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SAN MATEO—School Superintendent Harold R. DePue has asked the Buddhist Churches of America to reconsider its opposition to "The Untold Story". A full statement is forthcoming. (Editor.)

(Raymond Uno, national JACL president, was expected to appear Nov. 4 before the State Board of Education curriculum committee to express the opposition of the National JACL Board executive committee and its national education committee to adoption of the "The Untold Story". A full statement is forthcoming. (Editor.)

confidence in the members of the Japanese American Curriculum Project, which authored the book aimed at fourth-fifth grade students.

In a letter addressed to Bishop Kenryu T. Tsuji, head of the Buddhist Churches of America, DePue said he regretted the book makes "a necessary and valuable contribution" and reminded that the purpose of the project was not to develop "a scholarship document or comprehensive disquisitions" but to introduce for the first time some major points to young people on some of the major points of Japanese American history, culture and religion.

Of the JACP, comprised of 11 Bay Area Nisei school teachers and administrators with Mrs. Florence Yoshiwara as staff coordinator, "It is my firm belief that this dedicated group accomplished its purpose with integrity, and a genuine sense of intellectual honesty," he declared. The letter continued:

"Unless our children know the truth of our tragic errors (such as the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II) as well as our accomplishments, we will not make the progress toward equal rights for all people."

"As the result of our growing awareness of the curriculum materials in all California schools are becoming more real, more honest, more relevant to the world as it really is, I applaud this trend as it affects Asians, black people, Chicanos, and people of all ethnic groups."

However, he does not expect any single book to satisfy the needs of all people within a particular ethnic group. Undoubtedly, there are black, Chicano and American Indians who do not totally agree on the content of all books concerning their racial grouping. I do believe, unequivocally, that each one makes a significant contribution toward mutual understanding of individual differences.

"In education, there is no single, dominant truth," DePue pointed out. "There is only the individual's search for truth, which is a lifelong process. Our schools must provide a cross-section of all points of view."

"It is the schools' responsibility to help stimulate the thinking of children to encourage them to analyze the world in creative ways and to help them come to their own conclusions."

DePue said another book, citing in greater detail the role and contributions of Buddhism in this country, would be of "unquestioned interest and value."

JACP Reactions
Mrs. Yoshiwara, while alarmed with the "one-sided publicity" accorded the book, said it was hard to believe "fair-minded people would accept this kind of condemnation without even soliciting the facts or reading the actual materials in question."

But judging from the point-by-point objections issued by the BCA last month, a copy of the book must have been in their hands.

"As people who had lived with the history and dealt with children in the classrooms, we filed a void," Mrs. Yoshiwara declared. The kind of material being introduced by JACP is a "new and untold field," she added, "and because it is new, it is causing numerous reactions."

The JACP has developed

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Ebony editor comments on Negro-Japanese

HONOLULU—Ebony magazine's international editor, Era Bell Thompson, enroute from the Fiji where she witnessed independence celebrations to her home office in Chicago, said Brazil is the best for blacks — it's still the easiest place for blacks to get along in.

Of Japan, she said many of the racial oppression there are a product of the U.S. Army occupation of Japan and were raised in orphanages and are not well-treated.

"They are outcasts," she said. "The only jobs they can get are those of entertainers."



YONEO ARAI—JACL honors the oldest living Mainland Nisei to conclude its Japanese Immigration Centennial celebration. National President Raymond Uno (left) presents Yoneo Arai, 80 (center), of Greenwich, Conn., with the Centennial silver medallion as Murray Sprung, toastmaster, looks on.

Immigration Centennial ended

By JOE OYAMA

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)
NEW YORK—JACL's Wakamatsu Colony Centennial observances were officially ended when the oldest living Nisei, 80-year-old Yoneo Arai, was honored and presented a prized silver medallion struck in commemoration of the founding of the colony in 1869.

As the honoree was born and raised here and living in nearby Greenwich, Conn., it became the privilege of the New York JACL, along with the Japanese American Assn. of New York, to undertake the recognition dinner, which was held Oct. 24 at the Brass Rail Restaurant.

Principal speaker Mike M. Masaka briefly traced the 100-year history of the Japanese in America, beginning with the American rescue of shipwrecked Japanese sailors and the founding of the Aizu-Wakamatsu Tea and Silk Colony in California. They and other Issei who followed came here without knowledge of Western culture and were subject to persecution and discrimination.

Issei in New York

But "greater than the contribution of the early Wakamatsu Colony was the contribution by a small band of pioneers who came in 1876 to New York," Masaka related.

"Foreign trade in Japan was then restricted. Ninety-five per cent of the trade in 1877 was carried on by Western traders and a few Chinese. A small band of five men—Ryoichiro Arai, Oriye Kai, Toyo Morimura, Yasutaka Mural and Momotaro Sato—had come to America to establish direct trade routes."

"And to prove that the Japanese were commercially responsible, they went as far as to sell grave stones to insure their credit and their integrity," the Washington JACL representative noted.

"They were not just as good, but had to better. Their accomplishments were not just cultural; it was great history," he declared.

"Today, it has developed into a near-billion dollar trade. And we can take great pride, not only in that great trade, but also in culture."

Exemplifies History

Said Masaka, "If one is honest—to exemplify the history of the Japanese in this country, Arai, bedridden for nine years, went back to school after recuperating from TB, exemplifies that."

Arai was confined to bed between 1921-29. His disease arrested, he returned to enter Harvard Business School. He had been graduated cum laude from Harvard earlier in 1912.

"Today, there is a kind of revolution of the young in this country," Masaka continued, "but speaking of the experience of people like Yoneo Arai—it is deserving of compliment and recognition and attention must be directed to just one more Nisei out of our experience. Mr. Arai is truly one of the greater Americans."

The JACL lobbyist stressed that the Issei fought injustices through legal channels. They suffered equally with other minorities, lived in ghettos and faced bigots who flourished signs, "Japs Get Out of Town."

Story of Evacuation

Commenting on the greatest injustice to fall upon the lot of Japanese Americans as a group, "the story of the Evacuation can be an education for our children and an education for livability," Masaka said.

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The Orange County Nisei VFW Post is named in memory of the 442nd Central Postal Directory.

"We are but one-tenth of 1 per cent of the population in this country and a part of American democracy. It is said democracy has a single voice, but it may be a group of voices for we believe we must stand up for fellow Americans less fortunate than we," Masaka declared.

He pointed to the JACL campaign to repeal the Emergency Detention Act, which enables the government to arrest American citizens without due process.

"We have lived a 100 years in a democracy, but we must also correct some of its abuses. America still remains our last best hope. America has been good to us. Let us make America the kind of country we want it to be," Masaka concluded.

Mrs. Arai Introduced
Mrs. Yoneo Arai was then introduced. The daughter of Viscount Nagamoto Okabe, former daimyo of Kishiwada, a graduate of the Peers School, she came to the U.S. in 1917.

Prof. T. Scott Miyakawa of Boston University, who was in attendance, related that she was nationally prominent in various gardens and fine art organizations. She was the first recipient of the Fenwick Medal of the Garden Clubs of America in 1934, the Vanderbilt Prize in 1935 and the recipient of the Katherine Carey Award of the Garden Clubs of America in 1956.

Raymond S. Uno of Salt Lake City, national JACL president, conferred the silver medallion.

In response, Yoneo Arai said he was overwhelmed and didn't know what to say. "I feel I received this honor because of longevity. I do not feel deserving of this," he declared and suggested that Mike Masaka who is, perhaps, the most decorated Nisei in the mainland U.S., deserved the medal instead.

Honoree's Father
Arai recalled that his father Ryoichiro crossed the Pacific Ocean on a paddle steamer in 1876 to develop a direct trade route between the U.S. and Japan. He had been on the losing Tokugawa side in the civil war. He also hailed from Aizu-Wakamatsu.

When he first came to New York and tried to enter a boarding school, he was told, "Go away, Chinaman," his son recalled.

The Japanese then had a reputation of not being honest, he added. After recounting the experiences and discrimination his father and other Issei endured, he said the recognition actually belongs to my father (who died in 1939).

At the conclusion of his response, a copy of Hosokawa's book, "Nisei: The Quiet Americans," was presented to him.

Fountain Valley Names
SCHOOL FOR NISEI HERO

FOUNTAIN VALLEY—Sales of bonds by state officials has given the local school trustees the "green light" to construct a school near Talbert and Ward Streets and name it after Kazuo Masuda, Orange County Nisei who was posthumously honored with the Distinguished Service Cross for heroism during World War II in Europe.

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Arai accepted the book, bowing graciously in gratitude. Raymond Uno unfolded a bit of surprising history before making the presentation to Arai. His mother, now 76 years old, remembered meeting Ryoichiro Arai aboard the Korea Maru in 1922 when she came to the U.S. as a young woman headed for Columbia.

Arai, who had crossed the Pacific Ocean in excess of 80 times, told her that particular voyage was the smoothest and most tranquil.

Forty-eight years later, their sons met.

(Yoneo Arai, in his letter of appreciation to Raymond Uno this past week, repeated that the honors accorded him were "far beyond what I deserve for I have accomplished little personally as compared to what so many others have achieved". He considered it fortunate to have lived long enough to take part in the Japanese Immigration Centennial celebrations.)

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Historic teagarden at Foothill College may be levelled

LOS ALTOS—The Japanese teagarden on the Foothill College campus is in need of restoration and a campus group, the United Asians, has made a public plea for help.

Located behind the campus tennis courts, the pagoda, pond and landscaping were designed and built by a Japanese in 1900. Over the years, the teagarden has been allowed to deteriorate from lack of upkeep and the college board of trustees has recommended it be destroyed in the name of progress and science, the United Asians declared.

The pagoda is expected to be auctioned off first to clear away the rest of the land, till in the pond and eliminate a piece of Japanese heritage that produces Foothill College, which was founded in 1956, the United Asians added.

Support Underway
The Sequoia JACL has already responded to the appeal by contributing \$150.

A horticultural class has been organized at Foothill to assist in the restoration project. Tom Furuchi of Los Altos Nursery and Keige Kaku are among local businessmen who want to save the Japanese teagarden.

The United Asians, co-chaired by Benny Menor and Keith Brookshaw, of Foothill College Multi-Cultural Office, 12345 El Monte Rd., (948-8590, ext. 205) are soliciting additional support and contributions.

(The No. Calif.-W. Nev. JACL District Council is expected to make a decision on this appeal at its Nov. 8 DC meeting.)

HOLIDAY ISSUE
CHAPTER BOXSCORE

DISPLAY ADS
1969 Display Total: 4,147 in. Oct. 30 Total: 1,408 inches

1969 One-Liner Total: 850

HONOLULU—Police guarded Gov. John A. Burns and George R. Ariyoshi, his running mate for lieutenant governor, after both men received telephone death threats over the weekend (Oct. 24-26) following the slaying of State Sen. Larry Kuriyama on Oct. 23.

Police said they did not know if the callers were serious or cranks, but they could not take chances. The developments threw an unknown factor in the state's final week of the gubernatorial campaign.

Polls showed Democrat Burns far ahead in his bid for a third term as his opponent Samuel P. King bore down on the law & order issue the final week.

King, reacting to the murder of Kuriyama and other crimes that made a mockery of Aloha Week being celebrated at the same time, charged that the Governor had taken a stand on organized crime. Senator Kuriyama could well be alive today and our State at peace... instead of at war with organized crime.

Aloha Week Violence
That same week (Oct. 19-25), police arrested six gun-carrying men at the Stadium, whom police believed were preparing for a gangland shootout. A top figure in the crime syndicate was executed by three gunmen in front of Minatoya, a Japanese restaurant at Maunakea and Pauahi Sts. The city recorded its eighth bank robbery of the year—the 16th in the 10 years since statehood. A gambler was granted a change of venue with his income tax evasion case to be tried in Los Angeles because he might be murdered if the trial were held here. Four youths, on a robbery spree, committed three hopups in an hour before one was shot and wounded.

Kuriyama, 49, was opposed for re-election from the 4th Senate District (Leeward and Central Oahu) and if he had a serious enemy, neither his family nor his political associates appeared to know about it. Yet he was gunned down at close range in a murder that had all the appearance of being committed by a cool, detached professional killer.

Kuriyama had just parked his station wagon in the garage of his home at 99-856

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Nov. 3 Elections

Though this is being written the weekend before the Nov. 3 general elections, it can be stated even at this time that this particular balloting featured more splinter parties than usual and more participation by the minorities, especially the black. Moreover, because Congress had enacted legislation extending the franchise to 18-year-olds for the first time and authorizing ballots to new residents without a year-long wait, the young and the recently-arrived citizens added their ballots to those usually cast.

Independent and minority party candidates were on the ballots in almost 40 states in the 1970 congressional elections, with some threatening the chances of the major party candidates. This year, most third and fourth party candidates tended to represent the more conservative end of the political spectrum and contended that they offered a clear choice between Democratic and Republican nominees.

Senate candidates in New York, Connecticut, and Virginia carried out vigorous campaigns as non-major party contenders. James Buckley in New York ran as the Conservative Party candidate; Thomas Dodd of Connecticut, denied the Democratic nomination for a third term in the Senate, ran as a "Dodd Independent"; while Senator Harry Byrd of Virginia ran as an independent rather than sign the state Democratic Party's loyalty oath that he would support the 1972 Democratic Party nominee for President.

Nationally, the most energetic third party effort was made by the so-called American Independent Party (AIP) or other organizations identified with the 1968 presidential bid of George Wallace.

While significantly no AIP candidates were on the ballot in Alabama and George Wallace himself sought the governorship on the regular Democratic slate, at least 85 candidates in 22 states ran for Congress or governorships, according to AIP officials. They also claim that between 400 and 600 of their candidates ran for state and local offices.

The AIP's biggest push was in California, where it fielded candidates for governor, lieutenant governor, United States Senator, 21 National House of Representative seats, and 90 seats in the State Legislature. Factional strife was blamed for its probable poor showing.

In California too, a Peace and Freedom Party advocating a rapid deescalation of the war in Vietnam and massive federal assistance to solve urban problems nominated 12 candidates, including one for the governorship.

Overall, however, these independents, particularly those for state and local offices, and third and fourth party candidates were not expected to cut too much into the margins of the major party nominees.

With an eye to the 1972 presidential campaign, however, AIP leaders in Richmond, Virginia, remember that in 1968 Candidate Wallace won 13.5% of the popular vote nationwide and carried five Southern States. They view last week's races merely as a trial run for another anticipated Wallace bid two years hence.

November 3, 1970, may become a landmark day for the American Negro in politics.

In three States of the Old Confederacy, Arkansas, Alabama, and South Carolina, blacks were not represented in the state legislatures. Last week, Samuel Sparks, the son of a former butler to Governor Winthrop Rockefeller ran on the same ticket as the Governor for a State Senate seat. Democrat Fred Gray in Alabama and Democrats James Felder and I. S. Levy Johnson in South Carolina also ran for their respective State Legislatures.

Just before the 1968 presidential elections, a national survey showed that fewer than 700 Negroes then held public office. The number this year has been established at 1,586 nationally, with 596 of them holding office in 11 States of the Deep South.

Most of the black officials were not up for reelection this year because their terms had not expired. The Joint Center for Political Studies has identified 648 Negroes as having been candidates for the Nov. 3 general elections.

Thirty black Americans, 23 affiliated with the two major parties, ran for the National House of Representatives. Seven of them are incumbents. In this 91st Congress, there are nine Negro members, all Democrats, but William Dawson of Illinois is retiring at the end of this session and Adam Clayton Powell of New York was defeated in the primary elections.

Black leaders were hoping for a net gain of at least four seats in the House.

No black aspirant survived the primaries to become a major party candidate for the United States Senate. However, one Negro, William Thompson, ran as an independent for the Senate from Mississippi.

In New York State, Basil Paterson, a black, was the Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor, on a ticket headed by Arthur Goldberg for Governor.

In California, James Flournoy, a Republican backed by Governor Reagan, ran for Secretary of State, the first black to run for a statewide office in the Golden State.

Another Negro, Wilson Riles, ran against Max Rafferty for California State Superintendent of Public Instruction, a non-partisan office.

Democrat Joseph Montoya, the only Mexican American in the Senate, ran for re-election in New Mexico, while Democrats Spark Matsunaga and Patsy Takemoto Mink ran for re-election to the National House of Representatives from Hawaii.

Grand juror Uno reprimanded for surprise jail visit



SAN FRANCISCO — The grand jury this past week (Oct. 19) reprimanded one of its members for making an unannounced inspection of the Hall of Justice county jail and announcing his findings of "filth and disarray" to the news media.

Jury Foreman Raymond Hackett noted that the juror, Edison Uno, was not a member of the jury's official committee on the sheriff and the jails, and that Uno had acted on his own.

"The jails have been under investigation for some time by the jury's regular jail committee," Hackett said. "This committee shortly will be submitting its year-end report."

Hackett said that Uno's widely broadcast findings "were a rebash of what's been said about the jails here in the past."

The jails have been criticized by previous grand juries, the State Department of Corrections, the Advisory Committee on Adult Detention, previously headed by Mrs. Dianne Feinstein and the San Francisco Crime Committee.

Uno, also a member of the Crime Committee, whose proposal to remove the jails from Sheriff Matthew Cawberry's jurisdiction and place them under a local Department of Corrections has long been pigeon-holed in City Hall.

Fear riot would break out in S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO — An attempt to avoid a prison riot similar to the one in New York recently by giving the prisoners a chance to express their grievances through the existing system was the real reason for Grand Juror Edison Uno's surprise visit to the county jail Oct. 17.

Uno said he was fearful that the same conditions exist in the local jail as in New York.

He was called on the carpet by his fellow county grand jurors but "they gave me an opportunity to explain my position," Uno said.

Uno, an assistant dean of students at the U.C. Medical Center, broke one of the basic rules of grand jury conduct by arriving at the jail unannounced for a tour.

He then called in the press and denounced the "filth and disarray" he saw there.

Uno said his fellow jurors were apparently upset because he is not a member of the grand jury committee charged with the responsibility of investigating the jail, and because he did not go through the normal channels in reporting his findings.

Those channels are the series of year-end reports on city and county functions that the grand jury issues annually and that — critics charge — are swiftly consigned to waste baskets all over City Hall.

Sen. Smith meets Illinois Nisei

CHICAGO — On a beautiful fall day here, Sen. Ralph T. Smith (R-Ill.) met with members of the Japanese American community, expressing his admiration of the progress exhibited by Japanese American evacuees over the past 25 years.

Smith also expressed his support of Sen. Inouye's position on repeal of Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, and admired the way Dr. S. I. Hayakawa handled a very difficult situation at San Francisco State College.

Also present was Donald Rumfeld, director of Economic Opportunity and former congressman from Illinois' 13th district, who told a large gathering of over 200 persons that he had been asked by President Nixon to speak on Smith's behalf during the recent campaign.

The Smith reception was hosted by:

Kumeo and Mary Yoshinara, Fred and Marion Fujii, John Kitazaki, Harry and Alma Mizuno, Dr. Joe and Cherie Nakayama, George and Fumi Teraoka.

TIME TO FILE NOW FOR SUMMER JOBS

Federal Agencies Tests Due

WASHINGTON — Test dates in the postal service, and for competitive summer jobs in Federal agencies were announced today by the U.S. Civil Service Commission.

The examination will be given on three test dates at more than 1,000 locations. Candidates applying by Dec. 4 will be tested Jan. 9; those applying by Jan. 8 will be tested Feb. 15; and those applying by Feb. 3 will be tested March 13. Applications postmarked after Feb. 3, 1971, will not be accepted.

The Commission urged all candidates to apply early to receive maximum consideration, and reminded applicants that the number of jobs available will be relatively small in proportion to the number of competitors.

Nationwide, approximately 19,000 jobs are filled through the competitive exam each year — some 3,000 positions at grades GS-3 and 4 in which a student's educational background is related directly to the job being filled, some 5,000 clerk and carrier jobs

NEWS CAPSULES

Business

Kogoro Uemura, president of the Keidanten (Federation of Economic Organizations), who worked to have trade talks between the U.S. and Japan reopened, was in Washington last month accompanied by an aide, Toshio Shimanouchi, who was Japanese Ambassador to Norway until the end of September.

Golden Pagoda, Oakland gift store operated by Yoshito Saito at 1318 Washington, closed its doors Oct. 24 for good with the premise located in the city redevelopment area due for demolition. . . . Toyota Motors opened its new \$1 million port facility at Benicia Oct. 21, which will accommodate some 7,000 cars. The firm expects to process 22,000 cars the initial year for distribution throughout Northern California and Intermountain states.

Two Nisei officers of Sumitomo Bank of California, loan officers George Fujimoto and James Kajioka of Sacramento are on a month's leave in Japan to train at Sumitomo Bank Ltd., Osaka. The pair are the ninth group to be sent to Japan for training since the program was initiated in 1961.

Korean financier Bong Namkoong has opened a \$700,000 department store at 1636 W. Manchester, Los Angeles. It is the first Korean-owned department store in the U.S., handling Korean, American and Japanese goods.

Ebho Goto, a south Los Angeles florist and Garden Valley JACLer, participated in the recent ribbon-cutting ceremonies for South Gate Chamber of Commerce's new headquarters with Assemblyman Floyd Wakefield (R-South Gate) and wife, who is vice mayor, and Gordon Olsen, U.S. chamber of commerce western regional manager.

Miss Goto representing the Finance-Firestone Chamber of Commerce, has served on the board of directors for the past 18 years—the lone woman member. She is also active with the League of Southeast L.A. chambers of commerce, comprised of 12 community groups.

Yamaichi Securities Co. of New York has purchased a seat on the Pacific Coast Stock Exchange, the first Japanese-affiliated organization to do so. It paid \$27,000 for its seat on the P.C.S.E. Yamaichi is a member of the Boston Stock Exchange.

The Bank of Tokyo of California has received approval from the State Banking Department of plans to open its 14th branch and its first in the East Bay in the heart of Oakland's financial district. Bank president Susumu Onoda said that while the branch will serve the "high-density financial, manufacturing and international trade community of Metropolitan Oakland, it will also be accessible to all East Bay cities because of its location near the major BART terminal at 19th and Broadway.

Ray Urushima has joined the Fresno office of Dean Witter & Co. as an account executive, according to Stewart D. Randall, vice president and manager. Urushima is accredited by the New York Stock Exchange and will handle investment accounts for Fresno area investors. Before joining Dean Witter he was the sole proprietor of R. Urushima Securities Co. The Fresno JACL president in 1966 is a graduate of Fresno State College in business administration. He, his wife Mary, and their daughter Janet live at 5322 E. Olive Ave., Fresno.

Awards

Audrey Yamagata, education major at Cal State Long Beach, was awarded the 1970 So. Calif. Young People's Christian Conference scholarship of \$100. She is a graduate of Long Beach Poly High.

Two Tokyo-born graduate students at Pasadena Art Museum share the \$2,500 Broadway Dept. Store furniture design competition first prize. They are Akihiro Tomita who illustrated the presentation of Hiroshi Arai, who designed modular elements which assemble into a bed, a sofa, a chair, a table or into shelving.

Military



Glenn K. Yamamoto (above) of Graton, Calif., is attending the Air Force Academy on an athletic scholarship, having lettered in three sports: football, basketball and baseball at El Mokino High in Sonoma County. Glenn graduated last June among the top ten in his class of 145, was senior class president, active with the Interact (Rotary) Club, Block EM Club, and honor student. He was named to the No. Calif. interscholastic football hall of fame and has coached Little League teams in Forestville.

Census — 1970

Final Census Bureau Figures
Place 1970 1960
State of Hawaii 708,061 83,772
County Honolulu 629,176 506,408
City Honolulu 324,871 294,194
The Japanese count, still to be released, has grown from 203,000 in 1960 to an estimated 254,000 to comprise the largest ethnic group or roughly one-third of the nonmilitary population of some 748,000. Hawaiian and part-Hawaiian comprise the next group with 21 pct., the Caucasians follow with 19 pct., the Filipino 8.8 pct., Chinese 6.2 pct.

The Japanese Immigration Office reported 697,000 Korean residents in Japan as of December, 1969. Nearly 444,000 are Japan-born and 98 pct. had their roots in South Korea, the office reported.

Book

Toshikazu Kase, a member of the Japanese delegation to sign the formal surrender ending WW2 aboard the USS Missouri in 1945, and Japan's first ambassador to the United Nations, is now at the East-West Center, Honolulu, to write his second book about Japan's involvement in the War, covering the decade leading to Japan's entry in the war. His first book, "Journey to the Missouri," Yale University Press, 1951, of the circumstances leading to Japan's surrender. A graduate of Amherst and with a master's degree from Harvard before the war, he praised the United States for its efforts in aiding postwar Japan.

Elections

State Sen. Vincent Yano, who failed to win the Democratic nomination in Hawaii for lieutenant governor, spent \$45,932 in campaign expenses for the October primaries. . . . Attorney Yoshio Nakamura, a former Honolulu city councilman, spent \$15,722.92 trying to defeat the incumbent Toraki Matsumoto of the 2nd district nomination. That sum was second to \$26,500 spent by Peter A. Donahoe, who was the biggest spender among the losers in the city council primaries in Hawaii.

Organizations

Ernest Besig, 67, ACLU executive director in San Francisco, will retire from office next year, ending 36 years of service which included the WW2 years when one of his major fights was over the plight of Japanese Americans being excluded from the west coast and then being detained. He began his fight for civil liberties while investigating the activities of vigilantes against strikers in Imperial Valley in 1934. A traditionalist in his concept on how the ACLU can best defend an individual's liberty by intervening not for a particular cause but to allow that cause to agitate, he looks back over his near 40-years of work and says: "We haven't secured equality but we have a greater measure of it. We have somehow balanced things to make real progress in learning how to disagree among ourselves. I think there will always be a need for an organization concerned with freedom, because I think it's true that power does corrupt whoever is in authority."

Medicine

Dr. George M. Matsunaga of Lincoln, Ill., national secretary of the American Society of Geriatric Dentistry, has been appointed a member of the Joint Committee on Hospital Accreditation.

Dr. Fred I. Hasegawa of Mercer Island, Wash., president of the Washington State Society of Dentistry for Children, was an official delegate to the 1970 annual meeting of the American Society of Dentistry for Children Nov. 6-8 at Las Vegas.

Dr. Lindbergh S. Sata, M.D., dean and associate professor of psychiatry at Univ. of Washington School of Medicine, was appointed executive director of Community Mental Health Center at Harborview Medical Center, effective Jan. 1, announced Robert Olson, president of the Harborview board of trustees. The Utah-born Nisei had been associate medical director.

Karen F. Gallego, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Walchi Oyanagi of Portland, was promoted captain in the Army Medical Specialist Corps. She is a physical therapist at Walter Reed Army general hos-

Uno—

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rence Hachiro Uno, whose sister Matsue Domoto, whose husband, Takashi Domoto, owned the Hokubei Boeki Kaisha, a pioneer in the canned seafood industry, and a friend of Mr. Kariya.

This was the era of the development of the great Japanese trading companies. Through trade and commerce, many friends and acquaintances were made, many of which have become faint shadows in

Kuriyama —

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his father drive up, then went to investigate when he did not come into the house soon after.

Final services were conducted Monday (Oct. 26) evening with military burial the following morning at National Memorial Cemetery (Punch-bowl). His body lay in state at the Capitol prior to the funeral.

Survivors are widow Evelyn, three sons Stanley, David, John, two daughters, Carolyn, Ann and two brothers, Akiyoshi and Fred Y.

Kuriyama spent 11 years in the legislature, as a member of the State House where he authored the law establishing the community college system, and in the Senate where he was a staunch defender of the autonomy for the Univ. of Hawaii as chairman of the Senate Committee on Higher Education.

Hawaii's governor and political leaders were all grief-stricken, dismayed and outraged by the murder. "That this can happen to a man of peace, a decent and most honorable man is a measure of our times and cause for deep concern," Sen. Daniel Inouye said. "It is difficult to believe that anyone could commit such a vicious act against him."

Sen. Hiram Fong said, "Police, in search of motives, went to see a known gambler whom the slain state senator reportedly had real estate dealings, the Honolulu Advertiser reported. And police learned Kuriyama was warned five days before his death that a man with whom he had dealings was 'going to get him.' The Star Bulletin reported Kuriyama was 'marked for murder' and added another man involved in the deal was also in danger of his life.

pital, Washington, D.C.

Dr. Kenneth Sugikawa of Los Angeles and Air Medical Corps, anesthesiologist was named chairman of the new Dept. of Anesthesiology at Univ. of North Carolina school of medicine, where he has been on the faculty since 1954. He graduated from Denver University and earned his medical degree at Washington University.

Deaths

Raymond C. Hollis, 91, publisher of the Santa Ana Register and president of the 20 Freedom Newspapers, died Oct. 30 at the Santa Ana Community Hospital where he was being treated for diabetes and uremia. Among his more celebrated bouts with government was his editorial defense of the Japanese Americans in California during World War II when they were uprooted from their homes and placed in concentration camps inland. He was also against public schools, social security and wanted the U.S. to quit the United Nations.

Seisaku Kuwahara, 92, died Oct. 20 at his home in Long Island City, N.Y. He was the oldest Issei on the East Coast, and was in the restaurant business for a time and later worked for an import-export firm. In 1968, he was decorated by Japan with the Order of the Sacred Treasure.

Kyoichi Sawada, 34, the Pulitzer Prize-winning UPI photographer of Tokyo, was found slain after a Communist ambush Oct. 28 in Cambodia.

the memories of the protagonists to only be recalled when a ray of light is cast by some illuminating incident.

My mother read about the Arai dinner a few days ago and a ray of light was cast back to 1922 when she was a passenger on the Korea Maru and had met Mr. Ryoichiro Arai.

It has taken almost 50 years and pure chance that the son of Osaka Teraoka Uno has the opportunity, pleasure and honor to bestow this recognition on the illustrious and distinguished Mr. Yoneo Arai, our oldest living Nisei and son of Ryoichiro Arai.

Incidentally, my mother, an Issei, who lives with me, is only a young 76, going on 77. If she lives another 25 years or so, she may become the oldest living Issei.

Yoneo Arai is the oldest living Nisei born on the continental mainland. He was born in New York City in 1889, son of Ryoichiro Arai, silk export pioneer, who first came to the United States in 1875 and to New York City in 1876. He graduated in 1908 from St. George's School, Newport, Rhode Island, and graduated cum laude, Harvard, 1912. He joined his father's silk importing, cotton exporting firm, Morimura Atai & Co. Ltd.

On recovery, he went to Harvard Business School and was elected to the review board in 1929. In the early 1940s he joined Tokyo Marine & Fire Insurance Company, as New York representative. During World War II, he taught Japanese language in Army language in Army Specialized Training Program at Yale. After the war, he rejoined the Tokyo Marine & Fire Insurance Company. In 1950, he became New York representative for Yamaichi Securities of Tokyo. He retired in 1959. He had served as President and later Chairman of Board. In 1969, he received the Order of Sacred Treasure, Third Class, from the Japanese Government. He now resides in Greenwich, Connecticut. He has helped reorganize the Japan Society after the war and served as its Vice President for some 15 years.

There were two gold centennial medallions minted by the U.S. Mint. One was given to President Nixon and one to Premier Sato. The silver medallion we are presenting to you today is the next highest one. Our organization is honored to present this medallion and a copy of Bill Hokawa's "Nisei: The Quiet Americans" to you.

Congratulations in behalf of the National American Citizens League.

Pacific Citizen Holiday Issue Advertising Managers

JACL chapters have received their PC Holiday Issue advertising kit, containing insertion orders of those who sent greetings to our estimated 80,000 readers last year and a supply of additional forms to accommodate others.

Persons wishing to extend their greetings in the 1970 Holiday Issue may call on the chapter advertising manager nearest them. Rates are \$5 per column inch for Display or \$3 per one-line greetings (Name and address). Deadline is Nov. 30.

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Readers have come to regard the Holiday Issue greetings as a genial way of being remembered during the year-end holidays and showing support to not only the Pacific Citizen but the local JACL chapter as well.

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'Untold Story'—

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graded reading lists, chronologies, bibliographies, a film strip, has published articles for student and adult audiences, produced an educational TV program—in an effort to tell the Japanese American story in the classrooms as well as dispel misconceptions and stereotypes, she noted.

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

ON BOOKS AND SUCH—Somewhat more than a year ago a major American publisher issued a novel titled "American Scrapbook" by Jerome Charyn. From the Nisei viewpoint it was insulting and bordered on the scurrilous. It was hardly more than a sex novel whose characters just happened to be Japanese Americans. The setting, only incidental to the story, was a war relocation center. There really wasn't much point to the story and the reading public in its infinite wisdom seems to have relegated the book to the obscurity which it deserves.

So far as I am aware, no Nisei voice was raised to protest this book, at least no voice was raised loud enough to make an impression. This is only proper for there are ways other than public protest to express displeasure about a commercial product. If a published work lacks merit, the reading public will withhold its support from the book counters. If the work is libelous, one can seek redress in the courts.

Since publication of "American Scrapbook" however, one Nisei-authored book has been published and a second is about to be published. Both have been the targets of immoderate criticism. In the first instance, the protest was directed almost entirely at one word in the title, the word "Quiet", although the text itself ran some 160,000 words and none of the protesters had seen any portion of the manuscript. In the second case, leaders of the Buddhist Churches of America after carefully examining "Japanese Americans: The Untold Story," have filed a vigorous public protest.

The second book was written by a group of Nisei educators for use by fourth and fifth grade pupils. Noting the absence of suitable material about Americans of Japanese origins for grade schoolers, these teachers cooperated to produce a book aimed at bringing about greater understanding and appreciation of the cultural contributions of a little-known minority.

According to published reports the official Buddhist protest says in part: "... we find the overtones of the text to be racial, consistently anti-Buddhist and pro-Christian biased, and a gross misrepresentation of the true picture of the lives of Japanese Americans."

This is a serious indictment indeed, coming as it does from the lay and spiritual leaders of a religious sect claiming 100,000 members. Certainly the authors will deny it, although they have not been heard from at this writing. But regardless of whether the charges are justified the tragedy is that the Buddhist leadership feels so strongly that it has grievances and has chosen to voice them in the manner that it has.

At this juncture it is difficult not to wonder about the characteristic that Dr. Harry Kitano has described as the "Enryo syndrome"—in its essence, one feels no constraints about giving members of the family hell about any matter, but one uses restraint and deference in relationships with an outside. "Enryo" may have been cast off to some extent, but its influence would appear to exert itself still if the man's name is Charyn or Smith or Jones, for that matter.

The Japanese American Curriculum Project which produced "Japanese Americans: The Untold Story," was supported by the national JACL with a \$4,000 grant. This is no way makes JACL responsible for the contents of the book. But there would seem to be an implied obligation for the JACL leadership to step in and seek to heal a breach that could well become a serious one. A project as well-intentioned as this effort to provide school children with instructive reading matter deserves better than to be made the unintended victim of a public controversy. It is unfortunate the issue was made a controversy at all. Such problems are not resolved by fencing in the public prints, which results only in a hardening of positions. As any peace-maker will tell you, accord can be reached only by hard and careful work behind the scenes. Trial by press release smacks only of politics.

KRON-TV REGRETS SHOWING OF 1944 ANTI-NISEI FILM

'Purple Heart' and Similar Movies Will Not Be Shown

SAN FRANCISCO — KRON-TV, Channel 4, San Francisco, apologized for the showing of 1944 movie "Purple Heart" and promised that it will not be shown again.

Aldo H. Constant, Vice-President of KRON-TV, stated, "I regret that this particular film was broadcast and offer you and all other citizens of Japanese ancestry my apologies."

Constant further gave his "assurances that the film 'Purple Heart' or any similar films will not be shown on KRON-TV in the future."

Constant made his statement in response to a protest lodged by Raymond Okamura, Secretary of the National Japanese American Council.

Text of Letter

Full text of letter follows:

October 19, 1970

Dear Mr. Okamura:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 11, 1970 in which you protest the showing of the World War II movie "Purple Heart" on KRON-TV, Saturday, October 10, 1970. Please forgive my delay in replying, but I wanted to check with our Program Department and see the film "Purple Heart" myself before I replied.

I regret that you found the film distasteful and certainly understand your reasons.

KRON-TV has for 30 years been extremely careful in the presentation of film material that would be derogatory to any ethnic group. We eliminate any film broadcast schedule over the years many films which we felt would cause American citizens of various nationalities to feel uncomfortable. It is possible for us to edit out portions of feature films or other films material to make it acceptable. The person who previewed the feature film "Purple Heart" advised me that they looked at several sequences in the film two or three times in order to properly evaluate it and that it was their honest opinion that the film would not offend American citizens of Japanese ancestry.

When I viewed the film, I agreed with certain of your objections and we have, therefore, withdrawn that feature film from our future scheduling on KRON-TV.

I certainly believe that this station has been more concerned with these problems than any other station in the area. I am responsible in our selection of material and deletion of material that may offend other broadcast stations.

I regret that this particular film was broadcast and offer you and all other citizens of Japanese ancestry my apologies.

Our Program Department has been directed to screen films in our library in order to make sure that we have not overlooked a segment that would offend any persons of your ancestry.

You may be sure that KRON-TV does not concern itself with "canon" value, nor would we engage in any activity derogatory to any group because of alleged economic competition.

All of us at KRON-TV are proud of our service to the minority communities of the San Francisco Bay Area and point with pride to our long-standing concern for the improvement of racial relations.

Again, my apologies and assurances that the film "Purple Heart" or any similar films will not be shown on KRON-TV.

ALDO H. CONSTANT

Vice President and General Manager



GOODWILL DINNER — Mike Suzuki of Sacramento, national JACL president for general operations, will address the 30th annual Placer County JACL goodwill dinner Nov. 7 at Auburn District Fairground. Chief, social services division, with the State Dept. of Social Welfare, Suzuki holds a psychology and graduate in psychology and social welfare from UC Berkeley, was employed by the Jewish Family Service, New York, 1952-55, and Japanese Children's Home, Los Angeles, 1955-63. He joined the state social welfare department in 1963 and became division chief in 1968.

Marysville JACL to celebrate 35th

MARYSVILLE — Denver Post associate editor Bill Hosokawa will address the 35th anniversary dinner of the Marysville JACL at the Peace Tree Country Club here Nov. 7.

The chapter was founded in 1935 as the Yuba-Sutter-Butte-Colusa JACL, comprising a four county area.

Chapter president Tosh Sano, in preparing for this gala event, has been assisted by:

Frank Okimoto, George H. Inoue, co-chairman; Akiko Yoshimura, program; Bill Tsuji, Shurei Matsushima, gen. arr.; Iris Hatanaka, decorations; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Okimoto, inc.; Tai Sano (743-6043), reservations; Nobu Tokumura, telephone; Helen Manji, cor. sec.; Sud Hamura, fin.; Limesa Okimoto, Susan Komatsu, hostesses; George Yoshimoto, photographer; Anne Kodama, pub.; Frank Nakamura, adv.; Mitsi Kinoshita, corsages.

Chapter records show the following persons as charter members, with present place of residence:

Yuba City—Harry Fukushima, Robert Inoue; Sacramento—Charlotte Maruyama, Kie Maruyama; Marysville—Samuel L. Kurihara, James Nakagawa, Frank Nakamura, Sally Oshita Nakatsui; Palermo—Anthony Tokino; Okaville—Mossie Uchida; Dixon—K. Saito; San Jose—Helen Nakamura Iwasaki; Oakland—Dr. Charles Yonemura; Monterey—Paul Takewaki; Chicago—Noboru Honda; Parma, O.—Harvey Ohnura, Mitsuko Miyasaka Ohnura.

Other charter members, whose whereabouts are unknown, are:

Kiyono Matsumura, Frank Murata, Hazel Iseri Tagawa and Tom Tsuruda. (Chapter would appreciate any information on these four persons. Please notify Mrs. Frank Okimoto, 248 S. Lawrence Ave., Yuba City, Calif. 95991, phone 673-7148.)

CENTRAL CAL APPREHENSIVE OVER RECENT TRENDS IN JACL PROGRAMS

FRESNO — In conjunction with its annual convention, the Central California District Council is sponsoring a meeting of all interested JACL members who view with apprehension recent trends in JACL policies and activities. The meeting will be held at the Del Webb Townhouse in Fresno on Saturday, Nov. 21, from 1 to 5 p.m. It will be an open meeting devoted to a frank discussion, pro and con, under the general heading, "Whither JACL?" It is intended to be a constructive meeting in the interests of the general membership of the National JACL.

Some of the topics to be discussed are the following:

1—The purpose of an ethnic organization such as the JACL.

2—The desirable extent of JACL participation in the general field of civil rights.

3—The desirable extent of JACL participation in international relations as it relates to politics, social philosophies and economics.

4—The desirable extent of JACL participation in the field of partisan domestic politics.

5—The limits of authority granted or assumed by the National Board, the Executive Committee, national committee chairmen, national officers and staff members.

6—The authority to expend the principal of the National Endowment Fund.

7—A change in the method of electing national officers and selecting committee chairmen.

8—Official JACL policy in the matter of radical, militant organizations engaging in unlawful activities.

9—The reduction of convention expenses to encourage attendance.

Ray Uno to address West L.A. installation

Maj. George Kanagai, U.S. Army (ret.), will head the West Los Angeles JACL for the coming year. He and his board members will be installed Nov. 7, 7:30 p.m., at the Lobster House in Marina del Rey.

Raymond Uno, national president, will deliver the principal address. Dr. Roy Nishikawa, past national president and recently acclaimed JACL-er of the Biennial, will swear in the officers. Dr. Toru Iura will emcee the dinner.

Leo Fenster, chairman of the dinner-dance, is being assisted by:

George Nakao, tickets; Ruth Miyada, program cover; Roy Takada, fin.; Tanny Sakaiwa, door; Virginia Tominga, printing; Auxiliary, hostesses.

The incoming president served in the South Pacific during WW2 and stationed in Japan during the Occupation. He also served in the Korean conflict. He is married to the former Toyoko Kataoka and resides in West Los Angeles with their three children.

The dinner program will be preceded by a get-acquainted social hour starting from 6:30 p.m., with chairman Dick Nagao in charge.

Calif. Masonic grand lodge installs Nisei

FRESNO — On Oct. 18 during the closing ceremonies of the 121st Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California, Harry E. Hiraoka, past master of Selma Lodge No. 277 was installed as senior grand steward for the year 1971.

He has the original honor of being the first Mason of Japanese ancestry to serve in a Grand Lodge office in the history of the Grand Lodge of California.

Hiraoka was appointed by the newly elected Grand Master Herbert A. Huebner of Los Angeles.

PACIFIC CITIZEN—3
Friday, Nov. 6, 1970

'EVACUATION' POSTERS GROSS OVER \$1,000

SAN FRANCISCO—The Center for Japanese American Study conducted a summer-time mail auction of 1942 Evacuation posters acquired from an Army warehouse and reported 36 different people bought 74 items out of the 141 items offered. Many bids came from out-of-state.

The high bids totaled \$1,122.99, according to Richard Kenmotsu, who noted there were only 27 non-winning bids out of the grand total of 101 bids.

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST TO OPEN UP SESSION TO COMPLAINTS, CRITICISM

LOS ANGELES—To ascertain thinking of individual chapters as to the direction JACL is committed, the Pacific Southwest District Council has replaced its traditional chapter clinic for a "rap" session with delegates and local chapter officers.

Mrs. Sumi Ujimori, PSWDC executive board member, in a letter outlining some questions to provoke discussion at the Nov. 15 district meeting at the City of Commerce Hyatt House, explained the purpose of the discussion is to seek current solutions, develop communication among various segments within the organization and not necessarily justify present programs.

"Many members have been expressing dissatisfaction with the direction of National and District programs," she revealed, and the rap session will provide an opportunity to express feelings and concerns.

Perhaps the most interested observer, if not a participant, will be Raymond Uno, national president.

The questions:

1—Do you have any specific criticisms about the present direction, both at the national and local levels, of the JACL?

2—Do you think the chapters have enough of a voice in the formulations of policies in the national and local levels?

3—Are there any areas in which you feel the JACL should be involved?

4—Do you feel the young people have enough voice in the JACL?

5—Do you feel the older people have enough voice in the JACL?

6—Do you think the JACL should be involved in providing legal aid services?

7—Do you feel the JACL is too deeply involved in civil rights, sufficiently involved, or not involved enough?

8—Do you support the concept of new chapters of young adults forming in areas where chapters are already existing?

9—Do you think the JACL will eventually fade away as a Nisei-dominated organization?

Contra Costa Nisei meet Congressman Waldie

EL CENTRO—A tea reception was held Oct. 25 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Heizo Oshima here to present the incumbent Rep. Jerome Waldie from Contra Costa County to the Japanese American community.

Waldie spoke about the issues of the campaign. He dwelt at length about the importance of reorganizing the Congressional seniority system to reflect the urgency of the problems of the cities, his views against the Vietnam War, his concern for civil liberties, his support of the JACL organized campaign for the repeal of Title 2, and his fight against the Peripheral Canal which would be disastrous for the ecology of the San Francisco Bay area.

The affair was sponsored by the Japanese Americans for Waldie Committee headed by: David Ninomiya, Heizo Oshima, Jerry Irel, and Bill Hirose.

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New York JACL chapter president Yoshi T. Imai, in extending greetings, remarked on the need of the East Coast Nisei history project "because available East Coast data has often been submerged in previous national surveys."

Hisatane Hatano, president of the Japanese American Assn., extended his greetings in Japanese and reported on the number of Japanese in the city today and the association's history of welfare work.

Service Awards

Service awards were given to Moonray Kojima and Murray Sprung for their dedication and loyalty to JACL. Sprung was toastmaster of the dinner.

In attendance were officers and members of the Yamaichi Securities, where Aral is an officer, and the Bank of Tokyo. JACLers assisting on the dinner committee were:

Yoshi T. Imai, Minoru Endo, Toshio Harada, Moonray Kojima, Lucille Nakamura, August Nakagawa, Tami Ogata, Joe Oyama, Gerhard Spies, Yaye Togasaki, Mary and Murray Sprung, Edna Suzuki, Mitsuo Yasuda and Aya Endo.

Japan Society of New York was not a sponsoring organization of the dinner as previously announced.

Holiday Issue Deadline for Ads Nov. 30

Furutani addresses

New York peace rally

NEW YORK — Local Asian American groups participated with other Puerto Rican and Black groups in a march and rally to protest U.S. involvement in Southeast Asia this past Sunday, Nov. 1, at "The Site", 125th St. and Seventh Ave.

Among spokesmen from each group, the Asian group had Warren Furutani of Los Angeles appear at the Third World joint demonstration.

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Legal Services Drop-in Center

By SHOSHANA ARAI
San Francisco
Up until a year ago few people saw the need for Asian Legal Services. It was commonly believed that Asians in America had no civil or criminal legal problems which required special services. It was not that these problems didn't exist, but rather that the Asian community preferred to treat them with benign neglect.

In San Francisco, the Asian Legal Services was formed in January of 1970 to deal with the frequent arrests of Asians both in Chinatown and on the college campuses, as well as, to deal with housing discrimination, wage disputes, and the threats of deportation in the Asian community.

The key to understanding Asian Legal Services lies in the word "services". The office provides defendants with lawyers to handle cases in court and the help of trained volunteers to conduct any necessary research and assist in the follow-up work in cases. Bilingual counseling also is offered by the staff to explain legal terminology and courtroom procedures to defendants.

In the area of preventive legal education we are writing and distributing a series of bilingual handbooks that cover matters such as the rights of juveniles and what a person should do if he is stopped on the street by the police.

Ultimately, the office is working to promote a concept of "shared" or "common" legal defense in which the responsibility and the work on a case is shared by the defendant, the lawyer, and the community. This approach stands in marked contrast to the traditional lawyer-client relationship where the lawyer alone handles all the legal preparations for the case and only informs the client when he must appear in court.

With this concept of "shared" or "common" legal defense it is our hope that closer relationships will be established between the community and its professionals (i.e. lawyers).

Asian Legal Service now has offices in San Francisco at 842 Kearny, and in Los Angeles at 125 Weller St. Both offices are in constant need of volunteers, lawyers, and donations. Any help that any individuals or groups can offer would be greatly appreciated.

Flower View Gardens set for Christmas open house

LOS ANGELES — Alice and Art Ito of Flower View Gardens, longtime Hollywood JACLers, will have their ninth annual Christmas Open House on Sunday, Nov. 8, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at their shop at 1801 N. Western.

Gift items, holiday centerpieces and floral creations by the staff headed by Mrs. Ruth Godshalk will be featured. Hourly door prizes and refreshments will be served. Over 10,000 persons have visited Flower View Gardens since the first open house was held in 1962.

CALENDAR

Nov. 6 (Friday)
West Valley—Election dinner mtg. Grace Methodist Church, 6 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci Mtg. Stoner Playgrounds, 7:30 p.m.

Nov. 7 (Saturday)
San Gabriel Valley—Installation dnr. California Country Club, City of Industry, 7 p.m.; State Sen. Alfred Song, spkr.
Marysville—35th Anny. dinner, Peach Tree Country Club, 7 p.m.; Bill Hosokawa, spkr.
West Los Angeles—Installation dinner-dance, Lobster House, Marina del Rey.
Belmont—Installation dinner, Los Coyotes Country Club, 7 p.m.; George Ito, spkr.
Placer County—20th annual goodwill dinner, Auburn District Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.; Mike Suzuki, spkr.

Nov. 7-8
NC-WNDC—Qtrly Session, Contra Costa and Berkeley JACL co-hosts. Ho. Lord's Restaurant, 11:30 a.m.; Raymond Uno, dnr spkr.

Nov. 8 (Sunday)
Corteza—Fishing derby, Broad Slough and Upstream, weigh-in Farr's Park.
Alameda—Fishing derby, weigh-in Mills Ikeda's Garage.

Nov. 8 (Monday)
Salt Lake—Ed Mtg. JACL Credit Union Bldg., 7:30 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Ed Mtg. Capitol Life Bldg., 7:30 p.m.
Alameda—Ed Mtg. Buena Vista Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Nov. 11 (Friday)
Philadelphia—Ed Mtg. Bunji Ikeda res.

Nov. 14 (Saturday)
San Diego—Installation dinner-dance, Town & Country Hotel.

Nov. 15 (Sunday)
CCDC—Golf tournament, Palm Laie.

Nov. 16 (Monday)
PSWDC—Qtrly session, chapter clinic, East Los Angeles JACL hosts. Hyatt House, City of Commerce, 9 a.m.

Nov. 16 (Monday)
Placer County—Ed Mtg. JACL Office, Penryn, 7:30 p.m.

Nov. 20 (Friday)
Sequoia—Installation dinner-dance, Marriott Inn, Belmont 6:30 p.m.; Mas Satow, spkr.

Nov. 20-22
Milwaukee—Annual Folk Fair. Philadelphia—Folk Fair.

Nov. 21 (Saturday)
Dayton—Cincinnati—Joint installation dinner-dance, Neal's Heritage House, 6:30 p.m.
Riverside—Thanksgiving dinner.

Nov. 21-22
CCDC—Annual Convention. Del Webb's Townhouse, Fresno; Sat. 7:30 p.m.—No-host dinner. Panel discussion: James Matsuoaka, Ranko Yamada, Dr. Tom Takeda, Izzie Taniguchi (moderator); Sun. 9 a.m.—Bus Mtg. 3 p.m.—Fashion show from Harry Collier's 8 p.m.—Inst. banquet, Bill Hosokawa, spkr.

Nov. 21-23
Long Beach—14th annual basketball tournament, Long Beach City College.

Nov. 22 (Saturday)
MDCC—Workshop, Twin Cities Jr. JACL hosts.

Nov. 23 (Sunday)
IDC—Qtrly Session, Salt Lake City.

Nov. 28 (Saturday)
Alameda—Benefit movies.

Nov. 29 (Sunday)
Milwaukee—Folk Fair.

Dec. 4 (Friday)
Watsonville—Installation dinner-dance, Elks Club, 7 p.m.

By KAZ MANIWA
San Francisco
One cannot help but notice the division and lack of communication between the various Japanese community groups, church organizations, and individuals. These gaps have created a series of problems. An obvious example of this is lack of communication between the generations. Have you tried to seriously talk and relate to someone outside of your generation?

The failure to do so naturally leads to alienation. In this state of alienation our perspective is reduced to our own individual group. Often times in our daily lives we tend to alienate ourselves as individuals. In a society where competitiveness and personal self-interest and gain are stressed, it is natural that one becomes self-centered and distrustful of even his own people.

The Drop-in Center was created as a possible solution to these problems. It provides a place where Issei, Nisei, and Sansei can come to and engage in various programs together. In this way it is hoped that the existing gaps will be closed. Programs will be designed in such a way as to get people to work together for the common good of all.

This is our goal—to bring people from all different levels together under a common purpose. We hope to overcome differences between different groups and individuals. We hope to stop the "dog-eat-dog" mentality and develop a spirit of working together, of trusting one another, and looking out for each other. We must be together or we will fail.

The location of the center is 1808-A Sutter St. (above Honami's). Everyone is welcome at any time. It is your center.

CHAPTER PULSE

November program

On Nov. 7 the West Valley JACL slates a dinner meeting at the Grace Methodist Church, 19848 Prospect Rd., Saratoga from 6:30 p.m. Steve Nakashima will prepare a gourmet dinner.

Purpose of this meeting is the nomination and election of officers and the presentation and acceptance of the constitution.

Placer County JACL elected eight new board members who will serve two years at its annual polluck meeting Oct. 18 at Loomis Memorial Hall, James Makimoto and Herb Tokutomi were in charge of the social hour. Nobuya Ni-mura, nominations chairman, announced the following were elected: Takashi Hamamoto, Harry Kawahata, Ellen Kubo, Tom Miyamoto, Bunni Nakagawa, Mack Tsujimoto, Ted Uyeda, Roy Yoshida (Hollywood members are Rusty Uratsu, chap. pres.; Seichi Otow, Toki Okusu, George Nakamoto, Bob Nakamura, George Hirakawa and Aster Kondo).

Uratsu said the new board would meet Nov. 16, 7:30 p.m., at the JACL office at Penryn to elect officers, plan the 1971 calendar and make committee assignments.

Assemblyman Eugene Chapie (R) reported on the proposal to erect a historical monument at the former Manzanar WRA camp, which at its height held more than 10,000 evacuees and was the first of 10 WRA camps maintained during World War II.

National Director Mas Satow of San Francisco was announced as guest speaker for the 19th annual Sequoia JACL installation dinner-dance on Friday, Nov. 20, 6:30 p.m., at the Marriott Inn, Belmont. Music till midnight will be provided by the Don Armando Quartet.

Ken Kato, chapter president, is being assisted by Lily Kato, dinner chairman, and Yasuko Kariya, decorations. Tickets and reservations are being accepted by:

Mary Mayeda (Mountain View, 967-8287); Marilyn Murata (Palo Alto, 854-6955); and Lily Kato (Redwood City, 366-8675).

October programs

Fred Cordova, Seattle University public relations director and active in the local Filipino community, addressed the Seattle JACL meeting Oct. 21 on "Filipino Americans—Now".

(The PC reprinted his article on the same topic Sept. 11.)

Barbara Yoshida, JAL-JACL summer fellowship recipient, spoke at the September meeting. The Sasei social worker, unable to speak Japanese fluently in Japan, thought the people in Japan regarded her as "retarded" or "was putting on to act like a foreigner." She noted the low caseload in the Japanese juvenile courts, and people in Japan are very discriminating as to what they like about Western ways.

Sacramento JACL reported its annual benefit movie held on two nights, Sept. 11-12, netted over \$1,000. The chapter also reported contributions were received from 27 families in memory of deceased kin this past year and deposited them in the scholarship fund.

Veterans Day

In 1971 Veterans Day will be celebrated on the fourth Monday in October. It was originally known as Armistice Day, commemorating the end of the first World War Nov. 11, 1918.

Ray Uno, Nisei politicians, district election controversy top agenda

BERKELEY—A principal address by National President Raymond S. Uno, a special panel discussion on "Japanese Americans in Public Life" featuring Nisei politicians, a hotly contested district election, and a controversy filled business agenda will highlight a busy JACL Northern California-Western Nevada District Council meeting here this Sunday, Nov. 8.

Registration begins at 11:30 a.m.; the business at 12:30 p.m.; the district elections at 3; the panel discussion at 4; and the banquet at 6 p.m. All events will be at the picturesque Hs Lordships Restaurant on the Berkeley Marina. (Just south of the Berkeley Pier).

First on the business agenda will be a reconsideration of the issue of election of the district governor by the delegates rather than the board. After two years of prolonged debate, it appeared the proposal was finally passed at the last District Council meeting in Monterey. However, the Oakland chapter protested a non-official delegate voted against the expressed desires of the Oakland Board of Directors. The Oakland vote was nullified, and as a result, the proposal defeated. Proponents of the measure are expected to ask for a reconsideration.

Elks Club

Resolutions concerning Elks Club discrimination will be presented by two chapters. The Fremont chapter will offer a basic resolution calling on the Elks Club to end their discriminatory membership practices. The Berkeley chapter will offer a supplementary resolution calling for a boycott of Elks Club functions, facilities, awards, scholarships.

Furthermore, the Berkeley resolution will call upon National JACL to consider undertaking legal or legislative action against the tax exempt status of the Elks Club and their facilities.

The five Northern California FOXES (field staffers for JACL) will be present to report on their activities. The FOX team has come under criticism from the Alameda chapter for allegedly organizing a separate youth organization, the East Bay Sasei Association, in competition with the existing Jr. JACL. This will be the first time the Northern California FOXES—Shoshana Arai, Arty Kameda, Kaz Maniwa, Glenn Watanabe, and Dennis Yotsuya—have formally appeared before the District Council.

A report on the Price Cobb Sensitivity Training Institute will be given by Mrs. Chizu Iiyama of Contra Costa chapter and Mike Honda of San Jose chapter. Honda and Mrs. Iiyama recently attended the Institute for the District and they will make proposals on how Japanese Americans can benefit from similar sensitivity training.

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Although the Buddhist Churches of America has asked to be placed on the agenda to present their protest to the San Mateo Project book, "Japanese Americans: The Untold Story," it is not certain if there will be enough time. The work of the San Mateo Japanese American Curriculum Project, Inc., a private group not affiliated with the JACL, continues to arouse intense feelings, pro and con. The "Untold Story" issue has already erupted at two previous District Council meetings.

Also, the San Jose chapter is expected to further elaborate on their proposal to institute JACL voting in proportion to chapter membership.

Following the business session, the district election promises to be the most competitive in recent years. Ten candidates have already filed for election to five Executive Board openings, plus the 1000 Club Chairman. Candidates for the Executive Board are:

Wesley Doi (San Francisco), Mrs. Chizu Iiyama (Contra Costa), Ted Inouye (Fremont), Phil Isakamara (San Francisco), Tom T. Okubo (Sacramento), Seichi Otow (Placer County), Grant Shimizu (San Jose), George Uyeda (Monterey Peninsula), and Dr. Raymond S. Uchiyama (West Valley). Tony Boch (San Benito) has filed for re-election as 1000 Club Chairman.

In addition, it is expected that there will be two or more "surprise" nominations made from the floor. Since the deadline for filing has past, there is a constitutional requirement

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that three chapter presidents must endorse a board candidate before he can be nominated from the floor.

Two Seek Governorship

Because of the uncertainty about the election of the governor by the delegates or the board, District Nominations Chairman James Kimoto announced that he has not received any official nominations for governor. However, Kimoto added that he has received unofficial "feelings" that at least two individuals are seeking the governorship.

If the governor is to be elected by the delegates, any of the continuing or outgoing Executive Board members, or anyone who has previously

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Aloha from Hawaii

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International Politics

Canada's recognition of Peking and communist China's explosion of another weapon are strong evidence that the U.S. should begin to trade with Red China. Chin Ho, Honolulu financier, said on Oct. 18, "These two developments, representing the extremes of the spectrum of international relations, demonstrate the developing change in world opinion, on the one hand, and the ultimate in consequences if countries are not able to co-exist, on the other," Ho said.

Crime File

Crime is increasing in practically every category on the Big Island, but drug abuse has shown the most dramatic rise in the last few months. Big Island police officials report, Inspector Martin Kaaua, head of Hilo operations, read off a list of statistics comparing crime in the Jan.-Aug. period of 1969 with the corresponding period this year. All were up except rape. There has been a 190 per cent increase in narcotics cases, up from 32 in 1969 to 93 this far this year, Kaaua said.

Cockfight operators near Honokaa on the Big Island have adopted guerrilla tactics against police officers, a police official has reported. Detective Sgt. Kenneth Benevides told a news conference that Hamakua police officers saw the gruesome defensive setup at an arena near Kalapa. The arena is protected on two sides by a six-foot fence of roofing iron, he said.

Two running men were shot at, but missed, in what police believe as an underworld murder attempt in the Kapiolani business district on Oct. 17. One would-be victim was chased briefly by a green sedan. Three men jumped out and more shots were fired a block away, but the target hid and later fled in a taxi.

Honolulu Scene

Don't try hitchhiking in Honolulu unless you want to run the risk of getting a ticket. Hitchhiking is illegal and it's going to remain that way. Police say that as long as "thumbing" is against the law, the law will be enforced—strike or no strike. Police stress that there is nothing illegal about accepting a ride that has not been solicited.

Honolulu Rapid Transit Co. bus drivers agreed on Oct. 18 to stay on the job temporarily after Mayor Frank Fasi offered their union \$40,000 of his own money to finance pay raises. Arthur A. Rutledge, Teamsters Union president, announced the agreement and postponed for at least 30 days the strike that had been scheduled for Oct. 19. The drivers have been working without a contract since Sept. 1. The drivers want 50 cents an hour more in wages and 15 cents more in fringe benefits, but HRT board chairman Harry Weinberg says the company cannot pay for it.



LINESMAN—Tony Nakazawa of Tolleson, Ariz., senior at Univ. of Hawaii in economics, is starting offensive unit guard on the Rainbow varsity. He's 6 ft. and weighs 210.

Univ. of Hawaii looking for more mainland Sansei football players

Honolulu. While many football players ponder several months on which college to attend, Tony Nakazawa of Tolleson, Arizona makes his decisions in a hurry. "I was all set to attend school in New Mexico, when one Monday afternoon, I got a call from Head Coach Dave Holmer, telling me that they were giving me a scholarship and that I was to report Wednesday for practice," Tony says. "I couldn't believe it at first, I talked to my parents and they told me to go to school over here because I would have the chance to see the islands."

So in just two days, Tony packed his bags and traveled the 3,000 miles to Honolulu for the Wednesday practice. "I had sent a film to the coaches a couple of months before but had not heard anything from them," he recalls. "I thought perhaps they were not interested in me. Then, I got the call and I couldn't wait."

Starting Guard

Today, Tony is a starting guard on the offensive unit for the University of Hawaii Rainbow, now with a 5-1 record. He is 6-foot tall and weighs 210.

Hawaii will meet Univ. of Nevada (Las Vegas) at Las Vegas Nov. 7 for its second mainland contest. In succeeding weeks at home, the opponents are Linfield, Nov. 14; Univ. of Pacific, Nov. 21; Fresno State, Nov. 28; and New Mexico Highlands, Dec. 5. Being a standout is nothing new for the likable 21-year-old. He gained all-conference honors for Coach Frank Gallagher at Tolleson Union High School, and followed it up with all-conference accord at Glendale (Ariz.) Community College for Coach Carl Rollins.

"I am very happy that I decided to attend the Univ. of Hawaii," Tony says. "The school is good academically and there are several things to do over here for fun, like swimming, surfing or just laying around on the beach. "The athletic program here is growing more and more each year," he continues. "When I arrived here, there was no athletic dormitory, very few scholarships, and the caliber of teams we played was not as strong as the teams we are now playing."

Attractive Schedule

Today that is all changed. We now have a fine athletic dormitory, a strong booster club to help with scholarships and an up and coming football schedule that includes such powers as Nebraska, Stanford, San Jose State and New Mexico to name a few. "I can see a very bright future for the university's football program if it continues to grow," he says. Tony's ability on the football field is also carried over into the classroom where last semester he managed to pull down a perfect 4.0 average in economics. Due to graduate in June, his plans for the future are still undecided. "I'd like to stay here after graduation and get my masters degree in economics and then go to work, but my plans for next year are still pending until I see how I stand in the draft."

More 'Tonys' Sought

Line coach Cal Murphy, who leaves for the Mainland in early December along with the rest of the U of H coaching staff to recruit more athletes, states, "I would like to be able to recruit a few more Tony Nakazawas." Prospective college freshmen and junior college transfers will be sought for the Rainbows, he said.

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman Mishima Style Achieves Heights

BOOK REVIEW: by Allan Beekman SUN AND STEEL, by Yukio Mishima, translated by John Bester, 104 pp., \$6.95.

In October 1955, when Japan faced the grisly prospect of utter defeat, a puny, bookish youth, Yukio Mishima, published a collection of stories, *The Forest in Blossom* (Hanazakari no Mori). Unusual at a time when print in Japan was primarily being devoted to bolstering the cause of the failing nation, the book gave notice of an extraordinary talent and a personality.

Five years later, Mishima achieved celebrity through *Confessions of a Mask* (Kamen no Kokuhaku), an autobiographical novel of abnormal sexual inclinations that the protagonist keeps hidden. Born at Tokyo, Jan. 14, 1925, and educated at Tokyo University, Mishima is generally conceded to be the most outstanding of the postwar crop of Japanese writers. He has written short stories, novels, and plays for the Noh theater. His work has been translated into many languages; he is probably the first of the postwar Japanese writers to become known abroad.

Versatile Personality

Though he has pursued the ideal of literary excellence with diligence and success, his enormous zeal and energy has spilled over into other means of expressing his versatile, many-faceted personality—as leader of a private army of 100, as actor, and as athlete. The title of the present work identifies his interest in achieving physical excellence through the use of barbells (steel) and the attainment of robust health through vigorous outdoor exercise (sun). For as the photograph on the dust jacket shows, the once puny Mishima, through dedication to this rigorous regimen, has developed into a powerful, hard-muscled man.

In this "new literary form," partaking of the nature of a self-analytical essay, but transcending the usual essay in profundity of thought and clarity of expression, Mishima describes his synthesis of intellectual and physical activity.

With him, words had preceded any consciousness of the body he was to come to regard so narcissistically. And he says of the language he uses with such artistry: "My ideal style would have had the grave beauty of polished wood in the entrance hall of a samurai mansion on a winter's day." But additionally he had begun to strive to learn a language of the body. "I was beginning to plan a union of art and life, of style and the ethos of action."

Death Wish

Components of the new life would be pain and danger. And a thread of masochism and death wish is woven into the fabric of his exposition. He enrolls in the Japanese Self Defense Forces and makes parachute jumps. In the epilogue he soars in a

Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo. They were George Raymond, deputy director of agriculture for the state, and Philip D. K. Tyau, a local businessman. Robin Lee, a 1969 Punahou School graduate, was the homecoming queen recently at Bowdoin College for Men. She is currently a sophomore at Mt. Holyoke College. Marilyn Marks, a Linfield College sophomore from Kailua, reigned recently as the homecoming queen at Linfield, a college in Oregon.

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plane to 43 thousand feet. "I could feel death stuck fast to my lips." "Before my eyes, there slowly emerged a giant snake coiled about the earth; a snake that by constantly swallowing its own tail vanquished all polarities; the ultimate, huge snake that mocks all opposites. The snake of the 'snake of white cloud encircling the globe, biting its own tail, going on and on for ever.' It was the principle of oneness that gazed down at us from the shining heavens."

Cloaked though they are in strikingly original language, beautiful in its imagery, these tenuous wisps of thought are unlikely to catch the favor of the general public. The average reader feels at home only when encompassed within the strong ribs of a tightly constructed, suspenseful narrative; he appreciates style only as a lamp that illuminates his path.

Mishima Influence

But in Japanese letters Mishima is such a force to be reckoned with that students of that nation's literature may find it worthwhile to ponder at the self-revelation of this book. The influence of Mishima goes far beyond the borders of his own country; he is a potential Nobel Prize winner.

The translation itself is a work of art. The man responsible for this superb rendition, John Bester, is a graduate of the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. A resident of Japan for 16 years, he was formerly chief translator for the Japan Quarterly. He has translated many books for Kodansha International.

NC-WNDC -

Continued from Previous Page Sacramento Superior Court Judge Raymond S. Uno, and former Utah State Senate Candidate Raymond S. Uno. The moderator will be Yori Wada, President of the San Francisco Civil Service Commission.

Scope of Panel

The panelists will cover their personal motivations for entering public life, any advantages or disadvantages being of Japanese ancestry, and any recommendations for others interested in entering politics.

After the delegates have a little time to relax during a social period, a unique banquet will follow. A "multiple head table" seating arrangement will make it possible for everyone to personally get acquainted with one of the guest dignitaries. Each table will have a dignitary and official host, so each and every table becomes a "head" table.

Entertainment during the dinner will be provided by Berkeley City Councilman Tom McLaren and his band. Toastmaster will be Marvin Uratsu of Contra Costa Chapter.

The day will be climaxed by a principal address on "Political Activism—Nisei Style" by JACL National President Raymond S. Uno. Uno can speak from personal experience in political activity having run for the Utah State Senate in 1966, and currently serving as County Campaign Chairman for the re-election of U.S. Senator Frank E. Moss, and as a member of the Salt Lake County Democratic Central Committee.

The District Council meeting is co-hosted by the Berkeley and Contra Costa chapters. Registration costs are: Official Delegates—\$9; booster delegates—\$7.50; advance sales for dinner only—\$6.50. Advance tickets may be purchased from any Berkeley or Contra Costa Board member, or at Yamasaki Realty, 2439 Grove Street, Berkeley.

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Ye Editor's Desk

'ONE MAN, ONE VOTE' IN JACL

Though San Jose JACL's incoming chapter president Richard Tanaka has replied in the Letterbox to Ray Okamura's analytic piece on "One Man, One Vote in JACL" (PC, Oct. 23), we have extended an offer to the San Jose chapter to spell out what it means by "one man, one vote." Let's hear their ideas.

The principle of "one man, one vote" as it affects the internal affairs of a state, county or municipality has been spelled out in the U.S. Supreme Court—but it stays clear when it involves the sovereign states that comprise the Republic. If "one man, one vote" is ever to apply to the U.S. Senate, it shall require legislative action—and that's hardly expected when only 20% of the 50 states are considered populous enough to rate more than a pair of senators.

So the question of proportional representation in National JACL—no matter how intriguing a subject—will remain academic, we feel. Can the proponents of this idea secure the necessary votes—we estimate at least 70 chapters of the 93 now on the rolls must be in favor. Since the JACL constitution only requires "three-fourths of the chapters present," that number of 70 can be reduced for the rule says "chapters present and voting" in National Council. If only 50 chapters are present (as was the case in Chicago), 39 chapters can carry the action — if proxy votes are not involved.

(The practical considerations over the elimination of proxies in a voluntary organization, such as JACL, have been repeated by Central California chapters, which is that national conventions are held in the summer when their leaders are unable to get away from their farms. How many city chapter prefer to spend time at a convention during January or February when it's not busy on the farm?)

There are 18 chapters today with memberships in excess of 400, about 40 with membership in excess of 200. This means over half of the chapters have less than 200 members each. These chapters are not about to surrender whatever rights and privileges now enjoyed.

But nothing prevents a single district council (or all, for that matter) to institute proportional representation on whatever terms at the district level. This is where it can be practiced best.

TO CATCH A SECOND WIND

National JACL marked its 40th year as an organization this past summer—though marred by the Okubo tragedy. And it wasn't "sweet as roses" either when the organization was launched for the Issei leadership of the 1930s was not exactly enthusiastic. JACL weathered the storm of the 1940s and managed to attain self-respect after its impressive legislative victories in the 1950s.

This past decade, when it might be expected JACL would fulfill its potentialities, JACL with the rest of society reaped its share of frustrations and disappointment instead. While JACL membership continued to climb in the 1960s, so did the problems confronting the community. The generation which has its future ahead of them is not resigned to the contemporary scene but seek to liberate society from its past failures without fear of the future.

Perhaps what's needed for the middle-aged generation is a chance to catch a second wind—and help work out the challenges of the coming decade, which for JACL stands as the road to a glorious golden jubilee.

The raps sessions currently being staged by JACL district councils appear to be one moment to catch a second wind, remembering the Nisei record has shown they are not one to escape what looms as an impossible task.

The JACL commitment of 1930 to promote the Japanese American Cause is still operative. JACL can still deal effectively against issues which threaten the Cause. And as a mature organization, it must stay in shape to do battle against the more complex problems that now undercut the Cause.

HOLLOW CRY FOR 'LAW & ORDER'

Amid campaign cries for more law and order, a jail riot over intolerable overcrowding and some attempts to improve conditions in the prisons, the discussion will eventually shift to the problem of securing a speedy trial as granted by the Constitution.

Yet procedural safeguards and technicalities step in the way. Time is needed to prepare an adequate defense and it appears delay more often helps than hurts a defendant, especially in a criminal case.

We are of the opinion jails are overcrowded because Americans are unwilling to spend the money to provide decent jails for the people they want to keep in jail. Prison conditions thus show Americans are unwilling to pay the high cost of criminal laws. (And our past president Jerry Enomoto can come up with the latest figures to substantiate that.) Which all makes the campaign cries for law and order so hollow.

People cannot call for law and order and refuse to spend what it takes to restore law and order. Criminals have to pay the price for breaking the law; the rest of us must pay the price for making it.

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One Man, One Vote

Editor: Certainly, we of the San Jose JACL Chapter must take exception to the incongruous article (PC, Oct. 23), "One Man, One Vote in JACL." It seems to me that its author speaks of the individual decision-making process, yet objects to this very principle of the rights of the individual because he may be from a large chapter and not a small one.

I am sure in reading his article, he would be content to "allow" individual votes per chapter if we in San Jose were 16 chapters, not one.

The author also theorizes that persons joining JACL for insurance, etc., are not active members, therefore, we should disregard these individuals in the total scope of JACL. I do not know through what divine providence the author has come to rule on this matter but I happen to believe in each individual contributing to our society and weaving the fabric of life that makes this a better place to live.

Further let the author be informed that even in our Union called the United States of America we have the Rhode Islands and the populous Californias living side by side under the same rules of "One Man, One Vote." I am surprised the author is not subscribing to the formation of a North, South, East and West California so that somehow this will create a better society of individuals. If the author had not realized this possibility, this might be a very interesting proposition to him.

The author, I believe, misses one vital point in the "One man, one vote" thesis. First of all, this system is the only fair and equitable method of governing. In the decision-making policies by the National or the District JACL, our members are saying isn't it only fair that each member has the right to vote rather than talk about Chapter votes, which is meaningless. Isn't the smaller unit the individual voter that makes up the Chapter vote?

Under our system today, the financial and philosophical decisions are made by a majority of chapters, which does not necessarily represent the members.

The only effective way to address these issues is to develop social action committees in each chapter of the JACL. Some of the chapters have Human Relations Committees but I am not aware of any effective committees. These committees must be rejuvenated or new ones set up to research pertinent issues and make recommendations for action by the various boards of JACL.

The appointment is the first step but unless there are additional steps, the effort will only be another concession to those forward thinking individuals who have worked to have Warren Furutani appointed. People must get involved.

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majority of the individuals, and must be borne by each member no matter if they conflict with his philosophy, since, today, he doesn't have the right to vote for these measures.

Our present system, therefore, is lacking in the very essence of individual's right and the basic principle of democracy. We are saying that each individual, whether he comes from a large or small chapter, should have the right of voting. Yes, Power to the People, PEACE.

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In search of writers

Editor: This is an SOS appeal from Mr. David Lambert, instructor of English at Dillard University, who is working out a course on minority group literature and writing, and wants assistance on formulating a course on Nisei literary writers and poets, including also Issei early writers in the U.S.

Will any PC readers having information on, or knowing the present whereabouts, and addresses of the following: Bunichi Kagawa, Kenneth Yasuda, Chiyo Moriyama, Shiro Matsumoto, Hiroshi Kashiwagi, Frances Ogiso, and Toyoyasu, contact Mr. David Lambert, 3320 Republic St., New Orleans, La. 70122. Also, will any of the aforementioned people please write directly to Mr. Lambert?

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A first step

Editor: I was gratified to read (PC Oct. 16) about the appointment of Warren Furutani as National JACL Coordinator, Community Involvement. The appointment is an indication that the JACL has become aware of the many issues which must be addressed. Resolutions and stands must be taken by JACL. More important, action relative to the amelioration of existing negative conditions (pollution, crime, civil unrest, war) must be developed.

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25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Nov. 10, 1945

1,300 veterans of 442nd central Postal Directory, U.S. Army, visit Army cemeteries in Italy to pay final respects to fallen comrades.

Admiral Nimitz, Pacific Fleet commander, declares Nisei GIs served "with distinction" in Pacific forces; has no objection to enlistment of Nisei in the Navy. Nisei crew member (Harry Sasaki) of SS President Harrison, seized at Shanghai, returns to San Francisco from wartime internment in Japan.

Only 8,000 evacuees remain in five WRA centers, exclusive of 16,000 segregated at Tule Lake. 32 evacuees from Hawaii at Topaz, quarantined in L.A. waiting shipping accommodations home. Sacramento Chamber of Commerce, Legion Post 61 and Eagles Aerie blast housing evacuees at Camp Kohler. American Council on Race Relations,

(Next week, the Nation observed Veterans Day as an appropriate time to reflect on the meaning and the price of peace and freedom. Earlier this year, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer published for the first time an unforced war letter capturing the pride, the will, the devotion and the heartbreak involved in a single soldier's personal story. The letter was from George Sawada, graduate of Franklin High School, Seattle, and the United States Marine Corps. The younger Sawada became a sergeant in the 42nd Regt. Combat Team. He died in action in Italy—something his letter appeared to foresee.)

En route to Camp Shelby April 30, 1943

Dear Dad:
I hope you don't mind my calling you that. I haven't called you Dad before, but tonight for some reason or the other, I find Father such a cold, formal word, especially in Japanese, and Dad conveys just the meaning I want. It is at once an address of respect, but it expresses also the closeness of our relation and the deep mutual love and understanding which must exist between the two before a Japanese son can call his father Dad. I know that this is true of us so I have addressed you as such.

You are probably wondering why I have written you this letter so soon when we had just said good-bye only a few hours ago, but I felt that I owned it to myself and you to tell you some of the things I should have said and didn't when the time came for us to part. I don't know why I didn't. Perhaps it was because I was overly reticent; perhaps, it was because we are Japanese, but mainly because I think I was a little bit self-conscious.

When Mother died
You are old now — aged since Mother passed away many years ago and left you three little children to raise, but once you were not so old. You were young when she was alive and I can still remember what a happy family we were then.

Do you remember when we all went crab-fishing to West Seattle—that time when I was bitten by a crab and how you and Mother gently pried it from my fingers and then kissed them, which was such a strange thing for a Japanese to do, and when you saw Mother looking, you acted sort of gruff and turned sheepishly away? But Mother knew and loved you more.

Do you remember the day when we went fishing on Snoqualmie River and caught all those little trout, and when you were apprehended by the game warden, the difficulty you had explaining to him that we wanted to put them into the pool in our garden? The time we went hunting in

Seward Park with a b.b. gun and were almost arrested, and the scolding we received from Mother when we came home? Do you remember how happy we were when Mother was alive and you were young?

Then tragedy struck our home. I do not like to remember the months after she passed away. How lonely we children were and how more lonely you must have been. I know now how much you loved her, more than any or all of us. She was not a picture bride. You had met her when both of you were students in Hawaii, and you two had fallen in love. How happy you must have been together in your early days of marriage. I can only imagine from the happiness I knew.

Then that awful night when she died, you came home and told us as gently as only you knew how that she had gone away, that we mustn't cry because Mother wouldn't want us to. Hiro and I were Japanese boys so we didn't cry, at that time at least. But our little sister, she was such a little thing, cried into the night and, tired as you were from sleepless nights of vigil, you walked her to sleep.

You aged overnight. You would smile at us, but it was not from the heart. How sad you looked when you thought we were safely tucked in bed, and your pretenses dropped like a heavy load. Once I saw you weep, and I didn't know what to do.

Healing Balm

It is said that time is a healing balm, but I know that it was not time which awakened you from the numbness of this loss. You loved Mother more than you loved us too. We were her heritage to you, born of her in her love of you and now left in your care. The love you had for her now gave to us. You were a father. Now you also became a mother and a little something more, and thinking of welfare, you never remarried.

This was all very difficult for you at first for we were such thoughtless little ruffians. How trying we must have been to a lonely Father. I can only imagine. But the thought that we were without love of a mother constantly tempered your anger and impatience, and you loved us a little more for our weakness. Thus, in your love for us, you found surcease from sorrow and loneliness. And so the years passed.

I was now in grammar school. How proud you were of me when I made the school's indoor ball team. You looked so pleased when I showed you the letter I had won. But also how sad you could appear when you saw

my report card, but remembering your boyhood, you understood.

As we grew older, you became more of our companion than a father, and business was better so that you could devote more of your time to our leisure. Do you remember the vacation we four spent in Idaho in the summer of 1927, the beauty of the places and the lakes which were teaming with bass which struck your bait with savage viciousness and fought to the bitter end? And the biggest fish that always got away? We four were almost as happy as when we were five.

Then came the Depression and overnight we were poor. Your business and even the college fund you had saved for me were lost in the debacle. I wanted to leave school and go to work, but you were vehemently against it. How well I remember that evening when, finding you were so haggard and careworn, I hope I fully suggested this possibility.

Tired Shoulders

You slowly straightened your tired shoulders, and some of the haggardness slipped from your face as a smile of determination broke its bleakness.

"No," you said with quiet doggedness. "You shall continue your education." It was a promise. I do not know even to this day how such a dogged courage could stem from so tired and frail a body, but it did. You worked harder; your hair became a little more gray; your face, a little more careworn, but we weathered the debacle. That I was able to graduate from high school near the top of my class, I owe to this selfless love.

Seven more years passed, and I was graduated from college. You were proud of me then. After the graduation ceremony when I gave you the diploma you held it close to your heart and there were tears of joy in your eyes. I saw you weep again for the second time.

The same year, Hiro was inducted into the Army, and we four were three. We held a farewell dinner in his honor, and do you remember the prayer you gave then: "God keep us and grant us peace?" But God in his mysterious way did not heed our plea.

One December morn, out of the friendly sky, treachery struck with appalling devastation. You turned pale when you heard the news. For days after, you were silent in your misery. Japan was the country of your birth, but America, the country of your glory, for the victory that shall surely be mine. God bless you, Dad, and keep you until this happy day.

Your son,
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ing year, we were forced to evacuate to the relocation centers. It was a bitter blow to me, a citizen, with a brother already serving in the Army, must evacuate, and I could not understand why the German and the Italian aliens were not included. I had had an unbounding faith in the justice of this nation, but she in return had placed me behind barbed wires like any enemy alien. I was stricken with bitterness, and bitter was my denunciation of the government for this apparent discrimination.

Sting of Bitterness

Then you comforted me and slowly withdrew the sting of bitterness as you did many years ago when Mother passed away. I could not understand at the time why you should attempt to restore my faith in the government which had never given you the right of citizenship and now by evacuation had made you again penniless. But I did not realize the love you bore for this country, made more dear because here it was that Mother had died and had been laid to rest: "Where your heart is there will your treasure be also."

How clearly I remember your words of consolation now, even as I write this letter. Wisely you said: "It is for the best. For the good of many, a few must suffer. This is your sacrifice, accept it as such, and you will not longer be bitter." I listened to your words and the bitterness left me. A despised alien without citizenship, you showed me that it means to be a citizen. That I have retained my faith through this trying period and emerged what I am, a loyal American citizen, I owe to your understanding.

When the time came for enlistment, I was ready. My faith and loyalty restored, stronger, firmer, unwavering: I volunteered. And tonight as the train carries me farther and farther from you, it also seemed to carry me back over the years of our happy life, recalling to me those days when we were five, then four, then three, and now you are only two. I have written this letter as they came to me.

There is an old Japanese or is it a Chinese saying that a man must weep three times the span of his life is done, or words to this effect. I do not know whether this is true or not, but I have already seen you weep twice, once in sorrow and once in joy, and if this be true and it is predestined that you must weep again, then dad, let it be for me—once in glory, for the victory that shall surely be mine. God bless you, Dad, and keep you until this happy day.

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A Rare Nisei-Sansei Dialogue

New York
A two-hour "rap" session resulting not as much in a meeting of the minds as in the opening of some constituted the bulk of the afternoon meeting of the Eastern District Council, JACL, at the Lincoln Center Motor Inn here this past Sunday, (Oct. 25). Ira Shimazaki is EDC governor.

The business portion of the meeting over, Harry Takagi chaired a panel discussion and audience "give," lasting from about 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., which produced a rare Nisei-Sansei dialogue of questions ranging from "the identity problem" to "racism, within and without the JACL."

Chris Hijiya of the Asian Americans for Action was the sole Sansei panelist; the others being National JACL President Raymond Uno; Mike Masaoka, Washington JACL representative; William Marutani, past national legal counsel; and Kaz Horita, national JACL vice president for public affairs.

In response to a Los Angeles Sansei's declaration of the importance to him of reaching out his identity through extensive reading (which he found basically unsatisfying) and through talks with Issei and Nisei (which he found difficult to come by), a young student from Philadelphia countered that he personally had no such identity "hangup" and that he felt that East coast Sansei are less preoccupied with this aspect of their lives. The evacuation and other episodes in the Japanese American experience are but a part of history, he said, and "we don't feel a need to establish a rapport with the Issei and Nisei" as the previous speaker had indicated he had.

Identity Problem
A Washington, D.C., girl thereupon rose to say that as an East coast Sansei she did indeed recognize an identity crisis among her peers, declaring that she felt that Nisei parents had failed to provide their children with an adequate background orientation. The Sansei, she said, haven't enough of a heritage to fall back on, and the Junior JACL could well be useful in that regard.

A Nisei from Philadelphia confessed that as a second-generation Japanese American he very clearly "had an identity problem" in his youth. "I hated the fact that wasn't white," he said, adding that it took him many years to "work that out." He professed disbelief that any Sansei could deny facing a similar problem.

The young Philadelphian responded that he had earlier generalized on the basis of his personal experience with which he was never being aware of being treated differently for being a Japanese American. He said that he was on the other hand prepared to protest any instances of discrimination or demonstrations of prejudice as a general policy.

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Another Sansei cited the Japanese American role in soot-jets as that of the "super-qualified house nigger" simply because they do not "rock the boat."

Chris related a relevant incident which occurred at the Chicago JACL convention after the murder of young delegate Evelyn Okubo. Police who were called into the case told some young delegates, "You Japs, you're okay; not like the niggers!"

Mary Kochiyama, from the audience, returned to the question of whether or not Nisei had "made it," by pointing out that however successful the Japanese American may have become, "the

ladder of success is leaning the wrong way because it has taken us away from our own heritage."

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ticket puncher says each morning, "Itterashai!" (a sending-off greeting). He says it naturally and warmly.

It has been said that most of the station personnel formerly worked on street cars. That may be the reason. Conductors on street cars wore wide trousers. They did not complain when obstructed by automobiles and seemed to have a philosophic view of life. Since the streetcars disappeared and cars began to monopolize the streets, Tokyo has visibly worsened year by year.

Some passengers using the station are not even aware of the goldfish. Those who know about the fish go to the end of the station personnel forcing to take a look at them and listen to the sound of the water while waiting for the train to take them to their destination where they once again join the swarm of humanity in the pollution-ridden largest city of the world.

The ticket gate is at the foot of a 60-step stairway after one enters the street level entrance. Passengers then descend to the platform from the ticket gate on a steep escalator. The platform is deep underground. The goldfish are in the drain beside the railway tracks below the platform. In order to see the goldfish, one must stand on the edge of the platform and peer down.

Subterranean waters gushing into the drain make a refreshing sound. The goldfish have been released in the clear, flowing water. The air is cool and fresh with a slight breeze. Water is always sprinkled on the platform and the loudspeakers are silent except during the commuting rush hours.

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Sakura Script

Goldfish in the Subway

Tokyo
We are living in a day of many strange things. For example, stations in Tokyo having tropical fish or birds are not rare.

Station personnel at a subway station on the No. 1 Metropolitan Subway Line are keeping goldfish. But the way they are kept is somewhat different.

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