

Washington Newsletter
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Historic House Vote



Washington

After 182 years of condoning what has been officially called the teller vote, last week (Mar. 2) the National House of Representatives changed its procedures for the first time and secured a written record of how each member voted.

This change was among the few truly meaningful and constructive reforms agreed to by the House and the Senate last session in its latest reorganization order. This particular revision applied only to the House, since the Senate has provisions for a record vote on all amendments and bills.

Since the first Congress met, Congressmen who did not want to have their vote known on particular amendments and bills have resorted to the teller vote, which allowed Congressmen to crowd past tellers posted on both sides of the main aisle in the House chamber. These tellers, usually the chairman and the senior minority member of the committee handling the legislation on the floor, would tally the numbers of the Congressmen cumulatively for and against a specific amendment or bill without identifying the names of the individual Congressmen who favored or opposed a particular action. This procedure of rushing past the tellers frustrated even those in the galleries who wanted to record the votes of the various Congressmen on certain legislation.

The historic vote was recorded on the first major bill of the session, which was to increase the national debt limit.

As Congressmen walked past the tellers as before, this time clerks tallied the individual names of the lawmakers in a quicker and more expeditious operation than the time-consuming roll call votes under which earlier Congresses recorded individual votes.

Now that the 435 Congressmen may not hide behind the anonymity of the old teller vote procedures, it is expected that the individual lawmakers will be more responsive to the wishes of their constituents and less likely to be controlled by a few large interests. Thus, the franchise assumes even greater worth.

STATE OF WORLD MESSAGE AND JAPAN

Although United States-Japan relations were not the major topic of the February 25 report of President Nixon to the Congress on the so-called State of the World, they were far from ignored in the 180-page summary of "United States Foreign Policy for the 1970's".

For example, the major section devoted to East Asia and the Pacific began with the President's remarks in November 1969 on the arrival of Prime Minister Sato of Japan. "Today, as we look to the future of the Pacific, we recognize that whether peace survives in the last third of the century will depend more on what happens in the Pacific than in any other area of the world."

After paying tribute to Japan's unprecedented economic growth and calling for more rapid liberation of import and investment opportunities for Americans, the message stated,

"My Administration shares with the government of Japan the conviction that our relationship is vital to the kind of world we both want. We are determined to act accordingly. But the future will require adjustments in the U.S.-Japanese relationship, and the issues involved are too important and their solutions too complicated to be viewed with any complacency on either side.

"Fortunately, they are not. Both the Japanese and American governments regard each other with profound goodwill and mutual respect. Both are determined to show the greatest possible understanding of the interest of the other. The maintenance of that spirit of cooperation and goodwill is not only the goal of our policy toward Japan. It is also the best assurance that the policy will succeed.

"We are two strong nations of different heritages and similar goals. If we can manage our extensive relationship effectively and imaginatively, it cannot help but contribute significantly to the well-being and prosperity of our two peoples and to the nations of the entire Pacific Basin."

THIRD CLOTURE EFFORT FAILS

On Mar. 2, after more than six weeks of "extended" but meaningless debate, the Senate for the third consecutive week refused to shut off the filibuster against a modification of cloture rule 22, which is designed to make it easier to force the end of such filibusters and to bring issues to a vote on their own merits.

The vote last week was 48 to 36 in favor of liberalizing the cloture rule that requires a two-thirds vote of all Senators present and voting to invoke cloture. This was eight short of the necessary two-thirds majority. The first attempt three weeks ago failed by a 48 to 37 margin and the second two weeks ago by a 50 to 36 vote.

Although the momentum of substantially increasing the number of lawmakers who favor the proposed three-fifths instead of two-thirds rule has not been discernible with each successive vote, Senators Frank Church of Idaho and James Pearson of Kansas were able to secure a "final" opportunity to vote on rule 22 on Mar. 9.

If the required two-thirds cannot be mustered for cloture at that time, it is expected that this controversy will be put off probably for the rest of this Congress and the business of the Senate allowed to take precedent.

In the final week of this "great debate", possible compromises will be explored. These include a reduction to the three-fifths majority but with the requirement that the majority of both major parties also be included; permitting a two-thirds majority for the first three weeks or month of debate and then reducing it to three-fifths; using the three-fifths rule for general legislation but requiring the two-thirds majority for appropriations bills and for other rules changes; etc.

New York's Jacob Javits has threatened to raise the constitutional issue again that the Senate, at the beginning of a new Congress, can break off a filibuster for the purpose of changing the rules by a simple majority.

Regardless, by the time of our next Newsletter, this critical issue may have been resolved for this and the next sessions of this two-year Congress.

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Son of wartime 'CL sponsor seeks college board post

LOS ANGELES — Peter R. Taft, 34, attorney and son of National JACL Sponsor Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati, is a candidate for Office of the L.A. Community College District board of trustees in the April 6 primaries.

Taft is part of the "Save Our Community Colleges" slate recently announced to unseat the four-man conservative majority on the seven-member board which runs the eight community or junior colleges. With him are:

Office 1—Roseland Wyman, former city councilwoman; Office 2—Arthur Bronson, Atlantic Richfield executive (this office was vacated by Edmund G. Brown Jr., new secretary of state, a liberal); Office 3—Dr. Kenneth S. Washington, incumbent and only black member on the board; Office 4—Dr. David Lopez Lee, Cal State professor and active in Chicano studies on campus, running against incumbent J. William Orozco, a Chicano and one of four conservatives.

A magna cum laude graduate in physics and philosophy in 1958 and in law in 1961 from Yale, Taft was employed as law clerk to Judge Richard Rives in the appellate court for the fifth district and to Chief Justice Earl Warren of the U.S. Supreme Court in the early 1960s before joining the law firm of Munger, Tolles, Hills and Rickershausen here.

His father, as wartime National JACL sponsor, championed the Japanese Americans during and after World War II when it was not popular to do so. He has continued to support JACL and often mentioned the organization and the Nisei in his radio-TV broadcasts.

Warren program training Japan youth modern farming starts 20th year

SAN FRANCISCO — A group of 142 young Japanese farm trainees arrived here on a chartered Pan American World Airways flight from Tokyo recently (Feb. 27) to spend a year on farms in the United States.

Their arrival marked the start of the 20th year of the program initiated when the first group came in 1952 at the invitation of then governor Earl Warren.

Under the program, operated through the cooperation of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, California Farm Bureau and Japan Farm Federation, more than 3,000 Japanese trainees have come to the U.S.

For many years, the stu-

NEWS CAPSULES

Politics

Hiroto for State Senate committee has received \$3,530 as of Feb. 28 for the campaign, according to Fred I. Wada and George Aratani, finance co-chairmen. Over half came from members of the Japanese American Optimists, of which Edwin Hiroto was president. Hiroto addressed the Asian American Awareness Program at Cal State-Dominguez Hills last Monday night, discussing the "Japanese American and Politics."

Seven Nisei are seeking school board trustee posts in Santa Clara County elections April 20. San Jose JACL president Richard G. Tanaka, architect and urban planner, is seeking a county board of education seat, Eastside Area No. 4, vacated by Alister McAllister who is now a state assemblyman. Mrs. Toshie Iwata, Area 1 incumbent, and orchardist Eichi E. Sakayae are in the Santa Clara Unified District contests. Other Nisei candidates include Tom M. Matsumoto, Evergreen elementary district; Masumi Onishi, Fremont High district; William H. Fujino, Franklin-McKinley district; Toshimi Bill Kumagai, Moreland elementary district.

Awards

Saburo Kido, a National JACL founder and wartime national JACL president, was one of 25 recipients of the Los Angeles City Human Relations Commission award for outstanding community service at the commission's second annual presentations held

March 5... Bill Hong, 39, executive secretary of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and newspaper publisher, was similarly honored by the L.A. City human relations commission for his work with the youth and elderly.

Beauty college operator and UNIC organizer Mike Yamamoto and JACL associate national director Jeffrey Y. Matsui were cited by the Japanese American Jr. Chamber of Commerce at Los Angeles as their "Outstanding Young Men" of 1970 this past week (Mar. 7).

Lt. Col. Robert Y. Ota (U.S. Army Reserve) of Potomac, Md., was conferred the Legion of Merit during ceremonies held at 97th Army Reserve Command headquarters at Fort Meade for outstanding leadership as commanding officer of the 401st Mil Int Det during 1968-70. A longtime D.C. JACLer, in civilian life he is associated with the Defense Dept. at the Pentagon.

Midwest Buddhist Church scout leader Akira Matsushita has earned the Silver Beaver from the Chicago Area Council. He was among 33 to be honored for noteworthy service to boyhood. He has been active since 1938 with Troop 74.

Medicine

Dr. Kouichi R. Tanaka, head of hematology and medical oncology at Harbor General Hospital, Torrance, was elected president of the Los Angeles Society of Internal Medicine. A graduate of Wayne State University School of Medicine, he now teaches at UCLA and was recently awarded a \$200,000 NIH grant to continue his research for another five years in blood diseases.

Redevelopment

Richard T. Kono, 34, with the San Francisco Yerba Buena Center Redevelopment Project has been named successor to Dan Nakatsu of the San Francisco Nihonmachi Redevelopment Project. Kono, a UC Berkeley graduate and has been with the agency the past four years.

Deaths

Thurmond Clarke, 68, of Pasadena retired chief judge of the U.S. district court in Los Angeles, died Feb. 28 after a long illness. A jurist for 38 years, he retired from the federal bench last Sept. 1. While a superior court judge, he rendered his historic decision in 1952 that invalidated the California alien land law which had prevented aliens ineligible to citizenship from owning land. The decision was eventually sustained by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Press Row

Entertainment editor and theater critic of the Altamira Post-Advocate, Ed Sakamoto, 30, of Monterey Park has been voted into the Los Angeles Drama Critics' Circle. Comprised of the top theater critics in the Los Angeles area, the Circle fosters and rewards merit in the American theatre, and encourages theater in Los Angeles. A native of Honolulu he was graduated from the Univ. of Hawaii with a B.A. degree in English.

Travel

Albert S. Kosakura of Berkeley has revealed he is retiring after 20 years from the air transport industry. He has been Japanese traffic manager for Pan American World Airways, served as president of the Buddhist Churches of America board of directors. The California Public Utilities Commission has been asked by John T. Tsai of Los Angeles to authorize a special airport bus service catering to Chinese and Japanese-speaking passengers, linking the airport with New Chinatown, Little Tokyo, two downtown hotels and Bank of Tokyo's Crenshaw branch. PUC said Tsai is requesting permission to meet incoming flights from the Orient. Fare would be \$1.50.

Azumano Travel's 22-day tour of Europe departing from Portland June 26 will include a short stop at Bruyeres, France, Vosges mountain town liberated by the 442nd RCT during WW2. A JACL plaque paying respect to the Nisei war dead is placed at the memorial.

A 250-room, 12-story hotel will be constructed in Okinawa later this year by the Japan Air Lines Development Co., a newly formed subsidiary of Japan Air Lines. The hotel is the first to be officially announced by the firm, which was established to help supply hotel rooms to accommodate the larger number of passengers carried by 747 jetliners.

Sister Cities

The famed Japanese film, "Jigokumon," was shown by the Fresno People's-to-People's Council to raise financial aid for three of Fresno's four sister cities: Kochi, Japan (which experienced a devastating typhoon); Torreon, Mexico (flood damage); and Lahore, Pakistan (hit by cyclone and tidal wave).

Agriculture

Owner and operator of a 900-acre ranch planted to hay and row crops, John Nakamura, 34, of Firebaugh and Fresno Jaycees candidate, was named the outstanding young farmer for the State of California.

He will represent the state at the National Jaycee convention at Madison, Wis., April 7-10.

Active Snake River Valley JACLer and Ontario Buddhist Church member Roy Hasebe, 30, was honored as the "outstanding young farmer of the year" by the Ontario Jaycees last month. With 160 acres, he grows beets, onions, potatoes, corn and barley. Two other candidates for the honor included Jim Nakano, 35, who owns 170 acres and farms 270, raising beets, onions, potatoes and grain. He is also active in the JACL and is a director of the Potato Growers Assn.

Onetime Ontario farmer Howard Fujii is now legislative and commodity director for the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation. An immediate concern of his is the reapportionment of congressional and legislative districts. He fears the rural areas will lose some representation but praised the Oregon system since "bills can't be amended on the floor and there is no such thing as a closed session". Any citizen can testify before a legislative committee and speak if he sticks to the facts and his statements pertain to the bill.

School Front

Dr. James I. Doi, a Stockton-born Nisei, has been named dean of the college of education at the Univ. of Rochester in New York. He had been director of its center for the study of higher education at the Univ. of Michigan. He is married to the former Mary Yamashita of Stockton.

San Francisco State College may padlock its nearly completed \$7.5 million science building under economic measures proposed by Gov. Reagan, according to Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, college president, since the 1971-72 budget has eliminated funds to provide the new building with equipment and supplies. "If we continue to recruit students and funds are not restored, what do we do with the extra students and faculty? If we halt recruiting immediately and funds are restored, who gets blamed when we have

too few students or teachers to occupy the new buildings?" he asked. "We seem to be in a position to lose no matter which way we turn."

Military

Army medical corpsman Sp/5 Masaaki Nakashimo, 23, was killed in action in South Vietnam Feb. 27, his parents, the Hirose Nakashimos of Santa Barbara, were informed. The Hiroshima-born soldier was to have been discharged from service this month. He was drafted after graduating from Santa Barbara City College, serving in Germany until he was transferred in December, 1969, to Southeast Asia. His parents, active Santa Barbara JACLers, operate the Sushin Sukiyaki restaurant.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Gardena Pioneer Project will show "Ikiru" on Mar. 14, 2 p.m., at the Cultural Institute, 2000 W. 182nd St., with those over 60 or under 12 to be admitted free. Others are being asked to donate \$1 to cover film rental.

San Jose

Asians for Community Action, a local Samsel group, will meet with Issai at Leninger Hall Mar. 13, from 11 a.m. to learn and share Japanese craftmaking and games, such as go or shogi, according to Chris Yasuda, project chairman. Last month, the ACA and Eastbay Samsel hosted the Issai at lunch at Kelly Park strolling about the Japanese Tea Gardens and watching the Issai brush-painting.

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LIVINGSTON SCHOOL NURSE Awarded Mental Health Diamond Bell

By VIOLET MASUDA

LIVINGSTON — The Merced County Mental Health Assn. has recognized Mrs. James Kirihara with the coveted Diamond Bell Award for service to the association. Its presentation to Mrs. Kirihara is only the second time it has been given here.

She served the association has been a member of the California Association for Mental Health Public Affairs and has also represented the county on the state board of directors two years.

Mrs. Kirihara is a member of the Health Services board of

directors and for many years has been active with youth activities of the United Methodist Church and the Womens Society of Christian Service.

At the present time, Mrs. Kirihara is on a years leave of absence as nurse for the Livingston Union School District. She has been a school nurse for 12 years. She is currently earning her Master's degree in psychiatric nursing at UC San Francisco.

Mrs. Kirihara and her husband reside at 12208 W. Blvd. They have one son Mark, a

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From the Frying Pan

Casper, Wyoming

WINDY CITY—The first time I saw Casper was just about at dawn on a chilly November morning back in 1942. The late Henry Mitarai and I were on our way by Continental Trailways bus from Heart Mountain, Wyo., to an extraordinary meeting called by JACL officials in Salt Lake City. Somebody must have wielded a lot of clout because our exit passes came through very quickly, and we walked through the gate and climbed on a weary old bus and started out into the unknown. The bus jugged along all night and we reached Casper at first light.

We had no idea what Casper would be like, and during the brief stop there we had no opportunity to find out. No one was out on the streets at that hour. But the wind blew dimly, rattling the sign that hung over the bus depot, sending dust and tumbleweed swirling down the deserted street. That much I remember. Then we boarded the bus again and rode a weary half day further to Cheyenne. There we changed busses and took another equally decrepit one west across Wyoming—Laramie, Rawlins, Rock Springs, Green River, Evanston and on to Salt Lake City.

Business has taken me many times to Casper since then, but last week the mission was a bit different. Casper College, which didn't even exist in 1942, was having a social science seminar and the director wanted someone to talk about the Oriental minority in the United States and particularly about the role Wyoming played during the evacuation years. The director himself looked too young to remember much about World War II. Most of the students weren't even born at the time Heart Mountain War Relocation Camp with 10,000 evacuees from the West Coast was Wyoming's third largest community. So they listened in surprise and awe as the evacuation story was unfolded, and their faces were troubled when it was explained that Title II of the Internal Security Act still made it possible for similar concentration camps to be filled should there be a new "emergency."

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN HERE?—A large part of Casper's Establishment is of postwar vintage. As in most other Western cities the natives are scarce, and vigorous newcomers have moved into positions of influence and authority. A few Casper oldtimers remember when there was "that camp" up around Cody. They cluck-cluck sympathetically, recalling what a bad thing it was. But they are vague about details because that was long ago, and besides they didn't pay much attention to the fact that American citizens were being held behind barbed wire in their state. They had been preoccupied with other matters.

Thus it is not surprising when on introduction a member of the Establishment shakes hands warmly and in his friendliest manner asks: "How long have you been in this country?"

"Over 50 years," I tell him, and surprise creeps into his eyes. Surely his next question would have been, "How do you like our country?" but he never gets a chance to ask it because he realizes he has committed a faux pas in assuming that this stranger with the Oriental face was a foreigner. Perhaps his embarrassment will be assurance that he will not make the same mistake again. Still, it points up the necessity for Nisei to get around the country even more than they do, making themselves known.

Actually, this Establishment man knows better. There are a few—not many—Nisei in Casper. He has had other contacts with Nisei in his business. He knows what the Nisei are. He just wasn't thinking; he just simply assumed when he saw Asiatic features that the man was a foreigner. But then, it is just this sort of careless, thoughtless assumptions that the Nisei must continue to fight against.

AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka

It Still Grates

Seattle
"Japs". We don't see the word in print at all these days. Thanks to efforts by the JACL and other thinking organizations.

But we happened on the word the other day. Visualize an 8 column x 6 inch reverse block, a banner. A front page head in 360 point type, 5 inches tall, screaming: PEACE!

"Jap Surrender Ends War ... Cease Fire Order Issued ... MacArthur Given Command ... Hirohito Tells of Defeat ... City Blows Lid on 2-Day Holiday ... Jap Planes Still Attack ... Japs ..."

The date on the paper is August 15, 1945. An interesting front page. One we had not seen before, and one of a series of historic front pages being used by a local mutual savings bank (our client) as a format for full page ads in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

The bank injects its selling message into several of the columns. Buys the full page, then runs a 2x10 or 5x5 ad right on Page 1. Clever.

The ad agency buys photo-credit blowups from the microfilm division of Bell & Howell. Full-sized pages. One can now buy prints of any page, any date, any edition of the P.I.

At any rate, we had some heated conversations with a young account executive (AE) and an art director on the use of the "Peace" issue, as it was—with the "Japs" in the headlines.

How would it grab you? It bothered us. We rushed a lot of Yamato blood upstairs on this. For the bank to use it for an ad of its own.

We don't argue that the newspaper page itself is historic. But, by using it as an advertisement, we felt it becomes a piece of ad copy. The headline and all originating from the bank. Bad for the bank. Bad for the Japanese.

We got emotional, too. Suggesting (threatening) that the Kent (Wash.) Japanese will be withdrawing their money from the bank's branch there.

The young AE said, "I'm Polish, and it doesn't bother me if you called me 'Poles'." (Like hell!) "I'm Japanese, and it bothers me," we said. "Even though the reference is to the then enemy Japanese. Though the front page is dated 1945."

"And we don't want our client-bank to come off as a racist, do we?"

"You just go ahead, and you'll have the Japanese Embassy, the State Department, the Governor, the Mayor, human rights groups, civil rights groups—all writing to the president of the bank... and demonstrators around the bank's branches... and the Japanese pulling out deposits..." (Real thick.)

We just gotta watch these youngsters. Guys who were 10 to 15 years old in 1945. Seems we won the argument, but...

We wonder. How other Japanese would feel and react, now, seeing a newspaper headline or story with "Japs" and the late movies on TV, too.

It's been a long time since those war years. Now, suddenly, this front page. This ad. How would it grab you? (Readers of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer saw an ad on March 2, the historic "Peace" front page—with slightly altered headlines. Shame, we couldn't do it in 1945.)

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JACL bowling meet results

Continued from Front Page

1—Gary Yamauchi (Gardena) 1945; 2—Dick Shigemura (Seattle) 1829; 3—John Suzuki (Santa Barbara) 1821; 4—Ray Yamada (L.A.) 1820; 5—Paul Miyai (Urb.) 1819; 6—Rich Duval (East Bay) 1805; 7—Tami Takagi (SLC) 1789; 8—Bob Onishi (Ogden) 1788; 9—Dean Asami (East Bay) 1784; 10—Ivan Ogata (SLC) 1745; 11—Pete Katakawa (LA) 1777; 12—Richard Nakamura 1760; 13—Rick Katakawa (East Bay) 1760; 14—George Inai (SF) 1757; 15—George Wong (LA) 1752; 16—Haj Fukumoto (LA) 1750; 20—Dick Ogawa (SF) 1748; 21—Gene Sato (SLC) 1747; 22—Shig Nakagawa (Denver) 1745; 23—Joe Sato (Idaho) 1745; 24—Yuji Okumura (SLC) 1745; 25—Bud Nakagawa (El Cerrito) 1744; 26—Art Murakami (SF) 1743; 27—Harry Yamaguchi (SLC) 1743; 28—Monte Vincent (SLC) 1740; 29—Kate Noma (Berkeley) 1740; 30—Ken Matsuda (Denver) 1739; 31—J. J. Kanegae (LA) 1734; 32—Haj Fukumoto (LA) 1732; 33—Ken Takeno (SLC) 1727; 34—Harry Yui (SF) 1727.

Men's Team Event

1—South Seas Cafe (SLC) 3038; 2—Edwin F. B. Auto (Denver) 2770; 3—Honolulu AJA (Hawaii) 2632; 4—Ben Lomond Lanes (Ogden) 2630.

Men's Doubles

1—Kats Nomura-George Nomura (Albany) 1257; 2—Sam Kawarishi-Sam Fukumoto (LA) 1256; 3—George Inai-Long Bay (Don Aoki) (Gardena) 1228; 4—Haj Fukumoto-Gary Yamauchi (Gardena) 1199; 5—Speedy Shiba-Harry Yamaguchi (SLC) 1192; 6—Ch Kaminaka-George Wong (LA) 1190; 7—Aki Fujimori-Chiff Nakagawa (SLC) 1188; 8—Sho Sugiyama-Pete Oki (SLC) 1152; 9—Bill Nozaki-Bob Onishi (Urb.) 1148.

SQUAD PRIZES

1—Roy Miyai-Lyman A. Kano (Urb.) 1128; 2—Bill Watanabe-Terry Shiotani (Urb.) 1081; 3—Stephen Oda-Lloyd Ryujin (Urb.) 1187; 4—Hiroshi Hutech-Okinura (SLC) 1064; 5—Y. Mizuno-H. Inai (Japan) 1062; 6—Dag Nakagawa-Shig Nakagawa (Sacto) 1072; 7—Haj Miyayama-Tak Togami (SLC) 1112; 8—Yui Omura-John Tono (LA) 1103; 9—Hall Muroya-Tak Yamaguchi (Colorado) 1124; 10—Hiro Miyamoto-Toshio Arita (Hawaii) 1112; 11—George Ushijima-Harry Nishimura (Alameda) 1183; 12—Tomoko Shimizu-Tosh Igata (Urb.) 1187; 13—Warren Hasegawa-Jack Arai (SLC) 1138; 14—Clifford Abe-Ryan Kane (SLC) 1135; 15—Bryan Uyeda-Vince Itatani (SJ) 1180; 16—John Tsunemori-Kate Nishida (Idaho) 1152; 17—Frank Nakashima-Gene Sato (SLC) 1190; 18—Yui Imamura-Pete Katakawa (LA) 1148; 19—Bill Nozaki-Bob Onishi (Ogden) 1147; 20—Ken Takeno-Pap Miyai (SLC) 1173; 21—Yasuichi Yamaguchi-Gary Aoyama (Hawaii) 1142; 22—Tad Yamada-John Suzuki (LA) 1191; 23—Gish Endo-George Gee (SF) 1154.

Men's Singles

1—Dean Asami (East Bay) 685; 2—Tom Nakamura (SLC) 612; 3—

Chicanos oppose East L.A. area annexation plans

MONTREY PARK — Nearly 200 residents of Monterey Park and East Los Angeles jammed the City Hall on Feb. 22 to hear the City Council vote 3-2 to allow annexation proceedings for a portion of the East Los Angeles community to continue, as proposed by residents of the area.

The area proposed for annexation by Monterey Park involves approximately 300 acres of northern East Los Angeles.

The annexation proposal will be submitted now to the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO), which will schedule another hearing on April 14 or later.

Included in the annexation request is the portion of East Los Angeles bounded by the city boundaries on the north, the back lot of Vancouver Ave. on the west, Via Corona and the alley between Via Campo and E. Pomona Blvd. on the south and the city boundary on the east.

City Manager Gerald Weeks verified that of 1,248 possible signers for annexation, proponents have submitted 528, 403 of them registered voters. Mrs. Doris Ortega, a proponent, submitted another 100 signatures.

"I would like to see that these people have an opportunity to decide for themselves," declared Councilman George Ige in voting for the annexation.

Sal Garcia of the Central Committee for the Incorporation of East Los Angeles, charged that the Japanese Americans "instigated the annexation, that 90 per cent of those involved are Japanese Americans."

Some opponents of the annexation proposal were noticeably upset, and a number of them showed their anger with threats and cries of "Wait 'til the next moratorium."

You Are Cordially Invited to Attend AN HOUR OF BEAUTY Friday, March 12 - 7:30 p.m.

PRESENTED BY TOY KANEGAI at Felicia Madrid Center 11338 Santa Monica Blvd. Los Angeles, Calif.

MARUKYO Kimono Store 101 Weller St. Los Angeles 628-4369

At any rate, we had some heated conversations with a young account executive (AE) and an art director on the use of the "Peace" issue, as it was—with the "Japs" in the headlines.

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letter-writing campaign to the governor, board of supervisors, state and county welfare officials.

The district council voted to support the welfare rights of the Issei and authorized funds to have the national legal counsel or his representative testify at the Mar. 17 public hearing in San Francisco on social welfare.

With reference to Manual Letter 155, which instigated the furor among the Issei welfare recipients, the district council contended the state directive was ambiguous when it came to local implementation and opposed the stopping of aid to the Issei.

Mas Uyesugi of Orange County moderated the social service workshop in the absence of Kiyoshi Kawai, committee chairman.

Charlie Chan

George Takei, national cultural heritage committee chairman, chaired the workshop on cultural heritage, where the issue of a Charlie Chan being portrayed by a non-Asian in a National Broad-

1000 Club Report

Feb. 26 Report

National JACL Headquarters acknowledged 100 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club for the second half of February, including one in the Century Club (\$100 a year), Henry T. Tanaka of Cleveland. Current total stands at 2,108.

12th Year: Sacramento — Joe Matsunaga; Salt Lake City — Roy Taehiki.
19th Year: Parlier — James N. Kozaki.
18th Year: Parlier — Robert I. Okamura; Eden Township — Tetsu Sakai.
17th Year: San Francisco — Dixie Hunt; East Los Angeles — Cy S. Yaguchi.
16th Year: Stockton — Lou S. Tsunekawa; Snake River — Mas Yano.

15th Year: Rexburg — Hiroshi Miyasaka; Portland — Dr. Robert H. Shiohira.
14th Year: San Fernando Valley — George K. Kato; Detroit — Arthur A. Matsunaga; Mile-Hi — Dr. Takashi Miyasaka; New York — Kiyoshi Sugiyama; Puget Sound Valley — Kazuo Yamane.
13th Year: Eden Township — Yoshimi Shibata.

12th Year: San Francisco — Hideo Kasai; Boise Valley — Tony Miyasaka; George Tamura; Berkeley — George Yasukichi.
11th Year: Arizona — John Sakata; Snake River — Mrs. Pil Sugai; Chicago — Kenji Tanaka.

10th Year: Reedley — Kiyoshi Kawamoto; Arizona — T. Comp Kuramoto; Miles — Mrs. Miyasaka; Lake City — Choppo S. Umemoto; Placer County — Tadashi Yogo.

9th Year: San Francisco — Dr. Kazuo Nii; Salt Lake City — Floyd Okubo.
8th Year: Salt Lake City — Dr. Jun Kuramoto; Pasadena — Dr. Thomas T. Omori; Dayton — Ken F. Sugawara.

7th Year: Stockton — Ted I. Miyasaka; Chicago — Dr. Katsuo Takei.
6th Year: D.C. — Ben Fukutome; Eden Township — Tom Hatakeyama; Detroit — Dr. Herbert T. Iwata; Mt. Olympus — Mrs. Ida Y. Nino-mura.

5th Year: Orange County — Dr. George N. Asawa; San Jose — Kay Kawasaka; Gardens — Mrs. Amy E. Nagahori; Henry M. Nagahori; Boise Valley — Max Takasago; Berkeley — Dr. Yoshinori Tanaka.
4th Year: Berkeley — Teruo Nobori; Prog. Westside — Gus M. Shiomoto; Pasadena — Tom Yano.

3rd Year: New York — Minoru Harada; Detroit — George Y. Kubo; Placer County — W. D. Lauritzen; Eden Township — Jerry Shibata.

2nd Year: Chicago — Joseph Clements; Mrs. Alice Hager; Kazuma Hayashi; Anthony Kepler; Mrs. Betty Smith; Mrs. Yasukawa; Mrs. Kikuyo Yasukawa; Cincinnati — Mrs. Gloria Farison; Hollywood — Jack T. Ishii; Salt Lake City — James T. Ishii; San Francisco — Mrs. Mikiko Yano; East Los Angeles — Tomoko Ogita; Roger M. Yano; Pasadena — Susan Tanaka; Twin Cities — Carl Somekawa; Berkeley — Robert Sugimoto; Seattle — Nobutsu Tanaka; Long Beach — Haruo Tanaka; Los Angeles — Charles M. Yano.
1st Year: Reno — Dr. Eugene Choy; Karyu Fults; James Ihara; Ronald Yamamoto; Hollywood — Arthur M. Eni; Frank U. Koyama; Cincinnati — Perry Garver; Samuel J. Morris; San Fernando Valley — Jimmy S. Gozawa; Bob Matsunaga; Makoto Shiroishi; New York — Ronald N. Inoue; Kathy K. Uchida; Salt Lake City — Jimi Mitsunaga; Carl K. Tashiro; Chicago — Dr. Paul Morimoto; Mrs. Josephine Mundo; Tatsuhi Tsuka; Spokane — Sam Morimoto; East Los Angeles — Dr. Max Offenberg; Taro Sakai; Mile-Hi — Hyotei Okumura; Orange County — Henry S. Sakai; San Francisco — Teruo Tanaka; Gresham-Trousdale — H. Takashi Ueda.

CALENDAR

Mar. 13 (Saturday)
West Valley — Issei Night, Monte Vista School, 7:30 p.m. Film: Seven Samurai.
Prog. Westside — Installation luau, Portland — Gen Mtg., New Member Potluck.

Mar. 14 (Sunday)
Puget Sound Valley — Membership Potluck, White Pine Memorial Methodist Church, 5 p.m.
Bay Area Community — Gen Mtg., Bank of Tokyo Japan Center, 1:30 p.m.
Cincinnati — St. Patrick's Day parade.

Mar. 19 (Friday)
Belmont — Discussion: Parent-Child Relations, Karasawa residence, 7:30 p.m.; Reno — Enkoi, 8 p.m.

Mar. 20 (Saturday)
San Jose — Mixed ragtime Dbls. Bowling Tour, Fiesta Lanes.
St. Louis — Gen Mtg. Potluck Supper, Grace Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 21 (Sunday)
Detroit — Gen Mtg. Brightmoor Comm. Ctr., 1:45 p.m.
Mar. 22 (Monday)
Berkeley — Bd Mtg., American S. & L., 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 26-28
Nat'l JACL — Exec Comm Mtg., San Francisco.

Mar. 28 (Friday)
Contra Costa — Candidate Night.
Mar. 29 (Saturday)
D.C. — Potluck supper, St. Catherine Labourer School.

Mar. 30 (Sunday)
Sequoia — Ski Trip: Heavenly Valley, Iv Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 4:30 a.m.

Mar. 31 (Sunday)
Watsonville — Comm. Picnic, Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds.
Edison — Potluck supper and movies.

Apr. 3 (Friday)
West Los Angeles — Earth Sci Mtg., Stinson Playground, 7:30 a.m.
JAL-JACL Fellowship Deadline with District Governors.

Apr. 4 (Sunday)
San Francisco — Information Day, Sonoma County Fairgrounds, 10 a.m.
Orion — baseball, Candlestick Park.

casting Co. TV pilot program was discussed. While the pilot film has been completed by Universal Studios, Takei explained producers are sensitive to what the public has to say about a projected TV series and have made changes in the past.

Takei also called for support from ethnic groups. Chapters with contacts were urged to explain the issue (see Feb. 12 PC). He also reported on another project: a possible JACL festival of Asian American film-makers to introduce them to the industry, to share their talents with the community at large, and to provide opportunities to Asian American film-makers.

On the local scene, Takei hoped JACL would endorse the application of Public Broadcast Service for the last remaining TV channel in Los Angeles. PBS is a non-commercial broadcasting firm.

Tri-District Youth Meet

David Takashima, acting DC youth commissioner, revealed the plans of the California tri-district youth convention to be held later this year somewhere in Southern California. He envisioned nearly 200 delegates would be present to orient youth to community involvement and in Jr. JACL. Each chapter will be asked to contribute at least \$20 and each district council \$50 toward the convention fund.

The PSWDC authorized \$50 toward the tri-district youth convention fund.
Tad Hirota, national 1000 Club chairman, was introduced by Akira Ohno, district charter flight chairman. Hirota gave a progress report of flight plans. Ohno now has printed brochures for the Los Angeles group flight and may be obtained by writing him care of PO Box 60078, Los Angeles 90060.

Though the district had approved in principle at the previous quarterly session at East Los Angeles to assume across-the-board chapter allocation increases in the budget, after district treasurer Ben Shimazu presented the figures at the first quarterly session the district had some second guesses about meeting the quotas and referred the proposal for a more precise allocation.

Retirement Fund

Masamune Kojima, district legal counsel, reported on the status of the retirement fund received from Capitol Life Insurance Co. He urged the new insurance committee comprised of all chapter insurance commissioners be empowered to negotiate with Capitol Life to secure a complete accounting in order to expedite disbursement or settle the disposition of some \$72,000 now held in trust.

It was Kojima's opinion that the chapter insurance commissioner could best ascertain whether a particular member in his chapter is willing to let the District use the funds for his benefit rather than trying to refund each and every sum.

Kojima also commented on the Orange County JACL proposal for one man-vote in the governing of JACL at the national and district levels. It was his opinion that a drastic overhaul of the National Constitution would be required and urged a broad-based ad hoc committee be organized to review the matter. There is no need for national council concurrence if district council wishes to institute one man-one vote, he added.

On the more immediate question of identifying delegates at the PSWDC district meeting, Kojima suggested district constitution by order secretary at least 14 days clarifying amendments in the ing chapters to notify the dis- gator who the chapter delegates and alternates are.

This issue was raised when a chapter delegate's status was openly challenged at a recent quarterly session.

CHAPTER PULSE

March Events

Casserole potluck
beings planned by D.C.

Washington, D.C. JACL's annual potluck supper this year will feature a covered dish, salad and dessert, according to Haruko Ishiyama, committee chairman. The supper will be held Mar. 27 at St. Catherine LaBoure School, Wheaton. On the committee are:

Katherine Matsuki, consultant; Kay Akagi, Fumie Baba, Kiyoko Imai, Fumi Nishi, Frances Owan, Helen Takagi, food; Gal Asaka, hostess; Florence Sato, ref.; Ruth Ichijima, service; Roy Robin, Ruth Kuroishi, Tsugi Shiroishi, cashiers; Gladys Shimazaki, reserve; Paul Ishimoto, cleanup.

Mike Yamaki addresses
Central Californians

Mike Yamaki of the Yellow Brotherhood in Los Angeles was the main speaker at the special Fowler JACL community meeting Mar. 6 at the Fowler Buddhist Church. He spoke on his organization dedicated to rehabilitation of drug abusers.

Watsonville community
picnic slated March 28

The annual Watsonville Japanese American community picnic will be held Sunday, March 28, 11 a.m., at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, it was announced by the Watsonville JACL picnic co-chairmen Ernest Ueda and Kaz Mio. In case of rain all prizes

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ple, who, through thick and thin, have braved the often thankless job of keeping the thread that holds our organization together, prepared and strong.

Dedicated Members

Our organization, like this world, is a complex, many faceted, and hardworking people who have sacrificed much and their only reward has been the satisfaction of knowing they have done something to make this world, this country and our organization a little more peaceful, and a little more humane.

To accomplish difficult tasks requires more than physical strength. In addition, it usually takes time, money and many sacrifices. When we get this far, we have a certain amount of personal investment in the outcome of our pursuit. Therefore, we all have vested interests which we would like to see succeed, hopefully, for the best interest of all concerned. When our personal interests and the public's interests coincide, we have shared responsibility and commitment. But when there is conflict, regardless of the degree, then our shared responsibility and commitment should continue, but this is not always the case.

Depending on the individual concerned and the activity concerned, we may see a successful fruition of the goal. However, in some instances, divisions may arise. How do we solve these divisions? We will test the mettle of our organization and its members. In Japanese Americans we have fighters. We are fortunate for this. The fighters are fighting for the same cause. However, when there is a division, and there is an opponent and opponent, how are we to satisfactorily reach a fair and equitable solution?

For Unity

Japanese Americans being what they are, that is, strong-willed people, the task becomes frighteningly delicate. I cannot say the intensity and fierceness are different from other groups, but I can say the consequences, in many cases, have been devastatingly catastrophic. The internment warfare has diluted our strength and has created a great deal of ill feeling among fellow JACLers and people of Japanese ancestry. Generally, time heals wounds, but the scars may remain. Fortunately, in spite of our differences, as a whole, we have been able to survive many internal battles. It is hoped we will be able to continue in a manner

will be distributed by drawing to be held at the commercial building on the Fairground around noon.

Besides the merchandise donated by the local business firms, a special prize will be offered. When the picnic ground they will be given free tickets for the drawings.

Installation

Progressive Westside
luau to honor officers

A new wrinkle for JACL installation dinners is promised by Progressive Westside JACL at its potluck luau tomorrow (March 13, 4:30 p.m.) at the Pacific Unitarian Church in Palos Verdes, 5621 Monte Malaga Dr.

Admission will either be \$2.50 or enough food for five people, which is being coordinated by Eileen Nakano (DA 9-4997) and Elko Shimada (327-3938), who want to make sure there is not too much of either the salad, main dish, dessert or nigiri. The chapter will provide the kalua pig, drinks, plates, eating utensils and entertainment. Diners should bring their own goza.

National Planning adds
district representatives

SALT LAKE CITY — Four JACLers representing their respective district councils have been appointed by Raymond Uno, national JACL president, to the National Planning Commission, chaired by Tom Shimazaki of Tulare County. They are:

NCWDC — Robert Matsui, Sacramento; Yo Hironaka, San Francisco; PNWDC — Dr. James Tsutsumura, Portland; and EDC — William Marutani, Philadelphia.

which will unify and not divide our organization, and, hopefully, because we foster dissent and differences of opinion, our organization will become more democratic and will grow stronger because of it.

A schoolteacher was asking one of her pupils to differentiate between two similar words. School teacher: "Johnny, can you tell me the difference between perseverance and obstinacy?" Johnny: "One is strong will, and the other is a strong won't."

Fortunately or unfortunately, in the Japanese American community, we have many strong wills and strong won'ts. These people have surfaced in the past, have surfaced in the present and will surface in the future. We need these people and we must help them. But they must also realize they must help us.

Previously, in another speech, I mentioned that many people believe in the principle of compromise, but not the principle of principle. However, if we do not compromise principle, have we compromised at all? We each can have strong wills and strong won'ts, but if neither side is willing to relent, then the battle lines are drawn, and, in the international sense, the extension of the failure of diplomacy is that we all talk peace and preach peace, then fight and die for peace.

If we truly mean what we are saying about peace, why do we have to go to war to secure peace? In the same token, if we are truly seeking brotherhood, the elimination of racism, the fostering of harmony and good intergroup and interracial relationships, why do we fail, and, in some cases, miserably, to represent ourselves for what we purportedly stand and believe and say is our irrevocable principle?

As in the case of the classic capitalist, we believe in the free enterprise system; that is, we believe in competition for everyone else, but not for ourselves, we want a monopoly. Likewise, those people who profess to be doing good for others for the benefit and welfare of the organization or community, cannot exempt themselves from what they profess and do.

Works Both Ways

The leadership of JACL has been, directly or indirectly, accused of "copping out" on certain matters: these matters in some cases involving principle. The leadership can be as obstinate as the next person and give a strong won't. It can work both ways. Sometimes in favor and sometimes in opposition to a particular individual, or group.

Because we have made certain decisions, we have been damned by some and praised by others. Whatever our decision, I can honestly and sincerely say our intent and purpose was to be objective, fair and charitable to all concerned. Without regard to personal attacks on us, we tried to make the best decision for the welfare of our organization, not merely for now, but for the future. Whatever unfortunate mistakes of practice or procedure we may have made, these were not done maliciously, vindictively or carelessly, although we have been accused by some people of doing so.

We will not make the right decision in every case. However, I am confident we will make the right decision in most of the cases and, especially, in the important matters. If we are wrong, help us to see the light; if we are right, help us to move with stronger conviction to tackle bigger and better things.

Recently, a foreman, a tough, conceited individual, boasting of his strength, "I can lick any man working for me," he declared. "You can't lick me," said a new employee. The foreman looked over the young man's muscular frame very carefully, then spoke: "You're fired," he said.

We who purport to be the leaders of our organization, are very selfish and obstinate stand and say to those who disagree with us, if you don't like what we are doing, get out. That would be a very shortsighted approach for we need each and every member.

On the other hand, the member who disagrees with us can say, "I disagree with you, but I will stay in the organization, and I will run this organization, then I am going to quit or withhold support from you, inactivity, or the doesn't help the individual or the organization, but merely weakens both."

A friend of mine, who happens to be a lawyer, has a son and the son told him he would not defend a man whom he believed to be guilty. My friend replied, "Son, you mustn't set your judgment up against that of the majority. I have defended plenty of men whom I believed to be guilty, but the jury decided otherwise."

No matter what we personally think public opinion may be against us. We may be in a peculiar situation where we know more of the facts or circumstances or our experience may help shed more light on a particular case and the general public may see only what is obvious and judge the facts and come up with an entirely different conclusion.

In some instances, only the passage of time and the unraveling of future events may vindicate the decision of the leadership. Therefore, in passing judgment, if you are part of the general membership, have some trust in your leadership.

"My boy," said a businessman to his son, "there are two things that are vitally necessary if you are to succeed in business." . . . "What are they, dad?"

"Honesty and sagacity" . . . "What is honesty?"

"Always — no matter what happens, no matter how adversely it may affect you — always keep your word once you have given it." . . . "And sagacity?"

"Never give your word."

The JACL Ship

The leadership of JACL can be honest, we believe in the free enterprise system; that is, we believe in competition for everyone else, but not for ourselves, we want a monopoly. Likewise, those people who profess to be doing good for others for the benefit and welfare of the organization or community, cannot exempt themselves from what they profess and do.

ship into the sea of adversity and let it turn and turn in every direction come what may. Or, we can even guide the ship to avoid the tempestuous storm. But the JACL ship will be none the wiser, none and more experienced, none and more experienced.

We choose, however, to learn to navigate in all kinds of weather and storms and to bring the ship safely back to port after every voyage. But we will need your help.

Your chapter has done a good job till now. I know it will continue to do a good job. We wish to thank you for your efforts. We would like to ask you to go the extra mile and do an even better job than you have done before. The new area we need more money to finance our programs adequately.

I just received a friendly card from an acquaintance vacationing in Hawaii. The card reads: "Having a wonderful time. Wish I could afford it."

We have many hardworking committee and projects. We are in a sense having a wonderful time in that we are achieving some concrete goals. Our only problem is we need more money to finance our programs adequately.

A budget is said to be a method of worrying before you spend your money instead of after. We have now, a special budget com-

mittee chaired nationally by Frank Yoshimura of our Mt. Olympus Chapter. The function of the budget committee is to ascertain the needs and various committees, officers, staff and other items as we can operate on a fiscally sound basis.

Our income, unfortunately, is not unlimited. Whatever we spend, we must raise through our membership in one way or another. If we overspend, we must reduce our expenditure and this means, at this point, reduce our staff, which requires the largest bulk of our biennial appropriation. Therefore, if we say an item is unbudgeted, those committees needing more funds, particularly outside sources.

There is no question, everyone can use more money. However, not everyone can use money sensibly and imaginatively. The order task is to raise money, a task very few people can do in large sums. Therefore, we caution all committees to use extreme foresight and forebearance in the use of allotted funds, both on the chapter, district council and national level.

As you are aware, we have several new categories of membership. The \$8.50 regular, the

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Congressional Score

Honolulu

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye said here Feb. 18 that "continuation of fixed American military bases on Asian soil will prove counter-productive to our national interests—much as our military presence has proven to be in Vietnam—when such presence is prolonged." In a luncheon address to the Statewide Conference on Hawaii's International Activities at the Ilika, Inouye denounced past American political and military policies in Asia as a "subtle form of imperialism."

Inouye added: "The imposition of Western-style democratic government as a prerequisite of our support and friendship is not only unrealistic and unwarranted but, in itself, a subtle form of imperialism we must avoid."

Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga declared Feb. 18 in Washington that discrimination in any form, including that against women, must not continue. Matsunaga made his remark as he joined House colleagues in co-sponsoring the re-introduction of a resolution which calls for an amendment to the Constitution to ensure equal rights for women. "Discrimination in any form has no place in our society," Matsunaga said. "Before the law, we must all be equal if justice is to be our goal."

Rep. Patsy T. Mink says the best way to share federal revenues would be for the federal government to "allow state income tax credits off of federal income tax payments. Under the present internal revenue code, local and state taxes are allowed only as deductions for determining net taxable income. This provides only modest relief to taxpayers in jurisdictions with high tax rates. Thus I would not propose that state income taxes be allowed as tax credits against the federal tax due. All other local and state taxes would continue as deductions."

Hippies on Maui

Councilman Joe Bulgo of Maui is heading a movement on his island to have the state legislature solve the county's growing hippie problem. Bulgo has presented the county council with a petition signed by 1,500 citizens. It asks that the "legislative bodies of the county and the state take necessary and immediate actions to end a multitude of social, economic and health problems created by the tremendous influx of the transient or hippie population in recent years." (Ed. Note: Bulgo does deserve the complete support of all island residents who are getting sick and tired of these filthy, sordid creatures who are arriving weekly from the Mainland.)

Crime File

There were more murders, burglaries, larceny cases, rapes, robberies, assaults and autos stolen in 1970 in Hawaii than in any previous year, according to police. And the total value of property stolen in burglaries and lar-

cenies during 1970 jumped to a staggering \$4,742,748—more than \$13,000 a day. There were 10,252 burglaries during the year—835 more than the previous record of 9,417 set in 1969.

Hauku Murakami, assistant police chief in charge of investigative operations, says burglars are willing to pay up to \$500 for passkeys to Waikiki hotel rooms to save them the trouble of breaking in. Murakami said most of the reported 200 burglaries a month in Waikiki involve the use of passkeys. He said many of the keys were made during construction of the hotels when workers needed places to lock up their tools overnight.

Univ. of Hawaii

Fire believed to have been set by an arsonist destroyed the Army ROTC building on the Univ. of Hawaii campus Feb. 26. The building was valued at \$40,000. The blaze was reported by a police officer at 3:45 a.m. when he spotted it on a routine patrol past the area. The building, one of three used by the ROTC, is in the quarry area of the campus next to the Otto Klum Gym.

Education

Dr. Robert L. Cushing and Dr. Patrick M. Cochet, both members of the Univ. of Hawaii board of regents, said on Feb. 10 that the board will reconsider its decision to locate the Kaula Community College at Wailua. The reconsideration would follow a new offer of 100 acres of free land at Puhimau recently by Grove Farm, Ltd. of Kaula. Cushing said one of the main reasons for rejecting the Puhimau site had been the size of the parcel offered by Grove Farm, at that time 50 acres.

Names in the News

Friends of Gerard LePage marched in protest before the main gate of Schofield Barracks Feb. 14. LePage is the former seminary student who went AWOL from the Army while on leave from Vietnam in Nov. He went AWOL a second time after being court-martialed and tried to claim sanctuary at Chaminade College chapel. About 40 of his supporters carried placards in front of the Schofield gate for about two hours. There was no trouble at the scene.

Harry Y. Arakaki has been sworn in as new president of Hui Makana, an organization of American citizens of Okinawan ancestry. Other officers are Stanley Yagi, 1st v.p.; Albert Miyashiro, 2nd v.p.; Nara Miyashiro, 3rd v.p.; Amy Chinen, sec. sec.; Judy Miyashiro, cor. sec.; Takehiro Ika, treas.; Beatrice Tomioka, asst. treas.; David Takushi, aud.; and Tokuchi Takushi, adviser. Takehiro Ika was named outstanding member of the year.

Bing Fai Lau, known as "Mr. Iolani School" for many years, was honored at a testimonial dinner Feb. 15 at the King's Garden Restaurant on Waiwai Ave. in Kaimuki. Nearly 500 people attended. He will retire shortly as business manager of the school.

Yasumori Tomi, Honolulu fire department captain, has been elected national vice president of the Muscular Dystrophy Association of America, Inc. He had been president of the association's Hawaii chapter for two years.

Dr. Fujio Matsuda, state transportation director, has told aides that he will keep his present job. He had been considering other job prospects. There had been speculation that Matsuda might accept a post with the Univ. of Hawaii, where he at one time had served as chairman of the

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civil engineering department. Former State educational superintendent Ralph H. Kiyosaki has been named executive secretary of the Hawaii State Educational Officers Assn. The association, incorporated Jan. 1, says it has a membership of 500 public school administrators. Kiyosaki's duties will include membership recruitment, direction of the association's election campaign and contract negotiations.

Roy D. Yamanaka was installed as president of the Young Buddhists Assn. of Honolulu Feb. 20 at Inman Hall on the Honpa Hongwanji grounds. Seven members received certificates of merit. They were Larry Nakamoto, Masaru Uehara, Naomi Nakahara, Hiroshi Takemura, Leona Pfund, Davaene Anana and Deborah Chong.

Albert Q.V. Tom, a vice pres. of the consulting firm of Sunn, Low, Tom and Hara, has been named "Engineer of the Year" by the Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers. He was selected on the basis of professional ability and his active participation in community affairs.

Gambling Issue

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye says "gambling should be smashed to bits." In an interview with a Honolulu newspaper, Inouye said, "One of my dearest friends blew his brains out because of gambling losses." His was one of the strongest denunciations yet heard against legalized gambling in Hawaii. Inouye added: "I would hope that this state legislature, if called upon to call to vote on this measure, would defeat it resoundingly."

Sports Scene

Kamehameha has won the 1971 basketball championship of the Intercollegiate League of Honolulu. The Warriors won the title when the St. Louis Crusaders beat Puhimau, 63-50, Feb. 25 at the Honolulu International Center. Kamehameha posted a 9-3 record to win the championship.

Yed Fukushina, former Kalani High School coach, has been appointed athletic director of the new Hawaii Kai High School. He will replace Salton post at the close of the 1969-70 school year and at present is teaching at Moanalua Intermediate School.

Deaths

Former Big Island legislator Akoni Pule, 65, died Feb. 20. He had served more than 20 years from Hawaii's Kohala District as state representative. He was also a part-time park caretaker.

Hiroshi Kiyosaki, 63, father of state educators Ralph and Thomas Kiyosaki, died Feb. 21. He was a retired photographer. Other survivors include sons Robert and Wayne and daughters Mrs. Cheryl Sakakida and Mrs. June Takano.

Vietnam Casualties

1st Lt. Brian W. Kour, 23, said in an interview two years ago that he felt it was his duty to serve his country in Vietnam. Today the son of Mrs. Edith Kong of 707 Eighth Ave. is dead, having been killed in action Feb. 20 in Vietnam. In June, 1969, Kong was commander of the Univ. of Hawaii's ROTC brigade. He said then that he had planned to volunteer for infantry duty after graduation. "I want to preserve this society," Kong said in 1969, "but I know it is not always going to make the right decisions, and in Vietnam I don't think it did. But if you believe in the society, you support it—you go."

Three Hawaii soldiers have died in Vietnam in recent weeks. They are Sgt. 1C Yoshio A. Takehara, S. Sgt. Fred D. Pakete and Spee 4 Lester W. Allipio. Takehara's brother lives in Wailua. Pakete's wife in Pearl City and Allipio's parents in Hialeah. Army Sgt. Hugh D. Opperman, 21, of 422 Portland Rd. was killed in Vietnam Jan. 22. He was the son of Mrs. Ann Opperman and the late Hugh R. Opperman. The death was Hawaii's 243rd of the war and the third this year.

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Prolix Diary

THE WARTIME JOURNALS OF CHARLES A. LINDBERGH. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, Inc., 1969. \$12.95.

In the mid-1930s, after years of repugnant publicity surrounding the most celebrated crime of the decade, the kidnapping-murder of his son, an embittered Charles A. Lindbergh fled with his wife, a gifted writer, to England in search of privacy. In Europe he found the personal peace he sought, but it was the kind of peace the inhabitants of Pompeii had enjoyed on the eve of the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius.

In Germany, Adolf Hitler had come to power; his saber rattling betokened war. But fearful of the invasion of the West by "Asiatic hordes" who would wipe out civilization, Lindbergh viewed the Germans as a bulwark against the threat. He admired the vitality of the Germans; he was dismayed by the decadence of England and France; he dismissed the Russian experiment as a failure.

The fame of Lindbergh had opened to him most European doors he cared to enter. Beginning in 1938 and ending in 1945, his journal records his association with many highly placed Europeans in the pre-war period.

When Hitler precipitated World War II by invading Poland, Lindbergh returned to America and strove to keep his country from entering the conflict. He became a prominent figure of the America First Committee, which by discouraging intervention impeded President Roosevelt in assisting Great Britain against the Nazis.

After the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor, America First dissolved. Lindbergh sought to assist the war effort.

Wartime Missions

In 1944, he went to the southwest Pacific as a civilian observer. Always ready to endure hardship and danger above the call of duty, he flew 50 missions as a combat pilot, despite his civilian status.

Studying Germany's wartime developments in aircraft and missiles, after the surrender of Germany, he was revolted by the callousness and cruelty of the occupation. "We, who claimed that the German was dealing humanity in his treatment of the Jew, were doing the same thing in our treatment of the Jew. They really are lower than beasts. Every one of 'em ought to be exterminated."

Arochnology

Ramon Mascord, an Australian naturalist who studied snakes for 30 years and supplied laboratories with reptiles for serum, turned his keen scientific curiosity upon spiders. In his AUSTRALIAN SPIDERS IN COLOUR (Tuttle: \$8.75, 198 photos in full color), Mascord hopes many more kinds of spiders are discovered. There are now more than 1,500 known species in Australia alone. He himself found nine new species near Sydney.

For the curious casual like us in North America, we are reminded that spiders have eight legs but we also learn the species of spiders are determined by the genitalia and that requires a microscope and other scientific equipment to identify—H.H.

Unbelievable Indonesia

How the pleasures and perils of travel in Java, Bali and Sumatra affect a white man may not be the case for an Oriental, but the engaging, rough style of Christopher Lucas in his INDONESIA IS A HAPPENING (Walker: \$5.95) might just evoke some Nisei to visit Indonesia and see for himself. Some accounts seem unbelievable, others are gripping, impatient or sympathetic.

Lucas travels by train, plane, boat, jeep, taxi... sleeps in sumptuous hotels, ramshackle inns, jungle huts... sits through a 10-hour puppet show, gets caught in a trance dance, meets painters and prostitutes, lovely legging dancers and we've picked up a bevy of native words which we expect to use in crossword puzzles.

A fast-reading book, we'll agree with Lucas "Indonesia is a happening", not for the uptight and where the senses are sensuously violated.—H.H.

How many times had I heard that statement by American officers in the Pacific? "Oh, we had not starved them in a prison camp like the Germans. We had been too 'civilized,' too clever for that. We had let them starve in the jungle (their own fault) by simply not accepting their surrender." It was only necessary to shoot a few men advancing to surrender with our hands in the air... Marines firing on unarmed Japanese survivors who swam ashore on the beach at Iwajima; the accounts of our machine-gunning prisoners on a Hollandia airstrip; the Australian pushing captured Japanese soldiers out of transport planes through the mouths of Japanese corpses for gold-filled teeth...

Lindbergh has had a distinguished career, greatly influencing the development of commercial and military flying, and making a name for himself as scientist and writer. His book, *The Spirit of St. Louis*, won a Pulitzer prize.

For the most part, however, the public remembers him as the 25-year-old former barnstormer flyer who landed in Paris, May 21, 1927, after completing the first solo flight across the Atlantic. This feat won him world-wide acclaim and made him the idol of America.

Far Too Much

Perhaps the most appealing feature of this bulky volume is the indignation of this brave, unflinching, chivalrous man at the wartime behavior of his countrymen. But it is only in the final 200 pages that he experiences war at first hand. He witnessed the desecration of Japanese corpses. But his accounts of atrocities visited upon the living, though well-authenticated, are based on hearsay. Much of the 1,000 pages deals with the trivia of his private life.

Forty-four years ago, such minutiae might have fascinated Americans electrified by the flight of Lindbergh to Paris; now it provides excellent material for the biographer. But in this year of 1971, the average reader may consider this detailed rendition of Lindbergh's life as far too much.

BOOKSHELF

Whodunit

OPERATION GODIVA (Tuttle: \$3.95) by Lauritz Miller is a fast-paced novel set in Tokyo of 1967, taking about as much time to read as it takes to watch a late, late movie on TV. Like on the late, late show, it has a happy ending yet midway you find out Operation Godiva is not any of the women mentioned in the story.

What transpires in the whodunit novel interspersed with narcotics, intrigue, murder and revolution could have been anywhere else where the U.S. military has been stationed. But Tokyo the author remembers most nostalgically, having worked there several years as correspondent for the Pacific Stars & Stripes and Armed Forces Network.—H.H.

Guadalcanal, etc.

To those who fought in the South Pacific and survived the beachheads and blasts of bombs, BATTLEGROUND SOUTH PACIFIC (Tuttle: \$15.95) will serve as a tribute and a treasure. Some 230 photographs by Bruce Adams and text by Robert Howlett, a New Zealander who was attached to the U.S. Army 8th Corps in the southwest Pacific, provide a revisit of the old battlegrounds, showing what has happened to these once-vital areas in the past quarter century. To Nisei who served in the military intelligence, the handsome book will find a welcome niche in the library. The lush greens of the jungle and the vivid blues of the sea and sky cry forth in the 80 plates in color. How the youngsters and bellies of Gilbert Islands (Makin, Tarawa) look today help emphasize the beauty that still remains.—H.H.

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RESTAURANT HORIKAWA

The other night Restaurant Horikawa hosted the celebrities and medias to a preview of their premises in the basement level of the Kajima Building in Little Tokyo. It's the largest restaurant in the area serving Japanese cuisine, "Edo-mae" style with emphasis on seafood imported from the famed Tokyo fishmongers of Tsukiji.

If ever a non-Japanese is to be introduced to sashimi (without telling him what it actually is), the morsel served with a dash of wasabi (a mildly pungent relish of green-hued horseradish) and delicately spiced rice at the longest sushi-bar in town at the Horikawa is the place. As a parting gesture from the sushi-bar, ask for a "kyuri-maki" and see how close the sushi-maker comes to slicing off his fingers when cutting up the cucumber. We had two more—so intrigued we were with his deft manipulations with the knife... Now that it's open for business, we'll have to go back and see how their teppan-yaki chefs perform—at least for lunch when the prices are more inviting.

Stepping into Restaurant Horikawa from 111 S. San Pedro St., we couldn't help but recall an evening in December, 1952, when Mike Masaoka was in town and we had him help us wrap the PC Holiday Issue in the same place—then a musty basement of the old Miyako Hotel. Once inside Restaurant Horikawa, you'll forget it's on the ground level—yet we also remember Restaurant Horikawa in Tokyo was underground at the Hotel New Otani and at its main establishment in the Ginza.

'Machine' Politics

By HIROSHI KANNO

Chicago. Now that my campaign for Alderman of the 2nd Ward in the City of Chicago is over and I have had a brief moment to reflect on it, I would like to share some thoughts with the readers. Although I finished second in a field of five, the experience I gained from this campaign cannot be measured in the vote count.

There were many reasons for not even beginning this

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campaign. We were all amateurs against the most polished and efficient political organization in the country today; I am an unknown and had never run for any political office; the ward is predominantly black with the highest percentage of public housing developments (projects) of any ward in the city; and our particular ward has a justly deserved reputation of grinding out the Democratic Machine vote regardless of who is running or what the issue may be. In addition we had no money, compared to the almost unlimited resources of the Machine candidate.

Why then did we do it? To understand why one must understand the nature of the political struggle in Chicago. In our city we do not have a democracy.

The Democratic political Machine controls every aspect of our public life from the City Council (with 38 of 50 votes), to the courts (judges handpicked by Mayor Daley), to the influential Boards and Directorships (handpicked by Mayor Daley). There is no alternative for the people of this city. The other major political party exists only as a token.

The Machine gained its awesome power through intimidation, coercion, co-optation and the apathy of the voters. It maintains its power through the patronage system where public employees are forced not only to work for the party's candidates before and on election day, but they are "taxed" a certain amount of their salary by the Democratic ward committeemen to build up the party coffers.

Those who watched in horror and indignation at the Democratic Convention in 1968 saw an example of what this political system is capable of doing when angered. Election-day activities by Democratic precinct captains make a mockery of the electoral system. Blatant bribery to outright strong arming is the order of the day and at the end of the day tallying the votes consists of marking up the ballots of the opposition and racking up high counts for the party man.

It has reached such a point that although there are five judges at the polling place, if an independent candidate wants an honest count he must have one or two additional poll watchers to stop some of the more blatant cheating.

It is interesting that almost all of our votes came from the 20 precincts we were able to poll watch while the other

41 precincts which we could not cover brought in only a handful of votes.

The ones who suffer the most under this political system are the poor and the minority groups in the inner city. One needs only to walk around my ward to understand what the Machine has done to the people.

Walk into one of those monstrous project buildings where people are crammed into concrete cellblocks put there by indifferent politicians and one will understand what I mean. In the dead of winter one sees children with holes in their shoes and tattered clothing. There is trash on every street and vacant lot.

And talking to the people one hears the true state of hopelessness and cynicism of the system. Indeed for a majority of the people in the inner city the system does not work. Their protests are drowned by bureaucratic double-talk and indifference. It is little wonder that many have ceased to protest and no longer believe in the electoral process for change.

But there is a growing mood of discontent from all sectors of the city. It is reflected in the recent attempt by the Rev. Jesse Jackson of Operation Breadbasket to become the first black candidate for Mayor of the City of Chicago.

It was reflected in the large number of truly independent candidates for Alderman throughout the 50 wards which comprise our City Council. Even Mayor Daley recognized this discontent and slated a black man to run with him.

People are growing weary of having a small handful of tired old men in city hall running their lives. People want to become a part of the decision-making process within their own communities. If there is one message which we carried forth in our campaign, as did the other independent candidates, it was that power resides in the people.

Campaigning in Chicago, as in other places, is a weary, expensive, often frustrating experience. This is true for the candidate as well as the workers.

But at moments when we were most down we would get a phone call or a letter or a kind word and we would be up and off again. There were many JACLers throughout the country who helped revive our sometimes flagging spirits.

Since there were many, I cannot mention all of the names, but I would like to publicly thank all of you. In particular I am most grateful to Masako Inouye and Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago who do not live in my ward, but still gave their time and energies to promote my candidacy. The Japanese American community of Chicago was most kind and I am appreciative of their response.

There is one thing which my campaign most certainly accomplished. The citizens of Chicago now realize that there are Americans of Japanese ancestry in this city and that some of us are willing and



LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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

Kagiwada's Reply

Editor:

I read with interest the reprint of UC Davis Sociologist George Kagiwada's response (Feb. 26 PC) to the column written by Joseph Alsop concerning Dr. Li and Dr. Yamashiro.

Professor Kagiwada's response did not make sense to me; however after carefully reading the reprint from the San Francisco Chronicle dated Jan. 11, 1971 and comparing it with the same article that was reproduced in Crossroads (Feb. 12) which was reprinted from the Honolulu Star-Bulletin of Jan. 12, I discovered that the San Francisco Chronicle reprint was edited thereby changing the tone and quality of the original Alsop column which originally appeared in the Los Angeles Times.

Four important paragraphs seemed to have been deleted in the San Francisco Chronicle version. In fairness to the noted journalist, Joseph Alsop, I think your readers should read the column as it originally appeared.

Asian American Media

Aside from this confusion, may I called to your attention a more serious matter concerning this subject matter. Early in January when the press conference was called to announce the discovery of the synthesized hormone by Dr. Choh Hui Li and Dr. Donald H. Yamashiro, I was attracted to the lounge by the 57 newsmen, TV reporters, cameramen, scientific journalists, and others who represent the public media. I witnessed the one hour press conference which included Dr. Li and the Chancellor of the University of California San Francisco Medical Center. Not one Asian American news reporter was present.

Having worked with the staff of the campus Public Information Office for the past seven years, I asked if representatives of the ethnic press, both Chinese and Japanese newspapers in San Francisco were invited to the press conference. To my surprise, the answer was negative. I sincerely question the sensitivity of white administrators who ignore the media from the ethnic communities. I called the editors of the local vernacular to confirm that they had not been contacted or invited to the press conference. At my request, the university had special photographs taken of Dr. Yamashiro which I later sent to all local newspapers and the Pacific Citizen.

I was told that Dr. Yamashiro was not invited to the press conference and as a witness for one hour I did not see him there. There were at least seven television camera crews recording the press conference; that evening I caught three news broadcasts on television which gave very little time to Dr. Li. Most of the news conference was presented by the Chancellor, whereas the fact of the matter is that Dr. Li is credited for the discovery and spent most of the time telling newsmen of the complex process he followed in his experiments with the hormone.

The stereotype of the "quiet American" by Asian Americans is further perpetuated by the public media by omission, exclusion, and sometimes total insensitivity.

For the foregoing reasons, I believe the reprint of Joseph Alsop's article was an example of irresponsible journalism. The fact that the San Francisco Chronicle's editing distorted the original column is precisely what we must constantly guard against.

I sincerely hope that Dr. Li and Dr. Yamashiro will continue to get the recognition and honor they both well deserve.

EDISON UNO
San Francisco 94118
Editor's Note—Space does not permit reprinting the entire column by Joseph Alsop but we shall provide the editing.

ed portions from the Chronicle presentation. If readers refer to the Feb. 26 PC, the next three paragraphs precede the 7th paragraph of the Chronicle version starting with "Overall, if the American elite..."

In those days, too, both Chinese-Americans and Japanese-Americans were the targets of the ugliest sort of racial prejudice, especially on the West Coast. The danger they would be mobbed by prejudiced white Americans was in fact the reason given by former Chief Justice Earl Warren when he demanded that all the West Coast Japanese-Americans be hurried off, in flagrant defiance of the Constitution, into wartime concentration camps. This then, was where the Chinese-Americans and Japanese-Americans started, only about a quarter-century ago. As to where they are today, a single specific example must suffice.

In this country, the hardest university to enter is unquestionably the California Institute of Technology. The number of Chinese-Americans at Cal-Tech today is no less than 12 times their percentage of the total American population. The disproportion for the Japanese-Americans is even more inclined to abstract science, is also three times their fraction.

Editor's Note—The other edited portion from the Chronicle version precedes the closing paragraph.

In short, the problems that faced the Chinese-Americans and Japanese-Americans cannot really be compared at all, except in one respect. Basically, their problem was, as the black problem still is, how to escape from exclusion and injustice.

Doug Yamamoto Case

Editor:

The Asian American Political Alliance in Santa Cruz has found it necessary, because of the recent distorted news releases concerning the case of Doug Yamamoto, to request that its own position in the matter be printed.

RANKO YAMADA
AAPA, Santa Cruz
AAPA—Santa Cruz Press Release Feb. 16, 1971

Doug Yamamoto, an Asian brother, has been arrested on suspicion of fire-bombing the Army Navy Recruiting Center in Santa Cruz. The newspapers have helped to convict Doug in the minds of the public on a wholly circumstantial evidence. What is this "evidence"?

According to the Santa Cruz Sentinel, Feb. 12, 1971, "Chief Me Ewen said Ellis (the arresting officer) found a quantity of rocks, a broken glass, and a fire in the back of Yamamoto's car." The media tried to link up a meeting on campus with the incident, while Doug was not even at that meeting.

After Doug's 3 a.m. arrest, he was held by the police for seven hours until 10 a.m. without a lawyer. Doug has been accused, guilty, as have Third World people for years in this country.

In World War II, our Japanese American parents were falsely accused and sent to three years of concentration camps. Doug is now a target of the same type of racism that has demonstrated its racist and repressive nature. The nature of the alleged act, the previous experience of Doug Yamamoto in the courts, the repressive political climate in this community and the Watsonville elementary school and its studying for his teaching credential. He has worked with the people of our communities throughout his student career.

Just as we struggle to stop the atrocities against Asian people in the United States, we must struggle to stop this atrocity against our people in the United States.

Doug's bail has been set at \$25,000 state, and \$50,000 federal. Send donations to: Doug Yamamoto Defense Fund, 309 Mission St., San Francisco, Calif. 94104. For information call (415) 426-0383.

Gyo Fujikawa's talent
Editor: I was never exposed to your newspaper until I enrolled in an Asian American class at San Francisco State College. To my surprise, I discovered that there can be a tremendous amount of important and interesting news written about Japanese Americans and that there are Japanese Americans who are talented in the field of journalism.

A Traffic Trap

(The guest column by Cheryl Yoshimura this week appeared in two parts in the San Francisco Hokubei Mainichi, Feb. 21 and Mar. 1—Ed.)

By CHERYL YOSHIMURA
Hokubei Mainichi

San Francisco
I never would have believed it, if it hadn't happened to my father and me today. We have read about "police brutality" and "police discrimination against minorities" in the newspapers. But, reading

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words hasn't meant that much to me, at least until today at 12:45 in the afternoon.

The shock of experience and anger have taught me otherwise. I would like to say "Police officers" like the ones driving California Highway Patrol motorcycles, license plates 01A70 and 2452, deserve to be called "pigs" with all of the bad connotations of this term. If these two "officers" think that wearing a Highway Patrol uniform will automatically bring them respect, then they have a lot of learning to accomplish before they can display their dress with any sense of pride. I know that respect in the public's eye and in the eyes of the individual citizen comes more from the man wearing the uniform than from the uniform itself.

It's policemen like the two I mentioned above who have degraded the integrity of the uniform to such a degree that the public has labeled the whole, every man who ever wears a law enforcement dress, with such slang, derogatory words as "pig," "cop," and "fuzz."

Really Ashamed

I'm really ashamed and angered that such people, I can't even call them "men," should be allowed to wear the uniform that symbolizes California. My father and I, as voters and tax payers, provide the funds that pay their salaries. They forget that they exist as public servants. It is their duty to help keep the law meaningful.

They also forget that they must be impartial enforcers of the law, applying it equally to you and to me. That in order for the law to have any validity at all, it must be kept uniform. Any discrimination in the carrying out of justice, undercuts its foundations, making law nothing more than a flimsy, invalid bunch of hogwash.

Is it any wonder that, since law has been belittled by the very people who have sworn to uphold its integrity, these people should be called "pigs"? I believe that it's these invalidators who have caused the public to resent any person wearing a badge. How sad, it's the few who spoil it for the rest, making the job of law enforcement a hell of a job, more disrespected than respected.

And so I'm voicing my anger—anger caused by two "disgraces" to the uniform of the California Highway Patrol. Let me tell you the circumstances that aroused my law-abiding, after 20-years in the Army, father's temper, and mine, too.

The Incident

My father, driving his Datsun, had picked me up from school in Berkeley. Coming across the Bay Bridge, headed for San Francisco, he decided to take the Main Street exit off the bridge and onto Mission Street. We got to the end of the off ramp, stopping at the intersection of Mission and Main Streets, waiting for the red light to turn green.

We wanted to turn right onto Mission St. So, we sat there wondering if a right-hand turn would be permissible. Not seeing any posted "No Right Turn" signs before our eyes, naturally we thought it was legal to execute a right-hand turn onto Mission. While asking each other if the other thought that such a turn was legal, we both spotted these two aforementioned Highway Patrol on the right, evidently just having stopped a car to give the driver a citation. We both decided that, since no signs were anywhere posted in the intersection, a right-hand turn was legal.

So, in full knowledge of the presence of two policemen, we turned on to Mission St. Well, the black man flags us down, telling us that a right-hand turn is illegal. This was news to us, since we hadn't seen any sign to this effect. So, we waited while he finished helping his friend write out the other ticket.

The Shock

When he told us what we had done wrong, naturally we were shocked! Imagine being told you had just committed a moving violation when you had no idea that you had done anything wrong especially since the intersection itself had no signs indicating what was legal and what wasn't.

I still couldn't believe my

since I once worked in a children's library. Because of Miss Fujikawa's artistic talent, I never hesitated to pull her books off the shelf and show children books with "pictures." The realism, details, and techniques Miss Gyo Fujikawa employs in her drawings can most definitely bring children, as well as adults, to love her work. I just wanted to thank you for opening my eyes to the talents of a minority.

MRS. C. W. LEE
San Francisco

ears. So, I had to walk back up the Main Street off ramp and check for myself. I was shocked to discover that there was a "No Right Turn" sign posted... only too far back from the intersection and blocked by another sign to be seen. By this time, the white patrolman had joined his friend. I asked him if he had just finished giving the other driver a citation for the same violation. His answer, "Yes." Then I tried to tell him that if two drivers within a matter of minutes had committed the same error in full, conscious view of two police officers, then something must be wrong with the way the signs were posted at the Mission-Main Streets intersection.

Furthermore, I told him, "if he were anywhere interested in the public safety of that intersection, since obviously something was very dangerous about the way the signs were posted, he would bring it to the attention of the proper authorities, who have the power to correct the faulty placement of sign before an innocent driver, unaware of the illegality of a right-hand turn, causes a major accident, an accident where people may be killed. His answer, 'I can't do anything about public safety. Why don't you write to your congressman.'"

(Complaints of poorly posted signs directing traffic onto and off from freeways may be directed to the nearest office of the State Dept. of Highways—not to a congressman—Ed.)

The CHP Attitude

His attitude absolutely infuriated me. Imagine a public safety officer not caring in the least about public welfare... just so long as he filled his daily quota of traffic citations (sitting at this one intersection), he was perfectly content. He, driver of the motorcycle with the license plate 01A70, even admitted that something definitely was very wrong with the intersection. But, making sure that this intersection would not cause future traffic accidents wasn't in his line of duty.

In the meantime, the blackman stopped a Lou-Jak truck, a huge two trailer and a rig, for making the same traffic violation. Three drivers within a period of less than 10 minutes, something wrong? Yes! But, the strange thing was that the same man who had just given my father a ticket, let the driver of this truck go free!

Naturally, Dad wanted to know why the police gave him a ticket but not one to the truck driver. Silence. Finally, the man I had been talking to, asked my father if he wanted to make a citizen's arrest.

Dad answered, "Yes," he most certainly would make a citizen's arrest. So the Highway Patrolman got on his motorcycle and pretended as if he was actually going to chase the truck driver so that my father could make a "citizen's arrest." But, what happened. The policeman just turned the corner and ignored my father's wishes to make a citizen's arrest.

The Aftermath

Because we were so infuriated, our sense of principles being hurt, we followed the two motorcycles to get their license numbers. Both Dad and I believed that if these two "officers" were not reprimanded in some way and the traffic situation changed, then the public would just be at the mercy of these two and also be in danger of quite innocently being either in an accident or cited at this intersection.

We also followed the truck until it parked along the piers. Dad asked the driver why he didn't get a ticket from the same black policeman who had given us one. His answer, "The Highway Patrolman just asked me if I lived in San Francisco. I said no, that I lived in San Leandro, so he let me go."

Dad and I have learned a valuable lesson today. I think we are going to protest our case in court. We may not win, but we have to look out for other innocent drivers like ourselves. We also have to live up to the principles that we believe in. Till let you know what happens... The days of the "Quiet Americans" have disappeared forever.

U-NO Bar

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Of course, if anyone desires to contribute more, we will gladly accept it and provide an additional and appropriate category. In fact, if there is anyone here that would like to start a real \$1000 Club with a three dollar donation, I will be glad to initiate him personally and right now.

Two Quotations
In closing, I would like to quote from two people. I would like for you to remember the substance of what is said when you judge your fellow members and particularly your chapter, district council and national leaders.

First, I would like to quote Thomas a Kempis: "I was always patient of the faults and imperfections of others; for thou has many faults and imperfections of thine own that require forbearance. If thou art not able to make thyself that which thou wishest, how canst thou expect to mold another in conformity to thy will?"

The second, I quote from Terrence: "No man was every endowed with a judgment so correct and sound as that which circumstances, time, and experience, would teach him something new, and apprise him that which he thought he knew. He would be taught by the best acquainted he knew nothing, and that which he knew, he would be taught by the most advantageous were found, when brought into practice, to be altogether impracticable."



William Marutani

East Wind

Indianapolis
WHEN IN 'ROME'—On my fourth day in this capital of Indiana I'm just at that twilight edge where I'm fed up with this city of 750,000 but at the same time (paradoxically) sort of getting used to it. Getting used to those "typical" midwest virtues (or vices) not uncommon to a town of this nature: clean-cut kids who sport no long hair, minis that aren't quite that mini and even bell-bottom slacks are hard to find.

In the center of town is what I regard to be an obscene war memorial glorifying our involvements in such things as Tippecanoe, the Mexican War, the Indian uprising and so forth. And there are other war monuments—to the Civil War, World Wars I and II, Korean War—which take up whole blocks, complete with artillery pieces, olive drab Gen. Grant tanks, statues and obelisks. In fact, if we have very many more wars, Indianapolis is going to be shoved out and taken over completely by war memorials.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE—The local Fourth Estate consists of "The News" and "The Star," both owned by the same interests. The current crusade of the publisher appears to be to get the citizenry to wear American Flag lapel pins available for two-bits. Thus far I've seen only one person sporting the colorful pin: a captain from the Marion County sheriff's office. I'm always suspicious of people who feel they have to "prove" their loyalty (or piety) by displaying flag pins or a Christian cross in their lapels.

Now, chazuke 'n' koko, as you may readily surmise, just isn't available and four days straight without "soul food" is cruel and unusual punishment. Therefore, I set out in search for the next best thing: a Chinese restaurant. None downtown, the nearest one being some two miles away and the food just so-so—but a relief. The waitress brought me a soup bowl heaped with rice and when I consumed only the peak she disappointingly remarked: "I thought all Orientals ate a lot of rice."

ROLL UP THE SIDEWALKS—By 6 p.m., this town shuts up tight and I mean tight. All of two theaters in town (the girly house near the bus depot doesn't count) and I've seen "Cromwell" and the other movie house takes reservations at 8 p.m. Not even a bowling alley downtown where one might work off some excess energy and "wind down" after a hard day. So I take long walks, usually circling the outer perimeters of center city, but having done that several times (once each, clockwise and counter-clockwise), I'm reduced to scribbling this "Midwest Wind" column to while away some hours.

I'd better get out of here before I get to liking this place.

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Mar. 16, 1946

Pfc. Sadao Munemori of Los Angeles awarded Medal of Honor posthumously, for heroism with 442nd in Italian campaign... Earl Finch accorded huge welcome by people in Hawaii... One man, 21, found guilty of murdering Stockton Nisei veteran (George Yoshioka); second man, 22, to go on trial for murder, had feigned insanity but ruled sane by judge.

Calif. Supreme Court asked to invalidate state alien land law in Oyama case... Santa Ana Register seeks community action to assist evacuees sheltered in emergency housing at Santa Ana air base... Loyalty record of Nisei shames west coast hoodlums and fright-makes into silence, notes Christian Science Monitor... Tule Lake WRA Center, once the most populous, down to 2,500 residents... Poston, Manzanar, Rohwer centers (empty since October, 1945) officially closed by WRA.

Seattle—

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Asians would be considered as candidates. OSU said it will press for its demands because it believes the college hasn't been sincere in its promise to recruit and hire minority persons. Crowd of demonstrators gathered between 50 and 70, most of them Oriental, according to Jerry Brockey, dean of interior... Tule Lake WRA Center.

On Second Thought

Warren Furutani

Good Neighbor Policy

You would be hard-pressed to point out a real physical Asian community outside of Chinatown and maybe Little Tokyo. Most all the Asians live in mixed communities and therefore relate to people of different races.

In a white and Asian community, the social friction of the past has been subdued because of apparent economic equality but in areas of Blacks, Chicanos and Asians, a certain tenseness exists. I don't mean overall, but I do mean that many Asian people do not relate to their Black or Chicano neighbors and vice versa.

I'm sure that part of this situation is due to nationalism and racism, but also a very large part deals with fear. A fear and paranoia which stems itself from all the overwhelming violence exhibited in the media and everywhere else. Now, there's no cure for this, but there are possibilities of smoothing out relationships between neighbors.

People should meet each other again, renew acquaintances and share things. Friendship, help, culture, ideas, all these exchanges of communication will ease some of the tension.

But in order to be able to make this step, we will have to confront some of our feelings. We will have to understand that our racist attitudes are wrong. I know that many Asians are being ripped off (shoplifting in stores, hold-ups, etc.) and a result is that we become racist. Or perhaps our racist attitudes make other people uptight and this is why many Blacks and Chicanos are hostile toward Asians. I don't know who started it, but the only way to stop it is to be sensitive and understanding.

The only way we can continue to live in this world is to cooperate and share. Power to the People!

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