

Laud Justice Dept. action to reduce production of drugs this year by 80%

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By RAYMOND S. ENO
National JACL President

Bill Matsumoto, past National 1000 Club chairman, has not lost any of his zip nor zang. He, with Frank Iwama, past Chapter president, Dennis Nishikawa, current chapter president, and Tom Fujimoto, Chapter 1000 Club chairman, all represent the "full steam ahead" attitude of the Sacramento Chapter, and

Sacramento

boomed with enthusiasm from the time I met them at the airport.

As soon as I got off of the plane, they had made arrangements for a TV interview right at the airport. Talk about making every minute count.

We drove to the Sacramento Inn, the site of the Installation Dinner, where we were met by Bob Matsui, Sacramento City Councilman, Mike Suzuki, National JACL Vice President, Tom Okubo, NWCDC Executive Officer and Percy Masaki, Chapter Membership chairman. Just before ordering lunch, I was interrupted by a newspaper reporter who was talking to Bill and me and almost had us giving him a short history of the Japanese in the United States. He was really intrigued by my first exposure to it. He called back twice for additional information.

Sightseeing

After lunch, Bill drove me around Sacramento, pointing to landmarks and interesting sights, particularly in respect to the Japanese Community. Much of "J" town has been replaced by redevelopment and other projects. Most of the Japanese have moved out into the so-called suburbs, many clustering in various neighborhoods.

He pointed out the water and power rates were extremely low because of the various rivers flowing through Sacramento. He said the water bill is \$2.00 a month regardless of how much one uses. The people in Southern California must be green with envy knowing the abundance of water in the north.

The new Chinese home for the elderly, near the Chinese business establishments, looked ultramodern and stylish, but not quite completed. Many other areas in town were gutted, in preparation for more building. Like most cities of comparable size (500,000 population), Sacramento is undergoing considerable construction and development. We passed by a wide expanse of open land, and Bill stated, that is where the 1976 National JACL Convention is going to be held, pointing to the site of the proposed convention center.

Forensics-Debating

As we scooped up some winding streets, we came to Bill's house, settled in a cozy, comfortable neighborhood. We relaxed briefly and Bill called a few friends from Utah for me: Hise Yokoyama (wife of Judge Mamoru) Sakuma, whose brother Shig and I grew up together in Ogden, and George Shimizu, with the Internal Revenue Service. His brother Willie and I bummed around together playing baseball and basketball in the local Japanese league. Willie, I recall, was the real intellectual type and a fantastic extemporaneous speaker for which he won many debate and speech tournaments.

Talking about debaters, Bill has produced some good and great ones. Mike Matsui and the late Bob Maki (a law classmate of mine and former IDC Youth Commissioner) both took national debating championships while at the University of Utah, and Willie Shimizu, Marjorie Takagaki, and a host of others have excelled brilliantly, as have the Haruchi brothers, Wayne and Randy, the latter who last year as a Junior in high school took the state high school debating championship, and this year is student body president. Dave Tashiro and his brother-in-law, Ron Inouye, both products of Junior JACL, are both excellent speakers.

Regardless of what profession or occupation your children go into, I would certainly advise parents to encourage their children to take debate in either high school or college or both. It cannot hurt them, and may possibly help them a great deal when looking for work or taking in community activities and politics.

Getting back on the track again, Bill (the being the Toastmaster for the evening) whisked me back to the Martinique Room of the Sacramento Inn. As we were leaving his neighborhood, Bill mentioned his neighbors were really great people and all of the people who live on both sides of the street used to get together once a month for a block party and got out to eat or take in entertainment at some fun place. I was thinking that it would be great to be able to do that, instead of chasing kids around the neighborhood and picking up their toys and junk all over the block, like I have been doing for the past few years and will be doing for some time to come. All of Bill's children are grown and out of the home and although he claims he misses them, he also admits he and his wife, May, enjoy the peace and quiet.

Chapter Board

Meeting chapter members Hise Yokoyama, Shiro Suzuki, Alan Matsui, Fumiko Suyemura, Brian Matsumoto, Carnegie Ozy, Grace Kanai, Meg Gai, Amy Fujimoto, Zentaro - Michael Yamamoto, Kathy Takeuchi, Dennis Shimada.

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LOS ANGELES — The JACL Ethnic Concern Committee lauded the action taken by the Justice Department last week (Feb. 10) against irresponsible overproduction of the so-called "upper" drugs.

Director John E. Ingersoll of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs signed an order setting 1972 production quotas at 1,564 kilograms of amphetamine — 83% below last year — and 969 kilograms of methamphetamine, an 80% reduction, Attorney General John Mitchell announced.

Drug manufacturers, which produced 9,356 kilograms of amphetamine and 4,926 kilograms of methamphetamine in 1971, wanted 1972 quotas to produce 19,956 kilograms of amphetamine and 8,941 kilograms of methamphetamine.

Barbiturates

Dr. David Miura, Ethnic Concern committee chairman, urged similar and resolute action be taken against "downer" drugs that are also freely available in the streets. The "downers" are particularly damaging the youth because of their low cost and great availability, Dr. Miura continued. "The damage to the dignity of individuals and families is immeasurable," he declared.

The Attorney General was also urged to take necessary steps to curtail the irresponsible shipment of drugs, citing an example where thousands of pills were delivered to the Los Angeles Police Dept., which has used a printed fictitious doctor's letterhead to place the order in order to check on this type of abuse.

Constitutional changes sought by Central Cal DC

DELANO — The Central California JACL District Council, meeting here Feb. 13, raised issues which the National Board and Council are expected to resolve at the National Convention in Washington, D.C., June 26-July 1. The district council will recommend:

1—Section 5 to Article XII of the National JACL Constitution be amended so that any action taken under this provision at a National Council meeting be subject to ratification by two-thirds (if amending the bylaws) or three-fourths (if amending the constitution) vote of all chapters by mailed ballot within 30 days after said National Council meeting; further, that the requirement for proposal and endorsement be raised to 10 chapters or two district councils.

2—The CCDC contended that Section 5 as it now reads, nullifies the intent of Section 2 (procedure for amending the constitution and by-laws) and makes possible amendments without prior discussion by all members at the chapter level.

Budget Request

2—Budget allocation of \$2,000 to implement the study and dissemination of National JACL directives and memoranda by supplying necessary secretarial and office facilities to the CCDC and its governor.

3—Consideration by the National Board and Council for constitutional changes to provide for (a) direct election by popular vote of all national elective officers; (b) a referendum-initiative provision of the National JACL executive committee to implementation of actions previously authorized by the National Board and/or Council.

4—Opposition to limitations on proxy voting at National Council meetings as this would disenfranchise chapters unable to send delegates to national conventions due to timing and/or expense.

'CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY'

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The JACL Ethnic Concern Committee also expressed interest in seeing that the drug use problems—not drug pushing—be taken out of the penal code and placed under a new program where users are not treated as criminals but as victims of a medico-social disease.

"The manufacturers and distributors of drugs should be held responsible under penalty of suspension to see that the address and address are legitimate," the Long Beach dentist said. "This should not be a problem since all states have files on all legitimate dispensers of drugs."

Smuggling Crackdown

Ingersoll had acted on the basis of recommendation by Surgeon General Jesse L. Steinfeld and partly because of a major smuggling crackdown against one manufacturer responsible for the drug "bifentamine," an amphetamine product being diverted from Mexico into the United States.

Ingersoll had testified before a House subcommittee on Feb. 1 that in 1971 alone federal agents seized more than 10 million dosage units of amphetamine that had entered the illicit market. It was estimated in 1967 (the last year such a study was attempted) that 20% of legally produced amphetamine products was diverted into illicit channels.

Rep. Claude Pepper (D-Fla.), chairman of the House Committee on Crime, a harsh critic of Ingersoll's agency, praised the decision to reduce production of amphetamine. "There never was a need for 8 billion pills, for 4 billion bills or for 1 billion pills (primary prescribed for obesity)," he said. "The treatment of obesity is not a legitimate medical need in my opinion and in the opinion of many eminent authorities who have studied this pill-popping phenomena."

1970 Control Act

Under the 1970 Drug Abuse and Control Act, the Attorney General sets production quotas based in part on the recommendation of the surgeon general. Mitchell said the 1972 quotas were adequate to provide for the estimated medical, scientific, research and industrial needs of the United States, lawful export requirements and establishment and maintenance

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Alan Nishio to address PSWDC meeting luncheon

LOS ANGELES — Alan Nishio, recipient of the JACL-Japan Air Lines summer fellowship last year, was announced as the luncheon speaker for the Pacific Southwest District Council first quarterly session this Sunday, Feb. 27, at the Olympian Motor Hotel. He will speak on "U.S.-Japan Relations and Its Implications for Asian Americans."

Supplementing Nishio's remarks will be comments by Dr. Franklin Odo, UCLA Asian American Studies Center curriculum coordinator, and Kiyoshi Kawai, past Downtown L.A. JACL president.

DC Gov. Helen Kawagoe said because of the heavy business agenda, the session will start at 9 a.m., preceded by registration and a continental breakfast. Registration fee of \$5 per person includes the breakfast and luncheon, according to host Wilshire chapter president Toshiko Yoshida.

Reports are expected from: Willie Fujimori, Manzanar Project; Irvin Pak, George Takei, cultural; Harry Kawahara, Ron Hirano, education; Bob Nakamura, visual communications; Uyesugi, social services; Jim Matsuo, David Takashima, planning; George Kanagaki, nominating.

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Illegal alien issue still seething

LOS ANGELES — Because immigration officials said they were unable to handle complaints about employers using illegal aliens—there were too many of them—nearly 2,000 complaints were recently destroyed, the Los Angeles Times learned last week (Feb. 18).

"The trouble is that we are just being overrun by illegal aliens, and we don't have the manpower nor the legislation to cope with the increasingly serious situation," said Roy Boehm, assistant district director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (I&NS) here.

Boehm released statistics of his office's operation following a demand in Washington Feb. 17 by Rep. Jack McDonald (R-Mich.) for a congressional investigation of the destruction of complaints.

Mat at I&NS

"I have been investigating this problem for only a few months and am getting angrier with each passing day as the evidence of cavalier disregard for the purposes and goals of I&NS mounts," the Republican congressman said.

"Today, I'm damn good and mad at what must be the worst-run division of American government," McDonald said. He added that "Immigration Commissioner Farrell's failure to act is an invitation for increasing numbers of illegal aliens to sneak into this country and stay with little fear of capture or deportation, swelling the unemployment and welfare rolls of Americans."

McDonald showed newsmen a pilfered stack of complaints he said were given to him by I&NS employees in Los Angeles Monday after their destruction was ordered by higher officials.

McDonald estimated that the complaints slated for destruction represented information on 130,000 illegal aliens in Southern California.

Short on Staff

Boehm said the I&NS here receives about 1,200 "good" pieces of information each year about employers using illegal aliens in this area, but I&NS investigators are able to check only half that number.

"We have only 14 men doing the work in area control and we now have on hand a backlog of 6,600 pieces of information," Boehm said. "We are losing ground rapidly in trying to control the situation," Boehm said, but insisted that "our staff investigators are dedicated, hard-working individuals. There are just not enough of us."

He said that an estimated 45% of the pieces of information received refer to factories which employ "anywhere from 25 to 100 illegal aliens and even more."

"We have to cull out the

information regularly or the backlog would be completely overwhelming," he added. Usually, he said, information for a year is reviewed, and is then slated for destruction, but "all the information we have in those (year-old) files are regarded as good leads because they are screened to start with."

Even with the destruction, he said, the backlog is still piling up rapidly.

The I&NS last year deported about 27,000 illegal aliens from this area, but another 200,000 or more are estimated to be working here.

Repeal sought for new alien hiring law

SACRAMENTO — Assemblyman William Brophy (R-Los Angeles) introduced legislation Feb. 3 to repeal a new state law prohibiting employers from knowingly employing illegal aliens.

Brophy's action provoked a scathing blast from the author of the law, fellow Republican Assemblyman Dixon Arnett of Redwood City.

Arnett charged repeal of the law would be "tacit approval of a system of virtual human bondage which not only causes great unemployment and welfare mainly among Mexican Americans but is known to cause death and serious injury to illegal entrants themselves as they attempt illegal border crossings."

Effective Mar. 4

Brophy, a Republican who represents the 48th District, a predominantly Democratic district with a substantial Mexican American constituency, said the law which takes effect March 4 has been misinterpreted and resulted in thousands of Mexican Americans losing their jobs whether they are in California legally or not.

He said while the measure's intent is good and applies to all aliens, it is being used exclusively against the Spanish-speaking community.

"Have the good residents of Beverly Hills been asked to verify the immigration status of their British butlers," Brophy asked.

An estimated 100 Mexican Americans and Mexican nationals had charged before the Assembly Labor Relations Committee Feb. 1 that the law, authored by Assemblyman Arnett prompted employers to arbitrarily fire them or reduce their salaries.

A Federal Matter

They proposed the law be repealed and that the federal government retain jurisdiction over all immigration matters.

Arnett said Brophy seemed to have acknowledged problems caused by "hundreds of

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'Fire Fighter' columnist apologizes but against lowering of height limit

SEATTLE — A Seattle firefighter issued a public apology this past week (Feb. 13) for a union magazine column he authored that was labeled by at least two critics as a "racist attack on Chicanos and Asians."

John Flood, a member of the Seattle Fire Department and writer of the column, "First Things First," that appears in The Fire Fighter, the Seattle monthly organ of the Seattle Fire Fighters Union, said the column was not intended to be "malicious or racist."

The column in question (P-C, Feb. 18) appeared in the January issue of The Fire Fighter. Flood said it was intended to "humorously poke fun" at the department's new 5-foot, 6-inch height requirement, which is intended to open the ranks to more Asians and Mexican-Americans.

Aimed at Rule

In response to the racism charges, Flood stated: "The article was intended to humorously poke fun at the new 5-foot, 6-inch rule, a rule, by the way, I still think is wrong. At no time

was there malicious or racist intent, but it's quite obvious that many individuals and organizations interpreted it that way."

"Just as an individual fire is stepped on in a crowded elevator, the hurt is still there, regardless of the intent, and the person with the sore foot expects and deserves an apology."

"Therefore, to those individuals and organizations that were caused embarrassment and wounded feelings, I publicly, and in writing, apologize. I did not then nor would I now knowingly and purposely in these days of racial strife and struggle for equal rights harm or malign any individual or nationality."

Editor defends writer for humorous column

By DON HANNULA
Seattle Times

SEATTLE — Marshall Bland, editor of the Fire Fighter union magazine, has written in the February issue a defense of a January article

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'QUEEN MARY'—Arranging the JACL Bowling Tournament Award dinner-dance aboard the "Queen Mary" at Long Beach on Saturday, March 11, are the Gardena Valley JACLers (from left) Bob Tarumoto, chapter president Thomas Shigekuni, Fumi Ishino, Tak Kawagoe and PSWDC Gov. Helen Kawagoe. Places for 500 have been reserved.

'Queen Mary' ready for JACL bowling journey award fele; 126 teams due

LONG BEACH — The Queen Mary, permanently berthed in Long Beach harbor, will be the site of the 1972 National JACL Bowling Tournament award dinner-dance on Saturday, Mar. 11 with Dr. Ross Yamahata and Helen Kawagoe of the co-host Gardena Valley JACL in charge.

With only 500 tickets at \$8.50 per person available on a first-come basis, immediate reservations with any Gardena Valley JACL member or bowling tournament official has been urged. Details are available by calling 328-1510 anytime.

One of the Southland attractions, diners will also have an opportunity to inspect certain parts of the ship.

The 1972 bowling tournament marks a high point in cooperation between the lo-

cal JACL and So. Calif. Nisei Men's and Women's bowling associations, raising funds for JACL's education program, PSWDC Gov. Helen Kawagoe added. The tournament sponsors also acknowledge the support received to date from chapters, members and businesses across the nation.

A total of 40 ladies and 86 men's teams have registered for the tournament — somewhat better than anticipated, according to tournament officials. (The PC will publish the roster of teams next week.)

On the tournament committee are: Don Aoki, gen. chmn.; Bob Uyemori, Mary Yuba, bowling chmn.; Mary Shoda, sec.; Yasuaki Koshi, pres.; So. Calif. Nisei Women Bowling Assn.; Tak Kawagoe, Stuart Tsutsumi, Bob Tarumoto, Thomas Shigekuni, Fumi Ishino.

UNION BOSS CHARGES 30,000 ALIENS SMUGGLED INTO U.S. FROM CANADA

WASHINGTON — About 30,000 aliens from Red China have been smuggled into the United States over the Canadian border in the last seven years, the president of a federal employees union estimated this past week (Feb. 8).

Lee Cremer, president of the National Council of Immigration and Naturalization Service (I&NS) locals, a union affiliated with the AFL-CIO, also said "there are at least two million illegal aliens in the country earning at least \$68.8 billion and sending about \$2 billion abroad each year."

Acting on similar information a Michigan Republican congressman appealed to President Nixon to demand the resignation of the immigration service's director for failing to deal properly with illegal aliens.

Holding Back

Rep. Jack McDonald said Commissioner Raymond Farrell "has failed to maintain an efficient organization and refused to request funding at a level necessary to keep pace with the service's growing workload."

He said the I&NS "is in a shambles" and said Farrell "has seriously crippled the effectiveness" of the agency. From what he has seen and heard while investigating the illegal aliens problem, McDonald said, "Commissioner Farrell seems bent on destroying an organization which is paramount in protecting the welfare and security of the American people."

Smuggling Rings

Cremer, citing reports sent to him from I&NS employees who are members of his union, said smuggling rings exist to bring in Chinese across the 4,000-mile U.S. Canadian border which is patrolled by only 150 border guards.

"We don't know how they get into Canada," he said. "We assume many of them jump from ships before they reach Canadian ports."

The union president further said many Chinese aliens bring heroin and other drugs into the country.

Santa Ana congressman quotes FBI head Hoover

SAN FRANCISCO — Discerning Chinese Americans are a re indignant and dismayed over the remarks of Congressman John G. Schmitz (R-Calif.) on Red Chinese aliens in America. Addressing the House of Representatives on Jan. 24 and 27, the congressman from Orange County cited a "secret" report that "there has been a virtual flood of illegal aliens pouring into the United States from Communist China at an estimated rate of 4,200 a year."

Echoing FBI director J. Edgar Hoover's incessant alarms, Congressman Schmitz quoted freely from Hoover's article "Mao's Red Shadow in America."

The gist of the message is that "Many of the aliens are known to be Communist espionage agents on assigned missions for their Peking masters. Others have been engaged in the illicit drug traffic, distributing literally tons of narcotics used by an alarmingly large segment of our nation's youth."

Schmitz commented, "Yet despite all that is now known

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JACL nat'l director backs UBAC fund request

SAN FRANCISCO—The United Japanese Community Services request for \$127,000 in funds from the United Bay Area Crusade was endorsed this past week by National JACL Director Masao Satow, who noted:

"The Japanese Community Services Center as proposed would fulfill some real needs in San Francisco's Nihonmachi, needs which have been either overlooked or which some of us as individuals have tried to meet as best as we can however inadequate."

The proposal of the United Japanese Community Services would fund three groups currently serving the San Francisco Nihonmachi area: Kimochi, Inc., the Japanese Community Youth Council and Japanese Community Services.

NAT'L JACL SET TO AWARD 17 SCHOLARSHIPS

High School Grads Must Apply Through a Local Chapter

SAN FRANCISCO — JACL chapters have until April 15 to nominate its single candidate in the 1972 National JACL freshman scholarship program, comprised of 17 awards including one new scholarship in memory of Mitsuyuki Yonemura, a 442nd veteran, of Seattle.

Upon receipt of the name of chapter nominee, National JACL Headquarters will forward application forms which are to be completed and returned by April 29. Announcement of winners will be made in May.

These scholarships are available to high school graduates who will continue their education this fall at a college. Nominees must either be of Japanese ancestry or whose parents are JACL members.

Applicants must apply through a local JACL chapter, it was stressed by National JACL Director Mas Satow.

And for the first time, these JACL scholarships will not be granted to those who receive other scholarships which stipulate deduction from such scholarship amounts as received from other scholarships.

The amount of Gongozo Nakamura memorial scholarship will be increased to \$400 this year after the Nakamura family added \$3,000 to the trust account.

Scholarship Program

The JACL freshman scholarship schedule:

Pvt. Ben Frank Masaka Memorial (1946), \$200 from Mrs. Hayuza Masaka, Los Angeles, in memory of her son killed in 442nd RCT; supplemented with \$100 from Dr. Harry Abe, Wantagh, N.Y. Recipient of this scholarship in 1946, and \$200 from National JACL. \$300.

Sumitomo Bank of California (1968), preference to students in Business Administration, Banking, Finance, Economics, International Trade or Accounting Two (each) \$250.

Kenji Kasai Memorial (1968), interest from trust account to JACL from estate of Kenji Kasai, San Francisco. \$500.

South Park Japanese Community of Seattle. 1971. Interest from trust account to JACL from this group. \$500.

Gongozo Nakamura Memorial (1967), interest from trust account to JACL established by Mrs. Hise Nakamura, Los Angeles, in memory of her pioneer Issei leader-husband. \$200.

Col. Walter T. Tsukamoto Memorial (1963), given annually by Mrs. Tomoye Tsukamoto, San Jose, in memory of her husband, National JACL President, 1936-38. Two (each) \$250.

Dr. Takashi Terami Memorial (1966), interest from trust account to JACL from estate of Dr. Terami, Sacramento, in memory of Issei husband, first Japanese to earn Ph.D. at Berkeley, taught mathematics at St. Thomas College in Minnesota. Two (each) \$250.

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L.A. school board backs ethnic units

LOS ANGELES — A proposal to eliminate the three ethnic commissions advising the Los Angeles School District board of education was defeated last week (Feb. 17) by a narrow 4-3 vote.

Board member J.C. Chambers had argued the Black, Mexican American and Asian American Education Commissions had spent \$100,000 over the past three years and had accomplished little. He has opposed the commissions since they were first authorized.

Black commission vice-chairman Leslie Benson questioned the \$100,000 figure when each has been allocated only \$10,000 per year.

Harry Nishikawa, Asian commission executive secretary, said all three commissions have asked for operational guidelines from the board but they have been silent.

The voting went as follows: AYE—Chambers, Ferraro, Newman. NAY—Bardos, Docter, Nava, Hardy.

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- 1—Working on definitive history of Japanese in America.
 - 2—Developing educational material on Japanese Americans.
 - 3—Supporting projects which identify and demonstrate special needs and problems of Japanese Americans.
 - 4—Maintaining continuous contact with legislation and taking appropriate action on issues relevant to JACL.
 - 5—Administering scholarship and student aid programs.
 - 6—Developing services of interest to total membership.
 - 7—Cooperating with Asian American groups on problems of common concern.
 - 8—Seeking a federal level Cabinet Committee on Asian American Affairs.
 - 9—Participating to further U.S.-Japan relations harmoniously.
 - 10—Encouraging knowledge and understanding of Japanese culture.
 - 11—Sponsoring community projects and membership services, such as local appreciation and youth programs, picnics, civil rights, credit unions, bowling leagues and tournaments, and health plans.

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Ye Editor's Desk

CONFIRMING AN AGE-OLD OPINION

The ancients of the West referred to the great lands at the eastern extremities of their maps as Sere—"Land of the Silk People"—from which comes words as "sericeous" and "sericulture." And while Europe was fumbling out of the Dark Ages, China was undoubtedly the most advanced civilization in the world of that day with its arts, humanities and philosophy. This week, President Nixon continues to unfold the intense drama and history of the Middle Kingdom with his visit, again validating the essential strength and age-old Chinese opinion that China is indeed the hub of the world and source of valid culture in the world.

The ripple the President started when he dropped his July 15 pebble into the pool of international relations will continue to be felt on most diplomatic shores for months to come. In the political context, a change in world power balance can be expected—though predictions are hazardous to render. "It could be a very significant contribution to peace and stability in Asia," to quote what Japanese Ambassador Ushiba said before the Commonwealth Club in San Francisco soon after the Nixon-Sato summit talks, and "it might be the beginning of the unraveling our mutual security in the Far East."

Political pundits have also been advancing a variety of theories about the impact on the domestic scene—most guessing it would not hurt Mr. Nixon's fortunes in 1972 unless the venture proves to be a colossal failure. But the most telling comment has been Eldridge Cleaver's bitter remark that Nixon's visit has shaken the revolutionary movement to its foundation. The headline in the L.A. Times put it: "Nixon Pulls Oriental Rug from Under Leftists"

There are not too many reference books on China on our shelf, but a recent addition, Nigel Cameron's *BARBARIANS AND MANDARINS* (New York-Tokyo: Walker/Weatherhill, 1970; \$10) highlights the uneasy centuries of Western confrontations with China, beginning with the story of Alopen the Nestorian and the Franciscan friar William of Rubruquis who had preceded the Venetian merchant Marco Polo and ending with the barbarous chaos foisted by Westerners upon the Chinese during the first half of this century.

There are intimate glimpses of the giants of Chinese history from Kublai Khan to the ruthless Empress Dowager at twilight of empire. Cameron, who traveled throughout China as correspondent for the London Daily Mail and now a Hong Kong resident and editor-in-chief with Serasia Publishing House, retains the flavor of adventure that lured the Westerners—or the "barbarians" as the Chinese called them—by quoting from the writings of the travelers themselves. And many of them were good story tellers in their own right.

Mentioning only a few of the many memorable scenes, Marco Polo was more interested in how the emperor's concubines were chosen than in noting the use of sulphur matches which were not to be discovered in Europe for another five hundred years. Friar John of Montecorvino bought forty Chinese boys and taught them to perform Catholic rituals—"and the lord emperor is greatly delighted with their chanting". Ordoric of Pordenone (near Venice), another Franciscan priest, discovered the delights of Cantonese cuisine.

One may wonder why the Franciscans were interested in China. St. Francis of Assisi, the founder, in the 13th Century had heard from the returning Crusaders the Mongols had overrun most of eastern Europe, decimating the population and striking terror into the heart of the popes and kings alike. What more profound incentive could a Franciscan have than to strike eastward into the pagan unknown and convert the Mongols.

Events in China changed with the departure of the Mongols. The trade routes through Central Asia were closed, but it opened China's maritime adventure. From Europe, Portuguese and Florentine traders sailed toward the Indies, using the compass the Chinese had earlier invented and introduced to the West by Arab seamen, in search of spices needed to keep their table free from spoiling in the summers. Their attempts to trade at southeast Asian ports with the Chinese were futile.

It was a Jesuit missionary Matteo Ricci, toward the close of the 16th Century, who reopened China to the West by undertaking the task to fully understand the Chinese and its civilization and contributing Jesuit science (astronomy and mathematics) at the same time. His depiction of the American continents was the first to appear in a Chinese map of the world. He was the first Westerner to master the Chinese classics, translated the works of the Chinese sage Kung Fu-tzu, giving him the name which has become a household word—Confucius, while trying to fit Christianity into the gap left by Confucianism in the realm of the supernatural.

Cameron's well-illustrated book brilliantly achieves what it sets out to do—showing both sides of the dialogue between East and West from historic sources and thus contributing to the new story now unfolding when the barbarians and mandarins have turned into democrats (of one sort or another) and communists.

Place to fight racial stereotypes in public media

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Los Angeles
An item for the "Thank God for Small Favors" department is the following from CBS News:

"The way to get to the Orient, as once hummed by millions of Americans, was on a slow boat to China. Remarkably, the boat often got no farther than Hollywood."

"Myrna Loy, dressed as ... the Dragon Lady, was about as close to reality as the Marlon man in films and novels."

"The sometimes insulting,

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sometimes patronizing ways American filmmakers and others in the media have depicted the Chinese are part of "Misunderstanding China," a CBS News special to be broadcast Sunday, Feb. 20 from 6 to 7 p.m. on Channel 2.

The news release goes on to say that "Misunderstanding China" will document the multitude of distortions and outright prejudices Americans have had about the Chinese.

"Beginning with the earliest film of Thomas Edison and continuing to this day, film—movies, newsreels, documentaries, government propaganda films and travelogues—has been America's major source of information about China. All too often, it has been misinformation," says Irv Drasin, producer and writer of "Misunderstanding China."

We hope enough emphasis will be placed on the program on seeing beyond the images and stereotypes to overcome the effect of film clips from such as "The Mask of Fu Manchu" which will be shown.

We Asians have a long, uphill fight still ahead of us in overcoming stereotypes about ourselves in the public mind. Positive images are practically non-existent in the public media, while misinformation abounds.

President Nixon's about-face toward Red China as well as persistent emphasis on the growth of Japan's Gross National Product in recent years have helped focus attention on the Orient in recent months, but Life magazine can still come out with a fashion spread featuring long dangling sleeves with an ukiyo-e print on it and call it Chinese.

A Business Week feature about economist Sam Nakagawa contains the quote, "He has replaced Gerry Tsai as the inscrutable Oriental on the (Wall) street." And the article is quoting "an admirer" of Nakagawa's.

The list is endless, right down to the reincarnation of the Dragon Lady in the person of Bette Davis as "Madame Sin."

The place to fight stereotyping is in the public media, particularly on TV which has replaced the movies as the foremost image-molder of our times. We need to encourage Sam to go into the field, not only as actors but as writers and as personnel in the producing end of the programs.

It may be a good idea for the JACL to channel for awhile their scholarships in the direction of students who are planning to go into the public aspects of TV.

Stereotype-busting can also be done on a local level by Asian Americans being more assertive in their everyday lives.

An item in the Santana Wind, official publication of the Orange County JACL, caught our attention in this regard.

The writer was not identified, but he had attended a meeting of the principals in Area K (San Fernando Valley—North) in the L.A. city schools system where representatives of the various ethnic commissions were invited to speak.

A white principal angrily demanded to know why there was a Black Commission and a Chicano Commission and now an Asian American Commission but none for white ethnics. He zeroed in on the Asian commission and demanded, "Tell me, are you an Asian first and an American second?"

It's discouraging to find that this kind of blindness and deafness can still be found among school principals—in fact it's appalling.

The Asian commissioner gently told the Mittel American fireball that the very fact that he would ask such a question points out the need for an Asian American Commission. Why indeed should an Asian American be required to answer such a question when it doesn't even occur to the white American to ask it of himself? The racial "problem" is mainly a white problem, not black, brown or yellow or red.

In order to help the white concept of Asian Americans, however, we have to change, too. Heretofore, we have been practically non-existent in the general community. We have tended to keep too much to our own community. And we have been too accommodating to the insults and patronizing.

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LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Drug report

Editor:

There were two lengthy, but separated, articles on drugs in the Feb. 11 Los Angeles Times. If both articles were side-by-side as they should have been, the so-called drug abuse problem, in reality it affects only one of our problems—the availability would be diminished. Let our voices be heard.

reason we believe is that the people don't know. We must find out what's going on.

While it may appear cutting back on production will reduce the drug abuse problem, in reality it affects only one of our problems—the availability would be diminished. Let our voices be heard.

MORI NISHIDA

Los Angeles

Nishida is a volunteer worker with JACS-Asian Involvement—Editor

Executive Order 9066

(Following is a copy of a letter addressed to the San Francisco Chronicle—Ed.)

Editor:

Generous coverage has been given by the public media to the photographic exhibition and book entitled "Executive Order 9066: The Internment of 110,000 Japanese-Americans" sponsored and published by the California Historical Society.

Much has been written, scholarly and for consumption, about this humiliating experience of one racial group in this Land of the Free. But most of these writings have ignored the fact that similar upheavals occurred simultaneously in Alaska, Mexico, Central America, South America, and in particular, Canada.

The evacuation and internment of Japanese in Canada during World War II were more harsh and severe than that of the United States. Approximately 22,000 Japanese-Canadians, majority of them citizens of Canada, were herded inland from British Columbia. Attempts were made to separate family members.

Men were sent to road construction camps, families to sugar beet areas, women and children to rehabilitated ghost towns. Majority of them were placed in interior housing projects. The properties left behind were sold by the Canadian government at public auctions. The representative of British Columbia in the Canadian Parliament was in favor of mass deportation of the Japanese-Canadians to Japan after the war. Up to 1947, Canada was still restricting the movements of the Japanese.

Such unforgivable acts by these nations were brought about by fear of sabotage and espionage, but the emergence of long-held racial prejudice, envy and greed on part of the larger public, especially the political and economic opportunists.

Let such exhibits and books act as one deterrent to any furtherance of man's inhumanity to man.

CHARLES CHUCK CHAN
San Mateo, Calif.

Of Buddhahead Soul

I am what I am

I can't help what I am

I am a Buddhahead Soul

If you don't "dig" me for what I am

I am sorry baby

I am a Buddhahead Soul

I "dig" sashimi, umeboshi, rice, Bushido and all that jazz

So—

If you don't "dig" me for what I am

I'm not a bit sorry for what I am

I am a Buddhahead Soul

If you're not "hep" to what I am

sorry baby

I'll let you go—

—Mas F. Shono

Blind man without fingers 'reads' with his tongue

(A number of church bulletins cross our desk during the month, from which we have been able to glean items for News Capsules. Ministers have their thoughts for the week published, but one has compensated the few moments it took this past week to read the following piece from the Chicago Buddhist Temple Bulletin—Ed.)

By REV. GYOKO T. SAITO

POEM: DEATH

At the tip of the tongue
As if sucked on.
A word pops up.

—Pontaro

Chicago

This poem was printed in

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a poetry magazine called Denzhu (Castration), published by leprosy patients in Okayama Prefecture in Japan.

I know many friends in Chicago who have domestic problems, but their misfortunes are such that there is no way of comparing them and judging "this person is more unfortunate than that one."

It is true that when parents and children do not communicate with each other their life is always rather unhappy. But think of the case of a leprosy patient. Because of his disease he cannot even write a letter to his parents using his own name. He is afraid that his parents' neighbors will find out he has the disease. So naturally he doesn't write that letter which he wants to write, or if he does he never puts his real name on it.

Being cut off from the human world of relationship of parents, children, friends, couples, those leprosy patients live such a lonely life on their island in Okayama.

Gradually they lose their fingers and hands and legs—which must be amputated. And they lose their eyesight. Ordinary blind people are fortunate in that they can read Braille with their fingertips. But Mr. Pontaro, the author of the poem above, could not read Braille with his fingers because he had no fingers.

Where can we locate his gratitude for living? When we think of our ordinary life we never pay much attention to the fact that we have ordinary hands, legs, eyes, nose, mouth. We don't especially appreciate the fact that we can read a book. But Mr. Pontaro who cannot see, who has no fingers, —reads the Braille— with his tongue.

What was he reading? Perhaps a letter from his dear parents. Perhaps poetry or a story translated into Braille. It could have been a single word he was reading. But none of this matters for understanding his poem. While Mr. Pontaro was reading the Braille with the tip of his tongue, a word leaped up as if sucked in by the tip of his tongue.

To read with the tip of the tongue means to read with the total being which was once dead. He had given up all ordinary hope of the world. Perhaps he had tried suicide. Yet once he was completely dead to the hope of the world, he started to learn everything.

And this one single poem manifested the life of Mr. Pontaro who wanted to die and could not die. Such an undying life is manifested in "I Gaining this one poem, I really understood the deepest gratitude of Mr. Pontaro's life."

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Vicky Kubo, Cheryl Shimada and Joan Ito, all newly elected officers, met me to realize what made the chapter go. To support these people they have Harold Shimizu, Dr. Akio Hayashi, Yoshie Takahashi, Jimmy and Tsugi Kubo, and a host of others.

Percy and Gladys Masaki have been real and long time stalwarts for the chapter and Percy was honored for his many years of dedicated service with some beautiful moments. His wife, who gives Percy a run for his money, showed me the chapter history album. What a beautiful job! It was filled with pictures, articles and clippings chronicling the chapters accomplishments over the past year. The health clinic, the community picnic (which draws 4,000 people), Bob Matsui's campaign literature, and many, many other features were well organized and placed in the album.

As I mentioned before, Bill hasn't lost his deft touch and spoke eloquently, with rousing enthusiasm, humor and frivolity. His wife says he doesn't have to retire; he is out golfing most of the time anyway, or fishing and enjoying himself in one way or another. I can believe that!

Meeting the People

Meeting Chairman Patrick Melarkey of the Board of Supervisors, Mayor Richard R. Mariotti of Sacramento, and their wives was a pleasant task. Sitting next to Mrs. Melarkey, a beautiful and gracious lady, I found out she lived in Salt Lake before when she was a United Airlines stewardess, and lived on the same street where I live, a few blocks down.

Sue Oda, Co-Chairman, Junior JACL, I have had the pleasure of meeting several times now, particularly at an eventful Tri-District Conference at Riverside. Judge Munori and Hisa Sakuma looked well. One of our district court judges had the pleasure of meeting Judge Sakuma and said he was a terribly nice guy, and as sharp as they come. Meeting Shig Sakamoto again was gratifying because I had a great time talking to him at Salt Lake during the National Bowling Touring.

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EAST WIND: Bill Marutani

Unaccustomed as I Am

Philadelphia

PERHAPS YOUR REACTION is in the same as mine when the toastmaster, or some preliminary speaker, opens up with one of those long, drawn-out salutations: "Mayor Jones, Mrs. Jones, honored guests at the head table, distinguished guests in the audience, District Governor Yamamoto, fellow JACLers, ladies and gentlemen, and friends." I cringe in the excruciating realization that it promises to be a dreary, drawn-out, dismal evening. Unfortunately I'm usually right.

WHILE THE WORDS drone on, my mind drifts and I ask myself: "Now why wouldn't a simple 'Ladies and Gentlemen' not have taken care of everyone?" Then getting a bit cynical: perhaps the speaker had to distinguish his "friends" as being outside of the general class of "ladies and gentlemen". But then this leaves out all those JACLers that the speaker classified separately. Ho hum.

GUZU-GUZU HAYAKU

MORE OFTEN THAN not, the banquet is delayed: usually, as the dessert is being passed out, the dance band can be heard unpacking in the back of the room. And I take another look at the program to make sure, and unfortunately the program is indeed loaded, nay, over-loaded. And so the toastmaster goes into a prolonged assurance how he's going to move things right along. And he repeats this assurance several times during the course of the evening. Instead of using the time to get on with the program.

THE HEAD TABLE is next introduced individually, so that accompanying spouses take separate bows, often giving rise to a somewhat antiseptic or awkward acknowledgement. This instead of introducing couples as couples. (One neat method I once observed was to have members of the head table lined up in an ante-room, and each person's name announced as the person entered and ascended to his/her seat. This also started out the dinner with an air of organization and dignity, rather than the disorganized buzzing and uncertainty that often precedes the commencement of a banquet.)

HONORING THE MAIN SPEAKER

MANY ROUTINE MATTERS could be eliminated entirely from the schedule but of those that are left, many can be disposed of during lulls in the pre- and mid-dessert period; indeed, some can be disposed of prior to the dinner. Yet I've seen all those golden-opportunity lulls lost with the result that everything, absolutely everything, is "saved" for the post-dessert ordeal.

MORE THAN ONCE I've felt sorry for, and apologetic toward, the main speaker. With all the foregoing preliminaries, announcements, chapter or district awards, the "warm-up" speeches which are misleadingly listed as "remarks" in the program, the piano-violin recital, the installation ceremony, the Pledge of Allegiance, the JACL Hymn, the Creed, the toastmaster's valedictory introductions—while the dance band impatient shuffling in the background can be distinctly heard—after all this, the main speaker is handed the shambles of smoke weary, fidgety, half-asleep audience.

THIS TYPE OF INHUMANITY toward the honored speaker is inexcusable, certainly grossly thoughtless. To avoid this kind of discourtesy, often to a speaker who may have travelled cross-country, it is hereby advocated that the main speaker be listed to be heard right after dinner. First. Then if the program is to be prolonged, drawn-out, etc., let it be at someone else's expense.

JUST A LITTLE BIT

PRE-DINNER PLANNING, even a little, can go a long ways. For example, all participants in the program should be seated near the head table, for how often have we heard names announced followed by a deadly, awkward silence while we hear footsteps starting from the back of the room? Then to have this deadly procedure repeated as each new name is called?

A DIGNIFIED CLOSING of a dinner may not be the easiest thing, but with a bit of planning and discipline it can be effected. It has often struck me as an aberration to end up a grand affair with someone rushing up from the audience to make announcements of this and that, mixed in the confusion of chairs being pushed back, the audience buzzing, etc.

NO, WE HAVE no particular affair in mind when we make the foregoing observations. Perhaps in the following column, we'll again discuss this Nisei syndrome which compels them to orally proclaim fidelity to our land every time they meet to eat.

On Second Thought

Warren Furutani

Seisho Gakuen



Last Saturday I participated in a reunion of Terminal Island people. It was a gathering of teachers, students and friends of the old Seisho Gakuen.

Now, this was an experience. You see, I was born in Terminal Island, which is a part of San Pedro, and I am a third generation Terminal Islander. So, going to this reunion was an experience in my continuing odyssey to find my roots and identity.

I saw home movies and pictures of my grandmother who was one of the Japanese school teachers and the sense of community was so strong and good. The vibrations at the Reunion were also the same.

It's interesting because the strong communal feeling was transferred to me. Also the feeling of being face-to-face with your own history is very moving, so that the experience is none that I have had before since the last Manzanar Pilgrimage maybe.

What I learned that night no Sansei or Yonsei will ever learn in school. No American history book has ever or probably will ever reveal this intimate and important history of the Japanese American. So be it, because the community can educate itself to this history (and the history of other minorities) and this is what you call relevant education.

Remember the Manzanar Pilgrimage March 25.

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From the Frying Pan

Bill Hosokawa

Seattle, Wash. NATIVE'S RETURN—The jetliner noses down through the murk and suddenly the busy, watery panorama of Seattle is stretched out below. The old landmarks, like the Smith Tower and the Space Needle, are no longer quite so outstanding since the huge black hulk of the First National Bank building joined the skyline. The bank building dominates Seattle the way the John Hancock tower dominates Chicago. The pilot breaks in to announce the temperature on the ground and to note that a light mist is falling "to keep Seattle green." Seattle gets a lot of mist, and Seattle is green, no doubt about that. After Denver's bleak winter landscape, the sight of green lawns and bushes laden with leaves is an interesting sight.

It's odd the impressions that news stories leave. Reports of Seattle's soaring unemployment due to the Boeing cutback and the waterfront strike had created a mental image of a city in dire economic trouble with boarded up storefronts and perhaps grass growing in the streets. There's nothing of the kind, despite many cases of individual suffering. The freeway into town from the airport was jammed at 2:30 in the afternoon. One might expect to see moss on the sidewalks, which were never quite dry during two full days in the city, but not grass. Huge freighters riding high at anchor in the harbor, waiting for the strike to end so they could fill their cavernous holds, seemed symbolic of the continued optimism and forward-looking spirit of the city.

The harbor also underscored Seattle's interest in Japan and the rest of the Orient. The Japan-America Society's annual dinner last week brought out some 300 members to the luxurious Olympic Hotel. The new president, incidentally, is William Y. Mimbu, attorney with the firm of Mimbu & Wong, and the first Nisei president in the Society's long and distinguished history. (The retiring president is Walter B. Williams, an investment banker who learned to speak Japanese in the Navy's World War II language problem, and who as a member of the state legislature played a major part in repeal of Washington's alien land law. The new membership chairman is Gordon S. Clinton, attorney and former mayor of Seattle.)

IN THE BACKWASH—Once, Main Street was the heart of Seattle's burgeoning Japanese American community. The swift march of history has left it in the backwash of progress. We spent a little time visiting with the folks at the North American Post, a five-times-weekly Japanese language newspaper which hangs grimly to life despite perennial deficits. The publisher, H. T. Kubota, who has many other interests, continues to pump funds into the newspapers because he feels it is serving a necessary function. But Issei readers are dwindling (the English section was discontinued long ago) and production costs remain high. The editors feel the paper's days may be numbered although there is no intention to discontinue publication in the foreseeable future.

G. K. Takahashi leaves his Main Street real estate office locked much of the day. Business is bad, he says, no one is buying. Kubota ticks off on his fingers the Issei and Nisei operated corner grocery stores that have closed their doors in recent years as the proprietors retire, yield to chain supermarket competition, or simply get fed up with vandalism, pilferage and robbery and decide to go into some less frustrating line of work.

We were not in Seattle long enough to get the full picture. But despite the saddening reports there was much evidence that the Nisei community is viable, still optimistic, doesn't seek or need sympathy, and has every expectation of creating the conditions that will enable its members to live the good life. Get some of the oldtime Issei off in a corner for a chat, and they will tell you they're proud as can be of how their Nisei children turned out, and I'd guess the Nisei would talk the same way about the Sansei. That's the Seattle spirit.

By the Board

Governor Fred Hirasuna
Central California District

TANAKA FEDERATED PLAN

Fresno

We are in agreement with Henry Tanaka that more concern must be given to district councils and their problems. Members are hard to come by. In our area, and in other areas, we have every reason to believe that fringe benefits such as a health plan, bowling tournaments and charter flights are attracting members whose sole interest lie with these fringe attractions. To assume that any number of such members will interest themselves in other JACL activities as time goes on is probably wishful thinking on the part of JACL.

Generally, the problems of rural chapters are being largely ignored in the overall activities of the JACL. The emphasis has been and largely is upon urban problems. A substantial portion of the national budget is being used to try to solve or combat these problems.

There is a growing feeling on the part of rural members that JACL as a whole tends to ignore the problems of rural districts because of urban belief that rural problems are largely economic in nature and that farmers in general are with the group that is believed to be oppressing Mexican farm labor. These feelings are being translated by rural chapters into a growing belief that "we must take care of our own problems." In the eyes of urban members, this may represent a return to provincialism, but, nevertheless, the feeling is there and it is growing.

JACL Offices

Present JACL offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago and Washington (D.C.) can perform certain necessary services for the NC-WN, the PSW, the Midwest and the Eastern district councils, especially those chapters located near such offices. These offices help to take some of the onerous, routine duties from district council officers, especially the governors.

At present, the PNW, the Intermountain, the Mountain-

By DAVID USHIO

Washington We have heard much about the changing world in which we live; the friction between the generations and races; and the slow struggle toward social progress.



Washington We have heard much about the changing world in which we live; the friction between the generations and races; and the slow struggle toward social progress.

May we pause a moment and consider what one man has to say about this situation.

"There is discrimination in this world and slavery and slaughter and starvation. Governments oppress their people. Millions are trapped in poverty, while the nation grows rich and wealth is lavished on armaments everywhere.

"These are differing evils, but they are the common works of man. They reflect the impotence of human justice. The inadequacy of human compassion, our lack of sensibility towards the suffering of our fellows.

"But we can perhaps remember, even if only for a time, that those who live with us are our brothers, that they share with us the same short moment of life, that they seek as we do nothing but the chance to live out their lives in purpose and happiness, winning what satisfaction and fulfillment they can.

Look Around

"Surely this bond of common faith, this bond of common goals, can begin to teach us something. Surely we can learn at least to look at those around us as fellow men. And surely we can begin to work a little harder to bind up the wounds among us and to become in our own hearts brothers and countrymen once again.

"The answer is to rely on youth, not a time of life but a state of mind, a temper of the will, a quality of imagination, a predominance of courage over timidity, of the appetite for adventure over the love of ease. The cruelties and obstacles of this world if they are changing planet will not yield to the obsolete dogmas and outworn slogans; they cannot be moved by those who cling

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ronage. The direction of change is indicated by a letter from the Gardena Valley JACL to the Gardena Elks in answer to a recent invitation to attend an Elks function:

"We thank you for your kind invitation. JACL is dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Your national membership voted this (past) year again to retain its white only rule. By this action, Elks are stating that non-whites are unworthy of becoming your brothers. Thus, by accepting the use of your facilities only on given occasions, any non-white would in effect be accepting your judgment of us as second class citizens. In view of the fact that we cannot enter 'through the front door,' we must respectfully decline your invitation."

members in Los Angeles and San Francisco, in spite of their comparatively large membership, is not understandable to the neglected members of the hinterlands. Actual JACL membership in areas of large concentrations of Japanese Americans does not seem to justify this JACL for selfish reasons should be interested in promoting JACL membership with JACL money.

Generally we are in agreement with Governor Sugiyama's thinking, but there is a fundamental fallacy about the influence of the National Council in JACL. The Council meets once every biennial at the National Convention and votes on matters recommended by the National Board, the Executive Committee and the various committees. These conventions are poorly attended, especially by those chapters situated in rural districts. This is due in part to timing, usually during the harvest season; and to the high cost of attending conventions.

Farmers cannot afford to take time off during the harvest season. Their entire year's income depends on the harvest. There are chapters with fifty members or less. Small chapters cannot afford the spending of \$600 and up to send a delegate. In this connection, it is totally unfair to place limitations on proxy votes. If such limitations are imposed, the National Council would become even more a body composed largely of urban and/or affluent chapters. The CCDC is proposing an initiative and referendum amendment to correct in part this imbalance of power. The power in the National Council should not be concentrated in the hands of only those chapters who are able to send delegates to national conventions.

to a present that is already dying, who prefer the illusion of security to the excitement and danger that come with even the most peaceful progress.

"It is a revolutionary world which we live in, and this generation at home and around the world has had thrust upon it a greater burden of responsibility than any generation that has ever lived. Some believe there is nothing one man or woman can do against the enormous array of

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the world's ills. Yet many of the world's great movements of thought and action have flowed from the work of a single man.

Individual Roles

"A young monk began the Protestant Reformation. A young general extended an empire from Macedonia to the borders of the earth. A young woman reclaimed the territory of France, and it was a young Italian explorer who discovered the New World, and the thirty-two-year-old Thomas Jefferson who explained that all men are created equal.

"These men moved the world, and so can we all. Few will have the greatness to bend history itself, but each of us can work to change a small portion of events, and in the total of all those acts will be written the history of this generation.

"Each time a man stands for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope.

"And crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring,

NC-WNDC SYMPOSIUM

OAKLAND — The principal focus for thought at Feb. 6 NC-WNDC meeting at Mills College was provided by the Symposium on United States-Japan Relations.

Chaired by Dr. Clifford Uyeda, chairman of the JACL International Affairs Committee, Yuji Ichiooka of the UCLA Asian American Studies Center presented a concise and sensitive portrait of the factors which historically led Japanese Americans into the evacuation experience, largely aggravated by the climate of opinion in Japan and the sentiment of Japanese towards immigrants as a whole.

Apparently in the eyes of the Japanese, the problems of the Issei immigrants were viewed as a loss of face for Japan rather than as a reflection of economic competition and racial hysteria so prevalent in California at the time. Only in the fact of the Exclusion movement did the Japanese Government register protests and in doing so, protests were hampered by the lack of definition about land tenure or ownership. Action in 1925 in Seattle, however, was successful on the exercise of commercial rights, but the plight of the Issei, mostly agricultural workers, was ineffectively handled.

Dual Citizenship

A further complication was the dual citizenship of the Nisei born to the Issei and their picture brides. In 1916 a slow evolution began to take place, whereby the Issei could determine the citizenship of their children. Fourteen and above, the choice lay with the child. But even in 1924, a 14-day grace period after birth was allowed before citizenship was chosen. Citizenship in Japan automatically carried army obligation, and was further compounded by the sending of Nisei to Japan to be educated.

Ichiooka pointed out that the Issei tended to identify with another some-time immigrant, Matsuoka Yosuke, a one-time Oakland resident and alumnus of the Univ. of Oregon. Matsuoka was the man who led the Japanese delegation out of the League of Nations and on his return trip to Japan visited friends in Portland and San Francisco and gave medals to the localities. A special school and institute was built in Tokyo to house Nisei—Nichi Bei Gakuin of the Japanese American Hawaiian society. Tours of Japan were arranged — the Southern California Japanese Language Assn. had a tour of Korea, Manchuria and North China and the Language Ministry of Education textbooks. Year 1940 marked the first conference of overseas Japanese held in Tokyo, celebrating the 2600th anniversary of the birth of Japan.

Effects of Evacuation

The nature of these con-

nections, Ichiooka remarked, contributed to the strain and ultimately the suspicion of the Japanese. Ichiooka felt that because of the evacuation experience these factors never again would be felt in quite the same manner, but that even the tenuous connections still were there in the minds of some Caucasians.

The discussants included Patricia Sumi, Asian Women's Health Clinic; Tomoye Takahashi, Takahashi Trading Co.; Penny Nakatsu, U.C. law student, Berkeley; Yukio Kumamoto, No. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce; and Eugene Moriguchi, Redwood City attorney.

Pat Sumi spoke of the effects of militarization of Japan on the countries she had visited — North Korea, North Vietnam, China and the disturbing signs of the resurgence of militarism in Japan. Mrs. Takahashi spoke of her childhood experience in San Francisco and the practical household effects of Nixon's surcharge for traditional observances as well as on travel. Kumamoto spoke of the 69 Japanese firms who handled part of the \$428 million exports and \$702 million imports. He also mentioned that these firms had 1,618 local employees, 270 of which had managerial or supervisory positions out of the total of 390 managerial positions.

those ripples build a current that can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and resistance. Few are willing to brave the disapproval of their fellows, the censure of their colleagues, the wrath of their society. Moral courage is a rarer commodity than bravery in battle or great intelligence. Yet it is the one essential vital quality for those who seek to change a world that yields most painfully to change.

Moral Courage

"And I believe that in this generation those with the courage to enter the moral conflict will find themselves with companions in every corner of the globe.

"For the fortunate among us there is the temptation to follow the easy and familiar paths of personal ambition and financial success so grandly spread before those who enjoy the privilege of education. But that is not the road history has marked out for us.

"Like it or not, we live in times of danger and uncertainty. But they are also more open to the creative energy of men than any other time in history. All of us will ultimately be judged and as the years pass, we will surely judge ourselves, on the effort we have contributed to building a new world society and the extent to which our ideals and goals have shaped that event.

"Our future may lie beyond our vision, but it is not completely beyond our control. It is the shaping impulse of America that neither faith nor nature nor the irresistible tides of history but the work of our own hands matched to reason and principle will determine our destiny." — Robert Kennedy (1960), South Africa.

In a letter to Don Hayashi,

Both Penny Nakatsu and Eugene Moriguchi spoke to the subtler aspects of being a Japanese American. Penny concerned herself with the desire of the Sansei, born into comfortable economic circumstances, to find out about their culture and the danger of insularity, as well as the Sansei need to re-educate themselves in terms of their self-image. Moriguchi spoke largely to the issue of the double messages one gives one's self or picks up in the culture around them, an attitude which he calls Buy American.

The symposium broke up into several panels with a moderator and a resource person. Just before Ted Jitodal of S.F. State College's Department of Sociology summarized the shifting, threading, pragmatic position of the Japanese American, the panelist reported the consensus of the discussions. Prime among them was a desire to have information before the event, i.e. a discussion about Okinawa before the Reversion Treaty, not after the fact; the concern lest columnists in papers be serving special interest and be therefore capable of slanting opinion with the readership; a wider use of the JACL avenues of pressure; the desire to have alternative views presented in the Pacific Citizen.

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Calif. Medical Assn. Supports With Resolution

SAN FRANCISCO — The House of Delegates of the California Medical Assn., at its 101st annual session here this past week (Feb. 15), voted to set up a commission to study the problem posed by Dr. Thomas Noguchi, chief medical examiner-curator of Los Angeles County.

Dr. Noguchi had urged a state task force be set up to treat the 1945 Hiroshima-Nagasaki atomic bomb victims now residing in the state.

There may be 700 of them in the state, the CMA was advised. Hundreds of them are "suffering

Chicago JACL Credit Union declares 5% dividend, D. Yalabe re-elected

CHICAGO — A total of 110 shareholders and friends braved the sub-zero temperature to attend the 25th annual meeting of the Chicago JACL Federal Credit Union held on Feb. 4 at Como Inn.

President Dudley Yalabe reviewed the 1971 operations which reflected the prevailing economic condition. Total assets amounted to \$497,124, with a loan/share ratio of 67% as compared to 80% of the previous year, recording a decrease of 13%.

The most significant event of 1971 was the acceptance for participation in the share insurance program, placing the credit union on an equal basis with other financial institutions, whereby share accounts are now federally insured up to \$20,000.

A dividend of 5% per annum was declared by the board of directors. The dividend also includes life insurance commensurate with shareholdings of up to \$2,000 and loan protection insurance to the event of death of the borrower.

Elections Held

Elected to the board of directors were: Richard Hagwara, Richard H. Kawa, Thomas Masuda, Jack Nakagawa, Arise Oda, Lincoln Shimidzu, Sumi Shimizu, and Dudley Yalabe. (4-year term). Roy Kuroye and Dave Yoshimura (1-year term).

Elected to the Credit Committee for a 2-year term were: Richard Hagwara, George Ikegami, Thomas Masuda, Lincoln Shimidzu, and Dudley Yalabe. Guest speaker Irvin L.

CHAPTER PULSE

Dr. Hayakawa to address San Francisco JACL

The San Francisco JACL will hold its annual installation dinner at Castagnola's on Fisherman's Wharf on Saturday, March 11.

Dinner chairman, Hank Obayashi, announced that a steak dinner will be the featured item on the menu and tickets will be priced at \$7.50 per person.

March Events

Speaker for the evening will be Dr. S.I. Hayakawa, president of San Francisco State College, who will comment on his recent trip to South Vietnam and the invitation of the government of that nation.

Chapter president George Yamashita, Jr., and the Board of Governors will be installed.

Tickets are available from any Board member and also by telephoning 567-5400.

Three years ago, a similar dinner meeting with Dr. Hayakawa as guest speaker was cancelled due to strong opposition from a segment of chapter membership that opposed Dr. Hayakawa's administrative thinking on the San Francisco State campus.

Those supporting Dr. Hayakawa later sponsored a dinner meeting with Dr. Hayakawa as guest speaker. Demonstrators formed a picket line in front of a North Beach hall where the dinner was held. Polarization of the local Nihonmachi was evident at that time.

The fact that there is no opposition to inviting Dr. Hayakawa to the 1972 installation dinner of the local JACL chapter seems to indicate happily the maturity of the Nihonmachi thinking. The Hokubei Mainichi commented this past week.

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ament last year and he gave me some inside dope on many things (he is a newspaper reporter). Meeting with Babe and Yvonne Noguchi and her sister gave me pause to cheer up because they just bubbled with optimism.

Tak Tsujita clued me in on some Japanese in and about Sacramento and as we were talking, W. K. Lee, a newspaper reporter of Korean descent, was introduced to me. Lee said he was educated in Japan and was a cadet in the Japanese air force during the war. He said the one thing that sustained him through thick and thin wherever he has been was the Yamato Damashii spirit he learned from the Japanese. He claims deference to his role as a minority reporter, but Tak tells me he has really done some great things and keeps things popping by his reporting.

There were many other dignitaries in the audience from the sheriff to many state legislators. George Inagaki, past National President, really looked great. From National we had Mas Sato and his wife Chie (a northern Utah girl). I don't know what kind of formula they have for keeping young-looking, but they haven't changed a bit since I first met them three years ago.

Mike and Nami Suzuki, being tall for Japanese, always make a nice looking pair wherever I see them. Mike, Jack Sooi's brother, is a comedian also and like he says, people should know better than to put a microphone before him and provide him with an audience. As he has done on several other occasions, he spiced introduction of the guest speaker (myself) with jest, humor and wit. Peripatetic Shig and Kimi Sugiyama, traveling with the Sato's to Sacramento, Governor Shig has been spending one hell of a lot of time for JACL in many capacities. I should remind him there is no end, the road only leads up.

After the dinner, I had a chance to talk with one of the scholarship winners. His mother, a very attractive widow, was with him. We talked about scholarships and she made inquiry whether JACL had continuing, renewable

Two speakers planned for Dayton meeting

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Two speakers will address the regular Dayton JACL meeting this Sunday, Feb. 27, 1:30 p.m., at the Kettering Service Bldg., according to program chairman Charles Pace.

Dr. J.T. Breshner, Public Health Clinic medical director, will speak on venereal disease from an academic and sociological viewpoint. Following him with a talk on drug abuse is Mike Miller, assistant district director with the Boy Scouts of America.

Both speakers will join the chapter at the potluck dinner to follow.

Takei to address San Gabriel Valley

George Takei, national JACL cultural affairs committee chairman, will speak on the "Japanese in Media", especially the Japanese American image in film and TV roles, at the San Gabriel Valley JACL meeting this Saturday, Feb. 26, 8 p.m., at the West Covina ESGV Japanese Community Center.

Pasadena JACL elects Thelma Stoddy president

Pasadena JACL will install Mrs. Thelma Stoddy as president at its installation dinner Feb. 26, 6 p.m., at George Lim's Restaurant in New Chinatown. Al Hatate, national JACL treasurer, will be main speaker. PSWDC Gov. Helen Kawagoe will install the 1972 cabinet.

Work is underway for observing Japan Day in Pasadena from May 1 to 5. Mrs. Stoddy, Mrs. Ruth Deguchi, Mack Yamaguchi, Harvard Yuki and Dr. Ken Yamaguchi are working with Mrs. Everett A. Palmer, president of the Pacificulture and Asia Museum on the city-wide observance of Japan Day.

Afghanistan topic for West L.A. Auxiliary

An informative evening is in prospect for West Los Angeles JACL Women's Auxiliary, when it meets Feb. 25 at Felicia Mahood Center to hear

scholarships. I made a quick mental recap of our scholarships, and could not recollect any except for the Nobe Graduate Scholarship. I soon realized, JACL should think in terms of several continuing, renewable scholarships for students who will have a continuing need for funds to complete their education.

Bill and May, Jimmy and Tsugi Kubo and I shopped for a quiet place to relax after the dinner, but found most places crowded. We finally found a place, listened to some rock music and entertainment, had a nightcap and split for the evening. As I was about to retire, I turned on the TV for late news, but found "Mystery on the Bounty", an old movie. It reminded me of my camp days because I first read the book in grammar school and recall vividly some passages written by Nordoff and Hall, and the stories of the mutineers and pitcairn Island and some of the other enchanting islands of the Pacific. Like "Two Years Before the Mast" and "Billy Budd", the cruelty of the navy was legion and harsh. How things have changed. It has taken a long time and many lives, but such gives hope for the future in other areas.

Tom Fujimoto was kind enough to wake up early to give me a ride to the airport. Tom works as a staff assistant to the California Water Commission. He was telling me about the conflict between conservationists, ecologists and the professionals who must plan ahead for the most efficient and effective use of water for the users, the people of the state of California.

Beautiful PR Job

We picked up the two local newspapers and read the publicity we got on the dinner. Sacramento did a beautiful PR job before and during the dinner, press and TV wise. I have frequently mentioned the importance of PR for JACL. It is not necessary to overdo it, but it is important that timely and significant

JACL activities receive proper coverage so that total community knows what is being done and how, and to show the community the JAs are part of the community. The most important part of exposure is the contacts that are made with the various segments of the community and the community knows there is an organization that can be contacted in case problems relating to the JAs arise, or programs that JAs should be involved in or when speakers are needed, they know JACL is around. Many people knock PR, but wide exposure for a chapter is one of the best instruments of social, political, educational and cultural involvement any chapter can ask for and get. So don't knock it; use it! It is generally free.

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JACL protests transfer of San Mateo Nisei County public health nurse

SAN MATEO — Transfer of Mrs. Suzu Kunitani, San Mateo County public health nurse, out of the north central district met strong opposition this past week (Feb. 11) from the San Mateo JACL.

Attorney Eugene Moriguchi, 1972 chapter president, noted Mrs. Kunitani has been a 20-year resident and active in community work, and her departure has left the Japanese here without direct services.

The nursing office supervisor, Hilda Stengard, responsible for the reassignment had implied any public health nurse was competent to serve the Japanese American community when the issue was first raised in late January.

"Such belief and attitude is pure nonsense," Moriguchi declared, "and indicates a lack of awareness". He noted

Seattle teenager tells Buddhist view in national Camp Fire Girls magazine

SEATTLE—The viewpoint of the nation's Buddhist members of Camp Fire Girls will be represented by the statement of a Seattle teenager in the March issue of Today's Girl, a magazine sponsored by Camp Fire Girls, Inc.

CALENDAR

Feb. 25 (Friday)
Seattle—Soc. Concerns Mtg. Japanese Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Axiy Mtg. Felicia Mahood Ctr., 8 p.m.
Dr. David Sheldon, spkr.

Feb. 26 (Saturday)
Seattle—Univ. of Wash. ASC Rap Session, Japanese Presbyterian Church, 1-4:30 p.m.; Warren Furutani,ldr.
San Gabriel Valley—Mtg. East San Gabriel Valley JCC, West Covina, 8 p.m.; George Takei, spkr.

Pasadena—Inst. Dnr. George Lim's Restaurant, 949 N. Hill St., L.A., 7 p.m.; Al Hatate, spkr.
Nat'l JACL—Credit Union annual dnr mtg. Prudent Plaza, Salt Lake City, 7 p.m.

West Valley—Inst. Dnr. Saratoga Lakes Brave Bull Restaurant, 1 p.m.; Prof. Stanford Lyman, UC San Diego, spkr.

Feb. 27 (Sunday)
Long Beach—Harbor District—Inst. Dnr. Ranch House Restaurant, Seal Beach, 6:30 p.m.
Puyallup Valley—Potluck Dnr Mtg. Tacoma Buddhist Church, 4 p.m.

Dayton—Mtg. Kettering Service Bldg., 1:30 p.m.; Dr. J. T. Breshner, Mike Miller, spkrs.
PSWDC—Qtrly Sess. Olympian Motor Hotel, 1900 W. Olympic, L.A., 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; Alan Nishio, spkr.; (Wishire JACL hosts)

Mar. 4 (Saturday)
Detroit—Inst. Dnr. Holiday Inn, 11-Mile Rd. and Telegraph, Sequoia—Girls Day program.
Mar. 6-11
JACL Bowling Tournament—South Bay Bowling Center, Redondo Beach (Gardena Valley JACL hosts)

Mar. 6 (Monday)
Gardena Valley—JACL Bowling Tournament mixer, Mishima's Restaurant.
Mar. 7 (Tuesday)
Sequoia—Bo Mtg. Palo Alto Buddhist Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 8 (Wednesday)
Orange County—Gen Mtg. San Francisco—Inst. Dnr. Castagnola's Fisherman's Wharf, 7 p.m.; Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, spkr.
Gardena Valley—JACL Bowling awards dinner-dance, aboard the Queen Mary, Long Beach, 6:30 p.m. Happy Hour, 7:30 p.m. Dnr. (88.30 per person)

Mar. 11-12
Contra Costa—South Lake Tahoe Bus Trip, to Sat. 5 a.m. San Pablo & Macdonald Ave. ret. Sun 5 p.m.

Mar. 12 (Monday)
Puyallup Valley—Mtg. Tacoma Buddhist Church, 8 p.m.
Mar. 14 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Bo Mtg. Sturges Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.

Mar. 18 (Saturday)
San Jose—Golf tour, Oakridge Golf Course.
Portland—Pre-DC social.
PNWDC—Qtrly Mtg. Redwood Inn, Gresham, 10 a.m. (Gresham-Trousdale JACL hosts)

Mar. 22 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Mtg. Nisei War Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Mar. 25 (Sunday)
Nat'l JACL—Planning Comm. Mtg. Hyatt House, Burlingame.
Mar. 26-27
Nat'l JACL—Budget Comm. Mtg. San Francisco.
April 4 (Tuesday)
Sequoia—Bo Mtg. Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Contra Costa to sponsor Tahoe fun trip Mar. 11-12

A South Lake Tahoe fun trip will be sponsored by the Contra Costa JACL on Mar. 11-12 with overnight stay booked at the Holiday Lodge. Proceeds go toward the chapter scholarship fund, according to Alice Ninomiya (234-9081), who is handling reservations. Cost is \$25 for the trip. Bus will leave Mar. 11, 9 a.m., from the Bank of America lot at San Pablo and Macdonald Ave.

February Events

Warren Furutani slated for two Seattle meetings

On Feb. 25-26 weekend, the Seattle Asian community will have Warren Furutani of Los Angeles as guest speaker. The National JACL community involvement project coordinator will kick off the Seattle JACL social concerns committee meeting Feb. 25, 7 p.m., at the Japanese Presbyterian Church, and lead the Univ. of Washington Asian Student Coalition rap session with Asian youth on misconceptions and miseducation of Asians by the mass media the following day at the same locale from 1-4:30 p.m.

The Seattle JACL "Pride and Shame" exhibit will also be on display.

The JACL social concerns committee will continue to meet at the JACL Hall on the last Tuesday of the month, according to Martin Matsudaira, chairman.

Long Beach-Harbor to install officers

Long Beach-Harbor District JACL will hold its installation dinner-dance on Sunday, Feb. 27, at the Ranch House Restaurant, 1600 Pacific Coast Highway, Seal Beach. Mrs. Helen Kawagoe, Governor of the Pacific Southwest District Council, will act as the installing officer.

The chapter hopes to kick off a year of interesting activities geared to include all generations with this affair. The evening's program, which will begin at 6:30 p.m., will include a cocktail hour, prime rib dinner, door prizes, and entertainment. A dance featuring a "variety" of music

Her Essay

Laurie Nakamichi, 13, submitted the winning statement on "Why I was Born," to be included in an article by Camp Fire members of many different beliefs from all parts of the United States.

Laurie is an 8th grader at Asa Mercer school and a member of a Discovery Club sponsored by the Seattle Buddhist Church.

She wrote, "I was not born just to find out about all the suffering, misery, disease and war in the world around me. It was not to follow a code of license, without consideration for the welfare of family and others, but to find freedom from ignorance and superstitions. This is one of our important goals."

"True freedom is like one of the six paramitas—DANA. DANA means to give willingly, freely and joyfully without being asked. It shows us a way of life, of thankfulness to Buddha."

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Nakamichi, Laurie has been a member of Camp Fire Girls since she was a second-grader.

Fellow members of the Discovery and Horizon Clubs who entered the national competition were:

Kathy Kalita, Robin Nishimura, Vickie Takeda, Carol Deguchi, Patty Hiroo, Susan Harrison, Carolyn Mayeda and Jo Anne Matsuhira.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

Honolulu

The Hawaii State Teachers Assn. called off its strike Feb. 17 while the Board of Education cancelled classes for the day "to avoid confusion". A new contract proposal by the board is being submitted to the teachers.

Pineapple management and union representatives agreed on a new contract Feb. 5. It was the first settlement among five major contract disputes threatening Hawaii. Still to be settled are disputes involving longshoremen, teachers, sugar workers and workers at Queen's Medical Center. The new pineapple contract covers some 9,500 employees. It will run for two years. The two sides have agreed not to reveal terms of the contract until union negotiators report to their membership.

O. A. Bushnell, an expert on Hawaii history, predicts that "in 50 or more years—two generations—the last full-blooded Hawaiian will die." Bushnell, a retired Univ. of Hawaii professor, made the prediction during a recent seminar on the history of medicine at the university. "Unless pure-blooded Hawaiians make a conscious, concerted effort to marry only other Hawaiians, then we are not going to have any in 50 years," Bushnell said.

Welfare in Hawaii increased 48 per cent in fiscal 1971, the year ending last June 30, according to the State Dept. of Social Services. The DSS spent a record \$61,888,328 in fiscal 1971 in money and medical assistance to the aged, handicapped, dependent children, foster homes and general assistance. Parole revocations went down drastically.

1000 Club Report

PSW Charter Reunion

Get-together of last October's charter flight to Japan passengers from Los Angeles and their spouses and friends will be held on Saturday, Mar. 4, 8 p.m., at New Chinatown's Grandview Gardens.

Chicago had theirs, but a bigger and better program has been arranged for the L.A. area reunion, according to Akira Ohno, chairman.

A best-photo contest will be held in three categories: scenic, humorous, all-around. Prizes are being donated by Japan Air Lines, Mitsubishi Travel Agency and the Bank of Tokyo of California.

The reunion will feature a gourmet Chinese banquet at \$7 per person. Dancing to Mas Hamasu and his combo will follow. "Who knows, we might even have the snake dance," Ohno added. Reservations for the reunion are being accepted by Ohno, P. O. Box 60076, Terminal Annex, Los Angeles, Calif. 90060.

JACL members interested in the 1972 Fall Charter to Japan should write to Ohno immediately. Several reservations have already been submitted, he said.

because 80 per cent of all parolees found employment, the DSS said.

The speed limit on major highways in Maui County has been raised to 55 miles an hour by the county council. Police Chief Abraham Aloia says he will advise his policemen of the change immediately. The new maximum speed of 45 mph is posted the limit now is 55 mph.

Political Scene

Rep. Patsy Mink was to visit Oregon Feb. 12 through 17 to campaign for support in her drive on the presidential primary ballot in May. Erica Hoyet is acting chairman of the Patsy Mink for President Committee. Mrs. Mink was scheduled to visit Portland, Corvallis, Salem, Medford, Ashland and Grants Pass.

State Capitol

Mrs. Patsy Miyahira Young, who was sworn in recently into the state House of Representatives, was honored at a testimonial dinner Feb. 13 at the Wisteria Restaurant. Rep. Young has filled the vacancy created by Joseph Kuroda, who is now a senator. The dinner was sponsored by Hui Makanaa with Mrs. William Chinen and Mrs. Yokichi Uehara as co-chairmen.

Appointments

Michael Kimura, 18, son of the Hideo Kimuras of Kahului, Maui, has been appointed by Mayor Elmer Cravath as a member of the Maui County Planning Commission. Michael is a Baldwin High School student. The planning commission is responsible for the county master plan and for county-wide zoning regulation.

Police Force

Police Capt. Grant Kimura wore the police uniform for the first time in Feb. in his career under four police chiefs. Kimura, now captain of the community relations division, started with the department as a civilian patrolman clerk in the early 1940s. Most of his career was spent as an administrative aide to the chief's office. On Feb. 16 Kimura was transferred to the patrol division as a desk captain in the Honolulu metropolitan area. In other transfers announced by Chief Francis Keala, Capt. Earl Thompson was moved to the community relations job and patrol Capt. Takeshi Toyofuku was transferred to data processing. Fourteen Honolulu police detectives and sergeants will be promoted to lieutenant rank Mar. 1, the police department has announced. Promotions will be given to Raymond Ikehara, Gordon Lee, William Hong, Frank Shimizu, Paul White, Walter Fujimoto and Richard Higa, and sergeants Carl Cox, Clement Kaenohi, Lester Akeo, Richard Fuji, Yut Kin Chow, Peter Davis and Robert Mendiola.

Congressional Score

Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga in a speech prepared for delivery in the House urged Congress to repeal the Coolidge Trade Laws. He said the laws were enacted in 1882 and 1875 to prevent exploitation of Oriental persons, particularly Chinese and Japanese, who were recruited for contract servitude in the U.S. Matsunaga said further that the word "coolie" carries an unfortunate demeaning connotation among people of Chinese ancestry... and it would appear that we are deliberately ignoring their feelings by perpetuating these laws.

Univ. of Hawaii

The Univ. of Hawaii's College of Education turns out about 1,000 graduates a year, and should not expand because that's about all that are likely to find jobs in education, according to Dean Hubert V. Everly in a report prepared for the state legislature.

In 1969 the state Dept. of Education recruited most of the 1,200 new teachers it needed from the Mainland. But the picture has changed in the last two years.

The Univ. of Hawaii will open its law school with 52 students in the fall of 1973 with temporary quarters in downtown Honolulu and at the Manoa campus. State legislators have been told that salaries of both the dean and the faculty members will range from 10 to 15 per cent above Mainland averages to attract quality personnel. As projected, the law school would enroll 250 students by 1978 with a faculty of 15 to 20.

Brian Sakamaki, 26, youngest member of the UH board of regents, has charged that "ever since I have been on the board... I have been insulted and pushed around."

The outburst came after Dr. Clarence F. Chang, another board member, had announced earlier that he would have to leave in 15 minutes. Chang had suggested that formal board action wasn't required on a statement that Sakamaki had introduced. After Sakamaki's charge, the board acted FAST and adopted the statement. (Hurray for Brian! If you can't get results, shout! —RSG)

Courtroom

George M. Masuoka, acting Kauai County attorney, has submitted his resignation. He is the only remaining legal officer in Mayor Antonio Vidin's administration. He was to leave his post on Feb. 15. His announcement came one day after he had reluctantly moved to dismiss misdemeanor charges against a judge indicted following investigation into irregularities in the county government.

The state has dropped its case against two men who were indicted following a grand jury investigation of irregularities in the county government. The men are Carl Schumacher and John Aradon. Aradon was the former deputy county engineer and Schumacher, who is acting assistant highway construction and maintenance superintendent, were indicted Dec. 14.

Deaths

Famed island artist Madge Tennent died Feb. 8. She was 82. Mrs. Tennent in her drawings depicted the grace and dignity of the Polynesian race. Many critics considered her as the most important individual contributor to art in Hawaii in the 20th century. Mrs. Tennent, 21, of 30-A, Cypress St., Wahiawa, died Feb. 2 in Loma, Tofo, West Africa, in an auto accident. Ota, son of the Red Adair Ota, was an instructor with the Peace Corps in Africa. Ota volunteered for the Peace Corps in July, 1970.

Business Ticker

Two Hawaii banks and one Hawaiian savings and loan assn. are among the 200 largest institutions in their industries nationwide. Bank of Hawaii was the nation's 92nd largest bank as of Dec. 31, 1970. It was 97th. First Hawaiian Bank was No. 116; it was 115 a year earlier. Honolulu Savings & Loan ranks 110th among the savings and loan associations nationwide. It was 115th a year before.

A state report on tourism recommends halting additional zoning for resort development, placing all tourist facilities away from shoreline areas. The study points out that more than 25,000 new hotel units were constructed during the 1960s. Planners say no more than 20,000 new hotel units should be built during the decade of 1970s.

Sports Scene

The Honolulu International Center may get a facelift within the next few years. It will depend on economics and on the possibility of getting professional basketball and hockey teams for Honolulu, the Star-Bulletin reports. The proposal is to expand the arena's seating capacity from 7,500 to 15,000.

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Nat'l Asian confab on mental health set for April 28-29

LOS ANGELES — A National Conference on Asian American Mental Health will be held in the San Francisco Bay area on April 28 and 29 under the sponsorship of the National Institute of Mental Health.

The delegates will represent every area in the United States with a sizeable Asian population at the first conference of this nature to be held in this country. It was explained by K. Patrick Okura, executive assistant to the director of the NIMH, at a previous steering committee session.

Okura emphasized that although the NIMH is sponsoring the conference, the planning itself for the conference is being done by Asian Americans.

The Los Angeles Japanese community has been assigned five of the total 78 delegates to the conference. It was revealed at an informational meeting held Feb. 8 at Union Church.

Local area delegates were nominated and selected in an open meeting Feb. 22 at the Union Church.

Priority topics that local community people want to have covered at the April conference were also decided.

SOPHIE ANN NOMINEE

FOR JAYCEE OYM AWARD

HONOLULU — Jeffrey Wong of Manoa Jaycees decided to find out whether a woman can become one of Hawaii's Outstanding Young Men of the Year and nominated Sophie Ann Aoki, 24, president of Life of the Land, in the annual competition.

"I checked with the higher-ups before I put her name in," said Wong, a civil engineer with the state highway division. "Well, they kept saying, 'well, it's never been done before'... nobody came right out and said I couldn't do it. So I did. There's nothing in the rules that says it has to be a man."

"We want her to be judged on her own merits," Wong said. Life of the Land lobbies at the legislature and engages in research on air pollution and land-use. A graduate of the Univ. of Hawaii, she is the daughter of the Mitsuo Aoki. Her father is professor of religion at the University.

Scholarship --

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Chapter scholarship

SAN FERNANDO — High school seniors of Japanese ancestry in San Fernando Valley were reminded April 7 is the application deadline for the scholarship offered by San Fernando Valley JACL. Information may be secured from high school counselors or Mrs. Albert Kushida, 11349 Sinclair Ave., Northridge, Calif. 91324.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman Musings of 19th Century Japanophile

GLEANINGS IN BUDDHA-FIELDS: Studies of Hand and Soul in the Far East, by Lafcadio Hearn, Charles E. Tuttle Co., paperback, 296 pp., \$2.

In this volume, in his essay, "Buddhist Allusions in Japanese Folk Song," Hearn quotes from Rossetti's "Sudden Light," which bewitches us "chiefly through the penetrative subtlety of a thought anathematized by all our orthodoxes for eighteen hundred years."

I have been here before—
But when or how I cannot tell:
I know the grass beyond the door,
The sweet, keen smell,
The sighing sound, the lights
along the shore.

Born June 27, 1850 in the Ionian Islands, Hearn became estranged from the Roman Catholic faith as a result of school-day experiences in France and Ireland. Arriving in Japan in 1890, he turned towards Buddhism, seeking to link the doctrine of Karma with the role of heredity in the theory of evolution.

Besides the titles already noted, he includes a story about a village headman, delirious after saving his people from a tidal wave; another based on a collection of folk songs; and an account of a tragedy befalling a family for failing to make a puppet grave: *Ningyo-no-Haka*.

There is an essay on Osaka, then the most important commercial city in Japan; another on Nirvana, the Buddhist term for the release from the cycle of reincarnation with its consequent suffering; and one entitled "Within the Circle," a dream of the "phantom-whirl" of birth and death to which... the ignorant remain condemned.

Ancestral Acts

He believed that memory of ancestral acts was inherited. To a slight degree, many might find such a supposition to be plausible. They might concede instinct to be inherited memory. They might concede to spring from inherited memory the ability of a bird to build a nest — the first nest as perfect as any that might be built later. But Hearn carried the theory to an extreme — further even than does Rossetti in the poem quoted.

In one essay in this volume, "Notes of a Trip to Kyoto," he tells of "a wonder of calligraphy" he had observed in the Imperial summer palace. The writing, of a poem, had been done in the presence of the emperor by a child of five who had rendered the poem so artistically that few adult calligraphers could have surpassed it.

He says, "Still, it was not the beauty of the thing in itself which impressed me, but the weird, extraordinary, indubitable proof it afforded of an inherited memory so vivid as to be almost equal to the recollection of former births. Generations of dead calligraphers revived in the fingers of that tiny hand... the work of ghosts... the countless ghosts that make the compound ancestral soul."

A Child Remembers

In another essay, "The Rebirth of Katsuragi," he adduces evidence of conscious inherited memory. He tells the story, based on documentary proof, of a child who remembered his previous life, his previous name, name of parents, and former residence. When put to the test, the child verified every detail through a visit to the home of his former parents.

From Hearn's conviction of the accumulation of ancestral memories springs his corollary theory that Occidentals are unable to understand the Japanese because of the difference in accumulated memories. He harps on the theme, but his harping fails to restrain him from trying to do what he insists cannot be done. He not only strives to understand the Japanese, he labors mightily to render them intelligible to his fellow Occidentals.

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The proposal for a one-stop locale where non-English-speaking Japanese may find governmental agency services

Next sites set for 'E.O. 9066' display

SAN FRANCISCO — The California Historical Society announced its renowned photographic exhibit, "Executive Order 9066", will be displayed at San Jose Civic Art Gallery from March 15-May 1 and at the Pasadena Art Museum April 4-May 21.

The twin exhibits were viewed by an estimated 100,000 people during January and February at DeYoung Museum here and University Art Museum in Berkeley.

Meanwhile, at the headquarters of the California Historical Society, 2090 Jackson St., the collection of art executed by Japanese Americans during their confinement at the WW2 relocation centers will continue through Mar. 19, from Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Edison T. Uno, Bay Area Community JACL co-chairman, revealed some 500 man-hours of volunteer help was provided by the chapter at both exhibits to sell books and programs.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Gardena Pioneer Project Center acknowledged a monthly pledge from Nissin Food Co., to pay rent for the Issei center. The project is dependent upon community support to continue its work with the Issei aged in the Gardena Valley.

San Francisco

An intensified membership campaign will be launched for the proposed Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California, according to Ron Kobata, membership chairman, who explained the board's 51 members will be divided into recruiting teams. The board expects to raise \$1,000,000 on a three-year schedule to finance construction. It was also advised that the board join with the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency, the Western Addition Project Area Committee and Afro-American Cultural Center in submitting a joint proposal for certain HUD federal funds.

Bank of Tokyo branch at Montebello started

MONTEBELLO — In Shinto rites dating back more than 1,500 years and a western-style shovel ceremony, the Bank of Tokyo of California Feb. 16 broke ground for a 3,700-square foot branch office here in the 20-acre Mart of Montebello commercial plaza. It will be the bank's fourteenth branch in the state. Completion is scheduled for summer, 1972, according to bank president Masao Tsuyama.

The contemporary building, designed by O'Leary & Terasawa of Los Angeles, will feature spacious parking and a sweeping portico housing three drive-up banking stations.

NEWS CAPSULES

Radio-TV

Los Angeles TV station KCOP (13) "Minority Community" program for Sunday, Mar. 5, 9 p.m., will cover "Stereotyping of Asian Americans in the Media", according to moderator Beulah Quo, who announced the following panelists:

Actors George Takei, Victor Sen Yung, Pat Li and Irvin Palk and theatrical agent Fred Ishimoto.

Joan Shigekawa was co-producer of "Up Against New York", the New York Channel 13 Public Broadcasting System series on the life in the City that gained wide attention this past fall. As a partner in Donnet-Shigekawa Productions, she has made her mark off-Broadway as well, having co-produced "An Evening with James Agee", "Fireworks" and other plays. In commercial TV she has been associated with NBC and CBS in both public affairs and cultural programming. She also produced the "Wednesday Review" series for Channel 13 and a number of specials. She will be reporting on the politics of the arts and on health—from VD to the politics of the municipal hospital system. Her associate producer is Dorothy Robinson who joined Channel 13 from CBS News.

Entertainment

A new play by Chicago author Momoeko Iko, "Gold Watch", opens Mar. 15 at the Los Angeles Inner City Theater, starring Mako in the lead role in the play depicting the life of a Japanese American family in the month prior to internment in an American concentration camp during WW2. Appearing with Mako will be Nobu McCarthy, Hollywood film and TV star. A one-act play written and directed by Mako, "There Is No Place for a Third Ghost", performed by the East-West Players is co-billed. Performances start at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday—Sunday with a 2:30 Sunday matinee.

JIM MICHENER AMONG NEWSMEN TO PEKING

WASHINGTON — Author James Michener, representing Reader's Digest, was among the 87 newsmen and technicians named by the White House to accompany President Nixon on his Feb. 21-28 visit to China.

The list was chosen from about 2,000 media representatives who applied for credentials. (Michener and his wife, Mari Sabusawa, are 1000 Club Life Members with the Philadelphia JACL.)

KWHY-TV show expands

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese-language TV program on Sundays over KWHY (22) commences Feb. 27 from 7 p.m. with a new series, "Wandering Samurai", followed by local news at 7:55, the variety hour at 8, Japan topics and sports at 9 and the continuing Miyamoto Musashi "Samurai Story" from 9:30 p.m.

Government

Raymond K. Konagai, San Francisco JACL 1000 Club member and export manager of Hoyt, Shephson and Sciarone, Inc., was appointed by State Attorney General Evelle Younger to his volunteer advisory committee. The board was reactivated to support his office in the prevention of crimes, protection of the environment and consumers and drawing up legislative programs. Konagai, a 1965 UC Berkeley graduate, was active in the 1960s, a member of the Republican County Central Committee and the Commonwealth Club. Dr. Yonekawa Abe of San Bernardino, a Riverside JACLer, was also named to the same committee. Washington Gov. Dan Evans appointed past Seattle JACL president Dr. Minoru Masuda, associate professor at the Univ. of Washington dept. of psychiatry, to the state social and health service advisory committee.

City View Hospital administrator Edwin C. Hiroto of Los Angeles was appointed by Secretary Richardson of Health, Education and Welfare to his National Advisory Council on Regional Medical Program for the health services and mental health administration. The 20-man council is comprised of professional hospital administrators and medical experts, serving staggered four-year terms. Hiroto's term ends Nov. 30, 1975.

Beauties

A Harpers Bazaar cover girl, Marie Helvin, of Danish-Japanese descent and the daughter of the Hugh Helvins of Aina Haina, Hawaii, is perhaps the most sought-after high-fashion model since her arrival in London since her arrival six months ago. She has been photographed by most of London's top photographers and received a request from Lord Anthony Snowdon, photographer-husband of England's Princess Margaret. Last November she was the featured model for Tokyo designer Kansai Yamamoto in a Yugoslavia show. Her fashion modeling days began in 1969 when she was discovered by Tokyo fashion people while vacationing in Japan and signed with Kanebo Cosmetics.

Trudy Annette Lindsay of Mt. Clemens, Mich., returned to her native state of Hawaii as 1972 National Cherry Festival queen and began a coast-to-coast mainland tour on Feb. 19. A senior at Central Michigan University, she is the daughter of a Nisei mother and a haole father, the second of five children.

Sports

Japanese pocket billiard champion Kazuo Fujima is competing in the \$23,000 world invitational championship underway last week in Los Angeles. Another Japanese figure prominently in the competition, not as a player, but a supplier of cue sticks is Tadashi Kohara, whose shop on Washington Blvd., supplies European royalty, Texas oilmen, movie stars and a host of lesser clients with custom sticks ranging from \$60 to \$200.

President Avery Brundage of the International Olympic Committee was awarded the Order of the Rising Sun, 1st Class, by the Japanese government. He called on Prime

Minister Eisaku Sato at his Brown House last week (Feb. 16) to express his gratitude for Japan's cooperation in hosting the 11th Winter Olympics that ended Feb. 13.

Ombudsman appointed for San Jose State

SAN JOSE — Michael M. Honda, a counselor at Sunnyvale High School, has been named ombudsman at San Jose State College, effective immediately.

President John H. Bunzel made the announcement Feb. 11 that Honda, an SJS graduate in Spanish, was selected to the post from among four candidates.

Honda will replace Ralph Poblano, who left the post last August. He will be the third man to become ombudsman since the position was created in 1967.

25 hurt as bus bound for snow country flips

SAN JOSE — A chartered bus carrying San Jose scouts to the snow country crashed last week (Feb. 12) near Oakdale where State Hwy. 108 climbs into the High Sierra foothills, injuring 25 of the 41 aboard. All but two, including Mrs. June Hayashi, 35, were released from the hospital the following day.

The accident occurred about 8:15 a.m. six miles east of the Stanislaus County community. Most of the passengers were members of Scout Troop and Cub Pack 638, located at North San Jose elementary school. Scoutmaster Rudy Tokiwa, 46, and Lisa Hayashi, 13, were among the lesser hurt.

Illegal aliens—

thousands" of illegal entrants on the state's economy and tens of thousands of jobless Mexican Americans.

Arnett said, "I suggest that Mr. Brophy is confused and doesn't know what he wants. He is attempting to be sympathetic to those who have been fired from their jobs by the same unscrupulous employers who engage purposefully in illegal hiring."

"These employers have fired both legal and illegal residents in the past few weeks in an attempt to undermine the determination of the Mexican American community to fight for its own economic well-being and its own dignity," Arnett said.

Rep. Roybal backs repeal of illegal alien hiring law

WASHINGTON — Rep. Edward R. Roybal, (D-Calif.) called last week (Feb. 14) for immediate repeal of a new California law making it unlawful to hire illegal aliens knowingly.

Roybal said in telegrams to Gov. Ronald Reagan and to Chairman Leo T. McCarthy of the Assembly Committee on labor relations that the so-called Arnett Law discriminates against Mexican Americans.

"Although intended to alleviate unemployment, the law, as written, perpetuates the exclusion of the Spanish-speaking from further employment and promotion," Roybal's telegram said. "In effect it treats them as second class citizens, denying them equal protection of the laws and equal opportunity guaranteed by our state and U.S. constitutions."

Roybal said the law also infringes on federal jurisdiction over immigration. "Continuation of this law will only reverse local and national efforts to achieve job equality in this country," Roybal concluded. "Again I urge its prompt repeal."

An aide said Roybal feared the law, even though aimed at the hiring of illegal aliens, would result in making employers reluctant to hire both Spanish-speaking citizens and aliens with work permits as well as those in the country illegally.

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Deaths

Sunaki, Chiyosaku, 78, of Cressey, Calif., died Feb. 14. He was the father of stage star Pat Suzuki. Others surviving are W. Aki, a Frank T. & Mary Sabusawa and Junko Medinaki.

Matsumaki, Kanichi, 90, of Sacramento, died Feb. 14. Surviving are Joe, Yoshio, Tenu, 4, Masako Nakadai, Minako Kawachi, Toshie Kaya, Kinuo Ishii, Shigeyo Okazaki and Natsumi Furukawa.

Yoshinaga quits Lodi ball club exec post

LOS ANGELES — George Yoshinaga was back home this past week when the contract offered him as executive vice-president (PC, Feb. 4) by the Lodi Orions, owners of the Lodi professional baseball club in the California League, "didn't include any of the duties (he) had been performing and some of the promises made to (him) verbally at the outset."

During his one-month stay at Lodi, he said he did manage to design the uniforms which the Lodi Orions will sport when the season opens in April.

Aliens—

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about the movements of these agents, of the more than 30,000 Chinese aliens said to have illegally entered our country since 1965 — by the Justice Department's own admission only one in ten is ever caught and deported. Their inscrutable comrades — many no doubt highly trained in the devious arts of subversion, sabotage, and assassination — presumably continue to operate quietly within our midst, simply melting into the burgeoning Red underground now operating within numerous Chinese-American communities from coast to coast."

The congressman also has his eyes on the Chinese aliens arriving from Hong Kong. He allowed, "While it is certainly not meant to imply that every Chinese national coming to the United States from Hong Kong is a Communist agent, or in any way sympathetic to the thoughts of Mao, it is reasonable to assume that many are, either by choice or through coercion."

What disturbed many Chinese-Americans (East/West) has received three xeroxed copies of the Congressional Records which carried Congressman Schmitt's remarks) is the congressman's racist tone with such stereotyped references as "Peking masters," "inscrutable comrades" and "trained in the devious arts."

—East/West

Issei centenarian

LOS ANGELES — President Nixon and Gov. Reagan congratulated Mrs. Tami Abe, who celebrated her 101st birthday on Jan. 25 with her doctor, family and friends at Keiro Nursing Home.

(In Sacramento, the Hiroshima Kenjinkai at its New Year's party honored Kyuichi Izui for reaching age 103.)

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Fire Fighter—

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making fun of Asian Americans and Chicanos (PC, Feb. 18).

Fire Chief Gordon Vickery had suggested Local 27, Fire Fighters Union, issue a public apology for the January article and remove its writer from the editorial staff.

The magazine is published by the union and is under no control by the Seattle Fire Department.

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"Questionable Humor"

Hayasaka said in his letter to the magazine and local newspaper that "any questionable attempt at humor is lost in the racist attack on Chicanos and Asians; however, it does indicate that by using stereotypes, license is given that Asians and Chicanos be laughed at, ridiculed and made to feel inferior."

Chief Vickery, in a reply to Hayasaka, said he agreed with the Human Rights Department's point of view and indicated that appropriate disciplinary action would be taken against the article's writer, although the chief did not specify what that action would be.

Answering Chief Vickery

and organizations protesting the article, magazine editor Bland wrote:

"The Seattle Chamber of Commerce wrote a rather indignant letter to the editor, raking our First Battalion reporter John Flood for his column in the January issue."

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Excerpts

Flood posed what were described as humorous possibilities due to the new rule, including:

Smaller seats on the commodes. Booster seats in the rigs. The word 'bonsai' (sic) will not be used while sliding poles. Pictures of 'my seester' will not be allowed in any station.

Taco breaks will be allowed during working hours. Burros will not be parked in the basement.

Chief Vickery termed the article "extremely detrimental to the men themselves. He said the Flood article "in no way represents our (the department's) thoughts and goals."

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