

Ray Uno wins presidency

Wins Over Two Others
in Unprecedented
Three-Way Election

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)
CHICAGO — The Japanese American Citizens League continues its young look with Raymond S. Uno, Salt Lake City attorney, winning the presidency over two others: Dr. Tom Taketa of San Jose and Henry Kanegae of Orange County.

It was JACL's first three-way race for the presidency. It was also JACL's first election under the executive reorganization, which calls for a president-elect and vice-presidents under specific functions.

Henry Tanaka of Cleveland defeated Tom Shimazaki for the No. 2 position, president-elect.

Though election tallies were not divulged, it was learned that Mike Suzuki of Sacramento won by the narrowest margin over Don Hayashi of Portland for vice-president (general operations). Kaz Horita of Philadelphia continues to serve on the executive board as vice-president (public affairs), winning over Raymond Okamura of Berkeley.

The remaining offices on the slate went unchallenged as James Murakami of Sonoma County was elected vice-president (research and service), Alfred Hatake of Downtown L.A. as treasurer after Edison Uno of San Francisco asked his candidacy not be considered, and Tad Hirota of Berkeley as national 1000 Club chairman.

A bid by the Chicago Chapter to have the casting of votes by roll call with delegates openly announcing their choice was rejected but the single ballot method of voting was exercised.

Uno, who will be 40 next Dec. 5, was reared in Ogden though born in Southern California. He graduated from schools in Utah and from the Univ. of Utah where he was conferred professional degrees in both social work and law. At one time he was assistant attorney general, Utah's first Nisei to seek a state senatorial seat and is now in private practice.

A Salt Lake JACler during the past decade, he served the chapter as president and assisted in the Jr. JACL program as youth commissioner. This past year, he was JACL civil rights coordinator—a position which provided him national exposure.

In his inaugural speech last Saturday at the Palmer House, Uno called for continuance of outgoing president Jerry Enomoto's momentum for JACL—to become aware of the sensitivities of other people and work for the betterment of all people.

With the Jr. JACL convention suddenly called off late Thursday night because of the tragic death of Evelyn Okubo, the youth members of the



Raymond Uno

National JACL Board were not called to be installed. The National Council earlier in the

day approved a constitutional amendment to include district youth chairmen to sit on the National Board with full voting privileges.

The seven district youth council chairmen are Kathy Kadowaki of Cleveland (DYC); Carolyn Uchiyama of San Jose (NC-WNDYC); Tim Kurumaji of Reedley, (CCDYC); Alan Okazaki of Philadelphia (EDYC); Stan Kiyokawa of Portland (FNWDYC); Ron Aramaki of Salt Lake City (IDYC); Ron Masumoto of Los Angeles (PSW-DYC).

More convention news
to appear next week

While it was the intent to cover the proceedings of the JACL Convention this week, the tragedy which struck midweek is being recalled in greater detail because of its importance.

CHICAGO, CHICAGO Board Actions

CHICAGO—Presence of seven youth district chairmen on the National JACL Board as voting members was recommended by the National Board to the National Council assembled here this week (July 14-19) for the 21st biennial National Convention at the Palmer House.

The district youth chairmen would replace the single person now a member of the National Board. The district youth chairmen represent some 2,200 members in 50 youth chapters.

Victor Shibata, Jr. JACL administrator, in support of the resolution pointed out that the convention theme, "Understanding: The Basis for the Changing JACL," can be manifested in having youth have a say in the JACL youth program, now devised by the adult, by the presence of district youth chairmen on the board.

Shibata said the resolution would enhance the prospects of Jr. JACL leaders to move into JACL proper.

Ron Wakabayashi, field director for youth services, added that youth is willing to raise its share of the budget, if youth can have the privilege of developing its own program.

Speaking for the youth chairman, Ron Aramaki of Intermountain explained that Jr. JACL is similarly a national organization and is able to formulate national ideas based upon the regional representation of thought. By their presence on the National JACL Board, it would bolster JACL interest in youth as well as help break the youth out of the junior mold. The youth need to talk directly with adults, as well, not with a single liaison-type member, he added.

Mike Suzuki, national youth commissioner, explained his youth commission, comprised of district youth advisers, would forego its annual meetings to help fund the travel expense of youth to the national board.

One district governor, in support of the resolution, felt the youth had a greater priority than JACL's civil rights program.

The youth resolution noted:
1-The Jr. JACL needs direct dialogue with members of the JACL board without using the crutch of a youth commissioner. The youth will never grow out of the syndrome that their ideas need to be translated—unless they are the youth—shed their sensitivities centered around ineptness.
2-We also need to break away from the tradition of acting as complacent, fun-loving youngsters. We can exhibit proof of maturity only upon receiving responsibility.
3-Traditionally, the leadership of the Jr. program has been in

the hands of the more experienced, older juniors. The NDYCC in particular is comprised of some we feel to be concerned juniors who also have had extensive experience in junior program.

In terms of long range goals for the adult JACL, the only way that the juniors can move up in the JACL structure is through the decision-making machinery. If the future goals of JACL are to be realized by those who succeed the youth, many of whom will not continue in the JACL program because they are not wanted by the adults.

Therefore, we, the NDYCC, urge all the delegates to support the recommendation to give equal representation to the Junior JACL program on the National Board.

Recognition

The National JACL Board assumed the prerogatives of naming the Nisei of the Biennium after carefully weighing the pros and cons. It will ask the recognitions committee to recommend the top winner and two runners-up.

The board was against instituting the change for this immediate biennium, but in view of the controversy noted in recent months, the Executive Committee which met prior to the board meeting recommended changes in the format effective this coming biennium, according to National President Jerry Enomoto.

The executive committee proposed the National Board review the selections with the choice to be made during the Convention, though it was feared that board members may spend more time than anticipated in coming to a conclusion.

Those for the change pointed out since the Nisei of the Biennium award is National JACL's most coveted presentation, the district governors who represent the main regions of Japanese Americans across the U.S. (except Hawaii) should participate in the selection.

One past national president who chaired a recognitions committee said his group met for 10 hours before making its final choices. National Board members can be expected to spend a half-day, at least, to make its decisions after reviewing the nominations and supportive data.

Separate Arm

Formation of a separate arm of JACL to engage in political and social action will come under scrutiny in the coming year and, if feasible, the National JACL Board at its 1971 interim meeting will be authorized at that time.

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Dr. Roy Nishikawa named JACler of Biennium; 1st Inagaki Prizes awarded



Dr. Roy Nishikawa

CHICAGO—Dr. Roy Nishikawa of Wilshire JACL, one-time national JACL president, was acclaimed 1969-70 JACler of the Biennium during the Friday luncheon for providing faith in the future of JACL and trust that its successful past will be mirrored in new forms to meet the challenges to come.

As PSW Office Advisory Committee chairman, his influence in allocating improved working quarters and additional personnel resulted in local JACL programs becoming more effective with the JACL Office gaining the repu-

tation as the place to go. As a member of the Ethnic Concerns Committee, he initiated the Blue Dignity Card, symbolizing the ground work to have the Japanese business and community aware of brotherhood. As chairman of the JACL Student Aid program, a PSW pilot project, he demonstrated his rare quality of heartfelt sympathy and willingness to extend a helping hand to the scholastic under-achiever.

The first Inagaki Citizenship Award winners were announced by Dr. Tom Taketa, chairman of the National Program and Activities Committee. Contra Costa JACL won the first prize of \$500 and the No. Calif.-Western Nevada District Council won a \$100 prize for having a winner in its district. The two runners-up were Seattle and West Los Angeles, each receiving a \$100 award. Funds are derived from a fund administered by the Venice-Culver JACL.

Karen Suzuki was toastmistress and Carol Nakagawa was events chairman. Jerry Enomoto, national president, in his review of his four years of service declared JACL wants to change, wants to understand. He was also led to comment on the stress and strain facing the Convention in view of the tragic slaying of a Stockton Jr. JACler the previous evening. He said progress can be gained in difficult times.

PAUL TERASAKI ACCORDED NISEI OF BIENNium

Top Two Other
Nominees: Kashiwa and
Dr. S. I. Hayakawa

CHICAGO—Dr. Paul I. Terasaki, 40, of Los Angeles was accorded the coveted National JACL "Nisei of the Biennium" gold medal for his achievements as an immunologist and professor of surgery.

Before the first historic surgical transplant of a human heart was able to be performed, a South African pathologist spent four months with the Nisei kidney-beat transplant authority to learn his tissue-typing technique.

"His positive approach to the fight against death, his contributions to the plight of his fellow men everywhere are hallmarks that stamp (him) as a most distinguished nominee in the 20 years of JACL's Nisei of the Biennium Award," the citation pointed out.

Terasaki humbly accepted the medal and scroll and said the award was an award for the future. "What we will do in the future counts," he said. "The Nisei have not retired as his greatest achievement is yet to come in the coming decade."

Other finalists, Dr. S. I. Hayakawa of San Francisco State College and Shiro Kashiwa, assistant attorney general, were present to accept the silver medallions.

Kashiwa regarded the honor as a recognition to the thousands of Nisei employed in public service. Hayakawa was delighted and happy to see JACL is continuing its program to help others, especially in the areas of poverty and racism.

A special citation for Edwin O. Reischauer, former U.S. ambassador to Japan, for outstanding contribution to U.S.-Japan relations, with a \$1,000 prize from the Masaoka Testimonial Fund was announced with formal presentation scheduled later.

Main objectives of the Testimonial Fund, now in excess of \$50,000, are to encourage members of Congress to work to improve the quality of life of all citizens and to promote among all Americans better understanding and relations between the United States and Japan, it was explained by Mike Masaoka.

The intermission entertainment and Sayonara Ball were cancelled in deference to the tragedy which struck the Convention. Mas Funai was toastmaster; Henry Terada chaired the dinner, assisted by Mrs. Tomie Kodama, program; Min Mayeda, arrangements; Mrs. Jean Sakamoto, secretary; Doris Mukai, tickets. Mrs. Aya Yamashiki's spectacular table decorations were collector items.

Alice Suzuki of New York was the winner of the Friday Bonus feature. Two color TV sets and a number of transistorized portable radios were given as consolation prizes.

Five judges select Nisei of Biennium

LINDSAY—Five distinguished members of the Central California community comprised the panel selecting the recipients of the 1970 Nisei of the Biennium honors, it was revealed this week by Tom Shimazaki, chairman of the National JACL recognitions committee.

As the National JACL executive committee earlier had instructed the majority of the panel be Nisei, the Recognitions committee secured three eminent Japanese Americans: Dr. Kikuo H. Taira, Izumi Taniguchi of Fresno State College and Judge Mikio Uchiyama of Fowler.

The other two were State Senator Howard Way (R-15th Dist.) and Dr. Hubert Phillips, professor emeritus, Fresno State College.

L.A. sends Masaoka family on their way

LOS ANGELES—Last-minute contributions swelled the total collected in Los Angeles for the Mike Masaoka Family Round-the-World Trip fund to \$10,520, from 444 donors.

Takito Yamaguchi and Katsuna Mukaeda, co-chairmen for the Los Angeles drive, issued their final report, which acknowledged contributions from: Fumi Yamana, Isaku Moruno, L.A.; Edward M. Yamato, Spokane; and Takako Toda, Seattle.

The report also included the following accounting:

Total This Report\$ 85.00
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Murder stuns Convention; youth maintain calm, order



Dr. Paul Terasaki of UCLA Medical School

Senior JAClers not aware of tragedy as juniors organize to stem confusion

By EDISON UNO
and RAYMOND OKAMURA

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)
CHICAGO — Total bedlam could have erupted among the many Junior JAClers who were in the Palmer House last week (July 16) when the brutal murder of Evelyn Okubo, 18, was discovered around 10:30 p.m. However, the young people reacted in a calm manner and took immediate action to control the situation.

Young adult JAClers and Jr. JAClers on the scene immediately assessed the emergency, gave first-aid to the surviving victim, notified police and hotel security, sealed off the 7th floor, searched the hallways for the suspect, stationed guards at the murder room, and stationed guards at all of the entrances to the hotel.

Most of the senior JAClers were attending the Mike Masaoka Testimonial Dinner six blocks away and were not aware of the tragedy until they began coming back to the Palmer House at 11 p.m. Remaining at the Palmer House were a number of young adults and students who were busy preparing materials for the next day of the convention.

Youth Mobilizes

The youth took all precautions and mobilized their forces to care for the victims and conduct an intensive search of the building. "They acted like adults," commented a national JACL officer who was one of the first to return to the Palmer House.

No one panicked under the emotional stress of the gruesome discovery. Within moments the situation at the Palmer House was under control. After the ambulance arrived to take the injured victim, Carol Ranko Yamada, 17, to the nearest Henrotin Hospital, the young adults went to the hospital to protect the only eye-witness to the murder. The JACL young adults maintained a rotating 24-hour guard until the Chicago Police arrived to take over the guarding duties.

The senior JACL delegates upon returning to the Palmer House were notified of the tragedy by monitors stationed at all entrances to the hotel, and were asked to assemble on the 6th floor. The impact and emotional shock dampened the convention atmosphere, however, the senior JAClers took immediate steps to as-

sist the youth who skillfully had the situation under control.

By 11:30 p.m., both the police and the senior JACL officers arrived and took over the investigation and arrangements. The officers, delegates and staff all helped make arrangements for the Jr. JAClers who were beginning to react with emotional outbursts upon realizing the magnitude of this tragic event.

All the Junior JACL delegates were removed from their 7th floor rooms and placed in a large conference room on the 6th floor where security, blankets and pillows were provided for the night.

The Junior JACL Convention was cancelled, and the next day, arrangements were made to send the youth home. The JACL officers, Jr. JACL advisers, and conference officials worked with the hotel management and airlines to expedite the departure of Jr. JAClers to their homes.

Veteran police inspectors and news reporters who swarmed into the hotel shortly after midnight expressed their commendation for the mature and adult manner of all of the young people under very adverse emotional circumstances.

The tragic death of Evelyn Okubo was an incident that could have happened anywhere to any one. But when it did happen, the young people displayed remarkable poise and the ability to move into action.

Initiate fund for confab tragedy

CHICAGO—To financially assist the victims and their families of the tragedy that struck the National JACL Convention on July 16, the National JACL Board this week (July 19) established an Ad Hoc Committee on the Chicago Convention, which will accept contributions as well as see justice done in the case of Evelyn Okubo and recovery of Carol Ranko Yamada.

The two Stockton Jr. JAClers were assaulted while in their hotel room of the Palmer House of the Hilton chain late Thursday night at the 21st biennial National JACL Convention.

The committee will be chaired by Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento, assisted by William Marutani, legal counsel; Mike Masaoka, Patrick Okura, Ross Harano, George Baba and Raymond Uno (ex-officio).

Several district councils, which met in caucus the morning after the tragedy, approved substantial contributions (in excess of \$200). Further contributions from the chapters and individuals should be channeled through the JACL Midwest Office, 21 W. Elm St., Chicago 60610, Enomoto advised.

The special Chicago committee to be chaired by Enomoto will be aided by Noboru Honda, assisted by Shik Wakamatsu and Kumeo Yoshinari. A separate committee in Stockton is being anticipated.

Convention rites held for Evelyn Okubo

CHICAGO—Fr. Clement of Philadelphia JACL, who has been introduced as the National JACL chaplain at many conventions, celebrated Mass in memory of Evelyn Okubo at the Palmer House last Saturday afternoon. Some 60 delegates, headed by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Enomoto, attended.

Earlier in the day, delegates paid their last respects at Scanlon Funeral Home, where the body of Miss Okubo was being prepared for funeral services at Stockton Buddhist Church this week (July 22).

Pasadena delegate

CHICAGO—Pasadena JACL delegate Mary Yusa was hospitalized for appendicitis at the Illinois Masonic Hospital last Sunday afternoon. Doctors said complete recovery is expected. Mrs. Betty Yumori, Venice-Culver JACL delegate, is staying here to accompany Miss Yusa home.

DEADLINES

Aug. 12 — JACL Student Aid Program application deadline. So. Calif. JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles.

Elks to keep 'whites only' membership

SAN FRANCISCO—Delegates of the 1.5 million-member Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks voted last week (July 16) to retain the lodge's whites-only membership requirement.

The vote, by a show of hands during closing ceremonies of the five-day national convention, was estimated at 1,550 to 22.

Newsmen were barred from the room while the issue was debated, but a spokesman said the discussion was "amicable" and "in the spirit of brotherly love."

The defeated resolution to amend the constitution was presented by delegates from Madison, Wis.

The constitution requires that prospective members be white, older than 20, believers in God, United States citizens, and that they have never been associated with subversive organizations.

Otho DeVillbiss, a delegate from Chicago, said race "is not a controversial issue with us."

He said he thought there had never been a court test of Elks membership requirements and insisted the group had a right to exclude those it wished.

He said there were "people with Oriental blood" in the organization and added, "I defy anyone to define the white race." The delegates visible in the room were all unquestionably white. (The JACL has protested the fact that Orientals have been barred from the Elks.)

Other members declined to discuss their reasons for retaining the whites-only clause. They said only it was a "right" of the group to exclude those it wished.

by Mike Masaoka

Convention Comments



In spite of tragedy, the 21st Biennial National JACL Convention in Chicago this past weekend was generally one of triumph. And, thanks to the disciplined activities of the officers and delegates to both the junior and senior conclaves, the necessary work of the Convention as a whole was brought to a successful conclusion.

Continuity to the forward movement in JACL that was initiated by Jerry Enomoto of Sacramento four years ago was assured for the next two bienniums at least with the elections of President Ray Uno of Salt Lake City and President-Elect Henry Tanaka of Cleveland. Thus, JACL's commitment to increased concern for all Americans will be continued and intensified. At the same time, JACL's horizons were extended beyond United States-Japan relations to include all of the Asia-Pacific region in terms of implications for the Japanese American nationality minority in this nation.

New motivations, new challenges, new drives, new concepts, new enthusiasms, and new responsibilities were brought to the National Board with the approval of seven young people to be voting members of that executive body of the 40-year-old national organization. The new members of the National Board will be the chairmen of the youth in the Pacific Northwest, Northern California-Western Nevada, Central California, Pacific Southwest, Intermountain, Midwest, and Eastern district councils.

At the same time, it was evident that a new generation of JACLers, with new ideas as to what the organization's directions and priorities should be, had come of age. The confrontations between the "old guard" and the new generation in National Council sessions at times was obvious, but in most instances better understanding and respect for the other's views was the consequence.

All in all, JACL should be the better for the 21st Biennial.

To "old-timers," the way the leaders of the Jr. JACLers, both on the host chapter and the national delegate and staff levels, was outstanding and most satisfying.

Even though many were in a state of a kind of shock at what occurred at the hotel, the young people were quickly apprised of the situation and asked to remain calm and orderly, which—without exception—they were. And, under an organized program, groups of Jr. JACLers from regions were escorted to a special telephone in order that they might call their homes and relate what had actually happened. In this way, chaos and confusion were avoided, and rumors kept to a minimum.

At the same time, travel arrangements were worked out so that every Jr. JACLer could return to his or her home that evening. This meant not only changes in scheduling but that stand-bys, excursion fares, and other special rates had to be accommodated to the emergency. And, National JACL without fanfare or squabbling immediately approved the necessary funds to take care of the contingent requirements for seeing that every person so desiring was on the way home by the following evening.

The night of the tragedy most Jr. JACLers remained together in a large meeting room, making out the best they could. JACL delegates who were medical doctors attending the Convention made themselves available to minister to those special needs of the people.

And, almost all of the National JACL officers, most of them in white dinner jackets and formal attire for the Testimonial Banquet earlier that evening, stayed up all night in order to help whenever and wherever they could. And, without complaint, they went to the meetings the next day, or attended to the emergency duties that required their personal attention.

We cannot say too much about the exemplary and selfless way in which Ross and Cheryl Harano, already overburdened with the responsibilities of the Convention proper, devoted themselves to alleviate the situation. Quietly yet efficiently, they mobilized Chicago resources and members to help relieve the situation, while giving overall direction and purpose to what was taking place among the Juniors and the Seniors. A future National President is the accolade many are repeating in reference to Ross Harano.

Many others, too numerous to mention, also did more than humans would be expected to do under such circumstances. Regardless, Bill Marutani, National JACL Legal Counsel, should be identified for his exceptional contributions. He not only supervised the necessary legal activities to safeguard the civil rights and sensitivities of all who were questioned by the police but also represented the families of those involved and the interests of JACL itself. He, like so many others, including National JACL President Jerry Enomoto and newly elected National JACL President Ray Uno, went without sleep for two nights and days in order that they could provide the needed leadership in these emergency hours.

As long as JACL leaders are as committed and as dedicated as they proved to be in this latest period of travail, none of us need to fear for the future of JACL.

Though my family and I will be trying to thank those most responsible for the inspired and inspiring testimonial at some later and more appropriate time, still it would be improper if even now we did not begin expressing our personal and public appreciation to all who contributed—in money, in time, and in trouble—to the Mike M. Masaoka Testimonial.

We trust that by the use to which we plan to put the fund, and by our subsequent activities, we will demonstrate that the Testimonial Fund will be put to the worthy and meaningful purposes that will justify the contributions.

As explained at the Testimonial, there will be two main objectives—to encourage members of Congress to work to improve the quality of life for all citizens and to promote among all Americans better understanding and relations between the United States and Japan.

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By BOB OLMSTEAD

CHICAGO—If the Silent Majority has a favorite Silent Minority, it may well be the Japanese Americans.

The Japanese Americans, as everyone knows, responded with exemplary behavior when they suffered one of this country's more outrageous pieces of discrimination in 1942.

More than 110,000 Japanese Americans were rounded up on the West Coast in early World War II hysteria following Pearl Harbor and confined as a "threat to the national security."

Whole families were sent to concentration camps, later "relocated" to distant parts of the country, and their West Coast property confiscated.

In the face of this, the Japanese didn't demonstrate, hunger-strike, picket or call for separatism.

After the war, they worked hard, sent their good-looking children to college with a traditional respect for education, and worked within the system to get legal reparations for their lost property.

Today, many young Japanese Americans think this hard-earned reputation should change.

They think Japanese Americans didn't protest enough in the past, were too self-centered and didn't care enough about other people's problems.

They believe Japanese Americans should "get involved," "get relevant," even at the cost of their own glowing reputations.

Meet in Convention

The new spirit bubbling in Japanese American generations was apparent at the Palmer House this past week at the five-day national convention of the Japanese American Citizens League. More than 300 delegates came in from 32 states.

The Japanese American Citizens League is the nation's largest organization of Japanese Americans.

One of the most respected men at the convention is Mike Masaoka, 55-year-old Washington, D.C., lobbyist for the group.

One thousand persons gathered at a testimonial dinner for Masaoka in the Conrad Hilton Thursday night (July 16) and heard him praised by Edward J. Ennis, chairman of the board of the American Civil Liberties Union; Rep. Sidney R. Yates, (D-Ill.), Roy Wilkins, chairman of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, and U. Alexis Johnson, undersecretary of state for political affairs and former ambassador to Japan.

In acknowledging the tributes for his 25 years of

working for better laws and conditions for Japanese Americans, Masaoka spoke to the young people who are sometimes critical of his generation.

He said he wanted them to remember that "because of what your parents endured, because of what America offers, you and I are able to be here tonight."

He added, "I have a word for some of these young people who say that their fathers, uncles and brothers made a mistake when they volunteered to fight."

"I myself lost a brother. More than 600 Nisei died."

"I want to tell you here and now that if your older Japanese Americans did not go out and purchase with their

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restaurant, where the event was scheduled, was not available on the earlier date. The GOP group plans to reschedule the event, probably in the early fall.

Holding the distinction of being the first woman to serve on the State Board of Barber Examiners, Mrs. Toshiko Yamamoto of Los Angeles has been appointed as a paid member of the board by Gov. Ronald Reagan. She has been a journeyman member since 1968 and has resigned that post to accept the \$8820-a-year position.

Mrs. Yamamoto, who with her husband, George, operates the Toshi Barber Shop in East Los Angeles, has been very active in Japanese American Republican organizations.

School Front

A mother and son graduated from different colleges recently. Mrs. George T. Okada, 52, returned to school after her husband passed away in 1964. She finished with honors at Seattle Pacific and will teach at the American School in Tokyo. Her son, Marshall, 22, graduated in a cum laude from Seattle University in finance and business administration.

San Francisco State College athletic director Paul Rundell told a San Mateo writer that Dr. S. I. Hayakawa has been grossly misunderstood by many of his opponents, has done most to make the campus fit for education again with his leadership and is not afraid to make decisions, sticking by the rules to run the ship himself.

The Cleveland Press saluted Patricia Nihei, 18, of East High and Monte Ishize, 18, of Wickliffe High as scholastic all-stars at the annual Top Honor Student dinner June 23. The newspaper honors the top honor student from some 125 high schools in the area annually.

Japanese classical dance instructor Mame, Fujima Kansuma in Los Angeles will celebrate her 30th anniversary as teacher with a recital at the Ahmanson Theater of the Music Center in October.

Joyce Kobayashi, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Kobayashi of Denver, was honored for playing a major role in constructive educational reforms at Stanford, establishing student workshops on social and political issues and student center for innovations in education and research. She received a \$350 Dinkelspiel Award during the university's 79th Commencement June 14. A philosophy major, she served on the four-member Council.

Politics

Senator George Murphy's busy schedule has forced the postponement of the reception planned in his honor by the Japanese American Republicans on July 26. Seichi Fukui, JAR president, announced that Sen. Murphy had requested that the reception be held one week earlier, but this was impossible because Yamato Re-

PSWDC-JACL to host

1970 Nisei Week ball

LOS ANGELES—Under the leadership of Akira Ohno of West LA and Kiyoshi Kawai of Downtown LA, the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council will chair the 30th annual Nisei Week Coronation Ball Aug. 15 at the International Room of the Beverly Hilton Hotel with music by Ed Swan's recording band. During the dance portion, youth band will alternate to give out with the "Rock and Roll" music for the younger set.

Mel Prestige, valley supper club entertainer, will be the M.C. for the evening's program. Mel's mother is Japanese and he has had parts in the Hawaiian Eye TV series.

Betty Yamamoto and Ritsuko Kawakami will be in charge of the tickets and reservations. Tickets priced at \$17.50 per person, will include dinner, dance and the entertainment. A table seating ten persons may be reserved by calling any local JACL chapter or the Regional Office.

San Fernando Chapter with Fred Muto in charge will provide the hostess and the personnel for the door. Printing of the program and menu will be handled by Mary Yusa and Kimi Fukutaki of Pasadena.

Other committeemen include Al Hatate, program covers; Toshiko Yoshida and Betty Yumori, cor. sec.

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SUGAR CITY, IDA.—Lucinda Sakota, daughter of John and Mabel Sakota of Sugar City, Ida., was elected governor of Girls State at Caldwell, Ida. She was among 274 delegates

from various parts of the state and is the first person of Japanese ancestry to be honored as governor. Her official duty will be to spearhead the activities of the 1971 Idaho Girls State.

REXBURG, IDA.—Gail A. Hanami, daughter of Takeshi and Mariko Hanami, Rexburg, Ida., reigned as queen of the Upper Valley Wranglers annual Fourth of July Rodeo. Her selection was based on horsemanship and appearance, also sale of tickets. She received a complete western wardrobe and other special prizes from local merchants.

Mark Mondschien of Haverford (Pa.) High won the 1970 state high school pole vault championship with a 15 ft.-4 in. effort—best to date involving any Japanese American. His mother, Momoe, is married to Irving Mondschien, asst. coach at Univ. of Pennsylvania and member of the U.S. Olympic decathlon team in 1948. Mark, who is 6 ft.-1, will attend Pennsylvania in the fall.

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From the Frying Pan

THOUGHTS ABOUT A CONVENTION—As this is being written, the 21st Biennial Convention of the JACL is drawing to a close. The delegates are weary. There has been an enormous amount of business transacted. If the essence of democracy is debate before decision, then this has been a democratic convention indeed. Overall has hung the pall of a terrible, unthinkable misfortune, the loss of the life of a delegate attending her first convention.

Soon the delegates will get around to voting a new slate of officers. The election is unprecedented in the sense that the presidency is a three-way race. That three able, dedicated men are seeking the headaches, the time-consuming responsibilities, the impossible job of keeping all elements of the organization reasonably happy, is a remarkable thing in itself. Perhaps it is a measure of the maturity of the organization that there are individuals who are not persuaded to accept, but actively solicit, such responsibility.

There is no indication, as this is written, who among the three will be named president. Whoever he may be, he will need the good will, the thoughtful support, the give-and-take cooperation of all the diverse elements of JACL if it is not to disintegrate in total chaos. He must have this cooperation, for overall the organization is too necessary to be allowed to lag into impotence.

THE TRAGEDY OF EVELYNN OKUBO—In the quiet moments of the convention, there were many who dwelt in silence or in the intimacy of small groups, on the tragedy of Evelyn Okubo, the 18-year-old Stockton girl who was found slain in the convention hotel. We do not know at this time the details of this murder, nor is there any assurance at this time that the crime will ever be solved. The track record in this city for solution of crimes of violence is not a good one.

Yet it is apparent, even now, that Evelyn Okubo's death is in much the same sense as the death of the brothers Kennedy, Martin Luther King and others, a result of the madness that hangs over our land. Soon there must be a realization among the people that a sickness pervades them, and that we must seek help. Perhaps the medication should be in the form of a spiritual re-dedication. Certainly the economic and social injustices that warp men's minds and souls must be eliminated as an initial step.

The tragedy of these times now has struck within the ranks of the JACL itself, and this bitter experience can well be the inspiration to move ahead with vigor, determination and new dedication to do what needs to be done.

THE ENOMOTO YEARS—The shock of Evelyn Okubo's death still hung over the convention when Jerry Enomoto rose to voice his thoughts and express his thanks at the President's Recognition Luncheon. For this reason it was an anticlimactic ending to two distinctive terms of service under the most trying times. That he was able to keep the organization together and viable, that he was able to keep all elements talking to each other long enough to reach agreement on a great many difficult issues, is a tribute to the understanding and depth of the man.

Enomoto is of the younger generation of JACL leaders. He was a teenager, by his own admission too young to realize the enormity of the experience, having a ball during the evacuation period. Undoubtedly it was this very youth that enabled him to bridge gaps and keep the cool when dissent became the order of the day. It is altogether likely that Jerry's stature as a national president will be more deeply appreciated—this is not to imply that he is not appreciated today—when we are able to look back on these clamorous, troubled times with the perspective of history. After four such years as he has experienced, after the crises he has met and overcome, Jerry and Joyce Enomoto deserve a rest. Being the kind of people they are, it is unlikely that they will enjoy such luxury.

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He was presented with a \$10,000 purse for a world trip, which he said was being cancelled because of work in the Washington. —Sun Times

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PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:



DETROIT ISSEI—On hand are Issei from the Detroit area to receive their JACL Wakamatsu Centennial medallion at a recent chapter keiroku from Japanese Consul General Kagel of Chicago (standing front, middle). —Tom Hashimoto Photo.

Fund-Raisers

Tickets are now on sale for the annual Progressive Westside JACL pancake breakfast set for Sunday morning, Aug. 23, at the Food Giant parking lot in Crenshaw Square. The \$1 donation covers the breakfast with door prizes. Proceeds will be used for the newly-created Asian American Education Fund which the chapter established.

The St. Louis JACL Sakura Festival held in April was a smashing success as a profit of \$1,000 was realized to sustain both junior and adult programs for the year. A highlight was the Juniors teaching the festival goes the Tankobushi. . . . The St. Louis JACLers (JAY) washed cars for six hours on Saturday in May to net about \$40, which is being forwarded to the MD-YC treasury to help keep the district youth council solvent.

The French Camp JACL held its annual community bazaar on Saturday, July 18, at the French Camp Community Hall. Mats Murata, George Komura and Yosh Itaya were in charge of the affair.

General food chairman Kay Nakata and Chiru Nonaka were assisted by: Mike Murata, Aya Tsubota, Yoneo Hisatomi, Mike Hoover, Al Pagnucci, Frank Kougli, John Shimazaki, Tom Nakata, Tak Hamamoto, Roy Yonemoto, Terry Hotta, Mitsu Shimoto, Martha Shimazaki, Eiko Hamamoto, M.ichi Fujiki, Fumi Higashiyama, Hideko Iwata, Kate Komura, Dorothy Ota, Florence Itaya, and Javs members.

Carnival games were planned and conducted by: Tom Natsuhara, John Fujiki, Hiroshi Shinomoto, Harry Ota, Kimi Morinaka, Nancy Natsuhara, Barbara Haya-shino, Yaeiko Kaneko, Carol Hayashino, Ruby Fujiki, and Javs members. Others assisting were: raffle, Bob Tomimaga; finance and cashier, Hideo Morinaka; publicity, Lydia Ota; correspondence, Rosita Tomimaga; ground preparation, Fumie Kanemoto; Kiyoshi Hayashi, and Kenzo Higashiyama.

The Orange County JACL will sponsor a rummage sale for the benefit of Justin Ogata, the 16-year-old Costa Mesa High School student who has been almost totally paralyzed since suffering a freak wrestling accident last December.

The event will take place at John Tadokoro's Valley Shopping Center from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., July 25.

For the Family

The annual picnic of the Milwaukee JACL is scheduled for Sunday, August 9, at Talbert from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., July 25.

San Francisco Democratic Club backs JACL on repeal of Title II

SAN FRANCISCO—Following a discussion of the forced detention of Americans of Japanese descent during World War II, the Yerba Buena Democratic Club formulated a resolution urging the repeal of Title II of the 1950 Internal Security Act. The discussion was led by Edison Uno of the San Francisco JACL.

The following resolution was passed: Whereas, Title II of the McCarran-Walter Internal Security Act of 1950 provides the legal framework for federally operated detention camps to incarcerate potential enemies of our nation without trial or due process; and, Whereas, it is not impossible to imagine a return to the war hysteria that led to the unlawful imprisonment of 70,000 citizens of the United States of America of Japanese descent; now therefore be it

Concentration Camps, USA program arousing interest

SAN FRANCISCO—Community response to the lecture program, "Concentration Camp, U.S.A.—Can It Happen Again?" to be held at the Western Addition Public Library on Wednesday, July 29 has been most encouraging.

Program sponsors to date include the following groups: JACL, San Francisco Chapter; Bank of Tokyo of California; Japan Center Branch; Buddhist Churches of America; National Headquarters; Pine United Methodist Church; Hokubei Manichi; Nichi Bei Times; Sumitomo Bank of California; and San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies.

The program speaker will be Edison Uno, National Co-Chairman of the JACL Committee to Repeal the Detention Camp Legislation.

IN ABOLISHING JR. JACL

EXTEND YOUNG-ADULT CONCEPT TO YOUTH GROUPS IN REGULAR JACL

CHICAGO—The proposal to lower the minimum age for JACL membership to 14 or 15 and to abolish the Jr. JACL as a separate entity was clarified in the National Youth Commissioner's report to the JACL Convention.

By abolishing the Jr. JACL, youth commissioner Mike Suzuki was not suggesting an integration of youth members into existing chapters. Rather, the concept of the "young adult" oriented JACL chapters can be extended to the younger-age brackets, the Sacramento proposed.

"The fundamental significance is that we, young and old, would all belong to the same organization and all have a role in determining the course of the JACL," Suzuki declared.

"It is a truism that members of the younger generation will ultimately decide the future of JACL. The older generation cannot make these decisions for them. We cannot escape the fact that policies and priorities JACLers establish now will influence the decisions of the Jr. JACLers."

Sansel of Age

"If the JACL is truly interested in having the Sansel meaningfully involved in its programs in the 1970s, it must recognize that the younger generation has come of age."

"There are many details to be worked out in this proposal, but I believe a workable plan could be developed," the JACL delegates were told.

In some communities, a chapter may have difficulty programming for those 14 to 20 years of age so Suzuki sees chapters established for those of high school age and another for those of college age.

It may be that for chapters with members under age 21 or 18, an adult adviser might be required. And to assure youth chapters are not lost in district and national structures, the possibility of a "youth caucus" has been suggested.

Current JACL staff, budget, organizational patterns, etc. would all have to reflect the change in the expansion of membership, Suzuki continued, but it would require a careful changeover.

Organizational Changes

He suggested all district youth council chairmen (seven in number at the present time) become full members of the National JACL Board.

Another proposal offered as a new alternative was to have the National President appoint the NYC chairmen as members of a task force to work with the National Board in developing the proposal and to provide for their participation at the 1971 National Board interim meeting. Funds which have been authorized for the annual meeting of the National Youth Commission (the adult body) can be reallocated to meet the costs of having the NYC chairmen participate with the Board, Suzuki explained.

The JACL youth program

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endorsed the resolution initiated by the Pacific Southwest District Council asking for a feasibility study to be made by an ad hoc committee to establish a separate arm, similar to such organizations as the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith or JACL's ADC of the late 1940s. The resolution is subject to ratification by the National Council.

Pat Okura, national civil rights chairman, lauded the resolution for it would provide those interested in civil rights an avenue to "gung ho" without jeopardizing the organization or insisting that all 90 chapters participate. He recalled the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee was able to push its legislative program in the post World War II era. For Okura, it was a frustrating experience to get all JACL chapters to become involved in civil rights programs.

Convention

The high cost of convention in JACL was raised within the National Board after Harry Takagi, 1972 convention chairman, reported the tentative plans of the Washington, D.C. host chapter.

Some felt the high cost even discouraged JACLers within the Midwest District Council from participating in the Chicago convention.

"Are we pricing ourselves out of national JACL conventions?" another member inquired. While Takagi had no comment, he welcomed the expressions of the various board members on the matters of cost.

AUG. 2—COMMUNITY INFO SERVICE DAY

Gov't Agencies Come to Little Tokyo

LOS ANGELES—A massive single-day social service event will take place during Community Information Service Day on Sunday, Aug. 2 at 11 a.m. in and around 125 Weller St. with no less than 12 major private, city, county, state and federal agencies taking part. Many individual volunteers representing the medical, legal and social service professions in the Japanese American Community are also participating.

Under the sponsorship of the Japanese Community Pioneer Center and the Japanese American Community Services (JACS), Community Information Service Day hopes to bring out as much information as possible concerning matters of individual health, legal advice, and awareness of the social service aids in both English and Japanese.

Bilingual Approach

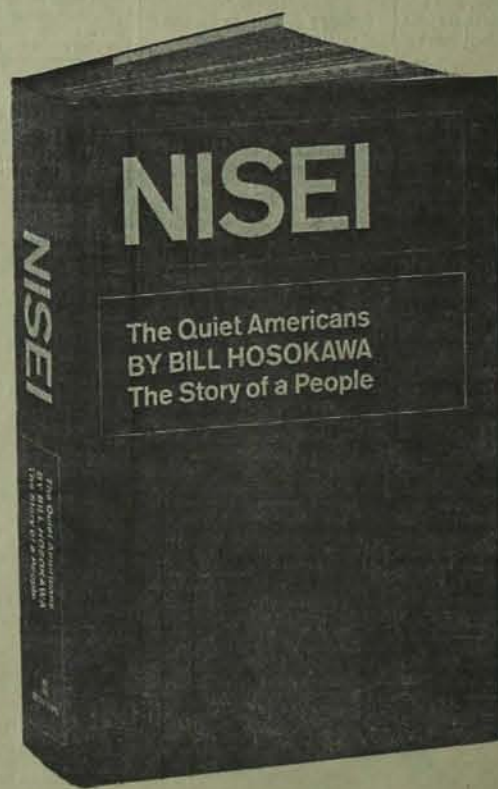
Intended originally to be a "health day" for Little Tokyo area residents, the one-day program was expanded with the participation of many social service agencies who saw this event as an excellent opportunity to present vital information bi-lingually. These agencies had been particularly concerned because they feared many persons were not taking part in benefits due them because of lack of awareness and misunderstanding due to language difficulties.

In any event, volunteers who are bilingual will be stationed in all the mobile medical units and will also assist those agencies who wish to provide answers to pertinent questions in both languages.

Help Needed

Because the need for "bilingual volunteers" is so great, a special call for persons who would be interested in taking part in the Community Information Service Day is being made. A spokesman for the event said that they are not seeking persons who speak "perfect Japanese" only, but indicated that those who have a working knowledge of the language and can communicate it to another person would be ones whose services would be greatly appreciated by all.

The call for volunteer translators of the written language was also made. Although as much material as possible will be presented in Japanese, there remains a volume of information which needs to be worked as soon as possible. Any and all persons who feel they would like to take part in this program as either a volunteer interpreter or translator are asked to contact Miss Linda Iwataki at 689-4413 or contact the JACS office at 125 Weller St., Los Angeles, 90012.



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Asian component

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anger and great violence in
response to the failure of cor-
porate capitalism. So far, the
war in Indo-China has diverted
the attention of Americans
from the serious problems at
home.

These flag-waving construc-
tion workers in New York
will soon join the ranks of
the unemployed, and my
guess is that they and others
affected by the economic crisis
will need a scapegoat for their
frustrations and hostilities.
Will it be the Asian?

A step has been taken in
that direction by irresponsible
labor and business leaders.

For example, Mr. Wright,
Chairman of Zenith corpora-
tion, blamed the Japanese for
the layoff of 3,000 black work-
ers in one of Zenith's plants
in Chicago. What he failed to
mention is that Zenith is open-
ing a new plant in Formosa
in 1971 which will employ
some 4,000 workers.

Labor leaders have been
equally irresponsible. For ex-
ample, Richard Livingston,
Secretary of the Carpenter's
union, recently said:

"Japanese wood imports
have caused the layoff of
35,000 workers in Oregon and
Washington lumber mills.
Some mills have closed. It
makes you wonder who in the
hell won World War II?"

Economic Crisis

The history of the U.S.
shows that America's brand of
fascism is especially acute in
times of economic crisis. In
the months to come, criticisms
and attacks of student demon-
strators may become general-
ized to include people who
have traditionally occupied
minority status.

When this occurs, the Asian
element will be especially vul-
nerable and become the ob-
jects of fascist America's violence
and terror.

I say this because in 1939
just before the outbreak of
World War II, the FBI re-
ported there were over 800
pro-fascist organizations in the
United States. These organiza-

L.A. Nisei fail in effort to help Alcatraz Indians

SAN FRANCISCO—It was all
in vain—the trip made here
recently by a group of nearly
20 Nisei from the Los An-
geles area. They came to San
Francisco, bringing food and
supplies donated by South-
land residents for the Ameri-
can Indians on Alcatraz.

The group, led by Morio
Nishida, was disappointed to
find that the ferry service be-
tween Fisherman's Wharf and
Alcatraz was no longer oper-
ating. Orders had been issued
prohibiting licensed boatmen
to carry passengers across the
channel. Only bona-fide Ameri-
can Indians were able to ob-
tain passage on one small boat
available to them.

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Wintersburg Presbyterian
Church, 7:30 p.m.
July 26 (Sunday)
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Night, Buddhist Church,
4:30 p.m.
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July 27 (Monday)
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Aug. 2 (Sunday)
Contra Costa-Family Bowling,
Albany Bowl, 1:30 p.m.
Milwaukee-Chapter picnic,
Brown Deer Park.
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West Los Angeles-Japan Night,
WLA Mall.
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Still Booming

The state tax office says Hawaii's economy has grown "fantastically" during the past 11 months and is running 17.5% ahead of the previous year. Tax executives said they have seen no evidence yet that the phenomenal post-statehood business boom in the islands has started to slow down.

Mrs. Iola Rhyne, chief of research for the state tax department, said business growth as measured by the general excise base has reached \$5.3 billion, representing a jump of 17.5% since May, 1969. "It can't continue to grow at that rate," Mrs. Rhyne said. "In the period immediately preceding statehood, we were growing at the rate of about 4.5% and we considered that very healthy."

Crime Also Booms

Aggravated assault, larceny, and car theft cases showed the biggest increases among Honolulu crimes for the first quarter of the year. Increases occurred in all categories except rape and robbery. Three-month totals were: aggravated assault, 31, up 55%; larceny cases over \$50—1,275, up 13%; car theft—814, up 11%; burglary—1,632, up 9%; murder—2, increase of 1; robbery—43, compared with 50 a year ago; rape—12, compared with 15 a year ago.

Names in the News

Yukio Naito, deputy state legislative auditor, has been named the outstanding Hawaii public administrator of 1970 by the state chapter of the American Society for Public Administration. Naito, 42, has been deputy legislative auditor since 1966.

Beatrice Kaya has been named head librarian for the Hawaii Newspaper Agency. She has succeeded Mrs. Mary Horie, who has retired.

Sam Amala, 50, who writes a column weekly for the Honolulu Advertiser from prison, will be paroled Sept. 8 from Palom Prison in California. He has been serving time for forgery.

Katherine Horie, the 1970 Cherry Blossom Queen, departed recently on a three-week pleasure trip to Japan with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Shigenori Horie, and her sister, Pat. Katherine won the trip as a prize of the Cherry Blossom Festival sponsored by the Honolulu Japanese Jr. Chamber of Commerce.

Dr. George Mills has been named the first Outstanding Alumnus of the Kanehama School Alumni Assn. A 1940 graduate of the school, Mills is secretary of the Kanehama School's board of governors and the immediate past president of the Hawaii Medical Assn.

The Univ. of Hawaii has announced that Barbara Murakoshi won the Phi Kappa Phi award for having the highest grade point average in the graduating class. She had an average of 3.93 out of a possible 4.0.

Japanese Tourists

Japan is now the No. 1 foreign producer of overseas tourists for the U.S. and is believed to generate more overseas travel traffic of all kinds to the U.S. than any other nation, according to Carl Wright of the Star-Bulletin. The rate of growth of visitor traffic from Japan is so explosive that Japan may soon make a runaway race of the comparative statistics on traffic. Britain and Germany follow Japan in that order.

The average Japanese tourist to Hawaii, according to another report, must do extra work for about four years to save up enough money for the four-day trip to the islands. Once here, the same average Japanese tourist wastes his brief vacation by "going Japanese." He will stay with his group, see Hawaii through the window of a tour bus and spend his free time buying presents to take back to Japan.

Construction Notes

Soto Mission of Hawaii will start construction soon on a two and three-story Japanese language school and cultural center adjacent to the mission at 1708 Nuuanu Ave. The 4,000-square-foot structure is valued at \$240,000 and will provide eight classrooms.

Developer Richard Okita has announced plans for a 99-unit townhouse for construction on about 12 acres of the former Costa Dairy site in Kula. Okita said the "esthetics of the valley will be well preserved by the architecture." The condominium units will sell for \$45,000 to \$50,000, Okita said.

War on Sex Movies

City officials have gone to court to seek an injunction

against a sex movie house on McCully St. City corporation counsel filed the complaint against Bruce Davis, lessee of the McCully Street Theatre. Davis has indicated he will fight it out in court. The counsel's complaint charges that the theater violates the Comprehensive Zoning Code and the Revised Laws of Hawaii.

Entertainment Notes

Entertainer Don Ho has agreed to a contract with Cinerama Hotels that will net him a minimum of \$6,500,000 over the next five years. The contract contains options for an additional four years, raising the total to \$13,300,000 for nine years. Although Ho's manager, Ed Brown, has denied a contract had been signed, he admitted that agreement had been reached on nearly all of the major points. Brown said that an agreement had been reached with Kim McVay of Duke Kahanamoku's for Ho to be released from his contract Sept. 1. Ho presented a check to McVay for \$175,000, the price McVay asked to tear up the contract and cancel any legal action against Ho.

Hawaii's Musicians Assn. scored a coup at the recent 73rd annual convention of the American Federation of Musicians in Houston by winning the 1972 convention for Honolulu. Key figures in the successful bid for the conclave were L.B. (Buddy) Peterson, president of the Musicians Assn. of Hawaii; John Akaka, v.p.; and Ray N. Tanaka, sec.-treas.

Dole Takes Over

Dole Co. completed acquisition of Libby's and Neil & Libby's pineapple operations on Molokai and Oahu, the company has announced. Dole, a division of Castle & Cooke, Inc., has been operating Libby's Hawaii pineapple facilities under an interim contract since acquisition plans were announced in January. The operations include a 12,500-acre plantation on Molokai and a cannery in Honolulu, both on leased land.

Population Drop

Niihau's population dropped 7.5% from 1970 census officials have reported. The population this year was put at 233. In 1960 there were 254 persons — mostly Hawaiians — living on the privately owned island.

A shark control program for Hawaii State can cut the shark population by as much as 50%, according to Dr. Albert Tester of the Univ. of Hawaii. But, Tester adds, "You can never eliminate sharks. That's an impossibility."

Political Scene

Rep. Spark Matsunaga has released Veterans Administration comments on a recent Life magazine article critical of V.A. hospitals. The comments sent to Matsunaga by veterans administrator Donald E. Johnson say "the Life article gives a totally distorted picture of the V.A. medical program." He cited affidavits that many photographs "were posed or staged." He said that a Vietnam amputee and other Vietnam veterans praised their V.A. treatment, but this was not mentioned in the article.

Sen. Hiram L. Fong has received a membership card from the American Federation of Government Employees, an AFL-CIO affiliate. The card came from the union's N.Y. local No. 2205 with a note from Pres. John H. Quinn, who asked the senator to accept the honorary membership. Fong is the top-ranking Republican on the Senate Post Office and Civil Service Committee.

Traffic Fatality

Hawaii's 1969 traffic toll was 145. Eamon H. Magoon, 57, 78, teacher-mgr. for Magoon Bros. Ltd., was killed in an automobile accident June 17 in Napa, Calif. His wife, Genevieve, was injured, dead and 18,003 injured. Major traffic accidents in Hawaii last year increased 16 per cent over the previous year, from 12,989 in 1968 to 16,174 in 1969. This is one fact of many in the state dept. of transportation's new 1969 report, "Major Traffic Accidents, Summary and Analysis."

Where's the Fire?

A fire destroyed the \$35,000 home of the Toshiro Kataokas in Hilo early Wednesday morning, June 24. Kataoka said investigators believe the fire was started by faulty wiring inside the TV set. The house was fully insured.

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'Chinese Homer'

TOKYO—U.S. baseball terms are usually picked up quickly by the Japanese but there is one that has never been adopted by the local shimbuns.

The reason is that it just doesn't make sense in this country.

The term is "Chinese homer," which is defined in U.S. dictionaries as a cheap home run, one that barely clears the barriers.

In Japan, the term fails to ring the bell. Here, "Chinese homer" should have the opposite meaning — a powerful home run that flies far into the upper stands, usually right field, hits the backscreen or sails out of the park.

The reason for this, of course, is that the mightiest home run hitter in the country is the Yomiuri Giants' left-handed first baseman, Sadaharu Oh, who is of Chinese nationality. His Chinese name is Wang Cheng-chih and his father reportedly is a native of Chekiang Province. His mother is Japanese.

Oh, eight-time Central League home run king, hit exactly 400 round-trippers up to this season. This year, he has been slugging 'em at an especially terrific pace. In 49 games played at this writing, Oh has 25 homers, 10 more than any other player in Japan's two leagues.

Last season, Oh passed up Hiroshima Toyo Carp veteran Kazuhiro Yamauchi to take over second spot in lifetime homers in Japanese baseball. And some day quite soon he is bound to overtake player-manager Katsuya Nomura of the Nankai Hawks, the all-time home-run leader. Catcher Nomura, in his 17th season, passed the 450 mark in home runs recently and is still going strong. He has 14 homers this year, which put him right up among the Pacific League home-run leaders.

Nomura, nine-time P.L. home king, has turned 35 while Oh is just 30 years of age.

Sadaharu Oh could be called a nice guy who finishes first. He has never been guilty of brawling and has never been tossed out of a game by the umpire.

Opposing pitchers naturally have a healthy respect for him. He has been walked more than 100 times in each

of the last seven seasons. In one of these seasons, he had 149 free passes. This year he has 44 already.

Oh, who is about 5 feet 10 inches and weighs around 175 lbs., is now in his 12th year of pro baseball. He broke in with the Giants in 1959 after becoming a high school hero by pitching Waseda Jitugyo to the national championship.

Oh's best season was 1964 when he slammed 55 homers to eclipse Nomura's Japan record of 52. The Giant stand-out bagged 38 when he first won homer honors in 1962 and has hit 40 or more every year since. Last year's production came to 44.

Oh named Most Valuable Player four times, including last season, has led the Central League in runs batted in on five occasions and has driven in more than 100 runs in the last seven seasons. He was leader in batting percentage last year and is setting the pace again this season with a for the second straight time at .358 to date. He is also RBI leader with 45.

Such prodigious feats at bat have made Oh one of the other is his teammate, Japan's two \$100,000 players, third baseman Shigeo Nagashima, 34.

The big reason that neither of the two superstars has ever won the triple crown, as Nomura once did in the P.L., is that the other is around. They customarily divide up the main batting titles.

With Oh and Nagashima in the lineup, the Giants are headed for their sixth straight pennant and 16th since 1950, was set up. The Giants have when the two-league system won the Japan Series 11 times, including the last five years.

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At today's prices, the calculated value of the Mutsu's steel and oil is \$903,800,000. Considering the cost of the refloating job on the 26,000 tons of scrap however, and the fact that the company must pay \$100 million to the fishermen in the area for possible damage to fishery projects, this leaves the salvage firm a net profit of only \$24,500,000. But the project was undertaken without taking profit into account.

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TRAGEDY NUMBS CONVENTION

No matter how much we tried to concentrate on the JACL Convention during its closing days at Chicago last week, the shock and tragedy of July 16 prevailed and the memories of that night overshadowed the true gains scored for the youth in terms of JACL.

As inevitable as death is, the manner in which it comes and who is called, that it struck in the midst of a JACL Convention displayed the compassion and love the Nisei generation has for its Sansei generation. The youth cancelled the remainder of their convention; the seniors stayed to finish their own business at hand, removing the gaiety that accompanies JACL conventions in general.

It affected our plans to transmit convention proceedings to our shop in Los Angeles. An Angelino who attended the Convention for the Masaoka Testimonial returned the following morning with some copy but not as much as we had intended.

For many of convention delegates, its leaders and especially the youth, it was a night without sleep. For legal counsel Bill Marutani, it was a vigil with the Chicago police, ever-inquisitive press and the hotel management that lasted beyond 36 hours. For convention major domo Ross Harano, it was a saddening blow to the myriad of plans to make the 21st biennial "the best ever." For national president Jerry Enomoto, it was a night to truly take charge of an organization puzzled by the tragic turn of events.

Though the delegates were cautioned early not to speculate on what transpired, their rumors and misinformation managed to garble and sensationalize the murder story in the media. The press-radio-TV reporters were milling about the sixth floor area of the Palmer House to pick up whatever they found of interest.

One Chicago morning daily tried to link a racial angle to the case by reporting some of the youth had met with elements of the Black Panther Party and the Young Lords, a Chicano group, though the intent of these meetings was for "understanding"—to exchange ideas on community service—in line with the Convention theme: "Understanding: the Basis for the Changing JACL."

And when JACL authorized its \$10,000 reward for information, one reporter tried to have JACL point a finger at the Chicago police. "It could have happened in any city" was the JACL reply. "We don't blame Chicago."

We are grateful to Raymond Okamura and Edison Uno for telling how the Jr. JACLers and young adults at the convention reacted. Those who were there will attest to the reality of calm and order being maintained throughout the remainder of the time the youth were assembled. The youth and their leaders won our complete admiration for the manner in which they conducted themselves.

We salute the men and women like youth commissioner Mike Suzuki, ex-youth interns Don Hayashi and David Takashima, Mrs. Ross (Cheryl) Harano, youth leaders Alan Kumamoto, Ron Wakabayashi, Victor Shibata, Willie Fujimori, Warren Furutani and Shoshana Arai (and scores of others whose names escape us) for staying with the youth during their darkest hours.

It was an unbelievable nightmare. It was a July 16 that JACL history will be pained to record.

Because of some apprehension that abbreviated wire stories reaching the West Coast may not tell the entire story, the JACL set up a conference call with the four Japanese daily vernaculars in California around 10 a.m., PDT.

To insure the JACL attitudes in press stories, Bill Hosokawa (in Chicago to attend the Masaoka testimonial) accompanied Jerry Enomoto in the round of the visits with Chicago's major dailies.

To spare the JACL Convention the havoc of pandemonium, men like Mas Sato, Jeffrey Matsui and Mike Masaoka as well as key members of the Chicago convention board labored into the wee hours. The professional talent within the organization was also quickly galvanized to soothe the youth: the medical men, lawyers, clergy, sociologists, etc.

This may probably be the last national JACL convention of a joint nature. We have long felt that the juniors should have their own convention, apart from seniors—for the simple reason that interested seniors could never do justice to a youth convention if they are delegates to the senior convention.

With convention costs also sky-rocketing, youth attendance dwindles along with the seniors. We even heard seniors wonder whether all the pomp and ceremony were needed.

We would like very much to cover a youth convention full-time, though the youth have writers who could do a creditable job. But getting the news is not like seeing it on the come; the real "feel" is lacking. This is not to say the youth shouldn't come to senior conventions, either—for they have as much to gain by witnessing a senior convention fulltime.

And a final note: It took another tragedy—the fatal shooting of two Chicago police in the Near-Northside—to remove the murder of Evelyn Okubo and the assault on Carol Yamada off the front page and the pressure of the press upon the JACL case.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Letters to the Editor are subject to condensation. Each must be signed and addressed, though withheld from print upon request.

Nisei: Quiet American

Editor: I have been reading with interest all of the favorable reviews published in the Pacific Citizen. The majority of them have been very favorable and patronizing concerning the role of the Japanese in America.

Of the book review by George Ringwald appearing in the Riverside Press-Enterprise, I found it honest and objective and extremely valuable to the Japanese community and in particular to the JACL. It is my personal be-

lief that any Nisei reviewer, newspaper editor, or JACL member who would have the courage to criticize the Hosokawa book in the same light as Mr. Ringwald would be accused of bias, anti-JACL prejudice, or just "sour grapes." I am sorry that I lost the battle concerning the changing of the title which I believe to be inaccurate; however, I am pleased to know that my interest in this matter stimulated sales of a book which I think should be widely distributed.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman China-Japan Cultural Transfusion

THE GROWTH OF CIVILIZATION IN EAST ASIA: China, Japan and Korea to the 14th Century, by Peter Lu, S.G. Phillips, Inc. 236 pages, \$5.95.

After Ch'in Shih Huang Ti became the first emperor of all China in 221 B.C. he still faced a formidable adversary: death. He had completed the Great Wall as a barrier between Great China and its nomadic neighbors to the north and northwest, he had burned the books from which the reactionaries drew arguments against his reforms—though keeping copies for the official library—and he was to leave such an imprint on his country that our modern name for it, China, derives from the name of his dynasty, Ch'in. The mighty conqueror, and the superstitious megalomaniac, now sought, through the Taoist elixir of immortality, to subdue the one enemy to whom all before him had succumbed.

He became convinced that the Fountain of Youth was to be found on the island of the east coast of China. An expedition he sent out in search of this never returned, but it is possible that the ships reached Japan and that their crews were among the early colonists of that country. Though none before him had achieved as expansive a rule as Ch'in Shih Huang Ti, a distinctive Chinese culture can be traced from shortly before 2000 B.C., and developed along the basin of the Yellow River, near its junction with the river Wei in northern China. By 1600 B.C. they had spread across the eastern plain and reached the sea.

As we have seen, some contact between the Chinese and the archipelago now known as Japan was to be made by ships sailing from China. But ages were to pass before the Chinese were to administer a major transfusion of their culture, and they were to do so then, circuitously, through the Korean peninsula.

Chinese influence had become dominant in the peninsula in the fourth and third centuries B.C. The tribes there gradually formed themselves into three kingdoms. In addition, at the southern extremity of the peninsula there developed an enclave, Kaya, called Mimana by the Japanese. On a clear day, the Japanese island of Tsushima could

be seen from Kaya, and it appears that later emigrants to Japan may have departed from there. In the Japanese archipelago they were to encounter the original residents, the Ainu, a people of primitive Caucasoid stock, and descendants of other waves of immigrants from different areas, including the South Seas.

"The Kaya people may well have been kinsmen of tribes which had earlier migrated to Japan... (and) gave the Japanese a foothold on the mainland, which they held until late in the sixth century (A.D.)."

The Korean peninsula became so steeped in Chinese culture that until about the fifteenth century almost all literature was written in Chinese. From about 400 A.D., "Korean scholars" were employed by Japanese rulers to keep their official court records in Chinese script.

It would be some time before the Japanese could adapt the Chinese characters to their own language. In the next century the Koreans introduced Buddhism to Japan. With the adoption of this mainland belief, which was to exist side by side with Confucianism and the native Shintoism, borrowing from Chinese culture became deliberate and on a large scale.

The greater part of the book is devoted to the evolution of China, with Chinese civilization flowing through Korea to its periphery in Japan. There may be some errors in the account of Japan. Without explanation, the author makes the legendary Yamato Takeru (no Mikoto) in "Prince Dake."

But everything considered, this simple, well-written chronicle is an excellent introduction to Far Eastern history and the origins of Japanese civilization.

Peter Lum is a pseudonym. The author was born Bettina Lum in Minneapolis, April 27, 1911, the family name of Lum evidently being of European origin. She divided her early life between America and the Orient, spending much time in Peking. The author of a number of other books, competent in French, she has lived in many countries with her husband, Sir Colin Crowe, now the British High Commissioner in Canada.

EDITORIAL: Chicago Daily Defender (July 3)

Hayakawa and College Storms

The college campus storms have subsided. Only those who experienced their fury can testify to the upheavals and dramatic changes that followed in their wake. It will be noted by honest chroniclers that no college or university was more violently shaken by the tornado winds that swept across the academic community in 1968 and 1969 than was the little-known San Francisco State College.

There, the iron-will and unflinching determination of the institution's chief executive, Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, world-renowned scholar, caused him to stand at his post like a sea captain who would not give up his ship though his life was in imminent danger.

Thus, out of the storm and stress of the student revolt, emerged a great educational statesman who went about the country in humility and in a soft voice preaching reasonableness, sensibility to the disorder, fighting fiercely for the new order and the obdurate and unyielding defenders of the status quo in a world that was irrevocably turning against them.

Hayakawa went from one end of the country to the other telling in simple terms but cogent logic the story of the conflict, its genesis, its viability and ultimate consequences. And he did a much better job of presenting the students case than the students themselves had been able to do.

The clash was not only force versus force. It was a clash of ideals and conceptualisms that went seemingly beyond the ordinary power of self-restraint. But throughout the whole course of the unsettling, flaming events, Dr. Hayakawa remained calm. He exhibited a stoicism and steadfastness that delighted his admirers and confounded the opposition. At no time did he belabor the student dissent as being wholly incompatible with the cause of liberal education. Being a liberal himself, his disagreement was not with

the right to dissent, not with the advocacy of change in academic or administrative orientation, but with the senseless disruption, the looting, the burning, the sacking that were incited as a means of equating violence with the power structure of established authority.

Few will dispute the fact that Hayakawa's inflexible stand calmed the churning waters and brought peace not only to San Francisco State College, but to scores of colleges and universities whose administrators took their cue from him.

(It is interesting how a black newspaper and Dr. Hayakawa's role in the crisis at San Francisco State.)

Pulse —

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Brown Deer Park, Area No. 3. Families attending are requested to bring enough salad and nigiri for their own families. The chapter cooks will provide the weiners, hamburgers, chicken and corn for the two meals. Drinks and watermelon will also be furnished. Games for young and old, with prizes, will be included in the day's activities. There will be a charge of \$1.25 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12.

The Contra Costa JACL held its annual picnic on Sunday, July 19, at Little Hills Ranch in San Ramon. Special games and activities for children and adults highlighted the affair. Joe Sugawara and Bill Waki were co-chairmen for the outing.

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25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, July 28, 1945

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Understanding: Basis for Change

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"Life is not lived and then understood; it is poorly lived till understood; when well understood, life begins a new career of achievement and worth."

These inspiring words by the Rev. George A. Gordon are significant in our struggle and journey throughout the pathways of life. For as one stands in the Valley of Birth, there are times when one can no longer be content with the present surroundings and conditions. Instead, demands for a better and happier life lead people out of the valley, across the mighty rivers, through the treacherous deserts, over the rolling hills, and finally to the majestic mountains that seem to symbolize the zenith of truth and knowledge.

It is with this, that I would like to examine the theme "Understanding: The Basis For The Changing JACL."

When immigrants from Japan came to the shores of America and constructed homes in its fertile valleys, they gave birth to a new and proud people—the Japanese Americans! Both the Issei and the Nisei understood which commodities they wished to receive from their new lives. Among these were freedom, opportunity and friendship. Yet, as a result of misunderstanding on the part of many other Americans, these people with their so-called "strange customs" and "odd appearances" were often constant objects of ridicule.

In hopes of achieving acceptance, a handful of men left their valleys and dared to search for a pathway that would eventually lead towards

better human relations through better human understanding. Through such rudimentary beginnings, the Japanese American Citizens League was formed at Seattle, Washington, in 1930. This marked the birth of a new organization and its future life and success would depend solely on the role it would play in promoting understanding among others.

Then on Dec. 7, 1941, the world changed. On Feb. 19, 1942 the government finally folded to the crying pressures of the public and the "Great Betrayal" had begun. The roads and the dreams of the JACL disappeared under a mighty and angered river. For this was the era of hysteria, fear and hatred as the Japanese Americans became the convenient scapegoat of a new and terrifying war. This was the era that marked much resentment and confusion among other Japanese Americans and members of the JACL. This was the era in which tolerance could not be tolerated; in which truth could not be heard; and in which misunderstanding guided blinded masses.

Suddenly the JACL was hurled into a new situation. It was time to change—perhaps change would bring progress. It was the time to listen and to understand. It was the time for the JACL to take a more aggressive and more active role in defending human dignity and human values.

Whether they fell as a result of the glorious and highly courageous feats of the 442nd Infantry Regimental Combat Team or whether it was the clear record of the Japanese Americans' loyalty on the home front, the barriers of former prejudices and unfounded myths began to fall one by one. The JACL gained

ed ground as many people were now prepared and willing to change through understanding.

Finally, a bridge of human tolerance and harmony carried the JACL across the calm rivers and the organization continued slowly across the deserts to meet the scorching challenges of the more recent years.

Today, as we look at our domestic problems, we quickly discover that civil rights had become by far the most troublesome, the most crucial and the most challenging problem that confronts the people and the government of the United States. It is utterly shameful to observe that one-tenth the population suffers from social deprivation because of what they are—Black! Still yet, the American Indian, the lost and forgotten in this rapidly moving and highly technological society, suffers similar symptoms. Once again, a lack of understanding prevails. I really wonder, is the "yellow peril" a thing of the past or can it too be revived?

Why do many members of the JACL prefer to relax in their homes secure and safe and at the same instant ignoring the cries of certain racial groups? Is it because they are often told, "You've got it made! Why get involved?" Have they forgotten that only yesterday they were the victims of racist exploitation and persecution? Of a 11 Americans, they should be the ones willing to understand the frustrations and miseries of the less advantaged.

It is indeed peculiar to find that many Nisei do not support civil rights issues as was demonstrated in California in the 1964 ballot measure to block open housing in that state. Furthermore, many Issei, Nisei and even Sansei voted in favor of Prop. 13 while

leaders of the JACL campaigned strenuously against it. Ironically, however, but equally as surprising, a public opinion survey conducted in California revealed that 80% of the Californians were in favor of evacuation in 1942 and in 1967, a mere 3 years ago, a shocking 48% still were. Might another executive order 9066 reappear?

I believe that these are challenges that the JACL must consider with all seriousness. I am not necessarily speaking to the leaders of the JACL, but I am appealing to the majority of the members to strengthen the life of this organization by understanding not only the problems of the Japanese Americans but of all Americans.

Surely, the changing JACL is not quite the same as it was 30 years ago and five years from now it will again alter as new leadership, attitudes and ideals appear.

The hills and the mountains that lead to universal truth are nearer but the journey is far from complete. To continue progressing in the correct direction, all JACLers must understand the significance of their own lives and what it truly means to become not only "Better Americans in a Greater America" but also Better Humans in a greater world.

These are the people who will guide the Changing JACL. These are the people who will answer hate, violence, prejudice and ignorance with the most powerful weapon of all—Understanding! These are the people, in their final passing, who can honestly claim that life was lived because "life is not lived and then understood; because life is poorly lived till understood; and because when well understood, life begins a new career of achievement and worth."

Asian Component in California

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their three years. One-fourth of these honor students were Asians, mostly Chinese, although they represent less than 5 percent of the graduating class.

Other Problems

Despite these glittering statistics on social achievements, there are some serious problems of neglect.

The aged, contrary to the common stereotype that Asians take care of their own, live lonely and poverty stricken lives. The poverty among the recently arrived Chinese immigrants is especially acute.

The Filipinos, who came during the early part of the 1930 depression as a cheap source of labor, are now living out their lives in invisible pockets, such as the International Hotel on Kearney St., the strike headquarters in Delano, and in ghettoes west of Highway 99 from Bakersfield south to Sacramento in the north.

A social problem of a different nature is that presented by the thousands of war brides from the several Asian wars. As in many marriages have been quite high. Many have been abandoned.

For war brides, the problem has been compounded by emotional distress, and in some cases mental illnesses. This problem has existed for over 20 years, and it is only within the past two weeks that the United Bay Area Crusade has approved allocation of resources to employ a Japanese speaking social worker for the East Bay.

These then are some of the problems. What about prospects for the future? In order to obtain a glimpse of the future, we need, for a moment, to re-examine the past.

Racist Legislations

You will recall that Professor Lyman identified a number of anti-Chinese legislations enacted during the latter half of the 19th and the first part of the 20th centuries—the Miner's Tax Law, the anti-ironing law, the cubic space law, the alien land laws, and the Oriental Exclusion Law—were some of the legislations discussed in some detail. Professor Lyman attributed the passage of these discriminatory laws to white racism.

Let me explore the concept of white racism in the historical context in which it occurred.

It is interesting to me that during this period of some 70 years, there were five major economic recessions in the United States, including a major drought in California in the 1880s. Following each of these economic crises, the Asian, initially the Chinese, and eventually the Japanese, became the targets of white hostility and frustration.

Elsewhere in the U.S., the Pullman strike, the Haymarket riots, the Palmer raids, the Sacco-Vanzetti trial, and the imprisonment of Eugene Debs in 1920 just before the passage of the Oriental Exclusion Act, point to the relationship between crises within our economic system with instances of white racism in California. It is further noteworthy that the mass removal of the Japanese from the West Coast came on the heels of a major economic depression, and in the hysteria of the war, economic interest groups, such as the Farm Bureau, the Asso-

ciated Farmers, the Western Growers Protective Assn., the Grower-Shipper Assn., and the Chambers of Commerce largely represented by business interests, played major roles in influencing both military and civilian decision-makers.

What happened, in effect, was that political and economic institutions joined hands with the military to oppress an ethnic group. This has been the past. Let's now look at the future.

Future Prospects

What happened to the Japanese in 1942 is not likely to occur again, not because white America is especially enamored with the concept of justice, but because of some major developments in corporate capitalism involving Asian countries, namely Japan.

Financial writers refer to these developments as multinational companies, or to put it bluntly, "U.S. corporations have partially or in major ways transferred their operations to countries in the Far East."

What is not commonly known unless one reads regularly the Wall Street Journal is that these multi-national companies include the automobile industries, electronics, aircraft, food, chemicals, shipping, and entertainment; in other words, they include both manufacturing and some of our basic industries, which has created in Japan full employment and an unprecedented economic growth.

In the meanwhile, the United States has been experiencing, since about August 1968, increasing rates of unemployment.

Unemployment Data

A closer analysis of the unemployment data reveals that this is not a short term economic adjustment problem.

The lead article of the May 12 Wall Street Journal reports that a Ford plant in Texas closed resulting in a layoff of 1,900 people; a Motorola plant in Franklin Park, Ill., was shut down; an auto frame company closed operations in Trenton, Mich.; a Reynolds aluminum plant was shut down in White Bear Lake, Minn.; a glass company in Arnold, Penn.; a Youngstown Sheet and Tube company in Struthers, Ohio; a subsidiary company of Arco Steel, and even utility plants in Michigan have closed down their operations.

All of this means that a significant number of people are on the unemployment rolls because jobs have been abolished.

In some instances plants have closed because of our sudden interest in ecology. The irony is that some steel and other industries have been involved in conforming to anti-pollution laws. The Automation Industries Company,

an aerospace concern located in Gardena, Calif., plans to close operations because as Corwin Denney, the president, explains:

"Market conditions in the aerospace business make it economically unsound to relocate the business elsewhere or to invest the necessary capital at the present location to meet the requirements of the air pollution regulations."

Blue Collar Workers

In the first quarter of 1970, the construction and manufacturing industries were especially hard hit by unemployment. These are largely blue collar workers, but the beginning of the second quarter indicates that unemployment is spreading to other occupational groups.

On May 11, Ford Motor laid off 1,000 white collar workers, and Chrysler Motor laid off 3,000 white collar workers. In gigantic General Motors, it is estimated that between 5 to 10 percent of 145,000 white collar workers will be laid off. Honeywell has also reported laying off 1,700 people including technical workers.

In the midst of this, there is currently a curious struggle being waged by apologists for corporate capitalism on the one hand, and by labor and business leaders on the other. It goes something like this: 1—Unions and some business leaders are clamoring for protectionist legislation. 2—Sylvia Porter and others, such as the editorial writers of the Wall Street Journal, argue that Japan's competition should be seen as a challenge to the United States, and in this competition, the American consumer will benefit by obtaining quality products at a cheaper price.

Tariff Picture

The argument that the American consumer will benefit is of little comfort to jobless workers throughout America, but more importantly, what Sylvia Porter fails to report is that Japan is not in competition with the United States. These multi-national companies are actually corporate mergers of U.S. and Japanese corporations.

And precisely because of this, union leaders and others who are clamoring for protectionist legislations are going to be deeply disappointed. Economic analysts correctly point out that there is little likelihood that greater tariff will be imposed upon goods manufactured in Japan.

To conclude my somewhat lengthy analysis of prospects for the Asian in America, I fear a major labor strife within the very near future.

In the 1870s through the 1930s, there were major disturbances in the United States in response to problems created by laissez faire capitalism.

More Violence Probable
 In the 1970s and perhaps for several decades thereafter, there will probably be rising

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