



By RAYMOND S. UNO  
National JACL President

Dothan, Alabama. Where is that? I never heard of the name until I received a letter from a Carol Hara who happened to get wind of my name when a Christmas package that was sent to her from her parents in California was wrapped with an issue of the Pacific Citizen.

Why did she write to me? She was carrying on a one

### Deep South

woman battle to have the word "Jap" from being used in the local newspaper, The Dothan Eagle. She had written to the newspaper, talked with the editor, the publisher, the owner, and so on. It took over nine months of patient, persistent, persuasive prodding. After a series of letters from her, as well as long distance phone calls, she recently informed me she was able to talk with the Dothan Eagle people, explain to them why the term "Jap" was offensive to Japanese Americans and received assurances from the Dothan Eagle that the term would no longer be used in their paper.

Although I cannot relate the entire episode in detail, the overriding problem was the difficulty of making intelligent people, who daily make their livelihood by writing articles in an English language newspaper, understand why many Japanese Americans do not like to be called or referred to by the use of what we consider an offensive term.

Many people scoff at JAs being too sensitive, including many JAs. I know of quite a few Sansei who don't like it and have responded in kind in a few choice words. The recipients of the few choice words didn't like being called what they were called, but the message got across; we are sensitive to certain terms which offend us, some worse than others. It takes a great deal of educating to make people understand that racial slurs include any word that denigrates or demeans any racial group. The use of the term "Jap" does that to many JAs, including myself.

Dothan, Alabama is part of the United States. It is in the Deep South where there are not many JAs. I would suspect there are many newspapers in the United States which still have no editorial policy relating to words offensive to JAs, particularly in the Deep South. If it were not for Carol Hara, the Dothan Eagle would not have changed its practice. Hopefully, there are other Carol Haras who will have the courage to speak up, act and help make the many changes that our society cries out to be made.

Thanks, Carol. Keep up the good work.

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### JARP executives to meet at UCLA

LOS ANGELES—The JACL-Japanese American Research Project executive committee, chaired by Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago, will meet here this weekend, Mar. 31-Apr. 2.

National JACL President Raymond Uno, ex-officio member, will be present along with executive committee members.

Mike Masao, Frank Chuman, Katsumi Mukaeda, Yone Satoda, Sim Togasaki, Akiyoshi Yoshimura, and Masao Satow.

The UCLA-JARP executive committee, which met earlier this month, discussed the time schedules of the various authors and publication arrangements, the Asian American studies center and follow-up grants; while the JACL-JARP group is expected to air such items as the East Coast project, long-range goals especially in the area of education or ethnic studies, and additions to the committee.

### Farm workers 'pueblo' near Watsonville urged

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — A community patterned after the Danish community of Solvang has been proposed by Santa Cruz County supervisors Henry Mello and Ralph Sanson near here to save the county's \$50,000,000-a-year agricultural industry, which is in jeopardy because of the sporadic supply of farm workers at harvest time.

Some 6,000 workers are in the fields here between mid-July and September, most of them Spanish-speaking, and many of them housed in temporary-type camps which may be closed because of inadequate sewage.

The supervisors suggest a new city might be modeled after a Mexican village with a central market place, small shops lining the plaza and farm workers with skill making and selling furniture, wood carvings and leathercraft in the months outside of harvest.

## SAKURA SQUARE DENVER J-TOWN SKYLINE BLOOMS WITH 20-STORY TAMAI APT.-TOWERS

DENVER, Colo.—A Japanese trade and cultural center, arranged around a 20-story apartment and nearly 40,000 square feet of shops, restaurants and display areas, will grace the metropolitan area of this mile-high city this fall as part of the Skyline Urban Renewal Project.

The huge construction, started last year, is scheduled for completion by September. Eye-catching Tamai Towers, named after the Rev. Yoshitaka Tamai, will rise upward for 20 stories with 85

efficiency apartment units, 102 one-bedroom units and 17 two-bedroom units. Twenty per cent of the units have been designed for federal rent supplements of low income persons.

### Shopping Center

Next to Tamai Towers, the development will include a two-story building of 37,000 square feet for a Japanese retail and cultural center.

Heading the list of firms which has signed to open in the shopping mall is Restaurant Kyoto. This eatery will specialize in authentic Japanese cuisine and is destined to be one of the tourist attractions of Sakura Square. Other firms include Pacific Mercantile Company, Granada Super Market and Akenobu Restaurant.

A remodeled Tri-State Buddhist Temple will complete the \$4 million development. The land is the block, bound by 19th and 20th, Lawrence and Larimer, will have 40 per cent of the area devoted to open space and plazas with landscaping on an oriental theme.

Off-street parking of 130 spaces will be provided in areas slightly below street level with landscaped screening. Designer and architect of Sakura Square is Bertram A. Burton, AIA, and doing the building is Titan Construction Company.

Tri-State Buddhist Church Apartments, a non-profit Colorado corporation, which bought the land for \$188,000 in 1970 for redevelopment, served as developers of Sakura Square.

LOS ANGELES—The first Asian American Mental Health Conference, sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health and Asian American Social Workers, will be held April 28-29 at the Bellevue Hotel here.

NIMH Director, Dr. Bertam Brown, will be the convention speaker. Asian American communities across the country have selected a corps of 78 delegates.

The conference will focus on Asian Americans defining and setting priorities to the needs that exist in their respective communities. The initial day will focus on workshops on such topics as Senior Citizens, Youth, Women, Effects of Alienation and Discrimination on Asian Americans. The second day will be spent in recommending strategy to alleviate the problems as defined.

(The four delegates representing Southern California are Harold Honda, pres., So. Calif. Society of the Japanese Blind; Carol Hatanaka, JACS-Asian Involvement; Ben Kawaguchi, senior public health nurse; and Rev. Kogi Sayama, Japanese Community Pioneer Center.)

### HEW community advocate informed of local needs

LOS ANGELES — A large turnout of Asian Americans heard Mrs. Toyo Biddle, coordinator for Asian American affairs in the HEW Office of Special Concerns, this past week (Mar. 14) explain her role in which she relates the needs of Asian communities at the policy level and communicates the Department's activities to local communities.

The Washington, D.C. official was enroute to San Francisco for HEW Region IX director's meeting. She indicated a strong possibility that Region IX (California, Hawaii, Arizona, Nevada) will make Asian concerns a priority for the coming year.

Of the funding proposals she has checked, she revealed Asian needs focus on senior citizens, new immigrants, drug abuse and education.

She also reported the Social Security Administration is gathering data on its service delivery to Asian clients. Lack of bilingual personnel among claims agents is the most glaring shortcoming, according to initial data.

The U.S. Civil Service Commission may also investigate the barriers that Asians face in receiving services from governmental sources, she continued.

A Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW) information kit listing available programs and funding interest to the community is also near completion, according to Mrs. Biddle.

### Min Yasui heads effort to reduce street crimes

DENVER — A 27-member coordinating council and five nine-member task forces will make recommendations to the mayor for the handling of a \$20 million crime impact grant made recently by federal Law Enforcement Assistance Administration. Minoru Yasui, executive director of the Denver Commission on Community Relations, will serve as chairman of the council. Until a staff of some eight specialists are hired, Yasui and the Commission staff are developing the basic plans and structure to encompass \$3.75 million in Denver's fight against crime by May 1 and \$10 million for 1973.

The LEAA program is designed to cut down violent crime by 5 per cent within one year and 20 per cent the second year. Denver's share is part of the \$180 million total national program, allocated to eight cities with high rates of crime.

### JAPANESE NAMED TO HIGH U.N. STAFF POST

NEW YORK — Genichi Akita is to be the first Japanese to hold a second-level post in the United Nations secretariat. The 55-year-old diplomat in charge of economic affairs at the Japanese Embassy, Washington, is expected to be appointed UN assistant secretary-general in charge of the public information office.

The appointment is expected in April-May as the present contract of Agha Abdul Hamid of Pakistan, now in this post, expires March 31.



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The Shoreham Hotel, surrounded by the natural beauty of Rockcreek Parkway, is Headquarters for the 1972 National JACL Convention.

## 'Leave your worries to us'

By CHERRY TSUTSUMIDA  
(Special to The Pacific Citizen)

WASHINGTON—As the planners work out details for the 22nd Biennial National JACL Convention to be held on June 27 through July 1 in the Nation's Capital, there is one problem causing real worry: "Will people stay away from or skip the Convention because of exaggerated concerns about crime in the capital?"

According to Harry Takagi, Convention Board Chairman, reports are coming in that there are questions being raised from various parts of the country as to the safety of the city. Families especially are torn between wanting to give their children a once-in-a-lifetime experience and worrying about the possibility of some unfortunate incident.

In light of what happened at a recent convention in another city, the Convention Committee has decided to deal with this issue seriously and openly.

### Situation Improved

First of all, it should be pointed out that Washington's crime rate is no higher than the crime rate of most major cities in California, Arizona, Colorado or Florida. Furthermore, there has been a concerted effort on the part of

### John-Yoko Lennons face deportation from U.S.

NEW YORK — Ex-Beatle John Lennon says he and his wife Yoko Ono plan to fight deportation from the United States on the grounds their visas have expired.

A special immigration hearing scheduled Mar. 16 on the deportation of the British musician and his wife was postponed until April 18 to give them the opportunity to apply for permanent residence in the United States.

"We love it," the Lennons said of the United States, but Lennon admitted a bar to his entry might be a 1968 British drug conviction. He said he is attempting to have the conviction expunged from his record.

### YAMAHA ROLLS BACK PRICES AFTER PROBE

WASHINGTON — The Cost Living Council said 13 large firms have rolled back prices voluntarily after violation probes were found earlier during an Internal Revenue Service probe. They include Yamaha International Corp., Montebello, Calif.

### Interviewing techniques initial course for Univ. of Utah Asian studies class

SALT LAKE CITY—As an integral part of the Univ. of Utah Center for Studies of the American West, an Asian studies course has been established this spring quarter on the History of the Japanese in Utah was formed on Mar. 22.

Floyd A. O'Neill, assistant director of the Center, credited Bunny Matsumiya, Ron Aramaki and Leslie Kurumada, representing Asian American students on the Utah campus, for initiating the interest.

Dr. Charles Monson, University vice-president in charge of funds for minority studies, has approved the initial course—a two-hour weekly session on interviewing techniques—to prepare students in their field work. The class began Mar. 23.

Ad hoc committee chairman Raymond Uno secured endorsement and a commitment of volunteers to assist students.

## Foreign minister of Japan invited to address JACL

WASHINGTON — No event scheduled during the 22nd Biennial National JACL Convention here in Washington, D.C. is causing as much excitement as the Congressional Dinner scheduled for June 28.

For over ten months the Convention Board, headed by Harry Takagi, has been making detailed plans to insure an evening both distinctive and enjoyable for those who attend. With most of JACL chapters inviting their respective Congressional delegations, the public relations effect on the legislative branch is foremost in the mind of the planners.

According to Mike Masao, Washington Representative for the National organization, the program will have world-wide interest due to the invitation extended to the Foreign Minister of Japan to be the major speaker.

In light of the current interest in Asian-American affairs, the Convention Board thought it appropriate and timely that the JACL provide a public forum for the Foreign Minister, much in the same tradition that English speaking societies provided a forum for the then Prime Minister of Great Britain, Winston Churchill. It was also felt that a representative of the Japanese Government of such stature would increase Congressional interest and participation in the Dinner.

In honor of the Foreign Minister and the Congressional delegations, the preferred dress for the evening will be "black tie optional." All members at the head table will wear formal attire.

### Tribute to Congress

It is no accident that the JACL is emphasizing and paying special tribute to the role of Congress during the Banquet and during the entire Convention.

In a recent interview, Masao stated, "Without a doubt, it has been and still is the Legislative Branch of the United States that acted to restore our rights and to nullify discrimination affecting Asians. Even when the other branches of Government seemed less responsive, if not indifferent, Congress demon-

## Asians protest penalties proposed for employers knowingly hiring illegals

NEW YORK — Asians were numbered among those who demonstrated in Foley Square to protest a proposed administration-supported House bill (HR 2328) whose provisions include penalties against those who knowingly hire illegal aliens.

The House Subcommittee on Immigration and Naturalization, headed by Rep. Peter Rodino (D-N.J.) conducted hearings on the bill at the Customs Court House.

Representatives of numerous ethnic and labor organizations marched in front of the Court House carrying placards with such legends as "We Are All Immigrants" and "Immigrants Built This Country: Don't Persecute Them Now." They passed out sample compulsory "I.D. Cards" such as are said to be favored for all citizens by Immigration Commissioner Raymond Farrel.

Testifying against the House bill were representatives of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, the American Council for Nationalities Service, the Association of Immigration and Nationality Lawyers, and the Chinese Restaurant Association.

The House measure would provide a penalty for an employer of the alien worker of as much as a year in jail or a fine of \$1,000.

Opponents of the bill assert that the Administration is making alien workers a scapegoat for the rise in unemployment in this country. They contend that existing

### Illegal alien hiring repeal bill deferred

SACRAMENTO — The State Assembly labor committee, after a 2½-hour debate, voted not to send to the floor the bill introduced by Rep. Bill Brophy (R-Los Angeles) to repeal the illegal alien hiring law.

The law was declared invalid Feb. 24 by Superior Court Judge Church who said the guidelines are vague. The ruling is under appeal.

### Congressional Leaders

The Banquet will pay special recognition to three men who stand out for their assistance to the JACL in the past two decades. They are Senator Mike Mansfield of Montana, the current Senate Majority Leader and acknowledged expert on foreign affairs; Rep. Carl Albert from Oklahoma, who as House Majority Leader played a key role in the repeal of Title II; and Rep. Emanuel Celler of New York, recognized as the Hill's dean and champion of Civil Rights. Each was present at a pivotal point in the passage of legislation relevant to the welfare of the Japanese American, and each demonstrated courage, conviction and unusual leadership in harnessing the necessary votes to make a bill a law.

By popular request, this function will be open to anyone who wishes to attend. The price per ticket is \$30. However, for those who have registered for the package deal, the price of the ticket for the Congressional Dinner is already included in the package.

Since the occasion promises to be one of more than usual elaborateness, it is suggested that women bring as formal as possible cocktail type pantsuits will also be acceptable. Since the room temperature will be adjusted to meet the men in suits, it is recommended that women bring a light wrap with them.

The master of ceremonies for the evening will be Sen. Daniel Inouye, the only Nisei Senator in the United States Congress today. Also present will be Reps. Spark Matsunaga and Patsy Mink.

Chapters are expected to invite as many of their congressional delegation as possible since the planning committee assures an evening which will create a favorable and lasting impression on all who attend.

### BUDDHIST SERVICES COUNT TOWARD PAROLE

WASHINGTON — Associate Supreme Court Justice William Rehnquist last week (Mar. 21) dissented from an 8-1 decision granting a Texas prisoner the right to accumulate credit toward parole by attending Buddhist religious ceremonies, just as inmates of other sects had been given credit for going to church services.

Rehnquist said he considered the case "frivolous."

### DEADLINES

Mar. 24—Nat'l Committee Chmn. reports, proposals and recommendations to appropriate supervising National JACL officer.

Mar. 25—JACL Budget requests to Nat'l Headquarters.

Mar. 28—Nominations for National JACL officers by District Councils to Tats Misaka, chmn., 1886 Severn Dr., Salt Lake City 84111.

April 1—Nominations by chapters for JACLer of Biennium to respective District Council recognition.

April 7—Recommendations, comments by Nat'l JACL officers of committee reports, etc., to Nat'l Headquarters for dissemination to Executive Committee.

Apr. 15—Inagaki Chapter of Biennium Award applications by chapters to respective District Councils.

April 15—Chapter nominations of one candidate for National JACL college freshman scholarship, funding, require concise statement with local chapter for details.

April 28 (60 days prior)—Basic JACL Budget to Chapters.

May 1—Nominations by chapters for Nisei of Biennium to George Kimura, 2001 E. 3200 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109.

May 1—District nominations for JACLer of Biennium to Jack Ogami, 306 E. Commercial St., Weiser, Idaho 83672.

May 8—Proposals for Constitutional amendments filed by District Council or National Board with National Director.

May 28 (30 days prior)—Notification to chapters of any proposed Constitutional amendments as filed with National Director.



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Friday, March 31, 1972

Harry K. Honda

## Ye Editor's Desk

### A HISTORIC \$10,000 JUDGMENT

In case our readers missed reading about a historic \$10,000 judgment in a housing discrimination case several weeks ago, we want to make sure at least our JACL members are brought up to date on it. (We are grateful to Dr. David Murra, chairman of the JACL Ethnic Concerns Committee, for providing us the information.)

A black couple, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Johnson, were awarded a \$10,000 judgment last month after a 10-day trial in a Long Beach (Calif.) housing discrimination case. Included in the judgment were the \$250 statutory damages to each plaintiff under the 1959 Calif. Civil Rights (Unruh) Act; the rest involved punitive damages and an award to the Johnsons for the inconvenience and emotional distress they had undergone as a result of the racial discrimination encountered when they sought to rent a house in Signal Hill. In addition, the defendants were required to pay court costs (around \$1,000) and presumably their attorney's fees as well.

All indications are that this historic judgment has had a salutary effect on rental policies in the area, according to the Fair Housing Foundation of Long Beach, 4108 E. 7th St., Long Beach, Calif. 90804, which intends to publish excerpts of the closing remarks made to the jury by attorney Myron Blumberg for the plaintiffs in their newsletter (\$5 a year) next month.

Last June, the Johnsons sought to rent a house at 1108 E. 32nd St. Mr. Johnson, a paraplegic who is an outpatient at Long Beach Veterans Administration Hospital, has an ample income from a disability pension. After their deposit had been accepted, the Johnsons were notified by telephone that they could not rent the house, after all, because their children (Charmaine, 6, and David, 4) were "too young".

The Johnsons then inquired at the Fair Housing Foundation. An independent check by FHF investigators suggested strongly that racial discrimination, not the ages of their children, had been the reason for their rejection as tenants. The Johnsons were next referred to Mr. Blumberg, the attorney, whom they asked to represent them in a lawsuit under the Unruh Act. As reported in the Independent Press-Telegram in a Feb. 12 interview, this outcome restored the faith for the Johnsons. They had met ugly, humiliating racial discrimination before and had to "forget it," this time they decided to fight it in court. They went through the trial with mixed emotions. They listened and watched as all five black members of the jury panel were eliminated by challenges from the defense attorney. But when the all-white jury unanimously brought in a verdict in favor of the plaintiffs, Mrs. Johnson reacted this way: "They all believed us. It's like this really is America, after all."

Certainly the most dramatic anti-discrimination verdict yet in the Long Beach area, and one of the largest judgments of this kind anywhere in this country, the case should energize fair housing groups — public and private — and brighten the hopes of

### SCHOOL BUSING

Republican National Chairman Cole calls school busing "the other yellow peril". On this point, the PC drops "busing" and joins the prevalent style for spelling this political word. On the other hand, "busing" could lead to a "pearl".

EDITORIAL: KNX Radio (Mar. 20)

## Preservation of Manzanar endorsed

Los Angeles  
Should Joe DiMaggio have been put into a concentration camp? Mike Massoka was.

Starting 30 years ago this week, thousands of American citizens were locked up in concentration camps without a trial. Their crime was being born of Japanese ancestry. Pearl Harbor had just happened and it drove reason out of our minds and decency out of our hearts.

Liberals and reactionaries alike demanded imprisonment of Japanese Americans without a trial. The excuse was wartime security. Yet, it was only Pacific Coast Japanese who were put behind the barbed wire. None from the rest of the country or Hawaii.

Beyond that, German-Americans and Italian-Americans were left at large. These Caucasians could have been a greater security threat than the very obvious Japanese Americans.

At the end of the war in 1945, this American crime against American ideals was compounded. Some Japanese Americans were not released until 1947.

One of the most notorious

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This Spring's Fancy



## By the Board

Central California District  
Governor Fred Hirasuna

### ENDOWMENT FUND

It has been estimated that Japanese Americans received about ten percent of the losses suffered during Evacuation in the form of government reparations payments.

ceived, ten percent went to attorneys who filed the claims. JACL asked awarders to contribute another ten percent to the JACL Endowment Fund.

Contributors were told, to the best of this writer's memory, that the interest or income from this fund would be used for JACL operational expenses, but the principal would be held for use in emergencies of catastrophic proportions which would affect Japanese Americans as a whole. No part of this principal was to be spent without the approval of three-fourths of the member chapters of JACL. These were the bases upon which the funds were solicited and contributed.

At the last national convention in Chicago it was proposed that expenditures of the principal be allowed upon the authorization of the Endowment Fund Committee without referral to the chapters. This proposal, which required the approval of three-fourths of the chapters, failed to pass. It is anticipated that renewed efforts will be made to pass this proposal. We feel that a binding contract was made with the donors on the basis of the original purposes of this fund.

Any proposed expenditure should be of a nature important to the entire membership, and each proposed expenditure should be subject to the approval of three-fourths of the chapters as provided in Section 3 of Article XII of the By-Laws. We would deplore the dissipation of the principal of this fund for a number of miscellaneous projects of less than major importance, and of doubtful permanent value. Rather, we would support the use of the fund to build a permanent National Headquarters, or an old people's home for Japanese Americans.

We urge a "no" vote on any proposal to permit a committee to authorize expenditures of any portion of the fund without the specific approval of three-fourths of the member chapters for each separate expenditure proposed.

## LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

### Roots of Nisei

Editor:  
One of the points Miyu Morikawa makes in her "Chicago Hot Air" column (PC, March 17) has bothered me for a long time, and I am prompted into writing this commentary.

Nearly all Japanese Americans are descendants of the peasant and working classes. Only the oppressed and poverty stricken would leave the country of their birth and come to resettle in a strange and hostile country. What few samurai class immigrants there were probably left Japan in disgrace. Privileged people simply would not voluntarily leave the land of their privilege.

Since we are all descendants of peasants, workers, or disgraced samurai, I do not understand why we continue to perpetuate and honor the culture of our oppressors. "Bushido" was a military code designed to keep the samurai class in line, and to oppress the peasant class. Even "shikataganai" is a form of mental discipline used to keep the masses docile.

The uncut version of Kurosawa's "Seven Samurai" clearly shows the class struggle which has plagued Japanese society from feudal times. Toshio Mifune is a beautiful fighter, but is shown as a drunken fool from the peasant class, never to be a "real" samurai. The "real" Bushido-trained samurai only succeed in destroying themselves, and the peasants are the only ones to prevail and triumph.

In the early 1900s, the same Bushido ethic was used to trick the Japanese people into believing that it is an honor

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## 25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, March 29, 1947

First evacuation claims bill introduced in House by Rep. Earl Michener (R-Mich.), calls for three-man commission to investigate and adjudicate. Emergency trailer home park for 1,000 evacuees in Burbank, Calif., to be closed; JACL office seeks county assistance in securing permanent housing. Saga of Frank Fujino told: survived Bataan Death March as U.S. Army private, loses leg in 442nd rescue of Lost Battalion in France. PC publishes Jon Chinen's story, "They Were So Young", about the 100th Infantry.

Idaho Falls American Le-

gion Post 56 supports citizen-

ship for Issei. Two Nisei

succumb to food poisoning at

Walla Walla farm labor camp

to stop deportation of 200 Ja-

panese. Wat Misaka ac-

claimed hero of Utah's upset

victory in New York (held

Ralph Beard to one point in

Utah's 49-45 triumph).

JACL seeks repeal of Justice

Dept. classification of "enemy

alien" for Issei in U.S.

Midwest JACL district council

to be organized; Tri-State

JACL district council of chap-

ters in Colorado, Wyoming

and Nebraska deferred until

fall.

## Encampment for Citizenship seeks Asian applicants

NEW YORK — The Encampment for Citizenship, of 2 W. 6th St., New York 10023, announced scholarships for Asian American teenage youth in the four six-week summer programs geared for young people "who want to make a difference" in the area of public affairs and social problems.

The scholarships reserved for Asian Americans will reduce the \$750 room, board and tuition fee to \$200 or less. Literature and application are available at EFC offices here.

The four Encampments are located in Denver, Colo.; White Plains, N.Y.; San Antonio, Tex. (all for the 15-18 age group); and Saranac Lake, N.Y. (in the Adirondack Mountains; for ages 17-20).

Dates for all projects other than San Antonio Encampment are July 9-August 19. The San Antonio project will run from July 2 through August 12.

The program at each Encampment includes two days a week of volunteer work and other community activities, primarily in low-income areas, as well as a weekly one-day field trip; speakers and films on racial, environmental and poverty issues and world affairs; practical "how-to-do-it" workshops concerned with such topics as environmental protection, tutoring and Head Start work, and youth in politics; and recreational activities. Three hours of college credit may be earned at all EFC sites if desired.

New York Mayor John V. Lindsay and U.S. Congressman Ogden R. Reid co-chair the Encampment Sponsors Committee. A non-profit, non-partisan organization which Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt helped establish in 1946, the Encampment has 4,500 alumni.

(Dini Uejima, active San Gabriel Valley JACLer, attended the Encampment in 1937 while a student at the Univ. of Minnesota. —Ed.)

## Yale students help recruit Asian Americans

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — The Asian American Students Assn. at Yale is assisting the undergraduate admissions office conduct recruitment trips on the West Coast during the pre-Easter break (Mar. 18-April 2) to encourage Asian American high school juniors to apply at Yale in the fall of 1973. Among the recruiters were: Susan Mochizuki, Rodney Eng, Seattle; Sung Ho Lee, Vincent Natarrete, Ellen Hira, Los Angeles; David Louis, San Francisco; Ricky Ryu, Monterey.

## Social worker opens for private practice

LOS ANGELES — Satoshi T. Hayashi, MSW, announced the opening of his office for private practice as a licensed clinical social worker and marriage, family and child counselor at 1308 Wilshire Blvd.

For the past eight years, he has been a consulting psychiatric social worker at the Edgewood Family Counseling Agency, a United Way service in Covina. Upon receiving a Masters of Social Work degree from USC in 1955, Hayashi has engaged in a wide variety of social welfare activities including serving the Japanese community as a social worker at the Shonien, the Japanese Children's Home, Japanese American Community Services, and International Institute.

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## CHAPTER PULSE

### May Events

Miss East L.A. to be introduced at Emerald Ball

East Los Angeles JACL has launched its annual search for a Miss East L.A. for the Nisei Week queen contest and will be introduced at the chapter's Emerald Ball, May 13, at Montebello Country Club, according to Mrs. Junko Tanikawa (665-4995) and Mrs. Marie Ito (623-8920), queen committee co-chairmen. Aspirants should be of Japanese ancestry and at least 18 years of age. Last year, the chapter's entrant, Joyce Kikuchi, won the Nisei Week queen honors, a trip to Japan and a treasure chest of prizes.

### April Events

Dr. Kitano to speak at San Gabriel recognitions

Dr. Harry Kitano, professor of sociology at UCLA and former head of the Asian American Studies Department of UCLA, will speak to the San Gabriel Valley JACL at its annual Student Recognition Night.

Professor Kitano is author of "Japanese Americans: Evolution of a Subculture" and co-author of "American Racism: Exploration of the Nature of Prejudice". He will speak on the World War II Relocation Camp experience of the Japanese Americans. The public is invited April 8, 8 p.m., at the East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center, 1203 W. Puente Ave., West Covina.

## Riverside Juniors to host egg hunt

Riverside Jr. JACL will host the annual Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 1, at Canyon Crest Park with Emily Okawa in charge of food and refreshments. The hunt starts at 11:30 for kids in the 6th grade and under. The Juniors meet the previous afternoon at Rod Suzuki's home to color the eggs.

### March Events

Pasadena JACL lining up spring-summer slate

Taking stock of what Pasadena JACL programs and activities are for the coming months through the summer, the new board which met at the home of their chapter president, Mrs. Thelma Stoddy, was encouraged to gird its programs by boosting its membership by PSW-DC Gov. Helen Kawagoe, who was present, while her husband Tak Kawagoe, Pasadena Valley JACL membership chairman this year, revealed the system his chapter uses.

Pasadena JACL will join with other Japanese American groups and the Mishima Sister City Affiliation, headed by Jiro Morita, in staging Japan Week at the Pacific Culture and Asian Museum in May along with special activities at the Japanese Cultural Center, Buddhist and Presbyterian churches.

Possible merger of the Greater Pasadena Area and Pasadena chapters was also discussed.

## Fifth postwar Delano

reunion to honor Issei

DELANO, Calif. — Former Issei residents of Delano will be special guests of the local JACL-sponsored Delano Reunion to be held over the Labor Day weekend on Sunday, Sept. 3, according to chairman Joe Katano. The locale will be announced.

In the meantime, addresses of ex-Delano Issei should be forwarded to Katano, 410 11th Ave., Delano 92315 by May 15.

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The chapter will also announce to San Diego via train, the Nisei Week Relays Executive Order 9066 photo princess as well as sponsor a display, convention matters Nisei Week queen candidate and JACL charter flights were this summer. A family outing also discussed.



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Make checks payable to "1972 National JACL Convention". Send to: Alice Endo, Registration and Housing Chairman, Japanese American Citizens League, 2021 - L St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036

Package Deal Admissions to Freer Art Gallery Reception and Opening Mixer (June 27), Congressional Dinner (June 28), White House VIP Tour\* and Capitol Hill Visitation\* (June 29), Testimonial Luncheon and Japanese Embassy Reception\* (June 30), Arlington Cemetery Services and Convention Banquet (July 1), Transportation to and from included. Other events include Executive Order 9066 exhibit, State Dept. briefing, Congressional Tribute to the Issei, and "On to Portland" Hospitality Night. (\*Preference will be given in order of receipt of registration form as number is limited.)

Booster Activities: Special tours to points of interest in the city, Mr. Vernon, Williamsburg, Gettysburg, etc., are available on a daily basis. Information available at Convention Registration Booth.

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## From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

**NIGHT OFF**—Not many people, it would seem, are unfamiliar with the story of Harvey, the invisible white rabbit who stood six feet four and a half inches tall. Mary Coyle Chase, wife of a Denver newspaperman, wrote a whimsical play about Harvey and the only man who could see him, a slightly potty gentleman named Elwood P. Dowd. The play enjoyed a long run on Broadway, was taken on the road by various companies, and came back in many revivals, earning a tidy fortune for Mrs. Chase. Janet Stewart starred as Elwood P. Dowd on Broadway, and in the 1970 revival Helen Hayes played the sister who is driven to distraction by Elwood and Harvey.

The three of them—Stewart, Miss Hayes and the totally invisible Harvey—were on TV the other night and, at the time, watching them perform seemed to be more important than anything else I took on my mind. I'm glad I took on my mind to watch the play because it was a delightful bit of escapism with a gentle message.

While I was watching television, what I should have been doing was writing this column, for the deadline was near. These columns do not come easily. For one thing, it is written in an environment somewhat isolated from the Japanese American community to which it is aimed, so there is little to stimulate ideas. For another, I would like to keep it light, warm, amusing—and there is precious little in the news these days to inspire lightness, warmth and amusement. Take a look at your Pacific Citizen. The news is primarily somber if not grim, concerned in large part with controversy, frustration, anger, bewilderment, dissent, indignation, protest. In a time of change and unrest this is inevitable; a newspaper reflects the face of the community it serves.

And the columns, they, too, are mostly sober, indicative of the deep and earnest concerns of the authors. The Pacific Citizen, the national organ of an organization committed to rooting out the injustices and inequities in our society, is a proper forum for expressing ideas and proposing change. But there would seem to be a place for brightness, perhaps even levity, amidst the thund-

## ISSEI SUICIDE PATTERN NOTED IN MED JOURNAL

12-Year Study Shows Abnormally High Rate Among Elderly Men

**HONOLULU**—A study of suicides in Hawaii for a 12-year period ending in 1969 shows an abnormally high suicide rate among elderly men of Japanese ancestry. The findings by Dr. Doman Lum are reported in the January-February issue of the Hawaii Medical Journal.

Lum pointed out that half of the suicides committed by men of Japanese origin on Oahu were committed by older persons who usually hanged themselves. This pattern is the reversal for Hawaiians and part-Hawaiians who tend to commit suicide in their youth, while data on whites show a higher rate of suicides during middle age.

Statistics show that on the Big Island, Japanese accounted for 58.5 pct. of the suicides while the population is only 39.9 pct. of the island.

### Lack of Stigma

The lack of stigma attached to suicide in the traditional Japanese society certainly is a contributing factor, Lum feels.

"Whereas in the United States we deplore suicide, suicide has traditionally been regarded as an honorable path for a Japanese samurai or commoner to take."

Even the suicide method seems to have cultural significance, the author indicates. Of the four major classes of Japanese (samurai, farmers, artisans and merchants), only the farmers came in large numbers to Hawaii.

And whereas hara-kiri was the usual method of suicide among the aristocratic and samurai class, hanging was the common method among peasants, Lum wrote.

"It may be that many Japanese suicides were born in Japan turned to this particular method because of previous cultural patterns," the author speculated.

But there are more intricacies involved, he said.

### Life Style

In his article, Lum quotes from California sociologist Mamoru Iga, about the predicament of the Japanese life style, particularly for older.

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**ANTI-HAYAKAWA PICKET**—Part of the placard-toting Concerned Asians are peacefully demonstrating in front of the San Francisco JACL installation dinner site where Dr. S. I. Hayakawa was main speaker.

—Photo by Constance Kon-nin Hwang

## SAN FRANCISCO JACL INSTALLATION

### Asians vs. 'S.I.' Both Sides Lose

(Barbara Egbert not only covered the San Francisco JACL installation but also authored the editorial-page opinion in the Phoenix, San Francisco State College student publication, of Mar. 16-Ed.)

By BARBARA EGBERT

After the 80 Japanese demonstrators left their picket line Saturday night, (Mar. 11) in front of Castagnola's restaurant and the 150 or so well-dressed members of the Japanese American Citizens League had gone home, one impression remained of the fuss made over Hayakawa and his speech.

Both sides came out looking pretty shoddy.

The Concerned Asians took great care to see that their lines were well-organized and always legal. Spokesmen, monitors and legal observers were much in evidence. In fact, too much so. Whenever a member of the press tried to talk to one of the marchers, he was quickly told by a monitor to refer all questions to spokesmen. What are they afraid some of their marchers might say?

The spokesmen and the handbills passed out to the tourists and JACL members all said the pickets were protesting the decision of the board of directors of JACL to have Hayakawa as their guest speaker. That JACL fails to represent the Japanese American community was repeated over and over again. Yet, the signs and chants of the marchers were almost all personal attacks on Hayakawa. The JACL was used merely as a vehicle to press an attack on one man.

As one woman entered to attend the dinner, she refused a handbill from a demonstrator, who said, "That's good. They feel threatened by me." But the demonstrators had earlier turned down an offer from the board of directors of two tickets to the dinner. "We don't want to listen to Hayakawa."

Exactly who is it that feels threatened?

Hayakawa did not come out looking too good, either. He started out the evening by speaking in the back way. He repeated thanks to the demonstrators for their extra publicity somehow sounded more sarcastic than sincere, though to be sure, he did leave by the front door (after eavesdropping on a conversation between two reporters and a member of the board who felt the choice of Hayakawa as a speaker was a bad one).

But it was his speech on his trip to Vietnam that made one wonder if this was the same man who was known for his brilliant command of words and his understanding of language.

The half-hour speech, while well written and delivered, somehow managed to come out sounding like a propaganda masterpiece for the Saigon government.

Much was made of the success of the Vietnamization and pacification programs, and the little human interest details he included were all to the effect that the South Vietnamese are united in their determination to repulse the

northern invaders and maintain their New England form of village democracy.

Nowhere was a hint given that Hayakawa has heard the other side of the story, or that he was anything other than a glib visitor enjoying a VIP tour.

After it was all over, the demonstrators patrolled themselves on the back, the JACL patted its collective back, and Hayakawa drove off in a waiting Cadillac.

The few observers who stayed around until the end felt only disillusionment.

**Radio CBC buys rights to read Takashima book**

**MONTREAL**—The Canadian Broadcasting Corp. purchased rights to Shizuyo Takashima's "A Child in Prison Camp" for a one-hour nationwide radio reading of the book, according to publisher Tundra Books.

Details of the time and date were not revealed.

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# NISEI GROWER-SHIPPER ACCUSED IN \$40 MILLION CLASS ACTION SUIT

LOS ANGELES — A class-action suit demanding damages in excess of \$40 million was filed against three Los Angeles supermarket chains Mar. 20, charging that they sold common foods at premium prices merely by labeling them "organic."

Safeway Stores, Inc., Boys Market, Inc. and Market Basket Stores were named in the action, as were H & M Fujiage, Max Kozak Produce, Inc., L & A Juice Co., West Valley Produce Co. and the Healthians, a firm also said to be doing business as De-Sousa's.

The first three defendants, according to the suit, sold to the public products that were supplied by the last five with the claim that they were "organic" or "organically grown."

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Such food products, the suit said, differed "in no recognizable or significant manner" from so-called non-organic food and, in addition, contained pesticide residue and contaminants from polluted water.

The suit, filed by attorney David L. Caplan in behalf of one Vernon H. Kendricks and 3,000 John Does, sought a permanent injunction against the defendants' labeling any food product as organic or organically grown when the facts did not so warrant.

It also asked for general damages in excess of \$10 million, punitive damages of \$30 million, court costs, attorneys fees and "further relief as the court deems proper."

Masao Fujishige, who operates H and M Fujiage Produce at the Ninth St. Market as well as a farm opposite Disneyland in Anaheim, categorically denied the allegations in the suit.

"The definition of organic vegetables as we understand it is that no chemical fertilizer

is used and no pesticides. We have followed that procedure," he declared and said he felt the allegations were slanderous to his business and a defamation of character.

**Workers refuse \$450,000 grant for berry co-op**

WATSONVILLE, Calif.—The strawberry growing cooperative in Salinas which was to have been operated with a \$450,000 federal grant may have died aborning as the money is now being held up by the U.S. Office of Economic Opportunity, (see Feb. 11 PC).

Farm workers who were scheduled to join the cooperative to be subsidized federally in competition with scores of individual berry growers, many of them Nisei, voted that they wanted to continue as they were and not go into a cooperative.

The field workers who were scheduled to take over more than 500 acres of strawberries grown by Pic' N Pac said they wanted to stay with their union contract instead.

Pic' N Pac last year signed a contract with the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee which had a successor clause. The firm decided not to continue strawberry operations, but anyone taking over the fields must honor the contract.

**'Homecoming Game'**

LOS ANGELES—UCLA Asian American Studies Center, 3235 Campbell Hall, Los Angeles 90024, announced completion of a film by Kwan Chung Yen on Asian American ex-convicts, drug addicts and rebels living together to form an alternative life style, entitled "Homecoming Game". The 21-minute b/w documentary may be purchased (\$225) or rented (\$25).

## PNW 'Japan Adventure' flight departs Oct. 14

PORTLAND, Ore. — The Pacific Northwest JACL District Council announced details of its 21-day "Japan Adventure" flight for JACL members departing Oct. 14 and returning Nov. 5 via Japan Air Lines.

The program requires a minimum of 70 passengers, according to James K. Iwasaki, flight chairman, of 200 SW Fourth Ave., Portland 97204 (223-8245), traveling together on a roundtrip between Honolulu and Tokyo on regularly scheduled flights.

Stopover privileges in Hawaii before and after the Japan Adventure are provided in this plan, Iwasaki explained, unlike other JACL "charter flights" scheduled during the same period. At least one member must be a JACLer in the family.

## Local Scene

### Los Angeles

An Asian American contingent will march here during the April 22 nationwide demonstration opposing U.S. participation in the Vietnam war. The local group will assemble at Bronson & Wilshire near Crenshaw at 10 a.m. and march up Wilshire Blvd. to MacArthur Park. Further information is available by calling 487-3535.

**Committee of Atomic Bomb Survivors** in the USA, of 1570 W. 27th St., Los Angeles 90007 (732-9747) is petitioning Mayor Sam Yorty for his endorsement to the committee's hopes to have a Japanese medical team treat atomic bomb survivors here. At present the survivors, unable to get proper aid here, must travel to Japan.

**A Lotus Day festival** in mid-July is under discussion by the Council of Oriental Organizations with representatives from the local Asian community groups, according to Mrs. Phoebe Yee, COO chairman. The program is being planned for the north-end of Echo Park Lake, which has one of the largest lotus plantings in the U.S., and which will be in full bloom in July.

**A kimono show** including period costumes will be presented by the All-Japan Kimono Consultant Assn. as the L.A.-Nagoya Sister City Affiliation banquet attraction April 8 at the Biltmore Bowl. Norio Yamanaka, managing director of the Association, is heading a 145-member troupe, which departs Tokyo April 2 to present shows in New York, Washington (during Cherry Blossom Festival Week), here and in Honolulu.

**Issei Pioneer Projects** are currently accepting registrations at 50 cents for members (\$1 non-members) for the annual Hanami trip slated for Saturday, April 15. Last year there were 19 busloads transporting over 700 people to view the wildflowers in Antelope Valley, Issei should sign with:

Gardena — Mrs. Nakano, 329-1966; Long Beach — Mrs. Manaka, 437-4068; Los Angeles — by postcard only for himself and spouse with Suzanne Totsuho, 10014 Palms Blvd., Los Angeles 90034; Orange County — Mr. Yanata (714) 894-5490; San Gabriel — David Ito, 444-9327; West Los Angeles — Richard Vercell, 444-1100 (day), 222-715; or Bruce Kawazoe (eve), 399-0332; Pasadena — Mr. Morita 798-7185, or Amy Ota, 255-2649.

**UC Riverside's fifth annual International Festival**, featuring music and dance from Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America, will be presented at the UCR Theater, April 8, 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$1.50.

Four Japanese American groups in Riverside are co-sponsoring a dinner April 9, 6:30 p.m., at Oriental Gardens to honor three Issei recently awarded medals from the Agricultural Society of Japan, Dee Hanazono, Shozo Iwakiri and Denzo Sanematsu. Sponsoring groups are the Riverside Gardeners, JACL, Fujinkai and Union Church. Reservations are being accepted by Frank Shintani, 689-2496, and Sumi Harada, 683-0367, until April 2.

## CALENDAR

April 1 (Saturday)  
Riverside—Jr. JACL egg hunt, Canyon Crest Park, 11:30 a.m.  
1000 Club—Japan Charter Flight Reunion, Miyako Hotel, San Francisco, 6:30 p.m. (All NC-WDC members invited)  
Orange County—Egg hunt, Irvine Park, 10 a.m.-12 n.  
April 2 (East—Sunday)  
St. Louis—Egg hunt, Sequoia—Egg hunt, EAR Los Angeles—Egg hunt, April 4 (Tuesday)  
Sequoia—Bd Mtg, Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.  
April 7—MDYC—Spring workshop (St. Louis Jr. JACL hosts), Colony Motor Hotel, Clayton, Mo., April 8 (Saturday)  
San Gabriel Valley—Student Recognition Night, East SGV Japanese Comm Ctr, West Covina, 8 p.m.; Dr. Harry Kitano, spkr.  
Portland—Membership potluck supper, Oregon Buddhist Church, 6 p.m.  
April 9 (Sunday)  
Riverside—Japan Agricultural Medalist dinner, Oriental Gardens, 6:30 p.m.  
April 11 (Tuesday)  
San Mateo—Bd Mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.  
April 21—23 Nat'l JACL—Exec Comm Mtg, Los Angeles.  
April 22—23 PSWDC—Spring Qtrly session (Gardena Valley JACL hosts).  
April 27 (Thursday)  
Sacramento—Reg Mtg, Nueces Memorial Hl, 7:30 p.m.  
April 28 (Friday)  
San Diego—Bd Mtg, Nisei VFW Hall, National City, 7:30 p.m.  
April 29 (Saturday)  
Washington, D.C.—Potluck supper, National Presbyterian Church, 4101 Nebraska NW.  
Salinas Valley—Scholarship benefit movie.  
April 30 (Sunday)  
San Mateo—Egg appreciation dnr.  
April 30—May 8 Dayton—Japan Week observances: Noon dinner, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Rep. Spark Matsunaga, spkr.

## TENTATIVE 1972 National JACL Convention CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Monday—June 26**  
"Executive Order 9066" Exhibit on World War II Evacuation. (At National Archives and open all week)  
Special arranged meetings with government agency and Congressional committee officials and staff.  
**Tuesday—June 27**  
9:00 a.m.—National JACL Board and Staff Meeting  
5:30-7:30 p.m.—Freer Art Gallery (Japanese Art)  
8:30 p.m.—Opening Mixer (Philadelphia JACL Host)  
**Wednesday—June 28**  
6:30 p.m.—Opening Ceremonies  
1:00 p.m.—National JACL Committee Meeting  
6:30-8:00 p.m.—No-Host Cocktails  
7:30 p.m.—Congressional Dinner  
**Thursday—June 29**  
8:00 a.m.—White House Tour  
10:00 a.m.—Capitol Hill Tour and Visitation  
2:00 p.m. (about)—Congressional Tribute (House of Representatives)  
5:30 p.m.—State Department Briefing (U.S.-Japan Relations)  
7:00-10:00 p.m.—National Council Meeting  
**Friday—June 30**  
9:00 a.m.—National Council Meeting  
12:00 noon—Testimonial Luncheon  
3:00-5:00 p.m.—National Council Meeting  
6:00-6:30 p.m.—Japanese Embassy Reception  
9:00 p.m.—National Council Meeting (If necessary)  
**Saturday—July 1**  
9:45 a.m.—Arlington National Cemetery Memorial Services  
1:30-4:30 p.m.—National Council Meeting  
6:00-6:30 p.m.—No-Host Cocktails  
6:30 p.m.—Convention Banquet  
10:00 p.m.—Sayonara Mixer

## NEWS CAPSULES

### Redevelopment

Acquisition of properties on the northside of E. 1st St. in Little Tokyo by the City is due to begin this year. A portion of the southside of E. 1st St. between Central and Alameda is also contemplated as the thoroughfare to be widened to the standard 80-ft. roadway for major highways. Project manager Kango Kunisuga assured Issei residents and businessmen in the affected areas would be assisted in relocation. He said the new commercial development along Moline Alley between 1st and 2nd Sts. is scheduled to be completed by late 1973.

Sacramento Redevelopment Agency's two-year-old neighborhood development program at Del Paso Heights, managed by Leo Golo, who has been credited as the catalyst for having minority contractors in the program, is being hailed as the most comprehensive example of turnabout from an all-white construction work crew pattern that previously had built some \$110 million worth for the agency. In his first year, Golo hired 12 minority members in the \$1.1-million project area on street improvements, 30 minority contractors and employees in rehabilitating 34 dwellings. In the current second year \$12-million project, a library and elderly housing units are to be constructed by crews to be represented by at least one-fourth from the minority population. Many black youths who have completed apprenticeship training are expected to be called.

### Crime

George Ekita, 38, serving a five-year prison term for gun smuggling in Honolulu at the time of indictment in Los Angeles with two other men in a \$30-million grand theft charge of stolen securities, pleaded guilty in the L.A. federal district court Mar. 21. He appears before Judge Lawrence T. Lydick April 21 for sentencing. The other two indicted, Nicholas Avenetti of North Hollywood and Thomas K. Suzuki, 56, of Honolulu, are awaiting trial.

### Politics

Rep. Spark Matsunaga lost in his precinct race for a Hawaii Democratic Convention seat in May as thousands of Democrats held its caucus Mar. 14 to choose grassroots delegates. "Old Guards" of the party loyal to Gov. Burns secured over 625 of the 985 seats, but the challengers formed of young liberal bloc called Coalition '72 and a par-

tisans with Honolulu Mayor Fasi said they were not disappointed. City Councilman Frank W. C. Loo recommended the rules and seat Matsunaga anyway as "practical political courtesy." A Burns ally, Sen. Daniel Inouye led the list of four delegates elected from his precinct. The other three represent the Fasi-Gill coalition.

### Government

The new U.S. Ambassador to Japan, Robert S. Ingersoll, is expected to arrive in Tokyo on April 5. He succeeds Armin H. Meyer, who returned to Washington for reassignment after a 2 1/2-year stay.

### Music

Violinist Mayumi Fujikawa will be introduced to Hollywood Bowl fans this summer, Aug. 29, when conductor Zubin Mehta and the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra accompanies the new sensation from Japan in Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto. Founder-director Shigeru Hotoke of the Kaihua Madrigals and 40 singers are on a nine-day goodwill tour of Mainland cities Mar. 26-Apr. 8 with all expenses covered by the Hawaii Hotel Assn. It was a complete surprise as normally the group goes out to raise its own concert tour funds. Hotoke founded the group 19 years ago. They will appear in Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Denver, Colorado Springs, Chicago (April 4), Houston, Dallas, and Fort Worth.

### Education

Dr. Joseph Park, a chemistry professor at the Univ. of Colorado in Boulder, has received South Korea's highest cultural citation in Seoul, the Samul Award of 1 million won, or about U.S. \$3,000. A science adviser to the Korean Institute of Science and Technology and a CU faculty member for 25 years was cited for his efforts to "advance work in industrial flourine chemistry throughout the world." With the aid of John

**Southeast Asian display in old ceramics opens**

LOS ANGELES—An exhibition of 75 ceramic pieces from Thailand, Cambodia and Annam went on display Feb. 15 at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Showing the versatility and artistry of Southeast Asian potters of the past. The objects may be viewed through April 30 at the Ahmanson Gallery. Vast quantities of ceramics have been preserved in the Indonesian Archipelago and in the Philippines as the result of the practice of burying objects and furniture with the dead, according to George Kuwayama, the Museum's senior curator of Far Eastern art.

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Lacher, also of the university's chemistry department, he has developed one of the largest organic fluorine chemistry-training centers in the United States.

National Science Foundation fellowships to pursue graduate studies were awarded to two Hawaiian Nisei, Herbert K. Nishihara in mathematics and to Sharon A. Minami in biology. Nishihara is attending the Univ. of Hawaii while Miss Minami is at Harvard. The awards include a \$3,600 stipend and a \$3,000 educational allowance.

### Courtroom

A record bail of \$1 million was set in Honolulu Mar. 17 following the arrest of Andrew Price, 44, by U.S. customs agent upon his arrival from Thailand in connection with an \$8 million drug smuggling case which involves the murder of two witnesses and attempted murder of another. The warrant was issued in Denver after Price was indicted by the federal grand jury on a charge of conspiracy to import heroin. The record bail was set upon special request of Deputy U.S. District Attorney Toshio Suyematsu, the Wyoming-born Nisei who added the charge against Price involves "a national or international ring."

### Fine Arts

Internationally-known Chouinard Art Institute, Los Angeles, will graduate its final group April 16 and shut down. Among the faculty members also leaving are Matsumi Kanemitsu and Nobuyuki Hadeishi. Hadeishi has accepted a teaching post at Hobart College for Men and its coordinate women's William Smith College in Geneva, N.Y.

### Churches

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the \$1,000,000 Konkko Churches of America headquarters and temple at San Francisco on Bush and Laguna Sts. were held Mar. 26. Adjacent to the temple will be a 24-unit apartment on the westside on Bush St., planned as part of the first stage, and a 12 two-bedroom townhouse in the second phase. The two-story temple will have a prayer room seating 180 persons and offices on the ground floor; meeting room, social hall, kitchen, parlor and storage space on the second floor.

## Issei suicide—

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persons: "Traditionally Japanese religion... teach people to adjust to existing social relations and find happiness within that context. Consequently, the main concern for their happiness becomes to get favorable responses from others, responses or the loss of a sense of 'belonging' means the loss of entire significance of life."

Lum then illustrates the point with the example of a 71-year-old Japanese man who lived with his son, daughter-in-law and grandchildren.

The man was born in Japan, came to Hawaii as a young man, and had retired here. About 10 years ago his wife died.

The man had visited Japan on vacation and complained of insomnia shortly after his return to Hawaii. Moreover, Lum pointed out, he was alone during the day, since the rest of the family was either at work or school.

"One day, his son found him dead of chemical poisoning. His suicide note said: 'I am sorry for having worried you so and having been a burden. Please forgive me.'"

So, Lum speculates, "the changing attitude of the Japanese family system regarding the aged" may contribute to the high suicide rate among older Japanese men in Hawaii.

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