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By RAYMOND UNO  
National JACL President

When the JACL National Board meets on July 23, 1971, the first 360 days of my administration will have run its course. We will have an in-depth review of what we have done and what we are going to do.

As previously mentioned in one of my first articles, all National Committee reports should be prepared and sent

### The First 360 Days

to the Executive Committee member who is in charge of the supervision of the National Committee one month prior to the National Board meeting. The Executive Committee member should have the reports submitted to the National Board two weeks prior to the National Board meeting. National Board members should have read, evaluated and digested the contents of the reports to be ready to discuss and vote on various motions intelligently and on the basis of knowledge secured from the reports and pertinent discussions arising from the pros and cons of the report or related, but relevant, information.

Too often, Executive Committee members and National Board members are asked to vote on matters which are poorly or inadequately prepared, and poorly or inadequately presented. The procedure for processing and voting on reports has been set out. Unless the reports follow the established procedures, meritorious requests and proposals may have to wait the next Executive or National Board meeting for consideration.

Since JACL is a voluntary organization, it is difficult to demand volunteer help to meet deadlines. However, for board members who are delegated the responsibility of making some very important decisions, the only way they can honestly and fairly represent the organization is by being given the tools to do their homework. The tools we use are written reports and recommendations. These must emanate from the National Committees and District Councils and Chapters. In behalf of the National Board members, I would like to request that every effort be made by all concerned, including staff, to prepare adequate and timely reports.

For benefit of those members and officers who may have forgotten the names of the National Board, Staff and Committee Chairmen, I refer you to the April 9, 1971 Pacific Citizen where the National JACL Directory was printed with names, titles and addresses. Also, in "Ye Editor's Desk" Harry Honda has designated the flow chart of JACL memos which, in effect, is the table of responsibility and accountability. Many serious and important matters will be discussed at the National Board meeting. I sincerely hope everyone will be prepared to keep irrelevant and immaterial discussion down to a minimum and provide creative and imaginative suggestions and solutions for some extremely difficult problems.

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## Inheritance tax referees take over

LOS ANGELES — California's 161 state inheritance tax appraisers will legally end their service June 30 and on July 1 be replaced by State Inheritance Tax Referees in conformance with the reform law passed by the 1970 legislature.

Flournoy announced in Sacramento last week (June 1).

Bruce T. Kaji, the only Japanese American appointed an inheritance tax appraiser in 1967, said he had passed a series of examinations administered by the State Personnel Board before assuming his post in May, 1968.

Flournoy said he will appoint referees from lists of qualified applicants in all but nine counties through examinations. Many incumbent appraisers are among the qualified for referee positions, he added. Selection of referees is expected later this month.

The new law, authored by Sen. Gordon Colonge (R-Riverside), prescribes four-year terms for referees though for the first series of appointments, the tenure will be staggered so that one fourth expire each year.

### PLANNING COMMISSION TO MEET AUG. 13-15

SAN FRANCISCO — The National JACL Planning Commission will meet Aug. 13-15 at the Hyatt House in Burlingame, it was revealed by Tom Shimazaki, chairman, of Lindsay.

Among the topics under current study is the student aid as a national JACL project. Meanwhile, district representatives of the Commission are gathering ideas and suggestions from chapters and individuals for consideration.

## APARTHEID POLICY PREVAILS SOUTH AFRICA BARS ENTRY OF NISEI MINISTER FROM CANADA FOR VISIT

PENTICTON, B.C. — A Japanese Canadian minister has been refused entry into South Africa and declared a "prohibited immigrant," a United Church of Canada provincial conference meeting at nearby Naramata was told recently.

The Rev. Garth W. Legge, associate secretary of the church's board of world mission, of Toronto said the Rev. Tadashi Mitsui, now a chaplain to Protestant students at the University of Botswana-Lesotho-Swaziland in Lesotho, was met by South African security police upon his arrival Jan. 3 at Johannesburg International Airport.

The onetime minister of the Japanese congregation at the Renfrew United Church in Vancouver was told by police he had eight hours to leave the country.

### Minister Protested

Rev. Mitsui protested to the Canadian Embassy at Pretoria and received a brief reply, which said in part:

"It is our understanding that only Canadian citizens of European origin may enter South Africa without visas and that Canadian citizens of non-European ethnic origin require visas for entry to South Africa."

### 1972 JACL CONVENTION—June 27-July 1

## Five special events for delegates planned by Washington, D.C., hosts

In the remaining 36 weeks plus till the National JACL Council meets in Washington, D.C., the Convention Board publicist Cherry Tsutsumida will keep our readers advised of the progress of convention arrangements and special plans for booster delegates. Persons with specific questions may address them to Miss Tsutsumida, care of the Pacific Citizen, 4th Ed.

### By CHERRY TSUTSUMIDA

Washington Special events as a part of the 1972 National JACL Convention to be held June 27 through July 1 here in Washington, D.C., were announced by Harry Takagi, convention chairman.

A Congressional Dinner, featuring members of the Nation's legislative body, will be an opportunity for many JACL members to meet their representatives and senators for the first time.

The White House will be reserved for the JACL delegates' tour and reception.

There will be a visit to Capitol Hill, a place which has become a particular favorite for the shuttlers.

For those who maintain a particular interest in Japan, the Japanese Embassy will host a reception, again specially planned for JACL Convention delegates.

For those who lost loved ones, particularly during World War II, there will also be a special Service and tour through Arlington Cemetery.

### Evening Sessions

Because of the expressed desire of many JACL members

## Gubser bill for wage credits to evacuees backed

LOS ANGELES — On a motion by Supervisor Ernest E. Debs, County Supervisors last week (June 1) voted endorsement of pending legislation (PC, May 28) that would provide wage credits of \$160 per month for Japanese Americans who were interned during World War II.

The wage credit, based on the internment period, would be applied to Social Security and disability insurance benefits, Debs said. This would be accomplished by amending Title II of the Social Security Act, as proposed in HR 8206, introduced by Congressman Charles Gubser (R-Calif.).

Noting that the average internment camp salary of Japanese Americans was only \$18 per month, Debs said:

"Passage of HR 8206 will to some degree help to lessen the injustices which were inflicted on loyal Americans of Japanese origin in the hysteria of World War II."

### Maryknoll School carnival due June 18-20

LOS ANGELES — The festive Maryknoll School carnival bazaar at 222 S. Hewitt St. will come June 18-19-20, the weekend marking the end of its 1971 school year.

Proceeds are earmarked for the continued operation of the Japanese Catholic mission school that dates back to 1915 which the Maryknoll community assumed in 1920, according to Fr. Clarence Witte, M.M., local Maryknoll superior.

Little Tokyo attorney Kenji Ito, president of the So. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce, will address the 33 graduates of Maryknoll School this Sunday, 3:30 p.m., at the Hewitt St. hall.

Fr. Witte will confer the diplomas and awards. Grace Tabe and Toru John Nagai are class salutatorian and valedictorian, respectively. Marcia Honda delivers the welcome address in Japanese.

## Orange C'ly cops PSW Nisei Relays, 7 marks shattered

LOS ANGELES—Seven records fell and two were tied as Orange County JACL won the 20th annual PSWDC Nisei Relays championship with an aggregate total of 210 points.

Gardena Valley JACL was second with 144 2/3 and West Los Angeles JACL third with 91 2/3.

George Pagan of Orange County broke the oldest record in the books, the open mile belonging to Japan's Kikuo Moriya since 1952, by almost six seconds, touring the four laps of Eagle Rock High in 4m.29.8s.

Most scintillating was the triple victory and a winning effort with the relay by Tony Krzyzosiak of Orange County who ran the fastest 220 at the oval and a new Relays mark in 21.5s. He eased up on the 440, winning at 50.9s and took the long jump with 21-11.

The Garden Grove High flash had won the state interscholastic 440 championship in 46.7 the previous day at UCLA, a tenth of a second off the state record. Papers say he's headed for Colorado.

Councilman Tom Bradley, a quartermil of note during his prep and college days, was on hand to greet the 200 participants and about 150 spectators. He presented trophies to the Nisei Relays queen and court:

Masunaka (Pas), queen; Gail Abe (East L.A.); Cheryl Mizutaka (Gar); Julie Manaka (L.B.); Maureen Nakamura (SFV); Marilyn Yamada (Venice).

Other record breakers were shot putter Paul Johnson (OC) breaking a 1958 mark with a

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## 5 Nisei prospects for vacancy on Berkeley council

BERKELEY — City Councilman Tom McLaren submitted a list of 29 names as prospects for the council to fill the empty ninth council seat. Among them were five Nisei business and professional men:

Tad Hirota, insurance man and chairman of the Berkeley-San Francisco Sister City Committee; Jordan Hirata, insurance man and long-time leader with the Boy Scouts; Amie Okazaki, real estate executive; Dr. Henry M. Takahashi, optometrist and onetime council candidate; and Hachiro Yusa, architect who has served on several city commissions.

The council has been deadlocked in their vote for a ninth member to fill the vacancy created by the election of holdover Councilman Warren Widener as mayor.

### What to Wear

For the JACL conventioners who may be concerned about "appropriate" clothes, the Convention Board is encouraging very informal attire. Washington, D.C., is very much like Southern California in the summer with the highs in the mid-seventies.

Wash and wears are as popular in the east as they are in the west. Although gloves are still worn to some receptions, hats for the most part are out.

In short, don't spend your money on clothes to come to Washington. Come to Washington and spend it here instead.

### Compromise Urged

Four radical councilmen, including three elected in April, want to seat another radical, Rick Brown, who ran fifth in the race for four council seats but they have been unable to gain the fifth vote necessary to elect him.

Hirata was campaign manager for McLaren in the 1969 council election. A moderate Republican, McLaren said his list represents a "wide spectrum of political philosophy" and suggested that the appointments be discussed in executive session. He pointed out that "a substantial compromise is in order."

### LITTLE TOKYO REDEVELOPMENT: Working models depicting Little Tokyo of tomorrow part of June 15 banquet

LOS ANGELES—An exciting exhibit depicting Little Tokyo's future will be on display June 15, Tuesday, at the Biltmore Hotel, the site of the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee's third annual installation banquet.

The display, according to Kiyoshi Kawai, banquet chairman, is being presented through the Community Redevelopment Agency's Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project Office and is a vivid conceptual portrayal of the various redevelopment projects now underway.

According to Kango Kunitzugu, Little Tokyo Redevelopment project manager, the display will feature the first four "Action Areas" of the renewal program. These Action Areas are projects that have already undergone preliminary planning and are now entering the stage where actual construction will probably be taking place within the next one or two years.

"The four projects entering this action stage," Kunitzugu explained, "include a new commercial and retail area, a major international hotel development, the Little Tokyo Towers-senior citizen housing, and the \$3 million Japanese American Cultural and Community Center complex." All of these developments will be shown through both models and conceptual drawings.

"Through the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project all of the Little Tokyo area will be going through a major face lifting. I think everyone will find it extremely interesting to see what the area will look like after all the planned developments are completed," Kawai stated. "This in addition to the rest of our evening's program should make our banquet a memorable one for all."

Robert H. Finch, former



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## HIBINO NO. ONE IN SALINAS CITY COUNCIL VOTING

### JACLER Led in 14 or 19 Precincts in June 1 Election

SALINAS—Henry Hibino, 36-year-old Nisei farmer, was one of three successful candidates elected June 1 as a Salinas city councilman with a leading vote-getting total of 4,633. Two others elected were James Barnes with 3,826 and Ed Norris with 3,622.

The first non-Caucasian to be elected to the City Council, Hibino's victory was all the more noteworthy as it comes in a city that had spearheaded a statewide crusade against the return of Japanese residents from detention camps to the west coast in 1945.

One of the major reasons for this stand was the fact that a National Guard unit of Salinas area men called up before World War II were sent to the Philippines where it had been overwhelmed and captured by Japanese early in the war.

### Racial Issue Ignored

"This is what really makes me feel good," Hibino said Wednesday. "The citizens of Salinas really disregarded the racial issue. This alone, I think, is a great triumph for Salinas."

Hibino outstripped the other 11 candidates by finishing first in 14 of 19 precincts. The three new councilmen will be sworn in July 6. The council will then choose a mayor from within their midst.

None of the incumbent councilmen whose terms expire this month, including Mayor G. Sid Gadsby, ran for re-election.

Hibino served as city park and recreation commissioner and has been active in service groups. He was Salinas Valley JACL president for two years, 1968 and 1969. He and his wife Cooke are parents of two daughters. Hibino's family has been farming in the area for many years.

## Budget cut jeopardizes Los Angeles city human relations commission work

LOS ANGELES — The finance committee of the City Council has voted to eliminate the \$284,078 appropriation for the Human Relations Bureau, an action which would close completely a public service agency which has existed for five years.

The motion to eliminate the entire Bureau's budget was made by finance committee chairman Marvin Braude and seconded by Councilman Thomas Bradley.

A full Council will be required to suspend the bureau which deals in education, employment, police-community relations, housing and health and welfare; and youth and young adult problems.

"This action on the part of the finance committee represents a step backward at a time when society is moving toward a greater social consciousness," said Leon E. Whaley, executive director of the Human Relations Bureau.

### Against Cut

One of the human relations commissioner is Yo Takagaki, a business executive in the Crenshaw Square area. He joined with Whaley in citing the peril of eliminating the bureau.

"It would mean total elimination of the only real provision of equal opportunity in the affairs of the community that the citizens now have," Takagaki declared.

Having been in existence for five years with the responsibility of providing for public health, welfare and security of the city's residents, Whaley and Takagaki pointed out that "Los Angeles has not experienced any major disturbances since the Bureau's inception."

"Whereas, we do not claim to be totally responsible for the calm of the city, we do

## Economics strain U.S.-Japan ties

By MIKE MASAOKA  
PC National Editor

WASHINGTON — Late last week, in newspapers and magazines, articles have been featured which tend to portray Japan and Japanese trade practices in less than a favorable light. Indeed, to many veteran Washington observers, United States-Japan relations have not been more strained since the end of World War II, 26 years ago.

Last month, Carl T. Rowan, nationally syndicated columnist, tried to put the problem into perspective in his feature entitled "Economics Sparking U.S.-Japan Antagonism." It is to be recalled that writer Rowan was the first black to be the director of the United States Information Service, to which he was named by the late President John Kennedy.

Since Japanese Americans should be aware of the problem and should know the facts, we are taking the liberty of asking that Reporter Rowan's column be reprinted in its entirety.

## JACL, Asians protest use of epithet in New York ad

NEW YORK — The designer named, Kenzo, who is the latest darling of the London and Paris boutique patrons, is about to find out what might be considered a swinging label on the Continent is regarded as pure, uncut anathema within these shores.

When the New York Times carried a seven-column ad in its May 27 edition from Bonwit Teller touting their newest boutique, neither The Times nor Bonwit (as their spokesmen claim) realized the incredible goof they were committing in the eyes of everything Japanese American who saw the ad or who subsequently heard about it.

Xeroxed copies of the ad were being handed to those who had not caught the ad the evening after it appeared.

The ad in question carried the usual drawings of long-limbed women gotten up in designs by Kenzo, all of which may be seen in Bonwit's fourth-floor boutique at their

Fifth Ave. & 5th St. store. The boutique is called "Kenzo for JAP."

It was not long before the telephone of the store's public relations department was ringing with complaints from numerous Asian callers. It was not very surprising to learn that later callers found all of the PR staff "in a meeting" and unavailable for immediate comment.

### Protests Stream

Others also called The Times man who passes on advertising acceptability, and the New York Nichibei (the Japanese American weekly) learned one woman was told he saw nothing particularly offensive about the term and only began to have second thoughts when asked whether he would let pass a sign reading "Boutique for Niggers."

Among the local organizations protesting were the New York JACL and the Asian Americans for Action.

At week's end, Asian Americans for Action were picketing the store to protest the use of the derogatory term. Attorney Moonray Kojima, local JACL past president, called the office of the president of Bonwit Teller to make a series of demands, including (1) removal of the word "Jap" from the sign over the Kenzo boutique, (2) removal of all public displays in which the offensive term is used and (3) rewording of all future advertising for the Kenzo line, specifically excluding the perjorative "Jap."

Shortly thereafter, Bonwit arranged an appointment for a meeting of store officials and members of the Japanese American community last week (June 1).

Whether a similar ad appeared in local newspapers where Bonwit Teller has stores in Philadelphia, Chicago, Cleveland, Boston and Troy (N.Y.) remained to be seen.

## Slurs seem bolder in East

"Jap" in stories and headlines. In most cases, the editors responded that no offense had been intended and quickly apologized.

But they often offered the excuse they thought the term was "colloquial" when most standard American dictionaries have classified the term as derogatory, offensive, opprobrious—a designation that required JACL many years of correspondence with lexicographers in the 1950s.

### U.N. Ambassador

JACL really stepped up its campaign in 1957 after the Japanese ambassador to the United Nations, Dr. Koto Matsudaira, told a New York TV interviewer he did not object to the word, "Jap," regarding it as an American slang.

"If you care, you are free to use it," he told his interviewer.

That amounted to official Japanese sanction for the free use of the word, and JACL lodged its protest with the Japanese Ambassador at Washington, D.C.

Two months after that interview, Dr. Matsudaira admitted he was distressed over the controversy that had developed and regretted it.

Any person of Japanese ancestry who has lived in the United States during the first half of the 20th Century does not take the epithet lightly—as the PC files testify.

The term has a history of abuse and violence, even though it is often used innocently—especially by headline writers in need of a short-cut for "Japanese." The epithet is a product of the Yellow Peril campaigns.

Gen. DeWitt, the misguided commander of the Western Defense Command during World War II, uttered the famous line: "Once a Jap, always a Jap," as a rallying cry to have the public support the Evacuation.

### Use in Canada

Because of the similar history of abuse sustained by the Japanese in Canada, the JACL published a pamphlet, "Please Don't," discouraging use of the racial slur was distributed by the Japanese Canadian Citizens Assn. throughout the dominion in the early 1960s.

It was in 1952, the JACL National Committee Against Defamation convinced the American Newspaper Guild the three-letter word should be avoided. It was the first major victory on a national scale for JACL to rid the term—at a time when the dictionaries rendered no support for then "Jap" was defined as a colloquial abbreviation.

It was 20 years ago that a group of JACLers in New York City, headed by Shosuke Sasaki, now a Denver resident, initiated the campaign that has persisted hot and cold to this day.

The wartime PC editor, the late Larry Tajiri, when commenting on the subject (and it was often enough) said the Nisei may be hypersensitive, "but it can be argued that Japanese Americans have earned the right not to be called Japs."

## STATE SCHOOL SUPT. RILES BACKS ASIAN BID FOR UNITED WAY FUNDS

SAN FRANCISCO — While the Jewish community was honoring Jerome Hull its "humanitarian of the year" award for his leadership as president of the United Way Area Crusade (May 27) at the Fairmont Hotel, some 75 Asian Americans were picketing outside in the evening rain.

"All we ask is our fair share," one of the demonstrators Kaz Maniwa explained, as the UBAC this past year has rejected requests from the 14 Bay Area Asian community organizations which had submitted proposals.

Some \$800,000 had been earmarked for a "New Directions Fund" to support Asian, Black and Chicano programs last year but the funds have been slow in coming, according to the demonstrators.

### Wilson Riles, state superintendent

USC to host ASPAC conference June 17-19

LOS ANGELES — The sixth annual conference of Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast will be held at the Univ. of Southern California June 17-19 with Dr. Robert Ellwood, USC associate professor of religion, as general chairman.

Scholars in Asian languages, history, art, religion, literature and current affairs will meet for two days to present papers and discuss their works. Over 200 teachers and graduate students are expected.

### Laird to visit Japan

WASHINGTON — Pentagon sources reported Defense Secretary Laird plans to visit Japan, South Korea and Taiwan this summer. It would be his first visit of Japan.

### Commencement speaker

SAN FRANCISCO — Sen. Hiram Fong (R-Hawaii) will address the Lincoln University commencement June 13 at the Calvary Presbyterian Church. The first Asian American elected to the U.S. Senate will be awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree.

### ACTION BOX

Date and name in parentheses refer to person or office initiating the letter requesting action from JACL chapters.

Public Relations—Apr. 8 (Tomboro). Watch for objectionable items on TV. (a) Betrayal from the East. (b) Air Force. (c) Across the Pacific. (d) Little Tokyo, USA. (e) Black Dragon. (f) Behind the Black Curtain. (g) Purple Heart. Support campaign to remove liquor license of "whites only" membership club.

Wife H. Reed—March 30 (Chambers). H. Reed is listed as co-sponsor of repeal bills, encourage them and urge they were actively for passage. If not listed, urge they join immediately as co-sponsors.



## Title II Repeal

Hopefully, as this Newsletter is read, legislation repealing Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950 will have been passed by the House of Representatives.

As this Newsletter is being written (Friday, June 4), it is known that the House Rules Committee has officially scheduled Title II legislation on its agenda for Tuesday, June 8. Two bills are to be considered by the Committee that morning. One is HR 234, which would repeal the emergency detention-concentration camp authorization Title II. The other is HR 820, which would in fact revive and reactivate Title II by amending certain provisions of that 21-year-old statute.

HR 234 is sponsored by JACL. It was introduced by Congressman Spark Matsunaga of Hawaii. Chet Holifield of California, Robert Kastenmeier of Wisconsin, and Abner Mikva of Illinois, and is co-sponsored by more than 150 Democrats and Republicans in the House.

HR 820 is opposed by JACL. It was introduced by Chairman Richard Ichord of the House Internal Security Committee and his senior Republican colleague John Ashbrook. As far as is known, no other Congressman has endorsed the bill by co-sponsoring it.

The 38-member House Judiciary Committee unanimously reported HR 234, while the nine-member House Internal Security Committee reported HR 820 by only a five to three margin.

Hopefully, the Rules Committee, after hearing from witnesses for and against both bills, will clear HR 234 for floor consideration and vote under an open rule the afternoon of June 8. Hopefully too, the House leadership will schedule HR 234 for later in the week and on June 9, 10 or 11 the House will overwhelmingly approve the Matsunaga repeal measure. If all of the above take place, then by the time of this reading Title II repeal will be an accomplished fact insofar as the House of Representatives is concerned and the legislative effort will be shifted to the Senate, where a repeal bill introduced by Senator Daniel Inouye of Hawaii and co-sponsored by more than 25 Democrats and Republicans is currently pending in its Judiciary Committee.

But, there are many things that could happen between the writing and the reading that could change the hoped-for outcome.

To begin with, for one reason or another, the House Rules Committee meeting might be cancelled, or other legislation may be taken up with the consideration of Title II bills postponed indefinitely.

Or, the Committee might decide to report HR 820, and not HR 234.

Or, the House leadership might not schedule Title II repeal for the week.

Or, the majority of the House might vote against HR 234.

In case of the latter eventuality, it might well be because most members of the House may be confused concerning the real issues, or misled as to the implications of Title II.

We are haunted by the events of the past two months in Washington regarding the war in Southeast Asia, for to some and perhaps many the concept of preventive detention may not be unconstitutional, un-American, and a gross violation of accepted judicial safeguards of individual rights.

The fact that Title II could not have been invoked to handle the Washington demonstrations, disruptions, and even violence could be overlooked. As presently written into law, even if amended by the proposed HR 820, the emergency detention-concentration camp provisions could not be called into effect in the absence of a declared war by the Congress, an invasion of United States territory, or an insurrection in aid of a foreign enemy. It so happens that by no stretch of the imagination were any of the three contingencies that could trigger resort to Title II involved in the massive public assemblies that took place in Washington during April and May.

But, when the Attorney General of the United States and his Deputy, the principal law enforcement officers of the Government, and the President himself publicly praise the performance of the Washington police corps in arbitrarily arresting some 7,000 individuals in a single day, most without any specific charges of law violations levied against them, one is forced to wonder whether such comments will affect members of the Congress and the public at large as to their understanding and acceptance of any doctrine of preventive arrest and detention.

For the record, we do not condone violence, or disruptive of government operations or private businesses, or destruction of public or private property, or the deliberate stoppage of traffic on public highways and thoroughfares.

Nevertheless, with the melancholy memories of the wartime emergency evacuation and subsequent preventive detention or protective custody of Japanese Americans 29 years ago still haunting us, it is difficult for many of us who experienced that travail to accept the explanations that are now being given for the highly questionable actions, to say the least, of the Washington police corps in so many instances. In a sense, the judgment of the courts in dismissing thousands of cases summarily and in demanding that the government attorneys prosecute only those cases in which they can present substantial evidence would seem to vindicate our feelings. And the acknowledgment by high police and government officials that some of these arrested might have been "innocent bystanders" only adds to our fears.

Title II could not, and was not, invoked against the peace demonstrators in Washington. But its outright repeal by the Congress might well serve as a reminder to the police and law enforcement officials that the Legislative Branch frowns upon arbitrary arrests and preventive detention tactics and calls upon those who would enforce the law to be guided by the law and thereby protect individual rights through due process.

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Military

Tad Hirota of Berkeley was elected president by his colleagues on the board of directors to head the MIS Veterans Assn. of Northern California. The genial National 1000 Club chairman succeeds Tom Sakamoto of Saratoga, Ontario (Ore.) High School honor graduate Robert Maeda, son of the George Maedas of Oregon Slope, has received an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. Robert was student body president this year and lettered in wrestling and football. He reports June 30.

### Flowers-Garden

The Los Angeles City Schools student beautification project honors for 1970-71 went to the new Japanese garden designed, planned and constructed by students and parents of Peary Jr. High School in Gardena, under supervision of Larry Numark, agricultural teacher. (The school has the largest enrollment of Sansei students in the Los Angeles city school system.)

The suburban Detroit Bloomfield Township Library recently had its Japanese garden completed in conjunction with Arbor Day observances. It was designed by Mrs. P. N. Askounes and Mrs. James Shimura, very active JACLers, with her husband James and son Gerald and Joe Sanders doing the planting. The garden was donated by the Ikebana International chapter at Detroit.

### Radio-TV

Prof. Toru Matsumoto, who completed studies in New York before the war at Union Theological Seminary and was interned during the war, is completing his 21st year presenting English lessons over Radio Japan. It was while the Hokkaido-born teacher was interned in a U.S. detention camp where he personally realized the difficulties involved and importance of establishing mutual understanding between peoples. He was awarded the Broadcasting Culture Prize this year. Also at the Radio NKK microphone conducting the Mail Bag program is Kenneth K. Marumoto, a Denver Nisei and a U.S. Marine Corps veteran.

### Churches

The Rev. Dr. Paul Nagano, pastor of the Seattle Japanese Baptist Church, and the Rev. Dr. James Chuek, pastor of the San Francisco First Chinese Baptist Church, have been designated conveners of the Asian American Baptist Caucus, which has petitioned for a sum of \$20,000 to organize a convocation to develop "a definite Christian strategy and ethnic power base from which genuine mutuality and justice can be implemented." The declaration was addressed to the American Baptist Convention headquarters at Valley Forge, Pa. Presentation was made during the church convention at Minneapolis May 12-16.

### BEDDING PLANT GROWER

Portland 'Cler handles hybrid petunia seeds costlier than gold: \$1,158 per oz.

HILLSBORO—When Oregonians begin their annual ritual of packing away snow tires and long johns and plan for the sunny months ahead, it's a particularly exciting time for the green-thumbed homeowners who envision the pomp and color of flowers in their yard.

To meet the needs of these Oregonians, over a half-million flats of flower and vegetable plants have been reared by some 50 bedding plant growers in the state.

Nisei educator judge for \$25,000 essay contest

LOS ANGELES — The Rev. Dr. William M. Shinto, newly appointed Asian American Education Commission chairman, has joined the panel of judges assembled for the \$25,000 scholarship competition on the essay topic: "Obscenity: Censorship or Free Choice?"

Open to all college students 18 and up, 23 prizes ranging from \$500 to the top of \$5,000 are being offered for English essays between 3,000 and 5,000 words. Entries are due July 4. Scholarship Competition, P.O. Box 69900, Los Angeles 90069.

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### Nisei Week

The 1971 Nisei Week queen race will be a seven-girl race, now that entry deadline has passed June 1. Sixth entrant is Diane Emiko Takel, 18, of West Los Angeles. JACL Daughter of the William Takels, she is 5 ft. 4, weighs 112, attends L.A. City College and plans to enroll at Cal State-L.A. Contest chairman Roy Hoshizaki and Harry Yamamoto indicated the name of the seventh candidate would be announced.

Montebello Japanese Women's Club, headed by Mrs. Harry Yamamoto, will sponsor the 1971 Nisei Week fashion show scheduled for Aug. 1 at the Ambassador Hotel's New Grove.

### Press Row

The San Francisco Hokubei Mainichi announced the appointment of Glenn K. Omatsu, 24, to its English editorial staff on June 1. Born in Cleveland, he finished schools in Southern California, Montebello High in 1965 and East Los Angeles College in 1967, before completing his studies in psychology at UC Santa Cruz in 1969. He was active with the Asian American Students Assn. at Yale, where he was a graduate student in social psychology, and more recently on the administrative staff of the San Francisco Buddhist Church.

Author of five books and numerous articles in the field of education, Allan H. Yamakawa was appointed manager of the Chicago Tribune Educational Services division. He was previously director of curriculum services within the division. The program aids several hundred area schools.

### Deaths

Bunheji Hattori, 92, of Moses Lake, Wash., died on May 20 following a long illness. A retired farmer, he came to the U.S. from Okayama in 1911 and lived in Kent, Wash., before moving to Moses Lake in 1945. Survivors include wife Yoshino, a Jack, Mike and Bill (Aisicaga).

The Rev. Reinhold Nelhuhr, 78, distinguished Protestant theologian and among 80 nationally-known Americans who defended the loyalty of Nisei during the hysteria of WW2 and designated National JACL sponsor, died June 21 at his home in Stockbridge, Mass. He has been associated with Union Theological Seminary in New York since 1928 and with many committees and organizations established to deal with specific social, economic and political matters.

Hampel Toriumi, 87, a retired Sacramento grocer and resident of Chicago for the past 25 years, died May 21. He was the father of two Los Angeles clergymen, Rev. Donald of Altadena First Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Howard of Union Church. Also surviving are sons Dan and John.

Tetsuo Toyama, 89, of Honolulu, a champion of Issei naturalization and publisher of "Citizen", died May 29. He came from Okinawa in 1906 to work on the plantation, edited the labor publication, Jitsugyo-no-Hawaii, between 1909 and 1941, was interned during the war years and returned to become one of the first in Hawaii to be naturalized on Feb. 26, 1953.

Henry H. Yamamoto, 60, a fur farm operator at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, died after a short illness on May 11. The

### S. G. SAKAMOTO, 86

## Fresno Issei Pioneer and Leader

FRESNO — Setsugo G. Sakamoto, one of the most prominent pioneer Issei who arrived in the United States before the turn of the century, died May 27. He was 86. Working at his office as usual in the morning, he lunched with several friends and returned to his home at 608 E St., where he apparently died following a heart attack. Family members returning home in the evening found him dead.

Born in Hiroshima prefecture in 1884, Sakamoto came to California in 1899 at the age of 15.

### As a School Boy

He spent three years as a school boy in Sacramento and learned English which later enabled him to engage in business and earned him a wide circle of American friends. After operating a shop for seven years, he went to Tulare county where he was soon engaged in large scale farming, operating orchards and other farm lands covering several thousand acres.

San Diego-born Nisei spent his childhood in Japan, returned to the U.S. and settled in Coeur d'Alene in 1926. An active Spokane JACLer, he instrumental in publicizing the fact that naturalized Oriental Americans were prohibited from voting and serving on juries in the State of Idaho. This culminated in a JACL campaign to have the law repealed by the electorate in 1962.

He is survived by w. Tomoko, s. om (San Diego), d. Marie, Jean (both Seattle), b. Andy, sis Kazuo Mori and one granddaughter.

### Courtroom

Douglas P. Yamamoto, a UC Santa Cruz student charged with firebombing the Santa Cruz draft board office in February, pleaded guilty May 28 in U.S. District Court in San Jose to a charge of destruction of government records. U.S. District Judge Robert F. Peckham scheduled sentencing for Yamamoto for July 6.

### Awards

As the outstanding junior student in chemistry at the Univ. of Utah, Allen Oshita received the Leon Watters Fellowship Award (\$100), his second since he received a similar award in his sophomore year. He is the son of the Ben Oshita of Salt Lake City. The National Assn. of Accountants at Los Angeles awarded Shigemi S. Sakaki, 22, straight-Aye at USC in accounting, a \$500 scholarship. Hailing from El Centro, she carries a 3.71 GPA for all courses to date.

### 60th Wedding Event

He and his wife, the late Asayo Sakamoto, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in 1963. She died in 1969. Surviving him are his three

## Holiday weekend ends in tragedy for San Jose family killed in boat mishap

RIO VISTA — Three persons were killed and four injured May 29 when their speedboat hit a ferry cable stretched across Steamboat Slough, slicing through the craft just above the waterline.

Sacramento County coroner's office said the dead were Jack Amis, 38, his wife Jane Misako (nee Osuga) and their one-year-old daughter Shaunie, all of San Jose.

The taut steel cable cut halfway through the 16-foot boat, leaving the undamaged fiberglass hull still afloat.

Rio Vista Fire Chief Evan Buchanan said the vessel was southbound in the slough, 31 miles south of Sacramento, when it hit the cable of the Ryer Island Ferry. Victor Morden of Antioch, the ferry operator, said the cable-drawn ferry "J-Mack" was about one-fourth of the way across the 370-foot wide slough at the time.

The injured included Klipper Amis, 5, son of the dead couple, and Mike Smith, 28, of San Jose. Both were in satisfactory condition at Lodi Memorial Hospital.

Smith's wife Peggy and their daughter were treated and released.

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daughters, Mrs. Alma Shigeo father. Collier, Edna Setuko and Susan Sakamoto, (all of Fresno), four grandchildren and six great grandchildren. His son, Tom Setuko, 66, was killed May 28 when hit by a car in the 700 block of Potte Avenue, less than 24 hours after the death of his father. Owner of the Fresno Tokyo Gardens, he was often mistaken for Dr. S. I. Hayakawa. (The Fresno Bee photo shows the late Tom Sakamoto wearing the tam o'shanter, popularized by the San Francisco State College president). Tom was also a JACL member.

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Bill Hosokawa

# From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

"TORA! TORA! TORA!"—We finally got around to viewing the movie "Tora! Tora! Tora!", which is the story of the attack on Pearl Harbor, at one of the neighborhood cinemas. No Nisei can see this film without strong impressions, and this column today will be devoted to some personal reactions.

Inevitably, the viewer must be astonished by the incredible amount of bungling, at all levels of authority, that caused this nation to be caught completely off guard when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. It is one thing to read about these matters in a dozen or so books and reports, as many Americans have. It is another to see that drama of ineptness come to life on the wide-wide screen.

There is anger, too, at the realization of how our emotions were manipulated by our national leaders immediately after the Pearl Harbor attack. Then, as Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto prophesied, the sleeping giant was awakened in a mighty surge of anger that led to the crushing of the Japanese empire, and the Japanese Americans were the innocent victims of that rage. But the film makes the point indirectly that our leaders, from President Roosevelt down, ignored our own ghastly errors while underscoring Japanese perfidy. Of course we could not have expected otherwise at the time, but it is disappointing to learn how badly we were taken in by the one-sided official presentation of the situation. This must not be construed in any manner as defending Japan's treachery in attacking the United States without warning; it is merely a lament that we didn't learn the whole truth until much later.

In a sense, "Tora! Tora! Tora!" is an anti-war film. Someone once said that war is too important a matter to be left in the hands of the professionals. And in the context of current opposition to the Vietnam fiasco, a person who views this film thoughtfully well might ask if it is safe to leave our nation's welfare in the hands of our leaders. On the other hand, it can be said that only in a democracy could a movie be made attacking the competence and credibility of government leaders at a time when all government authority is being questioned and challenged by dissidents.

Perhaps because there are deplorably few movies these days for general audiences, a large number of families were at the "Tora!" showing we attended. A quick, informal look at the audience indicated no more than 10 per cent was old enough to recall Pearl Harbor Day from personal experience. For the rest, this like Hitler was something that happened in ancient times, and the poignancy of this sad occasion was largest lost on them. It was tragic, for example, to find the younger viewers regarding the attack scenes as just another cowboys-and-Indians action epic. The critics have been less than kind to this movie, and perhaps one reason is that many of them are younger people who, lacking the personal experience, are unable to identify with the tragedy that "Tora!" portrays so graphically. Certainly the portrayal of Admiral Yamamoto and his awful premonitions, filmed by a Japanese crew, was superb.

One angle that was ignored was the reaction of the people of Hawaii to the attack on that peaceful Sunday morning. Perhaps it would have only confused audiences to show Japanese exulting in their planes over Hawaii, and others with Japanese faces on the ground fighting back, or rushing to the aid of wounded American servicemen, or lining up to offer their blood, all of which happened. At any rate, from a Nisei point of view, we could wish that at least some recognition could have been given to the role of Hawaiians of Japanese descent, or of the heroic part played by the heavily-Nisei Hawaiian National Guard. Maybe the activists in our midst can make a point of this.

While leaving the theater, for the first time in decades, we became acutely aware of our Japanese faces and as in 1941, we wondered whether people were staring. But nobody was. This was 1971.



By Jim Henry

## Sakura Script

Gay Moments on TV

TOKYO — Japanese actors, traditional geisha garb, singers and comedians have an apparently strong urge to appear on TV screens in drag, as well as that for poor taste, goes to a gay package of merit called the "Saka Sama Show" on Tokyo's Channel 4 (NTV) every Tuesday evening.

Translated literally as the "Upside Down Show" (or as it is known in the English language dailies, the "Reverse Show" or "Transvestite Show"), each Saka Sama program features a half-dozen singing contestants — men in drag — and several hoarse-voiced bull-type dykes.

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Not long ago a new candy bar was unveiled on TV known as Nuts Guy. I thought it was pretty odd name when I first saw the commercial, but I soon realized that it was simply Stun Yag spelled backwards and that cleared it all up. And how was your week?

## S.F. CHINATOWN PROTEST SCHOOL BUSSING PLAN

City Under Court Order to Integrate by September

SAN FRANCISCO—The usually quiet parents of Chinatown waved antibussing signs written in Chinese last week (June 2) in a noisy evening meeting protesting proposed school integration plans.

The city is under court order to integrate its schools and all of the plans under consideration would involve bussing the Chinatown children outside the area.

The packed meeting heard speakers attack the plan and also condemn the Board of Education, which was invited to send a representative but did not. Some 300 Chinese parents attended.

Harold Fong of the Chinese-American Citizens Alliance charged that there was a "serious lack of communication" between the school board and the Chinese parents.

"You must come up with a better plan because Chinatown has unique socio-economic language and cultural problems," he added.

Speaker Ralph Lee said the desegregation plans "threaten to upheave the entire pattern of life in our community."

L. B. Lum said he moved from Texas so his daughter could be educated in special Chinese schools, which hold classes at the end of the regular school day.

"If she's traveling an hour to school and an hour back, there's no way for her to go to Chinese school to get that education," he declared.

On another front the same day, a group of parents opposed to integration by bussing launched another legal attack on the legality of having an appointed Board of Education. Their lawsuit filed in U.S. district court asked that the board be vacated because it violates the Supreme Court's one-man, one-vote ruling and it asked the Board of Supervisors to take over the board's functions until one can be elected.

When a suit of this nature is filed, the name of a judge to handle it is drawn by lot and the name of Federal Judge Stanley F. Weigel came up.

## YUBA CITY MASS MURDER

# Nisei farmer discovers 1st body

(Grisly headlines horrified the nation last week of May as the bodies of 25 itinerant farm workers, hacked to death with machetes or similar weapons, were unearthed from a series of shallow graves along the Feather River near Yuba City. It was a longtime Marysville JACLer, Goro Kagehiro of Live Oak who found the first body on May 20 buried in his peach orchard—Ed.)

YUBA CITY — The Japanese-American farmer who first alerted authorities to the mass slaying said that he thought it strange when he looked down the rows of his 20-acre peach orchard and found a "grave-shaped hole."

"I thought somebody came from the county to take a soil sample," said Goro Kagehiro, who was working with one of suspect Juan Corona's farm crews when he came upon the empty 3 1/2-by-6 1/2-foot hole, on the morning of May 19.

The general farmer, who has known Corona for some 10 years, said there was a large mound of dirt near the hole.

At 6 p.m., after a day spent thinning the trees in his orchard about three and a half miles north of here, Kagehiro said he returned and found the four-foot-deep hole covered over.

By that time, as he told his wife, the hole seemed "too big" to have been a soil sample.

Kagehiro said he tried to telephone the sheriff but couldn't get through.

Early the next day, he went to the sheriff's substation in Live Oak and brought back deputies who opened up the grave and found the body of a man who apparently had been dead a day or two.

Kagehiro, in blue jeans, spoke, some men wore guaze masks and smoked big cigars to overcome the stench while digging among the peach trees.

The body in the hole had been lying between two of the trees a few feet off a dirt road.

## Secretary Rogers to address Japan Society

# Pasadena architect named to state task force on child education laws

NEW YORK—The Japan Society, Inc., announced Secretary of State William P. Rogers will be honored guest at its first annual dinner June 30 at the Waldorf-Astoria.

John D. Rockefeller III will introduce the guest speaker, who will discuss the relations between Japan and the U.S. in the broader context of the political, cultural and economic relationships, Robert D. Murphy is dinner chairman.

Pasadena architect named to state task force on child education laws

LOS ANGELES — Architect Frank T. Sata of Pasadena was appointed last month to a task force to develop recommendations for legislation related to early childhood for the state of California. The appointment was made by State Superintendent of Education Wilson Riles.

Sata brings impressive credentials to this important post, having spent the past two years traveling to many parts of the country as a consultant in the field of educational environment design. He has worked closely with several Indian Community Action programs extending from the Southwestern states to North Dakota.

An active association with the Education Development Center in Newton, Mass., has required much of his time in New England, where he has also worked with the Massachusetts Experimental School System Committee for Community Educational Development.

Also, Sata has been a program participant in five National Head Start conferences and the Conference of National Association for the Education of Young Children. He testified before the 1970 congressional hearing on education in Los Angeles. He has also participated in many workshops for teachers in California and Colorado.

At the present time, he is closely associated with Pacific Oaks College in Pasadena, serving as the Master Plan architect and negotiating to teach and continue his research. He also has his own private practice.

Previous to his venture into the field of education, Sata designed many buildings of all types. In 1965, he spent eight months in Portugal as a member of a planning team for the development of a new city there.

He is active with: Board of Trustees of Sequoyah School (former member), Board of Directors of Mutual Ownership Development of Northwest Pasadena, Asian American Contractors Association, Pasadena Chapter of NAACP, and Greater Pasadena Area JACL.

## OREGON FARMERS GROWING 'IDAHO POTATOES' CONCERNED BY NEW RULE

ONTARIO, Ore. — Because of a ruling announced May 25 which concerns a Truth in Labeling Act for foods with geographic names effective June 24, potato growers and processors here are expressing concern about it—for example, the Idaho potato.

For many years, the Argus-Observer noted, potatoes grown on both sides of the Snake River (which divides Oregon and Idaho) have been marketed under the name of Idaho potatoes.

In recent years, opposition to this practice developed as many potatoes from as far away as California and Arizona were shipped here to be packed under an Idaho label.

The new ruling states that a food is misbranded if its label expresses or implies a false geographic region in words or pictures.

'State of Origin' Bill

Roy Hirai of Nyssa, a member of the National Potato Council board of directors, told the Argus-Observer that Idaho had been trying for some time to get a law through Congress to establish a "state of origin" bill.

Last year we agreed we'd use Idaho-Oregon labels. We have been so designated for the past 30 to 40 years. Idaho agreed to let us go ahead with the Idaho-Oregon labels.

Hirai also said that Malheur County produces less than 10 per cent of its crop for the local fresh market.

Ruling Halted

In Washington, Sen. Len Jordan (R-Idaho) halted the ruling issued by the Federal Food and Drug Administration as it would stop retailers from selling inferior potatoes as Idaho potatoes, thus stop a threat to the reputation of the Idaho variety.

Jordan said many dealers from other areas had labelled their potatoes as "Idaho potatoes" in order to charge the premium prices he said the consumer was willing to pay for Idaho potatoes.

Earthquake fund

LOS ANGELES—A \$3 million (\$2,777) donation from the World Church of Messianity of Atami, Japan, to assist veterans displaced by the Feb. 9 earthquake was distributed by Mayor Sam Yorty last week to approximately 150 veterans, each getting about \$20 each.

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PROGRESSIVE WESTSIDE: Ken Izumi

## Lt. Calley Is Guilty!

The recent public outpouring, defying Lt. William Calley, has to be one of the most chilling episodes ever to come out of the war, which has proven to be the most unpopular in American history. What we do in the name of honor, country and Lt. Calley!

The Progressive Westside board feels total disgust at this twisted and unreplicable public reaction. Is the pro-Calley segment of American society embracing a

### CHIAROSCURO

vague, even questionable concept of my country, right or wrong, over the basic moral issue involved, that he had slaughtered unarmed men, women and children?

In my mind, the most revolting element in this whole affair is the pervasive and insidious (but not surprising) belief that those Asian lives that were lost at My Lai were in fact not human lives at all, as America views it. Apparently, "our" respect and passion for life is greater than "theirs." Comments by U. S. troops in Vietnam and political figures here at home betray this attitude and lend credence to the oft-heard accusation that the Vietnam war is also racist in nature. Periodicals and returning servicemen freely admit to common troop indifference to Vietnamese lives.

In fact, the esteem that many people in our government and, clearly, the public have of "gook" lives is so low that general reaction to Calley's verdict is that it is "too" harsh for the crime.

It is an incredible display of mindless insensitivity on the part of these Americans who justify Calley's actions

as acts of war, but completely overlook the human tragedy of the situation that obviously befalls the air as the carnage itself.

The cold and bloodless formula by which Calley and his men equated the destruction of human lives to "personal safety" is clearly symptomatic of a policy which authorizes America's aggressive bombings to (to "protect withdrawing U.S. troops"), because the ends are identical—the mass extermination of human beings in order to preserve American lives, regardless of how precious those of Asians. History still echoes those same words at Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Calley is guilty. Common sense and all rules of military conduct leave no room for pre-meditated murder of civilians. His punishment is not too severe for the crime, for what crime could be more reprehensible than that against humanity?

But, Calley is not alone. By the very decisions which the United States imposed upon Nazi war criminals at the Nuremberg trials, the guilt goes through the military hierarchy and the executive branch, something about which our government for obvious reasons is about to do nothing.

What evolves is a dictum of America's practices in international law: "Do unto others as you would not have them do unto you."

I think it's about time the American people take a humanistic approach to the significance of these atrocities and not be blinded by a patriotism which allows such crimes to occur without questioning them. This public reaction is the heavy price we have paid for a President's initial mistake.

## THREE DISTRICT YOUTH COUNCILS IN CALIF. SLATE AUGUST CONFAB

By PEGGY SONODA

Los Angeles  
Of particular interest to those in Jr. JACL or youth in general, in California or not, the upcoming Tri-District Youth Conference being hosted by the Pacific Southwest DYU at Bannockburn in Riverside on Aug. 26-29 will bring together people from all three California-based DYUs:

Northern California-Western Nevada, Central California and the Pacific Southwest (which includes Arizona). The conference is also open to all JACLers and Jr. JACLers—irrespective of area. In other words, this is the only real chance for JACLers to meet like this outside the national convention. Perhaps this is better because all members are invited. There will be no delegates. The thing will be informal.

### 'Weird' Peoples

Admittedly, people are weird, but you know that only tends to make things interesting anyway. And when people from different regions, lifestyles, with all their own little weird ideas, spend a few days pretty much living together, it is not only a lot of fun, but pretty interesting. Getting past all the obstacles, like games people play, defenses, cliques, stereotypes, may lead to new ways of thinking about people or themselves. And really, in the Junior JACL there is no such thing as solidarity. (Really, we don't even know what other chapters are like. We all seem pretty sheltered.)

But, in our unbiased opinion, "Tri-District" sounds really good. The theme, "Sharing of the Weirds," sums up what type of conference this will be. Hopefully, an atmosphere can be created or just arise so that people will mingle and relate and all that.

### CALENDAR

June 11 (Friday)  
Idaho Falls—Wetner roast, Sealander Park, 7 p.m.  
Cincinnati—Travelers' program, Christ Church, 7:30 p.m.  
Alameda—Baseball Night: Oakland, 10:15 p.m. fr Buena Vista Methodist Church.  
June 12 (Saturday)  
Sequoia—Children's picnic, Al. dergate Church, Palo Alto, 11:30 a.m.  
June 13-14  
Eden Township—Bazaar, Eden Comm. Ctr.  
June 13 (Sunday)  
PNWDC—District session, Spokane JACL hosts.  
Salinas Valley—Barbecue, Bolado Park.  
June 14 (Monday)  
Alameda—Bd Mtg, Buena Vista Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.  
June 15 (Saturday)  
Selanoco—Issei Appreciation Movie night, Whittier Community Center, 7:30 p.m.  
Salt Lake City—Ethnic Workshop, Buddhist Church, 8 p.m.  
June 20 (Sunday)  
Focetale—Picnic, Blackfoot Fairgrounds.  
June 26 (Saturday)  
Chicago—Graduates dir. McCormick Boys Club, 8:30 p.m.  
June 27 (Sunday)  
Dayton—Pictures of Japan, Chevrolet Hills Playg.  
Montevideo—Community picnic, Orange County—JAY's carnival, Garden Grove Park, 12:45 p.m.  
June 28 (Monday)  
Berkeley—Bd Mtg, American Savings & Loan, 7:30 p.m.  
June 30 (Wednesday)  
Montevideo—Bd Mtg, JACL, CL Hall, 7:30 p.m.  
July 2 (Friday)  
Watsonville—Japanese movies, July 4 (Sunday)  
Downtown L.A.—Old time dance, Rio Honda, 11:30 a.m. teocof.  
Contra Costa—AFS Community carnival, bootcamp.  
July 6 (Tuesday)  
Gardena Valley—Reg Mtg, North Gardena Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.  
July 9 (Friday)  
Detroit—Ethnic festival.  
July 11 (Sunday)  
Crochella Valley—JACL picnic, Anza Park.

## Salt Lake panel with black, brown, yellow June 19

Problems in education, employment, housing and intermarriage as they affect different minority groups will be freely discussed at an ethnic workshop sponsored by the Salt Lake JACL on Saturday, June 19, 8 p.m., at the local Buddhist Church.

Community leader Lucas Hess of Radio KSXX will be moderator while on the panel will be Danny Burnett, procedures writer with Hercules Co. and with NAACP since 1958; Wil-

### June Events

liam Gonzales, instructor at the Univ. of Utah in Spanish and state vice-president of SOCIO (Spanish-speaking Organization for Community Integrity and Opportunity); and Raymond Uno, National JACL president.

The chapter also extended invitation to members of the black and brown communities to participate in the important workshop with JACL members.

### CO-OP Program

Since the chapter became a board member of the CO-OP (Community Organizations Operations Program), which directs the distribution of Dept. of Agriculture food surplus to the qualified needy, JACLers are inconspicuously getting involved with the community.

Most recent was the breakfasts have been offered, at Jackson, which is 740 W. 1st North, which its principal has conceded was needed a long time ago. It is hoped that the Salt Lake board of education will continue the program to assist

## 1000 Club Report

May 28 Report

National Headquarters acknowledged this past month 77 new and renewing membership in the 1000 Club. The month-end total continued to climb to a new high of 2,398. The newly acknowledged members are:

21st Year: San Francisco—Yasuo Abiko; Chicago—Fred Kataoka; 20th Year: Marysville—Bill Z. Tsui; 18th Year: Philadelphia—S. Sim Endo; San Francisco—Dr. Carl T. Hirota; 17th Year: San Francisco—Lucy Adachi; Bay Area—Community—Sumi Honnami; Pasadena—Mrs. Mary K. Ito; Seattle—George Y. Kawachi; Livingston—Merced—Norman Kishi; Chicago—Dr. George Kikkawa; 16th Year: Sacramento—Dr. James J. Kubo; Chicago—Dr. Kenji Kishino; Lincoln—Shimizu; Gardena Valley—Sam Minami; Livingston—Merced—Frank Shoji; 15th Year: Delano—Joe Kitano; West Los Angeles—Mrs. Toshiko Komai; 14th Year: D.C.—Kaz Oshiki; Gresham—Trotter—Kaz Tamura; 13th Year: West Los Angeles—David Akashi; Chicago—Dr. George T. Hirota; Downtown L.A.—Ichiro Nakajima, Toshio Nakajima; 12th Year: Venice—Culver—Dr. Harold G. Harada; Detroit—Walter H. Miyao; Alameda—Jimmy Yumae; 11th Year: Boise Valley—K. John Arima; Sacramento—Roy Himoto; Portland—Akira Iwasaki; 10th Year: Philadelphia—Kaz Horita; Gardena Valley—Dr. William M. Jow; San Francisco—Sim Seki; Masateru Tatsuono; Sacramento—Howard Yanagata; 9th Year: Downtown L.A.—Mrs. Takayo Kato; Orange County—Justice Stephen K. Tamura; 8th Year: West Los Angeles—Mrs. Mary Akashi; Mid-Columbia—Harry Morikita; San Francisco—William T. Nakahara; 7th Year: Milwaukee—Elizabeth J. Dixon; Chicago—Allan J. Heki; 5th Year: Marysville—Randell M. Howard; Reedley—Henry Iwanaga; Sequoia—Koji Murata; Berkeley—Take H. Shirasawa; 4th Year: Detroit—Ray T. Higo; D.C.—Ben Nakao (Tokyo); Chicago—George T. Nakao; 3rd Year: Orange County—Dr. George Fukunara; Chicago—Kay K. Honda; Sequoia—Mrs. Mary Murata; San Jose—Dr. Minoru Yamate; 2nd Year: Watsonville—Mrs. Hisae Aramaki; Yoshio R. Aramaki; Chicago—George Aso; Mrs. Natsuko Nance; Dick Nishimoto; Pasadena—Kav Hanaka; Tokyo—Tokio Inoue; Hideo Shimada; Downtown L.A.—Ken Kagawa; Berkeley—Dr. Frank T. Kami; Detroit—Dr. Paul Imadajala; Sonoma County—Paul Miletich; Mrs. Michiko Tway; Whittier—Utaro Sugiyama; East Los Angeles—Robert M. Takasugi; MDC—Harry Taya-

ma; 1st Year: Chicago—Mrs. Yuki Bellissimo; Mitsuru Shida; D.C.—Toru Hirose; Sacramento—Kazuo Kimura; Salinas Valley—Dr. C. Kuwahara; Mt. Olympus—Mrs. Tane Nakahara.

Part of this ideal situation means getting away from a lot of the normal pressures of everyday life, so the conference will be held at a regular conference center, Bannockburn, which is a very special place. No dirt, and plenty of water, no mention all the other luxuries.

Now, for more details. Registration information will be out shortly. Pre-registration is due July 31. The fee is \$5.

### Acknowledgements

(Speaking of finances, we hope that we get more responses from our letters to District Governors to all three senior groups, a and chapter presidents. We hope to receive \$50 from district, \$25 from chapters, but really, anything will help. So far, we have received TDC fund contributions from Gilroy, Fremont, San Jose, Orange County, Greater Pasadena, and NC-WN District Council. We hope that these JACLers will be able to participate at the conference.)

A Tri-District T-Shirt sale is planned. First, a design contest is underway. Design must include no more than three colors, and the words Tri-District and Jr. JACL. Winner will have his expenses paid to the conference. Drawings must be sent to Bruce Izumi, 1525 W. 152nd St., Gardena, 90247.

If all men were just, there would be no need of courage. —Plutarch

law-income families. In the short time the breakfast have been offered, attendance increased nearly 5 per cent. A typical menu includes French toast, sausage, bananas and milk.

CO-OP is now contemplating a food program for senior citizens and handling of food stamps.

### Asian American Studies in Richmond supported

The Alliance of Asian Americans, with the cooperation of Contra Costa JACL, held a community meeting at St. Luke's Methodist Church, Richmond, on June 7. Dr. Harry Kitano, director of U.S. American Studies, UCLA, spoke on "Why Asian American Studies." Stewart Yee of Berkeley Asian Task Force dwelt on what Berkeley Schools have accomplished in expanding their Asian American Studies curriculum.

The purpose of the meeting was to rally community support for an expanded Asian American Studies program in the Richmond Unified School District.

### Selanoco to honor Issei at movie program

Pioneer Issei of the Selanoco JACL area will be special guests at the chapter Issei Appreciation Movie Night, June 19, 7:30 p.m., at Whittier Community Center Auditorium in uptown Whittier, Washington Ave. and Mar Vista. Both Japanese films are suitable for family members.

Issei in need of transportation may call: Jon Kono, La Mirada (943-8487); Peggy Konishi, Cerritos (926-1063); or Rick Shiba, Anaheim (527-7114). Tickets are \$1 adult, 50

cents for children 12 and under. Area ticket captains are: Rose Tao, Whittier; Don Watanabe, Norwalk; Al Murokawa, Hacienda Heights; Charles Ida, Orange; and Hira Kamei, Anaheim.

### Scholarship

**SAN GABRIEL VALLEY JACL**  
Mrs. June Uejima, Schol. Chmn. Chapter Awards—Ralph Maeda, West Covina (\$100); Sammy Isamu Yoshida, Rosemead (\$75); and Yuri Lea Kuwahara, West Covina (\$50).

### San Gabriel Valley JACL grants three scholarships

Outstanding scholars were honored at a special San Gabriel Valley JACL meeting May 22 at the Japanese American Community Center in West Covina. Three scholarships were granted. (Winners are listed above.)

### White River Valley hears Evacuation impressions

Walt Woodward, who personally witnessed the Evacuation while publisher of the Bainbridge Island Review, recollected his first impressions of the removal of Japanese Americans from the island in 1942 before the White River Valley JACL dinner May 14 honoring local area graduates.

Onetime worker with the Republican Party in Washington, D.C., Woodward is now a newspaper columnist in Seattle.

The chapter honored 20 graduates and Marcia Kato of Kent received the chapter scholarship. She plans to attend Reed College in Portland. Dave Botting was emcee while the Rev. Harold Oda of the

White River Buddhist Church gave the invocation and benediction.

### May Events

#### Mits Ikeda retains Alameda bowling title

Mits Ikeda for the second consecutive year won the men's singles in the annual Alameda JACL bowling tournament held May 22 at Mel's Bowl with a 632-38-670.

Rui Taniguchi (547-78) and Meri Ikeda (543-82) shared the women's single title with a 625 series. Mits Ikeda paired with Archie Uchiyama to win the doubles at 1,234 while Archie (588-120) won the no-book class. Shig Imazumi was tournament director.

### Onetime CCDC governor city attorney at Fowler

FOWLER—James K. Kubota was appointed May 25 by the Fowler City Council to take the post of city attorney, effective June 1. Kubota, a Fresno attorney, was formerly Parlier city attorney.

Kubota was named to fill the post vacated by Mikio Uchiyama. The latter had been serving as Fowler city attorney for several years before being named Fowler judicial district judge in 1969.

He held the two posts concurrently until several months ago when it was ruled that public office holders could not fill more than one office at a time.

The teeming autumn, big with rich increase—Shakespeare

### 'Indy 500' injury

INDIANAPOLIS — Akira Mase, of Tokyo and New York City, was hospitalized with a broken left leg May 29 when the pace car at Indianapolis Motor Speedway veered into the photographers' stand after the driver lost control.

### Kunisugu —

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ter representative, is a devotee of Japanese brush painting. Her colorful "shikishi" with deft sketches of flowers and vegetables are also on display.

Younger by far in age but a bona-fide member of the group is Yoshiaki Fujita, a recent arrival from Japan. Fujita, who is now experimenting with surrealism, was a student of Shigeo Ikeda, who gained early fame for his quasi-religious approach to art. Fujita is anxious to go to Mexico and study the art of murals there. Currently negotiating for a one-man show, he hurriedly had a friend bring in some canvases to show us. A dream landscape in strong primary colors was an interesting example.

"A life worth living—something to live for" ("Ikigai")

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is what they find in art. Others find it in Japanese poetry, trips to Las Vegas, chanting, folk dancing, folk singing, or just plain conversation with friends. The Pioneer Center is an oasis that deserves widespread community support. What would be nice, it seems to us, is a minibus for the center, which can take smaller groups of various hobbyists to places of their particular interest within the city. —Kashu Mainichi

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# Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

## At State Capitol

Honolulu  
Lt. Gov. George Ariyoshi says his recent week-long visit to Japan was a "successful mission." He led a delegation of 20 island business executives and legislators who met some 200 Japanese businessmen at an investment seminar in Tokyo. "We told them that Hawaii has a special role to play," Ariyoshi said. "As a bridge, a conduit between the countries bordering on the Pacific." Ariyoshi said the Japanese suggested that the Hawaii visitor industry develop "Oriental-inn" type facilities for Japanese tourists, especially on the Neighbor Islands where these may well blend with the environment.

State Sen. Duke Kawasaka says he was one of the leaders in the legislature's efforts to reorganize the State Public Defender's Office. But, he adds, he was not the author of the controversial new public defender bill and did not know who authored it. "And I couldn't care less," he said. "I have called the Governor, told him that I supported the legislative bill, and urged him to sign it into law. I have no qualms about placing the defender under the Governor's office."

## Congressional Score

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye is one of the Senate's top money-makers as a speaker, according to the AP. Last year Inouye reported an income of \$15,100 from his appearances. The top money-maker, however, appears to be Sen. Birch Bayh of Indiana. He earned a total of \$44,331 as a speaker. His salary was less—\$42,500. Sen. Edmund Muskie was in second place with a total of \$40,865 from speeches and writings.

## Names in the News

Ross Isamu Sugibayashi, son of the Isao Sugibayashi of Lihue, Kauai, has been named the outstanding teenager of Hawaii. He is a Kauai High School senior. He is one of 31 teenagers from all the states and the District of Columbia picked for national competition. Two national winners will receive \$1,000 scholarship each to the college of his choice. Edward J. Kovack of the Plumbers Union appears to be the highest labor leader in Hawaii. He made \$36,596. Arthur Rutledge, the head of the Hawaii Teamsters and Hotel Workers unions, earned \$36,030. Other labor leaders were paid as follows:

Stanley S. Yanagi, carpenters union, \$25,465; Richard Dumarcas, Metal Workers, \$22,047; Walter Kupan, carpenters union, \$21,663; L.B. Peterson, musicians union, \$19,543; Akito Fujikawa, electricians local, \$18,846; Jose Corpeuz, ILWU Oahu director, \$17,136; Constantine Samson, ILWU Local 12, \$15,942; James Yoshida, electricians local, \$16,700; Fred Taniguchi, ILWU Kauai division, \$16,661; Wilbert Eguchi, bricklayers union, \$16,636; George Martin, formerly ILWU Hawaii division director, \$16,603; Newton Miyagi, ILWU, \$16,561; Carl Damaso, ILWU, \$16,401; Thomas Vagi, ILWU, \$16,284; John Montrose, painters union, \$15,942; Doran Gustavson, roofers union, Henry Epstein, UPW director, \$15,651; David Thompson, ILWU, \$15,450; C. Sakai, ILWU, \$15,088; Herman Amara, ILWU, \$15,083; Fusao Otsuchi, machinists union, \$14,730; C. R. Pudok, bricklayers union, \$14,056; David K. Trask, Jr., executive director of the Hawaii Government Employees Ass'n., \$28,750.

The Honolulu-based Taisel Maru, a 61-foot fishing boat, was safe in Hilo May 18 after an attack by a massive swordfish which nearly sank it. Skipper Kame Oshiro could not at first account for the mysterious letters which was causing water to enter the vessel. Later when a diver went under the water to patch the leak, he found a broken swordfish bill embedded in the hull. The incident occurred about five miles off Cape Kumukahi on the Big Island. Tomosue Abo, of 99-537 Kaholo Place, Aiea, will preside

over the Japan Mission as its president, the first presidency of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has announced. Abo currently is serving as president of the Pearl Harbor Stake.

Joy A. Ann, 33, a Waianae High School teacher, was suspended for five days without pay for taking two days off without permission. During the time that she was off, Miss Ann took part in the protest at Kalama Valley. However, her suspension was not for taking part in the demonstration, but for being absent from her teaching post without permission. Before last Nov., when she was hired to teach, Miss Ann was an aide to Rep. Patsy T. Mink.

Denny Sakaye of the city parks and recreation dept. has been named director of the 1971 Honolulu Soap Box Derby by the executive committee of the event. Sakaye is a veteran of 11 years' work with the annual coasting race. Eddie Higashino has been named race day chairman. The winner of the event will take part in the All-American championships at Akron, Ohio.

Sharon Nakanishi, 22, daughter of the Richard Nakanishis of 1715 Bertram St., will serve as a teaching assistant in the Seventh-Day Adventist Center in Osaka, Japan. She will teach English at the center. Also serving as an assistant at the center will be Joy Nomi, daughter of the Robert Nomis of Mountain View. Callistone Nomis are former Hawaii residents.

## Political Scene

Rep. Howard Oda served as honorary chairman of the Republican State convention held over the May 21-22 week end at Kahului, Maui. V. Thomas Rice, state GOP chairman, said he was pleased that convention delegates had opportunity "to honor the dedication and accomplishments of this Republican legislator." Oda intends to run for the state senate seat left vacant by the death of Democratic Sen. Larry N. Kuriyama.

## Medical Notes

Dr. Richard K.C. Lee, former director of the state Dept. of Health, said on May 17 that Hale Mohalu should be phased out. Hale Mohalu is the leprosy treatment center in Pearl City. Dr. Lee said it's a mistake to continue to maintain leprosy hospitals in isolated locations, far removed from other major medical services. Lee said patients at Kalaupapa receiving intensive medical services should be transferred to Oahu.

## Education

Claudio Surat, Castle High School principal, has been elected president of the Oahu Interscholastic Assn. for the 1971-72 school year. Named vice president is Paul Kobayashi, principal of Leilehua High School. Bill Smith has been reappointed executive

## HAWAII SPECIAL ELECTION FOR KURIYAMA SENATE SEAT SCHEDULED

By ALLAN BEEKMAN

HONOLULU—Gov. John A. Burns signed a bill providing for a special primary and general election to fill the vacancy in the Fourth Senatorial District (Leeward Oahu) caused by the assassination of State Sen. Larry Kuriyama. On the night of Oct. 23, 1970, Kuriyama, 49, was shot to death in the garage of his Aiea home as he stepped out of his station wagon. He was returning from a political rally, running for re-election without Republican opposition, he and three other Democratic candidates had been assured of capturing the District's four Senate seats.

Though police appear to know the identity of the assassin, no arrests have been made. Six or seven police are reported working on the case, two full time, sifting clues and compiling evidence.

## No Appointee

The assassination caused political confusion. Burns wanted to appoint a successor to Kuriyama. A 4th District voter went to federal

secretary. The Hawaii State Teachers Assn. won over the Hawaii Federation of Teachers in a collective bargaining election May 19. The HSTA will represent classroom teachers as their exclusive bargaining representatives in forthcoming talks. The margin of victory was attributed to: 1—A predominantly conservative core among state teachers; 2—An anti-union backlash; 3—A belief that the HSTA has more depth because of its affiliation with the National Education Assn.

It's getting harder and harder to get teaching in Hawaii public schools. About 3,000 applicants are vying for the Dept. of Education estimates will amount to only about 450 job openings between now and Oct. Percentage-wise, never have we had so many applications and so few jobs," says Harry Chang, recruitment administrator for the DOE's Office of Personnel Services. Not counting the nearly 4,000 applications now on hand, the DOE has received about 1,000 inquiries this year about teaching jobs for the 1971-72 school year. According to Chang, the least needed teachers are in the fields of art, home economics, physical education, business education and social studies. "Our needs will probably be first for math and industrial arts teachers when the current situation eases," Chang added.

## Univ. of Hawaii

The State Foundation of Culture and the Arts has obtained a 15th century seated figure of Buddha and a six-foot Japanese screen painting dating from the 16th century for the Univ. of Hawaii branch in Hilo. They will serve as the foundation for an Oriental art collection at Hilo College, which is the new name for the UH branch in Hilo. The Buddha figure, made of lacquered wood, gold over black, is 31 inches in height. The screen was painted in ink and color on paper by a Kanono master of the 16th century.

About 2,300 Univ. of Hawaii students were to be graduated at commencement exercises at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 23, at the Wai'aleale Shell, including 470 master's degree candidates and 1,800 bachelor's degree candidates. UH President Harlan Cleveland was the commencement speaker. Elwin Spray, senior class president, also spoke.

## Military News

Edward M. Yoshimatsu, newly-promoted to brigadier general in the Hawaii National Guard, was honored by some 700 persons at a testimonial dinner May 2 at the Ilkai Hotel. The dinner was sponsored by Club 100 and other organizations. Gen. Yoshimatsu is a native of Haiku, Maui.

## Books Kinokuniya

He has divided the subject of the present volume into three main parts: A Western Interpretation of Japanese Literary Culture, On the Nature of Japanese Culture, and Confucianism. He begins with classic poetry, with which Japanese, like most literate people, began. He continues through the novel—comparing The Tale of Genji (Genji Monogatari), the great novel of the Heian Period, with that of Remembrance of Things Past, which Marcel Proust wrote early in this century.

Using the same principle of comparison and contrast to illuminate his theme, he continues through the typical Japanese literary form of diary, through fantasy and drama.

The winner will serve until 1974, when all Senate terms expire. So far, 13 Democrats and three Republicans have filed nomination papers. Republican State Rep. Howard K. Oda, 40, a former schoolteacher and coach, winner of three straight House terms, is especially favored.

The GOP now holds eight Senate seats against 16 Democrats. A victory for Oda would give the Republicans power to deny the two-thirds vote Democrats need on key appropriations bills and dramatically strengthen Republican bargaining power in the Senate. Also, Republicans would retain such strength as they possess in the House, as Burns would be required to appoint a Republican to replace Oda.

On the other hand, since the senatorial district was created by reapportionment in 1966, it has never sent a Republican to the State Senate. In last year's Primary, 30,000 voters in the Fourth District took Democratic ballots to the 5,000 who took Republican ballots.

Of the 13 Democrats who have filed to fill the office, State Rep. Imtuo Uechi, former City Councilman Yoshio Nakamura, and State Rep. Joe Kurada appear to be among the favorites.

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## BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman Author Illuminates Japanese literature

JAPANESE AND WESTERN LITERATURE: A Comparative Study, by Armando Maruyama. Ira, 384 pp., Charles E. Tuttle Co., \$10.

The author says, "The purpose of literature is to make us more conscious of the world, to make every man deeply aware of his own personality. By its nature, literature is more capable than any other discipline of penetrating the meaning of life and of grasping the global sense of reality which is deep in individual experience. . . . Literature is basically an attempt to grasp fully the wonders of life and to fathom the mysteries of death. . . . Literature appeals to the instincts mankind holds in common, but the response of mankind to a dramatic situation is conditioned by the culture in which he is nurtured. A western audience is unlikely to experience the emotional involvement of the Japanese in the loyalty of the 47 ronin; the Japanese are less moved by the tragic grandeur with which Shakespeare treats the awesome finality of death.

The difference in response derived from the difference in cultural heritage. The response of the Japanese has been conditioned by geographical insularity and the influence of Shinto, Buddhism, and Confucianism. The response of Western man has grown out of the ancient civilizations of Greece and Rome, with their world outlook and legacy of epic and tragedy, and from the influence Christianity spread across Europe.

The author's ability to see the universality of mankind, to envision literature as a world mosaic, assigning Japanese literature an appropriate place in it, must originate in part from his unusual background. The author of numerous books, he is familiar with much of Europe, Africa, and America, and most capitals of Asia. He has circled the globe three times, living for substantial periods in Paris, England, Africa, and Australia.

Apparently multilingual, he has a firm grounding in the literature of the Romance languages as well as in that of English and Japanese. He first visited Japan in 1952; he has served as Portuguese ambassador to Japan since 1964.

Profound though it is, this book "is part of a larger project of finding common ground in the ideas and the artist and literary creations on which East and West have been building their particular cultures."

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He details the revolution that took place in Japanese letters after Commodore Perry opened Japan to the West.

He shows how this opening of windows on the West has influenced literature of Japan today, and how it will continue to do so. Though the world is either unaware of it, or only dimly so, Japan has produced a great literature; the infusion of Western thought is stimulating Japanese writers to greater achievement.

## Best Yet to Come

"Yasunari Kawabata has observed that the best works of a civilization are produced after a peak has been reached: Japan is still in the ascent, the best has not come yet." Japanese literature is preparing its greatest era. Then it will be time for Japan, like Russia in the last century, to bear her universal genius."

Master of his subject, writing clearly with grace and charm, often with eloquence, the author gives shrewd insights not only into Japanese literature, but into Japanese art and culture. A classic of its kind, this book should be required reading for all seeking to know Japanese literature.

## BOOKSHELF

The psychological insights of Allied prisoners of war in the Far East and their Japanese captors make THE PRISONER AND THE BOB (Morrow, \$5) by Laurens Van der Post, a South African who spent most of his life in Asia, an outstanding story. It may rank with Moloyne's "Understanding the Japanese Mind" and Benedict's "The Chrysanthemum and the Sword."

His account of prison life in Java is among the most fascinating put to print and unfortunately all too brief.

—Vaughn Greene

## Annotated bibliography

Here's a bibliography on ASIAN AMERICANS (UCLA, Asian American Studies Center, 80 pp. \$3) compiled by Dr. Harry H. L. Kitano with E. Jung, C. Tanaka and B. Wong which will soon be distributed under hard cover by the Center's publication section. But for those in need of an annotated list now covering the Asians in the United States (the Japanese, Chinese and Filipino), this will trim research time considerably. The Center has over 1,000 references and selected over 300 annotations (144 Chinese, 19 Filipino, 114 Japanese, and 55 magazine-periodical pieces) for their initial volume. Annual supplements are being planned.

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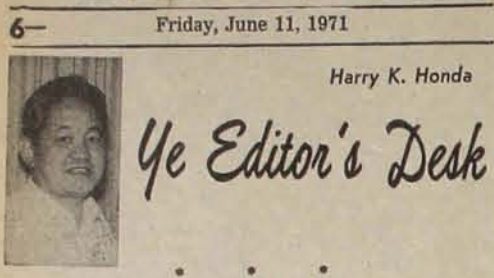
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**APARTHEID POLICY**

It's really not news that South Africa's apartheid policy continues to prevail—yet when it happens to a person of Japanese ancestry, in this case a Canadian Nisei minister in Lesotho (once known as Basutoland, about the size of Maryland, an independent black nation surrounded by the Republic of South Africa), it is still newsworthy. That it occurred more than five months ago hasn't detracted one whit of interest in our estimation.

As the report from British Columbia says, the Rev. Tadashi Mitsui was told to leave the country within eight hours after he landed at Johannesburg International Airport.

The few hundred top Japanese businessmen in South Africa handling the growing commerce between the two nations have been declared "honorary white" as well as the tiny colony of 8,000 Chinese, descendants of coolies who came in the early gold rush days of 1886. The South African government still classified them as nonwhites under their electoral act, hence they are denied the vote. The other 500,000 Asians (Pakistanis, East Indians), however, are subject to the strict apartheid restrictions—unable to mix with whites at sporting events, theaters and in public transportation.

We remember Nisei sailors aboard a U.S. naval vessel paying a call at South Africa ports were unable to go ashore. A Tokyo jockey who had been invited by a South African sports club was first denied a visa and then the government changed its mind. And it was an exception to the rule that Carl Rowan, a black American newsman, was able to visit South Africa last year after trying for 14 years.

How to resolve the dilemma of apartheid has disturbed the best of minds throughout the world, in the United Nations and the many councils of religious bodies. The answer, of course, shall come from within as we are aware that influential members of the ruling Afrikaner Nationalist Party in South Africa are beginning to question some of the absurdities of apartheid in order the nation can continue to develop its rich resources and come to terms with rest of the world. This may be the decade.

**WHEN WILL IT CEASE?**

JACL's long-standing public relations task to eliminate the use of "Jap" from the English language stepped into high gear this past week in New York City, where it was least expected—in the New York Times, a big voice in the Eastern liberal establishment.

It appeared thrice in a Bonwit Teller display advertising, which appeared in the May 27 edition, introducing the boutique collection of Kenzo from Paris. What compounds the problem at this stage is the apparent ignorance of Japanese from Japan concerning this derogatory term and lack of understanding by many Americans. Being polite about it evidently has made little headway to bury this curse.

As an ethnic self-renewal program, it should be made clear to all the term born in times when Japanese Americans were rebuked and ridiculed must be buried from usage as have other racial epithets.

That the derogatory epithet appeared in the New York Times—though their use in the news headlines or stories may have long passed away—is a general summons to be alert no matter where. If we have been upset by the appellation of "the quiet American," pure logic and ethnic pride demands we not be quiet now when someone spits at our image with "Jap"—be he from Japan or not.

**ISSEI PIONEERS**

The rank of Issei pioneers are becoming thinner by the week. Our uncle, the late Sadazo Yotsukura of West Los Angeles, passed away just before Memorial Day. He was 84. It gave us pause to ponder the many facets of the indomitable spirit of the Issei.

The Issei loved competition. They taught the meaning of devotion and sacrifice by their own examples. They left a rich legacy of traditions which we, as Nisei, are hard-pressed to pass on. They were resilient, thus able to persevere and succeed—a "thing" the Sansei are now beginning to appreciate.

In our brief eulogy at Mr. Yotsukura's final rites, we noted that much of what an individual Issei has contributed in his lifetime fails to reach public print. Only his immediate family, his lifelong friends and those who came to mourn him and hear of his life know. Perhaps, history has ordained this humble turn of events. Yet there is no one who will deny the dignity and pride that swells within for having known an Issei pioneer.

In Mr. Yotsukura's case, we might add, his feelings and comments may be in print for he had kept a diary for the past 30 years or so. Dr. Joseph Sasaki, who was inspired by the insight of this man after reading the diaries, told the mourners the books should be kept in a library for all to study. Instead of saying "amen," I told myself—"And there are probably more."

The JACL-Japanese American Research Project at UCLA is always looking for Issei material of this kind.

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**Read Myer's book to appreciate Mineta's victory**

(This week's guest columnist, Edwin McDowell, is editor of the Arizona Republic editorial page and active with the Arizona JACL for many years—Ed.)

**By EDWIN McDOWELL**  
Arizona Republic

Phoenix  
When Norman Mineta was elected mayor San Jose, Calif. last month, he received 62 per cent of the vote in a 15-man field.

**GUEST COLUMN**

But far more important is that the 39-year-old insurance underwriter, who spent two childhood years in World War II relocation camps, became the first Japanese American to head a major city on the U.S. mainland.

Daniel Okimoto, a Princeton and Harvard educated Nisei, would no doubt regard Mineta's victory as "tokenism." In his embittered account of a yellow boy growing up in America, American in Disguise (Walker, N.Y.), he frequently lashes out at "bananas"—those Orientals he perceives to be yellow on the outside, white inside, who he claims have "sold out" to the white Establishment.

The Yellow Power that he peddles in his book can be passed over without any great loss (although he would no doubt argue that it can be passed over only at America's peril). It is on a par with, although considerably more coherent and better written than, so many of the angry threats and imprecations that are designed to frighten and traumatize the Establishment—and were so effectively ridiculed by Tom Wolfe in his outstanding essay, "Mau Mau-ing the Flak-Catchers."

What should not be passed over is the author's angry yet frequently poignant account of what it means to grow up "different" in white America, to suffer the overt and unintended insults, the self-doubt, the loss of identity. It is not so much a Japanese American problem or an Oriental problem, but a human problem about which a Japanese American (who was born in a stable at Santa Anita Racetrack when it was being used as a wartime relocation center) writes with feeling and deep conviction.

Dillon S. Myer cannot address himself to the frequent indignities experienced by yellow Americans, for he is a white American. But as director of the War Relocation Authority (WRA) for all but a few months of its existence, he was in a unique position to learn the problems of the 110,000 Japanese Americans who were uprooted from their homes in California, western Washington, Oregon, and Arizona and relocated to 10 centers in seven states.

Uprooted Americans (Univ. of Arizona Press) is his interesting account of those years.

Myer makes no attempt to whitewash the relocation program, which was supported as a wartime necessity by President Franklin Roosevelt, the War Department, and California Atty. Gen. Earl Warren, and was later upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court. Indeed, from the very beginning he did his best to focus WRA's major objective toward relocation outside of the 10 centers, inducing the Army to allow Nisei to join the armed forces, and eventually closing down the relocation centers altogether.

He believed that selective evacuation may have been necessary and feasible in early 1943, but he was strongly opposed to the sort of mass evacuation that actually took place. He makes it clear that not one case of espionage or sabotage by any Japanese American ever occurred on the mainland or in Hawaii. And he points out how anti-Oriental bias on the West Coast, combined with the eagerness of California farmers to rid themselves of Japanese American competition, produced a hysteria that made relocation almost inevitable.

In Arizona, where two centers were situated, the legislature enacted a law preventing sales of merchandise to people of Japanese descent unless the would-be seller first published in newspapers his intent to do so and also filed documents to that effect with the governor. The bill, which would have affected 600 long-time Japanese families, was signed into law but soon declared unconstitutional. In addition, Valley growers hired a press agent who carried on a strident campaign against the evacuees, a campaign that stirred up anti-Japanese feeling throughout the state.

In short, those were irrational times, and much of that irrationality is recounted by both Myer and Okimoto. It wasn't until 1952, 162 years after Congress passed its first naturalization law, that an immigration and nationality bill was enacted into law which eliminated race as a qualification for naturalization—a fact all the more impressive in view of the more than 500 national, state, and local pre-war laws and ordinances that circumscribed and restricted the lives and opportunities of those of Japanese ancestry.

Some—like Daniel Okimoto—would argue that it is not really progress, or illusory progress, and that America can never atone for its discrimination and racism. Per-



And the Beat Goes On . . .

**LETTERS FROM OUR READERS**

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

**'Chiaroscuro'**

Editor:  
In response to Mr. Ken Hayashi's attack (PC, May 14), let me reassert my purpose in writing the Chiaroscuro column of April 30. My intent was to give JACLers across the country a glimpse into the status and goals of the St. Louis chapter. My analogies to situations elsewhere only served to further illustrate the points relative to this chapter and should be taken in that context.

My comments related to the "black and white" labels were a result of my experiences as a Japanese American who resided in Houston, Texas for a year if you will reread my article in this light. Mr. Hayashi, you, I hope, will see that I used this analogy to rationalize the attitude of Japanese Americans there toward the establishment of a JACL chapter. Have you ever been in Texas, Ken? My comments were not "off the cuff" so to speak.

Mr. Hayashi's implication that I spend my time wondering what will happen to the St. Louis chapter is as absurd as the logic that must have been used to arrive at that conclusion. I had raised questions about the difficulties in changing the social to community involvement. We, I'm sure, will pursue the shortcomings of existing textbooks with respect to the proper acknowledgment of contributions by the various ethnic groups.

I am rather disappointed that Mr. Hayashi's so-called critique is the only response to the April 30 article. Let me make it completely clear that I welcome criticism of any article which bears my name but please evaluate the contents on the basis of its purpose for which it is written. I hope that my response to your attack is satisfactory to you, Ken.

**OTTO FURUTA**  
Board Chairman  
St. Louis JACL

**A Midwestern View**

Editor:  
I am a "displaced" Nisei who has been reading past issues of your newspaper with great interest. My brother, who is a member of JACL, forwards his issues of the Pacific Citizen so that I can keep in touch with my fellow beings of Japanese ancestry. Though situated in the Midwest, I had the great advantage of having spent the most formative years of my life among Japanese. I state this strongly for I owe much of my thinking, values, behavioral patterns, ambition, incentive, etc., that have sustained me throughout the years to my unique background in Japanese culture and values. I cherish profoundly this background and hope those of you who have always lived amongst Japanese will appreciate it more.

True, we are not perfect but in looking about my present non-Japanese community, I am thankful that I was nurtured to respect parents, to value education, and to simply do the best possible one is capable of doing in any endeavor. Our Issei parents were a truly remarkable and admirable group and I have the highest respect for them. Without their total devotion to us as children we would not have achieved such a brilliant record in our various communities. The example set by the Issei is worth retaining and must be preserved for all generations.

**Commendable Trait**

I am not overly concerned as some Nisei about our being "quiet Americans." The term to me denotes the quality of humility which I consider a commendable attribute. Much of the great progress in society is accomplished by the "quiet ones" who

happens not. Yet, while the election of Norman Mineta can not begin to expiate all the past wrongs and slights, that election, even though it is an isolated event, is significant. One need only read these two books, but particularly Myers' book, to understand just how significant.

**Rowan: U.S.-Japan strain**

Continued from Front Page  
tinue to ride a miracle of economic expansion while we suffer an assortment of difficulties.

A tiny article in the back pages tells us that in 1969 and 1970 Japan had balance-of-payments surpluses totaling almost \$4 billion. In the same period the United States suffered deficits totaling \$15.5 billion.

**Little Tokyo's Pioneer Center is a lively 'joint'**

**By KATS KUNITSUGU**  
English Editor, Kashu Mainichi

Los Angeles  
For a little town of about four square blocks where only about 800 people (including one Nisei family) actually make their home, Little Tokyo continually amazes me with the number and variety of activities that go on there. Very little of it appears on the surface, except during Nisei Week, but behind the crumbling facades of soon-

to-be-redeveloped buildings, a lot of things—from formal, organized events to "happenings"—go on.

One of the jumping centers of "where it's at" is the Japanese Community Pioneer Center on the first floor of the Sun Building at 125 Weller St. Behind the door with a little window in it which reminds one distressingly of a door to a "solitary" cell in some jail is a beehive of action involving Issei in their twilight years and compassionate Sansei and Nisei who want to do something to make those years happy. (The forbidding door carries a cheerful red "OPEN" sign, so don't let it put you off.)

We dropped in yesterday at the invitation of the Rev. Howard Toriumi, who wanted to introduce us to a group of Pioneer Center members whose hobby is art and whose works are displayed at the center for the enjoyment and appreciation of all.

Rev. Toriumi said they all paint at home, but get together about once every two months to bring in recent canvases, sip tea and talk about their abiding interest.

We met Roy Matsui, a retired businessman, who does landscapes and still life in oil. Matsui-san, a native of Kumamoto-ken, came to the U.S. in 1920 and was in the import-export business. He has been painting for some 10 years.

Regrettably, he cannot make sketching trips to the scenic spots he likes to paint, but he does very well from photographs to which he adds imaginative touches of his own.

**Mrs. Harry Shigeta**  
Mrs. Nobu Shigeta is another Issei artist. Widow of the famed photographer Harry Shigeta, the chic septuagenarian likes to do portraits. She did a copy of Modigliani's "Young Farmer," which has marvelous subtle colors. The reproduction had a photograph of the artist on the back, and Mrs. Shigeta painted his portrait in color, too, which is also hung at the center.

Mrs. Teiko Iwanaga, who confessed with a girlish laugh that she came to the United States to "bring home my first husband," has been studying art for some 10 years. Her husband, a pharmacist in Honolulu, didn't want to return to Japan because of the draft, and "so we stayed," she says.

Mrs. Iwanaga's forte is small romantic oils of landscape and still life.

Frank Nakamura is another art enthusiast. A cook at Ontra Cafeteria for many years before he retired, the Kumamoto native says he started painting when he was 67. He started out with oil painting but found that he was allergic to the medium and switched to Japanese "sui-sai-ga" (water painting).

He has been studying for about four years with Shoun Igarashi here, and his poetic view of Mt. Fuji is currently hanging at the center.

Active, multi-talented Mrs. Tomiko Nakazawa, who was recently cited by the county for her many civic contributions and who will be attending the Pre-White House Conference on Aging next week in Sacramento as a Pioneer Center representative.

Some officials here are convinced that Peking wants to use any warmup with the United States to put the screws on Japan, and that Americans will regret it for years if they let anti-Japanese sentiment get out of hand.

**'Scapegoat' Prop**  
Some close observers of U.S.-Japan relations say that many Americans are simply trying to make Japan the scapegoat for their own business failures.

Others insist that a strong racial factor is at work. Japan is the first Asian nation to occupy the position of third-ranking economic power in the world (after the United States and Soviet Union). Her economy has grown by at least 10 percent for the last 15 years, producing new nationalism and new confidence that have caused the Japanese to say "No!" to Uncle Sam on a variety of issues. The Japan Trade is reaching out everywhere for markets and raw materials.

A lot of Americans can't quite get used to Orientals playing that role.

But a look at the facts, and at what is at stake, suggests Americans had better get used to it rather soon.

**The Realization**  
Trade between the United States and Japan reached \$10.6 billion last year. The increase alone (2.4 billion) was three times as much as Japan's total trade with Communist China.

No country except Canada has a higher trade with the United States than does Japan, which has become the first billion dollar purchaser

of U.S. agricultural products. This is of vital consequence to middle-class Americans whose pocketbook interests scarcely permit any anti-Japanese excesses.

Much is made of the fact that Japan has an advantage of a billion to a billion and a half dollars a year in trade with the United States, an advantage that Japan maintains by putting quota restrictions on U.S. products such as automobiles, grapefruit, light aircraft and computers.

The figures don't tell the whole truth about Japan's trade advantage. The Japanese import 5 million barrels of oil a day from the Middle East, most of it from American companies. This money doesn't show in the U.S. balance of payments although perhaps two-thirds of it winds up in the United States.

**Defense Costs**  
There is also talk about how the United States spends \$600 million a year in Japan on military items, a false implication that we do this to defend Japan. About \$200 million of this is for oil for Vietnam and many millions are for items to stock PXs in Vietnam—items the United States buys at such a rake-off that the Japanese to some degree help subsidize the war effort.

The Japanese are aware that their trade and investment policies have been a sore point with Americans, and they are in the process of speedy liberalization.

But one critical question is whether the anti-Japanese frenzy has been fanned so high that it will be permitted to affect Senate consideration of a treaty to return Okinawa to Japan.

**Ryukyu Reversion**  
The reversion of the Ryukyu islands (including Okinawa) is a highly emotional issue in Japan. U.S. officials decided on the merits that, 26 years after war's end, the Ryukyus ought to be handed back. An agreement on reversion will soon be completed after years of tense and tedious negotiation. Anything that upsets that agreement would seriously disrupt U.S.-Japanese relations, throw the Sato government out of power and produce new troubles in an already volatile Far East.

The trade issues ought to be kept separate. But it may be too much to expect the textiles industry or some others to resist the temptation to create a treaty crisis by interjecting their private "stop Japan" emotionalism.

**CAPITAL SCENE**      **David Ushio**

**A Priceless Memory**

Washington

A recent conversation prompts me to share these thoughts with you. A young lady regrettably asked me if I knew my grandparents, indicating quite emotionally that she just realized that in all the years she had visited her Issei grandparents never once did she ever really talk to them. It was always, "Hello, Obachan. How are you?" with the uncomfortable feeling that she couldn't communicate with them because she didn't speak Japanese.

Her last surviving grandparent had just passed away and the young lady had suddenly realized that she had never once attempted to really understand or communicate with her grandparents. Now they were gone.

With the question, my thoughts raced back two months ago to Salt Lake City because my own grandfather had just died after 88 years of life.

My young friend proceeded to ask about my relationship with my grandfather; and if you, the reader, will excuse the personal reference, I wish to share with you my feelings.

I am extremely lucky because I grew up with my grandfather. We called him "Papa" because he was a gentle, wise, and happy man and the nickname, Papa, drew a verbal picture of that type of person. I knew Papa was gentle because all animals trusted him. Dogs, cats, horses, even wild squirrels and sheep.

Munks in the forest had no qualms about eating from Papa's outstretched hand; babies squealed with delight upon Papa's knee when moments before no one could make the child quit crying.

I knew Papa was wise because scores of people, Issei, Nisei, and hakuin sought his advice and counsel. And I knew Papa was happy because he always smiled; he never spoke evil of anyone, and the gloomiest situation always had a spark of hope for Papa.

But more than this, Papa and I were best friends. I grew up working on a farm with him. Each day he taught me something new—how to irrigate, how to sharpen a hoe, how to catch the big Green Mountain Brown trout that were new in the creek. Papa took me to ball games when I was eight years old. Ten years later, when he was too old to drive, I took him fishing and to other ball games. We had a marvelous time.

But it wasn't until I lived in Japan for 2 1/2 years that I truly appreciated Papa. As I truly appreciated Papa, I truly appreciated myself. I didn't know him because I never really knew him because I

never really explored his memory bank of experience. But as I walked the country paths of Okinawa, the same streets that Papa had walked as a young man before coming to America, I suddenly realized that the history of my own life began in that beautiful countryside in Japan.

Papa was older when I got him, but his mind was sharp and his memory vivid. Now we could really communicate because I could speak enough Japanese to understand his replies.

We talked for hours and days. He told me of his youth, of the adventuresome, independent spirit that he had when as a young man of 19 he decided to seek his fortune in America. He spoke of the long boat trip, the first sight of America, and the fear and apprehension as he prepared to step off the ship. He knew no one; he could speak no English; but he stepped into a new life with dignity mixed with fear and hunger.

A new light would come into his eyes as he described the experiences that happened so long ago, and each experience reminded him of another so on we would talk. With each anecdote, my respect for him grew and my appreciation for his courage and fortitude grew. His tears were real as he viewed the color slides I took of his boyhood home; the people were different but the mountains and forests were the same.

Space does not permit me to delve into the whole life history of my grandfather; moreover, the memory is so precious that I care not to go further.

But the whole point of this is that my personal life has been so enriched by my relationship with my grandfather that I only wish I could give to that young lady who asked the question, part of my memories so she could know of the heritage bestowed on her by her own gallant Issei grandparents.

Summer vacation is here. May I admonish those of you who are fortunate enough to have Issei grandparents (or parents in the case of the young) to take the time now to explore their history with them. If you don't understand Japanese, find an interpreter or tape the answer. The answer and appreciation you will gain is priceless.

We talk of cultural identity and many ask of themselves, "Who am I?" A probing conversation with an Issei grandparent can clear up many questions. For your own sake, please do it now.