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10,000 U.S. troops to depart from Japan

VETERAN PILOT SURVIVES CRASH UPON TAKE-OFF

Henry Kanegae Walks Away from Demolished Plane

NEWPORT BEACH — "I'm okay! Tell everyone I'll be up and around in a couple of days," declared Henry Kanegae, 53, hospitalized at Hoag Memorial Hospital here after crashing in his airplane while on take off from Orange County Airport on Saturday, Dec. 26.

Head Lacerations

Despite the cheerful greeting the weekend after Christmas, Kanegae suffered painful facial and head lacerations, about 100 stitches were required (mostly inside his mouth), and loss of at least one tooth while two others were impacted and one cracked.

Membership Goal

The active Orange County JACLer, who is national membership chairman, in the meantime, reminded that chapters would require 23,000 general and 2,000 One Thousand Club members in order to meet the 1971 JACL budget.

Nisei terrorist in Brazil slain

SAO PAULO—Yoshitani Fujimori, 23, believed to be the "brains" behind the terrorist activities in Brazil, was shot to death in a shootout on a Sao Paulo street last month. He had been fleeing in a stolen car when police in pursuit disabled the vehicle with a bullet.

Mid-Columbia JACL first

HOOD RIVER—At a combination meeting and election held on Nov. 20, Tom Yasui, a Sansei, was elected president for the coming year. This makes it the first time the local chapter has made a Sansei president.

Deploable Power

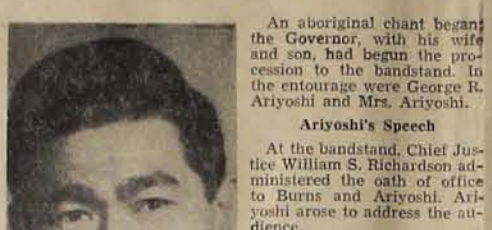
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Vandals damage parked cars during Title II Repeal meeting in Chicago

CHICAGO — The car belonging to Hiroshi Kanno, main speaker at a Title II repeal meeting Dec. 7 at Elmhurst's Bethel United Church of Christ, was the hardest hit by vandals, who smashed four windows and flattened two tires.

Hawaii installs its Nisei Lt. governor

At the bandstand, Chief Justice William S. Richardson administered the oath of office to Burns and Ariyoshi. Ariyoshi arose to address the audience.



Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

SEATTLE'S FRANKLIN HIGH NOW HALF NON-WHITE

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Best Wishes for the New Year PACIFIC CITIZEN



John Saito

OVERDUE THANKS—Minister Alan Carter for public affairs at the U.S. Embassy, Tokyo, presents watercolor painting of "Viking", U.S. sailing ship sunk off Mikurajima in 1863, from residents of New Bedford, Mass., in appreciation for rescue of its passengers and crew.

AN ASSISTANT FOR MIKE

JACL seeks Washington Office trainee

SAN FRANCISCO—The Japanese American Citizens League is in the process of looking for an assistant to Mike M. Masuoka, Washington representative for the past 25 years, and hopefully in time to be his successor.

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'HAPPY PEARL HARBOR DAY' Slight against Nikkei at JACS press conference on United Way apologized

LOS ANGELES—Presence of many Nisei at the Japanese American Community Service press conference called Dec. 21 to state its case against the United Way's rejection of requests for funds caused one KNXT-TV crew member to wisecrack to his colleague, "Happy Pearl Harbor Day."

Little Tokyo Comments

While the Little Tokyo vernaculars did not sensationalize the affront, columnist George Yoshinaga in the Kashi Mainichi wondered why Kojima didn't kick the apologizing crew member's teeth in as he was bowing.

Separate Fund Posed

Asked whether the Japanese community would stop donating to United Way to raise funds to support its own programs, Takei said, "that depends on United Way." He also announced Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi, county coroner and chief medical examiner, as honorary chairman of a fund-raising drive which would become necessary if United Way continues to reject JACS proposals.

JACL Credit Union declares 5 1/2%

UNITED WAY ISSUE

As for the press conference, Art Takei, JACS president, said the Japanese American community is "angry and upset" over United Way's rejection of all three proposals, which total \$64,000—a small sum of the estimated \$3 million which the Japanese American community has contributed to United Way over the past eight years.

Chamber welfare fund attains \$10,000 goal

LOS ANGELES — Welfare fund of the local Japanese chamber of commerce has met its 1970 goal of \$10,000, according to Takito Yamaguchi, chamber president.

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Washington Newsletter

by Mike Masaoka

Congressional Sessions

As this is written (afternoon, December 31), it is not yet certain as to when this Second Session of this 91st Congress will be able to adjourn sine die. There are many who would like to see it complete its work and close down tonight before the new year. But, there are several who feel that this Congress cannot complete action on all of the "must" bills before Saturday night, January 2. By law, this term of Congress must terminate by noon, January 3.

At the same time, we do not yet know whether the First Session of the new 92nd Congress will convene at noon on January 4 or January 21. Under the law, the new term for each Congress begins on January 3 of the odd-numbered years, unless Congress by joint resolution decrees otherwise. Since next January 3 falls on a Sunday, legally the new Congress should convene on Monday, January 4. But, last week, the Congress approved a joint resolution convening the next two-year term on January 21. The President, however, has indicated that he may not sign the joint resolution into law, thereby forcing the next Congress to convene on January 4, unless this Congress completes action on those bills which the Chief Executive has identified as "must" legislation. In spite of this threat, we doubt very much that this politically astute President will force a new Congress to convene on January 4.

The new Congress will remain in the control of the Democrats. More than 50 new members, most of them Democrats elected last November, will be sworn in. And, with the presidential campaign of 1972 looming large on the political horizon, it is difficult to conceive of a Chief Executive unnecessarily provoking and alienating Congress at the beginning of what promises to be two rugged sessions in which presidential and congressional politics will be the unseen, unexpressed but dominant factor.

Since the record of this 91st Congress cannot be summarized until after final adjournment, we shall not try to evaluate its accomplishments and its shortcomings at this time.

We do know, though, that this Congress failed to enact legislation repealing Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, the long dormant statute which authorizes emergency detention and concentration camps under certain conditions. As is well known, the JACL has been in the forefront of this repeal movement for the past two years.

As with so many other bills, the efforts to repeal Title II "died" when the House Rules Committee refused to consider and clear H.R. 19163 for House debate and vote. This bill, authored by Chairman Richard Ichord of Missouri and senior Republican member John Ashbrook of Ohio, was reported by the House Internal Security Committee. While it would amend Title II and, in fact, reactivate all of its repressive provisions if passed by the Congress, it also would provide the legislative vehicle necessary to try to repeal Title II.

In other words, the plan for repeal called for an attempt to substitute S. 1872, the bill to repeal Title II passed by the Senate on Dec. 22, 1969, for H.R. 19163. Had the motion to substitute been accepted by a majority of the House, the House could then have voted the repeal bill. If, however, the motion to substitute had failed, the House in all probability would have passed the Ichord-Ashbrook measure.

In case of this eventuality, the House passed bill amending Title II could go to a Conference to reconcile it with the repealer approved by the Senate. And, in that House-Senate Conference, there was a fear that this legislation might be used as the legislative vehicle for two other repressive and restrictive bills. H.R. 14864, the Defense Facilities and Industrial Security Bill, had been passed by the House last year (1969) and had been referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee. S. 12, the Internal Security Act of 1970, had been ordered reported by the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Internal Security, also early in 1969, but no further action had been taken.

At least, this much is certain. Because the House did not pass H.R. 19163, the arbitrary provisions of Title II were not reactivated and the most repressive sanctions of S. 12 and H.R. 14864 were not helped to become law threatening the civil liberties and personal freedoms of so many Americans. It would have been the height of irony if JACL's attempts to repeal a dormant but repressive statute had resulted in the passage of an immediately effective harsh, arbitrary, and demeaning law.

Moreover, if one wants to look at the brighter side of the picture, it is better that no vote was taken on Title II than one that would have amounted to a repudiation of the repeal effort. In the other words, if the Rules Committee had cleared the Ichord-Ashbrook amendment but the House had refused to vote to substitute repeal for the proposed activating amendments, that record of defeat for the principle of repeal could haunt future repeal efforts considerably, if not making repeal virtually impossible for years to come.

Of interest may be informal polls that were taken of those Congressmen who are present at this lame duck session. Every one of them indicated that the overwhelming majority would probably vote against the substitute and for the Ichord-Ashbrook bill.

Finally, the fact that the Rules Committee refused to consider H.R. 19163 should not be considered to be more than a temporary setback. The Committee decided earlier in December that it would not consider any but major emergency bills, such as the one relating to the railroad workers' strike, for the rest of the session. Therefore, many major bills, including several personally desired by the President and by the Democratic House leadership, were not considered. In such a circumstance, one could hardly expect the Chairman to make an exception for the Title II bill and thereby open himself and his Committee to criticism unnecessarily.

Since we here in Washington are very much aware of the tremendous work done by JACLers throughout the nation, and particularly by Ray Okamura, Edison Uno, Bob Suzuki, Hiroshi Kanno, Ross Hirano, Don Hayashi, and many others too numerous to mention, we share with them the great disappointment over the failure of this repeal campaign this year. It is always discouraging to fail when so much time, effort, and money has been put into a project.

At the same time, though, the momentum developed over the past two years in rallying public and organizational support for the cause of Title II repeal will not quickly slow down to a halt.

Indeed, we are already planning the strategy and marshalling the Congressmen and Senators for another assault next session on Title II. And, the lessons learned this session, plus the support developed.



NEWS CAPSULES

Redevelopment

Two more parcels along Mo-line Alley were purchased by the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project last month and with two more to go, the First Action Area covering the eastern portions of the First-Central-Second-San Pedro block may be completed as a commercial area sometime in 1972. Most recent purchases involve land held by Jack and Masako Kohama, and a parcel owned by Henry, Mitsue and Herb Murayama. Affected in the sale is the building now housing Carol Funai's Workshop and Gallery, which will be closed soon while Miss Funai plans to study in Europe before reopening in the same area.

Members of the nonprofit corporation to develop and manage the senior citizen project for the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Assn. were nominated by the JACL, So. Calif. Gardeners' Federation and the two church groups: JACL—Masamune Kojima, Dr. Ki-yoshi Sonoda, Toshiko Yoshida; So. Calif. Buddhist Church Federation—Rev. Horyu Ito, Rinban Ryuei Masuoka, Bishop Reikai Nozaki; So. Calif. Christian Church Federation—Frank E. Kagiwada, Nisuke Mitsuomi, Rev. Howard Toriumi; Gardeners—Mike Fuji-zawa, Aiba Kurihara, Mac Sasaki. Board will meet in January with three other nominees from the community-at-large to complete the list, select a professional consultant for the proposed 350-unit high-rise senior citizen project and possibly approve the articles of incorporation and by-laws.

Elections

City of Seattle voters rejected Charter Amendment 3 in the Nov. 3 elections that would have given aliens civil service status while working for the city. Final canvass released last month showed 98,570 nays; 65,694 ayes.

Business

National Union Electric Co., Greenwich, Conn., filed a \$360 million suit in the U.S. District Court, Newark, N.J., charging seven major Japanese TV makers and their subsidiaries with violating U.S. anti-trust laws and federal antitrust act. National Union, makers of Emerson and Dumont radio-TV products, cited a recent U.S. Treasury Dept. report that TV receivers were being made and imported at "unfairly, low prices." Named in the suit were Sony, Sanyo Electric, Hitachi, Mitsubishi Electric, Shiba-ura Electric, Matsushita Electric Industrial, and Haya-kawa Electric.

Jiji Press reported Japan's GNP for 1969 (which ended March, 1970) exceeded the 60-trillion yen mark for the first time—¥62,433,300.

Renew Your JACL Membership Today!

Dear JACLer:

Your annual membership is the lifeblood of JACL. It sustains some 40 active national JACL committees covering a wide gamut of activities, such as legislative, PR, civil rights, cultural heritage, history project, student aid, scholarship, chapter programs and activities. A major emphasis this biennium shall be in the area of Education. Our continuing commitment to youth shall provide them most creative and challenging opportunities.

JACL will continue to fight racism in whatever form. JACL will do its share to push for meaningful changes for the welfare of our nation, but we are opposed to violence or revolution to bring about the changes necessary to rectify the wrongs that sustain unrest.

JACL has done more for people of Japanese ancestry in the U.S. but we have not done enough. Your membership will help today.

RAYMOND S. UNO
National President

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000,000—or 18.3 pct. over the previous year and second highest in the free world after the U.S. Per-capita income at \$1,336 (\$480,831) puts Japan at 16th in the free world. Matsushita Electric Industrial of Osaka is planning to produce color TV sets in Puerto Rico, according to Kyodo News, to counter possible U.S. import restrictions. Matsushita employs about 500 persons now at its Puerto Rico plant to produce clock-radio and stereo sets for sale in the U.S.

Medicine

Dr. Mitsuo Yanagihara of South Gate, president of the Southeast Los Angeles Chiropractic Society, said his group supports the proposed 10 percent cut in Medical budget while other health care purveyors are against it. Chiropractic services are rendered to Medical patients.

Dr. Jokichi Takamine of Los Angeles, 1971 president of the 10,000-member Los Angeles County Medical Assn., declared health care delivery to rural and disadvantaged city areas as its top priority, urging innovative and creative systems of health care to fit our pluralistic society. He is the grandson of the prominent New York Issei chemist with the same name.

Press Row

NBC News's "First Tuesday" program Jan. 5 took a fresh look at Japan's military-industrial complex. Producer Tom Tomizawa, who hails from San Francisco, spent a month in Japan and noted the trend is toward greater acceptance of the military and less abhorrence of war. "There is a lot of push against the military, but the greater push seems to be toward it, though whether to the extent of the 1930s or not, I don't know," he said. Tomizawa also produced segments for "First Tuesday" covering the earthquake in Peru, Chinese art treasures in Taiwan, Atsioh College, drag racing, Okinawa and Capt. Robert Marasco, the ex-Green Beret officer.

West Covina Region of the Journalism Education Assn., which encompasses the seven western states and Hawaii, named Ted K. Tajima as its regional director, Instructor at Alhambra High for the past 22 years, he is faculty adviser to the school publication, "The Moor," which won its 11th straight semi-annual "All American" rating from the National Scholastic Press Assn.

Book

Prof. Stanford M. Lyman, now at UC San Diego's sociology department, announced his book, "The Asian in the West," is now available and may be ordered from Desert Research Institute, Univ. of Nevada, Reno 89507. (No price was mentioned.) It contains essays on Chinese and Japanese life in North America, sociological researches on marriage and family among the Chinese, Chinese secret societies, contrast between the Chinese and Japanese communities, youthful rebellion among the third generation Asians.

Lyman, at one time an instructor at Sonoma State and Univ. of Nevada, has addressed JACL meetings.

UC Davis Asian American Research Project has published its third working publication, "Asians in America: Selected Students Papers" edited by David Mar and Joyce Sakai (\$2.50). Its fourth working publication "Road-blocks to Community Building: a case study of the Stockton Filipino Community Center Project" by Lillian Galedo, Laurena Cabanera and Brian Tom with a map of the Filipino section of Stockton and list of organizations is also available (Price on request). The UC Davis AARP bibliography of 800 items annotated on the Asian experience in America is now being prepared, according to Isao Fujimoto, project director.

Courtroom

The Tulare County Superior Court Judge John Locke ordered Teruo Sadakane, 41, an Earlham farm laborer, to appear for trial Jan. 28 on charges of assault with deadly weapon. Sadakane pleaded insanity on Dec. 17 to a charge he stabbed Nagi M. Jamil, another farm laborer, in the chest with a knife on Nov. 13.

For the accidental death of Fusako Matsutani, 48, of Concord Dec. 18, Wesley Laubscher, 40, vice-principal of Concord High School has been charged with drunk driving and manslaughter. His car jumped the curb to fatally injure Mrs. Matsutani of 705 Detroit and bruised her nephew David Lomas, 5.

Crime

Because McClard's drug store in downtown San Mateo near the railroad tracks has been robbed three times previously, owner Earl Kobayashi put in a silent alarm that rings at the police station. On Dec. 9, San Mateo police shot and killed an armed hold-up man who was holding drugist Kobayashi at gun-point. He dropped to the floor to escape a feared shoot-out. The hold-up man was Norris Peters, 47, recently released from Joliet State Prison, Ill., where he had served a term for armed robbery.

Entertainment

Accent Records Co. of Hollywood has released Allan Iwahara's first 45-rpm platter, "Mini Skirt Girl" and "Postman Rush My Letter Through," both composed by Pat McClain. The 16-year-old Sansei of Belmont High is an accomplished koto and samisen player through her mother, Mine, Kinuyo Iyo-Rokusho, tutor in the Japanese instruments, who hails from Seattle. Allan has sung with the West L.A. Accordion Band.

Repeating his previous year's triumph, Dennis Shinburi, 20, San Francisco Sansei studying dentistry at Univ. of Pacific, and his partner, Sonia Jeansens, 18, of Redwood City won the all-Japan amateur Latin American championships in Tokyo before an audience of 8,000 at Nippon Budokan Hall. Over 100 couples competed from throughout Japan in the 20th annual Mainichi Shimbun contest. (Above photo courtesy of Mainichi Shimbun.)

Fine Arts

A collection of self-portraits by Connor Everts, artist in residence at Cal-Tech, is on exhibit through Jan. 17 at the

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Politics

Americans of Japanese Ancestry Republicans (AJAR) at Los Angeles contributed a total sum of \$13,058 to the 1970 election campaign, the Republican National Committee's Heritage Groups Division was told in a report submitted by Mrs. Toshi Yamamoto, club adviser and member of the Heritage Group advisory committee. Largest single item was \$2,600 to the Gov. Reagan campaign.

Organizations

Robert T. Matsui, a past Sacramento JACL president, heads the Barristers Club, a club for young lawyers in Sacramento. . . . The So. Calif. Gardeners' Federation, Inc., will dedicate its new office building at 333 S. San Pedro, Los Angeles, on March 21, according to new building committee chairman Mike Fuji-zawa. The 18-chapter federation has occupied a room in the Sun Bldg., publishes a monthly "Turf" magazine for its members and are co-sponsors of the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Agency senior citizen housing project. Sam Iida is currently president.

Deaths

George Y. Kuniyoshi, 69, of Los Angeles died Dec. 27 following cerebral hemorrhage. A pharmacist by profession, he operated drug stores in Little Tokyo as well as in Tokyo.

Iwao "Bill" Masuda, 42, of El Cerrito died Nov. 1 following a brief illness. In the dry cleaning trade at Berkeley, he devoted 30 years to scouting 18 of them as adviser to Explorer Post 26, holder of the Silver Beaver; active with the El Cerrito Park and Recreation Commission as member, the Free Methodist Church and local merchant groups.

Dr. George H. Takahashi, 68, of Sacramento, was found dead Sunday, Dec. 20, apparently of heart attack in his car in front of his home, 845-8th Ave. The well-known optometrist and JACLer is survived by w. Toshi, s. Gordon, Edwin, d. Mrs. Keiko Boli, four brothers and five sisters, Henry, William, Ernest, Joseph, Mary, Ruth, Konomi, Elizabeth, Nishikawa, Olive Suzuki and Grace Suzuki.

Awards

Minoru Fujita, 54, a San Gabriel Valley landscape gardener, is one of nine amateurs whose entries have been selected for reading at Emperor Hirohito's annual poetry party Jan. 12. Theme of the tanka poems selected is "Home." Over 33,000 entries were submitted.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

The Japanese Community Pioneer Center sheltered workshop completed its first contractual project mailing out Christmas pieces for Merit Savings & Loan. There are some 10 ladies who can be gathered to do light work on a contractual basis, it was announced by Mori Nishida (680-1656).

The L.A. County Dept. of Public Social Services has added staff to its Little Tokyo outpost station at the Sun Bldg., Rm. 302, 125 Weller St., phone 485-8326, according to the Rev. K. Sayama, to serve the needy from throughout the country four afternoons per week (Tuesday—Friday, 1 to 4:30 p.m.). . . . The Asian American "hot line" (659-4413) continues to be manned on a voluntary basis on Fridays and Saturdays, 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., to deal with problems as they arise, especially in the areas of legal assistance, medical and drug abuse problems, family counseling and community information.

Sacramento

Asian Community Services, which has received financial assistance from Sacramento JACL, will hold an open house Jan. 10, 1-5 p.m., at the Center for the Elderly, 118 V St., where elderly Japanese and Chinese residents meet for recreational purposes. ACS is looking for furniture and games (go, mah-jongg, etc.), to equip the center.

Our efforts to squeeze in as much of the Asian American community news will be acknowledged in "Local Scene." We ask that items be received early enough to be timely if time is a factor.—Ed.

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Los Angeles

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF:—Judging from what took place in the course of a couple of hours one recent Monday afternoon, anything can happen in the offices of the Japanese American Citizens League here and probably does. (Incidentally, why is it that JACL and newspaper offices everywhere have that same drab, threadbare, slightly crummy appearance and furniture that looks as though it were donated by someone refurbishing his own place? Is it to promote a monastic, poverty-stricken image? Or doesn't the organization care about appearances?)

We had just sat down in Jeffrey Matsui's office when in walked a stocky, muscular Nisei with a bristly mustache. Matsui introduced him as John Saito, consultant (which means about the same as field worker) for the County Commission on Human Relations and a former probation officer. Harry Honda explained that the JACL office is one of Saito's regular ports of call in his mission to keep up with developments in the human relations field.

"Hey," said Matsui, pointing to me. "Do you want a massage? John will give you a massage."

Saito was already rolling up his sleeves. Sit backward in your chair, he commanded. Forthwith, he delivered an expert, relaxing massage followed by a scalp treatment that scattered dandruff and loose hair in all directions. All the while, Matsui related astonishing details of a "raid" he went on when a cherub-faced junior high school student was apprehended for selling illicit drugs to his peers. Saito, it turned out, makes massaging something of a hobby and cheerfully demonstrates his skill with only slight urging. He had washed his hands and was refreshing himself with a cup of coffee and some Mexican bread when in walked George Takei who used to pilot the space ship Constellation (or was it Constitution; it's been a while since I've seen the show) in Star Trek, the science fiction television drama, before his hair grew into a Prince Valiant bob.

Takei, who is a serious student of Shakespeare and owns a master's degree in theater arts, proved to be a thoroughly engaging personality. At the moment he was brimming with enthusiasm about the public support given the JACL-Inner City Cultural Center joint presentation of a dance recital by Yuriko and her company. He saw this as the first of a series of events which would give Nisei and Sansei an opportunity for cultural exposure—music, painting, sculpture, traditional Japanese arts, the works. It sounds like a fine idea and a pleasant respite from JACL's necessary but sometimes tedious preoccupation with political and social issues.

We had to hurry away before anything else happened.

GRANDCHILD NO. 3—Part of this hurried trip to Los Angeles was spent in getting reacquainted with No. 2 son Pete, his wife Vikki, and meeting for the first time their young son Patrick William who, incidentally, is grandchild No. 3. Young Pat turned out to be a sober-sided fellow with a sturdy pair of lungs and a strong interest in getting his meals on time. We were happy to say howdy and hope to get to know him better as time goes on.

Pete moved out to Los Angeles early in June immediately after getting his degree from the University of Denver. He had been accepted as a management trainee by one of California's giant banks. The pay of a trainee seems to be based more on the promise of the future than sufficiency of the moment. Nonetheless we were happy to fine Pete and Vikki enjoying a reasonable if not affluent standard of living. Only a few days after our arrival Pete had been told of an impending transfer to the San Francisco Bay region. So he was as excited as he can get (which really isn't much) about an opportunity which had developed much earlier than he had dare hope. Before long he and his family will move north, providing us with three more reasons for wanting to visit Baghdad by the Bay more often.

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PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS: GARDENA VALLEY JACL RE-INSTALLS HELEN KAWAGOE FOR SECOND TERM

By KEN HUTHMAKER
Gardena Valley News

SAN PEDRO—It can be said that the Gardena Valley Chapter members of the Japanese American Citizens League know when they are well off.

Last year they elected Helen Kawagoe to lead them through the coming year. Well, Helen did such an outstanding job that, despite her urgent protests, she was re-elected by an overwhelming margin.

Installation

Majority to reign as the 1971 president. In fact the members were in such favor of re-electing Helen that the only other person to be nominated for the position failed to receive a second in the nominations.

Although Helen feels that she was definitely the victim of a railroad job we're sure that the members knew what they were doing.

1970 Eventful Year

They had seen the results of Helen's reign of last year and were overjoyed. During 1970, Gardena Valley Chapter saw its most eventful year in its history. Highlighting the chapter's fine accomplishments was the selection of the 1970 Miss Gardena Valley Nisei Queen to reign over all the other chapter queens as the current Miss Nisei.

Re-elected Executive Vice-president Bruce Kaji, a real master at the podium, co-ordinated the 1971 installation banquet as Master of Ceremonies. These were held this year in the beautiful banquet room of the Port O'Call Restaurant, Dec. 5.

As in several years past, Al Hatate acted as Installing Officer. Installed were: Helen Kawagoe, pres.; Bruce Kaji, exec. v.p.; Thomas Morinaka, mem. v.p.; George Aoyagi, prog. v.p.; Tak Kawagoe, youth v.p.; Bob Goody, sec.; James Mita, cor. sec.; Joe Fletcher, treas.

These 1971 officers reaffirmed their faith in the honored judicial and legislative processes of this nation and the group's belief that progress for Japanese-Americans can best be made in the context of solid contributions to the community as a whole.

Members Honored

On behalf of the Gardena Valley JACL, first vice-president Tom Shigekuni awarded certificates of appreciation to:

Tak Kawagoe, George Aoyagi, Bruce Kaji, Kay Nishi, Fumi Ishiguro, Etsu Andow, Jim Mita, Harry Nasu, George and Tomi Mitsuoka, Joe Fletcher, Isaac Matsushige, Dorothy Dohi and Tom Oyama.

For someone who hates to get up and talk in front of an audience, Helen in her acceptance response made, the best speech of the evening. She kept the audience laughing as she stated that her reign last year was accomplished by doing nothing else and that was that it taught Tak, her husband, how to sew, wash the dishes, push the right buttons on the washing machine and to keep from burning a TV dinner. As one whose motto is, "To get up twice whenever she's knocked down," Helen has the perfect outlook on life which she utilizes in running the Gardena Valley Chapter of the JACL. One thing that everyone is in accord with is that Mme. President Kawagoe really knows how to sell JACL.

Even speaker Raymond Uno, JACL National President, had to admit Helen's ability at selling JACL and opened his speech by saying that her talents were just the thing that is needed today on the organizational level.

Uno, who was guest speaker of the evening, said he is a lover of politics and talked about his rise in JACL. In the beginning, he said he opposed the organization but later joined when he realized that JACL spoke for all Japanese Americans and he wanted to be sure that JACL said the right things. Uno left his audience dangling on about a half dozen different tangents but within 20-30 minutes brought them back together again. He concluded

that in 1971 JACL chapters will have to work together as one.

Amazing Inamine

Rounding out the eventful evening was one of the finest exhibitions of a human's mastery, mental and physical control, as expert Seiyu Inamine put on his breathtaking demonstrations.

Inamine, who owns a karate school in Gardena, is a real master and devotee of the Art of the Open Hand. His dedication to the sport has led him to speak of perfection and he now stands alone in the art whenever he uses his head. For Inamine, in climaxing his performance, split into two parts a 2" by 8" by 16" cement brick. This he did, as he has done countless of times, with his forehead. The feat is truly the result of mind over matter.

In conclusion Inamine warned all spectators of the danger of the feat and cautioned them never to allow their children to try it.

This was to be Inamine's last fling with death. He has finally decided to take to heart his doctor's warning that if his skull should ever crack as a result of the feat he would be the victim of immediate death.

French Camp JACL held its annual Christmas party Dec. 20 at the French Camp Hall with Mrs. Kay Nakata as chairman. She was assisted by:

Myo Murata, Helen Matsui, Lydia Ota, gifts; Kay Hiraoka, Kimi Morinaka, Nancy Natsuhara, candy; Fumiko Asano, Barbara Hashino, refreshments; Rosie Tomi-naga, inv. games, JAX.

With Dr. S. I. Hayakawa as main speaker, Monterey Peninsula JACL expects a large turnout at its 1971 installation dinner set for Jan. 17, 7 p.m., at Rancho Canada in Carmel Valley. Tickets are \$7.50 per adult, \$5 per Jr. JACLer. To eliminate any misunderstanding and in fairness to all, reservations are on a paid-ticket, first come-first serve basis.

Yone Satoda of San Francisco, past National JACL treasurer, was the installing officer and national director Masao Satow was guest speaker at the recent Sequoia JACL installation dinner held at Marriott Inn in Belmont. Bud Nakano was emcee. Ernest Murata is the new president, succeeding Dr. Ken Kato.

Riverside JACL will hold its fourth annual installation dinner on Saturday, Jan. 23, 6 p.m., at Beaumont's Rusty Lantern restaurant, 1316 E. 6th St., with dynamic Warren Furutani, JACL director, community involvement, as guest speaker.

San Mateo JACL re-elected Tom Hisata chapter president for 1971 and will honor him and his cabinet members at the annual installation dinner, Jan. 9, 7 p.m., at the Shad-dows Restaurant in San Mateo. The Rev. Roy Sano, Mills College chaplain, will be guest speaker. National Director Mas Satow will install the officers with Dr. Mitch Wakase as emcee.

Raymond Uno, national JACL president will deliver the main address at the Orange County JACL installation dinner-dance on Saturday, Jan. 16, at the Royal Coach Inn in Anaheim, according to program chairman Ken Doi.

Kim Yoshitomi, emcee, said a super fashion show coordinated by Florence Smales and with guitarist Ralph Blazie providing the musical background will be unveiled at the event. Gerhard Schroeter and his band will play for the dance to follow. Tickets are \$9 per person, obtainable from any board member, the Sumitomo Bank in Anaheim or at the Bank of Tokyo in Santa Ana.

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INTERMOUNTAIN AWARDS—Intermountain District Council issued certificates of appreciation to (from left) Mrs. Chieko Ogawa, Mrs. T. Sauki, and Mrs. Doris Matsura, all of Salt Lake City, for dedicated work in the community. Mrs. Osako Uno was also cited. Presenting the awards (at left) is Al Kubota.—Terashima Studio Photo.

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Little Tokyo's community ills aired, newsmen show surprise

By JIM MIYANO

Los Angeles

Isn't the Japanese American community pretty well assimilated today? Is the white community's opinion of the Nisei being a "model" citizen, who takes care of his own, a mis-conceived stereotype? How serious is the juvenile delinquency problem in the Asian American community?

These and other questions were among those put to Mike Yamahiro of the Yellow Brotherhood by a KMPC news staff panel comprised of Hugh Brundage and Paul Pierce on the KMPC "Forum" show Sunday, Dec. 6. Speaking for himself with knowledge gained through personal experience, Mike clarified these questions for the newsmen with considerable poise during the 25 minute show.

"Yes, the youth of the Asian American community have been getting into trouble, and the problems are serious especially since drug abuse is the current thing," stated Mike. He also clarified this by pointing out that the seriousness is compounded because

the majority of the Asian American community (special reference to the Japanese American community) still does not recognize its own juvenile delinquency problem.

Mike was also quick to mention that the term juvenile delinquency usually applies only to youth who are "caught," but what about those who get in trouble but are not "caught"?

Lack of Awareness

In response to newsmen Pierce's comment about his being aware of social and youth problems in the black and Chicano communities and now hearing that the Asian American community (Japanese American reference) also has problems does come somewhat as a surprise, Mike stated several reasons accounting for this lack of awareness.

For one, "The white community's tendency to use the Asians as buffers, as ideal 'models' of an ethnic minority community, perpetuates this lack of awareness by stereotyping Asians as not having problems," Mike stated.

For another, "The white

community sees us as one group all lumped together which further stereotypes us," he said.

Finally, Mike made references to the fact that social agencies for the most part have ignored the Asian community on the basis that "we have no problems." His point was especially significant because the local United Way organization evidently still feels we have no problems as witnessed by United Way's rejection of three proposals from JACS which were intended to deal with the problems of youth as well as other critical needs.

Yellow Brotherhood

Newsmen Brundage and Pierce were brought right up-to-date on the activities, objectives and membership of the Yellow Brotherhood as Mike fielded their questions about the self-help, community based, and indigenous leadership structure of the group. He covered the early beginnings of the Yellow Brotherhood from the days of the Asian American gangs, a d

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Intermountain honors four for community work

By JEANNE KONISHI

SALT LAKE CITY—Because of some complaints that had been voiced through the years, it was decided that the recent quarterly Intermountain District Council meeting held in Salt Lake City would be the "social" meeting.

Though arranged on an experimental basis and judging from the attendance by all IDC chapters, it was deemed a success. While it seemed like a small showing to some people, it must be remembered that it was not the biennial IDC convention. Wives and families of the officers attending the meeting were invited and meetings were cut to a minimum. Emphasis was placed on fun activities and socials.

The banquet and dance held on Sat. Nov. 28, was combined with the Salt Lake Chapter's annual 1000 Club dinner-dance. Tad Hirota, National 1000 Club chairman, from Berkeley was the keynote speaker.

Tributes were paid to National JACL President Ray Uno, who is a member of the Salt Lake Chapter, by his friends and various organizations here in Salt Lake City. Highlight of the evening was some deserving community awards given to several people.

To Mrs. Doris Matsura, for 23 continuous years of service in the Salt Lake JACL Auxiliary. Doris is responsible for the collection of dues semi-annually for the Chapter's group insurance plan.

To Mrs. T. Sauki, in grateful recognition and appreciation for her outstanding services as a teacher and preserver of the cultural arts of Japan, representing the people of Japanese ancestry in the Salt Lake community and vary ably demonstrating the richness of our heritage.

To Mrs. Chieko Ogawa and Mrs. Osako Uno (Raymond

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Law school applicants

LOS ANGELES—Asian Americans seeking to enter USC Law School in the coming fall under the Minority Law Student Program should apply prior to February, 1971, according to UCS's Asian Law Students Admissions Secretary, Law Center.

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A Pitch for Pacificulture

By FRED S. KAI

Los Angeles
I recently attended the last in a series of ten weekly lectures and slide presentations on the arts and culture of Japan, offered by UCLA Extension. The course was taught by Lennox Tierney, Chairman of the Art Department of Pasadena City College, who has lived and studied in Japan.

The course is recommended to anyone who is planning to

RAPPIN' AWHILE

visit Japan for the first time as Mr. Tierney is extremely knowledgeable about its history and culture, and his many slides afford interesting support to his talks.

I feel that my brief trip to the ancestral land a few years ago would have been more meaningful had my ignorance been reduced somewhat by taking a course of this type before I went.

It wasn't the course itself, however, that prompted me to start abusing my typewriter, but a cultural "sales pitch" that Mr. Tierney eloquently delivered to the class at the conclusion of the final meeting, with the request that each person repeat the message to at least ten others.

Although I may be unduly optimistic—as well as lazy—I'm hoping that through this column I can discharge my obligation at one time. It's possible that I may even reach a dozen people if I include close friends and relatives.

Pacificulture Foundation

Mr. Tierney is on the executive committee of the Pacificulture Foundation, a non-profit organization formed by Pasadenans in 1960, which has been struggling for years to develop an Oriental Art and

Research Center. After considerable effort, the Foundation recently succeeded in acquiring part of the Grace Nicholson Building, former home of the Pasadena Art Museum, as its site for the proposed Art Center.

Pacificulture members feel that the building is ideal for their plans as all of its architectural details, including the roof tiles, were brought directly from Peking, China by Grace Nicholson in the 1920s. The building is authentically Chinese, and Miss Nicholson's purpose in constructing it was to display Far Eastern art objects.

In 1943 the structure was donated to the city which leased it to the Pasadena Art Museum. According to Mr. Tierney, many Pasadenans have long felt that the building wasn't "right" for the museum with its emphasis on contemporary Western art. And so when the museum moved to new quarters last year, Pacificulture members began active negotiations with the Board of City Directors for lease rights to the Nicholson Building.

Bright Future Seen

Although the Foundation faced stiff competition from other interested groups—with the fight seemingly lost at times—the city finally agreed to lease the first floor to Pacificulture at \$1,000 per month. The members hope eventually to acquire use of the second floor as well, but they are ecstatic that they're in the building at all.

Mr. Tierney stated that the acute problem now is raising enough money to attract and maintain Oriental art collections, and to develop the Foundation's other projects, which include a research library, audiovisual programs for schools, courses in Asian culture and customs, and Oriental workshops, including the

conservation and restoration of art objects.

He said that five important art collections have already been pledged to the Art Center, and that a dozen other benefactors would commit their collections once they feel assured that Pacificulture will make it financially.

Although the Oriental Art and Research Center will be located in Pasadena, Mr. Tierney emphasized that its influence and benefits will extend far beyond the city limits.

Permanent Galleries

Southland residents will obviously benefit the most by having a permanent gallery of Oriental art within convenient driving distance, but visitors to the area would also be able to add another worthwhile attraction to their itinerary.

The L.A. County Art Museum has a Far Eastern wing that is particularly strong in Indian and Tibetan works—having recently purchased the Heeramanek Collection of some 300 pieces—but it has less to offer of Chinese and Japanese art.

The Pasadena Art Museum also possesses important works from the Avery Brundage Collection of Oriental art, but the museum's forte is modern from cubism to pop. In any case, Mr. Tierney believes that the Los Angeles area, with its huge population and pivotal location in travel and trade with the Orient, needs a center devoted exclusively to displaying and studying the cultural heritage of the Far East. He stated that at present the nearest cities to L.A. having facilities for the study of Oriental culture comparable to what Pacificulture has in mind are Honolulu and Chicago.

The Pitch

Mr. Tierney is a persuasive speaker, and I'm sure that he influenced many of us in attendance that evening to sup-

port Pacificulture and its goals. For ten (tax deductible) dollars, any interested person can become a general member of the organization, and I for one have already sent off my donation with blessings. If you'd like to receive a membership form, you can write to Pacificulture Foundation, P.O. Box 4251, Pasadena, Calif. 91106. You can bet ten dollars that they'll write back.

RESPECTIVELY YOURS: Arty Kameda

Instructor Denied Tenure

San Jose

It had been planned to report on the "Asians for Community Action" in San Jose, but a more pressing situation confronts the community as this is being written (Dec. 9).

I have been working with community people and students to keep Mamonu "Chuck" Ogata, assistant professor in economics at San Jose State College who has just been denied tenure by the college. He has been told he would not be on the job after June, 1972.

First of all, I should explain that when a new instructor comes onto a campus, he must complete a four-year probation and if he has taught in satisfactory manner and has the necessary requirements, he is usually granted tenure.

No official reasons have been stated for denial of tenure in the Ogata case. We know that one reason may be that Chuck does not have a Ph. D. Because of this, we are asking that he be given a "conditional tenure"—that is, he be reconsidered for tenure if he gets his Ph. D. by August, 1971. This is by no means an unusual request—it has been done several times before at SJS.

We are fighting this denial of tenure because we feel Chuck Ogata is too valuable to lose, both as an instructor and as a person who has much to contribute to the community.

Chuck has good evaluations by students who have taken his classes, which are full or nearly full. He teaches one of two new courses offered by the department called Economics of Racial Discrimination. We see this course as valuable, especially when seen in the light that the SJS Economics Dept. has been slow in offering new courses relevant to the changing times.

Chuck is also the JACL liaison man to the campus. He has been the adviser to both the Japanese-American Student Organization (composed mainly of foreign-born Japanese) and the Progressive Asian American Coalition.

Chuck also helped start a loan program for foreign students. Working with students, other faculty members and community people, he has helped in the establishment of a minors program in Asian American studies on campus.

Why then is Chuck Ogata denied tenure? I, along with others, feel that he is being made the victim of intra-departmental politics.

The economics department is badly split. This is a fact that no one will deny. Chuck happens to be in the smaller of the two factions. His faction has been pushing for progressive changes. The other faction seems to be more concerned about keeping the status quo.

It's our feelings and other faculty members that Chuck is losing his tenure, largely because this larger faction wants to get rid of their opponents. Thus far, working on the case has been both frus-

trating and disappointing. In many attempts to get a concrete reason for the denial of tenure, we have only learned of college procedures and policies. A group of us went to a Retention and Tenure Committee of the Economics Department. We wanted to hear why Chuck was being denied. Instead, we were asked to leave.

Within four days (that's all the time we had), we passed around petitions and gathered over 600 signatures. Later on, we went to an open meeting, called the department chairman. When asked why Chuck was being denied tenure, we received just pretty words saying nothing and were told of college policies and procedures (which didn't help at all).

A coalition of students and community leaders then approached the academic vice president. Again we were met by pretty words saying nothing and were told of college procedures and policies.

During this time, the all-college retention and tenure committee (the decision goes from the economics department to the all-college committee to the president) was meeting. It is comprised of representatives from each school. It unanimously voted to recommend that Chuck Ogata's tenure be reconsidered after he gets his doctorate. The happiness over this decision was short-lived. President Bunzel, who has say over the all-college retention and tenure committee, decided to deny Chuck his tenure. Chuck has been told he will not have a job after June, 1972.

What's most frustrating is that going through the "proper channels," we couldn't do anything for him. Going through these channels only drained our energy. We were working hard, hours upon hours because of our concern over Chuck and all we were told were college procedures and policies.

One thing we wanted to see was if any racism was involved. If there was any involved, I don't see how we could have exposed that. The doors were closed to us; our questions weren't answered and going through channels served only to divert us—all we got were college procedures and policies.

Although racism hasn't been proved here, we should keep our eyes open. Institutional racism is hard to see—it is not overt. Out of the 525 faculty members in the School of Humanities and Arts at San Jose State, only nine are As-

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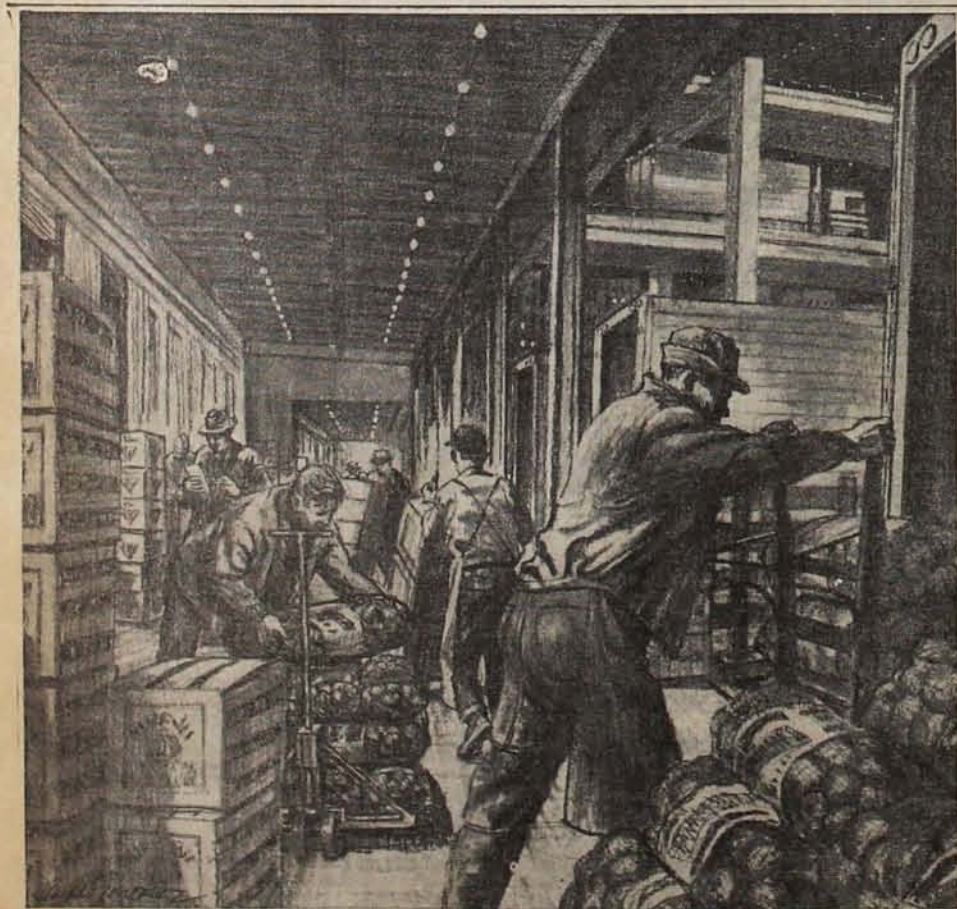
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Lure of Politics and JACL

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their needs than their richer brethren who pay less to live and be governed but to whom the government is more responsive.

Poverty Line

Least people misunderstand my comments about purchasing power, let me make a brief and simple explanation. I am amazed at the number of people earning \$7,000 a year or less and many of these \$5,000 a year or less, and yet supporting families with two or more children. These people must live in economically depressed areas where large shopping centers and supermarkets generally do not locate because economically it is not profitable. Thus, small neighborhood stores exist in these areas and must, of necessity, charge more for goods because of smaller volume purchases and slower turnover of goods. In addition, poor people cannot

take advantage of bulk, cut-rate sales because they simply do not have such money. Consequently, they cannot buy food when it is cheap and store it. Which means only one thing: they pay more for the basic goods and pay more for taxes as a result. This is only one example that can be multiplied a hundred fold.

The discretionary income of the poor is extremely limited or none existent. If they wish to partake of any recreational activity, it must be at the expense of food, clothing, or shelter and generally all three. It is hard to visualize the anguish and agony the poor must endure when affluence is flaunted all about them on radio, TV, newspapers, magazines, schools, shows and so forth.

In Lieu of Hobby

How do we get the poor interested in politics which impinges so heavily and so constantly on their daily lives.

San Francisco JACL board urges public schools restrain Christmas tradition

SAN FRANCISCO — Public schools here were urged by San Francisco JACL "to restrain itself from conducting (Christmas or) religiously-oriented school programs and the teaching and singing of religious songs."

Action was taken at the chapter board of governors meeting Dec. 7 upon a resolution offered by Nobusuke Fukuda, lay leader of the Konkō-Kyō, a monotheistic Shinto sect.

Vote was 9-3 with four abstentions on the so-called separation of church and state in public school settings. At the November chapter board meeting, a similar resolution was defeated 9-7 with four abstentions.

Text of the resolution follows:

Whereas we are living in a multi-culture society;
Whereas the public school system is becoming more aware and appreciative of the striving for ethnic identity by members of minority groups;

Whereas the need for complete assimilation into the dominant culture is no longer recognized as being absolutely essential to become a "good American";

Whereas children attending our public schools belong to various religious organizations;

Whereas there should be separation of church and state in the public school settings;

Whereas the public schools have traditionally had Christmas programs for which Christian songs are taught and sung by the pupils;

Whereas the teaching of these religious songs are an infringement of the principal of separation of church and state;

Whereas the emphasis of Christianity in our public school settings to young children with easily influenced minds reinforces the unnecessary move away from one's own culture and religion;

Therefore be it resolved that the San Francisco public schools restrain itself from conducting religiously oriented school programs and the teaching and singing of religious songs.

Board Vote Roll

According to Fukuda, the board vote was recorded as follows:

FOR—Roy Ikeda, Ron Nakayama, Pat Okamoto, Nancy Okada, Sandra Ouye, Tomi Ouyama, Phil Nakamura, Ron Kobata, Susan Yoshimura.

AGAINST—Nob Mihar, Mits

Murakami, George Yamasaki. ABSTENTION—Max Ashizawa, W. S. Doi, Louise Kolk, Frank Minami.

Those who voted for the resolution were generally the younger board members; those who abstained were the oldest; and those who voted against it were described by Fukuda as "conservative or fundamentalist elements."

Fukuda said in his introduction of the resolution that JACL is relatively insensitive to the non-Christian religions within the Japanese American community, noting that many JACLers mistake Konkō-kyō as a Buddhist sect.

Another JACLer has confused Konkō-kyō with ancient Shinto when it was a polytheistic nature worship, Fukuda continued, and state Shinto, which recognized the emperor or as a direct descendant of the Sun Goddess, Amaterasu.

Pledge of Allegiance

Fukuda further noted that JACL chapters continue to have the Pledge of Allegiance recited while there are American Buddhists who are asking for exclusion of "under God" in the pledge. "The quiet Buddhists would be extremely reluctant to ever question the Pledge of Allegiance," Fukuda said, especially at a JACL gathering.

Fukuda also recalled an incident which occurred when the California Board of Education curriculum commission met in Sacramento to review and later reject "Japanese Americans: The Untold Story."

Dr. Ruth Howard of San Francisco, a commission member, reminded the Buddhists present that "we live in a Judeo-Christian society and all minorities must fit into the Judeo-Christian mold if they are to be accepted in America."

The Pledge of Allegiance states, "one nation under God, indivisible . . ." Mrs. Howard went on, "not under Buddha"—a statement which aggravated the Buddhists, Fukuda said.

Pat Saito, 17, of Oakland High was one of the many march organizers. "I got interested in this march because the money will be channeled mainly into Alameda County. Instead of a foreign country where I would have no concept of the real problems. This way I sort of had some control of where the money will go," she said.

Pat estimates that 80 percent of the funds raised will go to the Alameda County Emergency Food Coalition, a group of 21 organizations that give food to people not eligible for welfare.

150 Marchers

Approximately 150 youths and adults participated in the hunger hike, but Pat had anticipated more. "The walk wasn't as successful as it could have been mainly because of delays caused by internal friction within the organization. The turnout was low because there were two other conferences scheduled at two Oakland high schools," she said. "But it did succeed in getting people and informing them of the hunger situation in our community."

According to Pat, "the march helped to cement a lot of misunderstandings between people for me and others who helped to organize it," she

Through my own experience, I am convinced that politics is a rich man's game. A game I cannot afford to take part in either as a candidate, campaigner or contributor. To this point I have done so only at the expense and sacrifice of my family and my occupation. I have permitted myself this indulgence because I do not smoke, drink (often), and have no recreational activities either for myself or my family. My entire commitment has been toward social and political involvement. It has come to the point where my family and occupation can no longer be neglected and I must curtail my political commitment almost entirely as well as my other activities except for the Japanese American Citizens League. I cry deep inside when I think of the choices; but I understand why most minority people are not active in politics.

The lure of politics has been further diminished by the ever expanding civil service and merit system which has all but destroyed the patronage system which rewarded the faithful party worker and political hacks. There is no longer any promise of a job at the end of the long campaign trail. The garbage collector, the street cleaner, the custodian, the truck driver, the clerk, the messenger, and the multitude of menial jobs which minority people are generally allotted have been removed from the spoils system. There really isn't much to get excited about when election time rolls around.

Promises Fall Short

Finally, but not least, the minority peoples are getting tired of being used and abused by politicians whose performance and action fall far short of their campaign promises and rhetoric. They have been walked on by everyone else and they simply don't want to voluntarily waste their time unless they can, in reality, get in on a piece of the action for their own direct and economic benefit. The impoverished minorities have been shortchanged too much and too often to believe things will change significantly from one party or politician in comparison to another. The pitance that has been given so grudgingly to this group has been given only because of the fear of the alternatives, and, hopefully, the conscience of the givers.

For the context of this speech, the Japanese American will include all people of Japanese ancestry in this country. From my personal observations, I feel that the Nisei, or second generation Japanese American, are predominantly establishment oriented. In my own words, we are mostly satisfied with our institutions of government, business, education, religion and so forth. We are inclined to strive for individual achievement through the avenues currently open to us, but have no tendency or desire to rock-the-boat or create any waves in doing so. By economic status, we are well within the range of the American middle class. There are a significant number of professional people and relatively affluent self employed and adequately salaried individuals, though we have many poor among us.

Lack of Empathy

Many of us Nisei have known economic deprivation, hardship, discrimination, and untold suffering during our lifetime. However, not so many are able to physically and emotionally understand and empathize with the plight

and deprivation of the Blacks, Chicanos, Indians and other minorities. We take the attitude of "why can't they do it the way we did it?" If we don't know that answer by now, I doubt if any amount of explaining will ever enlighten us because we are either not tuned in the right wave length or the facts are simply incomprehensible to us.

Politically, the Nisei are a nondescript enigma; that is, outside of Hawaii. We are somewhat of a phantom of the political stage. Outside of our own vernacular news media, we are unknown, unseen, unheard and unimportant. We have only a handful in every geographical area, if we are lucky, taking active part in politics. We have had only one candidate for a major political office. We have had only one successful statehouse candidate out of only a handful of candidates. Except in certain local areas, we have very few if any candidates for any political office.

Other minorities, including Asians, have done far better than us in running for political office and even being elected.

Good at Organizing

The Nisei have been successful in very efficiently organizing basketball leagues, baseball leagues, bowling leagues, farmers associations, scout troops, churches, and so forth. Yet, when it comes to organizing an effective political organization, we have been short of the mark and in most areas, by a long shot. Except for the few who contribute money or their time, we really lack any political muscle. If we were asked by a politician how many votes we could deliver, we would be embarrassed to death because outside our immediate family and a few friends, we have no idea which Nisei are registered, let alone how they will vote.

Our rewards have been commensurately meager. We have very few Nisei of any substance on a policy making level on the federal, state or local level. We have none of cabinet rank, ambassadorial prominence or judicial significance, with rare exceptions. The high ranking appointive positions held by Nisei can almost be counted on one hand.

Politically Low

Again, outside of Hawaii, the Nisei have accomplished far less politically than almost any minority group in the United States. We have not

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achieved politically as well as we have in other fields. In other fields we have achieved, in many instances, far in excess of our proportionate numbers, but not so in politics.

The Sansei, the third generation Japanese American, have not yet found their footing in politics. As a group, however, they are a split image of their parents. There are a few mutations, but not in sufficient numbers to make the impact they could make if they desired. There are a small number who have a social awareness which leaves some desperate hope that they may eventually expand into the political field. This number is slowly increasing, but not as rapidly as many of us wish. There is, however, a significant number of Sansei who emotionally and philosophically align themselves to the causes of those who are socially oriented in their community activities, but who have not yet been motivated to take the big step from spectator to participant.

The Issei, the first generation Japanese, are inconspicuously absent for a number of reasons such as language, age, experience, transportation and so forth. Outside of casting a ballot, for those who are citizens, very little is said or heard about the Issei and politics.

The Nisei and most Sansei have been condemned for being docile and nonassertive. The accusation has been rebutted by the more articulate Nisei and Sansei by denying the charge and by clarifying the docile and nonassertive activity by interjecting the word quiet but forceful in a peaceful, persistent and "diplomatic" way. Perhaps, it is the means and not the end product which denies the Nisei and Sansei their place in the political sun.

Prospect Ahead

Regardless of our activity up to now, unless we start wielding more political muscle in the future, we will, in effect, become second class political citizens because we will, undoubtedly, be on the bottom of the political ladder regardless of what state we live in except, possibly, Hawaii.

The foregoing have been personal observations gleaned from my travels throughout the various JACL district councils and chapters and talking with chapter members and others; therefore, these observations are subject to the human limitations of my thinking and deductions, and are only typical and not exhaustive.

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KMPC newsmen

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related to the current activities with emphasis on the role and support of the community via the Yellow Brotherhood Advisory Board, the Center fund drive and the relationship and help of Special Service for Groups, Inc.

Mike expressed appreciation for the support of the Advisory Board and the people of the community who contributed to the fund drive. He clarified that the Yellow Brotherhood now uses the Center (house), instead of the Centenary Methodist Church, for its base of operation, and that the house was purchased with funds donated by the community.

Some personal questions aimed at finding out more about Mike himself were also asked by Brundage and Pierce. Mike praised his parents for bringing him up in a family atmosphere of liberal attitudes and by stressing the need to make it on his own as an "American" without having to feel inhibited in any way.

Legal Career

Mike also indicated his personal career objective was to become a lawyer, one who would be respected for his ability to help his clients. When asked if he thought being Japanese would be harmful in achieving his career objective, Mike felt that the quiet, introverted stereotype of the Japanese person would work against him in dealing with the public. As he put it without malice, this is not the image the public has of a good Jewish lawyer.

As a side note after the formal 25 minute presentation, the panel was joined by two other KMPC staff persons who wanted to ask more questions. The ensuing discussion lasted about 1 1/2 hours.

It was indeed interesting to observe that this group of professional newsmen and public

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communication experts were unaware of the social realities confronting the Asian American people in this country. They were the first to admit this lack of awareness and suggested a great deal needs to be done to re-educate the larger community.

One newsmen recommended Asians should be more involved in the public communications media, especially radio and TV, by applying for work as announcers, newscasters, etc., such as other ethnic minority groups have accomplished in this field.

Masaoka—

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should be helpful in the coming campaign.

If the effort to repeal Title II was worth it in 1969 and 1970, it remains equally worthwhile in 1971 and 1972, and even longer. If JACL does not believe in concentration camps, or emergency detention for any American, that belief is not changed or reversed by success or failure this year or next. So, regardless of what others may do, JACL is determined to continue the struggle to repeal Title II of the 1950 Internal Security Act, for as long as that authorization is on the books the liberty and freedom of every individual in this country is threatened.

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SEATTLE — Tadashi Kuniyuki, 57, got his sled which he used as a five-year-old youngster back from Harvey Cole, 60, a Renton businessman whose children and grandchildren had used it plus a new one for Kuniyuki's two young grandchildren.

Kuniyuki lost track of his sled as a teenager. Evacuation moved him to Minidoka WRA Camp where he was married. Meanwhile Cole found the sled in a Beacon Hill apartment during the war. It had Kuniyuki's name scrawled in big letters beneath the 1918 sled. Cole's daughter used it, then it

Sakura Script

Live for a Century

By Jim Henry

Tokyo
The first days of any new year are an opportune time to make resolutions. Perhaps you have pledged to save money for a new house or car to quit smoking on past New Year's days.

But this year why not aim a bit higher; promise yourself to live for a century.

Impossible? Not necessarily. Almost every day we read newspaper accounts of those who have lived well over 100 years of age. Not convincing? Then how about this?

The Japanese average life span has grown rapidly in the past decades. A survey conducted between 1921 and 1968 pegged the average longevity at 42.8 for Japanese men and 44.3 for women. In 1965, the Welfare Ministry reported that men's life expectancy was 68.09 and the figure for women was 73.30.

It is interesting to recall that Mrs. Yasu Kobayashi died in May 1964 at the age of 118, a record in Japan.

You want living examples? According to the Welfare Ministry there are at present

1000 Club Report

Dec. 15 Report

Seventy-three new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club were acknowledged for the first half of December by National JACL Headquarters as follows:

23rd Year: Chicago—Dr. Thomas Yatabe.
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CALENDAR

Jan. 8 (Friday)
Philadelphia—Bd Mtg.
Jan. 9 (Saturday)
San Mateo—Installation dnr.
Shadows Restaurant, 7 p.m.; Rev. Roy I. Sano, spkr.
Jan. 10 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC—Exe Bd Mtg, Placer County JACL hosts.
Jan. 11 (Wednesday)
Orange County—Bd Mtg.
Jan. 12 (Friday)
Orange County—Installation dnr.
Alhambra, 7 p.m.; Raymond Uno, spkr.
Contra Costa—Installation dnr.
Holiday Inn, Richmond.
Jan. 13 (Saturday)
Dayton—Jr. JACL retreat.
Hudson Wood.
Jan. 14 (Saturday)
Pasadena—Installation dnr, Oak Knoll Inn (tentative).
Jan. 15 (Sunday)
Monterey Peninsula—Installation dnr.
Rancho Canada, Carmel Valley, 7 p.m.; Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, spkr.
PNWDC—Qtrly Session, Puyallup Valley hosts.
Bay Area Comm—Gnl Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, Japan Center, San Francisco, 1:30 p.m.
Jan. 16 (Friday)
Belmont—Gen Mtg.
Jan. 17 (Saturday)
Milwaukee—Installation dnr.
International JACL.
Alameda—Installation dnr, Red Lamp Restaurant.
Riverside—Installation dnr, Rusty Lantern Restaurant, Beaumont, 7 p.m.; Warren Purutan, spkr.
Seattle—Installation dnr, Royal Fork Restaurant, Mercer Island.
Salt Lake City—Natl JACL Credit Union annual mtg, Prudential Terrace, dnr fr 7 p.m.
Jan. 18 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Gen Mtg, Nisei War Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 19 (Saturday)
St. Louis—Installation dnr, Musical & Biggies Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.; Henry Tanaka, spkr.
San Jose—Installation dnr.
Jan. 20 (Sunday)
Gresham—Troutdale—JACL bazaar, GT Hall.
Feb. 6 (Saturday)
Twin Cities—Installation dnr, Sacramento—Installation dnr.
Feb. 7 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC—Qtrly Session.
Placer County JACL hosts.

CHAPTER PULSE

Scholarship

A three-way tie for the Alameda JACL's 1970 scholarship award was announced by Shigeki Sugiyama, chapter president. Selected as co-winners were:

David Mikami, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. John Mikami; Lenni Teraso, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Hideo S. Teraso; and Gale Uchiyama, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hideo S. Uchiyama.

David and Lenni were graduates from Alameda High School last June and are presently attending UC Berkeley. Gale, who received her diploma from Oakland's Skyline High School, is a student at UC Santa Cruz.

Each of the co-winners will be presented with a cash grant of \$150 at the chapter's annual installation dinner on Saturday, Jan. 23, from 6:30 p.m. at the Red Lamp Restaurant, 1526 Webster St., Alameda.

They will also receive trophies donated by Growers Produce of Oakland, Sugiyama and Haruo Imura, chapter scholarship chairman. Judges were: Donald Bell, Alameda High School principal; Mrs. Kay Yoshimura, teacher at Oakland's Skyline High School; and Imura.

December Events

Pasadena JACL held its annual Christmas potluck supper Dec. 12 at the First Presbyterian Church of Altadena with Miyo Senzaki in charge.

At the chapter board meeting, Kimi Fukutaki, president, reviewed the activities of the year and reported the 1971 installation dinner is tentatively set for Saturday, Jan. 16, at Oak Knoll Inn. Mrs. Agnes Suzuki of the Greater Pasadena Area JACL also related the activities of the new chapter and proposed the two co-hosts, the PSWDC district convention in May.

New Officers

Frank A. Imawa, the 1971 Sacramento JACL president, currently serves as a deputy attorney general in the Sacramento Office of the California Attorney General where he specializes in criminal law. A native Californian, Imawa was born in Suifu and spent his early youth working in his family's grocery business. After briefly residing in Berkeley, his family permanently relocated in 1957 to the Santa Clara Valley.

He graduated in sociology and business from San Jose State College in 1964, served in the Naval Air Reserves and then pursued his undergraduate studies in business with the IBM Corporation in San Jose until deciding to enter law school. After earning his law degree in June 1969 from the Univ. of Santa Clara School of Law, Imawa was admitted to practice before the state bar in January, 1970.

Mr. Imawa, age 29, is a bachelor and resides in Sacramento.

Recognizing the need for an experienced and sentient leader in this time of rapidly changing society with its need for solutions to the varied problems, Alameda JACL members have elected Shiro "Jug" Takeshita as their chapter president.

Takeshita has been an active leader of the Alameda Buddhist Temple, Northern California Western Nevada District Council, and the Alameda JACL. This is the third time around as president of the Alameda JACL. He is also well known in the athletic circle as a star of the powerful Berkeley Nisei basketball team.

The installation dinner will be held on Saturday, Jan. 23, at the Red Lamp Restaurant.

For the Elders

Chanel, sponsored by the Progressive Westside JACL, served 40 Issei a turkey dinner at Pioneer Center on Thanksgiving Day, according to Mrs. Tomiko Nakazawa. The Chaneles, chaired by Rick Uyemura, provided three turkeys and all the trimmings. A songfest with all participating concluded the afternoon program.

Sumitomo Bank set for new branch in Torrance

SAN FRANCISCO — State banking department has approved Sumitomo Bank of California's application for another branch at Torrance near Hawthorne Blvd. and Carson, it was announced by President Isao Yamazaki.

With recent announcement of plans to open another branch in Pleasant Hills in Contra Costa County, the total number of offices comes to 14.

Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) said in presenting the Hawaiian gavel that without McCormack's active leadership, Hawaii's admission as the 50th state would not have been possible. Rep. Patsy Mink (D-Hawaii) and Majority Leader Carl Albert (D-Okl.) witnessed the presentation made Dec. 22 in the Speaker's chambers.

Expo '70 park

OSAKA—The Finance Ministry has been urged by the Expo '70 governors to retain the site for a park, its future use dependent upon a master plan. Some are urging it be a folk craft park while others call for an international youth campus.

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Uno's mother), in grateful recognition and appreciation for their outstanding services to the Chapter and Salt Lake Community; for their dedication in preserving, sharing and teaching traditional Japanese culture to the Nisei and Sansei.

Silver Pins Awarded

JACL silver pin awards were also made at this time. The deserving recipients were Aiko Morishita, Ai Kubota and Jimi Mitsunaga.

During the dance intermission, the 1971 Salt Lake JACL and Auxiliary officers were sworn in by Mas Saitow, in town for the quarterly meeting. Ben Aoyagi is chapter president and Koko Sutow, auxiliary president.

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Inside the Capitol

Honolulu
State House Speaker Tad Stoebeu on Dec. 17 announced a full slate of House committee chairmen for the 1971 legislative session. He said he is confident that he can get the 26 votes needed to adopt the leadership roster when the legislature convenes in the lower house.

The state vice speaker, Pedro Dela Cruz, majority leader, James Wakimoto, minority floor leader, Joseph Garcia, assistant minority floor leader, Richard Wong, Ted Marlowe, T.K. Kim, Stanley Roehrig, Ronald Kondo, Tony Kuniyoshi, minority leader, Buddy Soares, minority floor leader, Joseph Garcia, assistant minority floor leader, Andrew Poepe, Patricia Saliki.

Committee chairmen (all Democrats): Finance, Jack Suwa; judiciary, Dennis O'Connor; higher education, Robert Kimura; labor, Yoshio Takamine; transportation, Kuo Nakama; public utilities, Hiroshi Kato; health, Richard Garcia; public institutions, Oliver Lunsford; housing, Joe Kuroda; military and defense, Peter Hsu; Hawaii select, Minora Inaba; Kauai select, Tony Kuniyoshi; Maui select, Harry Dupont; Oahu select, Daniel Kihane; legislative management, Clarence Akizaki.

Speaker Tad Stoebeu has announced the appointment of Rep. Pedro Dela Cruz to the Citizens Advisory Committee on Manpower and Full Employment. Other committee members are James Mison, Daniel Akaka, Rev. John Beck, Mrs. Percy Ching, Richard Duane, Rev. David Harada, Rev. Phil Lee, Mrs. Kinji Kanaoka, Rev. Ned Kono, Rev. Robert Laber, Hiroshi Minami, Harry Okabe and Mrs. Donna Wong.

Education

Timmy T. Hirata, district superintendent of Honolulu public schools, has been named acting superintendent of the state department of education. He replaces William A. Waters, who was named acting superintendent last July. Jimmy Iru, deputy superintendent of Honolulu public schools, will replace Hirata as district superintendent in an acting capacity. Dr. Richard Ando, chairman of the state board of education, made the announcements Dec. 17.

Dr. Richard E. Ando has been re-elected chairman of the state board of education. The board also gave Ando the job of serving as the official news source of the board. Members, angered at what they termed a news leakage of results of a caucus recently, decreed by a motion that there would be no more news leaks.

Congressional Score

Congressman Spark M. Matsunaga says the nation should be doing more to combat the crime problem. Speaking of life in Washington, he told a Honolulu newspaper, "Two members of my own staff in Washington were robbed at gunpoint only a block and a half from my office." His niece, he said, was held up outside her apartment building near the Cannon House Office Building.

Sen. Hiram L. Fong has notified the Hawaii County Council that it is requesting a change in the waiting period for aliens to become eligible for U.S. citizenship will be given serious consideration. The waiting time is now five years, and the council has suggested three years. Fong noted that at the next session of Congress there will be major changes made in the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye has expressed deep disappointment over the army's plan to transfer chemical agents and weapons from Okinawa to Johnston Island. Inouye said the army has given assurance that Hawaii would not be affected by the shipment to Johnston Island "even in the event of major agent release and that such release 'would pose no hazard.' But, he said, "the shipment and storage of these munitions on Johnston Island is still a source of serious concern."

Crime File

Three men have been arrested and charged with first degree murder in the death of Mitsuo Klotzbach, 34, a key witness in a murder case. She was the daughter of Mrs. Mitsuo Klotzbach, a resident of Prescott, Ariz. Miss Klotzbach's father died some years ago. Her body was found buried in the sand at a Waianae beach Dec. 24. Charged with first degree murder are William K. Medeiros, Jr., 24; Jesse James Bates, 25; and Roland C. Eguchi, 19. Medeiros and Bates also have been charged with the Nov. 8 shooting of suspected narcotics pusher Charles M. Akana, Jr., 28, of Kapahulu. Miss Klotzbach was a 1970 graduate of Kaimukui High School.

Thomas Y. Morita, 39, of a Rycroft St. address, was arrested Nov. 24 on charges stemming from the stabbing

of a Waikiki woman Nov. 23. He was arrested on a warrant charging him with battery with a weapon. Richard Kahalewai, 35, of a Koa Ave. address, was charged Nov. 23 with battery with a weapon.

Mayor's Office

Mayor Fasi on Dec. 23 ruled out a city lease of the Honolulu Rapid Transit Co. on the terms offered by the firm's president, Harry Weinberg. Fasi on Nov. 25 proposed that the city lease the bus company for \$200,000 a month. But Weinberg said that wasn't enough money. He suggested a lease based on cost of operation per hour. Fasi dismissed the idea.

Appointments

Seven new members have been appointed to the board of directors of the Model Cities Hawaii Economic Development Corp., a nonprofit organization to stimulate business expansion in Honolulu's two Model Neighborhood areas, Kala-Palama and Waialae. The members are Ted Imamoto, Frederick Yee, Carl Fukumoto, Allen Morita, George George Mason and Kei Yamato.

Gov. John A. Burns on Oct. 19 announced appointment of three members of the newly created Relations Board—a panel which will have much to say about future labor agreements. The board is named after attorney Mack Hamada, Carl J. Guntert and John E. Milligan.

Names in the News

State Sen. Nadao Yoshinaga underwent a routine appendectomy Dec. 19 at Kapiolani Hospital. Yoshinaga, 51, reportedly was in satisfactory condition, although confined to the intensive care unit as a precaution against any recurring heart attack.

Stanley C.L. Kau has been appointed principal of the yet-to-be-completed Kaiser High School at Hawaii-Kali. Kau, currently acting principal of Kaimukui High School, will begin his duties July 1, 1971.

Dr. David Katsuki, 68, city-county physician, retired on New Year's Eve after more than 30 years of government service. He started his career with the city in Feb. 1934, as medical officer under Dr. Robert Faus.

Goro Hokama, Maui County councilman from Lanai, will continue as chairman of the Maui County Council. Harry Kobayashi will be chairman of the economic development committee and vice chairman of parks in the 1971 council.

Business Ticker

About 2,000 members of the ILWU on Dec. 23 ratified a new agreement with neighbor island hotels, ending a 76-day strike. Management hailed the pact as one which will assure labor relations stability in the industry for at least three years. The strike never should have happened. Workers returned Dec. 24 at eight hotels which were struck on Oct. 9. The agreement covers seven other neighbor island hotels not involved in the picketing.

Hawaii's two leading banks—Bank of Hawaii and First Hawaiian Bank—have followed a mainland lead and have cut back their prime interest rate to 6 1/2 per cent. The rate is the interest charged large corporate borrowers. Earlier in the year the prime rate in Hawaii was 8 1/2 per cent.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. has advised Hawaiian Trust Co. and the Bank of Hawaii that their proposal to merge has not been approved. It would have been the largest merger of financial institutions in the history of Hawaii. The application was filed last spring. The merger had been approved, would have exchanged stock on the basis of 1.32 shares of Bank of Hawaii stock for each share of Hawaiian Trust.

Univ. of Hawaii

The Univ. of Hawaii will have a four-year medical school, according to Terence A. Rogers, acting dean of the school. Rogers said that "with the help of the legislature and Honolulu's community hospitals, the university will have a four-year, degree-granting medical school within three years."

Entertainment Scene

The first permanent movie and TV studio, Hawaiian Video Industries, Inc., opened Dec. 21. An initial outlay of about \$300,000 bought considerable studio lighting equipment, several professional movie cameras and a large sound stage at 2310 Dillingham Blvd., the former Wiggam Warehouse. The company will draw on local talent to fill the technical jobs. The company can offer two sound stages, a recording studio and a mill for set and prop construction.

Don Ho, Hawaii's top-paid entertainer, will appear in a new TV show, "The Don Ho Show," which will have a big TV season in 1971. Ho will produce and star in an island-based hour talk-and-variety show entitled "This Is Hawaii" and in a four-part series of Pacific extravaganzas, originating from Tahiti, Fiji, American Samoa and Hawaii. In this is Hawaii, actress Dorothy Lamour will be the regular hostess, and Ho will be a frequent guest, according to Ho's manager, Edward Brown.

A host of top samurai stars from Japan, including Tomisaburo Wakayama, Minoru Onki, and Shingo Yamashiro, will take part in the annual Cherry Blossom Festival Mar. 17-21. Among the female singing talent will be Chiemi Eri of King Record Co.

Hilo High School's band has been invited to take part in the Tournament of Roses parade on New Year's Day in Pasadena. George D. Durham, Jr. is the band teacher. Plans call for 130 students and six parents, as chaperones, to make the trip. The \$85-seat, \$500,000 Alkali Theatre opened to the public on the Windward side of Oahu Nov. 25.

Social workers

The state Dept. of Social Services has agreed to hire more people to help beleaguered Oahu social workers handle their case loads. Edward Tam, chief of the social work division of the department, came to the decision after a meeting with Alan Akana, a representative of the Hawaii Government Employees Assn. "They used to handle 100 cases a month. Now they handle from 500 to 1,000 a month. They just couldn't do it," Akana said.

Sen. Kuriyama

Kim Tet Lee, administrator of the retirement system of the Hawaii Government Employees, reported recently that the late Sen. Larry M. Kuriyama was eligible for full retirement benefits at the time of his death Oct. 23. Kuriyama had completed more than 10 years of service as a legislator, the minimum period required for legislators to become eligible for retirement benefits. His wife is eligible for either a lump sum payment of \$12,000, representing a year's salary for a legislator or for \$150 a month for life, whichever she chooses.

Tourism

Air travelers in the Pacific will pay higher fares in 1971 as a result of an airlines' decision to eliminate the approximate 3 per cent discount on round-trip tickets. The International Air Transport Assn. said the action was taken "in the interest of increased revenues badly needed in the present financial climate" of the troubled air travel industry. For example, a first class, one-way ticket between Honolulu and Tokyo now costs \$500 and the round-trip \$950. The value of the new round-trip ticket will be \$1,000 or double the one-way fare.

One out of every three visitors to Hawaii by 1985 will be from Japan, and Hawaii will be a popular travel stepping stone for Japanese tourists en route round the world. The predictions were made at the Governor's Conference on the Year 2000 and held Nov. 10 to 12 at the Hawaii Convention Center. The Japanese representatives during a Japan National Tourist Organization luncheon at the Princess Kaiulani Hotel.

Census 1970

Waipahu with 24,150 residents remains the fifth largest city in Hawaii. This is the latest count, according to officials of the U.S. Census Bureau in Honolulu.

School Front

The Hawaii state government reported on Nov. 23 that tax revenues are running a record 13.5 per cent higher than they were a year ago. The state reported a decline in the islands' economy. The state dept. reported that the value of construction for the 12-month period ending Oct. 31 stands at \$166 million, up from \$146 million for the same period a year ago. The increase is measured at (55.5) per cent. As of Oct. 31, 1969, the value of construction had increased 41 per cent this year, over the 41 per cent increase reported last year. This indicates a fantastically healthy industry, a tax dept. source said.

Seven public school teachers have been chosen as "teacher of the year" in their respective areas. One of them will be picked by a selection committee to represent Hawaii in the national Teacher of the Year program sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers and Look Magazine. The teachers are Edward M. Tonaka, Andrew H. Kutsuna, Mrs. Kathryn K. Hiramoto, Mrs. Barbara A. Yoshimura, James Sylvian You and Mrs. Lorna Hino.

Deaths

Joseph I. Bakken, 60, former principal of Mid-Pacific Institute, died Dec. 23 at a hospital in Salem, Ore. Death was attributed to a heart condition. Bakken, who lived at Salem since 1960, formerly taught at Maui High and Farrington and Maunaloa schools on Molokai.

Clement T. Moriama, 76, one of the great pitchers of Hawaii baseball history, died Dec. 22. His brother, the late Jimmy Moriama, was a brilliant second baseman. Clem starred with the All-Chinese and the Asahi nines.

Sports Scene

Gov. John A. Burns on Oct. 16 signed a contract authorizing the Los Angeles firm of Charles Luckman Associates go-ahead for architectural planning of the \$12 million Oahu Stadium. Burns and Gov. H. Kili, v.p. and Gen. Manager of the stadium.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Japanese David Copperfield

FOOTPRINTS IN THE SNOW, by Kenjiro Tokutomi, translated by Kenneth Strong, Pegasus, 372 pp., \$8.98. (Fourth volume of the UNESCO Asian Fiction Series.)

At the turn of the century when the American Winston Churchill was bringing out his Civil War novel, *The Great Train Robbery*, based on David Copperfield, a more tasteful rendering of the technique and spirit of the English masterpiece was being published in Japan. The Japanese version, by Kenjiro Tokutomi, applied the method of Dickens to life in Japan as lived by the author. The novel also expressed the resentment of the author against the authoritarian Japanese family system, which took precedence over the rights and feelings of the individual members.

It had been the misfortune of the author — commonly known by his pen name, Roka Tokutomi — to be dominated by a brilliant older brother. This older brother, Ichiro, had been born to the prominent samurai family of Tokutomi after his mother had given birth to four girls. As the future head of the house, Ichiro was "idealized, taught and encouraged by everyone in the big household, and by numerous relatives and visitors."

Kenjiro, the seventh child, was born Oct. 25, 1868, in the village of Minamata, southwest Kyushu. In childhood he "existed only in his brother's shadow." As a student he fell hopelessly in love with Hisae Yamamoto, his elder sister's romance. While Kenjiro was in despair, his elder brother continued to advance. As a historian, critic, journalist, and leading nationalist writer, the

dominant Ichiro was to become famous in Japan under his pen name, Soho Tokutomi. Ichiro offered his younger brother a position as translator and contributor in the family publishing firm in Tokyo. Haunted by his frustrated love for Hisae, Kenjiro wrote a story about it; it appeared in eight installments under the title, *Record of a Dream in Spring*.

The story ends with the implied suicide of the hero. The catharsis of authorship, however, failed to release Kenjiro from the spell Hisae was to exercise over him until long after her death.

In his family-arranged marriage he was irascible and prone to violence. His misery helped inspire him to write his first signal success, *Hototogisu* (The Cuckoo), a novel of lovers immolated on the altar of family precedence.

Hototogisu brought him fame. Steeped in both Chinese and Western literature, like many of the educated Japanese of the period, he was inspired by his reading of David Copperfield to apply the method and spirit of the English master to his own life. He began to write *Footprints in the Snow*.

The English title of this novel is derived from a quotation from Ralph Waldo Emerson used in an epigraph. The Japanese title is *Omoide no Ki* (Memoirs).

The able translator has enhanced the English version by providing insight into the life and psychology of the author in a 37 page introduction. The translator says, "Footprints in the Snow" is notable not only for the tale itself... but for its indirect testimony to the course with which the author defied enormous pressures of a society still feudal and authoritarian."

Born of a family that becomes impoverished, the hero, Shintaro, vows to rebuild the family name and fortune. To avoid a forced adoption and betrothal, he flees into a hostile world. Robbed by pickpockets, rebuffed in his distress, he nearly dies of cold and hunger. He embraces Christianity and fights his way up the ladder toward success.

Though considerable, the talent of Tokutomi falls short of the genius of Dickens. The humor and comedy of Dickens is absent, the dialogue less vigorous, the characters less animated. But the novel is well-organized and executed in a workmanlike manner. In one respect, Tokutomi excels his English mentor: in the description of nature. The vivid, poetic style of Tokutomi illuminates this placid, sentimental novel.

If you liked David Copperfield, you will like *Footprints in the Snow*.

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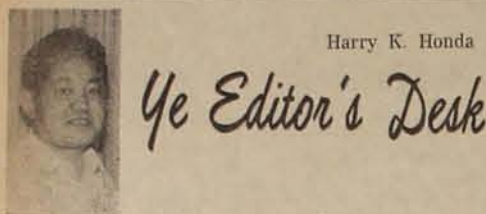
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THE GATHERING OF THE CLAN

Two events which transpired this past month involved the gathering of the Yonekura clan in San Diego and the Nagahiro clan in Los Angeles. The former was on a less-merry note; the latter was the annual Christmas Day dinner.

The Yonekura clan had assembled to observe the third anniversary memorial for the eldest of three sons who had followed their father from Japan to California. Issei refer to such offsprings born in Japan as "yobi-yose." While two generations exist, "yobi-yose" rank as Issei because of their Japan birth for the rank of Nisei is reserved for those born in America as the dictionary notes. As far as the Yonekura clan is concerned, their U.S.-born children are Sansei, which makes our two daughters Yonesei on the American Yonekura family tree—though only Sansei on the Honda family tree.

Whether our daughters will want to be known as Sansei or Yonesei remains to be seen, but we can understand the surge among the younger generation of Japanese Americans to be known as Asian Americans in general—just to avoid the confusion of keeping track of generations, for one thing, and to be a part of the bigger scene that scoops all Orientals born in America. Politically, it makes sense.

While we are affiliated with the Yonekura clan by marriage, we claim the Nagahiro clan by our first cousin who has married into that clan. The turnout for the Christmas Day dinner is getting so huge that it has become a potluck affair—turkey, ham, the works. But the greatest delight was the rap session with the college-age Sansei in our midst. For a while, it reminded me of the bull sessions we enjoyed while in military service and college over a quarter century ago. Only thing we didn't discuss was sex and women. I guess it's that way within the clan.

'THE PRIDE AND THE SHAME'

For most JACLers, "The Pride and the Shame" stands for an effective introduction to the Japanese problem in America as documented by Columbia Broadcasting System and telecast nationwide six years ago this month. Copies of the TV documentary are now being shown in connection with JACL's Repeal Title II campaign.

For JACLers in Seattle, however, it stands for a successful exhibit just concluded at the Seattle Museum of History and hopes that it can be continued as a travelling exhibit throughout the Pacific Northwest. Nearly 35,000 persons saw the exhibit, which prompted an application for funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities, a federal agency organized in 1965 to encourage and support national progress in the humanities and arts.

Boosting this latest effort is the Washington State Capitol Museum and its volunteer organization.

Also crossing our desk, thanks to Don Kazama, 1970 Seattle JACL president, is a hefty 34-page application drafted by Dr. Minoru Masuda, professor of psychiatry at Univ. of Washington and 1971 Seattle JACL president. The draft can serve as a guideline for other chapters in such a program and copies are probably still available by writing to Don Kazama, 3042-19th Ave., South, Seattle 98144.

The U.S. Government Organization Manual notes that grants are made to groups or institutions—schools, colleges, museums, public agencies and private nonprofit groups—to increase understanding and appreciation of the humanities. The humanities include but is not limited to the study of language, linguistics, literature, history, jurisprudence, philosophy, archeology, the history, criticism, theory and practice of the arts, and those aspects of the social sciences which have humanistic content and employ humanistic methods.

Chapters interested in writing for more information about the National Endowment for the Humanities may write to its public information officer, 1800 G St., NW, Washington, D.C., 20506.

In the Seattle JACL application is a sketch of the exhibit floor plan, three Y-shaped panels depicting various phases of Japanese American history, a cultural display and a unique mock-up of a WW2 internment camp apartment interior. Panels are devoted to early Issei life, picture brides, anti-Japanese activities, Nisei veterans, Sansei youth.

Seattle JACL hopes that the exhibit can be continued to "fight to eradicate the subtle biases which still exist and strive to work with other minorities toward equality and dignity of all men." Other community groups, the Nisei Veterans Committee, Japanese churches, the Japanese consulate, Cultural Festival Inc., and Seattle Museum of History and Industry have joined JACL in urging NEH approval of the modest request for some \$8,500.

It is interesting the application cites the amount of "contributed" expended and projected services comes to something like \$10,366. This bit of intelligence perhaps will swing the NEH Council to grant the request. Such "contributed" services should not be wasted.

IN LIEU OF A CHRISTMAS CARD

A hurried note from George Inagaki explains his family's silence this past Christmas. George will undergo open-heart surgery Jan. 14 at UCLA Hospital. All of us in JACL pray George pulls through in the indomitable Inagaki way. . . . Our prayers also go to Jim Higashi, onetime So. Calif. JACL regional director, hospitalized at Glendale Memorial. His friends tell us Jim's suffering from acute leukemia. This is a case where no news is good news.

Story of WW2 renunciants needs to be told: Loftis

By DR. CLIFFORD UYEDA

San Francisco
 In her recent appearance before the San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies, Anne Loftis, co-author with Audre Girdner of "The Great Betrayal" (MacMillan Co., 1969) commented on her thoughts which came from her considerable research into the history of the Evacuation.

She paid tribute to the Issei: "Our imagination was of-

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ten captured by the quiet heroism of the Issei Pioneers who pursued their goal of better life for their children through physical hardships and brutal discriminations. We thought they had formed a memorable and rather unsung chapter of Western history. We feel still that not enough is known of the recent frontier aspect of the struggle of the Issei pioneers.

Upon hearing about the Tule Lake camp, she said, "I simply could not conceive how human beings could live a day to day life in such an atmosphere as they described."

She interviewed people who had gone through the experience. Her shortcoming, she said, was that the respondents were almost entirely those who made successful adjustments to the evacuation experience. She was able to talk to only one renunciant who had been a boy at the time. The renunciant and the relocation center dissidents did not come forward to be interviewed.

Last Bitter Legacy

Mrs. Loftis stated that the silence on part of the renunciant themselves made her suspect that the cleavage between the so-called loyal and the disloyal has not yet been healed, and that this in fact may be the last bitter legacy of the Evacuation.

Interpreting evacuation in the present era, she said, is quite different from facing evacuation in 1942. Influenced by the present in which war is greatly criticized, she said that they were startled by the unanimity, the ferocity and the lack of ambiguity in the national mood during World War II which explained the demand for Evacuation.

When they started the book Mrs. Loftis stated they had wondered why so few people protested the Evacuation. After months of intense newspaper reading, she said they were impressed with the courage of those who did protest.

Why did the evacuees submit, they had asked; and were forced to conclude that evacuees had little or no choice. She said that from the viewpoint of 1970 we admire the protesters in camps.

Heroic Stand

From the viewpoint of 1942, she said we must conclude that the behaviors of the co-operators were more intelligent, more far sighted, and perhaps even more courageous when one remembers that they were behaving well in order to win the privilege of being released into hostile America which they hoped to win over by patriotism.

For the Nisei to pursue such a long chance in the face of hatred spawned by war propaganda, she said, was little short of heroic.

Behaviors in relocation centers, Mrs. Loftis said, must be judged in more than one context—in terms of reality of war years, and in terms of American constitutional principles.

Camp dissidents suffered at the hands of both the American government and from opinions of their own groups during and after the war. Their position, even though it was an expression of American principles was intolerable to those who were moving the group into the American mainstream through involvement in America's war.

She stated that persons like Minoru Yasui of Portland and Gordon Hirabayashi of Seattle immortalized Evacuation by recalling the principles which the nation forgot in its temporary madness. They, she said, literally started the long slow process that turned us around.

Emphasizing the mood of the time in 1942, Mrs. Loftis reminded the audience that the American Civil Liberties Union in its national office had endorsed Roosevelt's Executive Order 9066. She also said that President Roosevelt did indeed in a slip of his tongue referred to relocation centers as "concentration camps."

Mrs. Loftis said that it was her personal feeling that it will never again have a racial incarceration in the United States.

Mrs. Loftis has pointed out to us the two fields of research and clarification sorely needed in understanding Japanese Americans. The first, the documentation of the Issei Story, has been undertaken by the JACL History Project.

The second vital aspect of Japanese American history is the unwritten chapter of the renunciant and the camp dissident—those who were not in the mainstream, and whose lives, dreams, their agonies and indignities, and finally their rightful place in the history of a nation again the loss of constitutional rights carried out against insurmountable odds.



Still the Guiding Light

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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

Reverent reaction

Editor: After reading the Dec. 11 PC I just have to throw my two bits into the pot! First, regarding Jerry Enomoto's column, "Perspectives," Jerry seems convinced, at least comparatively, that the Democrats are the good guys and the Republicans wear black hats—for racial minorities, anyway. It is his opinion and he is entitled to it, but I hope the JACL will be very careful about involvement in partisan politics.

Even assuming that the organization membership has a strong Democratic majority for one reason or another, there must remain a sizable minority of Republican persuasion. If the JACL becomes strongly identified with any particular political party I do not see how it can claim to represent "American Citizens of Japanese Ancestry."

I realize that Mr. Enomoto was very careful to point out that the opinions expressed were his own and not those of the League, also that newspaper columnists in general are quite free to express their opinions, political or otherwise—but the Pacific Citizen is not an ordinary newspaper, and Jerry's organizational eminence gives his words undue (or is it unfair?) weight. I guess what I would like to say is that when he wants to talk politics per se, I wish he would confine himself to a long "Letter to the Editor," type of thing like us rank and file.

Then there was that little diatribe by Guy Ono as endorsed by Shoshana Arai! Boy, talk about your communications! I couldn't tell whether he was a sincere dedicated young idealist or just mad at having to leave all of those "Fine Sisters" behind with only those "Fine Asian prostitutes" for company. Although I would not like to be accused of being an "America love or leave it" type, perhaps Mr. Ono is sufficiently convinced of the wrongness of "American Imperialism" to go off and fight for what he thinks is right? Who knows, maybe he will get a Viet Cong Sergeant with a Ph. D. and he will refuse to fire those rockets indiscriminately into a city full of women and children. At least I hope he will be allowed to urinate when he wants.

Finally there was Warren Furutani (all in all a most memorable issue of the Pacific Citizen). It seems to yours truly that Warren is mighty free with that word "Pig," accompanied or not by the adjective "Racist."

Warren—have mercy, all of us fat people vince every time you use that word. Come to think of it, judging from the photo, you're pretty chubby by yourself—or is it like Ann Landers' photo, a little out of date?

In all seriousness, Mr. Furutani has some points of possible validity (not as to who is a racist hypocritical pig, but about the war in Vietnam) but I wish he would quit presenting his points with such an air of smug self-righteousness—like a missionary preacher.

Off my chest, and I'm glad. Off my chest, and I'm glad. DAVID J. WHITE
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Manzanar Speech

Editor: The following is the text of the speech made at the Manzanar Pilgrimage of Dec. 27, 1969. Although there are now some indications of life beginning to return, overall nothing has happened to yet change my opinion. The few Nisei that I have seen motivated enough to work for the needs of the Japanese people are brilliant enough to make the tragedy ten times greater, yet their voices are lost in the vast silence of the "quiet American."

JIM H. MATSUOKA
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Anything I say here today cannot match the magnitude the violence to human faith that symbolized Manzanar in 1942.

The violence to human faith

'Lovely Ladies—' not racist, says East-West writer

By MANCHESTER FU East-West

San Francisco
 The Army brass are buffoons. Colonel Purdy III, "the son of a son of a son" is a comic strip character out of "McHale's Navy" and so is everyone else.

What is annoying about "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen" is that Patrick who rewrote his own script cut the best lines from the play to accommodate the songs and dances. We waited for that magnificent epigram, "Pain makes man think. Thought makes man wise. And wisdom makes life endurable." It never came.

A racist show this is not despite the charges of Asian militants who picketed the openings in Philadelphia, Los Angeles and San Francisco where it is playing at the Curran Theater. And no doubt in New York when it opens there on December 23.

We fundamentally believe that "Lovely Ladies" would have come off better had an Asian played Sakini. Ken Nelson is a good actor who can sing and dance. He is quite likeable, though he strains too hard for an Oriental effect. But those ad-hoc taped eyes are distracting and disturbing. They make the slitted, slanted eyes of an Eurasian who hasn't slept in weeks. Barely open.

There are two sides to the story why an Asian was not picked to play Sakini. According to Lawrence Kasha, the director, "We really tried for an Oriental." He said no one suited the needs that the part demanded, young, able to sing and dance. Kasha said he placed ads in the theatrical trade papers, but the response was negligible. He also explained that he found three Orientals who were first rate and wanted them for the show. But Equity said no because they were aliens.

In our many years of theater-going, four shows rank as outstanding (for our taste): "Streetcar Named Desire," "Westside Story," "Three Penny Opera" and "Teahouse of the August Moon." Poetic and profound, they were entertaining and left us with ideas to reflect in our meditative moods.

Now "Teahouse" has been turned into a musical retitled "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen." We think producer Herman Levin made a mistake. He should have left it alone as a play. Not that he won't get his \$600,000 production cost back. (The show is backed by the Los Angeles and San Francisco Civic Light Operas.) It has all the computerized components to appeal to theater party groups—cute, charming, diverting. Like they say about Chinese food, "an hour later."

"Teahouse" originated as a novel by Vern Sneider, a Notre Dame graduate who spent World War II in the Orient. Out of this experience came two books, "Teahouse of the August Moon" and "A Pall of Oysters." John Patrick turned the former into a play which became an international hit with road companies touring the world. Then came the film version with Marlon Brando now making the rounds on the telly on the late shows.

Essentially the story concerns the U.S. occupation of Okinawa after the second World War and how the Okinawans who survived the invasion of the Chinese, Japanese, missionaries and a pota-pota bug plague to prevail over efforts to democratize them.

On the other hand, the Brotherhood of Artists, a group of Asian actors in Los Angeles, charged that no Asian actor was auditioned for the part of Sakini. There are fifteen Asians in the cast in lesser roles. The biggest part went to Lori Chinn who plays Miss Higa Jiga, the leader of the Women's Democratic League.

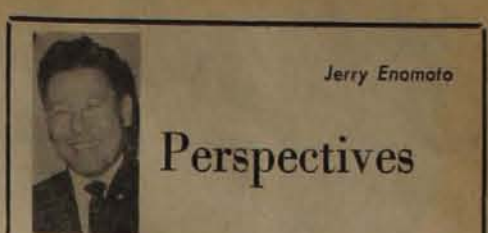
The protest brought public attention that there are Asians in the theater world ready and able to perform. All they need is a chance. But this won't happen until we have our own playwrights who can come up with an honest play. And when producers change their ossified thinking that Asians are second rate actors and that any one can play an Oriental role with make up. In 1950, yes, but not in 1970. The times have changed.

New York Opening

Sandra Schmidt, reviewer in the Los Angeles Times, wished "Teahouse of the August Moon" was left as a play, but now that it opened as a musical at the Majestic Theater in New York Dec. 28, it's a show—not a play.

"Teahouse" had a rather substantial charm, tightly tied to its other major qualities: forthright, funny, unself-consciousness. "Lovely Ladies, Kind Gentlemen" has become totally aware of its charms, brushes it up, rubs it so hard and so constantly that every bit of the patina is polished off. Miss Schmidt felt, revealing solid brass underneath.

Kenneth Nelson as Sakini sticks his rear end out and bunches up his knees to do the Sakini shuffle. . . . Eleanor Calbes is OK, though perhaps



Jerry Enomoto

Perspectives

'FRIENDS OUTSIDE'—They say that time passes faster the older you get, and it did seem to me that 1970 went by awfully quick. I heard the usual cliches about "is it Christmas already?" and "Christmas just doesn't seem the same anymore." The truth probably is that the yuletide season has lost its charm for middle aged people, but it still has its magic for the kids—and isn't that how it ought to be?

The way a lot of things are in the communities and world around us, perhaps it did take more than the usual amount of optimism and good will to say "Merry Christmas", and really mean it. It was therefore gratifying to see an event take place at the institution where I work that embodied the spirit of Christmas.

Spearheaded by a group of very human people calling themselves "Friends Outside" (a group of volunteer citizens whose purpose is to help keep prisoners and their families together), working with our Inmate Advisory Council and staff, a Christmas party was held at the Central Facility, Soledad. It was a special and new kind of party which brought together inmates, wives and children in the institution gymnasium for gift exchanging, singing, social dancing to an inmate band, partaking of refreshments, and just plain visiting.

The goodies and gifts for wives, children and inmates were donated by Friends Outside, whose members worked hand-in-hand with the Inmate Council in the entire planning, and were on hand at the facility welcoming families, and making sure all the little details were not forgotten.

Although we regretted all the inmates could not get in on the festivities, a project of this kind inside the security area of a close custody prison is testimony to what can be done through human beings working together in good faith for a common purpose. Sure, there are those who will sneer at this as tokenism, but I prefer to see it as a step toward reducing the distance between the prisoner and his family, modifying (if for only a few hours) the demeaning and stultifying essence of a prison, and helping the staff remember that Christmas has a significance even to those temporarily shut away from society. If the above comes through like the melancholy whimsy of a dogooder, then let it be. After all isn't it the season for brotherly love and a little softness?

ON THE FLY—I caught a few items as they went by recently which were worth noting. . . . It seems that Asian young peoples' groups in various areas are activating "drop-in centers" for youngsters, as well as senior citizens. The pattern which began in Los Angeles' Little Tokyo seems to be taking shape elsewhere, and I think that's great. . . . Saw an item in the paper that indicated that a new state law in Maine which forbids issuance of any state license to organization that practice discrimination will put the Elks there out of business. It seems that Maine's 14 Elks Lodges will lose their liquor licenses in 1971. If we can't get the Elk's attention in any other way, widespread actions of this kind might do it, per the old adage about the two by four and the ule.

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Jan. 5, 1946

Marine Corps opens ranks to Japanese Americans. . . . JACL protests mistreatment of Nisei combat veterans at Camp Haan, Calif.; ex-442nd GI from Hawaii put on garbage detail while waiting for shipment home. . . . Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles and Fair Play, Berkeley, which defended rights of Nisei during wartime, closes office. . . . Interior Secretary Ickes favors compensation for evacuee losses. . . . WRA to close field offices in six Eastern cities by May. . . . Hawaii citizens challenge immigration at service's special procedures for Nisei travel to Mainland, certification of citizenship required of Americans of Oriental ancestry. . . . U.S. appeals late court in Denver upsets conviction of seven Heart Mountain evacuees charged with conspiracy to violate draft law; new trial sought. . . . Race relations group hits restrictive housing policies in Chicago. . . . Tule Lake renunciant in Japan urges people not to come to Japan. . . . "Nisei Weekender" published in New York. . . . Tom Komuro, editor of Los Angeles federal judge halts deportation of alien evacuee (Shannosuke Madokoro) through issuance of a writ of habeas corpus. . . . Army ends its educational program at University of Florence; over 400 of 442nd R.C.T. enrolled, Isamu Aoki of Salt Lake City was student body president of 1945, class.

In the Pacific Citizen, Jan. 12, 1946

Justice Dept. initiates hearings for 3,000 renunciants who wish to remain in U.S. . . . No fear of Nisei bloc-voting seen by proponents of statehood for Hawaii, congressional committee told. . . . Fire destroys (Tule Lake) Tri-State high school gym Jan. 2. . . . Justice Dept. relaxes contraband and travel restrictions on Japanese and German aliens. . . . Vandals smash glass in Fresno drug store owned by Nisei (Michio Toshiyuki). . . . Canada proceeds with deportation plans; some renunciant seek court hearings cancelling request for expatriation. . . . Report 22,500 Nisei served in U.S. Army between July 1, 1940 and June 30, 1945—11,825 from Mainland; 10,707 from Hawaii. . . . Alien property custodian calms fears of Iseki on seizure of holdings. . . . Reveal Army trained Nisei for military intelligence before Pearl Harbor; four from Hawaii fought in the Philippines with MacArthur in 1942, two (Komori, Yamagata) flown to Australia after fall of Bataan. . . . Nisei GI's Christmas party for 1,000 Italian war orphans in Leghorn. . . . Lt. Col. Wallace Moore of Pacific theater calls on civic leaders in Southern California to suppress anti-evacuee activities, treatment in U.S. may affect success of Japan occupation. . . . Korean group in Chungking blasts Kiso Han of Sino-Korean Peoples League. . . . Few Nisei laid off by employers in Chicago, WRA survey finds. . . . Bill Hosokawa's column, "From the Frying Pan," to quit scribbling; to convert column for peacetime.

Placer County—

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Seichi and his wife (nee Helen Kawano) and their three children; June at UC Davis, Christine at Sacramento State College, and Wesley attending Oakmont (Roseville) High School, reside at 6232 Eureka Road, Roseville.

We salute Seichi for his unequivocal faith in JACL.

Value of Organization

We are herewith not so much concerned with the moral of this story as we are bringing to fore the need of Nisei to give a better direction to their sense of values.

a little operatic as Lotus Blossom. . . . Director Lawrence Kasha is heavy-handed throughout and obvious, and I would have liked a lighter touch," she noted.

Too many of us have allowed affluence and acceptance to go to our heads, thus obscuring the fact that we are irrevocably of Japanese ancestry. This constantly makes our way down the American mainstream a very perilous journey.

We need to realize this calls for continual individual vigilance of our place in society—however ray it may seem at the time. Furthermore, we at least should consider the value of a well knit, strong organization oriented to our particular needs to act as our representative. Even those who subscribe to today's youth revolt movement must do so with dedication and purpose—not to destroy but to help build a better society.

We are not saying JACL is the answer to all of our problems. But we are saying an organization or dedicated members, whose sole aim is the betterment of people of all ethnic groups, should have and deserve the support of all people concerned.