



LOCAL CHAPTERS, 1000 CLUB SLATE 10 TOURS IN 1972

Group Flights to
JACL Convention in
Washington Planned

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National JACL President

It has been said that one good picture is worth 10,000 words. Although it is not always necessary, I found too many occasions, far too many to enumerate here, where some good pictures or a film depicting what I want to convey would have been far more meaningful than anything I could have said to certain audiences.

One Picture

Although we have a variety of books, films, photographs and other media material available, as yet, I have not come across one good, short and comprehensive set of photographs, or film which I feel could be shown to audiences across this nation which would carry the message of the Japanese American, past, present and future. We do, no doubt, have segments of our story in bits and pieces, fragmented or isolated, which geographically, historically, culturally, economically, or otherwise, presents some outstanding facets of our existence and experience; however, it never gives a panoramic view of a chronological sequence of events in a graphic illustration the five senses in a forceful way which will leave a lasting or, at least, a more than momentary impression on the viewers.

Having had an opportunity to deliver hundreds of speeches to students from the grade school through the university level, religious, social, service, cultural, civic, ethnic organizations and groups, and business, government and voluntary agencies for almost 15 years, I have always felt the presentations which were graphically illustrated by pictures, graphs or other visual materials always made the best and most lasting impressions. I am aware that various chapters, such as Seattle, have projects of this nature already materialized to some extent, but it is my guess, the scope is more localized to cover certain geographic areas and not national in scope.

According to the last census, there are people of Japanese ancestry living in every state. I know very little of the people living in Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Texas, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana among other states. Although the population may be small, they are still a part of our history and some means should be devised to bring together visual material, primarily photographs and films to tell an interesting story of all of these people, their trials and tribulations, their contributions, their hopes and aspirations as well as their disappointments. We could, possibly, have a popular version for general distribution and a documentary version for more select audiences.

Since the various communities are demanding more materials, and especially speakers, visual materials would provide a good introduction or a running commentary can be made during the presentation with questions being asked as the presentation is being made or after the presentation has been completed.

Perhaps, either the Visual Communications Committee, the Education Commission or the JARP can independently or cooperatively, work on such a project. I think we have, basically, much raw material already gathered, but much more can be collected and preserved to tell the story of our people, not only to the uninitiated, but to our own people. The who, what, when, where, why and how of the Japanese people in New York, Hawaii, Nebraska, Utah, California, etc. will be a valuable addition to the ethnic history of this country. If these can be captured in slides or a film with a running commentary, the speakers bureau of each of our chapters will have a heavy burden of preparation alleviated, but more, they will be able to get the message of the story of the people of Japanese ancestry across succinctly, clearly and graphically.

The book "Executive Order 9068" in part does with the Evacuation what I think should be done with the history of the Japanese people in this country. Yes, a large undertaking, but not an impossible one.

The Pacific Citizen did a beautiful job on local histories in its last Holiday Issue and this material will be helpful to all concerned. It was interesting reading in many respects. If these can be pictorialized for every state in the Union, showing important incidents and historical perspectives, and future trends, I can't help but feel people who are asked to speak about Japanese Americans can do a better job, and certainly, a more impressive one.

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Okinawa Expo 75

TOKYO — The Japanese government plans to seek official sanction for Expo 75 from the Bureau of International Expositions, Paris, this May. Purpose of Expo 75 is to speed development of Okinawa as a "major center for enterprises related to the ocean."

SAN FRANCISCO — At least ten charter or group flights being sponsored by local JACL chapters and the National JACL 1000 Club have been announced for 1972, according to Tad Hirota, chairman of the newly-formed National JACL Travel Committee. Guidelines on JACL-sponsored charter and group flights will be announced soon by the travel committee, comprised of:

Akira Ono, Fred Takata, Los Angeles; Tony Booh, Gilroy, Calif.; Gresham, Ed Fujii, Portland, Ore.; Jim Iwasaki, Portland, Ore.; Frank Sakamoto, Dick Yamada, Chicago; and Mas Satow, adv. Hirota, National 1000 Club chairman, explained details for group flights to the JACL convention in Washington will be available soon.

1972 Tours

June 23-July 15—West Los Angeles JACL charter flight to Japan. Lv Los Angeles via Northwest Orient Airlines.
June 26-July 1—National JACL 1000 Club-coordinated group flights to National JACL Convention, Washington, D.C., from Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle Salt Lake City and Chicago. (Open to general membership.)

July 1-July 22—National JACL 1000 Club charter flight to Europe. Lv New York City via Pan American World Airways. (Open to 1000 Club members, spouses and dependent children.)
July 14-Aug 16—National JACL 1000 Club-coordinated charter flight to Japan. Lv San Francisco via Japan Air Lines. (Open to general membership.)

Fall Tours

Oct. 4-Oct. 27—Sacramento JACL charter flight to Japan. Lv San Francisco via Japan Air Lines.
Oct. 8-Oct. 29—National JACL 1000 Club-coordinated charter flight to Japan. Lv Los Angeles via Japan Air Lines. (Open to general membership.)
Oct. 9-Nov. 1—San Jose JACL charter flight to Japan. Lv San Francisco via Japan Air Lines.
Oct. 11-Nov. 1—Eastern District charter flight to Japan. Lv New York via Pan American.

Oct. 31-Nov. 3—National JACL 1000 Club-coordinated charter flight to Japan. Lv San Francisco via Japan Air Lines. (Open to general membership.)
Year-end Tour
Dec. 28-Jan 10—National JACL 1000 Club group flight to Japan. Lv San Francisco via Japan Air Lines. (1000 Club members only.)

Rep. Danielson backs HR 12208

WASHINGTON — In support of the bill to establish a cabinet committee on Asian American affairs (HR 12208), Rep. George E. Danielson (D-Calif.) of Los Angeles explained it is patterned after the already-functioning Spanish-speaking Cabinet Committee.

Designed to provide Asian Americans with greater opportunity to participate in the civic, economic and social activities of America, the 29th District congressman said, "We are — all of us — citizens of this great country and we should all participate equally in its benefits as well as in its burdens."

But partly due to history and recent increase of Asian immigrants, the Asian American communities are plagued with problems now approaching the crisis stage, he continued, requiring a concerted federal action to identify and remedy the inequities and problems afflicting the Asian American population.

The proposed cabinet committee would work with federal agencies and organizations to render assistance. An advisory council comprised of representatives from various segments of the Asian communities would assist in the investigations.

A kind of program that would assist Asian American communities is the federal bilingual educational program, now in operation on a \$35 million budget, to provide bilingual educational opportunities in elementary and secondary schools for students whose primary language is not English.

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MAYOR NORM MINETA

An interview with Washington Post reveals roles of politics in San Jose

Norman Mineta, 40, the mayor of San Jose, Calif., is a Japanese American who was interned during World War II in the prison compounds set up by the American government for citizens of Japanese ancestry. He later served in the U.S. Army during the Korean war and then entered the insurance business. He switched his party affiliation from Republican to Democrat early in the 1960s after he became "very frustrated" with the GOP position on civil rights, social problems and issues. This past year, in a community with only 3 per cent of Japanese American extraction, he was elected mayor of California's fourth largest city with 63 per cent of the votes. Here, in this tape-recorded and edited interview, he gives his views on the political situation today.

One of the things that is happening, and this is what I found interesting about the campaign, is the fact that people are more interested in the person than the parties. Even many of the Mexican-Americans, for instance, who are traditionally Democratic could care less about that label. I think parties as such don't mean that much to people any more. I've had some very strong Republicans who have said to me that whatever I want to do in the future, if I want to run for the state senate or something, they'll help me.

Our political situation is certainly changing. The county Democratic committee right now is just a weak, lackluster outfit that hasn't done anything in the last two years that I can think of any significance.

On City Politics

I think city politics probably is better off being run on a non-partisan basis. I remember when I was in Seattle seeing the battle that went on between the mayor of Seattle and the governor of Washington. They aren't serving the state of Washington or the city of Seattle in any respect. From that point of view, I think San Jose is a very unusual community. Take what happened in 1942 at the time of the mass evacuation of the Japanese from the West Coast. San Jose was one of those communities that truly felt sorry that the evacuation was taking place.

During the war years, when the Japanese Americans were not here, their property was probably less damaged or subject to the work of arsonists as in other areas. With the end of hostilities and the return of the Japanese from the camps, this area opened up and said, "Hey, come on back. Can we help you in housing? Can we meet you?"

Postwar Resettlement

Whereas in Salinas or Stockton or Fresno that wasn't the case.

I remember there was a young veteran from San Jose who was stabbed and killed in Stockton. Arson. Things like that. They did happen. But we can't allow those kinds of experiences to create in us any bitterness or rancor. I think we get shaped by those experiences. Shaped in the sense of how we approach issues, how we deal with problems. I'm not as quick to come off the chalk as some other people with opinions on certain things because I think I've got more of a willingness to let people speak their piece. And we're going through this right now. I don't know if you're familiar with this controversy that we are facing in the shooting of a young black IBM research chemist by a police officer of ours who had stopped him at 4:30 in the morning on a traffic citation.

Grand Jury Case

Out of this certain things happened. Bang, he's dead! So the question is: how does a person who's stopped as a result of an alleged traffic violation die out of that kind of incident?

The investigation was turned over to the district attorney's office. They thoroughly investigated it, made their findings available to a grand jury, and the grand jury came back with an indictment for manslaughter. There were three of our officers involved. Two of them were fired and one was suspended for one month.

In the meantime, for seven to eight weeks our City

'WE'VE BEEN HAD',
CRIES MAYOR MINETA

SAN JOSE — Santa Clara lost out on any chances of sending more legislative representatives to Sacramento as the State Supreme Court Jan. 18 preserved the existing lines for another two years.

Because of its growth, the county had been expecting several more seats in the Assembly and Senate — at least two more assemblymen and one state senator.

Cried San Jose Mayor Norm Mineta, "We've been had!" San Francisco with its 700,000 population will continue to be represented by four assemblymen while Santa Clara with its 1.1 million will have only three assemblymen. By population count, Santa Clara County is entitled to 4.8 assemblymen.

Congressionally, the county will be represented by four members in the House though their respective constituencies include adjacent counties.

Council has been bombarded by 700 or 800 people every Monday night coming down, asking, why we don't can the chief of police? Why don't we set up a citizens' committee to investigate it? Why don't we suspend the three officers?

Let System Work

My feeling is that we have duly constituted authorities to conduct these inquiries and we ought to allow that system to work. If it doesn't, then under the California penal code certain other things can happen.

My feeling is the city council may have to act as a safety valve. We may have to sit here and take this abuse and have people pound on our chests. I'd rather have that happen than have them pounding bricks downtown. It's been a very hairy situation.

Now as I assess this community in San Jose I would say the people who are here today — at least 60 per cent of them — weren't here 10 years ago. We have grown phenomenally. And the people really have no sense of identity with this city as a community.

Neighborhood Meetings

One of the things I'm trying to do about this is what we call neighborhood district meetings. Every month the city council and the administrative staff of the city and I go right into a certain neighborhood and we have a meeting.

We tell them, "O.K., what are your gripes? What do you think you want done in the neighborhood?" For 20 or 25 minutes, we give our club about the cats down here or the dogs down here or the garbage collection and the other problems. Out of this I think you can talk about neighborhood self-government and get people involved in their community and their political system.

That's terribly important because we do have a problem with getting people to participate. When people think about elections, for instance, they think about state and national elections as being real elections and these other things in the city as being Mickey Mouse kind of things. Yet when you look at the amount of taxes they pay and what control city officials have over the lives of individuals every day, well,

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Chicago 'CL takes stand on reform of coroner's office

CHICAGO — Chicago JACL executive committee joined with other social and civic groups in presenting the coroner's office with a four-point plan for improvement.

May Nakano represented the JACL in the delegation which approached county Coroner oman last Dec. 20. When asked why the JACL should take such a stand, she said, "Since the coroner is an elected official charged with inquiring into the cause and manner of death when the circumstances are suspicious, obscure or mysterious, the integrity of the office must be beyond reproach."

Current Method

"In Cook County this has not been the case," she continued. "The rules of evidence do not apply (at inquests). Reputation testimony and other forms of hearsay are admissible... and records need not be authenticated. The deputies, even though they conduct virtually all of the inquests, have no special medical or legal training. Nor does the medical work of the coroner's office seem to be of very high caliber," she went on.

"The understaffing, inadequate procedures, use of an unlicensed pathologist, loss of a crucial data belt, indicate serious problems."

As it's turning out instead of an independent public interest inquiry into the facts surrounding an unnatural death, in effect, the inquests rubberstamp the decision of the police and state Attorney. It is unfortunate that Illinois lags far behind most other states in providing modern medical-legal investigative services, Mrs. Nakano noted.

Four-Point Reform

As to what can be done, Mrs. Nakano and the Executive Board presented the following four-point plan for improving the Cook County Coroner's office:

1-Selecting inquest jurors from the regular county jury pool.

2-Upgrading the department staff. In-training sessions can be headed by forensic pathologists, attorneys, police investigators.

3-Formalizing rules of procedure as suggested in the January 1970 federal grand jury report, providing for (a) continuances, (b) proper instructions to jurors at the inquest, (c) deletion of testimony about the deceased's previous criminal record, (d) presentation of evidence, (e) cross-examination, (f) study of pathological reports and protocol before the inquest so that questions can be directed to the contents of the report.

4-Enlisting appropriate attorneys as hearing officers in sensitive cases.

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YEAR OF THE RAT—It will be a week-long celebration in New Chinatown Los Angeles ushering in the Chinese New Year 4670, highlighted a parade Feb. 18 and carnival-festival Feb. 18-20 including an art show, cooking demonstrations, stage show, fine arts display and exhibit of children's works at the Castelar School. In front of the golden dragon are Chinatown Chamber of Commerce officials David Chow (left), president; and Wally Quon, v.p. and co-owner of Grand Star Restaurant, which is offering a special nine-course gourmet dinner during the week.

Dedicate another Orange County school in honor of Issei: Isojiro Oka

HUNTINGTON BEACH — A new \$1 million school in the Fountain Valley School District was dedicated this week (Feb. 2) and named after the late Issei Oka, an Orange County Issei pioneer who fervently believed in education all his life.

One of the most modern schools in Southern California, the Oka elementary school is located at 9800 Yorktown.

(Another grade school in Fountain Valley was dedicated several years ago and named for the late Hisamatsu Tamura, father of Justice Stephen Tamura.)

Highlight of the dedication ceremonies was the unveiling of the Oka portrait, a gift of his eight children:

Tetsuo Oka, Mrs. Taro Kurano (both of Japan), Harley M. Oka, Teddy T. Oka, Takashi Oka, Hide Oka, Mrs. Hisako Ito and Mrs. Haruka Hattori.

Came in 1907

Born Jan. 6, 1884, in Fukuoka-ken, Isojiro was orphaned at an early age and raised by an aunt. He came to the United States in 1907, after arriving in Mexico the year before as a contract laborer for a mining company.

He settled in Huntington and began farming on leased land in 1908. He had been married in Japan to Kaoru Ozeki, also of Fukuoka-ken, in 1904. In 1915, he called his wife over and continued farming in Huntington Beach until 1942 when the family was relocated to Poston, Ariz.

Prior to World War II, the Issei pioneer felt the need for

Mas Ashizawa to head '72 Sakura festival

SAN FRANCISCO — Masao Ashizawa, 50, a hardware owner, will again head the Nihonmachi Cherry Blossom Festival committee this year.

Ashizawa was named general chairman of the festival committee at an emergency meeting after the disappearance of Yoshiaki Tajima, local architect, on Jan. 13. His car was found on the north side of the Golden Gate bridge and it was believed he committed suicide.

Ashizawa was chairman of the Festival committee last year. Named 1972 Festival committee chairman last year, Tajima got an early start and much of the program for this year's event has already been organized.

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4-Enlisting appropriate attorneys as hearing officers in sensitive cases.

Tickets at \$6 are now available from members of the committee and from some community business firms. William Matsumoto will be emcee.

Big crowd expected at Sacramento installation

SACRAMENTO — The coming Sacramento JACL installation dinner on Saturday, Feb. 12 will probably be the biggest such event yet, according to Frank Iwama, outgoing chapter president and chairman for this annual event.

Raymond Uno, National JACL president from Salt Lake City, will be the speaker at this dinner to be held in the Martinique room of Sacramento Inn.

Demetrius N. Nishikawa, 27, a State Senate elections consultant for Sen. Mervyn Dymally, is the 1972 chapter president. A UC Davis 1966 graduate in international relations, he served with the Army until joining the Dymally's staff in 1969.

Iwama said many city and county officials, plus assemblymen from local districts will be present.

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Mas Satow wants to step down in '73

SALT LAKE CITY — Masao W. Satow has asked that he be relieved next year, on Feb. 14 when he reaches age 65, from his assignment as National Director of the Japanese American Citizens League, it was disclosed here this week.

Satow's intentions were first expressed to the National JACL executive committee, according to Raymond S. Uno, national president.

Satow added that he does not want to "retire" altogether from JACL work but felt it was time for a younger person to assume his task of administering the national organization of some 25,000 through its headquarters at San Francisco.

In the meantime, the JACL personnel board is preparing its search for a replacement.

Staffer Since 1946

At the time Satow joined the JACL staff in April, 1946, he was on the National YMCA staff working on evacuee resettlement problems and a resident in Milwaukee. Because of the resignation of JACL regional directors in

Chicago and in New York, Satow accepted the post of Eastern-Midwest JACL director to help establish chapters and engage in public relations work "for a year or so." He resigned as national JACL 2nd vice-president, a post to which he had been elected at the Denver national convention three weeks earlier, to assume JACL duties full-time.

Satow was recalled to National Headquarters at Salt Lake City in late November the same year and appointed national director, succeeding Mike Masaoka who was to proceed to Washington, D.C., and become the JACL representative there.

During his tenure as national director, Satow guided the organization, a league of 23 chapters assuming a \$70,000 operating budget in 1946, to its present strength of 94 chapters, with an all probability will face a \$300,000 budget or more at its coming 1972 convention at Washington, D.C.

Personal Record

He authored the popular President's Notebook, a bible for chapter officers to this day; engrossed the handsome scrolls JACL has bestowed at conventions and other events throughout the years; motivated countless numbers of Nisei towards political maturity through JACL activities and helped to make the general community aware of the problems of the Japanese in America.

Born in San Mateo, Calif., he attended schools in Los Angeles. He was a graduate

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Nixon appoints Ingersoll to U.S. embassy in Japan

WASHINGTON — Robert S. Ingersoll, chairman of Borg Warner Corp., was appointed by President Nixon last week (Jan. 26), to succeed career diplomat Armin H. Meyer as U.S. ambassador to Japan.

Ingersoll, who lives in Winnetka, Ill., has been active in the Republican party as a fund-raiser and will be the first businessman to be ambassador to Japan since World War II.

Ingersoll will be taking up his Tokyo post at a time of intensified economic competition between the United States and Japan.

Meyer will return to the State Dept. for reassignment. He was named to head the U.S. embassy in Tokyo in the summer of 1969 after a State Dept. career that involved him deeply in Middle East affairs.

Only 80 newsmen going with Nixon to China

WASHINGTON — White House press secretary Ron Ziegler brought word from Peking this past week that the news contingent accompanying President Nixon on his official visit to China later this month will be limited to about 80 people.

This number, Ziegler pointed out, would be seven or eight times larger than any news group that has gone to China with any other head of state. About 2,000 news media personnel have applied for accreditation to make the trip. A list of those chosen will be published soon, it was indicated.

Bridge Magazine, Chinese American publication in New York, in the meantime, has called upon the major media to assign qualified Chinese American newsmen to cover the visit "for they only can provide a sensitive and incisive understanding as well as a unique perspective from one who is part of both the Chinese and American cultures."

"If no qualified Chinese American reporter accompanies the President on this trip, the American public will be denied this invaluable perspective. The Asian American will once again be vulnerable to the whims and biases of the non-Asian media," the Bridge Magazine editors said.

New Tokyo airport

TOKYO — The \$300 million New Tokyo International Airport in Narita is scheduled to open in June. A city limousine terminal is being constructed, requiring passengers to check in three hours prior to departure.

NC-WND meeting to feature panel on U.S.-Japan ties

OAKLAND — A Symposium on U.S.-Japan Relations and Implications for the Japanese Americans will highlight the first quarterly meeting of the JACL Northern California-Western Nevada District Council this Sunday, Feb. 6 at Mills College.

All sessions will be held in Lucile Stern Hall, with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. business at 10, lunch break at noon, and the symposium at 1 p.m. The meeting will adjourn by 4 p.m.

Yuji Ichioka, research associate for the UCLA Asian American Studies Center, will open the symposium with a lecture on "Japanese Americans and U.S.-Japan Relations." He will discuss past relations between the United States and Japan, only as they related to Japanese Americans.

AAPA Co-Founder

Ichioka was one of the founders of the Asian American Political Alliance and has been employed with the Japanese Consulate in New York. Currently, he is annotating Japanese language sources for UCLA, and is a member of the National JACL International Affairs Committee.

A panel discussion on "Implications of U.S.-Japan Relations for Japanese Americans" will follow. Speakers will be:

Yuko K. Kumamoto, executive secretary of the Northern California Japanese Chamber of Commerce; Eugene Moriuchi, attorney; Pecky Nakatsu, law student; Patricia Sumi, community organizer and only Japanese American to visit the Peoples Republic of China; and (Mrs.) Tomoye Takahashi, owner of Takahashi Imports.

Small group discussions are scheduled to give all delegates an opportunity to thoroughly explore the issues. Dr. Ted Jitodal, professor of sociology at San Francisco State College, will give a summary at the end of the symposium.

Bento Lunch

By eliminating the traditional JACL banquet, a very low-cost meeting has been achieved. The new format is being tried for the first time by the NC-WND District Council, although the Pacific Southwest District Council has been using it for a number of years.

The registration fee for official delegates is \$1, with booster delegates and the general public being admitted free. An optional Japanese box lunch will be sold for \$2. A limited number of box lunches will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Free coffee and doughnuts will be served to early arrivals at 9:30 a.m.

The district council meeting and symposium are being co-hosted by the Bay Area Community JACL Chapter and the National JACL International Affairs Committee.



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'This article has a familiar ring.'

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Christmas Cheer

Editor:
On behalf of the Christmas Cheer Committee and particularly on behalf of the 862 recipients of the gifts, I relate a sincere, direct-from-the-heart "Thank you" to all those who shared in putting a smile into their Christmas.

The JACL is to be congratulated for its interest in continuing this worthy project with its total support. The Orange County JAX's, Grace and Denise Ryono, Ben and Lisa Shimazu, Allan and Georgine Uyesugi, Ken Hayashi, Ken Yonemura, Kats Kunitzsu, Ellen Endo, Harry Honda, Al Hatate, Kiyoshi Kawai, Jeff Matsui and Drew Tamaki and his terrific staff all assisted in making this an all-time record campaign.

However, the greatest accolades must be showered on each of the donors. Without their support, this entire project would have been fruitless.

The purpose of this public acknowledgment is to preserve collected funds in order that we could distribute additional gifts; otherwise, thanking each individual donor would have required many dollars in postage and allied expenses.

To the donors, I want to say, "Your gifts helped 862 men, women and children enjoy their holiday season."

The gifts were appreciated, but the greater gift was the thought that you cared and took the time to express your friendship to your fellow Nihonjin. This, we hope, will give them the warmth to sustain them during their lonely hours.

Do the recipients appreciate these gifts? Here are excerpts from a few of the many, many letters we received:

"I have never experienced receiving this type of unexpected Christmas gift. May God bless you and all of the members of the JACL."

"May we both take this opportunity to thank you for the very kind and nice letter and also for the monetary gift which was sent to us for the holidays. We never expected anything like that and it made us feel even more so."

"I am writing this on behalf of my parents (Koreans) to thank you for your nice Christmas gift which you sent to them on this holiday season. It was very kind of you to remember lonely people like my parents who came from the old country and live here as strangers, and you certainly made their Christmas merrier with your thoughtfulness. Also, needless to say, your kindness and consideration in their homesickness which always comes strongly around the holiday season."

"Thank you so much for the check which was sent to me as a Christmas gift. When I think of those who donated to cheer the needy, I am more than grateful. I am not going to spend it but put it in the bank to grow and grow. Someone will use it for a worthy cause after I am gone. I am 85 years old in March 3. Thank you again from the bottom of my heart."

Yes, they appreciated it! I once again salute the entire Japanese American community. The final totals are: 1,090

donors, \$8,801 contributed, 862 persons benefited. On behalf of our committee and recipients, may I extend a belated Happy New Year and may 1972 be a year of continued good health and a year of complete fulfillment.

MAS UYESUGI
1971 Christmas Cheer Chairman
Santa Ana, Calif.

(We regret space requirements earlier this past month prevented publication of the individual donors or organizations in the Christmas Cheer reports No. 7 and 8.—Ed)

Ethnic studies

Editor:
We were pleased to see your editorial, "In Lieu of Subject A," (PC: Jan. 21). We in the Asian Studies Division greatly appreciate your coverage of our program. We would like to supplement that with a few additional remarks about our course.

First, unlike the regular Subject A program at Berkeley which penalizes students by charging a \$45 fee and not granting any course credit, the Asian Studies Division offers its course free of charge and grants five units credit towards graduation. (These practices represent a change of a 50-year-old University policy.) Although we have had to engage in a long and sometimes bitter battle with the University, we have finally convinced the faculty and administration that Asian Studies do not have the same opportunities to learn "proper English" in elementary and secondary schools as do white students, and should therefore be held blameless for their reading and composition problems and should not be penalized by being forced to take and pay for a no-credit, "bonehead" course.

Secondly, the course was designated by our staff with the advice and assistance of members of Asian community groups (including the Bay Area JACL) and Asian elementary and secondary school teachers. The efforts of these persons contributed greatly to our final success. It was patently clear to the reviewers that our proposals of the course represented the efforts and reflected the needs of the Asian communities in the greater Bay Area.

Finally, we believe that our course represents one small but significant example of how joint campus-community efforts can help change the nature and purpose of UC Berkeley and make it sensitive and responsive to the needs of the Asian communities and, in the end, make UCB a more truly "public" university.

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McWilliams Reprint

Editor:
We have received the issues of The Pacific Citizen (Jan. 7-14) in which the Selected Bibliography on Japanese Americans appears. This bibliography lists "Prejudice, Japanese Americans" by Carey McWilliams, originally published by Little Brown in 1944. You might be interested to know that last year we reprinted the work, with a short introduction by the author, listing at \$10.00 in addition, you might like to know that an edition in Japanese has been issued in Tokyo.

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25 Years Ago

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Blythe (Calif.) Growers Assn. posts "Japs not wanted" signs in Palo Verde Valley after one farmer hires Nisei. Dillon Myer backs Issei naturalization bill, opposes lump sum damages to evacuees. War record of Nisei stressed during congressional debate on citizenship for Hawaii...

JACL INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Reversion of Okinawa and JACL

By TUI ICHIOKA

Part IV

The results of the Sato-Nixon talks of November, 1971 confirmed the worst fears of Okinawans and the deficiencies of the JACL report. The joint communiqué issued by President Nixon and Prime Minister Sato outlined the basic terms of reversion. Reversion was set for sometime in 1972 with the agreement that the "United States would retain, under the terms of the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security, such military facilities and areas in Okinawa as required in the mutual security of both countries." Similar to the 1967 joint communiqué, this one also "recognized the vital role played by the United States forces in Okinawa in the present situation in the Far East." The old American rationale was reaffirmed.

A nuclear-free Okinawa was not guaranteed. On this matter the joint communiqué read:

The Prime Minister described in detail the particular sentiment of the Japanese people against nuclear weapons and the policy of the Japanese Government reflecting such sentiment. The President expressed his deep understanding and assent in Okinawa. The Prime Minister, without prejudice to the position of the United States Government with respect to the prior consultation system under the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security, the reversion of Okinawa would be carried out in a manner consistent with the policy of the Japanese Government as described by the Prime Minister.

Here the key phrase is "without prejudice to the position of the United States Government" with reference to prior consultation. Given the nature of this language, there is no absolute guarantee that the United States will not consult with the Japanese government to reintroduce nuclear weapons into Okinawa.

Note has already been taken of Prime Minister Sato's opinion that this Third Non-Nuclear Principle—the entry of nuclear weapons—is a matter of policy. The American interpretation of the communiqué envisions such a possibility.

U. Alexis Johnson, the Under Secretary of State and former Ambassador to Japan, made this very clear in his remarks on this passage before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in January, 1970:

If an emergency were to arise in this connection, I might say, which would cause us to consider this problem, we do not necessarily assume that if we took that serious a view of the situation the Japanese would not take an equally serious view of the situation and the consultation in the paragraph does not necessarily assume that in every case Japan's answer would be "No."

Thus the reintroduction of nuclear weapons remains a distinct possibility. Many Japanese critics, both in Okinawa and Japan proper, take a much more cynical view of this passage. Notwithstanding the United States' announcement that all Mace-B nuclear missiles have been removed from Okinawa, they attack the passage as a secret agreement concealing a secret agreement between the two governments to maintain nuclear weapons in Okinawa. As evidence for their suspicion, they cite Prime Minister Sato's comments of March 31, 1969:

Nuclear deterrence disappears you say that you have no nuclear weapons. If what you have is known, your capability is understood. I think it best not to say we have nuclear weapons. We have nuclear weapons you have unknown.

When these remarks are linked to his interpretation of his Third Non-Nuclear Principle, the critics feel that there is a secret agreement. Such a suspicion is not as far-fetched as it may first appear. That governments lie is a self-evident truism. Witness the American government's duplicity on Vietnam as documented by the Pentagon Papers! Okinawans have no way to verify for themselves that all nuclear weapons in fact have been removed. What is beyond suspicion, however, is that a nuclear-free Okinawa was not guaranteed, for the language of the communiqué did not satisfy the Okinawan demand for an absolute nuclear-free reversion.

The joint communiqué also made prior consultation a meaningless ritual with regard to the use of bases for combat operations other than the defense of Japan. Prime Minister Sato recognized that "the security of the Republic of Korea was essential to Japan's own security" and that "the maintenance of peace and security in the Taiwan area was also a most important factor for the security of Japan."

In a speech before the National Press Club, on the same day as the communiqué was released, unlike his ambiguous replies to his opposition, Prime Minister Sato was remarkably candid about the meaning of these passages:

If an armed attack against the Republic of Korea were to occur, the security of Japan would be seriously affected. Therefore, should an occasion arise for United States forces in such an eventuality to use facilities and areas within Japan as bases for military combat operations to meet the armed attack, the policy of the Government of Japan towards prior consultation would be to decide a position positively and promptly on the basis of the foregoing recognition.

He was less specific about Taiwan, but nonetheless the message was clear: The Japanese government would consent to the use of facilities and areas in Japan for American combat operations in both South Korea and Taiwan.

This "prior" prior consultation as it were as extended even to Vietnam. The communiqué read:

Should peace in Vietnam not have been realized by the time reversion of Okinawa is scheduled to take place, the two Governments would fully consent with each other in the light of the situation at that time so that reversion would be accomplished without affecting the United States efforts to assure the South Vietnamese people the opportunity to determine their own political future without outside interference.

The meaning is simple. If the Vietnam War is prolonged into 1972, combat operations from Okinawa will be allowed to continue as they have up to now with the unrestricted use of bases. The American understanding, as expressed by U. Alexis Johnson again, leaves no room for any doubt: "What that paragraph means is if there are things that we are doing to take to do from Okinawa at the time reversion is scheduled to take place, we will work out some agreement or arrangement between us that will not inhibit our ability to continue to do what we want to do out of Okinawa."

In the light of the announced troop withdrawals from Vietnam, air power has become crucial for President Nixon. The communiqué significantly mentions nothing about the removal of B-52's. But that is not surprising, for "what we can't do out of Okinawa" obviously includes the continuation of B-52 bombing missions from Okinawa.

These commitments by Prime Minister Sato expanded the scope of the Mutual Security Pact between Japan and America. The text of the Pact makes no specific reference to South Korea or Taiwan as involving the security of Japan. While stating "that an armed attack against either party in the territories under the administration of Japan would be dangerous to its own peace and security," it only stipulates that it is for "the maintenance of international peace and security in the Far East." Needless to say the Pact states nothing about Vietnam. In return for the reversion of Okinawa, the United States secured Japan's consent to expand the Mutual Security Pact, not only to embrace South Korea and Taiwan but also Southeast Asia. Though the administrative rights over Okinawa will be returned, the United States will have the same freedom to operate its Okinawa bases unencumbered by an uncertain prior consultation requirement.

Since the reversion agreement was negotiated within the framework established by the joint communiqué, the details were a foregone conclusion. Under the terms of the agreement, the United States will keep 88 military installations. Thirteen facilities will be turned over to the Japanese government, two to the Ministry of Transport and eleven to the Self-Defense Forces; and thirty-three other minor sites will also be released. Aside from the closing of the U.S. Army Pacific Intelligence School, the vast U.S. military complex on Okinawa will remain intact, a complex which has a combined Army, Navy, and Air Force strength of 50,000 and facilities capable of providing logistical support to a deployed force of 500,000 (the exact number of troops in Vietnam at its peak).

In addition to the military complex, the Voice of America station will be allowed to operate without restrictions for the next five years. Thus the Sato government also consented to the continuation of the present American military complex rather than insisting upon its reduction. Before the U.S. Senate passed the reversion agreement on November 10, there was talk of Southern Senators who represented American textile interests opposing it. On October 15, however, the Sato government gave in to a textile agreement which satisfied these Senators and which hence was yet another concession wrested by America from Japan for the reversion of Okinawa (the vote was 84-6).

What was JACL's response to these reversion terms? Mr. Masaka, the chief JACL spokesman in Washington, D.C., commenting upon the joint communiqué, wrote in The Pacific Citizen on Dec. 5, 1969: "Friday, November 21, will be a historic date in United States-Japan relations, for on that day an agreement was reached... that Okinawa will be allowed to revert to its Japanese homeland." Noting that the "two governments agreed on the essentials of the JACL proposal," he went on to say, "To most observers, while the agreement would theoretically reduce American military operations from Okinawa after reversion... the freedom of the United States to use its bases in Japan (including Okinawa) would be considerably enlarged." Except for a passing reference to the Republic of Korea and Taiwan, he neither discussed the communiqué in detail nor probed into its implications. He simply ended by quoting excerpts from Prime Minister Sato's speech before the National Press Club "that the maintenance and promotion of... mutual friendship and trust are indispensable conditions for the peace and stability of the Asian-Pacific region." In the June 17, 1971, issue of The Pacific Citizen he reminded JACLers that "the essence of the arrival of Prime Minister Sato... JACL addressed a letter to the White House urging early and generous reversion terms." And in conclusion, he wrote:

As one of the most concerned organizations in the United States that America-Japan relations remain friendly, cooperative, and mutually helpful and profitable, JACL has a special obligation to ensure a complete ratification of the reversion Treaty without rancor or bitterness or undue

pressures and influences against either of the signatories. Mr. Masaka never questioned the terms of the reversion. Agreements in accord with the International Relations Committee report having been reached, he skirted the thorny problems just as the report itself did before the Sato-Nixon talks began.

Conclusions
The report did a great disservice to Japanese-Americans. If it was intended to inform Japanese-Americans about the Okinawa issue, as Mr. Masaka so frequently asserted, it failed. The mere fact that it was published after the conclusion of the Sato-Nixon talks diminished whatever value it may have had. At the very least, prior to and concurrent with its recommendations, the Committee was obligated to present opposing views, especially those voiced in Japan. Beyond that, in my personal opinion, the JACL should have made recommendations contrary to the Sato government's position, contesting the basic assumptions of American foreign policy, the framework under which the Sato government operates. The demands of the Okinawa reversion movement should have been given serious consideration.

Instead the report did the very opposite. It agreed with the Sato government which, bluntly speaking, is a servile servant of American foreign policy in Asia. America did not really relinquish anything by returning the administrative rights over Okinawa to Japan. To solve the old dilemma of military effectiveness versus reversion, America made certain that Japan agreed to terms which will permit her to enjoy the same privileges of unrestricted base usage after reversion. By supporting the Sato government, the report also provided credence to American foreign policy in Asia, and the Vietnam War as well. All in all the report raises the fundamental question of JACL's ability and willingness to make truly independent judgments about Japan-America relations, even if such judgments entail criticisms of the Japanese government and, more important, our own.

At the signing ceremony for the reversion agreement on June 17, 1971, the Chief Executive of the Ryukyu government who had been invited to participate by the Sato government was conspicuously absent. For Okinawans Mr. Chobyo Yara's presence would have implied a tacit approval of the reversion agreement; his absence, on the other hand, symbolized their disapproval. Not only are Okinawans angered by the lack of a clear nuclear-free reversion, the commitments on prior consultation, and the continuation of American bases, they are equally irate that Japanese Self-Defense Forces will be deployed in Okinawa to gradually assume the responsibility for the defense of the Ryukyu Islands. The introduction of such forces brings back memories of the prewar era when Japanese militarists controlled the islands under the guise of military necessity and their strategic military value. Okinawans had no voice then in the Japanese government's decision to build its military stronghold there, but had to suffer the disastrous consequences which befell the islands at the close of the Pacific War. Nor did they have any say in the American post-war occupation of the islands and the subsequent series of events which reduced them to an American military colony for 26 years. Now again the fate of Okinawa has been decided against their avowed wishes, this time by the governments of America and Japan together, and again for military reasons. American military power in Asia, with the fearful collaboration of the Sato government, will be maintained at the expense of the popular Okinawa reversion movement. The strongly worded declaration of the Okinawa Prefecture Reversion Council, issued on the day of the signing ceremony, sharply contrasts with Secretary of State Rogers' hackneyed remarks and expresses this Okinawan anger:

Both the Japanese and American governments have completely trampled upon our demands, and are setting out to establish Okinawa as a renewed base to carry out imperialistic aggression in Southeast Asia. Being signed with great political fanfare to conceal its criminal nature, the reversion agreement ignores the just rights of Okinawans on the basis of the Japan-America joint communiqué... It is full of deceptions... We definitely cannot approve it.



Jerry Enomoto

Perspectives

Tehachapi, Calif.

OUR JANUARY JAUNTS—Recently had the pleasure of speaking to a class at Mills College, exploring writings from prison, and dealing with general concern about prison reform. The invitation came from Roy Sano, college chaplain and active community leader. After the session a small group enjoyed lunch in the faculty room, giving an opportunity to rap together with a couple of students particularly interested in prison problems, staff member Mrs. Ushijima and a black assistant to the President who contributed his unique and pertinent perspective to the discussion.

On the same trip, I spent part of a weekend at a seminar of the Governors Minority Appointees in Sacramento. Among the throng of Blacks and Chicanos were a few Asians, also a few Indians. Moon Lee, Highway Commissioner from Weaverville, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nakae from Placer County, and Toshi Yamamoto and her husband from Los Angeles (apologies to those I may have missed). I met Toshi, a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, and active in the planning of the Seminar, for the first time.

The Seminar was interesting and, leaving political hangups aside, reflected a sincere interest on the part of a number of Californians to move ahead on critical problems. The presence of many community people enhanced the conference.

The hope is that some recommendation will come from the Seminar that will aid the administration in some major problem areas facing state government.

Earlier, I had the opportunity of speaking to the Kern County Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union about prison reform. The ACLU, which history will recall, was one of the very few organizations in Calif. to stand beside us when we were thrown into camps. Now as then, it stands beside any American, popular or unpopular, whose individual liberty is threatened. In doing so the ACLU reflects its commitment to the kind of Americanism that counts and takes guts to stand by. We got acquainted with the Guy Murotanis and George Tatsunos, who were good enough to come out to meet us.

I read a very sad piece the other day in the Hoku-bei Mainichi by a friend of the Dr. Ohta family, victims of senseless violence that left parents, two children and an employee dead. It left me with an empty feeling of loss and frustration, even though I did not know the family. It also left me with an anger about the arrogance that enables one human being to take the life of another, especially with premeditation. Of all the indefensible acts of ripping off people, in today's vernacular, killing is the supreme arrogance.

I don't know what the answer is but it certainly doesn't lie in rationalizing such acts by pointing to injustices and killings perpetuated by police, war, etc.

A brief word about our Endowment Fund. Let's get ourselves together and use some of that money to fund some programs. The Education Commission, for example.

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Bill Hosokawa

From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

THE CODE TALKERS—You've probably heard it said that in World War II the Japanese Army was so confident the Americans couldn't understand their language that much of their communications were conducted in the clear, that is, without resorting to code. I've heard this too, although I haven't been able to track it down to an authoritative source. Be that as it may, the crafty Yanks fooled them. They rounded up several thousand Nisei, most of whom could handle baby-talk Japanese, rushed them through cram-courses with some heroic cooperation on the part of the Nisei, and came up with a crack corps of translators and interpreters. Before long, U.S. intelligence was getting just about all the information it needed to know about Japanese plans and operations.

But there's another facet to the story. The U.S., in turn, came up with a fast, oral means of communication which, so far as anyone knows, the Japanese never were able to crack.

It was the Navajo Indian language with a code built into it to make it doubly unintelligible to anyone but a Navajo who knew the code.

Some of the details are revealed in a story by Isabel Simmons published in last November's issue of the Marine Corps Gazette. Mrs. Simmons pegged her story on a reunion of the Navajo "Code Talkers" held last summer at Window Rock, Arizona.

As Mrs. Simmons tells it, the man responsible for the Code Talkers is Phillip Johnston, a veteran of World War I, who had lived on the Navajo reservation from early childhood until he left to attend college in Los Angeles. Having grown up among the Navajos, he spoke the language fluently. He knew the grammar was totally unlike that of any Western language, and few other than Navajos and a few White traders could reproduce the necessary sounds.

Johnston took the idea of using Navajos as communicators to the Marines but they saw a major flaw. There were no words in Navajo for military terms and they'd have to use English nouns. Machine gun was machine gun in either English or Navajo.

Johnston had an answer for that. He would work up a code. For example, Navajo for "fast shooter" would be the code word for machine gun. A barrage would be "iron rain."

In time a vocabulary of 413 code words was developed. Navajo for "chicken hawk" became dive bomber; "humming bird," well known to the Navajos, meant fighter plane; "iron fish" was submarine. Possibly someone could have broken the code if he could understand what was being said. But when a Navajo said Beh-hga, meaning "with winter," when he was talking about Alaska, and Neh-he-mah, meaning "our mother," when referring to the United States, it was a pretty formidable code. The word for ammunition was Beh-eli-doh-be-calal-tas-an and, Mrs. Simmons observes, "regular English pronunciation will give the readers no idea how these words sound when pronounced somewhere in the region of the tonsils."

Just as the Army was slow to accept the idea of recruiting Nisei to translate the Japanese language, the Marine proceeded cautiously with the Navajos. The first group included only 30 men who were given an eight-week course. Mrs. Simmons writes:

"Within two years over 300 Navajos had taken the communicators course. The failure rate of only five out of each 100, and only one AWOL for the entire group was another outstanding achievement. As training was completed, each Marine Corps division received a complement of code talkers. Men raised in the hogans of the isolated Navajo reservation followed the Stars and Stripes all over the world. A great nation had not treated its brown-skinned children too kindly but it was still Ne-he-mah, our mother, to them and commanded their services, their devotion and sometimes their lives."

Doesn't it sound familiar?

SEATTLE JACL: Dr. Minoru Masuda

A Sense of Satisfaction

At the start of 1971, I made some comments in the Seattle JACL Reporter on the activities of the Seattle Chapter and my hopes on the continuation and expansion of action. As I look back over the past hectic year, I feel a great sense of satisfaction in what has been done and in working with the people who have helped. Let me give you a quick itemized run-down on some of the more important of the chapter's activities:

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- 1—The membership has risen to 650 and hopefully will continue to rise as programs become more meaningful.
- 2—The Blue Shield Group Medical Insurance came on board to extend health coverage to JACL members.
- 3—The 1000 Club Tour to Japan was a success (although a big headache to administer).
- 4—The Drop-In Center that was initiated last year received a funding grant from the Methodist Mission to operate its varied programs under another corporate structure.
- 5—The regular monthly

meeting programs have been interesting and I feel have contributed to the increase in meeting attendance.

6—The Pride and Shame Exhibit/Program was funded and on its way toward scheduled tours in this area and throughout the State in 1972.

7—The Queen Committee did a fine job in the selection of the Community Queen.

8—We have seen the repeal of Title II (Emergency Detention Act) because of the concerted efforts of the National JACL and the chapters.

9—The Seattle Chapter hosted the PNWDC convention.

10—The Golden Jubilee banquet was a tremendously successful operation which gave an uplift to the community.

11—In the field of education we have been especially active:

(a) Supported the Oriental Student Union in its fight for SCC Asian administrators, confronted the Board of Trustees and lodged a charge of discriminatory hiring practices with HEW.

(b) Worked to place Asians on Seattle schools' Clatsop.

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EQUAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY

Hysteria of Bussing Shrouds Issue

By DAVID USHIO

Washington

When Americans of Japanese ancestry view the contemporary scene of America, we sometimes fail to look at the many struggles within our society in light of our personal history as residents and citizens of this nation.

Too many times we get caught up in the near hysteria that covers the innumerable issues confronting this nation at a crucial time in United States history.



Because we recognize the validity of these goals, the majority of Americans, and most certainly we Japanese Americans, have applauded the efforts of the Federal government to desegregate public schools. Beginning in 1954 with the Brown vs. the Board of Education of Topeka where the Supreme Court declared that "separate but equal" schools which segregated children on a racial basis were inherently unequal and a violation of the equal protection clause of the 14th amendment, the nation has made erratic but, nevertheless, steady progress toward the termination of official racist segregation policies of public educational systems.

CAPITAL SCENE

As an ethnic group who has experienced the bigotry and injustice of hysterical forces in this nation, as a group who in the days of Evacuation suffered indignities based on racist fears and rumors which ranks with slavery as the most tragic or mistakes in the history of a nation supposedly founded upon justice and equality, we more than most should be sensitive and able to recognize attempts to destroy the right of equal opportunity for all segments of this country.

We have felt the sting of racism. We in our time have been denied not only equal opportunity but constitutionally guaranteed rights. With the empathy gained through the injustices that we have painfully suffered, our obligation and moral duty becomes dear: to recognize injustice and expose it, to rally against the forces which would create emotional and hysterical fears to retard progress toward equality.

Equal opportunity in every phase of life is the keystone to the development of a nation truly exemplary of the ideals to which the United States is committed. Public education is perhaps the one area where the hope for justice and equal opportunity must be fostered, for education gets at the crux of future progress, the generations of tomorrow's citizenry.

Dual Functions

Education, as all will agree, is much more than mere mastery of subject matter. In a

Minela—

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really, the city's educational system and its board of school trustees and the county have a heck of a lot more to say about their day-to-day activities than the state or national governments.

Yet for national and state elections you'll get 85-90 per cent of a turnout. For a city election if you get 35 per cent out, man, you're really doing great.

But I certainly do think the people and the political system are changing. The people are demanding accountability by political leaders today. I sense that the old days of machine politics are really a thing of the past.

—Washington Post

Relays city support for electronic eavesdropping

SACRAMENTO — San Jose Mayor Norman Mineta outlined a broad five-point legislative program emphasizing law enforcement to Santa Clara County and Central Coast state legislators.

Mineta, accompanied by a delegation of city officials, told legislators Jan. 19 the city supports legislation to legalize electronic eavesdropping, to make it a crime to resist detention by a law enforcement officer, and to crack down on persons who make false bomb threats.

Mineta said the city also was interested in transportation development, revenue and taxation, planning and land use, solid waste, and the environment.

He said he expects the city to have specific recommendations in these areas in the future.

Mineta also said there is a need to lift some restrictions on the expenditure of gasoline tax money. He said he was particularly interested in being able to spend gas tax funds to pay moving expenses of persons displaced by road construction.

Turning to "squabbles" with other Santa Clara county cities, Mineta said San Jose believes that only cities operating sewage treatment plants should be eligible for membership in the Bay Area Sewer Agency (BASA). Currently, cities that contract with other cities for sewage treatment services are also eligible for membership in BASA.

Mineta endorsed San Jose Democrat Sen. Alfred E. Alquist's request for a feasibility study of a high-speed rail link between San Francisco and Los Angeles.

He said he doesn't believe those duties will take him away from his responsibilities as mayor.

In the area of revenue and taxation, Mineta warned that San Jose's land reserves set aside for industrial development are "starting to slip away" because of the present tax structure.

—San Jose Mercury

democratic society, public schools fulfill their functions best when they give their students opportunities not only to master essential skills but also to know and work with fellow students of diverse racial, religious, ethnic, and economic backgrounds.

Because we recognize the validity of these goals, the majority of Americans, and most certainly we Japanese Americans, have applauded the efforts of the Federal government to desegregate public schools. Beginning in 1954 with the Brown vs. the Board of Education of Topeka where the Supreme Court declared that "separate but equal" schools which segregated children on a racial basis were inherently unequal and a violation of the equal protection clause of the 14th amendment, the nation has made erratic but, nevertheless, steady progress toward the termination of official racist segregation policies of public educational systems.

For years, the courts, the Congress, and the executive branch have made a distinction between deliberate segregation in education and accidental or adventitious racial isolation. The former was commonly called de jure segregation while the latter was known as de facto segregation or racial imbalance. The most obvious example of de jure segregation was the dual school structure where all black children and white children by law attended separate schools. This situation officially ended with the 1954 court decision but it took many years to desegregate in the South and not without much hatred and crises.

Schools Outside South

It has taken 17 years for the courts and the executive branch of the government, operating under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964,



Quiet, Action

George Takei

Dance Theater & Kabuki

"Osogotaru" is the season of family gatherings, traditional observances and house cleaning in Japan. New Year's here is, of course, the holiday for drinking, eating and exuberant celebration followed by recuperation with football and resolutions. For many of us I suppose it's a combination of the two styles. Last weekend, my theater group reflected this mixture of the traditional Japanese and the contemporary American.

The traditional was the Kabuki Theater presented by Professor Leonard Pronko at Pomona College. The other was the Dance Theater of Harlem at the Inner City Cultural Center of Los Angeles. Both were inspiring in vastly different ways and both left me somewhat envious.

The Dance Theater of Harlem is an all-black company of compelling young dancers that combines the airy language of ballet with the sinuous, earthy movements of the black ethnic dance heritage—a dynamic fusion of the classical and the funky. Some critics have carped that rather than "fusion" it seemed more like "juxtaposition," and perhaps they were right. There was a tense and discernible dichotomy created on stage.

The theater at one time seemed to soar with the fantastic leaps and sparkling pirouettes suggestive of the grandeur and polish achieved through classical discipline and technique.

Then suddenly, the whole stage would be set a-trembling with pounding life rhythms and the undulating, earth-hugging muscularity insinuating the black ghetto. There was a charged air of conflict and contrast that suggested to me a heightened reality of the black experience. If it was "juxtaposition," it was also truth of the most valid artistic order.

But the single most impressive thing to me was the power with which this mix of dance idioms communicated to the audience. The mind was quickened by constantly changing images but the body was transfixed. The audience was transformed into a single energized whole, moving, pulsating, beating in unison. I saw tears streaming down a few ecstatic faces. There was absolutely no juxtaposition of audience and stage here. There was only rapturous, vibrant, total fusion.

I as an Asian American was swept up and carried away; and at the same time pricked by a certain longing I was sharing an exhilarating Afro-American experience somewhat vicariously. I have yet to experience a similar Asian American dance statement. Those of you in Palo Alto, Berkeley and other cities where the Dance Theater of Harlem will stop on its way back to New York can experience what I did. Perhaps you'll understand what I mean.

The Kabuki presentation of Professor Pronko was an altogether different kind of exhilaration that left me with a yearning of another sort. The classic theater of Japan is a towering theatrical achievement but one that you would hardly expect to see blossomed in Pomona, Calif. Yet, Professor Pronko and his students, all Caucasians ex-

to dismantle, at least in rural areas of the South, the dual structure of segregated education. But neither the courts nor the executive branch ever said the only de jure segregation was the southern dual school structure. It was widely recognized by students of the subject that officially induced segregation existed in education outside the South, but the ways in which that segregation had developed were more subtle and more difficult to document than the obvious dual structure. De jure segregation in education could be caused by gerrymandering of school attendance zones, by discriminatory zoning practices and location of housing projects, by tracking or ability grouping of students by establishing special schools to meet "special" needs, by assigning faculty and staff on a racial basis, by permitting transfer out or "free choice" policies or by any number of other practices authorized or permitted by school boards, administrators, or other public officials.

It is to this more subtle form of de jure segregation that the courts and, to a lesser extent, the federal executive have begun to address themselves. The courts have not, in most instances, ruled on de facto segregation as is often claimed. Rather, they have been looking at the segregation assumed over the years to be accidental and have concluded that it is not after all accidental. It has come about through official action and has been imposed on the basis of race. Thus, the rulings of courts in cases involving Pontiac and Detroit; Pasadena, Los Angeles and San Francisco; Indianapolis; and Denver—to mention a few—cited de jure factors in the school segregation. For the most part then, the courts have addressed themselves to segregation caused by official action—most

often the dual school structure in the South imposed under laws passed by state legislatures. As that structure has crumbled, however, the courts have turned to more subtle practices—gerrymandering, discriminatory assignment of teachers and pupils or other techniques which can lead to segregated education just as surely as the dual structure under which minority children and teachers were assigned to one school and majority children to another. The distinction between de jure and de facto segregation is blurring because the distinction, in many cases, has been nonexistent in fact. Certainly, the damage done to the child by racial isolation is just as great no matter how the segregation has developed.

'BUSSING' ISSUE

Today the crusade for equal educational opportunity faces its greatest challenge in a long line of crises. The controversy centers around techniques used to desegregate communities. Anti-integration forces have rallied around bussing as an issue to stop desegregation effort by diverting the public focus from the real issue of equal educational opportunity to the inflammatory issue of bussing.

Today the word bussing evokes passion and hate whenever it is uttered. Politicians, except for George Wallace and other avowed segregationists, equivocate and shy away from the issue while segregationist paint pictures of innocent white children being bussed miles away and subjected to the cruelties of the ghetto schools, while a modern new school stands across the street from his home. The word bussing has caused parents to move to isolated areas, other parents to bomb school buses and still more parents to use innocent children as pawns in a battle to retain a system which the Supreme Court has ruled to be discriminatory.

Hate campaigns have caused large segments of the population to disregard the goal of equal educational opportunity which up until recently most Americans professed to support. Hysteria has replaced the desirability of bringing together children from different racial and economic backgrounds to prepare them for living together as adults in a cultural pluralistic society on the basis of mutual respect and understanding.

Unfortunate Reaction

Unfortunately when one speaks of education, bussing becomes the issue in the minds of many and the true issue of quality education for all is discarded.

But desegregation—particularly stable, quality integrated education over the long run—involves more. Schools can be integrated by transporting youngsters attending racially imbalanced facilities to other schools in the system. Or the grade structure of the system might be changed; attendance zones may be redrawn; schools may be paired; larger physical plants to serve larger, more racially and economically diverse areas may be built; magnet schools to draw from center cities and outlying areas may be utilized—these are among techniques which can be employed to integrate a school system.

Certainly bussing is a technique that is vital in the immediate plan to achieve a viable integrated educational system. Chief Justice Warren Burger when speaking for a unanimous Supreme Court last year declared "... bus transportation has long been a part of all public educational systems and it is unlikely that a truly effective remedy can be devised without continued reliance upon it." Bussing must be an available option if local school systems are to eliminate segregation, reduce racial isolation and improve the quality of education. Bussing should not be the issue; the real issue remains what it has been since 1954—equal educational opportunity and the elimination of segregation and discrimination which rob the young people of America of that opportunity.

An Election Issue

In this election year, the progress toward quality education for all American children will be challenged. The smokescreen issue of bussing which hides the attempt by segregationist to reverse the progress toward the goal set by the Supreme Court in 1954 is nearing public hysteria. Politicians who in the past have been on the forefront in the fight for equality are hedging as their constituencies disregard their fundamental issue of quality integration for the fears generated over bussing.

Americans of Japanese ancestry recall the affects of hysteria and rumors and the sweeping tide of racism that

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from UCLA and Princeton Theological Seminary. He served for 16 years prewar as secretary of the Japanese YMCA at Los Angeles, was evacuated to Santa Anita Assembly Center in 1942 and then to Granada (Colo.) Relocation Center where he chaired the community council. He also toured the War Relocation Centers in 1944-45 for the YMCA on a special project to aid evacuees.

can engulf society. Because we know how fears and rumors are used to destroy rights guaranteed to all citizens, we must recognize and appreciate the fundamental goals of quality education and be strong in the renunciation

of those who would retard the progress of equal opportunity for all people, especially the children of this nation.

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PART II

Just as staff should and will be deployed more heavily, the JACL program will again be based in the chapters and districts. District Councils will do what individual chapters cannot do alone. It will be asked to support or protest decisions in state and local government.

The District Council must accept the role of acting on requests, initiating projects, and providing a forum for discussion at a rate unprecedented. It must avoid getting caught in administrative hassles and provide fulfillment and support for chapter leaders and members. It must initiate involvement.

Likewise, the plan of Henry Tanaka to "federate" JACL must be seriously considered. This writer objects to President-elect Tanaka's suggestion that this plan can be implemented to determine staff deployment; yet as a model for sharing revenue for program and action, it is worthy.

In the past JACL has helped to fund pilot projects. In the future JACL may be asked to provide seed money to be matched with federal or state governmental money or grants from private organizations and foundations.

JACL must accept the fact that they do not have the financial resources to fund long-term projects. The membership will not accept a steep hike in national dues, and we do not have the expectation of a sudden windfall of money. Yet, matched with other monies, JACL's contributions would be great.

We can begin to generate the projects so badly needed in our community which other groups have asked for. Monies granted to District Councils could also aid this process.

Program-wise, many have written about possible directions. For broad areas for future program seems to lie in the areas of Asian American education, community services, international relations and legislation. The demands for writing books, preparing lectures, audio-visual materials on Japanese American history, culture, and contemporary community have been great.

There will have to be a differentiation between what is Japanese (Japan) and what is Japanese American. A switch to Asian American may be helpful in separating the two.

Services for Issei, Nisei, and Sansei in terms of fellowship and personal interaction are a must. The yearning for social contact with others of the same ancestry will continue, possibly intensified as Japanese Americans move to the suburbs. JACL has and will continue to play an important role in this area.

As relations with Japan become more tense and strained, we will have to review international relations. There is already the fear among many Nisei that the events of

the 1920's and 30's could easily be repeated if the diplomatic relations do not improve.

Similarly, discrimination in employment, housing, and social institutions still exist, and JACL is being called on to provide the leadership to mount legislative campaigns.

Though possibly through a different structure, some JACL members will get involved in political campaigns and ballot issues. This trend should intensify as the community's problems are made more visible.

Young adult Asian Americans are beginning to show some interest in JACL. We see a rising number taking committee chairmanships and serving as chapter presidents. Yet, for many JACL has become part of the community's "establishment."

JACL must decide if it is going to remain largely a Nisei organization, or if it will change to involve the young. It is unrealistic to think that many Sansei will want in to their parent's organization without some changes.

Possible membership on committees should be enlarged to include non-JACLers. If we claim to represent the community, we must make JACL attractive to a broader number of Japanese Americans.

Thought needs to go into including Japanese immigrants and businessmen into membership. Though not all American citizens, they certainly look like Japanese Americans and have many contributions to make to our organization.

The possibility of women in prominent positions in JACL is another essential element to think of.

Though no one may even begin to chart the course of JACL in the next ten years, we all have a stake. Each member needs to think in terms of what is ahead and what his or her contribution could be.

Without some contemplation of the future will soon be something of the past with no change.

We need to help our National Planning Commission, staff, and chapters to think seriously of what our goals are, and then work together to achieve them.



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Actor Takei addresses

Riverside JACL installation

Actor George Takei enthralled the Riverside JACL-Jr. JACL installation dinner crowd of about 130 last week (Jan. 29) at a Corona restaurant.

January Events

rant with his address on the cultural depression in America and how Asian Americans can contribute to refresh and enrich the cultural life of the country. (His theme can be noted in his column appearing this week on page 3.—Ed.)

Incoming chapter president Jim Urata, on the administrative staff at Cal State-San Bernardino, and his officers, along the youth group led by Lori Ogata, were sworn into office by PSWDC Gov. Helen Kawagoe. Extending greetings were Riverside mayor pro tem Sam Digati and Associate National JACL Director Jeffrey Matsui. Glen Michel was emcee.

The past president pin was given to Shin Mukai (in absentia) and Mrs. Dolly Ogata, who assumed the post early last year after Mukai moved away because of his job. The chapter also recognized the International Relations Council of Riverside for its programs promoting U.S.-Japan relations at the local level.

Cortez JACL installs '72 cabinet officers

The Cortez JACL installed newly-elected chapter president Howard Taniguchi and other officers at its recent annual installation dinner at the Cortez JACL Hall.

Dr. David Stenzel of Stanislaus State College was guest speaker for the evening. His topic was "China Joins the World". Kiyoshi Yamamoto was the outgoing president. Arrangements for the catered dinner by SOS was made by Takeshi "General" Sugiura assisted by Ruth Yoshida and Beatrice Yoshida.

Dr. Lyman to address West Valley installation

The West Valley JACL installation dinner will be held on Feb. 26 at the Saratoga Lanes Brave Bull Restaurant in San Jose. Professor Stanford Lyman of UC San Diego, will be the keynote speaker. Dave Muraoka (967-4430) is dinner chairman.

West Valley JACL-Art Okuno, pres.; David Muraoka, 1st v.p.; Rod Kobara, 2nd v.p.; Mrs. Etsuko Saito, sec.; Mrs. Aki Okuno, corr. sec.; Tom Taniguchi, treas.

The 1972 French Camp JACL officers, headed by president Hideo Morinaka, were installed during the chapter's annual New Year's party held Jan. 22 at the Japanese Hall. Assemblyman LaCoste of Modesto was installing officer with Yosh Itaya as program emcee.

Other special guests attending were Principal Hays of the French Camp School, FC chamber of commerce president Spears, retired school teachers Mrs. Alice McCuen and Mrs. Taylor, the Rev. Yamaoka of the Stockton Buddhist Church and past NC-WNDC Gov. Kengo Terashita. John Fujiki was presented the JACL silver pin, the first time it has been awarded in the chapter.

Officers of the chapter auxiliary and youth group were also introduced by their respective presidents, Katie Komure and Miss Matsui.

Salinas Valley inducts Harry Iida president

Salinas Valley JACL held its installation dinner Jan. 29 at Corral de Tierra Country Club with Harry Iida sworn in as president. City Councilman Henry Hibino was the installing officer.

Walter Wong, director of environmental health for Monterey County, was the guest speaker.

The chapter has been approached by the Monterey County Historical Society for a loan of historical documents and material related to the early Japanese in Salinas Valley to be displayed at the society's museum at Municipal Park. Teo Sakagawa is coordinating the project.

February Events

Students from Japan to be Salinas dinner guests

The 62 agricultural students from Japan currently attending Hartnell Jr. College will be guests of the Salinas Valley JACL at the potluck dinner Feb. 5, 6:30 p.m., at the Salinas Buddhist Church. Mrs. Sid Shiratsuki is in charge of the dinner while Takuma Bunden will emcee.

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tizens Councils.
(c) Pushed for Asian administrators and counselors in Seattle schools.
(d) Participated in the Asian community protest of problems at Franklin High School.

12-We were frustratingly involved with Interim in trying to get Model Cities to fund an International District multi-service center.

13-We publicly opposed the location of the International District Turnkey housing project for the elderly because of the hilly site.

14-We were involved in working with other Asian groups in a variety of ways.

15-We helped initiate and fund the Employment Center to bring people and jobs together.

16-We have acted to fight discrimination against exclusionary clubs, Charlie Chan movies, etc.

17-We helped put together the KOMO-TV documentary, "The Fence at Minidoka."

These are some of the activities that come to mind and I note them because we constantly hear the question asked, "What the hell is JACL doing?" from young and old alike. I hope that the above listing gives you some idea of the direction and the relevance of JACL to all Nikkei.

Under Tomio Moriguchi, I know that we shall continue to mount meaningful programs. I wish him the best of luck and the support of the membership that supported me during the year. To these hardworking people, too numerous to mention, I express my warm thanks and appreciation.

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Harold S. Shimizu, commander of the host Nisei Memorial Post 8985 of Sacramento, announced, Mike Masaoka, National JACL's Washington representative, will be the Saturday banquet speaker.

The Sacramento Nisei post, chartered 25 years ago, is the first VFW post for Americans of Japanese ancestry. There are now 14 Nisei VFW posts, all of them in California.

The Chidori Band from San Jose will entertain during the dinner. Tickets are \$10 per person.

CALENDAR

Feb. 4 (Friday)
San Mateo-JYO baseball sign-up (boys 7-13 yrs), Sturge Presbyterian Church, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 5 (Saturday)
MDYC-Winter retreat (Dayton Jr. JACL hosts)
Feb. 6 (Sunday)
Salinas Valley-Japanese potluck dnr, Buddhist Church, 6:30 p.m.
San Jose-Int. Dnr, Lou's Village, 6:30 p.m.; Rep. Paul McCloskey, spkr.
Feb. 8-9 (Tuesday-Thursday)
NCWNYC-Winter Mtg. (Sonoma Jr. JACL hosts)
Feb. 10 (Friday)
NC-WNDC-Winter Mtg. Mills College, Oakland; regis. 9 a.m.; bus session, 10 a.m.; symposium on U.S.-Japan affairs, 1-4 p.m. (Bay Area Comm. JACL ad. Nat'l JACL Int'l Aff Comm. co-hosts)
Feb. 11 (Tuesday)
San Mateo-Bd Mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.
Feb. 12 (Saturday)
Sacramento-Int. Dnr, Sacramento Inn, 7 p.m.; Raymond Uno, Nat'l JACL pres, spkr.
Feb. 14 (Thursday)
Sacramento-Reg Mtg, Nisei War Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 15 (Friday)
West Los Angeles-Auxy Mtg, Felicia Mahood Center, 7:30 p.m.; Dr. David Sheldon, spkr, "Care-Medical in Afghanistan".
Feb. 16 (Saturday)
West Valley-Int. Dnr, Saratoga Lanes Brave Bull Restaurant, 7 p.m.; Prof. Stanford Lyman, UC San Diego, spkr.
Feb. 21 (Sunday)
PSWDC-Winter Mtg, L.A. Inner City Cultural Center, 1613 W. Washington Blvd, Los Angeles, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.
Mar. 4 (Saturday)
Detroit-Int. Dnr, Holiday Inn, 11-Mile Rd. and Telegraph.

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by Richard Gima

State Capitol

Honolulu. The State Legislature began its 1972 session Jan. 19 in a festive mood with Senate President David McClung predicting action on No-fault insurance, Revision of Hawaii's criminal laws, Creation of a population control commission, Campaign spending reform, Ethics code revised, Compulsory health insurance and Anti-pollution laws. Also welcomed were two new faces: Democrat Joseph T. Kuroda of Leeward Oahu in the Senate (although he was in the House last year) and Democrat appointee Patsy K. Young of Waipahu in the House. The Democrats have a 17-8 edge in the Senate and a 34-17 majority in the House.

Congressional Score

With the West Coast dock strike on again, airfreights were under way and Sen. Daniel Inouye was in Hawaii conducting three days of hearings Jan. 18-20 as chairman of the Senate Commerce subcommittee, which was a persistent questioner of almost every one of the 50 witnesses who testified. Primarily he wanted to know whether the measure he has proposed to negate the effects of waterfront strikes by mandating Federal charter of ship is tilted in favor of management or labor. He also made it a point of asking critics to submit alternative remedies or improvements on the bill. Rep. Spark Matsunaga in Washington asked Congress to ditch President Nixon's emergency call for compulsory arbitration of the dock strike and instead grant the two sides 30 more days and then, if an agreement has not been reached, to have a panel named by the Secretary of Labor to select the "last best offer" as a source for solution. Rep. Patsy T. Mink has introduced a bill calling for another 80-day cooling period.

Sen. Hiram L. Fong introduced legislation to make the Honolulu National Historic Landmark on the Big Island part of the Hawaii National Park system. Fong said his bill, identical to one introduced in the House by Rep. Patsy T. Mink, would authorize a feasibility study by a 15-member commission composed principally of Hawaiians, to determine whether the 1,500-acre area could be assimilated by the park service.

Hawaii Today

The Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce's board of directors has voted to support Sen. Daniel K. Inouye's bill to declare Hawaii in a state of emergency after 30 days of a dock strike. The board's statement said it believed in collective bargaining, but added the bill would not place undue restraint on the negotiating process.

Gov. John A. Burns says the State can "absolutely not" afford to give pay raises to public employees at this time

because of the tight economy and the projected revenue deficit. Burns said such pay raises and costly fringe benefits can't be given unless taxes are increased at the same time.

Unemployment on all islands except Oahu and Kauai increased during Oct., according to a report by the state labor dept. Molokai showed the biggest jump—up to 11.9 per cent from Sept.'s 5.3 per cent of the labor force. Maui's jobless rate was 7.5 per cent, compared with 6.2 per cent during Sept. Lanai moved from 2.3 to 4.4 per cent; and the Big Island increased from 6.5 per cent. Only on Oahu and Kauai was there a decrease in unemployment.

Fred Erskine, director of the State Dept. of Agriculture, has placed a freeze on movement of sugarcane from one island to another to prevent the spread of sugarcane smut. The disease new to Hawaii was recently discovered in the Ewa area on Oahu. The Hawaiian Sugar Planters Assn. has said it will be impossible to determine how the smut entered the islands.

Courtroom

In 1970, Big Island Circuit Judge Nelson K. Doi granted a divorce to Sharon A. Whitehead, despite her absence from Hawaii a year as required by state law. Doi maintained the residency requirement was unconstitutional. The state supreme court on Jan. 19 overrode that decision. While Mrs. Whitehead of Hilo has not remarried, she plans to appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. Some of the supreme court justices questioned the wisdom of the state's marijuana laws in the case of guitarist Paul Kantner who had been arrested for marijuana possession and convicted in 1970. Said Justice Kazuhisa Abe: "One has the fundamental right of liberty to make a fool of himself as long as his act does not endanger others." Justice Berti T. Kobayashi called the present laws against pot "unreasonable and unconstitutional," adding that marijuana should be regulated similarly to alcohol and tobacco. The court had split 3-2 in favor of the conviction. Abe was in the majority; Kobayashi in the minority.

Sports Scene

Dr. Katsumi Kometsani of Honolulu, who raised funds enabling the Japanese to send a delegation in 1947 to the Rome meeting of the International Olympic Committee, and his wife will be official guests at the Winter Olympics this month at Sapporo. They were previously invited as official guests for the 1964 Tokyo Olympics. A 100th Infantry Battalion veteran, he was decorated by the Japanese government for his contributions. Prior to war he owned the Asahi baseball club in the Hawaii League.

Business Ticker

James T. Iwai, with the Investment Co. Ltd., succeeded Takeshi Kobayashi of Wong Investment Co. as president of the Honolulu Stock Exchange. Walter Scott has been elected president of the Kaula Chamber of Commerce. He succeeds Toru Kawakami. Amfac's Liberty House retailing division says it is planning two new full-line Liberty House department stores—one

of them in Kaneohe and the other in Wailuku, Maui. The Wailuku store will be the first full-line Liberty House on a neighbor island.

Tomoo Okuyama, president of Sure Save Super Markets on the Big Island, has been elected the 1972 president of the Hawaii Island Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Vice presidents are Albert Nishimura, Masashi Chiba and Harry Oda. Okuyama formerly was president of the Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce.

Robert S. H. Chow has been installed as the 1971-72 president of the Hawaii Civic Assn. The association is in its 46th year of producing Chinese plays with English dialogue and providing cultural scholarships.

Appointments

Gov. Burns named Charles Y. Arakaki of Maui and Daniel K. Koriakawa of Honolulu to the State public utilities commission, now at full strength for the first time in a year, to act on a \$9 million general rate increase sought by Hawaiian Electric Co. The appointment of five island postmasters has been announced by the U.S. Postal Service in San Francisco. The new postmasters are Benjamin Torres, Kihel, Maui; Yasuo Okinaka, Pala, Maui; Fumiko Sunahara, Hialeah, Hawaii; Mrs. Pauline Amario, Hialeah, Hawaii; and Mrs. Caroline Kaut of Laupahoehoe, Hawaii.

Education

Dr. Ichiji Honda, a physician who is science editor of the Mainichi Newspaper in Japan, will come to East-West Center on senior fellowship to make a comparative study on the history of science journalism in the U.S. and Japan. The Univ. of Hawaii regents established a Center for Korean Studies on Feb. 1. The weight of the Hawaii State Federation of Labor has been thrown behind a jury trial. Executive James Crane in his battle with the Dept. of Education. Crane was arrested on a jury trial on charges of trespassing on the Kapapa High School grounds. He pleaded not guilty to the charges and asked for a jury trial. The DOE adopted regulations which prohibited union activity on school grounds other than by the union which is recognized as exclusive bargaining agent for the teachers—the Hawaii State Teachers Assn.

Crime File

Two of three Pan American Airways employees charged with the theft of \$100,000 from a U.S. mail pouch last June 21 have been indicted for the offense by the federal grand jury. They are Ernest Moon Au, 37, of Narcissus Place, and Harman C. Spencer, 24, of Wehewehe Loop. The third, Satoru Hirota, 39, of Miller St. has to date not been named in the indictment returned recently.

Names in the News

Hawaii's 1972 Junior Miss is Leslie Ann Hayashi, 17, of Japanese-German extraction and a senior at Leilehua High school. She will compete in the National Junior Miss Pageant at Mobile, Ala., in April. Her talent entry was a self-created dance, "The Awakening of Raggedy Ann." Japanese singer Saori Minami was in Honolulu last month to film two shows for Tokyo television. . . . Michio Takata was elected president of the 442nd Veterans Club for the coming year.

Gail Salo, medical technologist on the five-man Thomas A. Dooley Foundation medical team in southern Laos, was evacuated from Champassak Hospital because of the advance of North Vietnamese and is safe in Vietnamese headquarters in San Francisco. She is the daughter of the Akinari Satos of Kona, Hawaii.

Stephen K. Yamashiro, former deputy corporation counsel for Hawaii County, has filed for \$1 million in damages in a complaint filed at Hilo against the Honolulu Advertiser, Hawaii Tribune-Herald and reporters Eugene Tao of the Tribune-Herald and Hugh Clark of the Advertiser. It was alleged their stories stated "expressly or impliedly" Yamashiro was "leaving his employment because of unethical conduct."

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LOS ANGELES — Joseph D. Abella, a Filipino community leader, has been named acting project director for the Oriental Service Center (OSC), the Council of Oriental Organizations (COO) announced.

At the same time, COO announced that the Economic and Youth Opportunities Agency has granted the non-profit organization \$130,000 in federal funds to continue operation of the OSC for 1972.

Abella replaces Kay Kokubun, who held the position since the inception of the Asian Service Center in 1968.

OSC, located in new headquarters at 1215 S. Flower St., Los Angeles (748-6171), now has a staff of 17 employees, serving the Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Samoan, and Thai communities in the areas of employment public assistance, social security, immigration, mental and physical health, educational counseling, personal and family problems, vocational rehabilitation, housing, marital counseling, drug abuse, citizenship, visas, senior citizens, rest homes, travel information, volunteer assistance, man power program, business consultation and welfare.

COO also announced a new program for youth. Services for Asian American Youth (SAAY), was scheduled to start Feb. 1. Target age group will be from 14-25. A new staff is being hired.

The 33-year-old Abella, who has been a business consultant, is affiliated with many Filipino, as well as other Asian organizations. He is a graduate of the University of San Francisco.

A Hollywood resident, he and his wife Jeanne are the parents of one son, Eric, 4.

Hagiwara Fund

Twenty more contributions totaling \$667.50 have been acknowledged this past week by Kathy Kadowaki, national fund-drive chairman for the Abe Hagiwara Memorial Fund to sustain the JACL student aid program.

A national goal of \$25,000, hopefully to be met by the end of this March, was announced through the chapters which have been asked to pledge an amount averaging \$1 per member.

Those chapters which have organized local committees to raise funds are urged to send their response as soon as possible to Miss Kadowaki. (Individuals are invited to use the contribution form appearing on Page 2 of this issue.)

The Cleveland Jr. JACL has slated a fund-drive project in March to make a contribution.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman A Comprehensive History of Sakhalin

SAKHALIN: A History, by John J. Stephan, Oxford University Press, 240 pp., \$12.

Sakhalin Island, which shuts off the Sea of Japan to the north, is only four miles from the mainland of Asia at the nearest point in the Nevelskoi Strait—so close it was long mistakenly regarded as a peninsula.

Millions of years ago, what is now Sakhalin actually united with the continent. Further, it joined with what is now Hokkaido, which in turn joined with the other main islands of the Japanese archipelago to form a land bridge all the way south to the Korean peninsula.

For the past 10,000 to 12,000 years, Sakhalin has been an island, 581 miles in length, averaging 61 miles in width. It points like an arrow from north of Hokkaido towards the USSR. The earliest settlers evidently arrived about 4,000 years ago.

Early Explorer

By order of the Japanese government, the explorer Rintzo Mamiya (1778-1844) made two trips to Sakhalin to clarify its geography and political status. He learned it was an island.

The island was inhabited by three distinct peoples: Gilyak (Nivkhi) in the north, Oroki around the central east coast, and Ainu in the south. The inhabitants paid tribute to China.

Japanese fishermen settled along the southern coast; in 1853, Russians entered the northern part of the island. Chinese sovereignty was wanted before the conflicting claims of Russia and Japan.

Japan made a treaty under which it shared the island with Russia, but in 1875 handed over all of Sakhalin to Russia in exchange for the Kurile Islands. Defeated in the war of 1905, Russia ceded to Japan all of Sakhalin below the 50th parallel; Japan named this ceded region Karafuto.

Trading on the weakness of her rival during the Russian revolution of 1918, Japan took over the entire island. In 1925, she withdrew to Karafuto. After the defeat of Japan in 1945, the Soviet took over all of Sakhalin.

Formerly encircled by Japan, the Soviet now had a listening post in the Pacific. But she had great obstacles to surmount in developing her outpost.

The climate of Sakhalin, especially in the northern part, is foul. Prior to 1905, Russia had found the land suitable for the punitive imprisonment of its worst convicts. From the combination of evil climate and evil residents had grown an evil reputation.

Visiting Russian writers had denounced the island. Vasilii Doroshkevich said, "Nature created this island in a moment of wrath." Anton Chekhov wrote that "if only those who liked Sakhalin lived there, the island would be uninhabited."

In 1890, the military governor, confirmed these unfavorable views: "Everyone wants to escape from here—the convicts, the settlers, and the officials."

BOOKSHELF

Community resources

A comprehensive and well-organized compilation of the private and public services organizations in Los Angeles County and people to contact has been published by JACS-Asian Involvement, 125 Weller St., Los Angeles, now available at \$5 to organizations, \$3 to individuals. THE PEOPLE'S BOOK OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES is in both Japanese and English. As a reference for referrals, it covers health care, immigration, legal services, youth, family, senior citizens, educational, social action, multi-service and referral agencies. It was a volunteer project of the Asian Social Service Task Force. As a pioneer effort, it may well be the format for other communities serving the Asian to emulate.—H.H.

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Parents seek help to still campus tensions

By ELLEN ENDO KAYANO (Rafu Shimpo)

LOS ANGELES—An ad hoc gathering of over 100 parents, teachers, students and concerned citizens agreed last week to let the Los Angeles City Schools' Citizens Advisory Committee decide what action should be taken to prevent further tension and violence at Los Angeles High School.

Since the beginning of the fall semester last September, the school has been plagued by incidents in which groups of young people—students as well as non-students on campus—have assaulted teachers and other students.

Nearly 40 incidents have been reported in affidavits filed by the victims, some of whom related their experiences at the ad hoc meeting. One student told of being assaulted by six others. A woman teacher reported she had been cornered in her classroom by several youths.

Request Needed

Los Angeles Police Department representatives Kenji Arai and Ross Arai said they had heard of the incidents in recent weeks but were powerless to act unless the school administration requests that they come on campus.

Likewise the Probation department said their jurisdiction is restricted to those students—10 or 12 in all—who are under probation, and their office is also powerless in the situation.

The pessimistic turn of the meeting moved one parent to burst, "My son has been assaulted in school. I have a younger son. What protection can be given them?"

"My daughters refuse to drink a cup of milk in the morning," stated Mrs. Janet Manako. "They're afraid to go to the bathroom," she said, referring to the fact that many incidents have occurred where it is easy for an unsuspecting pupil to be confronted by troublemakers.

One additional security guard has been pledged by the Area "E" Superintendent.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

The Asian American community's war on drugs will be the topic of "Minority Community" being telecast Feb. 6, 9 p.m., over KCOB (13) with Beulah Quo as hostess. Guests include Kathy Nishimoto, Merilynne Hamano, Tommy Chung and Russ Valparaíso.

KABC-TV "Unidos" on Jan. 23 featured comments from the Asian American community, presenting the talents of Asian film makers who pieced together a 30-minute "rap" session by young members of the Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean and Samoan communities.

First Japanese tea ceremony in the newly-completed Azumaya in the proposed Nachi Garden at Monterey Park's Sequoia Park will be held Feb. 5, 11 a.m. The garden is named in honor of Monterey Park's sister city, Nachikatsuura, in Wakayama, Japan.

The Japanese Center Art Society, headquartered at the Little Tokyo Pioneer Center, was formed with Roy Matsui as president. Mrs. Nobu Shigetani, widow of Chicago photographer Harry Shigetani, is vice president. The society provides elderly Issei to engage in creative works and to display their art.

Koyasan Boy Scout Troop 379 observes its 40th anniversary this Sunday, Feb. 6, 2 p.m., at Koyasan Temple with the Rev. Taido Kitagawa. "Father" of Troop 379, as honored guest from Japan. Charter scoutmaster Sam Ejima, general chairman, said over 400 invitations have been sent to former scouts and committee members but because of the difficulty in keeping the roster up-to-date, those without invitations are welcome.

A creative workshop to help Asian American youngsters from age 3-12 develop awareness, their identity, along with creative arts and craft was initiated Jan. 21 at Maryknoll School. Meeting Saturday mornings, the adult volunteers have been gathered by the Okei Memorial Child Care Center. Further information is available from Tomi Ohta (931-2151).

A group of about 80 mothers, most of them West Los Angeles JACL members, rang doorbells Jan. 25 in the annual March of Dimes covering the West Los Angeles area, according to Mrs. Toy Kanezaki, chairman of the group. This was the sixth consecutive year that the group of Nisei women have canvassed their area. A similar campaign to raise funds for the American Cancer Society will follow.

Orange County

Artist-author Shizue Takashima, scheduled to speak Thursday evening, Feb. 3, at the UC Irvine Campus in Orange County, could not appear due to a conflict in schedule.

Frederick J. Dumas, absent from the meeting. He was represented by his administrative coordinator Donald Richardson, who further pledged "temporary emergency measures" in the form of a special security force which began serving the campus the following day. The mobile force, which includes one woman and a half dozen men, was removed from other "troubled schools" to work at L.A. High.

L.A.'s existing security personnel—consisting of two security guards and five supervising teachers—has been labeled "ineffective" by a number of students and teachers.

Warren Fujimori, who a few hours before the meeting resigned as student body president, reported he has seen security personnel "standing around gossiping" instead of patrolling the campus.

"Teachers playing security guard... would be better off in the classroom," he asserted.

Inadequacies Apparent

The following became apparent to those in attendance: (1) That there is no formalized program to relieve the tension on campus. (2) That the physical structure of the campus—rows of bungalows, low fences, and various hiding places—is conducive to crime.

(3) That to date, the security bell alarm, and intercom system have been ineffective.

Suggestions that varsity lettermen be recruited to help patrol the campus and that L.A. High follow a course of action similar to one taken during last year's tense situation at Crenshaw High School, at Crenshaw, young alumni, security guards, Noon Aids as well as lettermen were utilized to quell disturbances.

The meeting left a number of parents and teachers dissatisfied, but with optimism that the Advisory Committee will be able to formulate some concrete action.

(A meeting of students on campus was also scheduled Feb. 2 to determine steps to alleviate the tension.)

Next Meeting

Former Committee chairman Clayton Morse will preside at the next meeting concerning the situation. Parents and interested persons from the surrounding community have been urged to attend on Monday, Feb. 7, 7:30 p.m., in L.A. High's Harrison Hall.

In the meantime, parents of L.A. High students will have to settle for allowing their children's safety to rest in the hands of a few security personnel. "Every day I keep my fingers crossed until my daughters come home," said Mrs. Manako. "This is what we parents are going through."

(So. Calif. JACL office personnel attended the ad hoc session and have consulted with some of the campus, now studied with temporary-type structures. Its main edifice was torn down because of earthquake damage—Ed.)

San Francisco

Nisei Voters League president Wil Tsukamoto, in his new year message, called for increased political activity including making the mayor and county supervisors more aware of Japanese Americans as a political force and strengthening the position of Asian and other ethnic groups through joint political effort. Another project calls for involving the 17-39 age bracket in the political life of their respective communities.

Oakland

East Bay Japanese for Action hosted over 150 people at a New Year party Jan. 15 at Eden Community Center, festooned with a mobile comprised of 1,000 paper cranes to wish the 100 pioneer Issei present continued long life and happiness. The afternoon program was highlighted by a discussion among the Issei, Nisei and Sansei present and potluck supper. Susan Kishi, formerly of Livingston, Calif., was introduced as the community worker, as well as Mrs. Amy Maniwa, program coordinator for the Issei service center in Berkeley.

Seattle

The Issei pioneer club in the Tacoma area is called the Hyakudo Kai with the motto as implied in the name: "Let's work to be one hundred." About 40 members currently belong and they sponsor three or four events a year.

Chicago

The Chinese American Civic Council of Chicago will host the 18th annual Spring Festival and Chinese New Year celebration Feb. 19 in the Lindheimer Room of McCormick Place.

An Asian American coalition, with Yoji Ozaki as steering committee chairman, has been proposed to present views and proposals before the greater Chicago community.

The movement began when a small group met with Chicago JACL president Hiroshi Kanno to consider how Japanese Americans can better relate to metropolitan, state and national issues.

NEWS CAPSULES

Nisei named to panel on international law

WASHINGTON—The State Department on Jan. 10 announced the appointment of three new members to the Advisory Panel on International Law, now comprised of 24 distinguished American lawyers. Among the three was George Yamaoka, of the Hills, Betts and Nash law firm, 26 Broadway, New York, N.Y.

The panel has been active periodically to advise the Secretary and the Department of State on questions of international law and on foreign policy issues relating to world order.

Government

Shinobu Iguchi, 49, of Monterey Park has been appointed chairman of that city's Planning Commission. A Cal State-Los Angeles graduate in engineering, he has been employed by the Los Angeles County Engineering Office since January, 1954. He was a member of the U.S. Army attaining the rank of First Lieutenant, has resided in Monterey Park for the past ten years with his wife and four children. He is also a member of the Subdivision Committee of the Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission where he advises the Commission on matters involving flood hazards, plot plans, school sites, and zone changes.

Sen. Hiram Fong (R-Hawaii) is sponsoring Winston W. T. Lau, 16, of McKinley High School, Honolulu, to the six-month position of U.S. Senate page this year. The position pays \$600 a month. Some 40 applicants were screened by a committee of teachers, students and a counselor.

A New York-born Chinese American, Charles Kee, 38, was sworn in as assistant commissioner of the Rent and Housing Maintenance Department on Dec. 31, making him the highest ranking New York

Minority enrollment in L.A. schools 52%

LOS ANGELES—Minority group pupils now make up 52.4 pct. of the enrollment in the Los Angeles elementary and secondary schools, up from last year's 50.2 pct., the annual ethnic survey revealed.

Blacks 157,627-24.9 pct.
Spanish surname 144,007-22.7 pct.
Orientals 21,704-3.4 pct.
Filipino & N.W.M. 7,366-1.2 pct.
Indians 1,368-0.2 pct.
Other whites 302,041-47.6 pct.
(N.W.M.—Nonwhite minorities.)

The housing pattern influence was seen in the breakdown by the 12 school district areas. For the Orientals, Filipinos and other nonwhite minorities:

Area Ori Fil
A (Gard Vly-SP) 7.7 3.8
B (So Cent LA-W) 6.1 6.4
C (So Cent LA-W) 0.5 0.2
D (West LA) 3.6 1.1
E (Crenshaw Vly) 7.0 0.9
F (Cent LA-Hwy) 3.0 3.0
G (East LA) 3.2 0.3
H (E-NE LA) 7.2 2.0
I (So Fern Vly-Cent) 0.9 0.6
J (So Fern Vly-N) 1.1 0.4
K (So Fern Vly-W) 1.0 0.4

San Jose State calls for Asian American studies

Asian American students who have not applied or who have been turned down by San Jose State may apply for one of 25 special admission slots recently allocated for students who do not meet regular admission requirements but have academic promise. A student must be a California resident and a high school graduate. Applications are due Mar. 3 at the Asian American Studies Program, San Jose State College, 125 S. 7th St., San Jose 95114.

Whereabouts sought

SALT LAKE CITY—The National JACL Credit Union is seeking the whereabouts of the following persons, whose share amounts are now subject to be escheated to the State of Utah:

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City official of Asian ancestry. He had been special assistant to the city's relocation commissioner. The city has one other commissioner of Asian descent, attorney Irving Sheu Kee Chin, 40, who is a member of the Human Rights Commission, a non-salaried position.

The New Oakland Committee, comprised of business, labor and minority community leaders to attack the city's major social, economic and racial problems, elected its first permanent officers. Jim Ishimaru, Oakland JACL president, was chosen treasurer. Realtor Harold Ellis is president, succeeding publisher William F. Knowland who had been acting chairman for more than a year.

Seattle City Councilman Liem Tuai, president pro-tem, is a leading contender for the permanent presidency. He is chairman of the Parks and Public Grounds Committee, currently studying the location of a \$3 million aquarium.

Redevelopment

The Los Angeles city planning commission met Jan. 27 to act on a rezoning application in Little Tokyo from the Community Redevelopment Agency. The proposal sought changes in two blocks from the current CM-4 (commercial manufacturing) and M2-1 (light industrial) to C2-4 (commercial), covering the area bounded by Central Ave., Los Angeles, First and Second Sts.

Health

Canadian scientist Dr. Jun Kimura of the University of Manitoba reported at the 44th annual scientific sessions of the American Heart Assn. that the electrical activity involved in the eye blink can help in identifying the presence and precise location of strokes in a region known as the brainstem, which connects the brain to the spinal cord.

A blood clot that interferes with normal blood flow through the brainstem vessels is likely to produce an abnormality in the mechanism governing the eye blink, he said. It takes electronic equipment to capture the split second electrical stimulus that makes the eye blink.

Two Harvard Medical School professors, Dr. Jin Kinoshita and Dr. Teichiro Kuwabara, both with the Howe eye research laboratory, have resigned to join the newly created Laboratory of Vision Research of the National Eye Institute, Bethesda, Md. The San Francisco-born Kinoshita, whose career was cited by National JACL in 1968 as a Nisei of the Biennial finalist, will be chief of the vision research laboratory. Japan-born Kuwabara, who comes a family of physicians, will head the experimental pathology section. Both have been engaged for 20 years at Harvard, capturing practically every award and prize in ophthalmology.

Press Row

Ex-newspaperman Koji Ariyoshi of Honolulu flew to Hong Kong Christmas eve to spend at least a month in China. The Star-Bulletin and the Gannett chain will be printing the dispatches. As a Nisei GI who spent many months in Yanan with the U.S. Army liaison mission during WW2, he was expected to meet again those who are now the leaders: Mao, Zhou En Lai, Huang Hua and Chen Sun Yat-sen. Ariyoshi now operates a successful flower shop. He was named 1972 president of the Hawaii Foundation for History and the Humanities.

The Honolulu Star-Bulletin received its first "Secret Witness" letter Dec. 13 in the assassination of State Sen. Larry N. Kuriyama and turned the information over to police for investigation. The person or persons who supply information leading to the arrest and conviction of Kuriyama's killer or killers will collect \$20,000 reward and remain anonymous. The "Secret

Ethnic newspapers

LITTLETON, Colo.—The Encyclopedia Directory of Ethnic Newspapers and Periodicals in the United States, by L.R. Wynar, will be published Feb. 28 by Libraries Unlimited (\$12.50). It describes some 900 publications in 43 languages. It also includes an essay on the history of the ethnic press.

"Witness" method initiated by the Detroit News in 1967 is being used, successfully by newspapers in over 30 cities.

Sister Cities

Groundbreaking rites were held Jan. 19 at Glendale, Calif., in the Sister City Friendship Garden at Brand Park for a Japanese tea house to be constructed in honor of their sister city Higashi-Osaka, The So. Calif. Japanese Gardeners Federation will donate the labor to plant the garden; the tea house has been designed by Kajima International.

Courtroom

One of three indicted with theft involving \$30 million in securities, George Ekita, 38, of Honolulu pleaded innocent to four counts of possessing and transporting stolen securities. Federal Judge Lawrence T. Lydick in Los Angeles has set Mar. 21 as the trial date. Other two indicted were Nicholas Avenetti of North Hollywood and Thomas K. Suzuki, 56, reportedly in Hawaii. Ekita is currently under prison sentence for a gun smuggling conviction in Hawaii.

Lester D. Bussell, 33, one-time insurance and mutual funds salesman who investigators said bilked a client's young Nisei widow of more than \$52,000 was sentenced by Sacramento Superior Court Judge Joseph A. DeChristoforo for a 1-10 year term on grand theft charges. Mrs. Kimiyomi Yokota, 32, mother of two children, had turned over \$52,000 of \$73,000 in life insurance proceeds after her husband died June 26, 1969. Investigators said Bussell converted \$22,000 of the proceeds to Capital Industries Corp., which he personally headed, on the premise the investment would double or triple within a year or two. Instead, only \$5,000 went to the operation and the rest used to pay salaries, including \$2,300 to Bussell, investigator Fred Links Jr. testified. The balance went into the Bussell personal checking account, he added. Then Bussell induced Mrs. Yokota to sell the balance of her mutual funds to borrow \$30,000 to invest in property, which Links said, was split, \$17,000 covering the investment and \$13,000 for Bussell's personal loans and expenses.

Donald Tsukiyama, 38, son of the late Chief Justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court, Wilfred Tsukiyama, was recently named the public defender in Honolulu. He studied law at the Univ. of Colorado at Boulder.

Military

Japanese Army Sgt. Shoichi Yokoi, 56, one-time tailor from Nagoya, had a tearful reunion Jan. 26 with an army buddy who shared part of his 28 years of hiding in the Guam jungles, afraid American troops would execute him after WW2. He had been listed as killed in action since 1944. His friend, Bunzo Minagawa, who was captured in 1960, flew to Guam for the reunion. Yokoi was captured Mar. 24 by two hunters in the jungles 20 miles from Agaña. Living in a cave, he subsisted on fruit, fish and wild animal.

Radio-TV

Tritia Toyota has accepted a new position as staff reporter for KNBC-TV News at Los Angeles. She had been the "Action Reporter" for radio KNX the past half year. Daughter of the Tom Toyotas of Portland, she is a graduate from Univ. of Oregon with a master's degree in broadcast journalism from UCLA.

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Business

Merit Savings & Loan Assn., Los Angeles, reported prospects of establishing branch operations to increase its ability to serve the community. The third-floor of its 4-story building has been leased as of Jan. 1, generating additional rental income of \$1,100 per month, according to Bruce T. Kaji, board chairman, and George N. Matsumoto, president. Its 1971 (unaudited) operations were:

	1971	1970
Savings	\$13,385,337	\$11,418,003
Loans	11,649,148	10,679,497
Assets	15,188,435	14,460,143
Net income	12,476	11,322
After share	31c	28c

a—Before taxes.

Los Angeles insurance man Harry Kagiwada is celebrating his 25th anniversary as an Occidental Life representative. He joined the Kodani Agency in 1947 and is a longtime Hollywood JACLer.

Tom T. Ito, with the Pasadena JACL since its reactivation in post WW2 days, was elected president of the Japanese Casualty Insurance Co., now entering its 26th year, succeeding Willie M. Funakoshi, a longtime Downtown L.A. JACLer.

George S. Ota, Bank of America branch manager at the Rosencrans-Van Ness office in Gardena, was named to the 12-member Branch Managers Advisory Council for a one-year term. The group representing the 995 branches meets periodically in San Francisco with the head office senior executives. Ota is a 16-year veteran with the bank.

The national board of governors of the Federal Reserve Bank System announced two Nisei to non-bank posts as of Jan. 1: Mas Oji, president of the Oji Bros. Farm, Inc., of Yuba City to the San Francisco board for a three-year term; and Tom T. Hirai, Quincy, Wash., grower, packer and shipper of potatoes, to the Seattle branch board for a two-year term. The Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco board of directors is comprised of three bankers and three non-bankers, the latter being elected by member banks, and has separate branch boards at Seattle, Portland, Los Angeles and Salt Lake City.

Deaths

Nishimura, Jean—Seattle, Jan. 26, a top golfer, native of Oakland. Survived by his wife, eight children, Dr. Pete Furuta and six Mrs. Yukio Oishi.

Crime

Rewards of \$20,000 offered in the Dr. Victor M. Ohta murder case are being claimed by a Santa Cruz private detective and four young men who had accused convicted mass slayer John L. Frazier. The Santa Cruz County Medical Society posted \$15,000 and the county supervisors \$5,000 for information leading to arrest and conviction. The county counsel's office however

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ruled the county reward is not legal as it requires state legislative authorization, which was denied. Claims for the reward have been filed with the medical society and county board of supervisors with the district attorney's office to recommend who should receive the reward.

Two holdup suspects who had tried to gain entry Jan. 14 into a Yorba Linda (Calif.) supermarket by flashing a police badge were arraigned

in the Fullerton municipal court. Defendants were Karuo G. Ozeki, 28, of Los Angeles; and Carl C. Craig, 28, of Duarte. Police were called when the store manager, a former police officer, became suspicious of the police identification. "I just knew they were not," the manager told investigators who suspect the pair's method of operation links them to numerous other market robberies in Southern California.

GEORGE YOSHINAGA

Ex-newspaperman heads Lodi ball club in Calif. League as executive v.p.

GARDENA—A Gardena Nisei has become the second Japanese American in organized baseball to gain the top post for a professional club when the Lodi entry in the Class A California League appointed George Yoshinaga as executive vice president for the 1972 season.

Cappy Harada was general manager of the same club several years ago to be the first Nisei executive in professional baseball.)

Yoshinaga will head the Baltimore Orioles farm club in the smallest city in organized baseball. The population of Lodi, located just south of Sacramento, is only 27,000.

A former newspaperman, Yoshinaga has resided in Gardena for 16 years and has been involved in professional sports in numerous capacities for the past 10 years.

"Baltimore has promised to stock our club with some good league meeting Feb. 12.

ball players so I'm hopeful that we will have a successful season." Yoshinaga commented as he prepared to leave for the Northern California city to take over the reins for the club.

He added, "two of the Orioles rookie league teams won championships in their respective leagues last year so we should be able to expect some top flight prospects."

Yoshinaga resides at 1505 W. 153rd St. with his wife Yoshiko and four sons Paul, Robin, Mark and Tim.

—Gardena Valley News

Lodi Orions

TOKYO—Lodi Orions is the name of the Japanese-owned baseball team in the California State League. General manager Kazumi Adachi will represent the club at the league meeting Feb. 12.

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