



# U-NO Bar

By RAYMOND UNO  
National JACL President

If I can remain mentally alert, I have often told my wife, I don't care how old I get. After seeing the alertness of Katsuma Mukaeda and Saburo Muraoka, both recipients of recognition from Japan for their contribution to Japan-America goodwill, I wouldn't mind old age if I can be in as good a shape as either Mr. Mukaeda or Mr. Muraoka.

## Orange County

The Friday evening testimonial (in Los Angeles) for Mr. Mukaeda and Mr. Muraoka attracted a sizeable crowd of admirers and well wishers. It was my pleasure to represent the national organization in presenting our plaque honoring Mr. Mukaeda for his long and continuing support of JACL. Our gesture was well deserved by Mr. Mukaeda if not long over due. Our congratulations to him.

Matching names and faces is an interesting experience. I have read in the vernacular news, the names of many prominent Japanese Americans. During the past several months, I have had the engaging task of matching the names with national committee members. This occasion was no different. Justice John Also; Kenji Ito, new Japanese Chamber of Commerce president; George Sakai, from Mayor Yorty's office; Councilman Lindsay; Sam Ishihara, a newly appointed city commissioner; Tats Kushiida, formerly JACL regional director; Matuo Uwate, investment adviser and Radio Lill Tokyo announcer, and many others helped me fit together the puzzle.

Familiar names and faces were Takito Yamaguchi, the toastmaster and energetic community fund raiser; Yo Takagaki, a city commissioner, and Utah native married to a relative of mine, Mary, from Ogden; Florence Kishida, another Ogden ex-resident; Mr. Kobayashi, from Ogden, whose son, Pee-wee and his wife, Alice, now live in Salt Lake; Kiyoshi Kawai, Echo Goto, Kats and Kango Kunitzumi and many others.

Kats, Kango, Kiyoshi, Harry Honda, Al Hatate and I went to Kawafuku Restaurant after the testimonial to discuss the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project. It is quite an undertaking and hard to explain without pictures and models. After talking to wee hours in the morning, we decided to meet at Kango's office the next day at noon.

A Saturday morning meeting was also arranged by Al Hatate with national community involvement coordinator Warren Furutani and Bob Takasugi, national legal counsel. We were able to discuss function, programming and directions on some vital issues. Meeting face-to-face cuts down on a lot of writing to and fro.

Dr. Bob Suzuki, chairman national education committee, was tied down with baby-sitting chores, not an unfamiliar activity, but was available by phone and gave an encouraging report of the plans and proposals of his committee. The red tape of JACL procedure has kept this committee from really moving in many directions.

According to reports, Bob has been a man on the move. He is in more places, doing more things than anyone realizes. People are amazed at his capacity to get so much done.

Our other Bob, Takasugi that is, is just as impressive. He has been concerned with our Sansei and has been called on for all kinds of legal advice, gratis, to help our youth in the LA area. This is in addition to his JACL duties.

Al Hatate, who arranged all the meetings with everyone, has given one hell of a lot of his time to make sure JACL stays financially sound. In addition, like the others, he has spread himself around to assist in many other ways. He made the provision for a meeting place at Merit Savings Building.

Tom Hirano, a VP at Merit Savings, is married to Amy Aoyagi's sister. Amy's husband, Ben, is this year's Salt Lake Chapter president and a tremendous booster along with Amy of all JACL activities. Tom expressed surprise at Ben's being elected president until I told him. Ben is a real go-getter and terribly sociable, but most of all, a hard worker.

At lunch, we ran into Dr. Harry Kitano of UCLA. He is codirector of the Asian Studies Center and frequent speaker regarding Japanese Americans. I found out he was Chiz Iiyama's brother. I am indebted to Kango and Al for spending the rest of the afternoon with me explaining the intricacies of planning and organizing the redevelopment of Little Tokyo. The people involved in this project have spent a mountain of time to create a fascinatingly beautiful project. Salt Lake City can use the talent and brainpower spent here.

The Royal Coach Motor Hotel in Anaheim was the setting for the Orange County

# Grand jury system indicted, Uno contemplates state reform

Edison Uno, who completed his work with the 1970 San Francisco County Grand Jury, was interviewed at length by Ernest Lenn of the San Francisco Examiner on his opinion about the 1970 unit. Lenn's article in the Sunday Examiner Jan. 11 follows:

San Francisco  
The 1970 grand jury was indicted Saturday by its maverick member, Edison Uno. It should be a watchdog, he said, "but over the years the watchdog has been sleeping."

He criticized the just-discharged 1970 panel in San Francisco for what he called its "status quo Establishment" makeup. Its "rubber-stamp" handling of criminal cases, its frequently "cursory" review of city departments.

In the first expose of grand jury goings-on by an insider here, Uno said reforms are urgently needed.

Uno, 41, a Japanese American and assistant dean of students at University of California Medical Center, stressed he was not "attacking my fellow jurors... this is needed, constructive criticism."

"Instead of being representative of the community, the jury long has been a prestigious, elite club. Its emblem is the gold juror's star, customarily carried pinned to a billfold."

Friendly to Judge  
"Its members usually are nominated because of cronies with a judge. A judge is likely to pick fraternal buddies, fellow church members, social or political friends."

"So a grand jury consists of a disproportionate representation from the Establishment—corporate officials, management types, bankers, insurance men, real estate men."

"Such jurors don't want to make waves and rock the boat. They feel their business or political interest might be jeopardized."

"Instead, the grand jury should be a cross-section of the entire community. It should include blue and white collar workers, the young minorities, women, the poor. I was the only visible minority on last year's grand jury."

Suggested System Change  
"Instead of being nominated by the judges, grand jurors should be chosen by a more democratic process, such as selecting them from the voters' registration rolls."

Of the grand jury's handling of criminal cases, Uno said:

"They are so one-sided and preconceived that indictments can be typed in advance, because they know damn well the indictments will be voted."

"These sessions are archaic. Despite the emphasis on a defendant's rights these days, the grand jury doesn't see or hear the defendant. Nor is his attorney allowed to be present, to cross-examine witnesses or question circumstantial evidence."

All Novice Members  
Of the grand jury's reviews of city departments, which culminate in year-end reports:

San Franciscan to chair  
JACL international affairs

SALT LAKE CITY—Dr. Clifford Uyeda of San Francisco was appointed chairman of the National JACL international affairs committee, it was announced by Raymond Uno, national president. Now active with the San Francisco Center for Japanese American Studies, Dr. Uyeda is remembered for his brilliant speech rendered in Nihongo at the chapter's 100th anniversary celebration.

LOS ANGELES—The Nisei Veterans Coordinating Council and Evergreen Cemetery announced that a plaque honoring all Southern California Japanese American war dead since the Korean War is being prepared for placement on the Nisei Memorial Monument located at Evergreen Cemetery. Plans are to have the plaque on the monument before the 1971 Memorial Day service.

Roy Shiraga, past NVCC chairman, said, "Authorization forms have been mailed to the next of kin of all known post-Korean War dead. Next of kin receiving these authorization forms are urged to return them promptly."

"The World War II honor roll is believed complete," Shiraga stated, "but we need the names of all those who made the supreme sacrifice since the beginning of the Korean War."

Any person having knowledge of a Japanese American from the Southern California area who was killed or died while in the service, and whose name is not now on the monument can assist the NVCC by furnishing the following information:

Name, rank, service unit, and hometown; date killed or died, and place of death and his name and address of next of kin. Information should be sent to Roy Shiraga, 3876 Buckingham Rd., Los Angeles 90016.

"Grand jurors, assigned to committees to study specific departments, are novices at investigating."

"They are told by a department head that everything is efficient in his department, it's running well, no problems. The jurors get a public relations snow job."

"At the end of the year, committee chairmen are under pressure of a deadline to get out their final reports. Some of them haven't done their homework during the year."

"So too many year-end reports generally are cursory, innocuous, or complimentary, with very little constructive criticism. Some even are written for the jurors by the departments."

However, Uno said, some reports do show work by jurors, as demonstrated by the 1970 jury's adverse reports on the Muni railway, controller's office, health department and City hall leadership.

Usually Filed—Forgotten  
"But such reports are merely filed and forgotten. A grand jury can plant a seed, but it's not allowed to germinate. Instead, it's raked over and buried."

Uno said the jurors, as amateur investigators, should have a staff to assist them—"law students, Coro Foundation interns, Ph.D. candidates in public administration."

Uno said a grand jury should issue monthly reports "so it can prod for action in a city department, instead of just waiting for the final report."

Also, he said, there should be continuity in a grand jury, with perhaps some holdover members to work with a new jury, to implement a previous jury's reports.

More Uno Suggestions  
On how the grand jury system may be further improved here:

"A grand jury should play an ombudsman's role—to help people and cut red tape. Also, there should be two grand jurors to handle just criminal cases, the other to concentrate on reviewing city departments."

Uno, who believes a grand jury "should be the conscience of the city and make waves,"

churned up some big ones while a juror.

Last October, he was taken to task by fellow jurors for making a surprise inspection of the Hall of Justice county jail and issuing his findings of "filth and disarray" to the news media without going through jury channels.

Protest Action

In November, he walked out of testimony in a kidnapping case, ignoring the gag rule by a municipal judge. Uno publicly said he felt the investigation wasn't broad enough—"I have a strong feeling that we have a double standard of justice, one for the wealthy and influential and another for the poor and oppressed minorities of this city."

Some fellow jurors bristled and demanded he retract. He stuck to his guns. Uno also revealed Saturday that there were other cases in which he either abstained from voting an indictment, or voted not to indict.

While his fellow members would come to the meetings in business suits, the long-haired Uno consistently appeared wearing a sports jacket with a turtle-neck sweater as a shirt.

Refused 'Vacation' Trip

He also "boycotted" the jury's annual free-loading junket to Hetch Hetchy, lasting several days, to which the city public utilities commission invites all 19 jurors and court attaches. These trips are an unnecessary cost to the taxpayers, Uno said.

A gentle-spoken man whose militancy that of an avowed reformer, "not a revolutionary," Uno's championship for justice and "to help my fellow man" dates back to World War II.

As a boy, he was interned with his parents for four and a half years in a relocation camp for Japanese Americans. During that time, four of his brothers served in the U.S. armed forces.

Some fellow members accused Uno of political ambitions. He flatly denies it.

"Now that I'm off the jury, I'm going to try to obtain reforms in the grand jury system," Uno said. "I'm already working with Assemblyman Willie Brown, Jr."

# RETIRED COUPLES IN CITY FIND REFUGE IN SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER

(With community-minded young adults busy organizing issue pioneer centers on the west coast, a recent feature article in the New York Times may be of more than passing interest, notes Murray Sprung, New York JACL and national committee chairman on legislation—Ed.)

By JUDY KLEMESRUD

New York  
One of the first things a well-meaning outsider is likely to ask the distaff half of a retired couple is: "How did you ever get used to having Harry (or Bill, or John, etc.) underfoot all day long?"

To which the wife usually flashes a feeble smile and says something like: "It was hard at first, but you get used to it."

"You get used to it." That phrase crops up often when retired couples talk about the problems they face when they leave the work force. Problems like loneliness and boredom, living on a fixed income when all around them prices are shooting towards the heavens, finding something to keep themselves occupied when employers have told them there is nothing a person of their age can do, eluding muggers that prey on the elderly.

20 Million Involved

They are not a small group. Twenty million Americans are 65 or over, and they make up 10 percent of the nation's population. Their numbers range from retired Park Avenue millionaires who jet all over the world with their spouses, to poverty-stricken couples who live in \$40-a-month hovels in the Bronx. (One out of every four Americans 65 or over lives at or below what the Government considers "the poverty line.")

Many of these retired couples are glad to be ending their working days. For people with money and good health (about 80 per cent of them are said to suffer from one ailment or another), retirement can be a welcome time to do the things they always dreamed of doing.

But for others, "the golden years" just do not glitter. Instead, they bring emptiness, depression, helplessness. A frequent result is "retirement shock"—a clinical syndrome that results when a retired person is unable to face the isolation and loss of status his new life brings.

Some Seek Refuge

Some couples escape this isolation by fleeing to retirement villages with lofty names like Leisure World, Heritage Village and Meadow Lakes. (Some JACLers have considered a similar project which has been referred to as Golden Acres.)

Others, such as Mrs. and Mrs. Harry Satow of Manhattan, who would like to live in the country but can't afford it, seek the refuge of a senior citizens center.

The Satows were born in Japan. A former gardener, musician and tailor, he is 72

and almost blind. His wife, Kimiko, is 67. Almost every weekday they take a bus from their three-room apartment on East 59th Street to the Sirovich Senior Center at 203 Second Ave. (between 12th and 13th Sts.), where she sews and studies English and he takes bridge lessons and visits with friends.

These daily visits help alleviate the boredom. There is also another inducement: A 15-cent lunch, which includes soup, sandwich, dessert and coffee.

Manage on \$171

The Satows said they manage quite well on their combined monthly Social Security payments, which add up to \$171. They are vegetarians, so their food bills aren't high. Their rent-controlled apartment is \$45 a month, plus about \$10 for gas and electricity.

Like many older couples, their greatest fear is that they will be mugged. (Mr. Satow was robbed on the street a few years ago). For that reason, they spend their evenings at home, behind locked doors and windows.

"It is very dangerous outside for older people," Mr. Satow said. "All my friends have been robbed. The politicians don't pay any attention to the problem, and the criminals don't get the punishment they deserve."

Their Good Health

The Satows like to boast about their good health, which they attribute to their vegetarianism.

"I've never spent a nickel on a doctor in my life," Mr. Satow said. "Yesterday, I read that a friend of mine had passed away. I think he'd still be alive if he was a vegetarian."

There are some advantages that come with the golden years. In many parts of the country, the elderly are eligible for reduced mass transit fares, cut-rate theater tickets, and special exemptions from state and local taxes.

Discounts on drugs are available to the 2 million members of the American Association for Retired Persons, an organization which also helps its members get automobile insurance and cut-rate travel.

—New York Times

Union Federal opens branch in Orange County

FOUNTAIN VALLEY—Union Federal Savings and Loan Assn. has opened a new branch here at 17400 Brookhurst, a site once part of the extensive acreage owned by the family of this city's first mayor, Jim Kanno.

Branch manager Charles Braker, youngest of seven Union Federal's branch managers, introduced his counterpart in Gardens, Fred Kossaka, during recent open house festivities.

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# FIRST NISEI IN BID FOR SEAT IN CALIF. SENATE

Edwin Hiroto of L.A.-Silverlake Announces Candidacy

LOS ANGELES—Edwin C. Hiroto, City View Hospital and Keiro Kango Nursing Home administrator, last week announced his candidacy for the vacated 27th State Senatorial District seat.

Hiroto, 44, a resident of the Silverlake area, thus becomes one of the first Republican candidates to enter the campaign. R.Z. Choudry, a Highland Park real estate man, has also declared for the Republican Party nomination for the seat.

A special election is scheduled to be called by Governor Reagan to fill the state senate office vacated by George Danielson, who was sworn in as congressman from the 24th District earlier this month. Danielson's term had two more years to run.

Unless a single candidate receives one vote more than 50 per cent of the votes cast in the primary election, a runoff election will be held among the top nominees of the various parties, including Democrat, Republican, Independent and Peace and Freedom.

The Campaign Ahead

"There is no necessity for the usual grandiose statements made by political candidates," Hiroto stated in making his announcement. "Whether professional politician or neophyte Republican or Democrat, certain basic needs, requirements and representation are apparent. I will base my campaign on these factors," he said.

This will mark the initial try for public office by the former Riverside (Cal.) resident. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ujio Hiroto has been active in political circles as a member of:

Republican Associates, United Republicans of California, California Republican Assembly, Americans of Japanese Ancestry Republicans and Japanese American Republicans.

The 27th includes El Sereno, portions of Monterey Park and East L.A., Boyle Heights, Highland Park, Silverlake, Chinatown, and parts of Downtown L.A. (including Little Tokyo) to Hollywood on the west.

Personal Background

Hiroto attended public schools in Riverside, graduating from Poston High School in Arizona after 40 years.

He attended Univ. of Missouri until inducted into the armed forces. Upon discharge he entered Riverside College in 1947 and received a B.A. in finance at the Univ. of Southern California in 1949.

He served two years in the U.S. Army with Military Intelligence Service at Fort Snelling (Minn.) and President of Monterey Foreign Language School, being discharged as a sergeant.

Hiroto is a charter member of the Japanese Optimist Club, serving as its president in 1958. He was instrumental in the formation of the Community Youth Council (CYC) which has burgeoned into a youth program embracing more than 5,000 youngsters, and assisted in the reorganization of Shonien, forerunner to Japanese American Community Services (JACS). He is a former chairman of the Nisei Veterans Association and a member of Japan-America Society.

Outside the Japanese American community, the aspirant is a member of the Sierra Club, Save the Redwoods League and Lincoln Heights Chamber of Commerce. As the father of two teenagers, he is currently chairman of Explorer Post 336X.

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Ph.D. Candidate

Dennis Fukumoto is a Ph.D. candidate who has just received a Ford Foundation grant for his dissertation on the economic effort of the Japanese Evacuation on California agriculture. A graduate in economics and Asian studies at UC Santa Barbara and a master's degree in economics at USC, he will combine his two major areas of study to trace the impact of Evacuation on the farms.

"Many people at that time said removal of the Japanese American labor force would not affect the agricultural economy at all," Fukumoto said. What he hopes to document is the record of impact using statistical data and economic analysis.

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# High court to rule on all-white clubs



SUPREME COURT—Takeso Shimoda, 63, former Japanese ambassador to the United States, was named a justice of the Japanese Supreme Court on Jan. 12. (He was main speaker at the 1967 JACL convention of Eastern and Midwest District Councils at Chicago.)

The court set the week of Jan. 11 as a deadline for reconsideration. The judges asked the justices to modify the order to permit retention of a liquor license if all guests of members (Representative Ivis was a guest in 1968) were served.

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Experimental Project

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Nakamura went on to say that the main thrust of his film work will be towards education. He has already received many orders for copies of his film from various groups and schools. For anyone interested he can be reached at the Visual Communications Office 3222 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles 90018, 733-5941.

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SAN FRANCISCO—A portable display of photographs depicting the Japanese in San Francisco will be unveiled Mar. 20 during the testimonial dinner honoring Dr. Kazuo Togasaki at the Japanese Center, according to Frances Morioka, 778-26th Ave., San Francisco 94121.

Friends may submit pictures for the display, which will eventually be loaned to museum and public institutions by the first of March.

The testimonial will focus on the doctor's long years of service to the Japanese community.

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HARRISBURG, Pa. — The State Liquor Control Board mailed an annual license renewal this past week (Jan. 15) to Moose Lodge 107, across State Street from the Capitol.

But the renewal did not come as routinely as usual and might not come again. Whether it does depends upon the United States Supreme Court.

State Rep. K. Leroy Ivis of Pittsburgh, the House majority leader, was refused service at the lodge in 1968 because he is black. He sued.

A special three-judge Federal Court last fall ordered the board to revoke the lodge's license for as long as it "follows a policy of racial discrimination in its membership or operating policies or practices."

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WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER:

## Opening Moves

Although the House of Representatives had finished most of its intended work before Christmas, the Senate did not get to some of its more important business until the very last days of the 91st Congress. As a result, the concluding days were not only stormy, they were often confusing since so many things were going on at the same time, including six filibusters by Majority Leader Mike Mansfield's own count and an elaborate debate on what was to happen to the Social Security "Christmas tree" bill.

Now that the 92nd Congress has convened, the Senate again takes the spotlight by doing the unexpected, namely, unseating Senator Edward Kennedy as Majority Whip, the No. 2 spot below Senator Mansfield. Senator Kennedy lost by seven votes to Senator Robert Byrd of West Virginia who had been acting as the substitute Whip while Senator Kennedy was away on his 1970 re-election campaign and on other matters. Senator Byrd was Secretary of the Democratic Conference and No. 3 in the party. Senator Frank Moss of Utah now takes over as Secretary.

In general, the position of Whip requires a great deal of attention to details and Senator Byrd is considered to be a good "legislative technician." The position is important in the Senate for procedural purposes but it does not carry much importance on the national level. Losing the position, however, means a lot especially to Senator Kennedy who made the position seem important when he dramatically took it away from Senator Russell Long of Louisiana two years ago.

As Whip, Senator Kennedy was responsible of knowing when and where to contact Democratic Senators so that they could be informed of important votes to be taken on the floor and to know how the Senators would vote. He was also supposed to arrange the order in which speeches are given on the Senate floor and to be available when Majority Leader was not. He had the task of adjourning the Senate at the end of the day, often after most of the other Senators had left, and also of delaying votes or scheduling them so that certain Senators can be present.

Senator Kennedy admitted that he had not been doing his job. "Senator Byrd has been extremely attentive to details. During the election campaign I was away from the Senate a good deal. I make no excuses. He served well and deserves credit," he said. After the 1970 elections, Senator Kennedy is said to have realized that Senator Byrd had done an excellent job and had won a number of friends. Although his position was not supposed to be in danger, Senator Kennedy is said to have worked hard during the last days of Congress. Those days, however, were the "lame duck" days and some of the worst legislative logjams occurred. Senator Kennedy was not openly blamed but Republicans complained about the inefficient legislative process.

In the meantime, Senator Byrd is said to have quietly gathered support from the Senators who owed him favors. Although he did not openly seek the post, Senator Byrd said he had received promises for 28 votes in the caucus and had been confident of victory if Senator Richard Russell of Georgia did not die before the vote was taken since the Senator's vote was needed. As it turned out, Senator Byrd received three more votes than he expected and Senator Russell died four hours after the vote.

Senator Byrd is described as cautious and deliberate, a man who is studious and knows his work. He has been praised as an excellent "technician" on the floor, a man who thoroughly knows the rules and procedures of the Senate so that under his guidance a bill can weather stormy deliberations. In fact, as the No. 3 man under both Senator Kennedy and former Whip Senator Long, he had served as substitute Whip and had done most of the actual work. As a result, he has the experience and favorable backing of the numerous Senators he helped over the past years.

He is considered to be a conservative because he supports the Vietnam war and in general opposes legislation helping Blacks. He is a liberal, however, when his voting record is considered on such things as health, housing, minimum wage, education and pollution. Although he has voted for cloture three times during the last session, he does not favor reforming a Senate rule to facilitate cutting off filibusters.

Although Senator Kennedy's loss was highlighted, the victory of Senator Hugh Scott of Pennsylvania over Senator Howard Baker of Tennessee in the race for the Republican Minority Leader post was more important. Like Senator Byrd, the Senator from Tennessee had not announced that he was seeking the Minority Leader's post but his desire for that job was well known. Senator Baker had opposed Senator Scott after the death of Senator Everett Dirksen of Illinois but had been defeated 24 to 19. This time the vote was 24 to 20. Senator Scott's victory generally means that the leadership will continue to be moderate and that President Nixon will not have 100% backing.

Senator Scott, who is 70 years old, is an Eastern liberal and not known for toeing the Republican party line. Although old in age, he appears to prefer a youthful image for his party and probably will be receptive to reform ideas. Senator Baker, on the other hand, is somewhat more conservative and supports President Nixon.

On the House side, Democratic Representative Carl Albert of Oklahoma was elected Speaker of the House by a vote of 250 against 176. Republican Gerald R. Ford of Michigan, the Minority Leader, was the other candidate. The election took place on the first day of the 92nd Congress and was the first item of business following a roll call of the Representatives-elect in which 428 Representatives, out of a possible 435, were present.

Democratic Representative Hale Boggs of Louisiana, who held the post of Whip, was elected Majority Leader by an easy margin in the Democratic party caucus. Other candidates for the post were Representative Morris K. Udall of Arizona who received 88 votes against the 140 cast for Boggs, and Representative B. F. Sisk of California who received 17 votes. Representative Boggs needed 123 votes out of the 245 votes cast in order to win his post.

At first Representative Wayne L. Hays of Ohio and Representative James G. O'Hara of Michigan also were in the race for Majority Leader. After the first ballot, Representative Hays dropped out and endorsed Rep. Boggs. Later Rep. O'Hara also dropped out but did not lend support to anyone. Rep. Sisk stayed in the race and received only 17 votes although in the first ballot he had done better with 31 votes.

With most of the routine and ceremonial functions out of the way, Congress will settle down to business. Much work lies ahead in both the Senate and the House. Among the first areas to be examined will be Social Security and family assistance laws. Revenue sharing, super superperson transport appropriations and international trade will be some of the other areas in which Congress will have to make hard decisions.

—Al Yamada

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Government

Nisei continue to be selected to serve on county grand juries in California. On the 1971 panels are **Wm. Tsukamoto**, operator of People's Industry, of San Francisco who joins three Blacks, two Chinese Americans and one Mexican American for the greatest number of minority representation in any single jury to date in the city; and **Roy Hamamiya** of Marysville for Yuba County.

**Joseph F. Nakamura**, 51, was appointed deputy solicitor for the U.S. Patent Office. A native of Flint, Mich., he holds degrees in engineering and law. He has been with the Patent Office in Washington since 1946, was appointed law examiner in 1960 and promoted to his present post just recently.

**State Sen. Alfred H. Song** (D-Monterey Park) introduced a bill to establish a California Commission on Gambling to study whether gambling should be permitted in certain areas of the state as a source of revenue. "Nevada's own figures show that Californians spent over \$300 million each year in Nevada and that well over half this amount is spent on gambling," he said. "Why should the Nevada taxpayer benefit from this money? If the Californians must gamble, let them in California where we can tax hell out of the proceeds." He expects major opposition to his bill from Nevada's gambling interests and those morally opposed to gambling.

### Science

**Young Canadian scientist, Dr. David Suzuki**, professor of zoology at the Univ. of British Columbia, has launched a Canadian Broadcast Corp.-TV series to explain the inner secrets of science so it can be controlled by people power. He said he was frightened by the capture of scientific power in a few selfish hands. The program is entitled "Suzuki on Science," running five Sundays starting Jan. 10. (While studying in Chicago in the early '60s, he was active with the Chicago Jr. JACL and conducted the Sansei survey for the group.)

### Business



**William M. Matsumoto**, special representative in Sacramento for West Coast Life Insurance Co., earned the National Quality Award for his 15th year in 1970, presented each year by the National Assn. of Life Underwriters. As a 15-year NQA qualifier, Matsumoto will receive a handsome bronze desk trophy in the form of a "Q." He has been associated with West Coast Life for 22 years and has long been active in JACL and community affairs. In 1970 he was program director for Nisei Day at the California State Fair.

**Japan Air Lines** made its first commercial landing in history at Chicago's O'Hare Jan. 8 when a chartered DC-8 freighter landed with a cargo of 15,000 transistor radios for National Sales Incentives, Ltd. Japanese exports to the U.S. continue to dwindle in cotton and polyester-cotton fabrics in 1970, according to **Japan-U.S. Textile Information Service**, New York. Cotton fabrics were down 29.4% during the first 11-month period and polyester-cottons down 69.3% for the first 10 months as compared with the same periods in 1969. Shipment of cotton fabrics this past year amounted to 42% of the annual quota of 178,540,000 square yards set by the U.S.-Japan cotton textile arrangement.

### Redevelopment

The 350-unit housing project in Little Tokyo for senior citizens was officially incorporated Jan. 21 as the "Little Tokyo Towers" and to be developed with 100% federal

government financing and managed by a board of directors comprised of representatives from each of the four sponsoring organizations: the Los Angeles Buddhist Church Federation, So. Calif. Japanese Christian Church Federation, Japanese American Citizens League (PSWDC), and So. Calif. Gardeners Federation. The board also includes three members-at-large. The Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project budget of \$2.9 million for the 1971-72 year was also approved by the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee.

### Sister Cities

**Mayor Sam Yorty** will be guest speaker at the L.A.-Nagoya Sister City Affiliation new year's banquet Jan. 29 at the JACL's Dept. of Water & Power Bldg., according to **Tad Ikemoto**, president, and **Robert H. Takeuchi**, banquet chairman. Proceeds from the banquet benefit the student exchange program.

Japanese representatives of **Kodaira**, a suburb about 15 miles west of Tokyo, who inspected three Orange County communities last month, have asked **Garden Grove** to be its Sister City.

### Entertainment

Oscar-winning **George Kennedy** has teamed with **Harold (Odd Job) Sakata** in the NBC-TV film, "Sarge," to be premiered on the network Feb. 22. Sakata has a role of handling the muscle work of Kennedy, who plays a police sergeant who gets married. His wife is killed by a bomb on their honeymoon. He goes into a seminary, becomes a priest and returns to his old precinct, meantime on the lookout for his wife's killer.

### Medicine

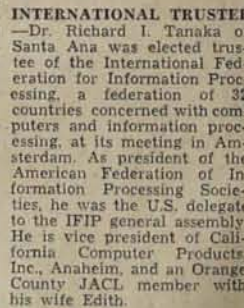
**Dr. George C. Hori**, formerly chief of staff of Jean Talon Hospital in Montreal, is now in Boston as chief pathologist at Cambridge Hospital and consultant pathologist to the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital.

### Churches

Two months ago, **Mrs. Hatsu Arai**, formerly of Japan and now among the 12,000 aliens residing in Dallas, Texas, and **Mrs. Joe Hamner** of the Richardson First Baptist Church started an English conversational class on a one-to-one basis. The classes have since grown so that women from the neighborhood who wish to help are given a six-hour workshop to prepare them. Baby-sitting services are also provided. Teacher and student also became involved outside of class, entertaining each other at home, shopping together, and some students have been able to pass driving tests. Mrs. Arai's husband is a physician doing research in Dallas.

### Politics

President of Auto-Ready, Inc., **Tad Ikemoto** of Los Angeles was informed by White House consultant **Mo Marumoto** he was appointed as a member of the So. Calif. regional board of the Small Business Administration. Ikemoto is the fourth California Nisei named to the SBA. Previously appointed were **Henry Yamaguchi** of Hacienda Heights, **Steve Doi** and **George Yamashita**, both of San Francisco. Americans of Japanese ancestry Republicans Club (AJ-AR) at Los Angeles have re-nominated **Sachio J. Takata**, MD., to a second term as club president. A report of the recent inauguration ceremonies of **Mr. and Mrs. George Yamamoto** and **Mrs. Toshi Yamamoto** was scheduled this week to attend meetings of



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### Sports

**Fred Funakoshi** is president of the newly-organized Asahi Golf Club which will be based at Rio Honda. It is the 23rd Nisei golf group in the Southland.

### Deaths

**Dr. Tadasi Imoto**, 50, San Diego JACL president in 1956, died of heart attack Jan. 14. The Orange County-born optometrist is survived by wife Chiz, a Michael, a Mari Gay, and four sisters.

**Takashi R. Yagade**, 29, announcer for Santa Monica FM radio station KSMP, died Jan. 16. The San Diego-born Nisei previously worked as a disc jockey in Idaho.

### Local Scene

#### Los Angeles

**South Bay Regional Fair Housing Coalition's** 11th annual Brotherhood dinner Feb. 28, 7 p.m., at the Hawthorne Memorial Center, 3801 W. El Segundo Blvd., will feature Judge **Alfred P. Gitelson** as guest speaker. The coalition helps minority homeowners to find housing in the South Bay area (west and south of L.A. International Airport).

**Bob Hope** Jack Benny, Glen Campbell and an all-star cast will appear in the Feb. 18 benefit at Santa Monica Civic Auditorium for the **Los Angeles Music & Art School**, 3630 E. 3rd St., a nonprofit institution founded in 1944 with raising the cultural standard and fighting delinquency in East Los Angeles. Currently, 1,300 boys and girls between the ages of 3 and 15 are learning music, art and dance. Tuition is on the ability to pay but many in the predominantly Mexican and Japanese American community pay nothing. Special classes in Japanese dance are also offered.

**UCLA Asian High Potential Office**, Rm. 1209, Campbell Hall (825-4976) is seeking applicants for the 1971-72 academic year in the Educational Opportunities Program and Special Educational Program. EOP is open to students who meet current entrance requirements as a freshman or junior but need financial aid. SEP waives entrance requirements, aimed at Asians who are from economically and

educationally deprived backgrounds. Successful candidates will receive financial aid, academic and tutorial support and counseling for as long as these aids are required. Complete applications are due March 1.

**Sawtelle Community Youth Players** will present a variety of one-act plays, revolving around the life and people of West Los Angeles, Feb. 5-6 at the WLA United Methodist Church, 1913 Purdie. Frank Hattori, 17, is director of "Days in the Lives". The church drama workshop, advised by Sid Yamazaki, last year successfully staged "Sawtelle—It's Our Town", a take-off of Thornton Wilder's "Our Town".

**Japanese American Jaycee** plans to nominate its community candidate for the National Jr. Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Young Men of America award. Organizations or individuals may submit nominations to Mary Sui, club president (321-4592), or John Omori (662-6337). Candidate must be between 21-35, contributed to community work, demonstrated leadership and created an exemplary life. Selection will be announced sometime in February.

**Gardena Pioneer Project** hosted over 100 persons at its Jan. 10 program featuring Japanese talent, community sing and cultural demonstrations. Shigetoshi Fujii, chairman of the fund drive for the projected Gardena Japanese cultural center, was presented to lend support to the pioneer project, which is planning to establish an Issei drop-in center in the community. Over \$300 has been collected in dues.

#### San Francisco

Another Community Day function is being planned by the **Japanese Community Youth Council (JCYC)**, which met Jan. 21 at the Bank of Tokyo, Hospitality Room to discuss the 1971 edition, which will have a picnic format: bringing young and old newcomers from the Orient to meet. Kaz Maniwa (563-8052) is handling preliminaries. Last year, JCYC sponsored Community Day at the Buddhist Church and 600 attended.

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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## From the Frying Pan

**REDEVELOPMENT FOR LITTLE TOKYO**—Kango Kunitugu is a tightly-wound, compactly built Nisei. He gives the impression of immense energy under control, but ready to explode into action at any moment. If he were 20 or 25 years younger, his social concerns might cause him to be activist leading marches through the streets. But because he is older and wiser, and knows that it is necessary to work through the establishment to accomplish most of what needs to be done, he is doing his thing as manager of the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project.

Even in these days of economic Yellow Power, the scope of the project boggles the mind. Sixty-seven acres of land are involved, made valuable by its proximity to civic center and almost within the shadow of City Hall, served by several freeways. Some \$60 million in federal and city funds will be spent to acquire the property. When the obsolete buildings are demolished (a survey shows that 76 per cent of the buildings are "structurally substandard" or in condition that makes rehabilitation "questionable") the land will be sold back to private investors for an estimated \$40 million. A minimum of \$100 million is expected to be invested over an eight to ten year period to build store and office buildings, a 500-room hotel, a 150-room motel, and a variety of other structures. One block has been set aside for a \$3 million "cultural center" with a 1,000-seat theater, library, museum, and space for cultural activities and offices for public service organizations. There are also plans for a senior citizen housing project of some 350 units to be co-sponsored by the JACL, Buddhist and Christian church federations, the Southern California Gardeners, and perhaps others.

**A VOLUNTARY GHETTO**—Over mugs of coffee in his comfortable but business-like offices up a flight of stairs at 324 E. First Street, Kunitugu explains that the Little Tokyo project is in a sense a voluntary ghetto. There are businesses that will thrive best in such an environment. There are thousands of people, he says, who will gravitate to such a Little Tokyo because it is the place where they feel most at ease. Issei, and older Nisei, scattered to the four winds by the Evacuation, mean Little Tokyo when they talk of "going home" for their retirement years.

And so in addition to the community's economic needs, the people's human needs are being considered. "Our goal is not spectacular architectural monuments," Kunitugu asserts.

The people of Little Tokyo, primarily Nisei, will have a great deal to say in shaping the course of the project. Kunitugu, the project manager, is employed by the Community Redevelopment Agency of the city of Los Angeles. Tetsujiro Nakamura is a member of its seven-man board. In addition there is a Mayor's Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee made up largely of Nisei community leaders.

Kunitugu, whose background is in engineering, community and land development, left a private consulting business to devote two years to getting the Little Tokyo project under way. Many members of his advisory committee hope (and think) he will stay longer. His chief assistant (Women's Lib advocates take notice) is a bright, petite young lady named Sachie Hirotsu. She is believed to be the only woman holding such a position in any redevelopment project.

The first unit of the project, a \$5 million chunk, is scheduled to get under way this year and be completed by 1972. The big problem is that businesses now in the area cannot locate out of the neighborhood and survive; they have to be absorbed within the community temporarily, then housed in the new buildings before the second unit can be started.

There will be much disruption, discomfort, dust and noise in Little Tokyo this coming year. But the result may well be a landmark in Nisei history, particularly in view of Kunitugu's concern for human values and human problems.

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## Placer to host

PENRYN—Placer County JACL will host the first quarterly meeting of the JACL Northern California-Western Nevada District Council to be held Feb. 7 at the Whitney Ranch National Golf Club near Rocklin, according to Chapter President Rusty Uratsu.

The District Executive Board's recommendation for and admission of the new Bay Area Community Chapter to the District Council and the 1971 budget will be items on the agenda.

District Governor Shig Sugiyama is expected to announce committee assignments for 1971, and the afternoon program will feature a number of workshops for new chapter presidents and delegates. All new chapter presidents and designated delegates are being encouraged to attend.

State Assemblyman Eugene Chapple will be the guest speaker at the evening banquet.

Registration will start at 12 noon, with the meeting set for 1 p.m. The banquet is set for 6 p.m., preceded by a no-host social hour. Fees will be \$9 for official delegates and \$7 for boosters.

George Hirakawa, arrangements chairman said that the club's golfing facilities will be open to JACLers who wish to play before the meeting.

Co-chairman Hike Yego, on arrangements, announced the appointment of following committees:

Registration-hospitality — Toki Okada and Roy Yoshida; finance — Ellen Kubo, Tom Miyamoto and Aster Kondo; banquet — Hike Yego, Black Tsujimoto, Bunyo Nakagawa and Rusty Uratsu; coffee break — Harry Kawahata and Ted Uryda; arrangements — Seichi Otow, Bob Nakamura, George Nakamoto and Takeshi Hamamoto; and publicity — Roy Yoshida.

### CHICAGO'S NIGHTSIDE PASTOR

## Nisei minister prefers 'swing shift' on dark streets of all-Negro ghetto

By ROY LARSON

Chicago  
The Rev. Akira Makino is a streetwalker — and in his humble way, he's proud of it. Assigned by the Chicago Presbytery as its West Side night pastor, the 47-year-old Nisei minister walks the dark streets of East Garfield Park seven nights a week. His job, he says, "is to be available where and when no one else is available."

Following "Aki" around on his pastoral beat from 4 p.m. until midnight, a reporter discovered what a preacher practices who has such a vague job analysis.

In the late afternoon the sidewalks are filled with kids — their black-is-beautiful faces showing few outward and visible signs of the inward and spiritual bruises that come from living in a slum where the unemployment rate is high and the amenities are few.

### An Advantage

"Hi, Rev. Makino!" the kids shout, instantly recognizing the man with the Oriental face, the light skin, the clerical collar, and the unpretentious manner.

While strolling, Aki Makino explained the advantages of being a Nisei in an all-black neighborhood.

"I'm easy to spot," he says. "People get to know who I am quickly. Sometimes, when one person tries to tell some one else about me, he will say, 'You know who I mean — the Chinaman.'"

"One time a puzzled little girl came up to me and said, 'Rev. Makino, what color are you, anyway?'"

At the time of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s death, Mr. Makino was on the staff of Central United Presbyterian Church, 250 W. Warren Blvd. As tensions mounted in the neighborhood, a community meeting was called to decide what course of action should be taken.

"When the meeting opened," the Nisei pastor recalled, "all blacks were told to sit on one side of the room and all whites on the other. I didn't seem to fit either place, so I took a newspaper and sat down at a table."

### A Gun Fight

As the walk and talk continued, the minister approached a cluster of teenagers standing outside a pool hall. "How's it going?" he asked. "Could be better," a young man replied. "Have you seen

Pete around today?" The youth was checking on the condition of a young man who was hurt in a gun fight the night before.

The pastor promised he would try to see Pete. "The kids depend on me to be a part of their grapevine," he said later. "They come to me to get information and to pass on information."

"As a matter of fact, they sometimes use my car as a mailbox. My car is well known around here, and sometimes the kids will scrawl messages on it with their fingers in the dust, assuming that their friends will see what they've written."

Mr. Makino speaks of the young people in the neighborhood as "my kids."

### Economic Facts of Life

His ministry, however, is not confined to "the kids." The adults of the area know him too. And when they talk with the night pastor they talk about the economic facts of life in East Garfield Park.

The Tri-Faith Employment Service, the news was bad: "Jobs are hard to find."

The story was the same at the grocery, the bowling alley, the television repair shop: "Business is bad. Money is hard to come by." At a coffee shop, a General Motors Corp. worker moaned about the effects of the recent GM strike on his family budget.

Like a monastic community where the pattern of the day is reflected in the rhythms of the liturgy, the street life of East Garfield Park flows with the changeable movements of a secular liturgy. In the later afternoon, the streets belong to the kids. In the early evening, the shoppers take over; along with the workers returning home or leaving for night shifts. Along toward midnight, says Mr. Makino, "when the shopkeepers are gone, the streets become livelier and friendlier."

### 'Pants from France'

After 9 p.m. a pool hall fills with young men. Only two are playing. The others watch or just talk. The night pastor greets the men, asks his usual question, "How's it going?" and waits for a reply. Comic relief breaks the routine when an older man, his face beaming, enters the room and takes center stage to recite "Pants from France."

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### JUDGE COSMA SAKAMOTO:

## Well-Wishers Honor and Thanked

By ROY YOSHIDA

LOOMIS—Last Sunday afternoon (Jan. 17) some 250 well-wishers converged at the Loomis Memorial hall to honor Judge and Mrs. Cosma Sakamoto at a judge's reception hosted by the Citizens Committee For Sakamoto. The event also was an expression of appreciation to all those who actively participated in the election campaign last June, disclosed Hike Yego, committee chairman.

Judge Sakamoto, who had been presiding over the Loomis Judicial District court on an interim appointment, started serving officially on his elected term of office on Jan. 4.

During a brief ceremony, Yego extended the committee's welcome and thanked the guests for their attendance.

and introduced the Sakamoto family to the assemblage.

Sakamoto, Placer County's second Nisei jurist, responded with words of appreciation for the honor bestowed upon him and his family, and for the valued support he received for his successful bid for the judgeship. He reiterated his pledge to serve in the best interest of the district as a full-time judge.

Among the guests attending, which represented a cross section of the area residents, were:

Assemblyman and Rep. Eugene Chapple of Cool; Supervisor and Mrs. Alex Ferreira of Gold Hill; District Attorney Dan Higgins of Auburn; Francis Lindsay, pres., California Assn. of Soil Conservation Districts; Constable and Mrs. Percy Lanouette; Rusty Uratsu, pres., Placer County JACL; all of Loomis; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Grimm of Hidden Valley Community Assn.

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**36TH INAUGURAL**—Smiling Isaac Kageyama (center) holds gavel as incoming president of Monterey Peninsula JACL from outgoing president George Tanaka. At left is installation dinner master of ceremonies Ted Durein, chapter board member and managing editor of the Peninsula Herald Photo



**YOUTH ADVISERS**—Monterey Jr. JACL officers Willie Matsuyama, new president, and Tom Tabata (right) outgoing president, present gift of appreciation to their advisers, Pet and Helen Nakasako. Seated is Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, principal speaker at the Monterey Peninsula JACL installation dinner, which attracted over 250 people on Jan. 17. —Monterey Peninsula Herald Photo

## L.A. ASIAN AMERICAN EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING VIDEOTAPED

LOS ANGELES—When over 125 Asian Americans gathered at the Chinese United Methodist Church on Jan. 13 at an open meeting to discuss formation of an Asian American Education Commission, the session was recorded on videotape.

### SONOMA COUNTY JACL TRADE FAIR DATES SET

SANTA ROSA—The Japanese Trade Fair and Cultural Show to be co-sponsored by the Sonoma County JACL has been set for April 23, 24, and 25 at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds, it was announced by chapter president Fred Yokoyama.

The committee to be co-chaired by Dr. Roy Okamoto and Yokoyama will soon solicit Bay Area businesses, airlines and firms having Japanese products or doing business with Japan to participate in the trade fair.

Invitations to a press preview party of the April affair will be extended to all publishers in the four north bay counties.

### Ask coroner Noguchi for fetuses found in dump

LOS ANGELES—Roman Catholic Archbishop Timothy Manning has asked Los Angeles County Coroner Thomas T. Noguchi for the 12 human fetuses found Jan. 13 in a county dump. The archbishop offered to provide burial in sacred ground for the unborn children "as human beings."

Noguchi's office earlier told the archbishop's office that the fetuses would be kept in county custody pending an investigation of any possible violation of law. Sheriff's officers have said they found no such violation.

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### PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:

## MONTEREY 'CLERS HEAR HAYAKAWA IDEAS ON WHAT COLLEGE SHOULD BE

MONTEREY—S.I. Hayakawa, noted educator and semantist, has suggested a three-year moratorium between high school and college and advanced his own concept of a university that models life, situated in the heart of the community and available to anyone of any age.

Hayakawa, who gained renown as president of San Francisco State College for restoring order to his own campus, also took the Presidential Commission on Campus Unrest to task for its asserted inattention to some "fundamental questions."

He posed the questions last week (Jan. 17) and suggested some answers at the yearly installation dinner of the Monterey Peninsula chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League.

### Question

Before an audience of 250 at the Rancho Canada Golf Club, he put the questions this way:

"Why is it that most of the college uproar takes place at institutions with the highest intellectual prestige? Why doesn't it happen at East Texas State or Terre Haute State Teachers College?"

"When it happens, why is it all from the liberal arts departments and the social sciences? Why doesn't it happen at Davis? When it happens at Berkeley, why don't the engineering students get involved?"

### Not Asked

Hayakawa called it "a shocking state of affairs" that the Scranton commission, for all its lengthy hearings and many witnesses, had failed to ask or receive answers to those questions.

The type of institution involved, he said, tends to be populated by young men and women who are verbally extremely facile and have won admission by easily passing tests that weigh verbal skills heavily.

Hayakawa theorized further, that these young people often are products of wealthy or intellectually gifted homes where they are encouraged to take part in adult conversation "long before they have adult minds."

### Intolerant

Some, he said, emerge with a belief in their own superiority and become "monsters of intolerance," shutting down classes and driving Dow Chemical Co. recruiters off campus rather than debating the issues.

A part of the problem, Hayakawa said, is that such young people often find their college courses easy, aren't quite sure what to do with themselves and spend their first few years in college "exploring."

"I've come to the conclusion," he said, "that to a great extent college education is an expensive prolongation of adolescence, a highly expensive one — an elaborate baby-sitting operation. Maybe college is too good a service to be provided for the emotionally immature."

### Moratorium

Hayakawa suggested a three-year moratorium between high school and college "to knock around and find out who you are" before tackling higher education and fixing occupational goals.

He called at the same time, for scrapping of the "unconscious models" of a college or university as a retreat from the world, a finishing school for young ladies and gentlemen or a think tank for a tiny elite.

Hayakawa said his own concept "models life," situated in the heart of the community

### Any Time

"Any time is learning time," he declared, favoring an institution where, for example, a bookkeeper could drop by for the courses to become an accountant or the businessman could take cultural courses.

"I'd like to see a continuous interaction of the city and the world of learning so that we can relate to the adult community around us. If we have such a working relationship and get across a feeling that higher education relates

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### Installation

## Sonoma County recognizes pair

Getting an early start on the new year, the Sonoma County JACL joined with the Enmanji Buddhist Temple to co-install their 1971 officers Jan. 2. A capacity crowd of 250 persons exchanged traditional greetings and witnessed the installation program.

Following the pot-luck dinner, retiring chapter president George Hamamoto handed the JACL bass fishing award to Tom Furusho for his 39 lbs. catch. George Yokoyama (second) and Hiroshi Taniguchi (third), were runners-up, according to Jim Miyano, contest chairman.

The 15th annual chapter recognition for outstanding community service was given for the first time to an Issei, Eiichi R. Yamamoto, cited by the Royal Agricultural Society of Japan and recipient of the Order of the Sacred Treasure last year from the Japanese Government. Yamamoto is also a 1000 Club member.

The Outstanding JACLer for 1970 was conferred upon Thomas J. Farrell, a prominent Santa Rosa civic leader, for his tremendous efforts toward the successful conclusion of the chapter trade fair held in 1970. Farrell was also the first non-Japanese member to be given this award and is a member of the chapter board.

The 1971 JACL Chapter Board and officers led by Fred Yokoyama, president, were installed by James Murakami, national JACL vice president — research & services.

Enmanji Buddhist Sunday School awards were presented, followed by the installation of the 1971 church cabinet headed by Charles Yamamoto. Rev. Giko Abiko installed the new church officers.

The Rev. Hiroshi Abiko showed slides of his trip to India and narrating his experiences that he encountered on his trip.

### East Los Angeles set for Feb. 6 installation

East Los Angeles JACL will hold its 24th annual installation dinner-dance at the Montebello Country Club, 901 Via San Clemente, on Saturday, Feb. 6, 7:30 p.m. Reservations may be made with: Shinji Miyazaki, 261-1443, 728-8246; Michi Ohi, 256-8551; Mable Yoshizaki, 263-6469.

Mrs. Yoshizaki, who served three consecutive terms in 1960-61-62, will be installed as president with her cabinet by Henry Kanegae, national JACL membership chairman. Victor Shibata, Jr. JACL director, will swear in the youth chapter board. Mas Dobashi will emcee. The Rev. Dr.

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## 1000 Club Report

Jan. 15 Report

JACL Headquarters acknowledged new and renewing 1000 Club memberships from 123 persons during the first half of this month:

2nd Year: Alameda—Sim Tze-saki; Omaha—Robert Nakadai.  
3rd Year: Omaha—Mrs. Masako E. Nakadai; Sacramento—Henry Takada.  
19th Year: Cortez—Sam Kuwahara; Downtown L.A.—Y. Clifford Tanaka.  
18th Year: Gardena Valley—Henry J. Ishida; Sacramento—William M. Matsumoto; Contra Costa—Heizo Oshima; Detroit—Minoru Togasaki.  
17th Year: Sacramento—Coffey H. Oshima; Dr. Alvin M. Seto, Mrs. Yoshie Takahashi, George Tambara.  
16th Year: Sacramento—Percy M. Masaki, Frank T. Yoshimura; Contra Costa—Dr. Thomas H. Oda.  
15th Year: Sacramento—Harry N. Hara, Kiyoshi Inai, Sam Ishimori, Masao Hani, T. Dean Itami, Ardevan K. Kozono, Arthur Miyai, Martin Miyao, Dr. Masa P. Seto, Takeo Takeuchi, Twin Cities—Sam Hara, George Bokutani; San Francisco—Rayo Hayakawa; Downtown L.A.—George Nakatani; Contra Costa—Noel U. Wita; Chicago—Richard M. Nomura.  
14th Year: Sacramento—Dr. George Muramatsu, Chicago—Frank Y. Takahashi, Snake River—George Vaughn.  
13th Year: Sacramento—Dr. Edward K. Ishii, Dr. George J. Kubo, Jun Miyakawa, Judge Mamoru Sakuma, Frank Yokoi; Eden Township—James Tsurumoto.  
12th Year: Sacramento—Frank Hiyama.  
11th Year: Sacramento—Sam N. Ishida, Harry Y. Yamazaki; Fresno—Paulo Takahashi; Seattle—Dr. Ben T. Oono.  
10th Year: Sacramento—Louis Seto; Venice—Culver—Matsunosuke Wakamatsu.  
9th Year: Omaha—Yukio Ando, James T. Egusa; Chicago—Mike Hori; Sacramento—Dennis Matsumoto; Yonkers—Suzuki County—James F. Murakami, Dr. Roy Okamoto; Monterey Peninsula—Akio Simoto.  
8th Year: Seattle—Philip H. Yasaka; Milwaukee—Charles K. Matsumoto; Chicago—Rev. Min. Modokuni, Modokuni, G. G. Nishi, San Francisco—James S. Sakata; Boise Valley—Michio Takagaki; Contra Costa—Terry Takagaki; Sacramento—Masa Yamamoto.  
7th Year: Philadelphia—Roy K. Kila, Cleveland—Charles K. Kila; Portland—Dr. James K. Tanimura.  
6th Year: Gardena Valley—Dr. Lindbergh S. Kawahara; Downtown L.A.—David F. Lee; Long Beach—Harbor—Dr. Tsuchinobu Makino; Arizona—Dr. Richard K. Matsuihi; Puyallup Valley—Mrs. E. Sonekawa.  
5th Year: Alameda—Shiroh P. Baba; Twin Cities—Mrs. Kimi Hara; Fremont—Frank A. Kasamatsu; Sacramento—George T. Matsui; Sequoia—John T. Price; Stockton—Dr. Kengo Terashita; Redwood—William Wake; Cincinnati—Dr. Ben Yamaguchi Jr.  
4th Year: Sacramento—Dr. Harold S. Arai, Kiyoshi K. Tanaka; Sequoia—Ronald A. Enomoto; Alameda—Henry K. Hibino, Robert A. Yamamoto; Berkeley—George T. Kawaguchi; Contra Costa—Ben Takeshita; Cortez—Peter T. Yamamoto.  
3rd Year: Chicago—Dr. Steve Kusanagi, West—Venice—Culver—Dr. Joseph T. Seto; Venice—Culver—Jack Sugihara; Gardena Valley—Rudy S. Tomiyoshi.  
2nd Year: Omaha—Mrs. Eileen Pausa; Roy Hirabayashi; Monterey Peninsula—Dr. Takashi Hattori; Hollywood—John N. Henson; Stockton—Frank Kitagawa; Pasadena—Moe Takagaki; Wilshire—George T. Takagaki; Milwaukee—Herbert E. Truss; San Mateo—Dr. Mitch Wakasa; Gardena Valley—Mrs. Margaret S. Yoshida; Alameda—Mike Yoshimine.  
1st Year: Riverside—Richard K. Hamamura; Chicago—James C. Heneberg; Edinburg—Dr. K. Kito Jr.; Charles Murakami, Sol Reifer; Downtown L.A.—Ko Robert Hoshikari (Century Club), Shiroko S. Miyake; Fresno—Ted Inouye; Hollywood—Arthur T. Ishii; Gardena Valley—John S. Matsuda; Sonoma County—Dr. S. Sato; San Fernando Valley—Robert M. Oguchi; Dayton—Mrs. Kazuko Tadokoro; West Los Angeles—Sam Sato; San Diego—Akira Shimizu; Pasadena—Bill T. Wakiji; New York—Takako Wakiji; San Jose—Dr. H. T. Yamazaki; East Los Angeles—Roger M. Yawata.

35th ANNIVERSARY—Marysville JACL, founded in 1935 as the Yuba, Sutter, Butte, Colusa Counties (YSBC) Chapter, celebrated its 35th anniversary in November. Present at the festivities as main speaker was Bill Hosokawa, seen holding his book, "Nisei", alongside (from left) Tosh Sano, outgoing chapter president; Akiji Yoshimura, toastmaster; and Harry Fukumitsu, 1971 chapter president. The chapter was inactive during the war years and was reactivated as



see Susan Alvernaz, daughter of the Joe Alvernaz of Livingston, entertain with songs and leading the audience in carols. Assisting Sakaguchi were: Pat Sugiyama, Mabel Sugiyama, May Toyoda, Takako Miyamoto, Yoshiko Miyamoto, ref.: June Anna Mary Kama, Louis Mont, Sumi Morita, Mabel Yoneyama, treats: Stanley Fiedel, Don Toyoda, tree decoration.

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James Sasaki of the Monterey Park First United Methodist Church and Gail Kato, Miss East L.A. JACL, are participating in the evening program. Other committeemen: Dr. Robert Ohi, Mable Yoshizaki, program; Sam Furuta, Roy Yamadera, awards; Shiz Miyake, reservations; Mattie Furuta, Rita Kato, Walter Tatsuono, door prizes; Mary Mittler, pub.

## Children's court judge to address Milwaukie

Judge George A. Bowman Jr., county judge of the children's court, will be guest speaker at the Milwaukie JACL inaugural dinner now set for Jan. 30, 6 p.m., at Country Garden Restaurant, 11 E. Layton. Richard Naruo will emcee. Lillian Kimura, MDC first vice-governor, will install the officers and meet with the board the following morning at an informal breakfast before she returns to Chicago.

Tickets are \$4.50 per person. Handling reservations are: Karen Shinabukuro (332-3312), Agnes Sakura (401-4770) and Cathy Shiraga (401-6113).

## Reno JACL re-elects Dr. Choy president

Reno JACL has re-elected Dr. Eugene Choy for president this coming year. The officers will be installed at an Issei appreciation dinner Jan. 29 at Liberty Belle Restaurant in Reno. Guest speaker will be Haruo Ishimaru, JACL health plan coordinator and insurance consultant.

## Outstanding Citizen awards initiated

Isaac Kageyama took over the gavel from outgoing president George Tanaka at the Monterey Peninsula JACL installation dinner Jan. 17 at Rancho Canada in Carmel Valley.

Mayor Al Madden of Monterey was installed as guest officer. Other guests included Seaside Mayor Lou Haddad, Pacific Grove Mayor Don Grafton and Monterey Judge Russell Zaches.

The outstanding JACLer of the Chapter award was presented to George Ueda. In a new category started this past year, three Nisei were cited as Outstanding Citizens for promoting the welfare of the Nisei community: Ky Miyamoto, for his work with youth; Miyo Enokida, for her humanitarian services; and Kay Nobusada, president of the Monterey Peninsula Chamber of Commerce for continuing efforts in breaking down racial barriers.

## December Events

### Sons of Cortez JACLers explain Asian movement

A move is on to awaken Americans of Japanese ancestry to their own ethnic and cultural heritage. Carrying the messages of the Asian movement to Cortez JACL at its year-end meeting were Dennis Yotsuya and Dan Kubo, two sons of local members.

Dennis, till recently a member of the No. Calif. JACL community involvement staff, explained the activities of the Asian American Community Service with the San Francisco Japanese Community Youth Council, scouts, Jr. JACL and other youth groups. He is attending UC Berkeley. Dan is similarly engaged in the San Jose area and helped formed the Asians for Community Action. A student in Asian American studies at San Jose State, Dan has joined the JACL staff as community involvement field worker. JACL's community involvement staff is also working with the elderly Issei, providing them with recreational facilities and social services as well as with the general Japanese American community.

Yeichi Sakaguchi chaired the year-end gathering, which

## Slide presentation reviewing past, present anti-Nisei textbooks slated

The Selanoco JACL Chapter will sponsor its first community-wide meeting of the year on Friday, Feb. 5, to hear a panel discuss, "Asian Americans: Victims or Beneficiaries of the Crisis in Education?"

## Riverside Jr. JACLers visit lonely Indio Issei

On Christmas eve, a group of seven Riverside Jr. JACLers took presents to Frank Totsu and Mr. Kimura at the Indio Convalescent Hospital. The lonely existence of these elderly Issei was recently publicized by the Riverside Press Enterprise.

Heidi Kano was chairman of the trip and Gen Ogata, a past chapter president, furnished the transportation.

## January Events

### New Year party for WLA Issei presented

The 1971 New Year program, sponsored by the West Los Angeles JACL, for the West Los Angeles-Santa Monica Issei was held Jan. 10 at the Felicia Mahood Senior Citizens Center. Over 60 people enjoyed the entertainment and food prepared by members.

Program was emceed by Mitsuyoshi Tanaka, Japanese dances were performed by students of the Kikkawa Dance School, Culver City. A special dance by Mme. Kikkawa was also staged.

On the committee were: Mrs. Toy Kanegaki, chmn.; Mrs. Ann Nakashima, Virginia Tomita, George Kanegaki, JACL president, Roy Tanaka, Steve Yagi and Mrs. Tanaka. Future programs for Issei are also planned. March, bus trip to the Hot Springs, Riverside; April, bus trip to the wild flower areas; May, special movie; June, picnic and Japanese entertainment.

Issei meet on the first Sunday of each month from 2-4 p.m. at the Felicia Mahood Center. Over 170 Issei are enrolled in the program.

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Richard (Babe) Karasawa, president, announced that a panel of speakers from the National JACL Education Committee, chaired by Dr. Bob Suzuki, was invited to address the meeting on the provocative title. Other panelists include Harry Kawahara,

## February Events

a high school counselor and instructor in Asian American studies at Pasadena City College; Mrs. Agnes Suzuki, co-chairman, JACL Southern California Education Committee and special consultant to the Pasadena Unified School District; and Ron Hirano, director, Asian American Studies Center, Los Angeles.

The panel is planning to discuss their discussion on the special educational problems and needs of Asian American students. However, Suzuki stated that these problems and needs would be viewed as only a part of a larger "crisis" in American education which, he said, "is critically in need of drastic reforms if it is to meet the challenges of modern society."

Among the topics to be discussed is the problem of "identity crisis" among Asian American young people. According to Suzuki, this is becoming recognized as a serious psychological problem which manifests itself in

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## U-NO Bar —

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JACL Chapter Installation dinner-dance.

I was a little late getting in and had to impose on my cousin Roy Uno and his wife

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Dottle to do a quick change. It gets a little embarrassing because I have been doing this act at the expense of my relatives and friends everywhere I go and I don't have much time for anything but shop talk. My wife and mother never seem to understand why I can't find out a little more about the friends and relatives I meet here and there. Most of the time, I don't even have time to phone to let people know I am in town.

Sitting at the head table, which formed part of the walkway, I could not have gotten any closer to the beautiful models who fashioned all of the elegant clothes. I am not always sure what I am supposed to be looking at when women model clothes, some of which are quite revealing. At any rate, the clothes sure looked nice, at least that is the story I told my wife.

Toastmaster Kim Yoshitomi had a tight squeeze all evening because we had our backs to the wall, literally, but managed to keep things moving on schedule. Our two-fisted, spunky Henry Kanegae, national membership chairman, swore in the new officers in spite of his swollen lips. He is still recovering from his miraculous rendezvous with fate. Jim Kanno, past president, and Harry Nakamura, incoming president, passed the gavel, an oversized sledgehammer, without dropping it on each other's toes. Jim did a fine job this past year and Harry has the enthusiasm and willingness to carry on the fine traditions of the past officers.

Met a few former friends and buddies I hadn't seen for ages. Richard Isawa from El Monte and Heart Mountain days, Jim Motokane (whose wife had clothes modeled from her shop) who did time with me at Presidio of Monterey Language School, Tamiko Kawachi from Ogden, whose brother Kaz Teramoto was a classmate and talented artist, and Sara Sadakane, a Gunnison (Utah) girl.

Had a chance to chat with

Toy and George Kanegae; Ken Hayaashi, editor of the Santana Wind (Orange County JACL Chapter paper), Mas Umesugi and Russ Yamaga. We have problems peculiar to chapters and different localities, but JACL still does more for all Japanese Americans than any other organization in the United States and JACL does it in many different ways. I think we generally agree on that.

I was reminded several times during the evening that Orange County was a more conservative than most areas, but in talking with the JACLers there, I didn't get the impression the people wanted to maintain the status quo. They wanted more to move slower and in more traditional ways.

I had heard a lot about Justice Stephen Tamura and finally had the chance to meet him and his charming wife. Having children of their own, they were sympathetic with my push to help our young. We have a lot of talent among our young, but we have got to work with them and not expect them to do as we say. Anaheim Councilman Bill Thom and wife are former Montanans. They recalled the snow and cold winters, an experience Utah had just been undergoing, in the extreme.

The following day, before leaving, I had a chance to have lunch at the Don Hata's with Ken Nakaoka. Politics, Japanese Americans and involvement covered a lot of territory. I am certainly indebted to Ken, Don and Nadine for letting me tap their brains for ideas and suggestions.

When Jeff Matsui chauffeured me from the airport upon arrival, he mentally had plotted the exact direction he was heading, only we were going the wrong direction. Jeff said, "Don't sweat it, I know where I'm going. I only have to go to the right direction."

Harry Honda chauffeured me around in his Datsun station wagon for two days and I got

a lot of real shop talk done with him from soup to nuts. I had promised him my last column before I left. Finished it at my sister's and had my brother-in-law, Hank, deliver it after taking me to the airport. I am glad the only thing JACL wants is my blood.

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## What Merit System

There seems to be little we can do for James M. Yoshinaga, the associate city planner employed by the City of Los Angeles, who scored No. 1 on the civil service exam for a city planner position, only to be by-passed five times within the past two years in favor of those who scored below him.

Last week I joined five other members of the Nisei community to meet with Calvin Hamilton, Director of the Planning Department, and two of his assistants to discuss the matter.

According to Mr. Hamilton, whenever there's an opening for a city planner position, he and a few of his assistants meet to select a person from the three top candidates on the list. He disclaims any possibility of racial bias or stereotype being injected in this somewhat subjective means of selection by pointing to the fact that of the five candidates who were promoted over Mr. Yoshinaga, three were from minority groups—a Korean, a Filipino and an Afro.

The director's reasons for not appointing Jim Yoshinaga are: (1) he doesn't have the technical knowledge to perform adequately as a city planner, (2) he lacks the oral ability to communicate his understanding of city planning and (3) he lacks leadership qualities.

It must have proved annoying to Calvin Hamilton and his assistant when unsophisticated laymen from the Nisei community could not be taught the logic of their reasoning and instead argued that: (1) Jim Yoshinaga placed first on the written exam, which tests (maybe not perfectly but at least more objectively) an individual's technical knowledge of planning; (2) he scored third in the oral exam which was administered by competent outsiders, such as planning administrators from other agencies as well as professors of planning and engineering from the local universities; and (3) his present job of associate city planner does not provide him with the opportunity to exercise leadership. Also, the city planner job has a six month probationary period in which time an individual can be relieved by the department heads if he proves incompetent.

The civil service merit system does not guarantee anyone a job, it merely gives him the opportunity, based on merit, to actually prove himself capable of doing the job. We feel that Jim Yoshinaga, for some reason, was not afforded this opportunity.

Aside from Jim, all the other candidates were promoted according to their position on the promotional test scores. Following the five promotions made to date, the list shows Roy Kanetomi immediately following Jim with Shig Arima, a third Nisei, waiting in the hole. Unfortunately, no promotion has been made for over a year and the list was scheduled to expire on Jan. 24 to allow a new exam to be given to create a new promotional list for city planners.

James Yoshinaga received his diploma from Kago-shima University in 1951 and later came to the U.S. to earn a B.A. in 1959 from the Univ. of California at Berkeley. He joined the L.A. City Planning Department in 1961 as a planning assistant.

Jim has worked hard at becoming a more effective worker in the department by enrolling in classes related to planning at various local universities. Since 1967 when he placed 7th on a list of eight and watched all the others promoted, Jim has done everything possible to improve himself, including of course, scoring number one in the subsequent exam. But to no avail.

It must be puzzling to Jim to find that the contradiction to his belief in America as the nation of immigrants and opportunity is found in a government agency administered through the civil service system, supposedly the Eden of opportunity.

Personally, I find it not so much puzzling as depressing.



Fred Y. Hirasuna  
Governor, Central California

## By the Board

## ABUSES IN PUBLIC WELFARE

Fresno

The original intention of the Federal Food Stamp Program was to aid the really poor and the really needy. In practice, no one can deny that these good intentions have been perverted.

During the recent strike against General Motors, it is said that some 30,000 striking UAW members received food stamps. One example is cited where a GM striker with five children bought food stamps worth \$162 in trade for \$18. Inasmuch as the program is supported by taxes, this put General Motors, as a major taxpayer, in the peculiar position of subsidizing a strike against itself.

A casual inspection of the people who spend the food stamps, the kinds of food they buy and the cars they drive would indicate that many are not in the class of the needy who should be given this aid.

It is a well-known fact that many students are living in common households for the express purpose of purchasing food stamps at bargain prices.

The fault may lie with those who drew up the regulations which cover this particular program, and what is being done is technically legal; however, no one can deny that every dollar that is diverted from the really needy, for whose benefit the program was devised, means that much less will go to them.

Those who take advantage of such technicalities for their own selfish needs shouldn't indulge in hypocritical crusades and concerns for the poor of our land.

There are also abuses in the welfare program, where the undeserving siphon off funds that should go to the really needy. No one can deny that there are such abuses. Such abuses should be corrected. That such abuses are only a small percentage of the entire program should not be an excuse for continuing to tolerate them.

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## Twin Cities CLer learns first-hand Vietnam hopes at Paris peace talks

(This past summer, Twin Cities JACLER Bill Doi joined a group of other Minnesotans who comprised the People's Commission of Inquiry into a Solution to the War in Vietnam. They held a week of talks in France with the North Vietnamese delegation to the Paris peace talks, the South Vietnamese coalition delegation and the American delegation. The length of which prevented its publication until this week—Ed.)

By BILL DOI

Minneapolis

A trip to Europe was a dream not considered in the plans of one very ordinary Nisei. And yet in June of this year I was privileged to be one of 30 Americans to take part in a most unforgettable and emotionally moving experience which took place in Paris.

We met with three of the four official delegations to the Paris Peace Conference: the Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam, the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (Hanoi) and with Ambassador Philip Habib of the United States.

To make our trip even more meaningful we also met with representatives from Laos, Cambodia, and a group called the Union of Vietnamese living in Paris. In this last group was a very charming and articulate Samsel, Lillian Ginoza, from State College, Pa. whom we discovered was the leader of the Honeywell Project in Paris.

## Background of Group

We called ourselves the People's Commission of Inquiry into Solutions to the War in Vietnam. We went to Paris to inquire (1) why the official negotiations have so far been fruitless and (2) on what basis a peaceful negotiated settlement is in fact possible.

We were sponsored by no one, and we represented no one but ourselves. We are just an ordinary group of citizens who are concerned about the killings which continue day after day, month after month, without any apparent desire on the part of our govern-

## Pulse—

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"Scotch-taped, double-folded eyelids" and introverted, insecure personalities. "These are just symptoms," he said, "of deep-seated feelings of self-hatred which have rather subtle roots."

## Slide Presentation

A slide presentation will review past and present textbooks used in the California public schools. Segments from numerous textbooks will be shown to demonstrate the destructive racial stereotyping of Asian Americans and the gross distortions and omissions of the Asian experience in America.

Primary purpose of the meeting, according to Karasawa, is to interest parents, teachers, students and lay people in the local communities into becoming more actively involved in the education of Asian Americans.

The JACLER Education Committee was requested to provide information and materials which would aid in the development and implementation of various educational programs, such as Asian American studies, at the elementary, secondary and junior college levels. Karasawa stated that interested persons could greatly benefit from the past experiences of the panelists in working on such programs with the Pasadena and Los Angeles school districts.

The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in the Norwalk Public Library, 12350 Imperial Highway. Persons wishing further information may call Karasawa at (213) 947-1146.

## Scholarship

March 15 deadline set for Sonoma scholarship

Applications for the 1971 Sonoma County JACLER Chapter memorial scholarship are now available from Edwin Ohki, Hiroshi Kobayashi and George Okamoto. An early filing date of March 15 was set in order that the local winner may be nominated for the National JACLER Scholarship. Ohki, 930 McMinn Ave., Santa Rosa, is secretary of the chapter scholarship committee.

## April Events

Community information day planned for April 4

San Francisco JACLER is planning a Japanese Community Services Information Day on Sunday, April 4, to bring local residents up-to-date on various social, public health, legal and employment matters. Ron Kobata, newly appointed chapter newsletter editor, was in charge of the initial ad hoc committee meeting for Information Day held Jan. 28 at the Bank of Tokyo Hospitality Room.

The 23rd annual Placer County JACLER community picnic has been scheduled for Sunday, Apr. 18 (rain date: Apr. 25), at the JACLER Recreation Park with co-chairmen Kay Takemoto and Bob Nakamura in charge of general arrangements.

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ment to bring it to an end.

The Commission was composed of a broad representation of various segments of American society, differing religious, racial and ethnic minorities. Among others, there were farmers, a dentist, doctor, banker, black and white students, housewife, a priest, professor, retired teacher and a Nisei. Not included were professional politicians, activists in political parties or candidates for office.

Ability to pay was no criteria for contributions from the community, churches and benefits covered the costs of those unable to pay any or only part of their expenses. Although Minnesotans made up most of the members, two came from San Francisco, one from Madison, one from Ohio and two from Boston.

On Saturday, June 26, we met for 11 hours in Paris with the delegation from the Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG) of South Vietnam, and on the following day for 9 hours with the delegation from the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (Hanoi).

For the purposes of this report I will confine my comments only to those facts which were covered in their preliminary talks and to responses to our questions.

They permitted us to tape every word of our meetings and we were given complete freedom to take pictures. We were not diplomats and we didn't pretend to be; if they were embarrassed by our naive and undiplomatic questions they did not show it. They answered our every question.

We found them to be humanly warm and as friendly as a family gathering. We were taken completely off guard at our first meeting by a little lady not more than five feet tall who greeted us with, "Aren't you afraid of me, I am your enemy."

## Four Parties at Talks

There are four parties to the Paris Peace talks: The U.S., the Saigon government of Thieu and Ky (which we support), the PRG and DRV.

The United States continues to refuse to accept, that for the purpose of negotiation, the "other side" considers the PRG as the "senior" member of the bargaining team. As an example, when Lodge left Paris, he said goodbye to the North Vietnamese and Saigon, but didn't even bother to telephone the PRG Delegation.

For those who believe that Hanoi makes all of the decisions for the PRG, it must be said that never did the PRG say, "The North proposes this" but the North continuously used the phrase, "as the PRG has stated."

The U.S. continues to represent the National Liberation Front as a monolithic communist organization when it is in reality a

## Minister—

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"I've got pants from France, socks from . . ." He is paid with generous smiles.

As the clock moves toward midnight, the streets become more and more filled with prostitutes. Over the years the street-walking minister has devoted much of his time to helping the street-walking prostitutes and their "agents." At one time, he tried to organize a "Prostitutes Anonymous" group but it didn't succeed.

## With the Alienated

"When I was on the church staff," he recalls, "I was told by the elders of the church to work only with the good people. That's when I decided to go out on the street."

That's where the ministry of the church is needed—among the alienated. I've conducted weddings in a grocery, prayer meetings in a tavern, and discussion groups in pool halls and houses of ill repute. His concern for helping prostitutes resulted in the one physical attack he has suffered during his career.

Although he always has worked in a community with a high crime rate, he never has been hurt, he says, "except once. That's when I was slapped on the face by the wife of a church elder."

"Driving through the area, a prostitute called out to me, and I replied, 'I'll see you at 10:30.'"

## Slapped on Face

"The older's wife said, 'Reverend, what are you doing associating with people like that? You've got no business doing it.'"

"I was so upset that I told her, 'I would rather associate with people like that than with people like you.'"

"When I said that, she slapped me across the face." As he completed the story, it was nearly midnight. Akira Makino's work "day," however, was far from over.

"You know," he said, "the greatest discrimination in our society is not racial or otherwise. It's the discrimination against night people. How many lawyers or doctors or social workers can you reach at night?"

With that comment, the clerical man-on-the-street who says it's his job "to be available where and when no one else is available," went on about his business.

—Sun Times

coalition. The Communists are

an important member but actually only a minor member.

In 1969 the NLF took advantage of previously uncommitted or former Saigon elements to launch the PRG in which the NLF (even though the largest part) is still only one part. The PRG controls four-fifths of the territory of South Vietnam; this fact Ambassador Habib did not deny.

We were told repeatedly that there are two conditions on which they cannot compromise. They are (1) agreement by the U.S. to complete withdrawal of all our troops, and (2) the right of self-determination.

## Withdrawal

PRG feels the Nixon administration is attempting to carry out a deception of the American public, recalling that President Nixon announced withdrawal of combat troops, but intends to leave between 200,000 and 300,000 in Vietnam to carry on the air war.

They point out that bombings had intensified in tone since Nixon took office. Their view is that the war is directed not against guerrilla forces, but against the population which provides the food, shelter and recruits for their forces, and the purpose of the air war is to drive the population out of the rural areas to concentrate them in cities where they can be controlled by Saigon troops reinforced by U.S. equipment and air power.

Immediate withdrawal usually conjures up image of horrible deaths—soldiers running for their lives as at Dunkirk. This is not so. The Vietnamese have stated repeatedly that withdrawal will be orderly and according to a time-table.

The PRG has offered six months as an acceptable period of time, since U.S. generals have stated that, logistically speaking, we could be completely out in four months.

"The U.S. found this unacceptable, saying it's not enough time though it can send in troops fast enough."

We ask for unconditional withdrawal. Why? Because when they entered, they did not demand conditions at all, they didn't ask our permission and now to withdraw, they ask conditions.

And what conditions are they asking? They are asking that the Vietnamese also must withdraw along with American troops. Where are we withdrawing to? To Florida? To California? We are on our own soil. We are living in Vietnam already. We have nowhere to withdraw. But America

has a country to withdraw to.

If, supposedly, we had our troops in California, in Florida, we would withdraw them immediately . . . unconditionally . . . without asking any conditions whatsoever.

U.S. withdrawal is the major requirement for a peaceful settlement, and the PRG insists on its eagerness to assure that this withdrawal is accomplished with safety and dignity for the U.S.

Such a proposal until now is rejected categorically by the U.S. delegation. They say that a total and unconditional withdrawal of your troops from Vietnam would be a humiliation and capitulation of the U.S.

It is very far from our minds to humiliate the U.S. We want the friendship, equality with the American people. And we think precisely that the U.S. Government invading Vietnam is humiliating to its own country.

The only way to recover dignity is to recognize that they have made an error, to stop the erroneous road. We pray God that they give the U.S. leaders a little bit of courage to say that they were wrong.

We shall make every effort to provide a withdrawal with dignity and assurances. We shall provide passports and boats, even flowers and a red carpet—everything that's necessary.

## Prisoners of War

The release of American prisoners of war would be an automatic part of the withdrawal timetable. This was clearly stated to us.

To quote verbatim the words of Mr. Ly Van Sau of the PRG Delegation, who spoke in English: "Immediately after signing a cessation of hostility, there will be immediate agreement releasing captured personnel. This is already one year old" (referring to Point 9 of the 10-pt. program which is enclosed in this report. Little is known about this 10 pt. program presented by the PRG on May, 1969. Very few U.S. papers carried it; only 3 that we know of).

I may tell you a few words about the POWs captured in South Vietnam. We are aware that many of these American young men are compelled to go, that they may have taken part in anti-war activities in the United States.

We also know that many ex-GIs join anti-war movement after they return home. That is why, even though the war is going on, we try to let them know what is the real aim of the war. Our mothers and sisters are explaining tirelessly about our aspirations to the American GIs so that they understand the objectives of our struggle.

If the GIs are wounded we do our best to care for them so they can recover promptly, but you can see that it is very difficult in conditions of wartime. Some of the GIs we captured have been released. And when we speak of our policy of leniency toward American servicemen captured, we tell you with sincerity, from the bottom of our heart.

I give you proof of this. For instance, for the captured

GIs for their ration they have a South Vietnamese basket per day. And for us, including the top leaders of the NLF, we have only 2 plastic bowls of rice and some salt, but for an American it is different, because they are all of a taller size.

Eggs and milk are very rare in the liberated area. However, we preserve these precious things for the American GI even in the very hard and difficult conditions of wartime.

And, he concluded by saying: We let you know, and that is during the battle you see, that sometimes we capture American GIs but the American planes come over and drop bombs and kill these men captured by our side.

It is for this last reason that they cannot release names of prisoners, because should the names be released and subsequently they are killed by our (U.S.) bombs, they would have a difficult time proving that they were indeed killed in this manner.

Q. In relation to political prisoners . . . what is the possibility of exchange of political prisoners in the U.S. for POWs such as Huey Newton, Bobby Seale and Mohammed Ali?

A. We would like to take this opportunity to express our support for the Black People's struggle. We strongly condemn the arrests, trials and assassination of Black people. We strongly request the liberation of these political prisoners. We fully understand their struggles.

However, as far as POWs are concerned we have stated our position in point 9. To resolve the aftermath of the war: The parties will negotiate the release of the army men captured in the war.

We have nothing more to add. You see, even in our country we have a problem of political prisoners held by the U.S. Saigon which we have not raised.

Q. With respect to the Domino Theory, what is your relations with Cambodia and Laos?

A. We have suffered in past and are now suffering. We never invade other nations. We know the value of the pride of a nation—we respect this. All three of us are now suffering from U.S. aggression. All three are now united to stop aggression.

At the Summit Conference we voiced our aspirations of independence and freedom. Only when U.S. leaves can the three prove our independence. The U.S. Domino Theory is used to intimidate people and to pursue the colonial theory.

## Political Settlement

Political Settlement falls into three phases: (1) The holding of elections in South Vietnam and the creation of a post-war government. (2) The question and problem of reunification of the two halves of Vietnam. It is all covered in detail under the 10-point program.

North Vietnam is clearly excluded from every single step in the 10-point process. Both delegations were emphatic on two related aspects of the reunification problem: (1) the first aspect is that both parts of Vietnam are equal during the gradual reunification process, (2) the second aspect is that Vietnam is essentially one country, one people.

The Vietnamese outlined the sequence of necessary steps for reunification. They

talked at length about each phase.

(a) The Provisional Coalition Government was to be a major guarantee of peace. This was emphasized in the decisions relating to the formation of the PCG to the holding of elections and to the no-reprisal policy. The PRG argues that open participation of all groups in the PCG is in of itself one of the best guarantees that no pressures will be brought to bear against any one faction. This is because all factions including the Saigon government with the exception of a few individuals like Thieu, Ky and Huong, will have a share in the formation of the PCG as it runs the South Vietnam affairs.

(b) The actual make-up of the PCG was intended as a barrier against one side or other controlling the nature of the post-war government. The main goal of the PCG is free elections whose outcome will rest with the voters.

(c) Regarding the fairness of elections, three points were mentioned: 1—All parties would be involved in creating and administering the election mechanism. 2—They are opposed to all outside forces intervening in the situation because it is a problem for the South Vietnamese themselves. (This is another reason they say U.S. forces must withdraw first. Free elections cannot be held at a point of a gun.)

3—North Vietnamese are to have no role in these elections, or in the framing of the constitution for a post-war government of South Vietnam—or in any aspect of the political process which would begin with the formation of the Provisional Coalition Government.

(d) Attitude of the North in this regard is quite clear. Because of the history of the last 15 years, reunification will be a careful and lengthy process in which South Vietnam participates as an equal partner with the North. They say it might be from 2 to 10 years, or longer for reunification to become a reality.

Reprisals

Regarding our questions on reprisals, proof of their good intentions against reprisals falls into four areas: (1) Land reform, (2) Catholics, (3) Political opponents, and (4) Nature of the civil war.

1—The land reform program of the United Front of all groups including Communists, simply demands that all surplus land beyond that which a family needs for a family farm will be redistributed. As the PRG put it,

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## Depahto: See It

You see it in Tokyo. Traditions are breaking with increasing affluence.

The young people leave the farming communities to seek employment, a better life, in the cities — adopting, and adapting to, urban life. Mass communication media help to hasten the move.

A new social-psychological foundation, based on material demands. The good life. More and more sophisticated. More and more of the household budget going towards "culture-leisure" expenditures — like 15-20%.

Consumer environment is changing. The big city blessed with opportunities for cultural pursuits, convenience of education, freedom of travel and shopping, opportunities for employment... buying power.

And despite recent consumer movements protesting high prices, sales of consumer goods and services keep going up and up.

An important Japanese institution devoted to supplying the consumers with material demands is the "depato" — department store. Old-timers say, "hyakka-ten" hundreds-of-goods store.

If there is one visitor "must" in Japan, it is to tour a department store. Under one roof, this Japanese invention reveals her spirit, her arts, her traditions, her genius, her moods, her tastes, her affluence. And you see their faces, the people, exposed to all sorts of goodies.

One can purchase almost anything imaginable in a Japanese department store. Massive mountains of merchandise from the East and West, and in-between. Recession? Can't see it in the depato.

We visited what Tokyoites consider No. 1 and No. 2, both in the Nihonbashi district — Mitsukoshi and Takashimaya.

There are 23 department stores in Tokyo, including branches. Tokyu department store is also in Nihonbashi. The Ginza district has Wako, Mitsukoshi, Matsuya, Komatsu, Matsuzakaya and Hankyu.

Shinjuku has Isetan, Keio, Mitsukoshi and Odakyu depato. Daimaru is in the massive Tokyo Station on the Yamanote Line. Sogo at Yamanote, Shibusawa has Tokyu, Seibu and Toyoko. Ikebukuro has Mitsukoshi, Seibu and Toho. There is a Matsuya in Asakusa, and Ueno has a Matsuzakaya.

The Big Five are Mitsukoshi, Daimaru, Takashimaya, Matsuzakaya and Seibu. Daimaru, big in the Kyoto-Osaka-Kobe area, dates back 256 years, while Matsuzakaya is the oldest — 359 years — beginning as a dry goods shop.

## Ideas Service

And the Japanese department stores are setting the pace on a new concept in

merchandising — called Ideas Service.

To serve customers — by entertaining, exhibiting, staging, demonstrating, displaying, advising, teaching, introducing. You don't see them taking multiple display advertisements in the downtown newspapers.

Ideas Service at the Mitsukoshi, for example, features under one roof in one day: An exhibition of dwarf trees, demonstration and sale of local products and foods of Shikoku, industrial arts display, Japanese tea ceremony, pottery exhibition, display of origami, flower design fair, collection of kimono for Christmas.

At Takashimaya: Exhibition of flower arrangement, exhibition of Japanese style paintings, oil paintings by members of Seishu-kai, demonstration and sale of local products and foods from Hokkaido, advice corner on insurance against losses.

They bring Hokkaido and Shikoku right into the store. They bring local musicians and costumed dancers to perform. Booths are set-up, and foods of those areas are cooked and sold on the spot. Local arts. And their craftsmen demonstrate their skills.

Mitsukoshi has the Ginza Line subway trains stopping under the store, at the second basement. The first basement is like the Canadian stores, a massive super market — fresh meats, fruits and vegetables, fresh fish, bread, dairy products, prepared and packaged foods. Demonstrators. Samples to taste. You stop to look, and a cheerful, "irasshai mase" welcome!

There's a theatre on the 6th floor of the Mitsukoshi where traditional plays and recitals are given. Barber shop, three tea rooms, two dining rooms, a snack bar, a fashion salon, art gallery, nine elevators, even a laundry.

On the roof, there's a playground with kiddie rides, a miniature zoo, a restaurant, gardening items, bonsai and plants for sale, pets, a children's theater, even a miniature waterfall in a garden.

**Busiest Day—Sunday**  
Every day looks like Christmas in a Japanese department store. And this past year they jumped the gun by several weeks, decked out in Yuletide displays on Nov. 1, a Sunday. But Sunday is a busy day for family shopping in Japan. All the department stores are open.

If one thing can typify their customer awareness, it might be the way they carefully wrap your purchase first in colorful paper. Then put into a matching paper sack. And if large or raining, into a matching shopping bag. No charge. A bow. "Arigato gozaimasu" thank you.

If the Japanese invented the department store, they also must have invented the motto: "The customer is always right."



**GOLDEN WEDDING** — Mr. and Mrs. Minekichi Fujishin, married in Hiroshima on Dec. 20, 1920, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary with their five sons, Mike, Kay, Sam (of Boise Valley), Ike, Tom and daughter Helen Masuda, their spouses and 22 grandchildren of San Jose recently. The couple lived in Seattle for 20 years before moving to San Jose in 1950.

## Paris talks—

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(Land policy) is consistent with the special conditions of South Vietnam, i.e. in which the whole people are participating in the war effort.

The key is "land to the tiller at the place where he works" — land to the peasant family including families of soldiers in the puppet army. We know that many men are forced to join the Army. As late as the end of the 1960, 2% of the top landlords held 45% of the land.

2—Catholics. They said the bulk of Catholics were peasants who were in all ways except religion, identical to the rest of the southern population. They had suffered from the same things that drove the non-Catholic population into the resistance movement against Diem.

The PRG and DRV maintained that they do not discriminate against Catholics — or any minority. They both point to the number of Catholics in the leadership of the NLF, the PRG and the government of North Vietnam.

In question form the speaker asked, "why should the movement want to shatter the unity created between Catholic and non-Catholics. They gave examples of how Catholics aided the NLF even to hiding them and other, resistance leaders from Diem's police in Saigon.

3—Political opponents. They questioned the logic of how the U.S. and Saigon regime could talk about treatment of political prisoners in light of the past record. The DRV

delegation maintained that 500,000 Vietnamese were imprisoned and over 70,000 killed between 1954 and 1960 by the U.S.-supported Diem regime.

We were shown films made by a team of internationally known French movie makers. It showed the brutality and the killings inflicted upon their people and soldiers. It showed the incredible damage to the countryside, to the destruction of 470 churches and 420 pagodas, the 80 hospitals and 10 continuous days of bombings of a leprosarium.

The effects of carpet bombings looked to us more like pictures of the moon than land which once was productive. We were told of the effects of napalm, defoliants and chemicals which left 80% of the tillable land useless. The increase of deformed births and fetuses, the emergence of new and unknown diseases are attributed to the use of the chemicals.

4—Civil War. The final argument on reprisals was that it was a civil war in which brother fought against brother. Several personal examples came from our hosts. In one case, an uncle of the speaker was in the Saigon administration. In another case, cousins and members of the same village and province in all camps, how could one conceive of a "bloodbath" taking place?

In Retrospect  
We brought back many memories, and information which gave us insight into the "faceless Viet Cong." They discussed the nature of land reform in the South and in

## GYO FUJIKAWA

## An Illustrator Children Love

New York  
Why does an artist become a children's illustrator? We asked this question of Miss Gyo Fujikawa in connection with the recent publication of her seventh book, "Fairy Tales and Fables" (Grosset & Dunlap). She has been a successful commercial artist for nearly 20 years.

Seated in her apartment on Manhattan's East Side. Surrounded by paintings and interesting antique objects, and walls of bookcases with beautiful books, Miss Fujikawa explained that "it was the challenge to succeed in a field of so many greats, and also a desire to move and delight children."

Since Miss Fujikawa's graduation from Chouinard Art Institute in Los Angeles, (she wanted from her childhood to be an artist and went to Chouinard on a scholarship right after high school), she has had a continuum of major assignments.

## Attention to Details

Her two years in the promotion department at Walt Disney Studios, she said, may have influenced her work. Walt Disney was a perfectionist; he had stressed the small details in her work such as programs and brochures for "Fantasia," and other Disney projects.

The illustrations by Miss Fujikawa mirror this concern

too. "I like to include lots of details, small objects and variety that make children give a lot of attention to the illustrations. Children want facts. While they can understand visual abstractions they enjoy realistic renderings more."

"In illustrating children's stories and rhymes, for example, when many things are mentioned, I include them all in the art because I know children sit and look for them when the stories are read to them."

## Advertising Art

After leaving Disney studios, she came to New York. She was art director of William Douglas MacAdams, a pharmaceutical advertising agency, for eight years and has been doing freelance illustrations for major advertising agencies and newsstand magazines since then.

Although she is Japanese American, she does not specialize in oriental styles. Type-casting by others almost cost her two major assignments.

Once, when she designed the symbol for a well-known ice cream product, a round-faced Eskimo child, the client worried that since she was Japanese, she would make the child look oriental. But the advertising agency for the client stationed some of its people on Fifth Avenue in New York City, to poll passers-by on the best logo, and Miss Fujikawa's was selected.

Another instance involved Beech-Nut Baby Foods. When that line of products was first brought out, the client hesitated to engage her, but they were so pleased with her illustrations for the introductory ads, that her drawings of babies were used on all their labels and packages. Many are still used on the jars and boxes today.

## Free-Lancing Efforts

When the Saturday Evening Post made a last-ditch effort to survive by changing its design, her illustrations were used on the covers and inside.

The U.S. postage stamp commemorating Mrs. Lyndon Johnson's beautification program.

## Ethnic studies

PASADENA — Harry Kawahara will continue to teach Sociology of the Asian American at Pasadena City College on Tuesday evenings, 7-10 p.m., starting Feb. 9. Registrations are handled until Feb. 4 at the counseling center. Class was organized by the Greater Pasadena Area JACL to promote understanding and appreciation of the contributions by Asian Americans to the development of this nation.

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She is working on a picture book of an idea of her own, showing children experiencing aspects of their young lives.

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great children's illustrators of the past that Gyo singles out for their timeless and firm personal approach. She feels that too few of today's illustrators are concerned with that warm personal involvement, and their brilliant inventive techniques alone fail to hold children's attention for very long.

## Children Write

Gyo Fujikawa has fulfilled her goal of becoming a children's illustrator. Aside from the large popularity and sales of her books, she knows by her mail that she has reached the children. Here are some excerpts:

"I am nine years old. But when I am 90 I will still like the book. The pictures are very pretty and funny and cute."

"I got this book (The Night Before Christmas) and I love it dearly! (mostly because of the pictures). They are the most lovely pictures I have ever looked at... I am a ten year old girl and I live in Canada."

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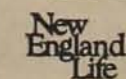
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an important subcommittee chairmanship. She currently serves on the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee and the Education and Labor Committee. Since a number of members of the Interior and the Education committees who rank ahead of Mrs. Mink have subcommittee chairmanships already, the prospects are good for her to get a good subcommittee of her own if the leadership approves the limitation on chairmanships. Furthermore, the fact that Carl Albert of Oklahoma is a good friend of Mrs. Mink will be of much help. He, of course, is slated to be the speaker of the next Congress.

## Entertainment Scene

Duke Kahanamoku's International Marquee Place night club is up for sale with a \$1.5 million price tag. But, according to Kim Wilder McVay, its president and owner, he may sell it "to the right guy" for a half million dollars, with or without the stars. "Right now," he said, "I'm responsible for every phase in its operation, but I want to divorce myself completely, to sell it outright, so that I can concentrate on my managerial duties." Duke's, formerly the home of the Don Ho Show, is a \$2.5 million a year operation—the largest night club in Waikiki not run or owned by a hotel chain.

## School Front

Albert T. Hamal, executive secretary of the Hawaii Education Assn., has been elected president of the new Hawaii State Teachers Assn. The new group will be independent but will maintain an affiliation with the HEA and the National Education Assn.

## Vietnam KIA

Army Spec. 5 Franklin R. Akana, 24, of Honolulu, died in action in Vietnam. Services were held Dec. 5 at Ft. Shafter Chapel. Survivors include his wife, Doris, and a daughter, Michele.

## Hawaii Today

Telephone rates for calls between the Mainland and the Islands are down an average of 13 per cent, effective Nov. 29. The new rates are the result of American Telephone and Telegraph Co.'s reduction of station-to-station and person-to-person charges. The company estimates that the rate cut will save the customers some \$6.5 million annually.

## Governor's Office

Gov. John A. Burns said on Jan. 6 that Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi is qualified to be his successor as governor. Said Burns, "I'd be happy to support him in any kind of endeavor like that." Asked whether he'd support an Ariyoshi bid for governor, Burns said, "I think he's a very able man, and I think he has the qualities that we need in a governor. It's certainly going to have to be a decision of the voters, but I'd be happy to support him in any kind of endeavor like that."

## Business Ticker

Financier Chinn Ho has won the city planning commission's approval to build a second resort hotel in Makaha Valley. In clearing an additional parcel of his Makaha Valley for resort zoning, the commission also approved plans for a hotel to rise 70 feet above the valley floor.

## Pan-American World Airways

asked the Civil Aeronautics Board for fare increases between the Mainland and Hawaii. It was the second such request in five weeks. The proposal includes the following increases: week and economy—\$110 to \$122; midweek—\$100 to \$107; week end—\$95 to \$102.

## Bank of Hawaii has extended

## Immigration

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## Sports Scene

Kaipo Spencer, St. Louis High School's all-star quarterback, has been selected as Hawaii's top prep football player for 1970 by the Honolulu Star-Bulletin. He was chosen on the basis of athletic leadership and academic abilities.

## The Three Corners

THE THREE CORNERS WORLD, by Natsume Soseki, translated by Alan Tarnes; Chicago: Henry Regnery Co., 184 pp., paperback, \$1.95.

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In achieving rapport with his surroundings, he has attained the primary purpose of his sojourn. Though he had come ostensibly to paint, and has not done so, he has sufficiently expressed his artistic inclination through the exaltation that puts him in harmony with nature.

## Inkeeper Daughter

Nevertheless, whether he goes, he takes his box of paints with him. And as a master scenic painter chooses human figures to animate his foreground, so does he unconsciously begin to select some among the natives. Of these, one seriously intrigues him, the daughter of the inkeeper, O-Nami.

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unobtrusively introduce her into his consciousness. Not only does he hear of her, before meeting her, he hears her.

## A hot-spring in a secluded village—the shadow of blossoms on a spring night—a voice singing softly in the moonlight, a figure flitting through the shadows...

The impressions work on him. Prose is inadequate to express his exaltation; every now and then he must burst forth in poetry.

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the bath and she unexpectedly confronts him. As she wraps him in a towel, he feels her contempt for his discomfort. Later the situation is reversed; unaware of his presence, she approaches him nude as he sits in the tub in the mist-filled bath, she "being only dimly visible in the midst of a strange aura of enchantment which lent mystery to all within it..."

Bit by bit, the failures of her past, her broken marriage, her reputation for eccentricity, her present problems, all part and parcel of her personality unfold to him. They become friends. She asks him to paint her; he considers doing so.

Though impressed with her beauty, he feels there is something needed, the lack of which would prevent him from making a meaningful portrait. Finally he decides the needed quality is compassion.

## Haku-Studded Style

The Three Corners World differs in spirit from Soseki's other works, and in it his style perhaps approaches nearest to perfection. It is as if he had approached his theme in the manner of a painter. Imbued with the ethereal beauty of the natural scenery about him, he painted various aspects of it as scenes. Then he tied these scenes together with the slender thread of his search for the elusive quality in O-Nami that might make a portrait of her valid.

He called this work "a novel in the manner of a haiku," and it is studded with such 17 syllable poems. He said his intention was "to leave an impression of beauty in the reader's mind," an intention admirably realized.

On the final page, he and O-Nami stand at a station platform, watching a train bear away her cousin, who has been conscripted to fight in the Russo-Japanese War. She expects him to die on the battlefield. As the train disappears down the track, the artist observes her expression.

He pats her shoulder in exaltation. "That's it! That's it! Now that you can express that feeling you are worth painting." It was at that very moment that the picture in my mind received its final touch.

## Good Grasp on Asian Americans

### THE ASIAN IN THE WEST

(Reno: Desert Research Institute, Univ. of Nevada, \$3.95, 168 pp.) is a collection of papers written over a period by Stanford M. Lyman, Ph.D., presently associate professor of sociology, UC San Diego.

### Color-Culture Line

The introductory chapter, "The Significance of Asians in American Society," ties together and how it upholds the color and culture line of the Anglo-Saxon people who dominate this country. They have always controlled the lives of the people and intend to perpetuate this rule for a long time to come.

This color/culture line is maintained by co-opting non-Anglo-Saxon Europeans to reinforce their culture and to conform to and pledge allegiance to that of the Anglo-S. This unified group then excludes the non-whites from full participation and acceptance into American society by what can be described as the Anglo-Saxon racist conspiracy. Lyman describes this as:

(1) A diffuse, subtle—indeed, sometimes unconscious and invisible—prejudice found in a vast majority of organizations, associations and social practices, none of which encompasses the totality of the color and culture line of the Anglo-Saxon people; (2) a principle of operations at (Indian) reservations or plantations, modern racism affects nearly all the institutions of modern industrial America—those in the political, economic, religious, and social spheres of life. Modern racism encompasses America with its rules, roles and relationships.

### Self-Analysis

The credibility of the above statement will depend on the perception of the individual reader and how he sees himself fitting into the American scene. There will be the "successful" older Nisei type who has "made it"; who thinks of himself as a true "American" (the Anglo-Saxon version); and who will believe that talk of a racist conspiracy is nonsense and paranoia.

Other Japanese Americans may see the social injustices of the American system that works against non-whites; who are of the opinion that the color/culture domination of the Anglo-Saxon is a racist one; and that they will have to find their place in America as a Japanese American and therefore seek ethnic identity. — Noboru Fukuda

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## Ye Editor's Desk

### HOW WE DID LAST YEAR

In a couple of weeks, participating chapters will receive a detailed report of the 1970 Holiday Issue. The "participating" chapters are those which solicited advertising. . . . But for the general reader, it may be revealed that our last Holiday Issue was the best-ever financially, netting nearly \$8,000, and we managed to keep expenses down on the Holiday Issue itself during a year which saw costs rise. Yet, we aren't taking any bows because of the overall 1970 financial picture.

Preliminary figures show \$90,782 income; \$96,771 expense, or \$5,989 deficit—highest for any year since the Pacific Citizen (PC) became a weekly in 1942. Analysis indicates subscription income wasn't high enough to meet circulation costs. The added 50-cent to the JACL rate from this year, we're sure, will improve the situation.

To help meet other cost increases in production and overhead, we are also planning to raise slightly the local advertising rate. This is our first rate change since the fall of 1962. Since then, PC's circulation has gone up nearly 50% to warrant a slight increase in local advertising rate—from 13,000 in 1961 to 20,000 in 1970.

As with JACL, the PC is a nonprofit venture (our 1970 performance is obvious proof of that, though it was not intended), operating on the philosophy to provide the best all-around coverage to our readers across the country and to assure advertisers their message gets maximum spread at a minimum cost.

A message taking up as much as a postcard, for instance, would run about \$30 per issue in the PC and reach 20,000 subscribers (and four times that on a readership basis) without the advertiser incurring the clerical bother of addressing each postcard, paying printing costs or postage. Thirty dollars would only buy 600 stamped postcards. Value of advertising in a newspaper is therefore obvious and more economical.

A chapter sending flyers to their membership of 250 would expend \$15 just in stamps. The PC can save the chapter time and effort through advertising. At present, \$15 would buy 6 inches of space. These paid notices might comprise the "Chapter Bulletin Board", which could be spotted in the same section of the PC each week. . . . "Paid Notices" in the JACL Calendar are also accepted at the Classified Rate of 10 cents a word, \$3 minimum, with copy set in bold-face.

JACLers in business might place their calling card in our Business-Professional Directory. The minimum \$25 per half-year rate for three lines is "our best deal" to advertisers. Each additional line costs \$6; if larger type is desired like what you see here—that's counted as two lines.

We know how we did last year. We must do better this year. Those in Northern California may check with our advertising representative Lee Ruttle, 46 Kearny St., San Francisco. Our advertising manager Charles Kamayatsu covers the Los Angeles area—though he's now confined to quarters convalescing from leg surgery.

### 'BY THE BOARD'

We can't remember when the last "By the Board" column appeared now that Fred Hirasuna of Fresno as Central California district governor has revived it on this page last week. All national JACL board members are aware they have an "open invitation" to space under "By the Board". To encourage them now, we try to include a thumbnail cut of the writer. What happens if more than one board member contributes is a bridge we shall cross when it appears.

District Youth Chairmen are also welcome to this space. A portrait should accompany their initial contribution as we haven't any picture of them on file. For chairmen of National JACL Committees, such contributions are usually spotlighted as "Special Reports" and likely command space from the front page.

For the general membership, their opinions are placed in the "PC Letterbox". And young adults and juniors have access to "Pepper Pot". To pass on what others in the newspaper fraternity are saying, there is the now-familiar "Guest Column". To a large extent, we rely on contributions from readers to keep "Guest Columns" in supply. Syndicated material, however, is handled as a news item unless permission to reprint is received.

The closing thought: We vacate "Ye Editor's Desk" whenever the "Director's Report" appears. We're rooting for him to give us a monthly reprieve.

### A RECIPE FOR SUCCESS

We are hard-pressed to find a comparable Nisei organization in the U.S. that has compiled as pleasing a record as the West Los Angeles JACL Women's Auxiliary, which has distributed proceeds of its cookbook sales to the tune of \$23,000. A list of their favorite charities and good causes was published last week.

The Auxiliary is now in the process of collecting recipes for a sequel and those who have enjoyed their first "East-West Flavors" might respond by sending in their favorites to Mrs. Chieko Inouye, 11740 Tennessee Ave., Los Angeles 90064. . . . We understand meals are being organized as an added feature. Those "ochazuke" parties we've been invited to after JACL functions—if incorporated in the sequel—can run a couple of pages. It's not the amount prepared but the infinite variety of dishes that spells an ochazuke party.

To get started on this week's eight-page at the shop, we had to pass up Betty Yumori's ochazuke party after her installation as Venice-Culver JACL president. All was not lost, however, as we hauled home a five-pound can of boneless ham which came as our door prize. The Year of the Boar has arrived for real at the House of Honda, you might say.

## Alameda County readers will see more JACL in news

(Abe Kofman is publisher of several newspapers in Alameda County, including the Alameda Times-Star, supporting JACL activities in the county. In a recent column appearing in his Fremont News-Register are personal observations and comments of the Fremont JACL installation to which he had been invited.—Ed.)

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Fremont JACL . . . Japanese American Citizens League . . . An organization that we will be

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hearing from and reading more about as time goes on. Membership is growing, especially in North California. Alameda County has three chapters: Fremont, Eden (Hayward) and Alameda (Oakland). Fremont Chapter held its annual installation (Jan. 16). Chief of Police John Fabbri was guest speaker and Mayor Gene Rhodes installing officer. . . . Accepted the call "to make remarks" and did. Fremont Chapter JACL membership made up of young men and women who are doing their share. . . . want to do more . . . in helping the destiny of Fremont . . . in making it a better place to live and to do business. I was tremendously impressed with this group at installation time . . . their sincerity and all that goes with it.

Speaker Fabbri received an outburst of applause for his remarks. Mentioned facts in complimenting those of Japanese ancestry because of their belief in Law and Order. Must add that Chief Fabbri is an interesting speaker . . . as interesting a speaker as he is an efficient Police Chief. Was a busy day for him . . . as a member of a Police Commission had lunch in San Diego while attending a meeting . . . showed no sign of having had a busy day. He mentioned there are 69 thousand felons in the state . . . of these there are only 104 Japanese. Invited all present to attend dedication ceremonies of Fremont Police Building Saturday, Jan. 23 at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

More from Fabbri: "I am interested in our youth . . . and in Park and Recreation. This builds men but does not prevent delinquency. Fremont has 50 thousand of its population who are under 21 years of age . . . by 1980 the prediction is that Fremont population will be made up of more than 50 percent who will be under 25 years of age."

"Our society needs help . . . let us not feel too complacent. Society is not great when it calls people Caucasians . . . we should change all this . . . call all people Human Beings. It is a fact . . . no matter what color of the skin . . . trash is trash."

"Law enforcement has taken on a new approach . . . Kids look to us for guidance . . . the majority of our kids are great . . . less than 2 percent make up those who get into trouble."

He also brought out that a policeman should and must be tall. Since regulations have allowed a person to be shorter . . . assaults on policemen have increased to one out of every eleven . . . average before this was one out of every 72."

Mayor Rhodes introduced as "a man interested in youth" . . . so he must be interested in playing politics. Told the group there is an opening for an appointment to the Human Relations Commission. "Invited JACL to submit the name of" one of your group. "I promise he will be appointed. . . could do it, but prefer you give me the name."

After dinner this writer suggested to new president (for the second time) Tod Inouye . . . he appoint a person to handle public relations . . . he or she keep in touch with us . . . we want to and will print news of their organization to help keep our readers informed of this Chapter whose motto is . . . "Better Americans in a Greater America."

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to people, maybe we can restore the confidence of the people of California in the California educational system. "All democratic countries and industrial countries will follow this path. We have to make the fruits of learning accessible to more and more people."

On Racism  
Before concluding to a standing ovation, Hayakawa touched briefly on a different topic, that of racism. For all of the accusations of racism and injustice, he said, Americans "is not a racist nation, though it may be in part or part of the time. In a racist nation, you have to have racism built into law or into religion."

Hayakawa said that this country's acceptance of its Japanese Americans in the decades since Pearl Harbor is one proof that it is a dynamic society capable of meeting racial and cultural problems. —Monterey Peninsula Herald



'Shucks—somebody's just imagining monsters.'

## LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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

### Monzonor Speech

Editor: Jim Matsuoaka's "Manzanar Speech" (PC, Jan. 1-8) compels me to write again about the misconception of the Manzanar riot. According to him, the riot was precipitated because "we sought, even here, self determination by selecting our own government body, this was denied." However, the writer forgot to mention that he is ignoring the fact that the leaders of the riot—Joe Kurihara, Ben Kishi of the Black Dragons, some members of the Butokukai, judo clubs, etc.—wanted to establish a pro-Japan self-government.

"They told me many times, 'We will run the camp to welcome the victorious Japanese Imperial Army and you will be the first one machine-gunned.'"

Their misguided and distorted protest against injustice of the evacuation order drove thousands of innocent Japanese Americans to the Tule Lake Camp, some shouting "Japan will win. America will be destroyed."

In the cold winter of December, 1945, the first 400 hard core of the renunciantes including Kurihara left for the "victorious homeland" via Seattle. Many of their first letters to some 16,000 segregationists at Tule Lake were, "We lost the war. Don't come to Japan." In spite of the pleas, thousands did go to Japan including my sister and her family. We all know that racism drove us into concentration camps. But 23,000 Nisei and hundreds of Issei—men and women—knew better that their place was in the U.S. armed services to fight the fascist axis—Berlin, Rome and Tokyo. We had no choice but to "accept" America as is at that time over Hitler's ovens and the rape of Nanking.

I want to make it clear once and for all that there were hundreds of Issei who did not refuse to renounce the Emperor. Among them was Tom Yamazaki of Manzanar, who later joined the occupation army in Japan and was killed in an aircraft accident (12/10/45). And the well-known Issei Shigeko Ota, was the first Japanese alien to send a telegram to President Roosevelt pledging to fight Japanese militarism. He later served in India with the British Army despite his advanced age.

Manzanar should remain not only as "a monument to racism" as Matsuoaka says, but also to those thousands of evacuees who suffered from that racism and at the hands of the small group of fascist camp disrupters.

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### Christmas Traditions

Editor: The recent article, "San Francisco JACL Board urges Public Schools Restrict Christmas Traditions" (PC, Jan. 1-8) has caused me great concern. The resolution states that we are living in a multi-cultural society. This seems to me to be the very key to the whole idea.

As Americans of Japanese ancestry, we are privileged to enjoy and learn of the many

religious and racial customs of our fellow Americans. The fundamental ideas which are celebrated at Christmas certainly apply to all races, creeds, and religions: peace on earth, goodwill towards men are certainly universal ideas regardless of religion.

To deny children the joy of this season; of learning to share and give; of understanding their fellowmen, is unforgivable. Surely it is the responsibility of all Japanese American people to set an example in these troubled times. Resolutions such as this recent one only prove that there are many among us who are strongly prejudiced.

If we wish to eliminate beautiful traditions because of religious background, we will leave our children a heritage of hate. Surely, we want our grandchildren to have the advantage of the enrichment which our multi-culture society offers them. A knowledge of the customs and beliefs of all religions, whether they be Christian, Jew or Buddhist, can only cause them to respect good men who live up to the basic concept of all religions—the Golden Rule.

Celebrating Christmas seems a perfect way to teach our children peace and goodwill—the very things all good men are working toward in our schools.

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### An outstanding job

The Board and staff of the Nationalities Service Center wish to thank the Philadelphia JACL Chapter for their outstanding participation in the 1970 Folk Fair, which took place at the Philadelphia Civic Center during the week-end of November 20-22. No one knows, except those closely involved, just how much tireless efforts and long hours are expended by those who are representing their ethnic groups at this exciting event.

Philadelphia JACL headed by General Chairman, Albert B. Ikeda of King-of-Prussia, Pa., performed an outstanding job in sharing with our community the beauty of their rich heritage. To Mr. Ikeda and all who worked with him during the year prior to Folk Fair, we offer our appreciation.

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## QUESTION BOX

### Adoption

Q—Who might we contact to adopt those children of mixed marriage in Japan who stand to lose their U.S. citizenship unless they live in this country five years? We've called all over and cannot get an answer. A Lady Who Is Married to a Japanese.

A—International Orphans Society, 7219 Canby, Reseda, Calif., (213) 345-3984.

Join 1000 Club Charter Flight to Japan—1971

## 25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Feb. 2, 1946

State of California pushes program to grab Nisei lands; 5,135 farms owned by Nisei in 1940 subjected to escheat action. . . . California demands federal government maintain financial responsibility for evacuees, estimate state taxpayers face unbudgeted sum of \$1,000,000 for relief. Window smashed in Fenway store opened by Nisei ex-GI (Kiyoto Nishimoto). . . . Cosma Sakamoto joins Placer County American Legion. 16,000 evacuees back in Los Angeles area; 7,000 back in San Jose area.

Nisei war record wipes out bar to Hawaiian statehood. House subcommittee says in recommending favorable ac-

tion. . . . Scheduled departure of reparations held up until Canada supreme court rules on validity of government edict. . . . Sgt. Ben Kuroki joins protest against N. Y. Daily News columnist for anti-Semitic statements. Two Nisei sisters who aided Nazi PWs in Colorado complete prison term.

Shooting of Issei farm worker in Walnut Grove found to be accidental, fired by man a mile away shooting tin cans in the air. . . . With WRA closing June 30, functions of WRA to resettle evacuees may be handled by new federal agency. . . . Sono Osato appears with Mary Martin in "One Touch of Venus" on Broadway.

## We should probe merit system in Civil Service

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The time has come, it seems to us, when the community—and we mean specifically the Japanese community—ought to take a long, hard look at the civil service system.

Because it is thought to hire and promote strictly on the basis of objective tests, civil service has built an image in the minds of minority peoples as the one place where color

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creed or national origin—elements over which an individual has no choice and about which he can do nothing to change—will have no bearing on his chances for employment or promotion.

That this Eden of employment is not without a few snakes is common knowledge to anyone who has ever tried to make his way up the system.

Recent cases, such as those of Francis Ching in the County Arboretum hassle and Ed Lee in the County Health Department, point up the fact that it is in the promotions to the upper echelons of the system that civil service is not what it's cracked up to be.

And the culprit is what is commonly called "The Rule of Three" in which out of an eligibility list established by tests, the powers-that-be who select the candidate have a choice among the top three candidates.

How subtly and indirectly this rule can be used to completely shut out a candidate, who for some reason displeases his bosses, from even a chance at a promotion is seen in the case of James M. Yoshinaga, a city planning associate in the hierarchy known as the City Planning Department.

As an "associate," Yoshinaga is several steps up the ladder from the lowest rung. In a department which employs 239 people (from Cal families down to the lowest "go-for"), Yoshinaga is aiming for the level in which there are only 25 positions. Above the 25 city planners are seven senior city planners, two principal planners, one planning official, one assistant director and one director.

In 1965 when he first took the test for city planner, Yoshinaga ranked in the top 10 and was told by his superiors to try harder. He did. In 1967 when the test was given again, Yoshinaga ranked first.

Since then, five openings have occurred in the city planner ranks, and Yoshinaga was passed over each time. This has resulted in the current eligibility list containing three Japanese Americans as the top candidates, which means that the next selection will have to be a Japanese. Curiously enough, when this happened, there were no more openings for city planner.

And in the meantime, the list on which the Japanese Americans rank as one-two-three has expired on Jan. 24.

As "Laugh In's" Arte Johnson would say, "Verry interesting!"

Director Cal Hamilton can throw up his arms in horror when charges of racial discrimination are brought up, because as he points out, of the five who were promoted over Yoshinaga, one is Korean, one is Filipino and one is black. Not only that, in the step above city planner, Kei Uyeda, a Nisei, is one of seven senior city planners in the department.

But, does this prove that a Japanese American has an equal opportunity for advancement? Not because he has to be manifestly better than any other co-worker to get the chance.

Why? As one Caucasian co-worker observed from the sideline, "there is a strong, unconscious attitude prevailing that somehow considers all three Japanese candidates unequal due to certain personality traits or lack of aggressiveness not generally manifested by persons of oriental ancestry."

We have been told by other sources that when Yoshinaga sought to find out the reasons why the door was shut so firmly in his face, he was told that he lacked leadership, that his technical knowledge lacked depth, that in the opinion of the higher-ups, he lacked competence.

This is a completely subjective opinion which is glaringly belied by Yoshinaga's performance in the civil service test, which not only includes a written but an oral examination administered by competent outsiders, such as professors of planning and engineering from the local universities.

Why put a man through the rigors and anguish of tests if his chances for promotion are going to depend on the subjective whims of superiors who apparently can give any reason they want for not promoting him?

We are not incensed because Yoshinaga was not promoted. We are incensed because he was not even given a chance to show his leadership abilities and his general competence for the job that the most objective test available clearly indicate Yoshinaga should have. Civil service does have a six-month probationary period during which the candidate is evaluated for



Bill Marutani

## East Wind

Philadelphia

GIDDYAP CHAMBARRA — The world of fantasy and make-believe has a great deal of appeal for many of us. It provides an escape, albeit temporary, from some of the harsh realities of daily turmoil. And so it is that this writer enjoys uncomplicated "horse opera" movies abundant with action laced in a right-will-triumph theme a la Clint Eastwood.

Even more enjoyable is the rare fare,—"rare" at least for most of us on the East Coast who enviously drool over advertisements in the West Coast vernaculars touting the current "nihon shashin" (no, not "eiga") at the Toho—of chamberla with the superswordsmen who miraculously, but nonetheless vaguely plausibly, overwhelms a villainous lord's retainer of bowmen, spearmen and swordsmen.

REVERSE PROJECTION—I daresay that particularly if you happen to be a male, you may even project a bit of yourself on the "chambarra" scene, your (magnificent) talents and (amazing) reflexes guiding that swishing "nippon-toh" in the cause of honor, justice and loyalty.

Or if it be a more modern time of any Saturday or Sunday afternoon before the TV screen, you are vicariously the quarterback calling the signals against the Colts, and when the ball is snapped your role easily shifts to that of the halfback who surges ahead into a broken field run for long yardage. Such is the boyhood of man.

REALITY OF FAIRYLAND—And yet one cannot always remain anesthetized in fantasy. Last week I chaperoned a delighted gang of our kids and their friends to the Ice Follies, always a graceful, elegant display of glitter, talent and pulchritude. As I watched the dazzling chorus line of 32 skaters (I counted 'em) I did a double-take when I suddenly realized there was not a single non-white! I then checked around the dozen or so other skaters, thinking there must be at least one Mexican, Black, Oriental, or . . . But there was none.

And this started me to thinking, to engage in some rationalization so that I might not spoil for myself this evening's escape into fantasy.

NATURAL RHYTHM—Certainly non-whites have as much coordination and agility as whites; some even say, with an enigmatic expression, even a lot of "natural rhythm" insofar as Blacks are concerned. So why weren't there some gliding on that ice? Indeed, aside from some token exceptions, why aren't there minority people participating in tennis tournaments, golf classics, national bowling championships?

The rationalization went something like this: Where the activity involved requires appreciable outlay of monies, such as a tennis court, golf screens, ice rink, etc. with commensurate costs of equipment and fees, then those who had neither the necessary funds, nor the time, nor the opportunity (how many golf courses adjoin ghettos?) are not able to participate. On the other hand, physical competition which is not so restricted—baseball (any open lot), basketball or football (ditto), or boxing (just a pair of fists)—happen to be precisely the area in which minorities have been able to penetrate in meaningful numbers, albeit "Jackie Robinson A.D."

A specific Nisei example: Most of us, even in those lean years of our boyhood, were somehow able to scrape together the price of a "judo-gi". On the other hand, very few Nisei were "kendo" fencers with its comparative large outlay of money for the necessary paraphernalia of a mask, chest shield, padded gloves and bamboo sword.

It's tough to be poor. As most of us know.

### On Second Thought

Warren Furutani

## The Poor



Today I stood witness to the beginnings of the death of America as we know it. I sat and watched while the head administrator of the Dept. of Public Social Services explained to a room full of poor people about how they should help him. Help him combat the bureaucracy of the welfare department. He tried to neatly pass the buck which states "In God We Trust", but instead availed himself to righteous criticism from the people.

"Why do you send New Procedure memos to legal aliens with a deadline for response of five days? Why do you send them written in English?" Why, they asked. Is Mr. Hayashida of Shio Tokyo going to understand? Is Mr. Alvarez going to be able to understand that if he does not reply within the five-day limit (and two days were used up in the mailing so three days remain), that his welfare will be cut off?

The white administrators and one black faced an audience whose color of skin spanned that of the human rainbow. Obviously they had forgotten that without poor people they would have no one to social-work over or would reactionary America have a scapegoat. Without the poor they would have no jobs. The jails would be a much less frequented place by the poor so that probation officers would have no one to watch over. Then without jobs the social workers and probation officers would become the poor.

Yes, there are poor and hungry people in America. Believe me they are not all lazy or degenerate like many people would like to think. Understand that in the future, many people will be talking out of the other side of their mouths. Unemployment is on the rise. Technology is making automation an efficient reality of tomorrow. Engineers are working themselves out of jobs.

Is job security a real thing anymore? I know there's Warren running around saying "the sky is falling". Believe what you will because I have a secure job with JACL or is it secure? Power to the People.

his actual performance in the ly wrong and inhuman about job, and if he doesn't cut a system which purports to be fair on one hand but which manipulates criteria to suit its own purpose. It's an Alice-in-Wonderland nightmare in which one is being punished for something—but what?

Since the criteria are so subjective, it may be useless to speculate on the reasons why Yoshinaga does not appear to have a "sponsor" among the upper echelon personnel. There is something definite-

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