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Friday, March 10, 1972

Harry K. Honda

Ye Editor's Desk

TRUE TO HER STYLE

It's been years since the minutes of the previous meeting have been read aloud by the secretary, but it happened the other Sunday at the Pacific Southwest District Council. Mitsu Sonoda's voice was unwavering during her 25-minute rendition. Her husband Kiyoshi asked Mme. Governor Helen Kawagoe why the reading could not be dispensed as has been the custom in the interest of time. And—true to her style and concern for "people," Helen explained there were many new officers and delegates in the midst who have not seen the minutes and it was for their benefit, to get them "on board" with the current DC activities and problems.

So much background and up-to-date information was imparted on what the various committees have been doing that it was a shame more mimeographed reports were not distributed—but delegates were already loaded down with Operation Katsu tickets from Washington, D.C., flyers for upcoming activities and a letter of appeal.

The brief presentation by Bob Nakamura of the visual communications committee was especially impressive—though words can hardly convey the impact because his committee handles visual aid material. Undoubtedly it will be repeated, embellished with more items perhaps, in time for the National JACL Executive Committee session in Los Angeles come April. It should be one of the highlights at the National JACL Convention along with the education committee material—to start an avalanche of requests from chapters throughout the nation. How to manage that may be in the province of the Japanese American Research Projects, one of JACL's know-how committees.

This is incidental but a guest at the district meeting was a Miss Kazuko Jara (the "J" is pronounced a la Espanol), a Japan-born young lady working as a volunteer with the Japanese Welfare Rights Organization. We have seen unusual Japanese surnames now and then in our business but hers rates mention here.

NOTES WHILE WATCHING TV

Images have a strange way of playing on your memories. During the many ungodly hours we sat in front of the TV set while President Nixon was in China, we knew the Chinese would be polite. Even when he cornered a culprit, Charlie Chan was always polite. No were we surprised with the initial coolness shown the Nixon party. Dowager empress had treated David Niven during "55 Days in Peking" the same way. In one respect, however, the images disappointed us. Scanning the faces of the women closely, none even faintly resembled the Dragon Lady.

Receiving lines look the same everywhere, we guess. As the President moved along one of them, greeting the aged dignitaries of the People's Republic, he might have been on yet another vote-seeking pilgrimage, shaking hands with senior citizens in a retirement village. We half-expected him as he reached the end of the line to promise them an increase in social security benefits.

That state dinner in the Great Hall was cause for worry as Mr. Nixon was table-hopping, toasting every Chinese in sight. The glass either had to be empty or he was faking the toasts. Otherwise they would have had to carry him out on live TV—an international spectacular if there ever was one.

During intermission, the network showed films of the Chinese Communist party hierarchy gathered a year or so ago in Tianamen Square. A fair number of the dignitaries, the narrator pointed out, were no longer around, either dead or in disgrace. In front of the same TV set, we remembered political leaders here can die violently or can fall in disgrace—but with one pronounced difference. The leaders die at the hands of lunatics and not of the government. We suspect when you go into disgrace there, you normally don't come back. Here, it's to the contrary—losing an election is not nearly so bad as it seemed the first morning after. The man who bounced back from two disastrous showings, all of us can recall, in six short years became the President of the United States.

ARIGATO, PASADENA

Here, we sit munching on salty Japanese rice crackers—a door prize won for having attended the Pasadena JACL installation dinner; nay, for sitting at a table where all of us had the luck of having our numbers selected for a prize. The Kiyoshi Sonodas won two prizes while single prizes went to Tom Shigekuni (who has friends and kin in Oklahoma City and Dallas), the Robert Obis (who relate the fact their name is also Nigerian) and the Clifford Tanakas (who were sweating out the odds of hitting—and hit they did, scoring a 1,000 for the group).

Dr. Joe Abe (who kept us cackling with laughter with his dry humor on Bus 3 of the first JACL Japan Tour) excelled as toastmaster in a vaggish way. Mack Yamaguchi revealed himself to be a straight-face comic, too, in his farewell speech as chapter president. If he can play a violin, he can rate as a "Nisei Jack Benny." And Thelma Stoddy must be the first JACL chapter president who's blonde and blue-eyed.

David Ushio, Washington JACL representative, was prevented by fog at the L.A. International Airport from attending. The irony here is that his plane landed at San Francisco, a city more famous for the stuff that wasn't there that night. Will ironies continue to dog him? Just musing, Dave.

16 Weeks Until Cherry Tsutsumido

Congressional Banquet



Senator Daniel Inouye will serve as the official toastmaster for the 22nd Biennial National JACL Convention Congressional Dinner. The Congressional Dinner, scheduled for the evening of June 28, will be one of the special events featured during the week long Convention starting June 27 at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C.

To many people, particularly to those from the West Coast, the Congressional Dinner will be the memorable event of the year. Chapters throughout the country are already making plans to invite their Senators and Congressmen to join them for what promises to be a truly splendid event. Although most of the other program items for the week stress a degree of informality and casual dress, the Special Events Committee is encouraging all delegates and participants to be prepared for a more festive and formal evening on the 28th.

of the JACL. Toastmaster Inouye will add special grace to the formalities of the evening. His deep, resonant voice with the elongated Hawaiian accent is a trademark familiar to most Nisei. Inouye first came to Washington as the Aloha State's first elected Congressman. His precocious career soon made him a national figure. In 1962 he was elected to the United States Senate to be returned again six years later.

Although most JACL members will think of Inouye as the eloquent one-armed hero of WW II, his recent endeavors has made him a well known figure to the District of Columbia. As a member of the Senate District of Columbia Committee, his name and face are constantly in the Washington newspapers for his supporting but probing views on the District's affairs. Inouye can be a champion of compassion when he fights for shoes for district school children on welfare. But he can be a terrifying thunderbolt against certain public officials using tax paid limousines within the District's meager budget.

Delegates to the Convention are once again reminded that the Congressional Dinner is part of the Package Deal and tickets for this one event cannot be sold separately.



By the Board

Central California District
Governor Fred Hirasuna

UNFAIR COMPETITION?

The S.S. Pierce Company, a conglomerate based in Boston, two years ago thought that they could become a dominant factor in the strawberry growing, processing and marketing segment of California agriculture. They purchased a large strawberry operation in Salinas using a subsidiary called Pic 'n' Pac. They were the first to sign with the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee in the strawberry industry. At the end of two years of operation, they found that they had lost so much money that they decided to get out of the strawberry business. In a public statement, they placed much of the blame for their failure to supply them with competent labor at a reasonable cost.

Pic 'n' Pac tried to sell their plantings, but could not find buyers because the UFWOC contract had to be assumed by the buyer. Seeking to salvage their investment, they went to the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO), headed by recently-appointed Director Philip Sanchez, for help. The OEO made a federal grant of \$450,000 to form a cooperative of 160 Mexican American growers on a total of 528 acres (PC, Feb. 11). This amounted to an outright subsidy, which did not have to be repaid, of about \$850 per acre or \$2,800 per family.

Independent strawberry growers of California, many of them small, independent Japanese Americans, protested the use of their tax monies for the purpose of salvaging a private enterprise and subsidizing competitive strawberry growers. It was maintained that Federal funds should not be used to recoup the losses of private business. Tad Tomita, president of Naturopi, a cooperative of independent strawberry growers, stated that this was totally unfair to existing farmers who had never received government aid in their struggle to become strawberry growers, many of whom are members of another minority, the Japanese Americans. It was a case of the government helping one minority at the expense of another minority. A select few were being preferentially treated at the expense of other farmers in the same business, and seemingly solely on the basis of their ethnic background.

Urban people may think that this is just another case of arrogant farmers seeking to deny help to Mexican farm workers. To bring the matter into focus, suppose the OEO decided that Mexican Americans should be added into entering the professions—medicine, dentistry, law, optometry, teaching, etc.—suppose that they brought about the lowering of admission standards solely for them; suppose that OEO paid the tuition, living costs, etc. for them; suppose that they required the schools to accept a stated percentage of Mexican American applicants and forced them to lower the quotas for others equally deserving of help?

What then would be the reaction of the other ethnic groups and those already in these professions who had to make it on their own?

It is high time that Japanese Americans concentrated on Japanese American problems. The blacks, 22,000,000 strong, do not need the help

U-NO BAR

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mon, Democrat and Asian. People have a hard time realizing how lawyers, like politicians, make strange bedfellows.

The Univ. of Utah has a Community Forum where it invites all segments of the University community to meet with different Forum segments of the downtown community, particularly the power structure. The Forum meets about five times a year in two different groups to discuss the relationship of the University to the community and vice versa. I have had the pleasure of being on two of its panels, once as a moderator and once as a panelist, and often as an audience participant. Only rarely have I had the opportunity to see any other Asian face at the Forum.

Although attendance is by invitation only, I am sure other Asian Americans are invited, but few, if any, avail themselves of the opportunity to make themselves heard, felt, understood and represented. I feel this is really unfortunate because the University has vast resources that can be utilized for the benefit of the total community. Asian Americans are part of the community and the University should respond to some of the needs of the Asian American community. However, it will not, if we



Couple of 'Old Pros'

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Support for plays

Editor:
As PSWDC Cultural Affairs Chairman, I recommend that everyone attend the premiere performance of Momoko Iko's play, "The Gold Watch" and Mako's, "There's No Place for a Tired Ghost" at the Inner City Cultural Center beginning March 15.

Thousands of movies and TV shows have been made at the cost of millions featuring World War II exploits. But Hollywood has dealt with the Japanese relocation in only two films. The first third of "Hell to Eternity" (1960) showed the breaking up of one Japanese American family. The rest of the film was trite war movie madness.

ABC-TV's Movie of the Week, "If Tomorrow Comes" (1971) featured a Japanese male and white female marriage broken by the relocation and drowned in a sea of "Oriental" exotica. There is one line referring to the relocation camps in "Go For Broke" (1951). These films, written, produced, and directed by non-Asians, justify the relocation as a military or patriotic necessity. None of them ever hint at the adversity of opinion within the Japanese American community.

In two years, Asian-Americans in the performing arts have produced more dramatic presentations of the relocation experience than all of Hollywood's movies and TV. Pilgrimages to Manzanar have done the same. It is clear that it is up to us to stimulate interest in this period of history. But writers and actors cannot be developed overnight. Writers cannot create within the present Hollywood system without betraying themselves. Actors cannot progress playing only menial roles in Hollywood films. It is up to us to support them until they are recognized by Hollywood as human beings. I cannot give a dramatic critique because I am actively participating in both of the shows. Whether they are good or bad in terms of entertainment is up to you. I do guarantee that the ideas presented will stimulate you.

As for suitability, there's nothing done or said in the play that will be new to the average fourteen year-old. Preview performances will be given March 9, 10 and 11 at 8:30 p.m. All seats will be \$1.50.

The regular run will begin March 15, and will continue Wednesday through Sunday at 8:30 p.m. with a matinee at 2:30 p.m. Tickets for the evening performances are \$5.50, \$4.50 and \$3.50. Tickets for the matinee are a dollar less.

IRVING PAIK
Wilshire JACL
Los Angeles

do not make ourselves felt and heard.

The one overpowering impression that I have received from attending these Forums is that both the University and the community are gravely insensitive to Asian American problems. As a matter of fact, one faculty member who works closely with different minorities expressed the universal cliché, "I didn't think Asian Americans had any problems." I have been advised by a former vice president of the University that the Japanese American student ratio is 2 1/2 times greater than the community population of Japanese Americans; therefore, very little, if any, emphasis has been given to the problems of the Japanese American.

In Cleveland, I was told that the most recent studies show the Japanese Americans to have the highest percentage representation in higher education among all white ethnic groups. I am not from Missouri, but I am like President Harry S. Truman, I got to see to believe.

At the last National JACL Credit Union dinner meeting and dance, the Nat'l JACL annual report Credit Union showed assets of one and a half million dollars and predictions of a two million dollar year next year. That is getting to be big business. Hopefully, the members will avail them-

There are other Hollywood films which touch on the Evacuation experience we can recall: Spencer Tracy's "Bad Day at Black Rock"; a Joan Crawford melodrama, the title of which escapes us; and one starring Shirley Yamaguchi, "Little Tokyo, USA" is another—though JACL has blacklisted it.—Ed.

S. I. Hayakawa

Editor:
Contrary to the misinformed pronouncement made by Hokubel Mainichi, and noted in Pacific Citizen, there will be a demonstration against S. I. Hayakawa at the San Francisco JACL installation dinner on March 11. The Bay Area Community JACL Chapter is one of the many community organizations co-sponsoring this demonstration.

The Bay Area Community JACL strongly disagrees with S. I. Hayakawa's views on Vietnam, and wishes to visibly demonstrate that the Hayakawa position is not the sole expression of the Japanese American community. As a person of Asian ancestry, Hayakawa displays an appalling lack of empathy for the suffering and death of the people of Southeast Asia.

The U.S. military continues to kill and maim Asians daily, and continues to callously and systematically dehumanize Vietnamese society by encouraging prostitution and corruption. Yet, Hayakawa has attempted to rationalize such criminal activity, and has disregarded the principles of self-determination for the South Vietnamese people.

The Bay Area Community JACL believes in the immediate, total, and unconditional withdrawal of U.S. military forces from Southeast Asia, coupled with full reparations to the people of Southeast Asia for all the death and destruction caused by the U.S. military. Anything less will be a betrayal to our fellow human beings in Southeast Asia.

Some persons may be surprised that one JACL chapter is contesting an activity of another JACL chapter. However, such persons fail to recognize that many divergent viewpoints exist in the Japanese American community, and the JACL, as an open membership organization, can and should reflect such diversity.

Honest differences of opinion prevail between the San Francisco JACL Board of Governors and the Bay Area Community JACL. The Bay Area Community JACL has never shirked its responsibility to speak out on the issues, even though it may challenge some "sacred cows" in the Japanese American community.

Since assuming office as president, I have written twice as many letters of recommendation of one type or another, than I have written ever before for scholarship applicants, applicants to schools, professional and otherwise, applicants for employment in government and private industry, applicants for admission to the bar, and so forth, not only for Japanese Americans, but for numerous other people in a professional capacity as well as in my capacity as JACL president.

Although it is a time-consuming process, it is really one of the pleasures that justifies my time and attention, particularly because there are so many capable and distinguished people around, both young and not so young. It is good to know that qualified people are applying for important and influential positions, and getting them, as well as being accepted into some of the more prestigious schools in this country. I am hopeful this trend will continue and increase as time goes by, particularly among the Japanese Americans, who, it appears to me, failed or neglected to aim and shoot so high.

Henry T. Tanaka



Priorities

Cleveland, Ohio

JR. JACL MEET—In a recent memo to committee chairmen from Allen Oshita and Diane Aramaki, co-chairmen of the National Jr. JACL Convention to be held in Salt Lake City in August, 1972, the parting note read: "No more peace!"

Say no more! I am sure the monthly meetings required of the 18 committee chairmen to attend do not begin to reflect the hours of time that will be spent to work out the many details involved. Besides which, monthly progress reports are being issued by the hard-working co-chairmen.

Over 200 delegates are expected to attend the convention which will be headquartered at the Univ. of Utah on Aug. 15-19. Delegates will be housed in the University dormitories. The package deal is very reasonable.

I was intrigued with the program being planned in addition to the formal business sessions, delegates will have the opportunity to participate in one of three service projects at the Juvenile Court, Issei Center, and the third to be determined.

Also in the planning are workshops to be sponsored by the various district youth councils. This innovative program is a wonderful way of promoting togetherness, sharing experiences and engaging in meaningful rap sessions.

To make this a truly national convention, every effort is being made to assure representation from all the districts. A transportation fund has been established to help defray the cost. Sr. chapters are being asked to donate \$25; Jr. chapters \$10. Funds will be distributed to the districts, the amount depending upon a formula based on the number of delegates from each district and the distance from Salt Lake City.

When your chapter receives this request for financial support, I hope you will see that it makes a generous contribution.

There may be "no more peace" for the busy convention committee members, but there would be a peace of mind if they can be assured of your chapter's support.

FEDERATED PLAN—Responses from chapters and districts regarding the proposed Federated Plan have been mixed. I am impressed by the thoughtful and very perceptive comments and the sincere concerns expressed by JACL leaders about the need for a strong National program as well as viable district councils.

To date, I have received over 30 responses. A summary of these responses will be reported to the National Planning Commission. Copies of the summary report will be sent to all chapters and districts.

It would appear that the major concern is whether our present funds are adequate to sustain our National programs as well as provide greater staff services to district councils. In short, can we afford to reset our priorities without increase in funds?

On Second Thought

Warren Furutani

No!



Throughout history certain people have been used to act as tokens, mouthpieces or representatives of someone else's interest. They have been acquired or hired for the sole purpose of "keeping the natives quiet", so to speak. This tactic is part of an overall strategy called, "divide and conquer".

For example, in relationship to the near-extirmination of the Native Americans, certain tribes were used to fight or scout for the "pale faces". I guess now they would be called "Uncle Tomahawks" or worse.

In the South during the time of slavery, certain slaves were used to control other slaves. Malcolm X called this system the "house nigger" and the "field nigger" arrangement. The chosen house slave was used to abuse the field slave and during this time you came up with the term, "Uncle Tom".

Which brings us to the point of this week's column: to strongly question the choice of S. I. Hayakawa as speaker at the San Francisco JACL installation dinner. It seems that is a prime example of a mouthpiece or puppet for someone else's interest. In 1968-69, he obviously controlled San Francisco State from the instructions of his primary string-puller, Governor Reagan. Now after visiting with Nixon's No. 1 puppet, South Vietnamese President Thieu, what kind of message can he give the JACL?

It is obvious through Mr. Hayakawa's actions in the past that his interest are not with the welfare of the Japanese American community in San Francisco. It is obvious that his interest are to further his own future at the expense of the students at San Francisco State and now at the expense of the San Francisco J.A. community.

I protest the speaking of S. I. Hayakawa and I strongly urge a change in speaker and program. Don't worry about "ole S.I." I'm sure he can get another speaking engagement with one of the local Elks clubs. Power to the People.

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, March 8, 1947

Report 12,000 Nisei in Japan applied for repatriation to U.S. ... Calif. Supreme Court hears Stockton theater case to determine right of Issei to lease business property ... Bill seeks repeal of Calif. Education code providing for segregated public schools for children of Oriental parentage ... Hawaiian statehood official answers charge by Rep. Fred Crawford (R-Mich.) who fears Nisei in Congress would hamper MacArthur's efforts in postwar Japan. Winn seeks amnesty for evacuee group indicted for violating draft regulations ... Nisei and Negro learn to live and work together in Little Tokyo-Bronzeville area ... Nisei GIs vital to success of Occupation, says Army, as new recruitment drive starts ... Norman Thomas labels Evacuation as America's "worst blunder" of WW2 ... Canada may set up claims commission to review sales of evacuee properties.

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From the Frying Pan

Bill Hosokawa

CHANGE OF FOCUS—Suddenly everything is turning up Chinese. Inspired by President Nixon's visit to Mainland China—and hour after hour of live television coverage—the media are suddenly looking for the Chinese angle. Fashion designers are discovering pseudo-Chinese themes. Chinese style furniture, in reality very uncomfortable, no doubt will be the rage as soon as the manufacturers can gear up. Traders, travel agents and others are scrambling all over themselves for visas to the mainland. Some items:

—A recent issue of the Wall Street Journal carried a long story about American China "experts" and "consultants" who have sprung up in New York with offers to expedite trade with the mainland. Some of them, the story points out, have had no contact with China since World War II days when they served there briefly with U.S. forces. Others have been no closer to Red China than Hongkong where they claim to have unidentified "contacts".

—Kansas City is about as far as you can get from Tidewater, but the slick, colorful monthly Kansas City Magazine published by the chamber of commerce devotes most of its February issue to matters Chinese. One of the main stories is titled "Our city's Chinese—gifted and inconspicuous." It concentrates on six of the approximately 500 members of the Chinese community. The story notes that "most of them are professional men—doctors, scientists, engineers—with families. A few own restaurants. None run laundries, as the jokes go. The Chinese here are not the Chinatown stereotypes of some B-grade movies. In general, they were born in mainland China to wealthy and educated parents, came to the U.S. in the 1940s as college students, and stayed when Mao Tse-tung and his People's Liberation Army took power." If there are Chinese Nisei, Sansei and Yonsei in Kansas City, the magazine fails to make note of their presence.

—Family Weekly, a Sunday rotogravure magazine whose 9 million copies are distributed by some 300 newspapers, publishes in its Mar. 5 issue a profile of Ronald G. S. Au, Chinese American attorney from Hawaii who is president of the U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce. (Incidentally, two Nisei from Brighton, Colo., moved high in national Jaycee circles before they passed the 35-year age limit. Seiji Horiuchi, a former Colorado state legislator, was a vice president. Bob Sakata, now trying to buy the country's largest sugarbeet processing firm on behalf of a growers' cooperative, was agricultural chairman.) In Virginia, the story says, a Black Jaycee put his arms around Au and said, "I'm so proud that one of us could make it to the top."

The new focus of the spotlight makes it likely that Japan—and inevitably, the Nisei—will be in the glare of public attention less frequently, and that may not be a bad thing. Over-exposure can be more uncomfortable than under-exposure; the warts stand out for all to see and sometimes it is only merciful to let the subject slip into the shadows and re-apply the cosmetics. As for Japan itself, what can she do for an encore after the Summer Olympics, Expo '70, and now the superlatively staged Sapporo Winter Olympic Games? Let China take the Asian spotlight while Japan solves her enormously difficult pollution and population problems.

The Nisei, too, would benefit from a little peace and quiet as they seek out their identity and, as a group, decide who they are and what it is that they are really looking for. Such matters are best worked out without public attention and debate, the glare of TV lights and the splash of colored ink.



Quiet, Action George Takei

What Do You Say?

Los Angeles

"Jap" is a word that has a way of confronting us unexpectedly. How we respond to it at those moments may reveal more about ourselves than we realize.

I wonder how many of us have smiled through gritted teeth, decided not to make an issue of it and pretended to go along when a non-Japanese acquaintance "jokingly" used the word in our presence. The rationalization probably was that the word was used among "buddies" so it's all right or that we're so sophisticated that we're above petty epithets. This could be blind generosity on our part. It may turn out that the "buddy" was testing us and had drawn from the absence of any response certain pertinent conclusions. It could be that the so-called sophisticated may prove himself an insensitive wag or indeed an artful bigot disguised under a cover of fashionable gloss.

Whatever the case, silence when faced with the word "Jap" is usually at our cost. Speaking out, on the other hand, does not have to be in an abrasive voice. We should be able to deal with it candidly, gracefully and instructively. We should be able to discuss it with our "buddies" as well as with people of prominence.

I have an apocalyptic aversion for atrocious Agnewisms and especially for our Vice President's "friendly" reference to a "fat Jap" reporter four years ago. I think many of us let him know what we thought of it then.

Last Monday night (Feb. 28) the buddy of insomniac television viewers, Johnny Carson, joined Agnew's club. As staff reporter Vince Matsumura of the Ratu Shimojo related it to me, Carson and Ed McMahon did a brief sketch in which allusions were made to Sgt. Shochi Yokoi, the last World War II Japanese held-out on Guam. The punchline of one joke was, "How would you like to be stranded on an island with a raccoon, helmet and a Jap?" The line was rewarded with large appreciative applause.

Carelessness, or whatever the reason for the use of this offensive epithet, is inexcusable.

MAYOR MOST LIKED IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY

SAN JOSE — Mayor Norman Mineta is the most respected public individual in Santa Clara County, according to a December, 1971 survey, Dutton Research Corp., said in its "The County Report."

The year before he ranked No. 10 on the list, according to Frank Freeman of the San Jose Mercury.

Freeman also reported that at a recent dedication of the San Jose Community theater, Mayor Mineta walked out, center stage, and told his audience, "...and now will you please join me in pledging allegiance," looking to his left "to the Flag," looking to the right, "of our country."

They pledged just the same, even if someone had forgotten to bring out the Flag.

INVOLVEMENT

By DAVID USHIO

Washington
Today in the United States when individuals are being constantly bombarded by many descriptions of wrongs that need to be corrected,

causes that need volunteers, and problems that demand solutions, we are often evaluated by the way in which we use our leisure time.

Many individuals who claim enlightenment or social awareness spend countless hours involving themselves in any number of "good causes," volunteer organizations, and "relevant projects." Ranging from clandestine meetings plotting some fantasy uprising attended by "super patriots" or on the other end, revolutionary left-wing activists to concerned housewives gathering newspapers from neighbors to start a recycling project to protect their children's right to see green trees in the years to come; many varied organizations are participating in projects to which the membership is committed.

On the periphery of these various organizations which vie for the relatively few concerned people is the vast number of Americans who have been dubbed "the silent majority." It is no secret that most Americans fit into this category as they live their lives as they wish.

Those involved in the so-called "relevant organizations" of today include anything from PTA to Women's Lib to Common Cause, the Republican Party to Community Awareness projects and range finally to any project or group that involves people working for a goal in society. From many of the so-called involved people comes the cry "What is the matter with the rest of you?" "Why can't you get involved?" "How can you simply vegetate when so many things need attention?" "Where is your sense of duty, of self-improvement?"

These same categories exist even within organized entities. How many registered

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depicting the life of the Chinese and Japanese in America. In the same field of education, Bob Nakamura, national chairman of the JACL visual communications committee, reported his prize-winning "Manzanar" film continues to be shown, some copies have been sold to schools and TV stations have indicated an interest. He also displayed the products of his committee at the meeting, including a catalogue of photographs collected by the JACL-Japanese American Research Project and now at UCLA.

Social Welfare

The PSWDC voted to join with the Japanese American Community Services-Asian Involvement, the So. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce and other interested groups deal the social welfare problem in the community.

Earlier, several members of the Japanese Welfare Rights Organization explained its objectives to assist the needy who, because of a language barrier, are unable to express their concerns.

A proposal to establish a multi-service center to assist the aged and needy will be among the priority items for the social welfare push.

The Rev. Kogi Sayama, who worked for over a decade as a social worker with the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and now associated with JACS-AI, was presented a PSWDC scroll of appreciation during the luncheon.

Mas Uyesugi of Orange County JACL, district social service committee chairman, praised the heartwarming response to the 1971 Christmas

Cheer, reporting some 1,090 donors contributed some \$8,800 which was distributed to 862 recipients.

Nominations
George Kanagel, district nominations chairman, said PSWDC chapters have until Mar. 21 to submit nominations for national JACL offices. And nominations submitted after the initial closing date (Mar. 28), he said, would be presented on the National Council floor. There were no PSWDC nominees mentioned though he expects at least two candidates to be nominated.

District Gov. Helen Kawagoe appointed Mas Hironaka of San Diego as district recognition chairman, who will chair the committee to screen candidates for JACL of the Biennial and Nisei of the Biennial.

Tom Shigekuni of Gardena Valley JACL, district membership chairman, projected a 3,000 increase for the district this year and chapters in need of direct assistance were urged to check with his committee immediately.

David Ushio of the Washington JACL Office, in his progress report on the National JACL Convention, urged every JACLer and their family members to visit the Nation's Capitol once in their lives and particularly this year as the JACL convention itinerary has several special visits included.

Special stress was also paid on the convention plans to invite congressmen at a convention special.

Round-trip air fare from Los Angeles-Washington, D.C., according to Akira Ohno of the National JACL 1000 Club travel committee, will be about \$240 including taxes if in groups of 10 or more with the privilege to return within 30-day on any airline.

CAPITAL SCENE

Democrats pounce the pavement campaigning for the candidate of their choice? Within any political party the same cries arise from the few who are active urging the "silent majority" to get more involved. Yet a political party is an organization which is working for a cause even though the majority who claim membership are not actively involved. The same is true of church organizations, civic clubs, and even the more "progressive activist groups."

Only a few make the effort to lead out and push for improvement. The majority of dues and get involved once in a while, participate in the few activities that please them; and generally leave the organization in the hands of a few who relish the activity that commitment generates.

JACL as a volunteer organization is confronted on all levels by this same dilemma. How much involvement can a volunteer organization expect from its members who themselves have many demands for their time. Inherent in any such situation is the frustration and criticism that descends from those who are spending a lot of time on a project who view the commitment of their fellow members with skepticism.

Yet a pragmatic look at the situation reveals that those who are involved in the so-called "relevant programs" are in fact supported by the organization which is in turn dependent on the grass roots membership. To the extent that the membership joins JACL each year reveals a commitment to this organization which makes possible the activity of those who spend time working on JACL projects whether they be community, education, bowling, legislation or social.

Recently I personally became reacquainted with a JACLer from my home chapter Mt. Olympus. He is a man whom I had not known very well before last year. My first impression years ago was that he fit the stereotype of the JACLer who was not interested.

ed in civil rights (which is not a prerequisite for anything) who attended JACL for social reasons, was apolitical and uninterested in community affairs, and who spent his leisure time bowling or fishing.

After a ride from Boise, Idaho to Salt Lake City, my eyes were opened as I found my friend to be a very involved person in all aspects of JACL. He told me he constantly has been trying to improve himself.

Since becoming active in JACL on the chapter level some years ago, he has really taken an interest in politics and civil rights, especially in regard to the application to Japanese Americans. He had begun reading extensively about current affairs, history, and about the issues of today. Realizing that he must speak and conduct meetings he has taken a self-improvement course which has helped him overcome shyness. A man who would normally watch TV every night, this man now attends guest lectures at the local university, digesting the messages from the various public personalities that come to stimulate

ing resolutions:
(1) With the coming of the 800th Anniversary of Shinran Shonin's birth in 1973, the council extended its congratulations to the Kyoto Honpa Hongwanji headquarters.

(2) The council expressed its deep appreciation to U. Thant for his untiring and dedicated services for the benefit of mankind.

(3) The council congratulated the Hon. Shiro Kashiwa upon his appointment to the judgeship of the U.S. Court of Claims on Dec. 1971. (Kashiwa was the past president of the Hawaii Betsuin and the Hawaii Honpa Hongwanji Mission.)

The board of directors accepted a guideline for retired ministers and establishment of the title Minister Emeritus.

The possibility of ministerial transfers between the Buddhist Churches of America and the Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii highlighted the first tri-Bishops meeting Feb. 24.

Attending the meeting were Bishop Kenryu Tsuji of the B.C.A., Bishop Imamura of Hawaii, Bishop Newton Ishiura of Canada, the Rev. Haruyoshi Kusuda, Institute of Buddhist Studies at Berkeley, and Rev. Ejitsu Hojo and Kakumitsu Fujinaga, advisers.

Bishop Tsuji stated that with the implementation of the B.C.A. ministers' pension plan by the two Kyodan the possibility of exchanging ministers has opened up for consideration and planning.

On occasion of the 800th anniversary of Shinran Shonin, the Bishops agreed to support the Kyoto celebration and on this same occasion the Bishops requested Kyoto headquarters to develop English materials for the propagation of Jodo Shinshu.

'Kokoro' theme of WYBL Asilomar confab
SAN JOSE — "Kokoro" is the theme of the 30th Western Young Buddhist League Conference to be held in Asilomar March 10-12. The Sansel singing duo, "Chris and JoAnne", who have performed before large Asian American audiences on both the East and West coasts, will appear at the conference; the Institute of Buddhist Studies students will speak; discussion groups will be held; "Sharing Kokoro" will be presented and a dance will be held Saturday night.

Registration fee is \$18 and accommodations and meals is \$31. Make checks payable to 30th Annual WYBL Conference and send to Barbara Kaita, 816 Virginia St., Watsonville, Calif. 95076, (408) 722-2282. People may also register at the conference.

the university community. The old interests of bowling and golfing still get their attention but the fulfillment that has come from self-improvement and involvement in other areas has made this a prime example of what involvement in an organization such as JACL can do to make one's life rewarding and interesting.

At the risk of embarrassing a modest and sincere individual may I say to Ken Nodzu that you have proven to me and to those who know you that JACL involvement on all levels can lead to a richer life.

Ethnic studies—

Continued from Front Page

The other committee members were those on the program staff with the rank of instructor or above.

But the committee in a split vote dissolved itself Dec. 15. The Dec. 3 letter stressed above all the need to develop a curriculum plan, but also questioned what the signers felt was "bad allocation of resources" in the program's budget.

Charges Unsupported

Ogawa says the charges in the letter "are totally unsupported."

Contois established an ad hoc committee to consider the charges made against Ogawa in the letter. That committee refused to act as a hearing committee on the charges but "advised me that I should ask the three signers to withdraw the letter, with apologies to

Okawa," says Contois.

But the three signers have not yet done so, and if they don't soon withdraw the letter, Contois says he "will respond to the letter itself."

The Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, which is supposed to review the Ethnic Studies Program courses, had asked for the curriculum by Dec. 1.

Dr. Friedrich Seifert, chairman of the committee, says the committee has not yet received the curriculum, although "since Dec. 1, I've talked with both factions and told them to let us have the stuff so we can make decisions."

Ogawa said recently (Feb. 4) that "the curriculum plan is completed and we will submit it when ever the committee asks." But he believes the request must come from the ad hoc committee, not the curriculum committee.

Ogawa said the plan was prepared "by Dec. 1, but it was not submitted to anyone because I wanted to let it sit and look at it. There were a lot of mixed feelings and heated emotions at that time."

Contois said that "the problem here is that there is no plan that the group as a whole would claim as their own. I think that what has happened is that the Asian-American faction has gone ahead on their own and developed one without the participation of the dissident faction."

Contois said there are a number of alternatives for the future of ethnic studies.

"One extreme one is to disband the program entirely and possibly start over. The other extreme is to leave it as it is. 'In between is the possibility of having two independent programs—Asian-American and Hawaii-Pacific—each headed by a different director. It would alleviate the dissension in the two groups.'"

Compromise Seen
Contois said such a split would not be unprecedented since "there is a history of

splitting up ethnic studies on the mainland."

His own view, said Contois, is "that I think it is unfortunate that the present situation has developed. It is my hope that it doesn't deteriorate any further because so that we'll have to let the program die."

"I hope that doesn't happen, but even if it does, I hope we can begin to rebuild ethnic studies because I think it is a program which the University definitely ought to have."

"It appears to me that neither of the parties could win the present controversy, but that the University, and the community as well, could lose a great deal."

Ogawa Resigns
On Feb. 23, Dr. Ogawa resigned as director of the ethnic studies program, because he was "very tired, very weary."

Dean Contois accepted the resignation and said there is still no plan for the curriculum committee to review. Ogawa will continue to fulfill his teaching obligation while a search will commence for a replacement.

Student body president Maurice Nakahara of the Manoa campus, who is a Japanese section lab leader in the ethnic studies program, felt there won't seem to be enough U.H. students concerned about ethnic differences in the Islands to give full support to the program.

For instance, of persons of Japanese ancestry, Nakahara commented at a student rally: "Yeah, we control the Legislature, and we have a majority of Japanese at the University, but you hardly see them around except when they're forced to give speeches." He called on his fellow AJA students to get involved with minority groups at the University in order to better the lot of all "local since 'there is a history of people.'"

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Charitable Deductions Require Proof

LOS ANGELES — Many taxpayers lost all or part of their federal tax deductions for charitable contributions last year because they failed to keep the necessary records, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) said today.

"Proof of charitable contributions is one of the most common problems encountered in the audit of tax returns," F. S. Schmidt, IRS director of Southern California, said. "Another problem in the charitable deduction area that appeared last year was claiming as a contribution the full amount paid for tickets to a charity ball, theatre benefit, or banquet."

Schmidt said only that part of the ticket price in excess of the value received by the buyer may be considered a charitable contribution.

"When \$10 is paid for a ticket to a charity banquet and the meal would normally

cost \$4, then only \$6 may be considered a charitable gift," he explained.

To help taxpayers avoid this mistake on their 1971 returns, the IRS has asked all charitable organizations selling tickets to such fund-raising affairs to clearly indicate on the ticket the amount that is deductible.

Media perpetuate racism, JACL worker declares

SEATTLE — Racism in this country is carried on by a process "perpetuated almost exclusively by the mass media," a group of Seattle Asian Americans was told Feb. 26.

Warren Furutani, 24, a community worker with the Japanese American Citizens League in Los Angeles, participated in a workshop at the Japanese Presbyterian Church.

The mass media, Furutani said, are central to a complex process "which helps determine how a minority person thinks of himself."

Asians, in particular, have been forced into "self-hatred" and an image of "the quiet American," which has allowed some Asians to make some economic and other gains while remaining in a basically inferior role.

Stereotypes

In past years, Asians "didn't have a Chinaman's chance" of overcoming the stereotypes, he said. "Sure we were quiet, what else could we do? Our freedom of choice" was between life and death.

More recently, racism against Asians has not been as overt, he added, "but subtle racism often is just as bad, if not worse, than overt racism."

Recent token efforts to put blacks and other minorities in television roles has only changed the stereotypes, he noted, rather than portraying them as they really are.

'Fire Fighter'

Y. Philip Hayasaka, director of the city Human Rights Department, cited a recent controversial article in the Fire Fighter magazine. He said the article epitomized the use of racist stereotypes in the media.

Other examples, he said, are Charlie Chan movies, which portray Asians as inferior.

Hayasaka said some specific reporters are "fairly aware," but the chief writers are not. He noted "certain columnists" who write about the Asian community "in a very patronizing, paternalistic, stereotyped way which keeps Asians at an inferior level."

Detroit JACL sets flight to Japan June 25-Aug. 10

Gallery Kobutoya

BEVERLY HILLS — Gallery Kobutoya of Tokyo and San Francisco opened a branch here at 8620 Wilshire Blvd., with Yoshihiro Suzuki as manager. It's collection of oils and original prints represents some 400 artists, from classic Ukiyo-e to contemporaries. It is closed Sunday.

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CALENDAR

Mar. 11 (Saturday)
Philadelphia—Inst. dnr-dance, Westover Inn & Golf Club, Jeffersonville, 5:30 p.m., Wm. Marunoto, spkr.
Fresno—New Member potluck dnr, Fresno Buddhist Church Annex, 8 p.m.
San Francisco—Inst. Dnr: Castagnola's Fisherman's Wharf, 7 p.m.; Dr. S. L. 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. (\$8.50 per person).

Mar. 12-13
Contra Costa—Solid Lake Tahoe fun trip, by Sat 9 a.m., San Pablo & Macdonald Ave., ret Sun 3 p.m.

Mar. 12 (Monday)
Puyallup Valley—Mgt. Tacoma Buddhist Church, 8 p.m.

Mar. 14 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Bd Mtg. Sturges Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.

Mar. 15 (Saturday)
San Jose—Golf tour, Oakridge Golf Course.

Portland—Pres-DC social, Mar. 18 (Sunday).

PNWDC—Qtrly Mtg. Rodeway Inn, Graham, 10 a.m. (Greenham-Trousdale JACL hosts).

Mar. 22 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Mtg. Nisei War Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 23 (Friday)
Natl JACL—Planning Comm Mtg. Hyatt House, Burlingame, 7 p.m.

Mar. 24 (Saturday)
Natl JACL—Budget Comm Mtg. San Francisco.

April 4 (Tuesday)
Seattle—Bd Mtg. P. L. Alto Buddhist Church, 7:00 p.m.

CHAPTER PULSE

March Events

East L.A. hears Nisei psychiatrist

"Similarities and Dissimilarities in Issei-Nisei-Sansei Relationships" was the topic of Dr. Edward T. Himeno, director of child psychiatry at Loma Linda University School of Medicine, at the East Los Angeles JACL meeting Mar. 9, 7:30 p.m. at Montebello YMCA.

An East L.A. JACLer, Dr. Himeno is graduate of Loma Linda medical school, interned and trained in psychiatry at the Los Angeles County General Hospital-USC Medical Center and has taught at both USC and Loma Linda medical schools.

It was the first of the chapter quarterly meetings. Tak Endo, program chairman, was in charge. Other meetings are planned for June, September and November.

Over 100 members and friends were present for the installation dinner in January at Los Amigos Country Club where president Mas Dobashi and his cabinet were sworn into office by Al Hatate, national JACL treasurer.

Week queen Joyce Kikuchi, sponsored by the East L.A. JACL, was the special guest speaker, relating her trip to Japan. Walter Tatsuno was the inimitable emcee.

Additional tax refund due new car buyers

SACRAMENTO — State Sen. Alfred H. Song (D-Monterey Park) pointed out last week (Feb. 29) that purchasers of new cars in late 1971 who are receiving a federal excise tax refund, are also entitled to a refund of part of the state sales tax they paid on their cars.

If an individual bought a new car from Aug. 16 to Dec. 10 of last year, he was charged a federal excise tax, paid a 5% state sales tax on that federal tax, and is now entitled to a refund of that amount.

Song explained that entire state sales tax on the car is not refundable, only the portion that applied to the federal excise tax payment.

To receive his state sales tax refund, a car buyer need only show proof to his dealer of the amount of federal excise tax he paid.

"After the dealer reimburses the new car buyer, he in turn will be reimbursed by the State Board of Equalization for the sales tax refunds he makes," Song said.

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During the last half of February, National Headquarters acknowledged 155 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club. The month-end total stood at 2,542.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

Honolulu

Unshu mandarin oranges can be imported next fall season from Japan by Hawaii as the U.S. has informed the Japanese government it is lifting its ban. The mandarin oranges are allowed into the five Northwest states at the present time on the ground of an acceptance vote by the teachers themselves, calls for a 5.5 per cent increase in salaries beginning in Sept., 1972. This would mean a \$6.5 million pay raise for teachers over a two-year period.

The \$13 million contract proposed for public school teachers seems to make a tax increase virtually inevitable in 1973. The agreement to give benefits and a 5.5 per cent pay raise to the 8,700 teachers to be funded by the 1973 state legislature and retroactive to Sept., 1972, is only Phase 1. Waiting for their share are the rest of the 33,000 state government employees.

More than 400 workers at Pearl Harbor will be losing their jobs in a major budget-cutback. A 14th Naval District spokesman said that the exact number of workers to be affected has not yet been determined. The shipyard expects a cutback of about 330 of the estimated 5,300 work-

force, he said. About 110 of its approximately 1,400 civilian workers will be released at the Public Works Center.

Political Scene

State Sen. Nadas Yoshinaga hinted he might run against incumbent Mayor Frank F. Fasi. Yoshinaga currently is chairman of the senate ways and means committee. Sen. Pres. David C. McClung has indicated he is willing to run against Fasi if the "established Democrats" led by Gov. John A. Burns cannot find a candidate.

Herbert Weatherman, a Windward Oahu Democrat, has announced that he will run this year for a seat in the state house from the Kailua-Waimanalo area. He is an electrical engineering contractor.

Univ. of Hawaii

The Univ. of Hawaii system, which includes the community colleges, has an open door policy that in theory makes low-cost higher education available to every islander who is 18 or older. But in practice, because of lack of funds, things often don't work out that way. This is one of the key points made Feb. 16 during discussions at the Innovations Institute at the Princess Kaiulani Hotel, sponsored by Leeward Community College.

William A. Waters, former deputy superintendent of public instruction, has been named Windward District school superintendent. He was the deputy school chief from Sept. 1967 to June 1970. Jimmy Iru, acting Windward District superintendent, has been named acting director of the career management and development branch of the DOE's Office of Personnel Services.

Courtroom

Lawrence A. Ige, 18, who has confessed to taking part in three armed robberies, during which women were abducted and then raped, has been sentenced to 60 years in prison. Ige received 10 years for the Aug. robbery of K's Bake and Coffee Shop, 20 years for the Aug. 27 robbery of Cha Cha Tei restaurant and 30 years for the Oct. 9 robbery of Muntz Stereo Pak in

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Winter Olympics

Ernest Moon Au, 37, who has admitted stealing \$100,000 from a Pan American Airways cargo plane last July 21, appeared Feb. 16 in federal court as chief witness against Harmon C. Spencer, accused of the same crime. Spencer, 24, and Au were Pan Am employees who unloaded the cargo plane that night. The money was in \$50 bills and had been mailed to the Bank of

The Spartan Beat

Mas Manbo

Winter Olympics

April Fools' Day this year is going to be a special occasion for the Japanese fight fan. That's the day the one and only Muhammad Ali, the heavyweight champ, will take on Mac Foster in a 15-round bout in Tokyo.

The fight is scheduled for the Budokan (Martial Arts Hall) in the heart of the capital. Ali is to be paid \$400,000 for the night's work and Foster will get \$80,000.

The Japan Boxing Commission waived its rule against two foreign boxers fighting in Japan to open the way for the Tokyo bout.

Ali is ranked No. 1 contender for the world title held by Joe Frazier, and Foster is No. 7.

In his last real outing, Ali, who is becoming a worldwide traveler, knocked out West Germany's Jurgen Elin in seven rounds in Zurich on Dec. 26. Foster stopped ex-Italian champion Bepi Ros in the eighth round on the same card.

The managers of both fighters, Herbert Muhammad and George Stassi, were in Tokyo when the fight was formally announced near the end of January.

The drums began to be beaten for the match right away as Foster's manager Stassi predicted a knockout victory for his boy if Ali doesn't keep running away. Of course, nobody took Stassi seriously.

The Budokan seats 14,000 and Yoshio Koi, chief producer of Prime Organization, Ltd., which is putting on the fight, said he expected a ca-

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America in Guam. Au testified that they later decided to invest the money in real estate in Saipan with Satoru Hirota, another Pan Am employee. He said Hirota later returned the money. Au said he hid \$40,000 in his attic and had \$27,000 in the trunk of his car when he was arrested on Nov. 7. Spencer has not taken the stand yet.

George M. Masuoka, Kauai's acting county attorney, and Mayor Antonio Vidinha, Jr., have made up, and Masuoka has withdrawn his letter of resignation, which he submitted recently after he and deputy state Atty. Gen. Ray Okuma were forced to drop their case against two persons charged during Kauai's corruption probe.

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

19th Century Race Misconceptions

OUTCASTS FROM EVOLUTION: Scientific Attitudes of Racial Inferiority, 1859-1900, by John S. Haller, Jr., Univ. of Illinois Press, 228 pp., \$7.50.

When the first edition of Charles Darwin's *On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection, or the Preservation of Favoured Races in the Struggle for Life* appeared Nov. 24, 1859, an obscure Augustinian monk, Gregor Johann Mendel, was conducting experiments in plant hybridization in his monastery garden at Brunn, Austria.

The entire edition of Darwin's book, 1,250 copies, sold out on the day of issue, the theory it expounded setting the scientific world agog. Mendel published the result of his experiments in the transactions of the Natural Science Society, 1865. But though copies reached the principal libraries of Europe and America, the thesis caused no stir and was soon forgotten.

Mendel read Darwin, but Darwin never heard of Mendel. The lack of communication between the two was ironic; Mendel's discoveries about heredity were needed to put the Darwinian theory on a firm basis.

Since natural selection requires variety on which to operate, Darwin proposed the theory of pangenesis, later to be demonstrated as erroneous but plausible in an age where there was a general, though vague, belief in the inheritance of acquired characteristics.

J.B.P. de Lamarck (1744-1829) has proposed that changes in environment induced plants and animals into new or increased use of some part or organs, causing modifications they transferred to their off-spring. Developing powerful arms through the demands of his arduous calling, a blacksmith would bequeath powerful arms to his children.

J. J. Blumenbach (1752-1840) had devised a system of cranial measurement that led to his dividing mankind into five great families. The tendency was to rank these divisions hierarchically — the Caucasian or white, product of millenniums of social struggle, being put at the top; the Ethiopian or black, sheltered from the struggle in his African hinterland, being placed at the bottom.

Evolving upwards as the result of the fierce competition, the ancestors of the Caucasian had bequeathed their physical and mental gains to him. Vegetating in their primitive environment, the blacks were mere survivors of another age. They had reached an evolutionary dead-end.

The hothouse environment of the institution of American slavery had permitted the blacks to survive beyond their allotted time. Now the shackles of slavery had been struck from them; they had been thrown on their own resources. They faced certain extinction.

Though evolution would eliminate the lesser breeds as unfit, self-interest required that the superior Caucasian expedite the process. "The science of society in the late 19th century not only confirmed . . . the assumptions of biological inferiority but also helped to frame the ideology of disfranchisement and immigration restriction."

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She was stabbed in the right and left upper arms. She was taken to Mission Emergency Hospital and released after receiving treatment.

More seriously wounded was 17-year-old Paula Cuddy, a white coed who was stabbed in the back.

Her lung was punctured and she was reported in satisfactory condition at San Francisco General Hospital.

Assaults Sought

Police searched the school and grounds for three black girls, one wearing a gray coat, described by the two victims as the girl who tried to shake them down. They were not found.

Harvey Christenson, principal at Lincoln, said he was not sure the three were from his school, but acknowledged they might have been and that they had simply returned to afternoon classes.

Christenson said it was the first time in the 18 years he had been at the school that any student had been stabbed.

Money Demanded

He said Miss Cuddy told him the three girls had demanded money and that she had told them she had none.

One of the three shouted, "Oh yes you do," and when Miss Cuddy ran, one of the girls stabbed her in the back.

Christenson said that while he was giving first aid to Miss Cuddy, students brought in the second victim, who told a similar story.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Rokuta Hanayagi heads her company of 15 dancers in a program Mar. 18 at Koyasan Hall hailing the arrival of spring. Doors open at 6:30 and the performances start at 7 p.m. Tickets orders at \$2.50 each may be placed by calling 733-7059 or 622-4524.

Plans for Amerasian Youth Day were scheduled to be discussed at the regular Asian American Education Commission business meeting Mar. 9, 7:30 p.m., at the L.A. Board of Education, 450 N. Grand Ave. A report from the superintendent's office on decentralization was also due.

Suburban Optimists of La Mirada have set their fund-raising pancake breakfast for Saturday, April 15, 7-11 a.m., at JAX Market parking lot in Buena Park, on the southeast corner of Beach Blvd. and Manchester. Proceeds are earmarked for the SEYO athletic programs and other Optimist activities, according to Munee Hamano, breakfast chairman.

Japanese American Republicans of Southern California will install their 1972 officers, headed by Ben Fujita, at the Biltmore Hotel on Mar. 11, 6:30 p.m. Rep. Barry Goldwater Jr. (R-Calif.) will be guest speaker. Dr. Tom Omori will emcee.

San Francisco Peninsula

An Asian students conference, under sponsorship of the San Mateo Union High School district human relations committee, will be held Mar. 15, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Turnbull School. Two major speakers during the morning will be Yori Wada and Alan Wong, speaking on "Identity and Stereotypes of Asian Americans." Groups discussions, exhibits, demonstrations and a film will be featured in the afternoon. Conference is open to the community, especially high school students.

"Iko no Tomo," Issei project supported by the San Mateo JACL and other local groups; will celebrate its first year of operation come May. It meets regularly on Thursdays.

An exhibition basketball game between members of the San Francisco 49ers and the Mt. View YBA All-Stars at the new Mountain View Sengha Hall has been scheduled April 21, 7 p.m., as a special benefit. Participating 49ers include: Vic Washington, Bruce Gossett, Frank Nulley, Randy Beiler, Len Roidge, Gus Banarack and Bruce Taylor.

San Francisco

Mme. Fujima Rokushige heads the Japanese odori committee teaching participants in the annual Nihon-machi Cherry Blossom Festival parade April 23. General practice dates will be announced.

Kimochi, Inc., the San Francisco Insei project, will celebrate its first anniversary with a potluck luncheon Mar. 25 at the Buddhist Church gym.

Health

Henry T. Yamate, CPA, president of the San Jose Savings & Loan, was elected to a second term of three years as treasurer of the Good Samaritan Hospital of Santa Clara County.

Dr. F. J. Stare of the Harvard Medical School department of nutrition found time during his attendance at a nutrition conference in Japan to combine his professional interests with girl-watching, observing that legs of young Japanese women seem rather muscular and athletic. Being a nutritionist, he assumed dietary differences were the reason but was later informed the muscular legs were due to stiling cross-legged throughout childhood and adolescence and not because of too much rice.

Travel

The Arabs who hijacked the Delhi-Athens Lufthansa jumbo jet to Aden on Feb. 22 (eldest son of the late Robert F. Kennedy was among the 127 passengers released) held 14 crewmen as hostages. Among them were two Japanese stewardesses, Sumiko Morita, 29, and Hiromi Noda, 24.

Sister Cities

Youths between 15-20 are being sought by the Gardena-Jachikawa Sister City Committee for its annual summer youth exchange program. Interested youths and parents may attend a special meeting Feb. 29, 7:30 p.m., at the Gardena Sumitomo Bank for particulars. The affiliation celebrates its 10th anniversary this year.

Churches

The Rev. Dr. Alfred S. Akama, pastor of the Japanese American United Church in New York City, will retire June 30 after 32 years in the post. The Rev. Justin Haruyama will succeed him, assuming his duties Sept. 1.

Courtroom

Los Angeles county deputy coroner Donald Angus Stuart pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of falsifying claiming to have an M.D. degree in his preliminary hearing before Municipal Judge Richard M. Moore on Mar. 2 and will appear April 13 for sentencing. The charge stemmed from Stuart's testimony in the 1969 county civil service commission hearing of Dr. Thomas Noguchi. Stuart was suspended Feb. 2 when arrested and subsequently resigned.

Business

Internal dispute of Ivac Corp., La Jolla manufacturer of digital electronic thermometers for use by nurses, was brought to surface by the resignation of three of its directors, including vice president Stephen N. Saito, 34, a founder and head of Ivac operations. The firm later said its financial and operational position was sound but that involvement in a proxy contest could prove somewhat debilitating to the company. Saito declined to state his reasons for resigning.

Toyota Motor Sales of Japan will lease 24 acres from the State of Oregon to set up its automobile distribution center near Portland and make use of port facilities under a 15-year contract recently signed for \$50 million.

San Francisco Nihonmachi Merchants Assn. re-elected Hideo Shirayanagi, manager of the Bank of Tokyo Japan Center Branch, as president. Matsushita Electric topped Toyota Motor Co. in the latest Japanese government compilation of earnings for the half-year period ending last Nov.

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member. Matsushita reported sales earnings of \$54.5 billion as compared with Toyota's \$45.6 billion.

Masato Kobayashi, 28, of Gardena was promoted manager of Michael Kay's for Men & Zeldier & Zeldier clothing store in Redondo Beach's South Bay Shopping Center. He had been assistant manager.

Earning the insurance industry's National Quality Award were Tommy Ochi (20 times), Charles Onoye CLU (20 times), Kirosi Kagawa CLU (12 times), Robert Karasawa (8 times) and Ann Kodama (3 times)—all associated with the H. H. Kodani Agency of Occidental Life of Calif. at Los Angeles.

Education

Among teacher-applicants of federal funds endorsed Feb. 7 by Los Angeles Board of Education for innovative programs under Title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act were Herbert Leong, pupil service and attendance counselor, and Bernice Christensen, instructional specialist, seeking a \$173,279 grant for a Knowledge of English Yields Success (KEYS) centers at Solano Ave. and Denker Ave. schools, the latter school in Gardena, to develop a bilingual program for schools in Asian American communities. Teacher consultant Mae Bungo of Harbor City is seeking a \$93,720 grant for Project Focus for Effective Teaching to aid elementary grade instructors.

Honorary PTA Life memberships, a recognition presented to individuals who have rendered outstanding service to children and youth, were awarded by West Los Angeles schools to:

NORA STERRY SCHOOL—Alice Hirabayashi, Girl Scout Troop 1900-leader, Mrs. Mary Taka, West Los Angeles JACL; Mrs. Liyan Nitta, WLA Methodist Church.

EDISON SCHOOL—Mrs. Lily Kamibayashi, Edison School PTA; JOHN ADAMS JR. HIGH—Mrs. Hishida, Mrs. Kenji Ohtsuka (Honorary Service Award in state PTA).

Rafu Shimpu publisher Akira Komai of Los Angeles was among 10 community leaders honored by the L.A. Assn. of Secondary School Administrators for continuing support to education and influence upon the welfare of students. Sharing the spotlight with him was Bill Cosby, TV star and educator. Komai was cited for publishing the annual special editions honoring student leaders and scholars.

The Los Angeles Board of Education approved an application by local teachers for Title III (Elementary and Secondary Education Act) federal funds to establish education centers in Asian American communities at the Solano Ave. School near New Chinatown and Denker Ave. School in Gardena. A bilingual program for KEYS (Knowledge of English Yields Success) seeks a \$173,279 grant, according to instructional specialist Bernice Christensen and pupil services-attendance counselor Herbert Leong.

Welfare

Grants ranging in amounts from \$1,000 to \$4,000 authorized under the Drug Abuse Education Act of 1970 to help local communities develop comprehensive preventive drug education programs were announced by Sen. Hiram Fong's office to S. Lynn Fukuda, Hilo; Duke Yoon, Honolulu Community Action Program, and to Gail Breakey, Honolulu; Walter Varde, Wa-

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Architect

Utah Technical College named architect Taka Kida among its outstanding alumni who achieved distinction in their chosen field. He completed his studies by correspondence while working as a draftsman. Last year he was licensed by the state, perhaps one of the last of his breed to become an architect without graduating from six years in architecture from a university. Utah law now requires such an educational background plus apprenticeship. Associated with Architects-Planners Alliance, the Salt Lake JACLer is working on the Trolley Square project, has assisted in the design of the Salt Lake Buddhist Church and the Jordan Park International Peace Gardens. He is also a volunteer architect with Assist, a group of concerned young architects offering their services free to the community to improve low-income areas of Salt Lake City.

Government

Irving S. K. Chin, 40, a New York attorney, was reappointed by Mayor Lindsay to the city's commission on human rights. When he was appointed last April, the commission chairman had noted the group was only beginning to work with the Oriental community, "a long, neglected community in our city and one which is suffering special hardships because of the great influx into Chinatown."

San Jose Mayor Norman Mineta, attending a mayors' conference on Model Cities rushed down to Mexico City, before returning home to help lure a \$20 million Mexican trade and cultural center, which could transform San Jose's economically-depressed downtown area into a sparkling jewel.

Awards

The Riverside (Calif.) International Relations Council presented its outstanding service award to Ed Mitoma, a founder of Riverside JACL, active in the Mayor's Sendai Committee and coordinator of the highly successful Sendai Festival.

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