

U-NO Bar

By RAYMOND S. UNO
National JACL President

Governor Tak Kubota and President Min Masuda met at Seattle Airport, which by the way, is going to be one of the bigger and better ports once the remodeling and expansion are completed. We had lunch at the Four Seasons with Don Kazama, and Tomio Moriguchi and had a family style session as well as Chinese dinner.

Rapping with Youth (and Adults)

After lunch, we went to the Blaine Memorial Methodist Church to rap with the youth and interested adults. The church is handsomely constructed in Japanese style architecture and perched near the crest of a rise.

We were met by gracious and charming Helen Akita who warned the chapel for our arrival. Slowly the crowd gathered and we exchanged different opinions and viewpoints between the adults and youth. Alan and Dick Sugiyama, Wendy Tokuda and two other youth whose names I didn't get, questioned, with critical judgment, the heart and soul of JACL. Others also chipped in here and there.

Starting as an outspoken anti-JACLer in my younger days and slowly going through the painful metamorphosis to an active and staunch support of JACL, I knew the feelings, frustrations and despair of the young who were present. As these young people, my base of operations was with the civil rights and civil liberties organizations where I served in an executive capacity for many years, generally, being among the youngest representatives.

Critical Views

In all these endeavors, I always found myself practically alone as a representative of the Asian community except Henry and Alice Kasai. I was extremely critical of the Japanese community for their lack of participation and interest. I was frequently asked why there were not more Asians at the meetings, rallies, dinners, and what have you. On a number of occasions, from different quarters, I was questioned why I was trying to convert the white majority and why I was so critical of the white majority when most Asians were not heard, let alone seen, making any protests or identifying themselves with any of the crucial issues of the day.

The crowning blow came when I was confronted by a friend who made these observations and said I should be working with the Asians first to wake them up to the issues because I was an Asian and my rapport should be better because I should be able to communicate with Asians. I looked around to search out every possible source from which I could make the most impact in the limited time I would be able to devote to the task that was cut out for anyone interested in trying to make changes, big or little, in the Asian community. It didn't take me long to find out that JACL was the only representative and naturally potent group that existed to do what I felt should be done.

Many of the young will probably disagree with my observations, but to each his own. Although JACL couldn't answer all my questions and do all that I felt should be done, it has been a vehicle for many dramatic and some not so dramatic changes that would never have been accomplished had it not been for JACL either on the chapter, district council or national level.

Catharsis

After having knocked the JACL establishment for so long and one day finding out that I am the establishment was a mentally and emotionally choking experience. I only hope more of the young people have the opportunity and make the opportunity to fight and challenge the JACL establishment for what it is or is not doing and somewhere along the line have the privilege and honor of one day being confronted by the youth of their day in answer for the status quo, establishment and those who supposedly "have it made." It is a humanly cathartic phase of life we should all experience and learn from to keep us intellectually and philosophically looking for what is right and good for all people regardless of their status in life.

There is no question the request of the youth for physical, financial and moral support is needed. We should be exploring the entire spectrum of the educational field from teaching, curriculum to the variety of services, employment and opportunities available. We in JACL should take the initiative to become visible, communicate with the youth and other Asians, actively recruit youth and offer a variety of activities in an aggressive and positive way. We should be in the forefront of current and crucial issues. As suggested, we should provide our newsletters, our forums and our resources to the youth so they may know who is doing what, when, where and why. And they may likewise do the same for us.

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MAYOR MINETA SEES U.S.-JAPAN TIES BREAKING UP

Challenges Seattle JACLers to Work as Go-Betweens

SEATTLE—The nation's first Japanese American big-city mayor challenged Seattle's pioneer chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League to "play a larger role in improving relations between this country and Japan."

Mayor Norman Y. Mineta, of San Jose, fourth-largest city in California, spoke at the 50th anniversary banquet of the chapter in the Olympic Hotel Oct. 30.

He said his election in July demonstrates that minorities can play a major role in American national and international politics.

Mineta flew from a conference in Japan and was met at Seattle-Tacoma airport by Seattle City Councilman Liem Eng Tui.

U.S.-Japan Ties

Mineta in an interview spoke of deteriorating relations between the United States and Japan, listing the admission of Red China to the United Nations, the 10 per cent surcharge on imports, and the Okinawa treaty as reasons for the trend.

"These have led to a tough relationship right now," he said. "As Nisei, we ought to be serving as go-betweens."

Mineta said he witnessed recent demonstrations in Japan against the Okinawa treaty, which allows the United States to retain its military bases on the island after the island is turned over to Japan.

Mineta had attended the biennial meeting of the Japanese-American Conference of Mayors, an international group established after World War II by former Seattle Mayor William F. Devin. The conference attracted 24 Japanese mayors and 15 United States West Coast mayors, including Seattle's Wes Uhlman.

Wins in Primary

Mineta was appointed to fill a vacancy on the San Jose City Council in 1967. He had served on the city's Human Rights Commission and other civic groups since 1960.

This year, running against 15 candidates in the primary, he drew 63 per cent of the vote. "The fact that I was Nisei was never raised as an issue in the campaign and had no effect on the outcome," he said.

Although Asians have been elected to major posts in Hawaii, Mineta was the first Asian major-city mayor on the mainland.

Asians comprise "less than 3 per cent" of San Jose's population of 480,000, he said. About two per cent are black and 18 per cent Chicano.

Chicano Succeeds

"Because of this I introduced a campaign after my election to appoint a Chicano to my former post on the City Council," The drive was successful.

Mineta praised Seattle JACL chapter as being the first group of its kind in the nation. Originally called the Seattle Progressive Citizens League, the local chapter hosted the founding convention of the nation-wide league in 1930.

JACL now includes some 25,000 members of 92 chapters in 32 states, he noted.

Ethnic studies weak in New York

NEW YORK—Of the 278 primary and secondary schools surveyed in the state, the Institute of Afro-American Affairs at New York University reported two-thirds of them to be "weak" when it came to including ethnic studies on the curriculum.

Dr. LaMar P. Miller, education director for the Institute, noted that higher the percentage of nonwhite student enrollment, the more likely it was for a school to have a strong program of ethnic studies.

For the purposes of the survey, the definition of ethnic groups was limited to blacks, Puerto Ricans, American Indians, Orientals, and Mexican Americans.

State law does not require ethnic studies.

Bilingual education bill vetoed by Reagan

LOS ANGELES—Legislation requiring most if not all California school systems to establish bilingual education programs for Spanish-speaking children was vetoed last week by Gov. Ronald Reagan, who said the measure would mandate programs in all districts "before we know the true dimensions of the problem and the teaching resources available."

The bill by Assemblyman Waldie Deddeh (D-Chula Vista) did not "provide the school districts with the flexibility to employ their resources to the highest and best use," he added.

Bilingual instruction is given in some schools already but there is no legal mandate for it.

TOSHIRO SHIMANOUCHI

Better communication, understanding can mend U.S.-Japan economic rift

By HENRY MORI
(Rafu Shimpo)

LOS ANGELES—Toshiro Shimanouchi, special consultant to Japan's highest business body—the Federation of Economic Organizations (Kaidanren)—urged the United States and Japan to make additional efforts for better communications and sounder understanding in order to lessen the present economic tensions.

He was the keynote speaker at the eighth annual Japan America Trade Luncheon last week (Nov. 3) at the Los Angeles Hilton.

Shimanouchi said the recent rift between the two nations was triggered by President Nixon's bolt-from-the-blue announcement of his intention to visit mainland China, and his bombshell announcement of his new economic policy which also imposed a surcharge of all imports from other countries.

The luncheon, attended by 400 persons and held in the Pacific Room of the Hilton, was chaired by Edward N. Glad, an attorney and vice president of the Japan American Society.

Textile Issue

The graduate from Occidental College, who recently resigned from the Japanese foreign service to join Kaidanren, said the prolonged textile issue had been a "source of extreme irritation" and "infected other areas of our international relations."

"In China there has always been an understanding between the United States and Japan that they would keep the problem under close and constant consultation, but on the President's trip, a matter of major importance both in terms of Japanese domestic politics and foreign policy, Japan was given only a few minutes advance notification."

There is, of course, no objection to Japan to President Nixon's attempt at rapprochement with the People's Republic of China, for the initiative to reduce tensions in Asia is admirable and welcome, but the Japanese feeling is that matters of such vital importance to both countries should not be dealt with at the expense of Japanese-American friendship," the speaker continued.

Shimanouchi related that although Japan has continued to grow economically, yet, as a small island nation with over 100 million people, she must depend for almost all of her industrial raw materials and high energy requirements on outside sources.

Economic Posture

Admitting that Japan still is not all-weather in her cultural background, the relationship of partnership and interdependence developed in the postwar years between her and the United States has developed her economically to a level comparable to the advanced Western nations.

As a result of Japan's non-Westernness, Shimanouchi said, "There are differences in modes of development and economic behavior. Thus while Japan is perhaps the world's most homogeneous national society, she has not yet homogenized her customs and traditions which are in common by Western countries."

"To close the gap, Japan will have to intensify the process of assimilating the behavior and practice of the Western world, even adopt a Western outlook and attitude if she can."

"But Japanese will have to do this without losing their Japanese-ness which has virtues of its own."

Certain Surpluses

One of the harsh realities of failing U.S.-Japan relationship was Japan's inability to respond to market conditions abroad. Problems were created by the unfortunate concentration of specific merchandise in specific areas by the Japanese manufacturing and their inordinately high rates of annual growth which eventually gave rise to the charge of "Japan's export blitz."

To aggravate the situation, Shimanouchi said, there was some form of trade balance between the two nations during two decades until 1970.

"This year the bilateral surplus for Japan in the first six months alone was \$1,371 million when exports increased by 31 per cent, while imports from the U.S. rose by only 1.4 per cent."

Dr. H. Carroll Parish, executive vice president of the Japan America Society, introduced Shimanouchi whose last diplomatic post was that of ambassador to Norway. The guest was presented with a golf putter as a gift from the organization.

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Mike Masaoka to address MISLS reunion dinner

SAN FRANCISCO—The 30th anniversary MISLS reunion banquet Nov. 13 at the Miyako Hotel with Mike Masaoka as guest speaker is open to the public, it was announced. So is the mixer Nov. 12 at the Nikko Sukiyaki.



EX-DIPLOMAT SPEAKS—Foreign relations counselor Toshiro Shimanouchi addressed the annual Japan American Society trade luncheon at Los Angeles before 400 businessmen.—Kashu Mainichi Photo.

PSWDC launches '71 Christmas cheer campaign

LOS ANGELES—The Pacific Southwest JACL District Council launched its 1971 Christmas Cheer drive with the appointment of its chairman, Mas Uyesugi of Santa Ana.

A project that was initiated in 1948 to spread the spirit of Christmas among those less fortunate and most forgotten, the Cheer committee has re-membered over 500 needy Japanese adults and children annually.

"We are amazed that in these supposedly prosperous times so many Nihonjin are in great need," Uyesugi said in announcing the 1971 kick-off for contributions to Christmas Cheer, care of the JACL Office, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles 90012. JACL is not accepting groceries or toys because of distribution problems.

Uyesugi explained that the names of the needy have been referred to Christmas Cheer from ministers, social workers and agencies.

He also said many requests go unfulfilled because of the lack of monetary contributions. The committee has been allocated \$10 per adult and \$5 for each needy child, but stressed the fact that in giving, the thought that some cares and remembers, is most important.

Senate committee OKs Ryukyu pact

WASHINGTON—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee recommended last week (Nov. 2) Senate ratification of the U.S.-Japanese treaty to return the island of Okinawa to Japan next year.

The resolution of ratification must be approved by the full Senate before it can be sent to President Nixon.

Senate Democratic leader Mike Mansfield has indicated he will schedule the treaty for floor action within the following two weeks.

Renew Your Membership



WASHINGTON—Reports from other friends and sources indicate that anti-Americanism, if it can be described as such, was never higher in Japan since the end of World War II than now.

And, although the pro-United States government of Prime Minister Eisaku Sato and his Liberal Democratic Party has weathered at least two "no confidence" votes in the Diet (Parliament) recently, most political observers believe that he is definitely on his way out. Practically all of the criticism against him is that he tried to work too closely in partnership with the United States, which has let him, his government, and Japan down in recent months.

The evidence is rather clear in this respect, for somehow we Americans seem to be quite insensitive to the way we treat and deal with Asians in general and with the Japanese in particular, at least in recent months.

Peking Visit

Early this summer, in mid-July, the President announced that he would visit Peking in an effort to normalize relations and establish communications with mainland China after more than 20 years of ignoring the existence of Communist China.

By his announcement, he reversed more than two decades of United States foreign policy without consulting with the

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Asians still simple target in U.S., antidote prescribed by Patsy Mink

By HARRY K. HONDA

LOS ANGELES—Asians have been and will continue to be targets of prejudice in America, Rep. Patsy T. Mink (D-Hawaii) declared before 300 assembled at the 30th anniversary West Los Angeles JACL installation dinner held last week (Nov. 6) at the Airport Marina Hotel.

And the way out is not by huddling with the larger mass, the Maui-born Nisei directed, but by changing the basic attitude "that all must conform or be classed as renegades and radicals."

Mrs. Mink urged what the Founding Fathers fostered—the belief in individualism and a pioneering spirit. "No group should be forced to conform to the image of the population as a whole," asserting the old Nisei goal to be like and mixed into the white, Anglo-Saxon, Protestant population would "never succeed."

Anti-Oriental Feelings

Racist feelings have been simple to stir against Asians, she pointed out.

She cited the Evacuation, fearing it could happen again even though the Emergency Detention Act had been successfully repealed this year for it did happen to Japanese Americans without any statutory authority whatsoever.

She saw no difference between a yellow Communist and a Red one even though the public outrage against the recognition of the People's Republic of China in the United Nations gave that impression.

She viewed the Vietnam war as a reinforcement of the view that Orientals were "less than fully human" and the Mere Gook Rule expounded at the Lt. Calley trial as another example that the public goes along with the concept of differing scales of humanity.

Roles for Asians

The Nisei congresswoman urged that "we must teach our country that life is no less valuable and human dignity no less precious in Asia than elsewhere, that we should seek to identify as Asians and begin to serve America as the means by which she can come to understand the problems of the East."

Though the House of Representatives defeated the Ethnic Heritage studies program by a 200-159 vote earlier in the week, Mrs. Mink stressed the program is necessary "if we are to lead the way to a more enlightened America."

The Asians have an immense story to tell, she continued, for the American public feels that all civilization is western while downgrading the human values of the East. "As long as this belief persists, we will have future Vietnamese," she warned.

Picking up on what the youth are saying today, Mrs. Mink concluded "the good life and worldly goods will be ashes in our mouths unless our

place as individuals is preserved and by making America realize the beauty of our diverse society with many races and cultures of which we are one small minority."

Presentations

West Los Angeles JACL celebrated its 30th anniversary in opulent style, awarding their past presidents an electric clock-pen stand priced at about \$30 each, handing out three \$150 scholarships to local Sansei and its Women's Auxiliary feeding the chapter scholarship fund another \$750, the proceeds from their recent wine-tasting party.

George Kanagai, who was re-installed for a second term, has still to catch up with his wife, Toy, who is the chapter's only three-term president.

Kanagai also received a certificate of commendation from the L.A. City Council, the presentation made by Councilman Marvin Braude, a chapter member for several years and now a candidate for county supervisor.

Tom Ikuta, charter president (1941-42), representing past presidents, was among the head-table personalities.

Night and weekend use of local school sought by West L.A. parents and youth

LOS ANGELES—Night and weekend use of a West Los Angeles school for community activities as well as classes for adults and children may be come a reality soon, thanks to the efforts of key JACLers in the area.

The L.A. Board of Education's educational development committee was asked Oct. 29 to approve a \$30,000 proposal to cover a one-year "lighted school" project at Nora Sterry Elementary School, 1730 Corinth Ave.

Dr. Milton Inouye, chairman of the school's community advisory council, and a past West L.A. JACL president, explained the money would be earmarked for a full-time director, two part-time aides, plus maintenance for the extended hours.

'Lighted' School

The plan is patterned after the Venice "lighted" school begun last year at Broadway Elementary School, the first of its kind city-wide, Dr. Inouye explained.

"We don't think we'll be able to get the full \$30,000 because of current budget conditions, but this is what we're aiming for," he added. "We feel these school facilities should get more use and there's a definite need for the extra hours in our area."

Sterry School is now 73.7 per cent minority (38 per cent Spanish-speaking, 30 per cent Oriental) with many in need of English as a Second Language classes. "We have volunteer teachers lined up for tutoring Spanish and Japanese-speaking chil-

Introduced by emcee Dr. Milton Inouye (1958).

Shig Takeshita (1968) led with the pledge of allegiance. The Rev. Kenneth Ashtomi of the Holiness Church opened with invocation. The Rev. Arthur Takemoto of the Buddhist Church closed with benediction. Ed Osugi and Ben Yamanaoka were banquet co-chairmen.

Student Aid News

Dr. Roy Nishikawa, who installed the 1972 officers, revealed that 68 students had applied for student aid this year with 21 to be given the JACL-Abe Hagihara memorial awards. He noted some of the students come from homes where the family income is about \$5,000 a year, thus impressing the need for wide support for the Hagihara fund drive now underway. Interest from the fund is used to make the grants.

Winners of the chapter \$150 scholarship were Naomi Naito, daughter of the Teruo Naito of Santa Monica; Stuart Ueda, son of the Goro Ueda; and Kahn Nishinaga, son of the Rev. and Mrs. K. Nishinaga.



Rep. Patsy Mink

Social Security can't refuse cards to illegal aliens

LOS ANGELES—Frank Mason, Social Security Administration district manager, declared the federal agency has no authority to refuse to issue anyone a Social Security card. Under present law, any person who applies will be issued a Social Security number.

"An illegally entered alien cannot be refused a Social Security card," Mason added in response to questions which have been raised after Mrs. Romana Banauelos was nominated to be U.S. Treasurer.

The application for a social security number does not ask for information about the applicant's citizenship or alien status. Such information is not a requirement for the issuance of a Social Security number, Mason said.

"The only law against a person falsifying information to obtain a Social Security number concerns people who intend to fraudulently claim Social Security benefits."

"It is also important to remember that the Social Security number is used for non-employment purposes," Mason continued, such as identification purposes by the Internal Revenue Service, banks and public agencies.

Matsunaga bill extends aged, longtime resident expeditious naturalization

(Special To The Pacific Citizen) WASHINGTON—Legislation designed to assist elderly alien residents of the United States to become American citizens was introduced Nov. 2 by Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii).

The measure provides that the literacy test required under the Immigration and Nationality Act would be waived in the case of aliens over 60 years of age who apply for citizenship, if they have lived in the United States for 20 years or more and if they are otherwise qualified for citizenship.

In addition, alien residents over the age of 50 would be permitted to take the literacy test in languages other than English if they are otherwise qualified to become citizens, Matsunaga said.

Next Session

"During the Second Session of the 92nd Congress, the House Judiciary Committee plans to conduct its first major review of our immigration laws since 1965, when sweeping reforms were enacted," Matsunaga said. "There is a very good chance that my bill will be given favorable consideration by the Committee."

The enactment of his bill would benefit the parents of many American citizens, Matsunaga said. Under existing immigration laws, parents of

American citizens are given high priority consideration for admission to the United States. "However," Matsunaga said, "many of these elderly residents are unable to speak or read English well enough to qualify for citizenship."

"The majority of these people are otherwise qualified for U.S. citizenship and have a great desire to become citizens," the Hawaii lawmaker said. "Since they are permanent residents of this country, we should grant them that privilege."

Three paying respects at gravesites robbed

LOS ANGELES—In two separate incidents on Sunday (Oct. 31) at Rosemead Cemetery, three Japanese Americans were robbed by teenagers while they were visiting the gravesite of their loved ones.

One mother and daughter were not harmed but the Nisei man, who was visiting at another plot, was beaten and hospitalized with five broken ribs and a ruptured spleen. About \$25 was taken from his wallet.

1971 HOLIDAY ISSUE BOXSCORE

(This Boxscore serves as acknowledgment of advertising or reserved space in the 1971 Holiday Issue. One-liners of name & address greeting to be placed under bulk-rate are not tallied separately in the Boxscore.)

Display Ads Nov. 5 Total: 1,400 1970 Total: 4,750
Downtown 5 Bacto 100
East L.A. 140 Seattle 210
Gardena 100 Tulsa 1
Gr. Pw. 100 PNWDCC 5
Hono 100 SDC 4
Riverside 100 SPC Asia 19
S. Fran 100 SPC Office 31
Bulk-rate space

One Liners 1970 Total: 339 names None

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Capital Scene

David Ushio

The White House Conference on Aging

During the week of November 28, the second decennial White House Conference on Aging will convene in Washington to discuss and make recommendations to set a policy for the aged in the next decade. Some 3,400 delegates from throughout the United States have been invited to the Conference. These delegates represent a wide cross section of the American society ranging from many of the senior citizen organizations to a large number of professional gerontologists to a group of youth delegates who have an interest in aging problems to various ethnic organization delegates.

Topics to be discussed include the broad issues that concern all older people such as housing, nutrition, education, retirement, income, transportation, and a variety of problem areas that the aged population encounter.

In addition to the general sessions designed to discuss the above mentioned topics, time has been set aside for a series of Special Concerns Sessions so that interested groups may gather together and explore unique problems that may relate to a particular group of aging people. These special groups will then prepare recommendations that would hopefully remedy the unique problems faced by their groups. Some of the Special Concerns Sessions which have been scheduled include: The Elderly Blind, The Older Black, The Elderly Indian, Legal Aid for the Aged, Rural Older People, Spanish Speaking-Mexican American Elderly and some eight other groups.

Recently it was brought to JACL's attention that the pre-Conference planning boards which have been involved in planning the White House Conference on Aging for more than a year had not considered convening a Special Concerns Session for Asian American elderly as part of the Conference, although they had made a point to include a certain number of Oriental American delegates. When JACL learned that preliminary plans had no provision to include a forum to discuss the unique problems that face the aging population of our communities, I visited personally with the Executive Director of the Conference who in turn introduced me to the staff director of the Special Concerns Sessions. After briefly explaining the problems that some segments of our elderly face, both agreed that the Asian Americans should have a Special Concerns Session planned so that positive recommendations may be made on their behalf at this Conference. The director then informed me that the deadline for the addition of new Special Concerns Sessions to the Conference format had long since elapsed but that if JACL would agree to coordinate the planning of such a session, arrangements would be made to include an Asian American session. He stressed that due to the late start that it would be necessary for immediate action in order to make such a session realistically viable.

My reaction was that while JACL as an organization does not purport to speak for all the Asian American communities, this opportunity to help all the Asian American elderly should by no means be allowed to be bypassed. So in consultation with National President Ray Uno, National Director Mas Satow, it was decided to accept the opportunity and obligation to plan an Asian American session.

In order to assess the needs and problems of the various Asian American communities, I traveled to California to attend a series of meetings at which the various Asian groups would hopefully express their views pertaining to their aged people's problems. Through the efforts of Ron Wakabayashi of National JACL Youth Services and Jim Miyano who is affiliated with the Asian American Social Workers, I met with many knowledgeable individuals who openly expressed their concern for the elderly Asian Americans. Many issues were raised at these meetings but the overriding concern was the lack of representation of Asian Americans at the Conference. Of the five major groups that make up the Asian American community, three groups did not have any representation. The rest of the Asian American delegates were appointed by the White House or the Governors of the various states and while the number of Asian American delegates was small compared to the 3,400 total delegates, the Chinese and especially Japanese American delegates composed the totality of the Asian American delegation.

With this in mind, the first thing that I attempted to do upon my return from California was to meet with the White House Conference officials to see if the representation could be expanded to include delegates from the Korean American, Filipino American, and Samoan American communities. In the meantime various Asian American community leader including National JACL President Ray Uno wrote letters to the White House Conference and to President Nixon requesting that a more equitable representation be worked out.

The Executive Director, Mr. Webster B. Todd, whom I met with upon my return, was more than cooperative (as he has been on each occasion that I have met him) and immediately made special arrangements to invite certain members of the neglected communities whom I had suggested to him. Due to his prompt action these community leaders were receiving invitations from the White House about the same time that the White House Conference staff were receiving letters of protest from the Asian American communities. I can't say too much about the responsiveness and help of the White House Conference staff to our needs once they recognized the validity of an Asian American Special Concerns Session and representation from the various communities.

The real value as I assess this effort, lies in the fact that the recommendations that will come out of the Special Concerns Session will be treated with equal weight as any major policy session of the Conference. Some may argue that the government is not responsive to such Conference recommendations anyway and this may be valid in many instances. But the fact that Asian Americans for the first time have an opportunity to have included in an official government document a listing of our needs and recommendations for an elderly is worth, in my opinion, the effort. The reason being that up to now, no semblance of documentation outlining Asian American social needs has been forthcoming. We have that opportunity before us now. If we as concerned citizens of Asian American communities can unite around the issue of our elderly and come up with an accurate description of the unique problems that face our elderly, and if we can recommend action that can meaningfully attack these problems, Asian American communities can be benefited. The frustrations of having no documentation to back up the requests for attention for our communities may be overcome to a degree if a united delegation of Asian Americans work together at this Conference.

Your comments concerning our aged are welcome and needed in preparation for this Conference.

NEWS CAPSULES

Courtroom

A special court-martial at Kaneohe Marine Corps air station found Pvt. Charles Ratcliff innocent of giving a black power salute in the mess hall July 13. However, the order prohibiting the salute will remain in effect. The court refused to allow civilian attorney Herbert Takahashi who earlier withdrew from the case, to resume the defense for the accused. A military officer was assigned but the press noted Takahashi sat in the audience and periodically passed notes or talked to Ratcliff, "obviously playing a role in the defense."

Stenographic court reporter Bill K. Kajiwara of San Francisco was awarded a professional merit certificate by the Nat'l Shorthand Reporters Assn., in recognition of his proficiency (200-260 wpm) and transcription skills. There are only 370 Merit Certificate holders in the U.S. and Canada among several thousand court reporters. He is a 14-year veteran in the stenographic profession, starting in the Army occupation forces in Japan and Korea as a straight shorthand reporter and advancing to stenography in 1957.

Agriculture

A new beet grower cooperative has been organized with Robert X. Sakata of Brighton, Colo., elected as chairman to acquire and operate the Great Western Sugar Co., Denver. He said 50 growers have authorized a study to finance the acquisition. Purchase price may reach \$100 million, according to a former company president.

Awards

The U.S. Treasury Dept. has awarded its first Minute Man Banner earned by a Hawaiian company to Kazuo Ishii, president of Central Pacific Bank, whose employees participate in the payroll savings plan by 98.9 pct.

Mrs. Carl (Molly) Kimura was honored by the Sacramento Union for "outstanding contributions to the community." Among 10 women pre-

sented a silver Revere bowl, she was commended for enlarging the annual Buddhist festival and opening it to the larger community, adding a cultural program to the festival, which raised over \$38,000 this year. She hails from Yuba City, a Sacramento resident since 1951, is active with Ikebana International, JTA, YWCA and other community cultural societies. She performs professionally with the biwa, instrumental in bringing other outstanding artists to the area and often interprets for Japanese officials visiting Sacramento. Her husband is a pharmacist; daughter Sylvia attends City College, son Clifford attends junior high.

Government

Rear Adm. Horace V. Bird (ret.), 59, who spent the last four years as commandant, U.S. Naval Base, Los Angeles-Long Beach, was appointed by Mayor Yorty to the City Planning Commission. He was in charge of handling of the signing of the Japanese surrender aboard the USS Missouri in Tokyo Bay in 1945 and an aide-de-camp to the Secretary of the Navy and then Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Gary Hagio among the 40 who were sworn in as Sacramento police officers, was the first Japanese American on the force. He took his position as a patrolman on Oct. 4.

Business

YKK Zipper (Calif.) Inc., now based in Los Angeles, will move into a \$500,000 facility now under construction in Compton's Cabot, Cabot & Forbes Industrial Park. It was announced by Art Suzuki, v.p., and S. Ohmachi, senior managing director of YKK Japan. Suzuki expects sales to reach \$5 million after moving into the new plant being built by Oltmans Construction of Monterey Park and designed by Pacific Architects and Engineers, formerly based in Tokyo and now in L.A. YKK is among the top five producers of zippers in the U.S.

Henry Ushijima, Inc., of Des Plaines, Ill., has opened a Detroit area office, 13881-13 Mile Rd., Warren, Mich., to service operations in Michigan, Ohio and Canada. The Chicago-based firm has produced motion pictures for such Detroit area companies including American Motors, Chevrolet, Ford, Fruehauf, Hiram Walker and others.

33 Weeks Until Cherry Tsutsumido

The Other Masaoka



To Mike Jr. and Midori, she is Mother; to Mike Sr., she is confidante, reliable hostess and on-call errand girl; to the 22nd biennial National JACL Convention, she is the competent chairman and coordinator for special events. Her name is Mrs. Etsu Masaoka.

Etsu is physically but a slip of a woman. She probably weighs less than 95 pounds even after a full Nihonshoku meal. It isn't that she doesn't eat very much. It's that she burns more calories in one day than most people burn in a week.

One never knows where one will run into Etsu. She might be at the airport greeting one of her many friends. You might see her at mid-day scurrying down L Street to meet her husband.

You might find her at the hospital visiting a young lady from Japan who has no friends or relatives in the area. Still she finds time to go to the beauty shop for the latest Italian cut and to choose clothes which display her basic instinct for originality and style.

No one has ever been to the Masaoka's without Etsu bringing forth something absolutely "mezurashi" to eat. Part of her skill is in the way she serves food which is accented by interesting china of every shape and form.

Her pride in effort is her jade-like Japanese garden. The charm of the garden is enhanced by the element of surprise one feels when finding a scene so authentically oriental in suburban Chevy Chase, Maryland.

Etsu's creative flair is being put to full use in planning for the week between June 27 and July 1. No detail is too small to merit her personal attention. She is already planning on floral bouquets for some of the featured events.

Part of her success is that she recognizes talent and chooses people to work with her that she knows will meet her high expectations. She is also fortunate to have Mary Toda, who aside from being Mike's right hand lady in the office, is also a personal friend and volunteer helper to Etsu.

Other cohorts on Etsu's stellar committee include Alice Endo, who aside from being

the oldest member of the Junior JACL, is a story of remarkable energy and effort herself.

Also there are Chiyu Yoshihashi who is with the University of Maryland; Mo Marumoto who is with the White House; Hank Goshu who is with the State Department; Kaz Oshiki who is an Administrative Assistant to a Congressman on the Hill and Rose Kuwabara, who as a housewife spends most of her free time helping in a variety of JACL activities.

Etsu is quick to praise the members of her committee, many of whose names will appear in this column at a later time.

Etsu is a living example of how when push comes to shove. Every chapter depends on those individuals who can truly be described as "the shoyu of the earth."

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Ushijima has more than three decades of experience in audio-visual communications dating back to Hollywood where he worked as a camera man with MGM and Columbia Pictures, relocating to Chicago to establish his company producing industrial audio-visual material.

Michio Ozawa, until recently managing director of Mazda Motors in Australia, is executive v.p. of Mazda Motors of America, based at Compton, Calif. It was announced by Jiro Morikawa, president of the firm marketing the Hiroshima-made automobile in the U.S. Ozawa captained Japan's national soccer team for five years (1959-64) and twice a member of the Japan Olympic soccer team. He is a 1955 graduate of Tokyo University of Education.

Radio-TV

If San Francisco UHF-TV station KEMO (20) can resume operation, Christopher Hirose who conducts the Radio New Japan programs on the weekends in the San Francisco bay area hopes to produce all-Japanese NET-TV shows soon, as currently being shown in Los Angeles on Sunday nights on KWHY (22).

Flower-Garden

A classic Japanese garden has been created in the courtyard of the Santa Cruz Community Hospital as a memorial to Dr. Victor M. Ohta, his family and his secretary, victims of the Soquel mass murder a year ago. The garden was dedicated Oct. 17. Focal point of the garden is a 60-foot pool surrounded by traditional Japanese plants.

The So. Calif. Gardeners Federation, now comprised of 22 associations and 4,000 members, accepted the resignation of its executive secretary, Kay Kawai, 67, who has served in the post for the past 15 years. He leaves Dec. 31.

Churches

The Japanese Congregational Church in Fresno will hold a testimonial dinner for the Rev. Norio Ozaki and his wife, Sophie, on Sunday, Dec. 19, at Del Webb's. He retires after 22 years in the ministry and they plan to retire in Fresno. The Rev. Robert Shimoda of Hopkinton, Mass., will succeed him.

Dr. Edward Conze of London, an authority on the Prajna-paramita class of Buddhist scriptures, is teaching two classes this quarter for the Institute of Buddhist Studies, Berkeley. Presently vice-president of the Buddhist Society of London, his books and articles on Buddhism are counted in the thousands, many of which have been translated into numerous languages.

The Rev. Dr. Paul M. Nagan of Los Angeles was installed as pastor of the Seattle Japanese Baptist Church Sept. 19. He was previous executive director of the Japanese Evangelical Missionary Society at Los Angeles and had served at the Makiki Christian Church in Honolulu. The Rev. Kenneth Miyake, who came to the U.S. in 1955 and served with the Pine Methodist Church, San Francisco, and Japanese United Methodist Church, Oakland, succeeded the Rev. Jun-ichi Kono, who retired in June, 1970, as pastor of Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church.

Music

Because Seiji Ozawa expects to be a father sometime between Dec. 20-25, which is coinciding with his Japan Philharmonic concert schedule in Tokyo, the San Francisco Symphony music director has cancelled his appearance and apologized to the subscribers. He will return, however, to keep his schedule in February and March.

Recent Van Cliburn International Piano Competition prizewinner Minoru Neijima will be the first performer in the New York Concert Bureau's Piano Laureate series Nov. 12 at Hunter College, playing works of Haydn, Schumann, Miyoshi and Liszt. He made his New York debut at Carnegie Hall.

Sister Cities

An attractive scroll handwritten by Nagoya Mayor Kiyoshi Sugita was unfurled at L.A. Mayor Sam Yorty's press conference Oct. 27 with B. S. Ogomori, president of the Los Angeles Calligraphy Assn., translating the message: "The bright moon having risen, a soothing breeze is beginning to stir." Nagoya and Los Angeles have been "sister cities" since April, 1959.

Travel

Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Foreign Commerce and Tourism of the Senate Commerce Committee, delivering the keynote address to the American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA) in Sydney, Australia, Nov. 1 proposed greater attention to the potential of tourism as a means to improve the United States' faltering balance-of-payments. Citing the President's lack of emphasis on tourism in his new economic policy and the piddling U.S. effort to promote the opportunities of tourism as major factors in America's balance-of-trade problems, Senator Inouye stated, "World tourism is a \$17.4 billion business. Although the United States has captured less than 10% of all visitors, we know that there are some 80 million persons throughout the world with the financial ability to travel to the U.S."

Health

Dr. Akira Tajiri of Reedley, a past president of the Central California Optometric Society, was invited to Japan to introduce the hydrophilic soft contact lens. He was to address a group in Nagoya Nov. 7 and in Taipei, Taiwan, afterwards.

The Mainichi Shimbun reported Dr. Haruichi Kondo, 61, of Osaka achieved fame for his success in treating patients suffering from hearing difficulties with the surgical technique of acupuncture, a method he studied while in Shanghai in 1966.

Dr. Akio Hayashi of Sacramento was elected to the International College of Dentists in recognition of his service to the community and to dentistry during its convention in conjunction with the American Dental Assn. convention at Atlantic City, N.J., on Oct. 10.

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

MADNESS SEASON—This is the time of year when weekends become a matter of despair for the staff side of the family. The reason is football. More specifically, professional football. Even more specifically, the Denver Broncos which without doubt is one of the most frustrating teams in the business. Nothing much happens around the house on Sunday afternoon because of the Broncos. When they are playing in town, as they will be the first two Sundays of November, virtually the entire afternoon is shot because of the need to witness their regular humiliation in person at Mile High Stadium. When the Broncos are playing out of town, the period of my unavailability is briefer—about two and a half hours if you subtract the 15 minutes at the half-time break when I accept such duties as carrying out the trash or engaging in a civil conversation.

The Broncos are referred to as frustrating because late each summer they give promise of blooming into a first-class football team. But each fall the bloom fades. The team has a distressing knack for failing to make the big plays. It looks great on occasions, as it did in shutting out the Cleveland Browns 27-0 a few Sundays ago. And seven days later the team plays like the junior varsity at Podunk State Teachers, as it did in losing to the Philadelphia Eagles which up to then had won only a single game.

It is difficult for Alice to understand why I am so fascinated by football, much less a perennial loser like the Broncos. Let us take the two points in order.

Football is fascinating, I suppose, because it is a game of violence, speed, skill, strength, cunning, strategy and yes, luck. There is a bit of the little boy in every man, and that calls for the vicarious thrill of completing a long pass or creaming the ball-carrier with a tackle that all but knocks him out of his senses. There is a bit of the game that man has been playing since Neanderthal days—the game of war—in football, and now that war has become so deadly as to fall into ill repute, we need something to take its place. People have compared professional football games to the performances of gladiators in Roman times, and there seems to be a good deal of merit to this viewpoint.

But why the Broncos? Why don't I pin my hopes and affections of a team with a respectable history like the Los Angeles Rams or the Baltimore Colts? Well, for one thing there is the matter of home-town loyalty. But for another, there must be something of a masochistic strain in me—as there is said to be in all Nisei—in other words, a need to suffer.

If there is such a psychological quirk—and I leave it to the experts like Prof. Harry Kitano to give us the final word—it must go back a long, long way. Do you remember the story of the 47 Ronin? Some feudal warlord did their master dirt. So the 47 samurai who suddenly found themselves without a lord to serve, decided on a fantastic plot of revenge. For 20 years or so, as I recall the story, they lived lives of poverty and debauchery (how can the two be compatible?) drinking it up and wenching and acting as though revenge were the last thing in their minds. They were really punishing themselves, not only with regular hangovers, but with the hate that continued to burn in them. Well, after a couple of decades the bad warlord quit worrying about the 47 Ronin wreaking revenge on him and let his guard drop. That's when the 47 Ronin sprang into action, gained their revenge and in a grand finale, now that their mission was accomplished, killed themselves. That, as I get it, is part of our cultural heritage.

All of which, in some perverse manner, leads me to accept suffering while hoping that one day the Denver Broncos will turn and have a winning season. But when I try to explain all this to my wife when she asks why I must waste so many Sunday afternoons, it doesn't sound at all convincing.

AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka 1000 Club Charter Flight

Our seventh trip to Japan with the 1000 Club Whing Ding group proved as exciting as our very first, over 40 years ago during the Depression. We manage to find something new on every trip.

Our first was aboard the NYK Line's Hikawa Maru which crossed the Pacific in 14 days. Seattle-Vancouver then was served by the NYK sister ships, Hikawa, Hei and Heian Maru. One could not make it on a 2-3 week vacation.

The latest crossing took 10½ hours aboard a Boeing 707, and only 8 hours coming home on a Boeing 747.

World Airways' No. 2 plane originating from Chicago, carried 183 passengers and 9 crew members, while Northwest Orient's jumbo jet on the return leg had 275 plus 12 airline personnel.

During the Depression, we sailed third class, ten bunk beds to a cabin, and we recall missing or throwing-up most of the meals due to seasickness. But then, the fare for an adult then was around \$100 round trip. The Whing Ding charter was \$399 from either Seattle or Chicago, and \$350 from San Francisco.

(And this fare discrepancy was a large topic for discussion on the latest trip. Chicagoans had more to smile about than did the Seattle people.)

Our first trip was based mainly in and around Kansai (Osaka-Kobe-Kyoto) and our ancestral home on Kii Peninsula. A small fishing village now known as "Mihama-Mura" (Mihama-cho, Mio-mura) in Wakayama Ken.

Our recent trip centered in Tokyo, and this time we took a good look at another beautiful peninsula, Izu. For Izu is to Tokyo-Yokohama folks what Kii is to Kansai people, both being picturesque seaside playgrounds abound with hot spring resorts.

Like spending a night at Atami, a jumping resort town. Then down to Shimoda, the town that still talks, sings and publicizes the American Black Ship and stories of Townsend Harris and the geisha, Okichi. Then to Irozaki at the top of Izu Peninsula and back up the west coast of Izu on the

JAPAN A-BOMB VICTIMS IN U.S. SEEK TREATMENT

Japanese Doctors
Willing to Come,
But Can't Practice

LOS ANGELES — Ways and means to obtain periodic examinations and treatment by specialists were discussed here last week (Nov. 3) at the first conference of the fellowship of those exposed to the Hiroshima-Nagasaki atomic bombs and who are now U.S. residents.

Survivors of the atomic bombings, said to number around 200 in Los Angeles and Orange counties, have pointed out that if they were living in Japan, they are eligible for regular medical care, practically without cost. They cited a lack of American doctors familiar with radiation sickness and lack of any public health provisions for such care as basic to their plight.

Mrs. Tomoe Okai, instrumental in organizing the fellowship of A-bomb victims here, has been going back to Hiroshima at her own expense once every few years for treatment. She has also appealed to government sources to send Japanese doctors to treat victims in the United States.

Can't Practice

"The doctors are willing to come, and the government is willing to send them, but there are laws here that prevent foreign doctors from practicing without a U.S. license," she reported.

One victim, Mrs. Toshiko Yano, told how her daughter had died of leukemia two years ago. She also has a son, invalid from radiation sickness.

Other victims reported symptoms of tiredness and depression which American doctors tend to dismiss as all in the mind.

Of the 85 members registered with the fellowship, more than 60 attended to meet Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi, chief medical examiner-coroner for Los Angeles County; and Dr. Jack D. Kirtbaum of Encino, who spent two years researching radiation sickness with the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission in Nagasaki several years ago.

Community Support

Dr. Noguchi and Dr. Kirtbaum repeatedly advised the group to solicit community support to present their case to government agencies.

Dr. Noguchi said he is prepared to present the case to the House of Delegates of the California Medical Assn.

Dr. Kirtbaum said he has already written to the director of ABC of Japan asking for help for the victims.

Many community organization representatives were also present.

Kenji Ito, Japanese Chamber of Commerce; Sam Ishihara, Japanese American Community Service; Al Hatate, Japanese American Citizens League; Masuo Nishikawa, Hiroshima Kenjinkai; Mrs. Takaya Kato, Hiroshima Fujinkai; Mrs. Shizuko Abe, Japanese Women's Society.

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JACL-SUMITOMO SCHOLARSHIP—Jeannette Yamagata receives National JACL-Sumitomo Bank scholarship award of \$500 from Toshimi Kishimura, vice-president, Sumitomo Bank of California, Los Angeles Office. Presentation was made Oct. 15 meeting of the San Fernando Valley JACL. Now a freshman at USC, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Yamagata graduated No. 1 in her class of 1,043 students this past summer at Francis Polytechnic High School, majoring in English.

Export squeeze may shift Japan goals to cure urban ills staggering Tokyo

NEW YORK — "To many foreign businessmen and other residents Tokyo — with its appalling congestion, pollution and shortage of living space — ranks as the world's least livable city."

That's why Business Week magazine said recently in a major article, lots of Japanese would be happy if their government spent money curing urban problems now that the American import surcharge has cramped foreign trade.

The magazine quoted Prime Minister Eisaku Sato and Fuji Bank Chairman Yoshizane Iwasa that "the time had come, due to the export squeeze, to pump much greater sums of money into public expenditures."

But Business Week added: "So far the Japanese leaders' talk of shifting national goals remains largely talk. But if it does turn into action the change will not come a moment too soon for the 11,500,000 residents of Tokyo. The world's largest city has

Shimanouchi—

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Glad told guests that the occasion marked something of a milestone since Shimanouchi addressed the first luncheon when he was consul general here.

Earlier at a press conference, the career diplomat said the United States and Japan must maintain "great sensitivity toward each other" and act like partners in this world of stress and change. He listed problems.

"The task is multilateral, but it is also a task for each other of our nations to make adjustments at home to improve productivity to maintain competitiveness and ensure sound economic growth," the visiting consultant from Keidanren declared.

More cultural exchange may repair friction

WASHINGTON — Minister Yoshio Okawara of the Japanese Embassy told a group of Japan America Society members that friction between the United States and his country "have not been arrested" and he warned that strained relations may rise still higher if action is not taken.

The second highest ranking Japanese diplomat told the society that some commentators on both sides of the Pacific believe that further strains are inevitable between the two of the leading economic powers of the world and that increased conflict would come in political as well as economic matters.

Okawara said that such negative predictions need not be true. "But if the answer is to be now, and then we must attack the problem at a level that is deeper than just the surface irritants."

Deeper Study Needed

"Recognizing this gap in our awareness," he said, "we must consciously seek to develop a higher degree of fundamental mutual understanding."

"Otherwise," Okawara continued, "in future months and years, we will continue to experience similar misreadings and distortions to those which have characterized too many of our dealings and discussion in the past."

Okawara noted that Japan had risen to the third-ranking economic power in the world and is trying to define a role for herself in the world community.

In this process he said some friction for the U.S. in the economic field had developed.

Cultural Exchange

He said that increased understanding could come through a broadening of cultural exchanges between the two countries.

He said that Japan's Foreign Minister Fukuda is giving deep consideration to Japan devoting a considerable sum of money to help finance cultural exchanges, including scholars and students instead of placing the largest share of the burden on the U.S. for support of these activities.

At the annual meeting, Washington oil executive Albert Zinkand was re-elected president of the society. Louis

many of the world's most staggering urban problems... It is the most conspicuous example of what can happen to a city after a generation of heedless economic growth."

Foreign Businessmen

The report said about 2,500 Americans work in Tokyo for the 450 U.S. companies that have offices there and "most have their own horror stories about life in Japan's capital."

Nevertheless, a companion article said many Americans find the city fascinating partly because "the American businessman in Tokyo leads a life style that not only is far beyond the reach of his Japanese counterpart but is often above the level he could maintain back home."

Tokyo Gov. Ryokichi Minobe claims his capital's problems are just hopeless. He shares New York Mayor John Lindsay's hope for independent capital cities and said "the most important thing is to establish Tokyo as an independent government agency."

Corea, a vice president of the Riggs National Bank, was elected vice president; and Mike M. Masakawa was named chairman of the Executive Committee.

JETRO executive notes Japan's image fading

NEW YORK—"I have a feeling that we Japanese are becoming quite unpopular abroad." This opinion was expressed by Norio Ochi, director of Japan External Trade Organization chief executive of the Japan Trade Center here, before a meeting of public relations counselors last week (Nov. 4).

He also believed one reason for the world trading rivals were angry at the Japanese is because they work too hard. Ochi said:

"Both our government and economic leaders have come to recognize this situation and to understand why an orderly export policy is desirable. In Japan's trade policy has changed to where we represent a growing force for orderly exports and liberalization of trade and capital investments."

"It is an encouraging sign that a growing number of Japan's business leaders recognize the principles of free competition and give growing support to the idea of voluntary restraints on Japan's exports."

Tuna from New Hebrides

ESPIRITU SANTO, New Hebrides — A Japanese-owned fishing firm, established in 1957, has stored or processed \$7 million in fish (mostly tuna) last year with 75 per cent going to Hawaii and California. Remainder is shipped frozen to Japan.

Bakersfield Nisei reported in Mexican jail four years, still awaiting ruling

SAN FRANCISCO — A bizarre story about a Nisei who has been rotting in a Mexican prison for nearly four years and has yet to be sentenced was reported by George Draper of the San Francisco Chronicle this past week (Oct. 26).

Draper said James Kayashima of Bakersfield is being held on charges of attempting to steal stolen securities to a Mexican bank.

He is in Lecumberri Prison near Mexico City. Details of his background and the circumstances of his arrest at his Mexico City apartment on Dec. 8, 1967, are sketchy, Draper said.

However, it is known that there is a federal charge of interstate transportation of stolen property pending against him in San Antonio, Tex., and that the FBI would like to talk to him.

His friends say he went to Mexico six or seven years ago and was engaged in building condominium apartments there.

Draper quoted a friend of Kayashima, Victor Jolley, as saying he had written to President Nixon and other high officials in his friend's behalf. Kayashima, Jolley said, was

PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS: Seattle JACLers view Columbia Univ. film on Korematsu Case on Evacuation

A film on the historic Korematsu Case (1944) upholding the right of the government to exclude Japanese from the West Coast was shown at the Sept. 15 meeting of the Seattle JACL at the new Univ. of Washington Ethnic Cultural Center.

Film was produced by the Mass Communication Section of Columbia University Press with Robert Trout (of CBS News) as commentator. Barbara Yoshida and Ted Taniguchi were in charge of the September program.

At the Oct. 20 meeting at the JACL Office, the chapter presented slides prepared by Dr. Harry Kitano with sound on the Japanese in America and the wartime relocation centers.

Plight of the Asian Drop-In Center was revealed at the September meeting in a Youth Concerns Committee report read by Sam Shoji. The center, allocated \$1,500 by the chapter last year to initiate the project, has been granted a \$9,000 fund from the United Methodist Church Conference and several large donations from individuals to maintain operations. But a \$200 salary was still unpaid in June with the center treasury amounting to \$61. The chapter board approved \$139 to clear the difference. The center will continue to depend on public contributions, it was added.

Ray Flores, director of the UW Ethnic Cultural Center, conducted a guided tour of the new center.

Korematsu Case

A summary of the Korematsu Case film follows:

Fred Korematsu of Oakland did not go along with the evacuation order back in 1942. He went to live in a rooming house under an assumed name. Korematsu was caught and taken to San Francisco County Jail. Federal government began prosecution for the violation of exclusion order.

While in jail, Korematsu had a visitor. "I'm from the San Francisco office of the American Civil Liberties Union," he said. "I read about your case in the paper this morning. We believe your constitutional rights have been violated. We're willing to represent you." Bail was set for \$2,500. The bail was paid and instead of freeing Fred, he was put into military custody.

Wayne Collins and his associates of the American Civil Liberties (ACLU) were preparing arguments to take the case all the way to the Supreme Court. The strategy for Korematsu defense rested on the Civil War case of Ex Parte Milligan of 1866 involving trial and conviction of civilians by military commission. Milligan, a native from the South, was a citizen of Indiana. He was tried by the military as a civilian for aiding the Confederate army and sentenced to be hanged. In the meantime the war had ended. President Lincoln had declared the privilege of habeas corpus suspended for those charged with aiding the enemy provided the facts were presented to the next Federal grand jury. But no one had acted in behalf of Milligan. He challenged the army their right to hold him. The Supreme Court had declared unconstitutional the resort to martial law where the civil courts were in operation. Milligan was freed.

Military Confinement

The Supreme Court went further and said: "From what source did the military commission derive their authority to try him? If during foreign invasion or civil war the courts are actually closed then on the theatre of active military operations as no power is left but the military, it is allowed to govern by martial rule. But martial rule can never exist where the courts are open. The Constitution of the United States is a law for rulers and people equally in war and in peace with its shield of protection all classes of men."

Appeal to the Court in behalf of Fred Korematsu.

Also, Jolley said, the Nisei has spent at least \$10,000 on Mexican attorneys who have "done nothing for him."

U.S. embassy officials told Draper, Kayashima and two other Americans arrested with him had not wanted the embassy to intervene in their case, but Kayashima now wants the embassy to find out what he has not been tried and sentenced.

Jolley, who believes implicitly in Kayashima's innocence, said the 31-year-old Nisei's downfall came about when he met three other Americans in Mexico City.

Ben Kayashima, a Pomona attorney, who visited his brother six weeks ago told Draper his brother said he had introduced one of the three to officials at the Banca Nacional de Mexico.

This man arranged for the sale of stolen securities and was arrested. Mexican police later arrested Kayashima.

PACIFIC CITIZEN—3
Friday, Nov. 12, 1971

S.F. Chinese, Six Companies to oppose Nixon

SAN FRANCISCO — Chinese Americans will vote against President Nixon because he is a "political opportunist" solely to blame for the admission of Red China to the United Nations, a powerful pro-Taiwan Chinatown group predicted.

Spokesmen for the Chinese Six Companies told a news conference Oct. 28 they deplore the U.N.'s admission of Communist China and ouster of Nationalist China. They said the action was sparked by Nixon's announced trip to Peking.

The Chinese family organization, which includes many business and professional leaders, is a powerful force in Chinatown — the largest Chinese community outside Asia. Spokesmen said their remarks represented the majority opinion of some 50,000 Chinese in San Francisco.

Sentiments Repeated

"President Nixon is the main cause of all this trouble," said Dr. Kalfred Dip Lum, a former political science professor at Chong Tung University in Shanghai.

"We supported President Nixon in the past, but no Chinese American will vote for him now because he is a political opportunist trying to advance his own prestige," Lum said. Other spokesmen repeated these sentiments.

"I don't see how Nixon can visit a regime that is so atrocious," Lum said.

George Jue, one of seven chairmen of the Six Companies seated at a long, colorful oriental table, said most Chinese Americans have close ties with the Taiwan government and the U.N. action "of course causes great disappointment in our hearts. But we cannot change our uncompromising loyalty to the Republic of China."

U.N. Action

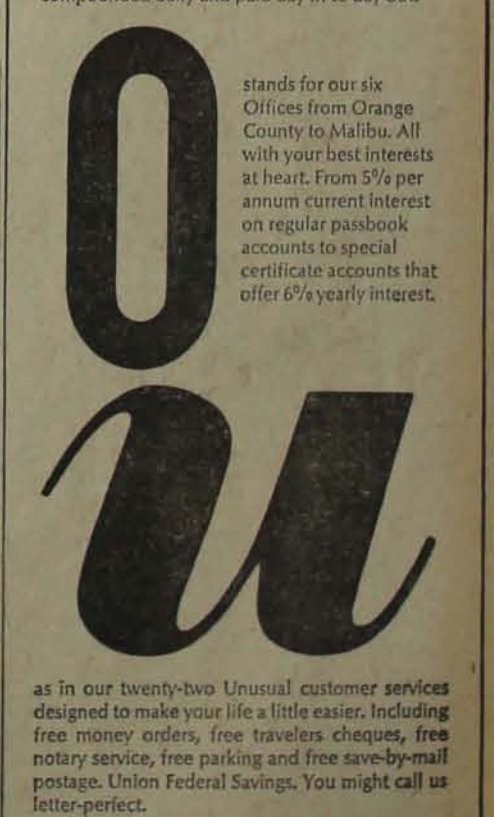
He called the U.N. action an "immoral and highly dangerous move. It signifies the beginning of the end of the United Nations."

Jue said the Six Companies and "all Chinese in America" can never support a two-China policy.

land grocer was shot by a youth, described to be about 12, by the grocer's widow and a widowed San Francisco shopkeeper who was slain in a "senseless execution" by a whiskey-seeking gunman.



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Fred Y. Hirasuna
Governor, Central California

By the Board

National Planning Commission Discussion re Rural Communities" (PC, Oct. 20, 1971) Satow's statement: "I can't figure this out, Fred (Hirasuna) explained to me that CCDC didn't want to get involved..." (Problem of UFWOC picketing of Nisei farms.)

At first CCDC did not know whether this was an area of involvement for CCDC or JACL. After our first meeting regarding this subject of UFWOC's activities against Nisei growers, the singling out of Nisei farms (14 out of 18) and the racist remarks of UFWOC pickets determined for the CCDC that it should get involved in behalf of the Nisei growers, many of whom were members of JACL. The CCDC was very careful not to involve the JACL as a national organization in its activities until some type of approval was given by the National Board. CCDC as a District Council was involved after that first meeting.

Matsui's statement: "The young people don't believe in becoming involved in labor-management deals, but in this case they do because of the fact that Chavez is worthy of support — especially in the urban areas as a symbol representing the poor Chicanos, the poor black and whatever."

Who determines that Chavez is worthy of support? One reason for asking Warren to come to Central California was to give him an opportunity to check the validity of Chavez's flamboyant statements, whether he really represents the farm workers. We can safely state that Warren has some very healthy doubts now. Larry Itliong, undisputed leader of the Filipino segment of UFWOC, recently resigned from his position as vice president. He stated that Chavez no longer represents the aspiration of the farm worker. He now believes that the UFWOC movement has become a Mexican nationalist movement rather than a labor movement.

Dig Yourself

Victor Shibato

Playing the Game

Junior JACL Chapter Presidents should be on the Senior Chapter Board with full voting rights.

I have found through my travels that although the Youth District Chairmen and women are on the National Board that at the chapter level the Youth Presidents are not represented on their respective Senior Chapter Boards with full voting rights. This is a matter of great concern if the relationship of Seniors with the Youth is to develop an understanding and to help them when it is possible and desired.

I feel that it is the responsibility of the Senior Boards to extend their hands in welcome to the Youth Presidents. The Seniors are holding all the cards. If they wish to develop a relationship with the youth, it becomes their responsibility to play cards and pass the deal, so to speak. But if the Seniors don't want to play cards then there will be no game. Whoever deals the cards must give everyone the same number of cards or it's not a fair game. Once the game starts, it is everyone's responsibility to maintain the game.

CALENDAR

Nov. 12 (Saturday)
Philadelphia—Issei Dinner, House of Bamboo, 12-3 p.m.
Riverside—Comm. Thanksgiving Dinner, First Christian Church, 6 p.m.
Chicago—Inst. Dnr-Dance, McCormick Place, 7 p.m.; Rep. Abner Mikva, spkr.
Nov. 14 (Sunday)
Pocatello—Chow mein dinner, JACL Hall, 12n.
East Los Angeles—Dupree car wash, Tomi Shell, Atlantic and Broadway, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Cortez—Benefit striped bass derby, Frank's Tract, weight-in at Delta Sportsman.
NC-WNDC—4th Qtrly Mtg. Airport Marina, Burlingame, 11 a.m.; Warren Furutani, panel moderator, 2:30 p.m.; Dr. Stanford Lyman, dnr spkr, 6:30 p.m. (San Mateo JACL hosts.)
NWDC—Chapter election, 8:30 a.m. Culver City Veterans Memorial Auditorium, 4117 Overland. (Venice-Culver JACL hosts.)
Nov. 15 (Monday)
Bay Area Community—Gen mtg. Nominations for 1972 officers. Bank of Tokyo, San Francisco, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 19 (Friday)
Prog. Westside—Election Mtg. Shorefront, 2820 W. Jefferson, 7:30 p.m. Films on American Indians.
Nov. 20 (Saturday)
San Gabriel Valley—Inst. dnr. Great Falls Restaurant, West Covina, 7 p.m.; Dr. William Shinto, spkr.
Sequoia—Inst. Dnr-Dance, Royal Coach Motor Hotel, San Mateo, 6:30 p.m.; Warren Furutani, spkr.
D.C.—Nominations Mtg.
Dec. 11 (Saturday)
East Los Angeles—Ed. mtg. Watsonville—Inst. Dnr. Riverside Santa Cruz.
Cincinnati—25th Ann. Inst. Dnr, Raymond Univ. spkr.
Nov. 20-21
CCDC—Annual Convention. Hacienda Motel, Sunday bang spkr—Dr. Gordon Hirabayashi. Cincinnati—International Folk Fair, Convention Center, Chicago—Folk Fair, Navy Pier.
Nov. 22 (Monday)
Berkeley—Ed. Mtg. American S&L, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 26-27
IDC—Dist Convention, Ramada Inn, Salt Lake City, 7 p.m.; Raymond Univ. lunch spkr; Bill Hosokawa, dnr spkr. (Mt. Olympus JACL hosts.)
Nov. 27 (Saturday)
San Diego—Inst. Dnr-Dance, Westgate Plaza Hotel, 7 p.m.; Ed. 8 (Saturday)
Watsonville—Ed. mtg. Puyallup Valley—Inst. dnr, Peolee Dog Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.

NC-WNDC to meet at Burlingame

BURLINGAME — San Mateo Chapter has completed preparations as hosts for the fourth quarterly NC-WNDC session this Sunday, Nov. 14, at the Airport Marina east of Bayshore Highway from the Broadway off-ramp. Registration begins from 11 a.m.

The business meeting will be held from noon to 3:30 p.m. Those not attending the business portion may view three ethnic films from 1:30 p.m. An audience participation panel discussion follows at 3:30 p.m. with Warren Furutani, National JACL Community Involvement Coordinator, as moderator. With him will be Ron Kobata, Issei Yokota, Jerry Sakata and Dan Kubo. Dinner will follow at 6 with Stanford M. Lyman, associate professor of Sociology at UC, San Diego, as guest speaker.

Cost will be \$10 for the official delegates, \$8 for boosters and \$5 for students. Students who wish to see the films "Manzanar," "Wong Sing Sang" and "Matsuri," attend the panel discussion, and hear the speaker after dinner will be admitted free of charge.

CCDC convention registration due

FRESNO — Pre-registration for members planning to attend the annual CCDC convention Nov. 20-21 at the Fresno Hacienda are due Monday, Nov. 15, it is reminded by Roy Uyesaka of Clovis, registration chairman. They should be made with their respective chapter presidents.

Pre-registration fee is \$8 per member. Regular fee is \$9. Jr. JACLers \$7.

An informal dinner will be held Nov. 20. Business session commences on Sunday morning, Nov. 21, with the evening banquet featuring Dr. Gordon Hirabayashi, professor of sociology at the Univ. of Alberta, as speaker. As a Seattle Nisei who opposed the exclusion order of WW2, his case was eventually ruled by the U.S. Supreme Court sustaining the government's action.

On the convention committee are: Mike Miyamoto, Clovis; banquet, Masao Tsuboi, Fowler; banquet program, Dr. Izumi Taniguchi, Fresno; invitation and printing, Jeff Fukawa, Delano; reception, Ed Nagatani, Delano; fn., Tom Moriyama, Sanger; pub., Jim Cota, Tulare County; chapter of the year award, Pete Hasegawa, Sanger; regis., Judge Mikio Uchiyama, Fowler; resolution, Tom Shimazaki, Tulare County; recognition, Dr. James Nagatani, Delano, scholarship.

Seattle —

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panese ancestry was accused or convicted of espionage or sabotage after Pearl Harbor while they were still free. It seems incredible that under these circumstances it would have been impossible to hold loyalty hearing at least for the 70,000 American citizens, especially when large part of them represented children and elderly men and women. I dissent, therefore, from the legalization of racism."

Local Scene

Los Angeles

In response to a number of Issei, the Little Tokyo Community Pioneer Center will have another Flu Vaccination Day on Sunday, Nov. 21, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Sun Bldg., 125 Weller St. This JACS-Asian Involvement medical committee is asking a 50 cents donation to cover cost of the vaccination.

Two young attorneys, Ted Yamamoto and James Ueyeda, have been assigned to develop and supervise the Asian American Legal Services project, initiated in the spring of 1970 as part of the JACS-Asian Involvement program in Little Tokyo.

San Diego

Ikebana International members in San Diego will present an exhibition of flowers and related arts at the Nov. 14 opening of the new Casa del Prado building in Balboa Park. Among the exhibitors are Mrs. H. Yoshihara, La Jolla, and Mrs. H. Chuman, Imperial Beach. The stately and ornate building of the Food and Beverage Building built in 1915 for the exposition to preserve the Spanish Colonial architectural theme along the Prado.

Sacramento

Feasibility of establishing a Japanese cultural community center to serve an estimated 13,500 Nikkei residents in the area, which extends from Stockton up the valley to Marysville-Yuba City, was under consideration by various groups, according to Leo Goto, spokesman for the interested organizations.

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CHAPTER PULSE

November Events

Chicago JACLers all set for Nov. 13 fete

Rep. Abner Mikva (D-Ill.), who played a major role in the House passage of the Title II repeal bill this year, will be the featured speaker at the annual Chicago JACL inaugural dinner Nov. 13 in the Chicago Room at the new McCormick Place.

Program gets underway at 6 p.m. with the social hour. Toastmaster James Isono, past Jr. JACL president, will then call the dinner to order at 7 p.m., followed by introduction of the head table. Tak Tomiyama, current JACL president, and MDYC chairman Colin Hara will then extend greetings. Dinner follows.

MDYC Gov. Ross Harano will introduce the main speaker and install the new officers. From 9:30, dancing to the music of Red Saunders and orchestra will commence. Joyce Inouye is inaugural committee chairman.

Mikva represents the southeast side of Chicago and South suburbs. He was instrumental in helping defeat Title II and as a member of the House Judiciary Committee is concerned with civil rights, federal criminal laws, the federal courts, anti-trust matters, and immigration.

In his first term in Congress he led efforts to enfranchise 18 year old voters, bring financial help to the beleaguered cities, and reduce military spending and waste. Mikva, 45, received his J.D. cum laude from the Univ. of Chicago Law School in 1951, a member of Phi Beta Kappa and the Order of Coif. He served as editor-in-chief of

1000 Club Report

Oct. 29 Report

With 52 new and renewing 1000 Club memberships acknowledged during the second half of October by National JACL Headquarters, the month-end total was 2,471. The latest acknowledgments follow:

1st Year: Chicago—Isamu J. Kase, Mrs. Paul McGee; 2nd Year: Gardens Valley—John J. Fujita; Puyallup Valley—Yoshiko Tanabe; Chicago—Harvey Yuki.
3rd Year: Milwaukee—Mrs. Helen Jonokuchi; Berkeley—Mrs. Martha Tsuboi; Columbia Basin—Mrs. Grace Yamamoto.
5th Year: Prog. Westside—Dr. Franklin H. Iinami.
6th Year: Downtown L.A.—Shigeru Hashimoto, Henry Kuwahara.
7th Year: Sacramento—Edwin S. Kuto; Snake River Valley—Sam Uchida.
8th Year: Salt Lake City—Tats Mikasa.
9th Year: San Francisco—James T. Sakata.
10th Year: Contra Costa—Henry S. Ishizuka.
12th Year: Seattle—Rev. Emery E. Andrews; Fresno—Dr. Shiro Okamoto; Sacramento—Dr. Stanley Y. Inouye; Cleveland—John Ochi; St. Louis—Joseph K. Tanaka.
13th Year: Chicago—Toshio Noma; Florio—Bill S. Taketa.
14th Year: Eden Township—Yoshiko Kasai; Downtown L.A.—Mitsuko H. Shima.
15th Year: New York—Dr. Harry F. Abe; Monterey Peninsula—Kay Nobusada; D.C.—Chisato Ohara; Oakland—Jerry J. Ohara.
16th Year: D.C.—Mrs. Thelma T. Inuchi; Downtown L.A.—Joseph Ito, Kei Uchima; Seattle—Richard K. Murakami; Delano—George Y. Nagatani; San Mateo—George T. Suto; Detroit—Tos T. Tada; Pasadena—Mich. Tsuchiyama; Puyallup Valley—Dr. Sam T. Uchiyama; San Francisco—Charles Yonezu.
18th Year: Orange County—Ken Ueyeguchi.
19th Year: New York—Yaye Togasaki.
21st Year: Pasadena—Yoneo Dequich; San Francisco—D.S. Rich and Horio.
23rd Year: Downtown L.A.—Willie M. Funakoshi; Prog. Westside—John Ty Saito.

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the Univ. of Chicago Law Review in his senior year, and following graduation was chosen to serve as law clerk to the U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sherman Minton. He and his wife, Zoe have three daughters, Mary, Laurie and Rachel.

Progressive Westsiders to meet at Storefront

Progressive Westside JACL, in conjunction with the Storefront, will present five films on the problems and struggles of the American Indians Nov. 19, 8 p.m., at the Storefront, 2820 W. Jefferson. The chapter will meet at 7:30 to select new board members and officers.

The chapter felt it appropriate to recall the plight of the American Indians during the month of November when that all-American holiday, Thanksgiving Day, is celebrated. The white settlers would have probably starved to death in the New World had not the Indians share their food and knowledge of farming.

The program is part of the chapter's community information series.

Cultural display set for Chicago Folk Fair

Four prefectures expressed interest in showing cultural items for which they are known and this will be the central theme of Chicago JACL's display at the International Folk Fair Nov. 20-21 at Navy Pier.

Pocatello sponsors annual chow mein feast

Pocatello JACL's annual chow mein dinner will be held this Sunday, Nov. 14, at the JACL hall from noon. Co-chairing are Toshi Higashi, Kin Sato and Alice Konishi.

September Events

JACL torii dedicated in Salt Lake gardens

The Utah JACL chapters dedicated its new \$2,500 Japanese torii gate Sept. 26 at the International Peace Gardens, 1000 S. 8th W., Salt Lake City.

Designed by architect Taka Kida, the torii contains no nails to hold it together, but relies on interlocking hinges, wedges and wooden pegs for fasteners. The gate is in the Japanese section of the gardens.

Mrs. Alice Kasai traced the development of the Peace Gardens from a city garbage heap shortly after World War II to garden spot of human understanding today. She said that the Japanese Americans in the area were the first to complete a section of the gardens.

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den in 1950. Other ethnic groups since finished areas in the park.

The Rev. Paul Kato and Frank Yoshimura were project co-chairmen. City Commissioner Conrad B. Harrison accepted the gate for the city.

U-NO BAR

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I think most of the people present, adult and youth, reached a consensus that what each of us do is a two way street and we must cooperate, compromise and support each other if we are going to make progress. Furthermore, we are all Asians and we have the best chance to make whatever changes are to be made in the Asian community, particularly by the Japanese community. To be attacked and criticized for a JACL that one has invested so many emotionally and intellectually challenging and time consuming days, weeks, months, and years, and painfully so, but most of the JACL people have met realize and understand this and accept, and I am so courageously knowing it must be endured for the benefit and welfare of the organization. This is what has helped to make JACL what it is today and what it can be tomorrow.

THE BANQUET

The Olympic Hotel, like the Palmer House in Chicago and the Shoreham in Washington, D.C., has the classic quality of strength, beauty and grace that only these buildings can have. We made it back for the cocktail hour and met loads of Seattleites and others. The program started in a timely manner. The MC, Dr. Lindbergh Sato, a former Salt Lake, calmly, coolly and collectedly applied his psychiatrist's expertise in treating everyone to an evening of humor, pleasanties and memories.

The program was shared by many dignitaries such as Toshio Okamoto, Nisei vet commander, Rev. S. O. Genji Mihara, Min Masuda, Tak Kubota, John Cherrington, Liem, Earl Tsui (Councilman and JACLer), Rev. Dr. Y. Suzuki and myself by having the privilege of presenting national awards to Shigeru Osawa, president, Seattle Progressive Citizens League, 1971 foreign-born Japanese American of the Rev. Andrew Emery, a dedicated and devoted friend to the Asian community, particularly the Japanese community.

The highlight of the evening, of course, was the banquet speaker, the Honorable Norman Mineta, Mayor of San Jose. His perception, incisive and historically correct speech and collectedly received by the audience. Hopefully, Mayor Mineta will be the first of the bright, young political Nisei and Sansei stars who will rise to greater prominence in the coming years. All of us present felt the warmth of his personality

and the depth of his sincerity. The Banquet Committee did an outstanding job. Tami Moriguchi, the chairman, must be congratulated for the meticulous care in which he handled all of the details. His work and the work of the committee, was warmly felt and observed from the large audience, the keynote speaker, the beautiful table arrangements, and the artfully put together program booklet.

Meeting Hans Maruda, Tom Taniakawa, Kimi Nakamura, Bill Kawabata, Connie Asaka, Lovett Moriguchi, Dr. Kenji and Alene Okuda, Ili Yamada, Ted Taniguchi, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hara, Yuri Sato, Ruth Arai, Shigeko Uno (no relative), Mr. and Mrs. Hiro Nakamura, Councilman Liem Tsui, Asahara, Frank Hattori, community queen princesses Diane Nakasaki, and Elsie Iwasaki and many, many others, was informative and rewarding.

AN HOUR REGAINED
The morning breakfast meeting with Mayor and May Mineta, son David, Tak Kubota, Min and May Masuda, Art and Emil Sonekawa, Kimi Tambara, Dr. Terry Toda, Tomi Moriguchi, Dr. John Kanda, Dr. Jim Tanimura, Don Hayashi, Don Kazama, Bessie Matsuda, Midori Uyeda, Cheryl Kinoshita, Nisei Veterans Councilman Liem Tsui, Eira Nagakawa, and Leonard Noji, was pleasant and relaxing. Trying to rely on the alarm clock, I had my room. I awoke at 7 a.m. and learned the savings time had turned the clock back an hour. I sat and listened to sermons for two hours before going down to the lobby and came across the Minetas who thought they were late for breakfast, but found they were 45 minutes early instead.

STAFF
A district Council meeting was held thereafter at the Seattle Chapter office to discuss how to get a staff man for PNW. Chairman Dr. Jim Tanimura opened the meeting how to get a staff man for PNW.

Min Masuda, Don Kazama, Gov. Tak Kubota, Leonard Noji, Bessie Matsuda, Kimi Tambara, Art and Emil Sonekawa, Dr. John Kanda, Eira Nagakawa, Stan Kiyokawa and Don Hayashi put in the extra mile to come up with a concrete proposal and to tap the local universities as resource and possible funding through grants were discussed and planned. There is no question, PNW can use a staff person and, hopefully, they will get one whether alone or with IDC or some other combination.

SCENIC TOUR

After eating some udon, we parted company with Governor

Tak and drove on to Puyallup Valley and Sumner, a town of small some road made fail to the it. It was really a scenic and interesting drive and as Art and John pointed out, the historical significance of the many buildings, farms and areas, much of it was related to the 1900s and 1910s. How times have changed. We stopped at the Kanda home where wife Grace and children met us and we were talked of the size and people of Sumner. It seemed to be an easy going, relaxed, producing, talked of early to bed and rise, church going, neighborly town. After arriving, we had a bag of famous Washington "matstake" we slipped through the other side of the valley heading for the airport in the slightly wet, overcast Sunday afternoon. Although winter was unusually early for this valley this year, the verdant and flourishing farms and countryside was an enticing feature for someone who would like to get out of the rat race.

Hats off to a Seattle Chapter that went all out as the first Chapter to celebrate the 50 years of existence and thanks for the hospitality, the friendliness, the hard work and job well done. As I have said before, it is hard to find so many sincerely nice people as you find in JACL where ever you travel. It is really a deep down good feeling and one of the very good cherishes in my life. I will remember and take with me when I leave office in June of 72.

KEY MAN

Finally, Seattle is one of the finest chapters we have in JACL. Dr. Min has done a terrific job this year as the past presidents have done in previous years. They have been fortunate in having a quiet, but key man working somewhat mysteriously, but omnipresent. He is editor, Eira Nagakawa. I always read with interest all of the newsletters sent to me from the various chapters. The Seattle Newsletter is filled with details and facts that engrosses me to the end. I am told the reason why this is being done is because they will use this for writing the history of Seattle and its Japanese community. I can see very clearly how this can be done very easily. If every chapter were fortunate in having a man of Eira's patience, industry, literary talent and dedication, all over the country would be in great shape.

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GOLDEN ACRES
Governor Tak took Amy and Governor Tak took Emil and myself through a tour of the Kawabe Memorial House. The multi-storied concrete structure was comforting to see, especially with its many well planned features such as economy, efficiency, cafeteria, laundry room, recreation room, etc. We all recalled Kumeo Yoshinari's dream of "Golden Acres" and thought this was partly his dream come true. Much credit must be given to all those who made it possible.

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their counterparts from Japan, Okinawa, Korea, the Philippines and the Republic of China. Making the trip were Frank Y. Oda, president of the United Japanese Society; George M. Koga, city council chairman; Ralph S. Honda, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce; and Donald H. Tokunaga, president and general manager of Maui Realty Co.

Dale Sato, 19, son of the Hiro Sato of Paoah on the Big Island, is in line for the American Farmer Degree, the highest degree presented by the National Future Farmers of America organization. He is one of 470 FFA members in the nation nominated for the top award.

The Maui County Council has joined Mayor Elmer Cravalho and Maui's ILWU in support of Gov. Burns' proposal to expand Maui Community College into a four-year school. The council resolution said a four-year college on Maui "will encourage more native island students to attend college... and will do much to reduce the population pressure on Oahu."

There is nothing to the contention that Kamehameha Schools are favoring youngsters of high social or economic status, president Richard Lyman, Jr. of the Bishop Estate board of trustees said Oct. 18. Lyman was referring to a suit filed in circuit court recently by two women. The women maintained that their children were not accepted by Kamehameha because the school allegedly favors the academic and social elite.

The Dept. of Education is now accepting applications for 1972-73 teaching positions from those attending mainland schools. Early application, the DOE says, will permit interview appointments in Honolulu for those who plan to be here for the Christmas holidays and to arrange mainland interviews at central locations for applicants who are not coming home for winter recess. Applications should be addressed to Harry Chan, recruitment administrator, Dept. of Education, P.O. Box 2360, Honolulu, HI 96804.

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Andrew MacFarland, 26, may not teach any longer at St. Louis High School because of his excessively long hair. A few weeks ago, he was gently warned by the administration to have his hair trimmed. He has refused to cooperate and, as a result, has been relieved of his duties.

Business Ticker
Lt. Gov. George R. Ariyoshi said Hawaiian businessmen are interested in exploring investment and other business opportunities in Korea. He was in Seoul recently as head of a 12-man Hawaiian business mission. Ariyoshi said he was impressed by Korea's abundant labor and high standard of skill. Ariyoshi's group included Chinn Ho, David C. McClung and others.

In a Veterans Day luncheon speech at the Disabled American Veterans Memorial Hall, Lt. Gov. Ariyoshi said Hawaii can play a major role in future relations between the United States and the People's Republic of China. "We have the potential of taking a place alongside Hong Kong and Singapore as a major center for U.S.-China trade, U.S.-Japan trade, U.S.-Indonesian trade and others... But it is only as we maintain our ability to converse in Oriental languages and to appreciate the basis of Asian culture and arts that we can claim special expertise in doing business with our neighbors in the Far East," he said.

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Inouye attributes Senate foreign aid vote 'sour grapes'

SYDNEY, Australia — Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, rejected as "sour grapes" statements that the Senate had voted to stop foreign aid because Taiwan was expelled from the United Nations. But he said Congress was in a "nasty mood."

He said the senate would have voted to stop all foreign aid even if Communist China had not been admitted to the United Nations.

"It is sour grapes to say we took this stand because we were beaten in the United Nations," Inouye said.

Inouye arrived here Oct. 31 from Hawaii to attend the 41st American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA) convention which officially was opened Tuesday.

"The move to cut off foreign aid just happened to coincide with the United Nations vote," the Hawaii Democrat said. Inouye was absent for the 31-27 surprise vote Friday night (Oct. 30) which killed the administration's \$3.3 billion foreign aid measure.

"It would be less than candid to say none of the senators was influenced by the United Nations vote," Inouye said. "These past 10 days have been a rather unusual one for us in Washington. The members of Congress are in a nasty mood."

"We suffered defeat in the United Nations and we've been rebuffed by countries we thought were friends of ours," he said.

BOOKSHELF

Two books on judo

Handbooks and paperbacks on the sport of judo abound. The latest cater to specific groups. JUDO AND SELF-DEFENSE (Tuttle, \$2.95) by Cecil LeBell, 5th dan instructor at Los Angeles, is aimed at the untrained young adult who wants to learn how to "take care of himself" when confronted by a bully, drunk, drug addict or thief. LeBell said the rules of fair play were thrown out the window for his intentions were to save the reader from a bad beating or worse.

On a more formal plain is JUDO FOR THE GENTLE WOMAN (Tuttle, \$2.75) by Ruth Gardner, one of the few American women to receive a black belt from Kodokan Tokyo. As a form on introduction with numerous photographs to explain technique, Mrs. Gardner's "how-to-do" book addresses the novice or those interested in what is becoming a popular physical and mental exercise among the fairer sex.—H.H.

Paperbacks' perused

Primarily directed at the beginning student of Japanese living in Japan, who is interested in learning to read the Japanese language signs he encounters, READ JAPANESE TODAY, by Len Walsh, (Tuttle \$2), should be helpful to students of the Japanese written language everywhere. The author has analyzed 300 basic characters, showing how they originated from Chinese conceptions rendered in pictures, and how they evolved into their present form.

The result is a mnemonic device that should be a revelation to the beginner, giving him a good foundation for future study. The advanced student should gain new insights into the Chinese characters (kanji) he is using, and a better grasp of their meaning and use.—A.B.

JAPANESE / ENGLISH LINGOGRAMS, by Guy J. Marenghi, (Tuttle, \$1.25), a book of puzzles and games based on the principle that Japanese can be acquired more readily if learning is made fun. The 50 exercises, similar to crossword puzzles, require that the Japanese clues be converted to English words, or that English clues be converted to Japanese words.

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Holiday Wrap

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman Account of Fictitious Conflict

LIGHTER THAN A FEATHER: A Novel of the Invasion of Japan, November 1945, by David Westheimer, Little, Brown and Company, 431 pp., \$7.95.

While American and Japanese forces fought for possession of Okinawa, the U.S. Chiefs of Staff were planning the invasion of the main islands of Japan. Developments rendered these plans needless.

When the smoke cleared from the battlefields of Okinawa, it was plain that Japan was beaten. Her allies defeated, without access to raw materials, her cities in ruins, her people starving, her navy at the bottom of the sea, her air force shattered, there was no recourse for Japan, from the Western viewpoint, but surrender. Many Japanese regarded the situation differently.

"... the Japanese literally did not know how to surrender. There was no precedent for it. The Army had never lost a war. Throughout the Allies' murderous island campaigns Japanese troops died almost to a man..."

Some Japanese thought it better that the nation perish rather than surrender. Some even saw a ray of hope. The dauntless spirit of Japan might still transcend American material superiority; the defending Japanese would take such toll of the invaders that the Americans would lose heart; a negotiated peace would then become possible.

'Operation Olympic'

To step one of the proposed invasion—the seizure of the southern tip of Kyushu—which the Americans entitled Operation Olympic—the Japanese prepared a counterplan, Ketsu-Go. In execution of Ketsu-Go, suicide squads would attack the invading fleet. From key coastal points, the Japanese army would repel the invaders.

Behind the conventional military units would be volunteer corps composed of the aged, the unfit, the women, and very young males. They would fight to the death with such weapons as bamboo spears.

The First Precept of the Imperial Rescript to Soldiers and Sailors admonishes "... be resolved that duty is heavier than a mountain, while death is lighter than a feather."

The jacket of the book implies that the atomic bomb obviated the need of Operation Olympic. Whether the atomic bomb, or Russian entrance into the war against Japan, influenced the decision to surrender is irrelevant to this work of fiction. The author ignores both happenings; Operation Olympic proceeds as scheduled, Nov. 1, 1945.

Work of Fiction

At dawn that day, 650 thousand American troops are poised to assault southern Kyushu. Awaiting the invaders are more than a million Japanese troops, firmly entrenched and resolved to sell their lives dearly.

Kamikaze escort leader, Lt. Minoru Hasegawa, in a case overlooking the Miyazaki coast, awakens with the hope that the day will bring the invaders. The author delineates the character of Hasegawa, showing his idiosyncrasies and problems, then switches to Gunner's Mate Second Class Perry Hurst aboard the U.S.S. Sonoma which is bearing down on Miyazaki Harbor.

In this way, the action trips back and forth between American and Japanese characters, characters that symbolize the units of which they are a part. The author shows partiality to neither side; he is interested in people rather than the righteousness of national causes. He tries to show how people might behave in such a titanic struggle.

He writes in such detail, and with such proficiency in military matters, that it is easy to forget the work is fiction and not fact. In the end, East-West Flavors

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Political Scene

Honolulu
Friends of Sparky are planning a \$50 fund-raising dinner for Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga Nov. 12 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. Tickets for the Chinese dinner are being sold under the direction of J. Ralph Brown, president of the organization, and Walter Saito, the dinner chairman.

Hawaii Today

Rear Adm. Umeichi Imai, commanding two Japanese Navy training ships here on a four-day visit (Oct. 19-23), said Japan will depend on diplomacy rather than naval power to defend her merchant marine. "Japan wants just enough power to defend herself," adding he was not in a position to say how much. "That depends on the government's strategy." As the ships steamed into Pearl Harbor, a shore battery exchanged gun salutes.

In spite of unfavorable publicity of Hawaii's environmental problems, tourists still like the islands, according to a report by the First Hawaiian Bank. Eighty-nine per cent of visitors mailing in responses to a Hawaii Visitors Bureau questionnaire rated the islands as "far superior" or "above average," compared with other vacation spots. The questionnaires went to 2,250 visitors, picked at random. Among the 1,377 who responded, 21 per cent said their visits "far exceeded expectations" and 41 per cent said visits were "better than expected."

A one-year residency requirement for welfare aid took effect Oct. 14, but it's not apt to substantially cut costs and may be ruled unconstitutional. It has been learned that Gov. Burns has signed a new set of regulations applying to the state-run "general assistance" program. The regulations impose a one-year residency requirement for the program. The residency clause applies only to that single program, which makes up only a small part of state welfare costs. Unaffected are other programs such as aid to the aged, blind and disabled to families with dependent children or medical assistance to the poor.

Those applying for welfare help in Hawaii with less than one year's residency were to be turned away beginning Oct. 14 by the state Dept. of Social Services and Housing. Denial of help under the new residency law is expected to result in a test case in court by local representatives of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Names in the News

State Rep. Patricia Salki returned from Washington, D.C., where she attended a meeting of the Citizens Advisory Council on the Status of Women, which had endorsed the Equal Rights Amendment now pending in the Senate. It was introduced 47 years ago, passed by the U.S. Senate twice and passed by the House once. The amendment reads: "Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or any State on account of sex."

Four Japanese Americans visited Japan on a 10-day good will trip sponsored by the U.S. Army Pacific last month. The trip, which began Oct. 27, is part of a program involving exchange visits between Hawaii ethnic groups and Japan.

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'Fishing Zones' likely main topic for next international law-of-sea parley

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)
WASHINGTON, D.C. — Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) has asked President Nixon to appoint a representative of the commercial fisheries industry to the U.S. delegation to the 1973 United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea.

"Fishery expertise will be needed to protect the vital interests of the American people who must look increasingly to the sea as a source of food," Matsunaga said in a letter addressed to the President.

"In addition, it is only by assuring fishery industry participation in the conference that the risk of death of a vital American industry will be averted," the Hawaii lawmaker continued, pointing out that the U.S. commercial fishing industry has declined for a period of several years.

Two Major Issues

Preparations for the international conference got underway earlier this year in Geneva. The conference will consider two major issues: the limits of national jurisdiction over coastal waters and the ocean floor; and the creation of international machinery for governing ocean exploration and exploitation.

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GEORGE INAGAKI PRIZE

The JACL installation season is here—and locally, West Los Angeles kicked it off last Saturday with Rep. Patsy Mink as main speaker. We don't recall any chapter having an announced presidential candidate on its program, so West L.A. is off to an auspicious start. (As this is written before the dinner, we shall reserve next week's column on how it fared.)

Another pretentious affair must have been Seattle JACL's 50th anniversary dinner on Oct. 30 with San Jose Mayor Norman Mineta as speaker, who's destined for bigger things in Sacramento, Washington or both. They were calling him Governor the last time we met during Nisei Week.

The annual Central California District Council convention, where they swear in all the chapter officers together, has a nonpolitical luminary in Dr. Gordon Hirabayashi as main speaker next weekend in Fresno. He should attract JACLers from other district councils.

Not all chapter shall be as fortunate to land a distinguished personality to keynote their year's program. Aside from the fact that recognition is paid to outgoing cabinet members and introduction is made of the incoming officers at these installations, the real celebration all chapters should anticipate is the striving for balanced, year-around program with a view of claiming of the biennial George Inagaki Prize to be awarded at the 1972 National JACL Convention.

The Inagaki Prize symbolizes the national Chapter of the Biennium, worth \$500 to the winning chapter, \$100 to the District Council submitting the winning chapter, and two \$100 honorable mention awards. What will be required is the submission of the minutes covering the years of 1970 and 1971—and since 1971 is about over, now is the time to start re-organizing the chapter minutes to fit the requirements of the competition. We can expect Shig Sugiyama, NC-WNDC governor, and chairman of Program and Activities Committee, to announce further details soon.

STANDARD TIME IS BACK

The so-called "Nixon Shock" continues to echo in our community of Little Tokyo. Japanese Ambassador Nobuhiko Ushiba addressed a Bank of Tokyo of California luncheon here this week. Former Consul General Toshiro Shimanouchi, now with the influential Keidanren, addressed the Japan America Society trade luncheon last week. And the weekend before that when standard time came back, editor Masaru Ogawa of the Japan Times wound up a cross-country visit at a private dinner with local friends.

Undoubtedly, other variations to the Nixon Shock can be offered by the 1000 Clubbers who have just returned from their three-week stay this past month in Japan.

Some of us who heard the critical newspaperman from Tokyo assess the present U.S.-Japan relations were reminded of the grim pre-World War II era. We knew the situation wasn't improving for the lot of the Japanese in the States then, though we were more optimistic in our writings. And we still remain that way, even today.

Yet, what Mas Ogawa perceived could happen in Japan if the Sato government were toppled gave us goose pimples—and we didn't order the roast duckling with wild rice that was on the restaurant menu. He posed the most searching possibility of a radical take-over with the likely abrogation of the U.S.-Japan mutual security pact, thus forcing Japan to rearm mightily. Short of that, what might evolve would be a coalition of the Liberal Democrats (the present party in power) with the Socialists-Communists and further instability in the Pacific.

Mas Ogawa's mission this past month in the States for the Asia Foundation was to assure his American friends there are many in Japan who believe the key to peace in the Pacific is in the continuation of friendly U.S.-Japan relations. The cold days of winter come, but not on the international scene.

'TAKE ME TO MAGIC MOUNTAIN'

Having youngsters in the house, you can't escape the kiddie shows on TV, the rock music on radio and the plea to visit Southern California's newest fun complex—Magic Mountain, just west of Interstate 5 in Valencia, a suburban northern Los Angeles community not listed on many California road maps but destined to be. Except for food, games and merchandise, the single admission covers everything—the many rides, attractions and entertainment of Magic Mountain.

During the elegant seven-hour, smog-free and sunny day we spent at Magic Mountain last week, our family managed to cover at least a dozen spots. The more popular rides require a longer wait, of course, but the thrill of the "Log Jammer"—a half-mile long flume of raging water that ends with a steep 90-foot drop into a lake—was worth the 40-minute wait.

And the Japanese angle cannot be overlooked, either, for one of the rides—dubbed "Billy the Squid"—comes from Japan as the Monster Ride. On the hill with the 500-foot Sky Tower is a quiet Japanese garden, a huge wooden torii and three buildings of Oriental character, two of them serving as stations for rides and one a restaurant (that has no Oriental menu, we were sorry to see). The rugged panorama of the countryside when wildflowers are in bloom will be a sight to behold from the Sky Tower come springtime. It was an even golden yellow except for the greenery of the fun park, the white ribbons of concrete that were freeways and scattering of liveoak this past week.

With this introduction, no doubt our out-of-town cousins will descend upon us some weekend to do them the honor of enjoying the lure of Magic Mountain. It's that kind of a place.



'Must be Holiday Issue deadline time. Heap smoke signals!'

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

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

Farm labor

Editor:
In attempting to reply to Mr. Patrick Chiamori's letter on Farm Labor, (PC, Sept. 24), I would like to reaffirm my sympathy for the victims of vandalism in the labor dispute. In rereading the account of the incident in (PC July 23), I note that Harry Kubo, Chairman, Nisei Farmers League said, "There is no evidence if (vandalism) was connected with the picketing" (of the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee).

The same article tells of the Brown Berets trespassing on the Hamada Farm "shouting obscenities and threats." UF-WOC and Brown Berets are of course entirely different organizations. UF-WOC pickets were removed after the incident.

If Mr. Chiamori saw UF-WOC pickets using "abusive and crude language and gestures," they certainly were not in harmony with the Union principles. Their leaders are teaching them to keep in mind the good of the growers as well as their own. We have not been in the Valley with the workers, but I am judging from first-hand reports of friends who were and are.

In comparing Cesar Chavez with Martin Luther King and Gandhi I am joined by leaders in non-violent movements, who visited Cesar at Delano last year, e.g., Bhairav Vallabh Parikh of India, Danilo Dolci of Sicily, and the widow of Martin Luther King, Jr. After visiting Cesar in jail December 1970, Coretta King spoke before two thousand farm workers. She said, "You are carrying on with other millions at the bottom, the work my husband began."

I feel so close to you but cause nowhere in this country are people so fearlessly upholding their rights in a spirit of militant non-violence."

The American Friends Service Committee, which, as you may recall, was active in trying to help Japanese Americans at the time of the evacuation recently nominated Cesar Chavez for the Nobel Peace Prize.

As I understand it, the laws regulating working conditions and use of pesticides for farm workers are either non-existent or poorly carried out. However, I have no doubt that the Nisei farmers are conscientious in maintaining good wages and good conditions on their farms.

Mrs. Cheryl Ogawa McPherson pointed out (PC, Aug. 27) that while some growers are good to their help, most are exploitive and the workers should not be at the mercy of the whims of their employers.

It would be interesting to know the source of Mr. Chiamori's information that UF-WOC demonstrators at Sacramento against the Cory bill were forced to go or be subject to a fine and loss of job. For people under duress, they showed remarkable enthusiasm, I am told.

Mr. Chiamori signs himself, "Member, Nisei Farmers League." No one would dispute the right of the growers to organize for their mutual benefit. Is this right to be denied to the workers?

For decades church people and liberals have called attention to the sad plight of migratory workers, but very little was done.

Now UF-WOC is making some progress, but they need the help of all of us if they succeed in achieving the good life for farm laborers as a whole. With a friendly attitude on both sides, I think satisfactory agreements could be worked out.

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Repeal Title II

Editor:
Having just read the letter written by Mr. Kaz Oshiki, (PC, Oct. 22), I am compelled to write in order to widen his vision somewhat. It is apparent that he fails to see the forest for the trees. He can (or is willing to) see only what can be seen from his limited vantage point in Washington, D.C., and is blind

to the activities out in the provinces that preceded and chronologically paralleled the legislative activities in the Capitol.

If Mr. Oshiki had read the document, Hearings Relative to Bills to Repeal the Emergency Detention Act of 1950, before the Internal Security Committee, House of Representatives, Ninety-First Congress, or had followed the activities of the Repeal Committee in the PC, he should have had some idea of who Ray Okamura is and what he was doing.

In the HISC document there are pages upon pages of resolutions by civic and other organizations advocating repeal, letters of support from high officials in Government, petitions, etc., etc. All of these testimonies were accomplished by the many people and groups that took action under the influence of the tremendous driving force of Ray Okamura and Edison Uo.

As one of the original "conspirators" who had worked very closely with Ray and Edison on the Repeal Committee throughout the long campaign that began early in 1968 I know how much these people have given of themselves and their families in the firm belief that Title II must be repealed, and that JACL should take the leadership in the campaign. They continued this self-sacrificing work until it was finally accomplished.

Mr. Oshiki's comments regarding the valuable work of Congressman Spark Matsunaga in maneuvering his Repeal Bill through Congress are well taken.

It may have been impossible to get the Repeal Bill passed without the influence and legislative know-how of the Congressman, Senator Inouye, Mike Masaka and others in Washington. We are very grateful to them. I do say that it may also have been impossible for them to have accomplished what they did without the prior and concurrent spadework being done throughout the country by many hundreds of people, all goaded, coerced, cajoled or even intimidated by the personalities of Ray and Edison.

To Mr. Oshiki I repeat, give the gentlemen in Washington all the credit they so well deserve, but please don't do so at the expense of the Co-chairmen of the JACL Emergency Detention Committee; you can't possibly understand the importance of their work.

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QUESTION BOX

1000 Club

Q—We are former JACLers who would like to join the 1000 Club. What are the obligations?—S.N., Huntington, N.Y.

A—The 1000 Club, so-named at the outset 25 years ago on the premise that if 1,000 people contributing \$25 a year to sustain Headquarters operations it would ease the financial burden of chapters, continues to be a significant fund-raising arm within JACL. Because the need for funds continues to mount, some 1000 Club members are now contributing \$50, \$100, \$250 a year or \$500 (the latter sum deemed as JACL life membership). Contributions are tax deductible, and 1000 Club membership is voluntary. There are no obligations. The contribution may be made through the nearest JACL chapter or sent to National JACL Headquarters, 1634 Post St., San Francisco 94115.

Housing Project

Q—My dad, who is 92, and formerly of Seattle is interested in the Kavabe House. Where can we write for more detailed information?—E.S., Ellensburg, Me.

A—Yoshito Fujii, Kawabe Memorial House, Housing Committee chairman, 1624 S. Weller, Seattle 98144.

The 1940-70 U.S. Census tabulation on the distribution of Japanese throughout the 50 states appearing on this page last week (Nov. 5, PC) showed the 1940-60 figures for West Virginia and Wisconsin transposed.—Ed.

Let's Get Off Japan's Back

(Edwin McDowell, editorial page editor of the Arizona Republic, devoted a recent Sunday column to a subject which is becoming more serious as each week passes. Because it wraps up the recent background of a complex issue skillfully, we're grateful to the Arizona JACL for sending the Oct. 3 column to us for our PC readers.—Ed. 107)

By EDWIN McDOWELL
(Arizona Republic)

Phoenix
There has been a surprising amount of talk in recent months that Japan is about to become a tenacious military threat.

Sen. Barry Goldwater, for example, said that he thinks Japan "will eventually become so superior economically and militarily she will again return to her old ways."

GUEST COLUMN

But Goldwater is not alone in this belief; such talk is distressingly bipartisan. And it is not very helpful to the cause of international amity.

As Time recently pointed out, a Southern ballad ("The Import Blues") talks about "Jap-made minus," thereby perpetuating the racial slur so common in World War II, when every Japanese was caricatured as buck-toothed and required eyeglasses as thick as milk bottles.

Furthermore, seven of 10 Australians responding to a poll said they consider the Japanese a potential menace.

No wonder that author Frank Gibney, writing from Japan in current Foreign Affairs, commented:

"Japan still bears the marks of an enemy country. Long after the Germans of World War II have resumed their popular status as beer-drinking efficiency experts, and shortly after the Chinese hordes slaughtered Americans on the Yalu in 1951 were transformed into cheerful Ping Pong players, the memory of Pearl Harbor somehow remains green."

Even during the war, according to a poll conducted in March 1942, some 41 per cent of Americans believed that "the Japanese people will make themselves as powerful as possible." But only 21 per cent believed that the Germans were naturally war-like.

Yes, Japan, where the warrior and the sword have been respected and celebrated, has known its share of imperialism and aggression. The military hierarchy, according to former U.S. Ambassador to Japan, Edwin O. Reischauer, has been perhaps the single

most important hierarchy in modern Japan. And, even after allowances are made for wartime propaganda, the militarists who took Japan down the road to world war were cruel and fanatical.

But what ended Japan's jingoism was a series of crushing military defeats inflicted by the U.S.

When Japan signed surrender terms aboard the battleship Missouri in Tokyo Bay on Sept. 21, 1945, 66 of its cities lay in rubble. Two to three million Japanese were dead, hundreds of thousands more were wounded, millions were homeless. More than half of Tokyo's population had been killed.

For the first time in its history, Japan—which alone among Asian nations had never been colonized or dominated by a Western power—found itself under foreign occupation.

Furthermore, Japan was the only nation on earth to suffer the physical and psychic scars of a nuclear attack. As the old values of national superiority and destiny, unquestioning obedience, and destiny, patriotism collapsed under the combined pressures of humiliation and defeat, they were replaced by confusion and doubt. The only certitude was an overwhelming desire never again to experience war.

Indeed, Article IX of the Japanese Constitution, favored as much by the Japanese as by the victorious Americans, stipulated that "land, sea, and air forces as well as other war potential, will never be maintained."

This can be changed only by a two-thirds vote of the Diet (parliament) and a majority vote in special referendum. And that appears to be highly unlikely in a nation that has only an undermanned and poorly equipped quarter-million-man Self-Defense Force, a nation that (according to Newsweek) last year spent twice as much on expense-account entertainment (\$2.7 billion) as on national defense (\$1.1 billion).

Furthermore, the mad attempt of novelist Yukio Mishima—who last year committed hara-kiri after unsuccessfully appealing to some 1,200 soldiers to revolt and restore the Emperor's sacred status and restore the honor that was tarnished by Japan's wartime defeat—elicited widespread interest, but almost no support.

Although Japan today is only about one-fifth its 1941 size, when its empire included Korea, Taiwan, Okinawa,

and several outer islands, the nation is far more prosperous than it was when Japanese militarists ruled the Asian coast. That lesson is unlikely to be lost even on Nippon's hawks.

There have been some belated attempts by Japanese revisionist historians to portray Imperial Japan as the victor in World War II. But the Japanese overwhelmingly accept the fact that their imperialistic interlude was morally wrong. They have learned the lessons of defeat, as well as any people ever to learn such lessons.

They are grateful for the magnanimous peace terms (the U.S. did not demand reparations) and for an 80-month occupation that ranks perhaps at the top of any occupation in history.

There is no more reason to suppose that a minority Japan will rise again than there is to suppose that, for example, a minority Italy will rise again.

Yet if enough people predict often enough that Japan is likely to become a threat, that could be the very pretext the isolated militarists in Japan need to convince their countrymen that they have no friends... that foreign nations are conspiring against

them... that it is necessary to arm against even the U.S.

Admittedly, it is all very iffy. But so is the evidence against a revanchist Japan very iffy. What it mostly boils down to is that Japan is an aggressive trading nation (that is, it produces quality exports at low prices), ergo it is an aggressive nation, period.

Japan obviously has the potential to be a military threat. So, for that matter, do Australia, Canada, Brazil, South Africa, India, Great Britain, France, and Germany. But for good reason, we do not consider it appropriate to single out any of those nations as potential international aggressors. Nor should we do so toward Japan.

President Nixon's recent meeting with Emperor Hirohito will no doubt allay some fears in Japan but not for long if the anti-Japanese talk continues to emanate from high government officials. And that would be tragic. For as Edwin Reischauer recently noted:

"If two countries with such fundamentally compatible views of the world cannot co-operate fully and easily, the prospects for humanity are indeed bleak."

Masaoka—

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also successfully, to secure bilateral control agreements with the Republic of Korea, the Republic of China, and the British Crown Colony of Hong Kong. To Tokyo, Seoul, Taipei, and Hong Kong, this ultimatum smacked of racism, for only the Far East textile exporters were forced to surrender, as it were, while textile suppliers in western Europe, particularly, some of which provided textile imports in certain categories in larger quantities than did any of the four East Asian nations, were not even requested to impose voluntary restraint measures of any kind.

Campaign Payoff

This textile maneuver was recognized even by most American newspapers and others in a position to know as the means by which the President redeemed a 1968 campaign pledge to the United States textile industry.

As such, it is now anticipated that many other important industries in this country, such as steel, electronics, automobiles, chemicals, meat, dairy products, products, etc., will demand comparable privileges from the Administration. And should they fail at the White House, they are expected to mount a tough campaign to secure congressional import quotas.

Thus, a Chief Executive, who claims to be for freer and expanding trade, may well have invited a protectionist drive that may lead to a trade war such as that which contributed to the outbreak of World War II more than three decades ago.

U.N. Vote

In spite of all this ill-treatment, ten days later, when the United Nations voted on the admission of Communist China at the expense of Nationalist China, only Japan of all of America's major allies joined in co-sponsoring and in voting for the United States resolution.

On Second Thought

Warren Furutani

Our 'Foxes'



The Community Involvement Program has just finished its tenth month. As we near the end of the year, the program has become more defined. What I mean is that the work load of the "Foxes" is being concentrated to a few areas to insure concrete results.

For example, in Los Angeles Willie Fujinami has been working in a supportive role with many programs. His work now is being concentrated in the area of establishing a comprehensive drug program, working in conjunction with several groups. His role is one of initiation, direction and responsibility.

In Stockton Jerry Sakata has been moving around in the Central Valley. He has played a communications role but will now concentrate his activities on establishing an Issei program.

In San Francisco Ron Kobata has been instrumental in many projects and events. His priority is with the Japanese Community Services, Inc. This is a very broad program so it seems that Ron will be dealing with coordination.

In San Jose Dan Kubo has exhibited an example of how to really involve the community. The Asians for Community Action has been Dan's vehicle for involving people. True, the majority of them are young, but strong contacts with JACL (San Jose JACL lets ACA share their office) and the community churches (Buddhist and Christian).

For myself, obviously I've been traveling. My reasons for traveling have been basically for communications. I also think that National Staff should try to be seen as much as possible at the local level.

I am also working on several community programs. My pet project has been the Manzanar Project. As of now we have completed the application for Manzanar becoming a state historical monument. Plans are also being made for a Pilgrimage Teach-in to Manzanar on the Mar. 24-26 weekend before the Easter school break. Rationale for the teach-in, of course, is education.

As you can see, quite a bit is happening. You shall notice better communication among the Foxes and their respective districts in the immediate future. I also urge any JACLer to feel free to contact their local Fox for information, assistance or just a chat.