged. The funds are being received by the Bank of Tokyo of California, 120 S. Pedro St., Los Angeles 90012.

Yamagata explained the Masaoka Testimonial Fund is a separate project.



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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Conspiracy 7 Trial

Editor:

With all due respects to the legal analysis of the Conspiracy 7 Trial by Harold Gordon (PC, March 20) I feel that he has failed to grasp the real significance of the trial. His are words written by a good and just man, as Mr. Gordon most certainly is, entoning the dilemma of many like himself who are bewildered by what they see happening today. In times of comparative peace and tranquility those words would be both wise and truthful. But unfortunately the times are not peaceful. America is in a turmoil and will meaning pronouncements have the ring of insincerity and misrepresentation.

The trial was much more than a legal proceeding. It was an attempt by those who have political power to put away people who do not have political power, people who think differently than those who do have power. The entrenched "haves" envision the upsetting of the status quo by the "have nots" and are paying lip service to "justice" by going through the courts. In reality the "haves"—the establishment—are using the courts as a vehicle to dispose of the "little people voice" that they see as a political threat.

In a democracy ("rule by the people") all people are supposed to be given a chance to be heard. The Chicago Democratic Convention riots were what resulted when some of the people were not allowed to speak. The government which is supposed to protect the right of the people to speak instead suppressed that right, and then went on to unleash the police on the people who attempted to speak anyway. And then, adding insult to injury, the government brought legal suit against the people who tried to exercise their constitutional rights of assembly and free speech.

Students like these present the "silent majority" with a dilemma, a dilemma which non-political groups like the JACL are beginning to feel. Professor Grant Gilmore of the Univ. of Chicago Law School has perhaps captured this dilemma of the law and a changing society most eloquently in a recent speech at an Alumni Day Dinner, he stated:

"When a society, which has for a time enjoyed success as a society, breaks down in a fatal polarization, one of the first casualties is the system of law. As the Romans, who had much experience with this process, put it: In times of conflict the laws are silent."

Indeed law, a system of law, the rule of law are ideas which are unworkable during periods of relative peace and harmony and tranquility. During such periods the law and its institutions, which are almost universal respect which is unforced, instinctive and freely given.

As the society approaches breakdown goes its unhappy way those who come into control of the political machine will be tempted to use the courts of law for their own political purposes. Political trials will be instituted against those who are looked on as enemies of the state.

The essential point about a political trial, I assure you, is not whether it is properly or improperly conducted, from a procedural point of view. The essential point is about a political trial is that it is being held at all.

A social order which tolerates political trials will not for long have a legal order to keep itself warm with. The elaboration of a mature system of law requires the patient labors of hundreds of years. It can be torn down overnight.

I will close by extracting yet another paragraph from this speech by Prof. Gilmore in which he paraphrases a statement made by Mr. Kunstler, the Conspiracy 7 lawyer, at a hearing at Dartmouth College where he was defending two young professors about to be discharged for participating in a sit-in:

"The night, he said, does not fall all at once. It is not true that we are free men now and slaves the next instant. Between freedom and slavery there is a twilight period, which may be protracted, during which, arguably, nothing has really changed—during which, reasonably, we feel things are much as they have always been—during which, it may be, we are being fitted for the chains which one day we will proudly bear. It is during such twilight periods that men of letters, like you, are called upon to stand up, when it is more comfortable and perhaps safer to go on sitting down, is merely something we owe to the image we would like to have of ourselves."

The defendants and lawyers of the Conspiracy Trial confronted our legal system, but more than that they brought into focus the confrontation that is going on in our society today, bringing all of us into that trial. Some, like Mr. Kunstler, have already brought in their verdict, finding our society guilty. But the final verdict will rest with us for the real trial is not yet over and if things proceed as they have been, even more difficult days are ahead of us.

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Little Tokyo Movement

Editor:

The American Society has along with the fruits of technical progress incurred the crippling effects of social problems. The Japanese American community is not a super-race and the contagion has become alarmingly apparent amongst our own.

Are we the Japanese people, too blind to realize that the problems of the American society are also ours?

Some programs have been initiated by aware and concerned people. The Oriental Service Center, JACS, Yellow Brotherhood, Come Together Family of Gardens, COO, Asian American Hard Core, and others have begun to cope with the ever increasing spread of social ills within the Asian communities. These organizations are poorly funded and lack personnel.

Yet, despite these obstacles, an awareness of the present situations and a genuine love for their people has given these poorly equipped organizations the incentives to carry on. But as these people have come to realize, it's like trying to stem a flood with a thumb. As a community worker, I would like views on these questions:

1—Are Asians (Japanese) social problems being met? If not, why not?

2—Do Asians (Japanese) take care of their own people? Truly?

3—Have Social agencies really looked into our problems, including drugs, unemployment, immigration, social security, legal aid, housing, transportation, programs for half-Asians?

4—Should we join with other minorities such as Blacks, Chicanos, and Indians in order to gain solutions to our problems?

5—As Asian American taxpayers of this country which is so affluent and so advanced in technology, why can't we solve the problems of human needs?

I ask the Japanese American Community to weigh these questions and each individual to voice his opinion in a letter to this office.

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'The Quiet American'

Editor:

I asked our local Bookmobile employee for Hosokawa's "Nisei the Quiet Americans" and instead he gave me the book, "The Quiet American," which story takes place in Asia.

MIYE TOYOSHIMA White River Valley JACL

Manzanar speech

Editor:

We would like very much to see a copy of the entire speech made by Jim H. Matsuoaka at Manzanar, so that we may better judge the reasons for his all-inclusive statement, which, in itself, heaped glory on his particular segment of the Sansei generation for its role in present social movements, and demeaned the Nisei generation for its role in the evacuation period.

We do not find Mr. Matsuoaka hilarious (PC, Apr. 10). Reason rather than ridicule is needed to resolve matters which may have serious consequences on the future welfare of all Japanese Americans.

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cepanence of that fact. We will speak blithely of Vietnamization of the war—a military victory for the Saigon government.

As long as we pace our withdrawal to the take-over of our share of the fighting by the forces of the Saigon government, the level of military activity of the Viet Cong and North Vietnamese forces, we will be unable to end our involvement in Vietnam. We can be forced to retain our military presence. We will not be the masters of our own destiny nor of our destiny in Southeast Asia.

The one essential step which we must take to bring this war to an end is to admit to ourselves—and to the world—that we made a tragic mistake. We must acknowledge that the Vietnam war has been a failure.

THIS IS A DIFFICULT admission to make—especially when we remind ourselves of the enormity of this war's cost. Few want to admit error in judgment—and even fewer, when it involves a cost of nearly 50,000 American lives.

It is difficult to face up to the charge that these men's lives may have been wasted and that we continually struggle to come up with a justification for continuing this war. We walk a tight rope of uncertainty.

We say we will withdraw our American troops—but there is no timetable. The grand justification for our continuing presence—the Vietnamization of the war—means merely we will substitute for the maximum extent possible, Americans killing and being killed by Asians, with Asians killing Asians.

The last of the Vietnamization demands the military success of the government in Saigon and the defeat of the Communist forces. To achieve this success will require the continued presence and involvement of American troops in unknown numbers.

THERE WAS A TIME when nearly all Americans supported the Vietnam war. On the important Tonkin Gulf Resolution only one dissenting vote was cast. Our most vocal voices of more recent years were not in that number. I must say, as U.S. Senator Daniel K. Inouye.

Looking back, I was convinced that there was legal and technical justification for our involvement in Vietnam. There were our treaty obligations under SEATO and the reports of inhuman killing and slaughter of South Vietnamese civilians by the Viet Cong. There were the reports of some 8,000 political assassinations by the end of 1964.

A lawyer, I believe I could make a strong case. Agreements had been broken. People seeking freedom from Communist tyranny were requesting help. Women and children were being killed.

Yes, one can agree that there was justification—but events have clearly shown that we were wrong at the same time an error of judgment which has involved four American presidents as well as the lives of almost 50,000 Americans.

The justification for our involvement in Vietnam, assuming our ability to win the war and, thereby, gain the peace, and rebuild a stable, free nation at peace with itself, and the world.

NOT ONLY HAVE we been unable to "win the war," but we now find our actions almost indefensible from those of the enemy. We developed Operation Phoenix—employing mercenaries to torture, assassinate and murder. We have used chemical agents, defoliation and tear gas. We have employed fear, not as a non-lethal weapon to avoid the killing of non-combatants, but as a weapon to keep them down.

We entered Vietnam as friends. We embraced the people of South Vietnam as brothers and sisters. An untold number of Americans made the welfare and well-being of the Vietnamese people their personal cause. We tried to heal the bodies of the sick and the injured. We tried to educate the children and help the farmers increase the food supply. In so many ways our cause was certainly humanitarian and moral.

BUT AS WE increased our presence in Vietnam, we became increasingly an American war, we found a change taking place. The Vietnamese, whether friendly, neutral, or unfriendly, became "gooks." Our soldiers viewed them increasingly with contempt and suspicion.

Some came to consider them all as enemies in their inability to distinguish between those who were the kind of guerrilla war we were fighting. "The only good 'gook' is a dead one."

We have American soldiers and officers charged with the murder of women and children. And we have American generals charged with trying to keep these tragic incidents from becoming more widely known and the perpetrators from being punished.

WE ESTABLISHED a price list for the accidental killing of Vietnamese in non-combat accidents. The price of a life was \$10,000. The relatives of accidental victims were given \$10,000. A year-old child, \$20,000 for a 10-year-old. If the son or daughter of a soldier was killed, the surviving wife of a wage earner was given \$10,000. In 1969 we paid out a total of \$1,231,920.16 in claims to the South Vietnamese. Is this our war reparation?

I was deeply saddened by what I read in the news. But I was not surprised. When men are trained to hate and to kill with proficiency, and when they reach the point where they are told that they have come to help are called "gooks," and when we place (personal) price tags on human beings, we should expect Mr. Lais to occur.

WHEN WAR REACHES such a stage it is time we called a halt. There can no longer be any justification for the war's continuation. Nor can any legal argument be considered a sufficient reason for continuing the fighting and killing.

Almost all our leaders have admitted that we have no military solution to this conflict. It must be resolved politically.

Such a political solution will require that we swallow some pride—that we even lose some face. Difficult as that may be for the United States, it will be essential and we must face up to the unpleasant task.

We can go on closing our unfortunate chapter in our history. We can ring down the curtain on the Vietnam war, and do so a little stronger for the lessons we have learned.

IF WE TRULY learn our lesson from this tragic experience and apply it as a guide for future action, we can say our nation's sons have not died in vain. Their sons and younger brothers, and their sons, may be saved because of their suffering and sacrifice.

To learn our lesson, we must look at the origins of our Vietnam involvement. How did this come about?

We went out of period in our history when out of our fear of communism and fear of being called "soft on communism," we went

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to the aid of every self-proclaimed anti-Communist on the face of the globe. It grew out of the McCarthy era. It was part of the fallout from charges of a China sellout, and the public condemnation of a great American patriot, General George Marshall.

Vietnam grew out of an oppressive atmosphere which produced a Title II as part of our Internal Security Act authorizing the establishment of a network of espionage camps. It grew out of times which approved the destruction of an Oppenheimer for his views and friendships.

Vietnam grew out of a post-World War II period in which we held unchallenged military supremacy in the air, at sea, and in nuclear power. It grew out of the mistaken belief that such power provided an adequate response to "wars of liberation."

Vietnam grew out of an almost religious fervor to fight smooth communism wherever and whenever we sensed its presence.

Vietnam grew out of an American public opinion which encouraged our intervention at any time and place whenever a leader of foreign government found himself in self-interest in his seat of power and could "con" us into the belief that the only alternative to coming to his rescue was a Communist takeover and, therefore, a threat to our national security.

Having described the conditions which led to Vietnam, what then are the lessons? I believe there are several.

VIETNAM SHOULD teach us to be very cautious in making commitments lest we be "conned" into offering our men and our treasury to someone who is proudly proclaiming "send me help and I will fight the Communists for you."

Some of these now live in fancy European villas and have Swiss bank accounts. We must be very selective when and where we involve our nation. Every currently non-Communist part of the world is not necessarily vital to our security.

Vietnam should teach us that we must, whenever we have the opportunity, decide in favor of peace. We should not be so quick to jump into a war.

Vietnam should teach us that though we may have superior weapons and military hardware, we must not permit our circumstances may prevent their use. Our possession of this vast arsenal must not become our engagements in circumstances where it is of no value. Therefore, weak countries may be able to nip with relative immunity at the heels of the mighty.

VIETNAM SHOULD teach us that it is very easy to get embroiled in a very limited scale conflict where the pay-off may look good, but which have a capacity to spread, dragging us in ever deeper, until the effort to salvage our investment.

Vietnam should teach us a greater realism of our limited ability to influence the social, political, economic, and political order of a nation or a people, as well as the possibly disastrous effects of such misdirected efforts on ourselves as a people, and as a nation.

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