



Priorities

ASIAN AMERICAN ACTORS WIN CASE AGAINST N.Y. REPERTORY THEATER

State Human Rights Appeal Board Reverses Decision Against Actor's Fight for Jobs

By FRANK CHING (New York Times)

NEW YORK—The Repertory Theater of Lincoln Center has been found guilty of discrimination because it systematically failed or refused to give equal opportunity to Asian American actors...

Pressure Is Goal

Commissioner Paccia said he hoped "enough pressure can be brought upon theater people to give due consideration for Oriental actors..."

Further legal recourse is available to Lincoln Center, but it is uncertain if such action will be taken...

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thanked for the images." The two productions involved in the Lincoln Center case were "Narrow Road to the Deep North" written by Edward Bond...

Productions Named

"Narrow Road," produced last year was set in Japan but all the Asian roles were assigned to white or black actors...

Named as respondents, from the Repertory Theater, were as principal officers at the time of the initial suit: Julius Irving, artistic director; Robert Symonds, associate director; and Frederick Brahms, casting director.

Alvin Lum, who is from Hawaii and is president of the Oriental Actors of America, explained the Asian actors' plight: "White men can be made up to play anybody's part. It is difficult for an Oriental or a black to play anybody else..."

Actor's Appeal

Most of the Asian American actors involved declared that producers and directors viewed them not as actors, but as Asians and hence did not assign them non-Asian roles...

"Teahouse of the August Moon" and "The King and I" are two shows in which the lead Asian roles are played by Caucasian actors...

"So far the mass media has been portraying Asians in stereotypes," said Miss Sun, who plays an 18-year-old Eurasian in the "World Turned Out as We Are"...

Thankful for Role

Miss Sun said that she was very thankful for having her present role. But, she said, "I'm the only Asian girl now in any of the shows, and that's sad, because there are something like 14 soap operas on TV..."

"There are so many hospital shows, but there are no Asians. If you go to a real hospital, half the staff is Asian..."

"It is very difficult to break the image that Asians are only Asians from the old country," said Sab Shimono, a third generation Japanese American from Sacramento, Calif., pinpointing a basic hurdle that Asian actors face...

Balance of Power

He said that a benefit would be the revitalization of the legislative branch of government and a restoration of our historic and constitutional balance of power...

The Senator also said Watergate should lead to a more effective program of electoral reform, because the case is "a graphic example of where our loose election laws and practices can lead us. It is a crass manipulation of our electoral process..."

Role of Press

Noting that the Watergate affair was exposed by a free press, the senator said other nations "marvel at a system in which the most powerful chief of state... can be brought to accountability by a press beyond his control..."

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SPECIAL CLASSES FOR ASIAN PUPILS IN S.F. DOCKETED

U.S. Supreme Court Accepts Case Filed Via 'Pauper's Plea'

WASHINGTON — In a case significant for 5 million non-English-speaking public school students across the country, the U. S. Supreme Court agreed last week (June 11) to decide whether the San Francisco Unified School District must provide special instruction for children who speak only Chinese...

Most directly affected by the decision, which should come next year, will be 1,800 students, all children of recent immigrants to San Francisco's Chinatown, who cannot speak, read or write English...

In a so-called "pauper's petition" — the method permitted only those who cannot afford the high court's regular filing fees — the students and their parents brought the case to the justices...

Lower Court Sympathetic

Lower courts had rejected the argument that the school district's failure to teach classes in Chinese and to provide special English instruction made it impossible for them to receive a meaningful education...

Because they do not understand what is going on in regular classes, the students claim they suffer from a "most severe type of discrimination," in violation of the 14th Amendment's equal protection provisions and the 1st Amendment's free speech protections...

The U.S. District Court in San Francisco was sympathetic to these problems, but said: "Their special needs, however acute, do not accord them special rights above those granted other students..."

Budget Cutback

The ruling was affirmed, 2 to 1 by a three-judge panel of U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit, which said the school board, superintendent and county supervisors "had no duty to rectify appellants' special deficiencies..."

The school district has set up remedial classes for a thousand Chinese-speaking students but, because of budgetary limitations and a shortage of staff trained in teaching English as a second language, could not do the same for the remaining 1,800...

In the petition filed with the high court, attorneys for the Chinese students and their parents pointed out that the impact of the justices' decision would be felt outside Chinatown. Another 5 million children, mostly Spanish-speaking, do not speak English well enough to understand their teachers, they said...

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BOSTON, Mass. — Gregory K. Tanaka, who last March became the first Asian American to head the student body of the Harvard Graduate School of Business, announced he is actively seeking qualified Asian Americans to enter the famed school...

The South Pasadena (Calif.) resident, currently seeking his Masters of Business Administration, noted today that "more and more doors are opening for Asian Americans who have the initiative to seek them out..."

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. Clifford Tanaka, who graduated third in his class at South Pasadena High School where he was elected student body president in 1963...

Prior to entering Harvard, Tanaka received a Master of Arts degree in Teaching at New Mexico State University, in addition to teaching in the Teachers Corps and doing community work in a barrio...

Tanaka completed his undergraduate work at Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., where he graduated with honors in psychology, and was elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa, a national scholastic honorary society...

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New look in JACL greets officials attending national interim session

By HARRY K. HONDA

SAN FRANCISCO — A new look in JACL has already appeared when one considers the National Headquarters has shifted a part of its staff and main office to Japan Center (across the street from the 1634 Post St. up-stairs quarters, which is still maintained) a new battery of telephone numbers, letterhead and organizational logo...

The staff mustered by National Executive Director...



SAPPHIRE PIN — New York attorney Murray Sprung (right) receives JACL sapphire pin for 10 years of outstanding service to organization at district and national level from Shig Sugiyama, national JACL president-elect, during recent New York JACL installation dinner.

San Francisco Asian action group urges JACL return gerontology fund

By MARGIE YAMAMOTO

SAN FRANCISCO — A series of resolutions formulated by a group of individuals from the San Francisco Asian American community will be discussed during the JACL National Board interim meeting in San Francisco, June 21 to 23...

These resolutions were drawn up as a result of a meeting convened by the Asian Coalition for Action last May 22. Members of the National JACL staff and Executive Committee were invited to attend in order to answer questions of the group...

Approximately 100 Asian Americans attended the meeting and queried the JACL group regarding the general directional goals of JACL, its future plans regarding program proposals for funding, the status of the Gerontology Project, and the role JACL plans to play in the total Asian American community...

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New Chinese American group honors Sen. Fong at inaugural confab

WASHINGTON — Senator Hiram L. Fong, United States Senator from Hawaii, his inspiring leadership and outstanding services to the Nation and to all its people have won him the admiration, respect and goodwill of all Chinese Americans...

Fong was the guest of honor at the inaugural reception of the Organization, which seeks to advance the rights and status of Chinese Americans...

Representatives of Chinese American communities throughout the nation were present for the reception which followed two days of discussions on the organization and goals of the new group...

The plaque presented to the Senator read: "In recognition of distinguished services to humanity, the Organization of Chinese Americans Inc. presents...

Losses on trains TOKYO — Japanese travelers left nearly \$5 million in cash aboard trains and at railway stations last year, the state-owned Japanese National Railway said. Lost items included false teeth and urns containing ashes of cremated bodies...

Interim Sessions

Even the interim national board and staff session, held during the so-called "off-convention years" or odd-numbered years, and this week (June 21-23) in San Francisco's Miyako Inn looks different in format. An extra day has been allocated in deference to heavy agenda, which in previous years required 12-hour sessions per day...

Agenda Released

The tentative agenda follows: June 29 (Wednesday) Reception — Open House, S.F. JACL and National. June 30 (Thursday) Orientation...

June 31 (Friday) 9 a.m. — State of Financial Affairs. 10 a.m. — Personnel Matters. 11 a.m. — JACL News. 12 noon — Lunch. 1:30 p.m. — Continuation of Committee Meetings...

Final

The delegates will be guests of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council and JACL 1969 Club at a dinner to conclude the 1973 interim board and staff session. A reception-open...

Wirin fete slated at West L.A. home

LOS ANGELES — A.L. Wirin, for more than four decades the chief counsel of the American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California, will be honored by community leaders and friends at a gala garden party this Sunday, June 24, at the home of Collette and Edmund North, 212 N. Carmelina in Brentwood...

The National JACL is presenting a scroll to him for his services to the organization and to persons of Japanese ancestry. He was among those who took a lead in opposing the military evacuation of Japanese from the west coast in 1942...

Fukuda willing to run for Hawaii lt. governor

HONOLULU — Former U.S. Attorney Robert K. Fukuda, 51, said he would be willing to run as lieutenant governor on the Republican ticket in 1974 if either business executive Randolph Crossley or former governor William F. Quinn runs for governor...

Fukuda made the comment at a June 1 retirement luncheon in honor of his four years as U.S. attorney. Succeeding him will be Asst. U.S. Attorney Harold M. Fong (no relation to the U.S. Sen. Hiram Fong), whose confirmation by President Nixon is expected...

San Fernandito Hits ATH for 15 year

LOS ANGELES — With a new all-time high membership total of 724, as of June 18, the San Fernando Valley JACL has a unique performance record for a single JACL chapter — having maintained its string of continuous membership increase for 15 consecutive years...

Membership chairman Jimmy S. Gozawa gave credit for the current success to the leadership of chapter president Hiroshi Shimizu, the hard-working members of the board and the JACL major medical health insurance program. The chapter last year had 714 members...

Micronesians demand prewar loss damages, total amount unknown

TOKYO — The people of Micronesia, the U.S.-administered central Pacific islands, are demanding that Japan compensate them for losses they suffered while their islands were under Japanese trusteeship before World War II...

The resolution, however, did not refer to details of damage suffered by individual islanders. No Obligation The Foreign Ministry takes the stand that Japan has no legal obligation to pay such compensation on grounds that the islands belonged to Japan even after Japan withdrew from the League of Nations...

Japan and the United States signed an agreement in 1969 for compensation of war damages incurred by the islanders after the outbreak of the Pacific war, although both parties said they believed they were not liable for the payment of such compensation. The agreement calls for the payment by the United States of a sum of \$5 million and the payment by Japan of the same amount of compensation in goods and services...

In addition, it provides for an additional payment of compensation to specific islanders who sustained losses from the war.

East-West TV to probe Asian mixed marriages

LOS ANGELES — Two Asian mixed marriage couples and a UCLA family researcher will explore the trend toward mixed marriages in the Asian American community on KNBC-TV's "East-West" series June 23, 2:30 p.m., hosted by George Takei, Wilshire JACL president...

Mrs. Akemi Manning, family researcher, will comment on changing attitudes within the community as reflected by a recent UCLA study of Japanese marriages in Los Angeles, showing that 50% were "out-marriages" — one of the partners being non-Japanese...

Pacificulture museum

PASADENA, Calif. — Oriental arts and antiques from India, Tibet, Indonesia and Japan will be exhibited at Pacificulture Museum, 46 N. Los Robles Ave., from June 15, concurrent with Pasadena's centennial celebration...

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Perennial Line-up of Winners

Ye Editor's Desk

JACL INTERIM SESSION

This is the week that the National JACL Board and Staff is holding its interim session in San Francisco. It is No. 8 in the string that began about the same time 14 years ago and perhaps the most grinding, according to the tentative agenda released this past week. Evenings except for Thursday appear to be free time, but knowing how these functions are, business will usurp these hours starting with the Wednesday reception.

Reflecting on the past seven interim sessions we have covered, the fact that national staff is all new, we suddenly realize we're the senior participant in attendance and may conclude this was the most exciting and withering. Never before have there been separate committee meetings, which allow the Executive Committee, National Youth Coordinating Council members and District Governors to mull over their respective problems. Staff will be spread out to assist at these caucuses. Minutes of this interim session will probably be the most prodigious.

Shig Wakamatsu, who presided at the first interim board and staff meeting in 1959, will be present to report on the Japanese American Research Project which he has headed as executive committee chairman over the past decade. National Director-emeritus Mas Satow is also making an appearance on Saturday to report on bowling. Some of the EXECOM members, such as Henry Takata, James Murakami, Al Hatate and Raymond Uno, have had several interim sessions under their belt—but for the other 20 participants, it will unveil to them the dynamism of this organization no amount of correspondence can unleash.

The wisdom of the 1958 National JACL Council to allocate funds to hold interim sessions and succeeding conventions to maintain this vital convocation will only give away when some future national convention deems it's about time to hold national council sessions annually. If chapters want more "say" in the operations of National, it will come to that.

DAN FOR PRESIDENT
A Californian, writing to the Honolulu Advertiser the other day, offers an inviting case of Sen. Dan Inouye for president on the premise that the Democrats must look for new political blood in the race for the White House in 1976. And I nodded, "could be."

A retired federal employee, state employee, Grange member, and disabled American veteran, his choice had been Sen. "Scoop" Jackson, "but he has committed political suicide in his vote to continue bombing in Cambodia," and in looking over other prospects in the Senate and state capitols he concluded voters should draft a political figure of their own for the presidential race.

He feels one hardly needs the algebra X or the unknown to realize that Sen. Inouye can defeat the two GOP front-runners, Gov. Reagan and Vice President Agnew. With almost 30 million veterans in the U.S., Dan should receive two-thirds of all the veteran votes. He should receive two-thirds of the minority votes, about 60 per cent of the labor vote as contrast with the one million votes for the Republican aspirant from the millionaire class. "As I see it, Sen. Inouye can't be beaten." And the proposal was signed by Willard E. Crawford—easily a non-Nisei. We repeat the gist of his letter to only show that Senator Inouye is attracting more than casual consideration by people outside of Hawaii to help his party back into the Executive Branch.

Three years from now, Senator Dan may not be the darkhorse he is today for a nationwide run into political history. The Watergate hearings, it must be conceded, is accelerating the popularity of his name before the American public along with other Japanese names like Honda, only we're not running for any office.

YUKKURI AT YOSEMITE
Talk about taking things easy, spending three days at Yosemite National Park without a timepiece (except to ask our daughter Patty who was wearing her mother's) is "yukkuri-ism" unvarnished. Camping besides the fast-flowing Merced River, watching the jays, robins, blackbirds and woodpeckers scramble for their food, our communing with nature as it were, the highlight easily was not worrying about the paper, the JACL board meeting this weekend or telephone calls.

The best surprise (and we've been there a number of times over the years) was viewing the lower Yosemite Falls by moonlight and seeing an eerie white rainbow tinged with red and blue. Had the moon been full, we might have seen the yellow and green.

Unfailingly breath-taking are the vistas of the High Sierras from Glacier Point. But we miss the Firefall from there as well as the Wawona Tree (where you could drive through the base of the tree by car), which fell several years ago.

The sight of Yosemite Valley, the massive rocks and Bridalveil Fall from Inspiration Point (after driving 300 miles from Los Angeles) always evokes a "Here's beautiful Yosemite" cry inside. The ubiquitous tourists from Japan were there, too, snapping their cameras nonstop at the panorama. What struck Patty curiously about them was that the men were wearing their suits and neckties, the women in nice clothes—instead of more comfortable play-time clothing. That proved how clothes-conscious they are.

What may surprise some is to find Maisie and Richard Conrat's photographic essay, "Executive Order 9066," in the Ansel Adams Gallery adjacent to the Visitor Center. Adams, whose photos of Yosemite and the High Sierras are world-renowned, had also taken pictures of Manzanar during World War II and one of his pictures is in the Conrat essay.

SANSEI VOCABULARY

Not 'Right On'

By ELLEN ENDO (Rafu Shimpo)

Los Angeles
Are the Sansei a generation of bad mouths?
An uninitiated observer might think so after listening to some of the more vocal young Americans whom I call the "community activists." In my almost daily encounters with these activists, I find that I am impressed with their intelligence and conviction, but at the same time I am disappointed with their lack of imagination when it comes to expressing themselves orally.

Frankly, I'm at a loss to figure out why the spoken vocabulary of these young men and women, ranging in age from say 15 to 25, seems to be limited to about 20 words. And what's more, I would guess that 18 of those 20 could be classified as swear words and the remaining two are "right" and "on."

I'm not so proud that I usually when ever someone comes in my presence, nor am I ignorant of my own abhorrence to the English language. I do, however, feel that entire conversations made up of verbal obscenities and four-letter words are out of place no matter what the situation.

Naturally, an individual is free to speak in any manner he chooses, but I personally resent abusive language when it is directed at me. I am trying to impose his or her ideologies on me.

This puts me in mind of the activist mentality itself. Here we have young men and women who believe their way of thinking is supreme and who work hard for a cause they are unalterably convinced is right. Fine.

But here we also have individuals who call anyone who doesn't see things their way a blankety-blank-so-and-so. (I won't print the words in this column but you can find them on various walls in East L.A. and elsewhere if you're interested.) Thus, the blankety-blank-so-and-so is immediately turned off, and his ears are deaf to whatever message the activist wished to convey. In addition, a lot of potentially valid, worthwhile ideas are discounted as radical lunacy simply because someone thinks it's cool to use foul language.

It's like speaking a foreign language in a crowd—only those who speak the language listen, while the rest only smile and pretend they understand.

It's entirely possible that I consider verbal obscenities are nothing more than colorful phrasings to Sansei and Yonsei youths, but I can't help raising an eyebrow whenever I hear a teenager mouth the same four-letter words that would have "grounded" me permanently when I was in my teens.

There is nothing inherently wrong with the words themselves, except that they constitute a lazy form of communication. Obscenities and slang become comfortable, nondescript fill-in phrases for persons unwilling to use their brains to come up with more specific adjectives and verbs.

Such practices not only leave room for misunderstanding and misinterpretation, they're also the stuff gangs are made of. Right on! Oopai!

Japan 'suspicious' of Nixon's 'new Atlantic Charter'

By L. B. WEED

Tokyo
Japanese opinion is predominantly suspicious of President Richard Nixon's proposal for a new "Atlantic Charter" among the U.S., Europe, Japan and other non-Communist powers.

Their attitude has nothing to do with the Watergate scandal, but stems from a fear that such a pact could imply a return to the cold-war era of confrontation with the USSR and China—an era that most Japanese are anxious to see ended for keeps.

In fact, to many people here, the "charter" idea seems to contradict President Nixon's own policy of easing tensions with the Russians and Chinese and reducing the colossal U.S. involvement overseas, particularly in this part of the world.

That policy of the Nixon Administration has won America much added good will in this country, which is strongly pacifist and also inclined to abstention from global power politics.

Now apprehension is being revived, however, because of uncertainty over whether Washington will make permanent its policy of détente with the Communist great powers.

"This new Atlantic charter," as one leading newspaper here put it, "smacks too much of a revival of the cold war and shows that the Nixon Administration is still adhering to the principle of conducting negotiations from a position of power."

What many Japanese fear in this connection, among other things, is that the United States, to strengthen its power, will ask Japan and Western Europe to make many concessions regarding their shares of defense responsibilities and on trade and currency problems.

They think that such a Washington line will negate the principle of cooperation among the non-Communist nations on a free and equal basis for the purpose of building a durable peace.

In other words, most Japanese opinion views relations with the United States and Europe as something that should be part of a world framework for cooperation instead of rivalry, designed for long-term, stable peace, rather than building up one "side" against another in an atmosphere of "power" politics.

For this reason, however "unrealistic" it might seem to some Americans, the Japanese are cool to the "new Atlantic charter" idea.

They are gratified, and consider natural, the West German doubts about the plan and the French opposition to it.

And considering the gradual establishment of peace in Indochina and the diplomatic developments in Europe, some Japanese are asking why—in addition to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the U.S.-Japan Security Treaty—there is a U.S. President wants a "new Atlantic charter."

In short, they see it as running counter to his own promise to stop excessive U.S. involvement overseas; and besides, in view of existing alliances and world political trends, who needs it?

Mr. Weed is the Japan Affairs columnist in the Honolulu Advertiser.

LETTERS

Manzanar plaque

(Mrs. Lillian Baker has forwarded the following letter which supports her position on the Manzanar plaque controversy. Mrs. Baker states that the person is unknown to her, and the letter was unsolicited—Ed Note).

Dear Mrs. Lillian Baker,
In this controversy I can understand both sides, and as a former resident of Manzanar it surprises me that some Nisei would call it a concentration camp. It also surprises me that Nisei WW 2 veterans have not objected, especially if they have seen Dachau. Any Nisei who has seen Dachau would not want to associate an American relocation center with a German concentration camp where they had real gas chambers. Those who want to use the name must have a mental block that the chambers were not there, but was a propaganda ploy of Jewish survivors.

Further, there is a strain of self-pity in those who want to stain Manzanar with the concentration camp image. The real victims of concentration camps are entitled to self-pity and the whole world is in sympathy when an annual observance of the tragedy is held by the entire nation of Israel. I feel that in a few years most men and women of Manzanar will feel ashamed that their memories of Manzanar (sic) is mistakenly associated with concentration camps where people were exterminated. The plaque will quietly be modified to read war relocation center.

I believe the fundamental problem is that there are Japanese Americans, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th generation, who are shocked to find many white and black Americans look at them as Japanese or Chinese first and reluctantly as Americans second. Japanese Americans have to accept the simple fact that the underlying reason why Nisei have been successful is that Japan has captured the respect of Americans who are also in turn sympathetic to JA's. I am not saying JA's need not to be loyal Americans, but it is better to accept the hand of friendship extended to all Japanese than to be disappointed that we were not recognized automatically as Americans on first meeting. (This also means backlash, such as evacuation, and "River Kwai" association.)

My experience with this phenomena occurred when I changed jobs, my new employer was not so much concerned with my experience and training, but with the fact the Japanese were advanced in radar technology. My feeling is that the embittered JA's should spend equal time with non-Japanese even if they have to have fewer JACL meetings.

In closing, I am sure that Harry Honda will publish this letter, but what has been said is self-evident to most men and women of Manzanar, who I am sure have mostly fond memories. Since very few have spoken up, you may publish this letter in whole or part—for several months I have been waiting for someone to support me, but obviously Wm. Hosokawa was correct in naming Nisei quiet Americans.

SACHIO SAITO
Chevy Chase, Md.

Editor:
Regarding the Hironaka cartoon (PC, June 1), I'm glad it wasn't called the "white tornado."

Gardena.

LILLIAN BAKER

Editor:

Although the name Milton K. Ozaki (PC, May 18) sounds Japanese, I believe that he is not a Nisei or of Japanese descent. If my recollection is right, he was the same individual who was advertising in the prominent stamp journals about ten years ago, offering philatelists the opportunity to make money-making investments in foreign stamps. His sales lines was that he was an expert in foreign stamp issues and that he would (in return for \$10 remittance) send the collector \$10 worth of foreign stamps, which were "sleepers" and which would increase in value faster than other form of investments.

Being a stamp collector, I wrote him a letter asking for information and queried him on whether he was a Nisei or not. His letter indicated that he was not a Nisei and that his name was East European.

At any rate, since most of the people who saw his name thought he was a Nisei, he was evidently capitalizing on the popular impression that Nisei were inclined to be more honest.

I suggest that PC verify this Milton K. Ozaki is really a Nisei or not. Someone from the JACL in Colorado should be able to do this without too much difficulty.

BARRY SAIKI

Tokyo

Legislative Calendar

Sufficient information is provided under Synopsis to ascertain the intent of congressional bills of particular interest to Japanese Americans. Persons wishing to inquire or express an opinion on any of the bills should refer to them by specific number. Sample address form:

Senator—
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Congressman—
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Federal legislation

1.—Retirement Credit

S 121 by Sen. Daniel Inouye (Hawaii) on Jan. 4, 1973

Under the provisions of a previous passed statute (5 USC 1076 passed on July 15, 1952 and subsequently amended Sept. 14, 1950) Japanese Americans in the postal field service and classified civil service were given special credit for the service for time spent in internment if and only if they satisfied the following two criteria:

1.—They were serving on July 15, 1952, in the postal field service in positions subject to the General Schedule, and
2.—At some time during the period December 7, 1941 to September 8, 1945, by reason of U.S. policy or program or by reason of entry into the armed forces, they had been separated from the service, lost opportunity for appointment to a position as described.

Senator Inouye's bill would extend the special credit for internment time under 5 USC 1076 to all civilian employees of the U.S. (previous legislation had required employee to be in postal field service and classified civil service). However, it should be noted that the other two requirements of 5 USC 1076 remain unchanged.

Under the bill, an employee must have been in postal field service and classified civil service during the period of Dec. 7, 1941 to Sept. 8, 1945.

Referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

II.—Minorities

HR 3424 by Rep. Charles Gubser (Calif.) on Jan. 31, 1973; HR 5555 by Rep. Jerome Waldie (Calif.)

This bill would provide federal civil service retirement credit to federal employees who were Japanese American and interned (including U.S. citizens and aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence). To be eligible for credit, an individual must have been evacuated or excluded from a military area or must have voluntarily departed from such an area in anticipation of an exclusion order and must have been detained in a camp. The retirement credit provided by the bill is computed on the basis of the time spent in camp.

A similar provision was introduced in the Senate by Senator Inouye (S 328).

Referred to the Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

S 1236 by Sen. Daniel Inouye (Hawaii) on Mar. 14

Same as HR 3424 (See above).

III.—Social Security

HR 3429 by Rep. Charles Gubser (Calif.) on Jan. 31, 1973.

This is a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide wage credits under the old-age, survivors, and disability insurance provisions for Japanese Americans who were detained or interned during World War II and performed service during their detention or internment. To be eligible an intern must have been detained or interned in a camp and have performed some service in connection with the operation or administration of the camp for which he received compensation from U.S. Under the terms of the bill, an eligible intern will be credited with having been paid the wages actually earned plus an additional \$160 for each month that the intern performed the above mentioned services.

An eligible intern can be either a U.S. citizen or a lawfully admitted permanent U.S. resident.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

IV.

HR 5171 by Rep. Edward Roybal (Calif.) on Mar. 5, 1973.

Last year, the 92nd Congress passed as part of the Social Security Amendments of 1972 a provision authorizing non-contributory social security wage credits for certain individuals who were interned during WW2 (42 USC 431). The bill was introduced by Senator Inouye.

The Social Security Administration (SSA) has interpreted the statute as providing benefits only to U.S. citizens. However, Senator Roybal's bill is intended to make clear that the benefits provided by 42 USC 431 are to be extended to alien Japanese ancestry as well as U.S. citizens.

JACL has reviewed the language of the 1972 law and believes that the provisions defining eligibility are already broad enough to include almost all Japanese who were interned in camps (citizens and aliens). We have written to the General Counsel's Office of SSA requesting a reinterpretation of the statute.

A bill which is intended to accomplish the same purpose as Congressman Roybal's has been introduced in the Senate by Senator Fong (S 1208).

STATUS

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

VI.—Cabinet Committee for Asian American Affairs

HR 261 by Rep. Glenn Anderson (Calif.) on Jan. 3, 1973; HR 4186 by Rep. Anderson on Feb. 8; HR 2270 by Rep. George Danielson (Calif.) on Jan. 18; HR 3169 by Rep. Edward Roybal (Calif.) on Jan. 24.

All of the above bills are individual bills introduced by each of the above mentioned Congressmen separately.

STATUS

All four bills were referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

VII.—Hibakusha Assistance

HR 2984 by Rep. Edward Roybal (Calif.) on Jan. 24, 1973.

A bill to reimburse certain individuals (any citizen of the United States or any individual who has been admitted to the United States for permanent residence) for medical relief for physical injury suffered by them that is directly attributable to the explosion of atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Japan, on August 9, 1945, and to the radioactive fallout from those explosions.

Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

VIII.—(Japanese American Friendship Act)

HR 1487 by Rep. George Danielson (Calif.) on Jan. 9, 1973; HR 2160 by Rep. Edward Roybal (Calif.) on Jan. 15; HR 3086 by Rep. Ronald Dellums (Calif.) on Jan. 29; HR 4369 by Rep. Harvett Esch (Mich.) on Feb. 20.

All of the above bills were introduced separately.

Each of the bills would provide for the use of certain funds to promote scholarly, cultural, and artistic activities between Japan and the United States.

As written in HR 4369, it is therefore the purpose of this act to provide for the use of as much as \$1 million of the sums to be paid by Japan to the United States in connection with the recovery of Okinawa to Japanese administration to aid education and culture at the highest level in order to enhance understanding and to support the close friendship and mutuality of interest between the U.S. and Japan.

(Similar but not identical statements of purpose are contained in each of the other bills.)

STATUS

All bills referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

NEEDED ACTION

Letters to Senate-House Joint Alcohol and Drug Committee: Sen. Bill Stevenson (Portland), chmn.; Rep. Steve Kaufoury (Portland).

HB 2078—Use of Facilities

Prohibits "public body" from using facilities of discriminatory organizations.

STATUS

Passed Apr. 24 by 33-18 House vote. Referred to state and federal affairs committee.

NEEDED ACTION

Letters to Senate and Federal Affairs Committee: Sen. Debs Potts (Grants Pass), chmn.; Sen. Howard Pritchard (Sen. House second class); Sen. Jeremiah (Hood River).

The Pacific Citizen or the Washington JACL Representative, Barry Matsumoto, 1730 Rhode Island Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, will welcome additions to this compilation, which will be a permanent feature and reprinted from time-to-time as space allows.

Theater—

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right to put "vets of Nisei" into the dialogue." Mick Chinn objected, and the line was removed.

Difficulty Cited

While Caucasian actors may be awarded major Asian parts because of their box-office attraction, this fact sometimes makes it difficult for Asian actors to get even the minor roles.

"If they decide to cast a white actor as a star, they are very hesitant to put an Asian in there," Shimono said, "because if you put an Oriental in there the white man stands out" and doesn't look Oriental in spite of his eye make-up.

"When I grew up, I always thought that to be an Asian was second class," Shimono said. "Obviously we couldn't be too good, because every time on the screen or TV we saw white guys playing us. Obviously there's something wrong with us."

Food trial period

YOKOHAMA—Low price, quality Chinese food will soon be put on sale in large quantities in this port city. The mass sale of Chinese food will be conducted by the local government. For a trial period, Chinese foods such as white peaches and boiled Peking duck will be sold at prices 20 to 40 per cent less than Japanese products at 58 shops in Yokohama.

While it's very Japanese to stand by family members, it's a shame that brother Tetsuya cannot "otoko rashiku" like a man "gisei" sacrifice his own ambitions—to quit the Hibari show—to save (preserve) a far greater performance.

Such action also is very Japanese. For Hibari "belonging" to her fans. The public she has entertained for over 25 years.

(Hibari Fans: What do you think? Write to your Japanese theatre owner. In English or Japanese. For or against. In Seattle: George Kitamura, Kokusai Theatre, 412 Maynard South, Seattle 98104.)

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, June 26, 1948

Congress sends evacuation claims bill to president. Proposal to repay evacuee losses approved in House on final day of present session. . . . Cal. commission moves to issue commercial fishing licenses to Japanese aliens. . . . Edward Ennis retained to aid JACL ADC in matters arising from passage of claims bill. . . . Government witness testifies regarding alleged brutality as Kawakita trial opens under Judge William C.

Mathes. National American Legion censures Nisei post over Judd bill support. . . . Contributions from hundreds of Nisei groups pour in for 350 Vanport flood refugees. . . . Seattle pays tribute to Nisei GIs at services. . . . Select Nisei girl Susan Suzuki Nagumo as member of jury in Kawakita trial. . . . Japanese Canadian citizens win franchise as commons repeals discriminatory law.



From the Frying Pan

Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

THE SMILING CHINESE—For days the members of the Denver committee making arrangements for the visit of 22 journalists from the People's Republic of China had worried about what their guests would be like. In the back of their minds the committee members had visions of surly glowering, non-communicative communists saying little more than the Chinese equivalent of the Russian Nyet. We had been warned that any mention of the Republic of China on Taiwan was anathema to the mainlanders. We were also told that the State Department had assigned some ten or more security officers to the party to see that nothing went wrong, and the backgrounds of anyone who would have anything to do with the visitors was being checked.

So it turned out that face-to-face contact with the Chinese was a very pleasant surprise. They were smiling as they left the plane. They thanked the welcoming party graciously. And after the first stiffness wore off, they were relaxed, open, frank and friendly, enjoying Western hospitality like any other group of tourists.

Nearly half the Chinese spoke English, many of them surprisingly well. For the others, there were interpreters handy, some of them Americans provided by the American hosts. One evening the Chinese divided into small groups to attend dinner parties at seven Denver homes. This gave them an opportunity to converse at length with Americans. In the party I attended three circles took shape quickly around the three Chinese guests, each drifted naturally into separate rooms, and lively conversation ensued with no indication that Chinese security types, if any, were eavesdropping. Some of their comments may be interesting:

On Watergate—The Chinese people are aware of the Nixon administration's troubles but aren't paying much attention to them, perhaps out of embarrassment. One Chinese was astonished when told that thoughtful Democrats are not exultant, but deeply saddened by the scandal. This same gentleman suggested that the U.S. press is overly preoccupied with Watergate, that there were many more important matters that needed attention. For instance: Inflation in the U.S., U.S. relations with Japan and France. How about race? Well, maybe yes, he said as an afterthought.

On drug abuse—China had no drug problem until the imperialists—that's the expression the man used—forced narcotics on the country following the Opium War. After the liberation—also his word—China got rid of the drug problem by outlawing narcotics. He didn't explain how this was done, but he put forth an interesting idea: China recognizes that a person resorts to drug abuse because he feels rejected by society and defeated by life. This being the cause, the Chinese try through a form of group therapy practiced in everyday life to make the abuser feel he is important, useful, productive, wanted, and no longer needs drugs as an escape from reality.

On U.S.-China relations—We've made a beginning and relations will improve. China wishes to have more American visitors but the number will be limited until facilities—hotels, interpreters—become more adequate. More Chinese will be visiting the U.S. to observe, learn and exchange ideas.

While in Denver the Chinese maintained a man-killing schedule. By the time they flew off for San Francisco, and thence to Honolulu, we had become friends enough to wish they could stay longer.

One somewhat disconcerting aspect of their visit was being addressed by them in Mandarin. The only thing to do was smile apologetically and explain I spoke no Chinese. At one of the functions, however, some guests, a Chinese couple fairly new to Denver, approached my wife and me and asked in English whether we were Mandarin-speaking or Cantonese-speaking. The Mandarin-speakers are late-comers to the U.S.; the Cantonese-speakers are the Chinese Nisei, American-born offspring of early-day immigrants. "I'm sorry," I said, "I speak only Japanese," and the Chinese couple thought that was uproariously funny.

AS IT WAS: Mas Satow Emergency Session

In view of the impending evacuation of persons of Japanese ancestry, National JACL called an emergency session of the National Council in San Francisco in March of 1942.

One of the sessions was with those whose responsibility it was to work out the problems of the Evacuation—Tom Clark, Col. McGill, Richard Neustadt, and others. In addition to answering questions regarding our impending future before the entire assembly, they invited a representative group to meet in special session at the old Whitcomb Hotel. During this afternoon session, Tom Clark announced we were honored to have with us John J. McCloy, the Assistant Secretary of War, and so we had a chance to talk over with him some of the problems we foresaw.

That night since we figured it would be our last night in San Francisco for some time to come, a group of us went to a "Fried Chicken City" who should walk in but John McCloy, accompanied by Lieut. Commander K. D. Ringle, Asst. Chief of Naval Intelligence in the Southern California area, whom we had come to know after Pearl Harbor. On several occasions Ringle had said he would like to command a destroyer with an all Nisei crew.

As Ringle related to us later, McCloy expressed amazement upon seeing us there. "I can't understand these Japanese coming to a Chinese night club when the two countries are at war," Ringle explained. "These Japanese are Americans, these Chinese are Americans—they're all Americans, what difference does it make?" According to Ringle, this made more of an impression on McCloy than the conference we had had with him that afternoon.

As we pieced things together, McCloy did everything he could to convince the War Department to give the Nisei a chance to serve in the armed forces. With National

REP. MINK URGES EMPHASIS ON ASIAN STUDIES

One-sided System Robs Asian Children, Hawaiians Told

HONOLULU—Hawaii's school children are being robbed of their heritage by a one-sided educational system which ignores non-Western cultures, Rep. Patsy T. Mink said June 2.

Mrs. Mink said Island students are being "educated in a set of values that in effect rejects their own heritage" because Asian studies are almost nonexistent in the schools.

The congresswoman, in a speech prepared for the 9th annual planning conference of the Pacific and Asian Affairs Council, said that Asian studies should be introduced in Hawaii's school system and throughout the nation "at every level of education."

"To most Americans, Asians run restaurants or laundries or are spies and crooks in movies and television shows," Mrs. Mink said.

"If we are to avoid future Vietnams or even worse catastrophes we must develop a knowledge and appreciation of all people everywhere," she said.

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Mrs. Mink called for the establishment of an Asian Studies Institute in Hawaii which would become the basis of introducing Asian programs to the schools here and on the Mainland.

Asian Stereotypes

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Syphilis study called 'racist'

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—The Alabama Advisory Committee in the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights declared May 14 the U.S. Public Health study of 600 syphilis black men as "a racist violation of human rights" after a cure was discovered in 1946 through use of penicillin.

While the project has been cancelled, the USPHS has offered free, lifetime medical care to the survivors of the experiment. The study was intended to explore the long-range effects of untreated syphilis.

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THE ABOVE SIDELIGHT is in view of Roger Daniels' finger-pointing John J. McCloy as one of "the architects of the Evacuation" in recent book, "Concentration Camps, USA."

'Meriken' Pier sinking

Kobe—Known as 'Meriken Hatoba' (American Pier) because it was built facing the U.S. consulate in 1868, Kobe port officials said it needs overhauling since it has subsided 20 inches since 1947. In another 15 years, they feared, the pier would be useless.

Facts (not innuendoes) needed to fix Korean immigrant fem problem

HONOLULU — The "Action reporter" column "Miss Fixit" in the Honolulu Advertiser, conducted by Scoops Krieger (a Nissei), got down to brass tacks recently in responding to some student who was critical of female immigrants from Korea she alleged to be "hustling men in bars."

DEAR MISS FIXIT: Recently I have done some research on Korean immigrants and have found that many females permitted to come to Hawaii for so-called schooling have ended up hustling men in bars. Or, if work is denied by the Immigration Office, they often become mistresses to local businessmen who put them on their payrolls and pay them in cash so the immigration people won't get on their backs.

Are they not defeating their original purpose of coming here or is their real reason to get ahead of the American dollar and make fools of us at the same time? To me this is worse than street prostitution. Isn't there anything the State Immigration Office can do about this situation? After all, these women have been known to break up many a good marriage. Do we local women have to put up with these foreign hustlers?

A—if you would provide the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service's local office with the facts (not innuendoes) you turned up in your recent research, all the specific cases you report will be investigated.

District director John O'Shea says foreign-born immigrants here on student visas are not permitted to work except during summer months or with special permission, not more than 20 hours a week. Many of the Korean immigrants working in local bars are said to be wives or divorced spouses of U.S. citizens. They are not restricted from taking jobs in Hawaii.

He said he'd rather charge outrageous prices than run out of gas.

"There's nothing worse than pulling into a station and being told they have no gas," Yano said. "At least this way, we'll always have a little for the people who really need it."

"The whole thing is a fraud anyway that the gas companies are pulling," he said.

Yano raised his prices after closing down for three days (May 29-31) because he was out of gasoline and being told by Mobil that he was being rationed—30 per cent of last year's gas and only 8,000 gallons at a time.

He hoped to discourage tourists and casual customers, reserving his gas for local customers with commercial accounts who pay fixed, lower prices. Yano doesn't want to lose their business.

But the high prices didn't discourage everyone.

"One guy took 20 gallons," Yano said. "I asked if he'd seen the sign. 'That's OK, I need the gas.'"

Yano is owner-dealer of a Mobil station at Van Ness Ave. and Filbert St.

Down to his last 200 gallons, Nikkei gas station owner ups price to 90.9c

SAN FRANCISCO — When his supply of gas dwindled to 200 gallons, after the Memorial Day holiday weekend, service station owner Ken Yano hiked his prices — to 90.9 cents a gallon for premium and 85.9 cents for regular. And had some takers.

Cal State-L.A. to offer B.A. degree in Japanese

LOS ANGELES — A program leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Japanese will be offered this fall by the Dept. of Foreign Languages and Literatures at CSU-Los Angeles.

Cal State L.A., which has offered selected courses in Japanese for 10 years, initiated the degree program because of the growing importance of Japan in the world market, and the increasing number of Americans visiting Japan and other parts of Asia.

Dr. Kazumitsu Kato, professor of Japanese, said the program also is expected to attract persons of Japanese ancestry "to satisfy that hunger for identity."

Courses include elementary, intermediate and advanced language study, conversation, calligraphy, classical language, structure of the modern idiom, survey of literature, civilization, poetry, prose, modern novel, directed readings, and a proseminar in Japanese.

Nihongo for adults

LOS ANGELES — Under sponsorship of the L.A. City Schools, Richard Shomi (768-8874 or 983-1838) will conduct a summer Japanese adult conversational class starting June 26 at 125 Weller St., Room 203, free of charge. Rather than Kanji, Japanese characters will be presented in Romaji. Students should be 16 years and up.

No camping on Bonins

TOKYO — While Iwojima is excluded from the ban, 30 islets of the Ogasawara (Bonin) Islands will be off-limits to summer tourists and campers. Since the return of the Bonins to Japanese administration five years ago, influx of tourists continues to mount annually. Last year over 9,000 visited the islands.

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Nisei knocks Mineta Elk boycott

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Two letters were published in the San Jose News recently (June 6 and June 12) in wake of Mayor Norman Mineta's refusal to lunch at the Sacramento Elk Club during the League of California Cities legislative institute last month (PC, May 25).

The first letter, by Minoru Maekawa, claimed the mayor, representing the city of 500,000 people, should have shown "an example of good leadership with good taste and good manners" rather than creating more friction among people by not leading the boycott of the luncheon.

The second letter, by Daniel F. Hoffman, defended the mayor's taking action against the "whites only" policy of the Elks and concluded, "We the public must not allow the Elks to purchase respectability by donations to good causes."

(Maekawa, who also submitted a copy of his open letter to the Pacific Citizen, erroneously tagged the San Jose JACL as "exclusive," suggesting the mayor, being a member of the chapter, pave the way to allow blacks and other ethnic groups to members of the chapter. The membership rolls do not indicate a member's cultural or ethnic background, but among its 1,000-plus members are a number of non-Japanese.—Ed.)

Text of the letters in the San Jose News follows:

Editor: I read with much interest the newspaper account dated May 16, regarding the "Elks Club" incident and I have this to say.

The purpose of the San Jose delegates going to Sacramento was to attend the California League's annual legislative institute. Therefore, Mayor Mineta was representing our city of 500,000 people and was a guest of that City, in other words, he was not there on your own cognizance to campaign or promote racial strife.

As our Mayor, he not only has a responsibility toward all the people of San Jose but also he is an example of good leadership with good taste and good manners. . . . It seems to me he acted on personal pride with shallowness.

It seems to me he used his official title as Mayor of this City to create more friction among people.

The Elks club is rated as one of the finest organizations throughout the UK USA. Their function is highly respected and they have the right to write their values and reasoning of some own exclusive organization (the Japanese American Citizens League of San Jose) have the right to our own function. . . .

M. MAEKAWA

Mayor and Elks

Editor: An attack on Mayor Norman Mineta was launched in a letter to the editor in your June 6th issue. Mr. Mineta was accused of racism because of a stand he took against the "whites only" policy of the Elks. One can only wonder at the topsy-turvy values and reasoning of some people. Of course, Mr. Mineta was completely correct in his position. The Elks organization is bigoted and racist. It bars people from membership solely because of skin color.

The Elks refuse to recognize the winds of change. Even the Moose recently eliminated their "whites only" membership requirement. We the public must not allow the Elks to purchase respectability by donations to good causes.

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Meeting Community Needs

A question often presented to members of JACL is: Does JACL meet the needs of the Community? A question which is more basic and fundamental is: What are some of the needs of the Japanese Community?

Some of the basic and fundamental needs of our community are to try and create a better understanding between Japanese and American ancestry and the society in which we live. This is achieved by having programs which educate not only the Japanese, but also our society of our likes and dislikes, our way of life, and our cultural heritage.

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Another need is to insure that our interests are adequately represented in government. Whether it be local, state, or national, JACL does play an important part in developing programs, laws, and policies that will best meet the needs of the majority of Japanese.

Does our local Chapter meet the needs of our immediate Community? I feel that our Chapter does meet some of the needs of our Community in that our Chapter does have affirmative programs which meet the social, physical, and emotional needs of not only the young, but also the elderly. By reviewing our calendar, you can see that programs are being conducted to meet some of the needs of our Community. The Issai Health Day, Community Picnic, sports programs, scholarship programs, cultural programs, employment hiring practices, job opportunities, School Board involvement are but a few of our programs which attempt to meet some of our needs.

Therefore, when you are asked, "Does JACL meet the needs of the Japanese Community?" you can state unequivocally, "Yes, it does!"

I'm sure there are other needs which are not met by JACL. Therefore, if you could bring some of these pressing needs to the attention of JACL, we collectively will do our best to meet those respective goals.

PORTLAND JACL: Dr. Homer Yasui

... and Where It Went

Last month (PC, May 18) this columnist explained where some—not all—of Portland JACL's operating capital came. It was no great gratification to me that my guess that we would have less than \$700 in the treasury proved to be pretty accurate. The exact figure, as of May 6, was \$650.39. Now let's see how at least part of that money is going to be—already has been spent.

Since February, I alone have spent, or caused to have been spent \$195.50. Where did all this money go? Most of it went to buy Portland JACL letterhead and related office supplies, necessary to conduct our business, and to send out information, such as this Newsletter. Generally, postage is not included in the above figure.

Postage Costs

It wouldn't surprise me any if our postage costs exceeded \$200 per year. That's really

not really so astounding when one considers the annual number of mailings from our chapter.

Our next general membership meeting will be on June 2. At this meeting, the spotlight will be focused on the well known Nikkei actor, George Takei. Mr. Takei has graciously consented to spend a day and a half with us, without charge. Even so, we will incur some expenses.

In August, Portland JACL and the Oregon Nisei Vets will co-sponsor the community picnic. Last year, this cost JACL about \$50, so there's no reason to believe that it's going to be any less this year. On Sept. 30, our Chapter will be the primary sponsor for the Issai Appreciation Night. For us, this will really be a big affair, requiring not only a tremendous cooperative effort, but also a very sizeable piece of change. By this time, our operating funds probably will be depleted, or very nearly so.

Truly Non-Profit

All this should point up the fact that we are truly a non-profit organization. It should also indicate that Portland JACL is not as some people have suggested—predominantly a social group, concerned only with ourselves and our own little clique. We would like to become more issue oriented, and more people concerned. We believe that we are headed that way. But to speed up the process of activating relevant programs, we could do more good for more people if we had more money.

Very shortly, our Ways and Means Committee will be making an appeal for donations from the general membership, but they will also be in touch with the Nikkei community. If you should agree with the cause of JACL—if you believe in the programs we are attempting to carry out—if you see fit to contribute to fatten up our coffers, Portland JACL will be most grateful.

"Chiaroscuro" is reserved for Chapter Presidents, whose reports in newsletters may be of interest to other chapters. Contributions directly to this column are also welcome—Ed.

CHAPTER PULSE

June Events

Sacramento sponsors cultural program

The Sakura Production, "Kaya Matsuri" will present a repeat performance, sponsored by the Sacramento JACL June 23, at 7 p.m. at the Hiram Johnson High School Auditorium, 14th Ave. and 65th St. in Sacramento. Tickets are \$3.50 per person. Anyone in the Marysville-Yuba City-Colusa-Gridley area wishing to purchase tickets for this repeat performance show are requested to call as soon as possible one of the following: Isao and Nobu Tokunaga 673-7655, or 673-4947, or George and Fumi Yoshimoto 673-8392.

Fulbright lecturer addresses Puayallup Valley

Dr. Norimoto Ino, Fulbright lecturer at the Univ. of Puget Sound, was guest speaker at the Puayallup Valley JACL dinner June 9 at the Poodle Dog Restaurant in Puyallup, honoring area graduates from high school, college and university. Dr. Ino is chairman of the philosophy department at International Christian University in Japan. He is a graduate of Yomona (Calif.) College, Boston University and Pacific School of Religion.



28th INAUGURAL—For an installation dinner picture, this is rare as the new Detroit JACL president Elaine Akagi is hidden from view. Over 200 were present Mar. 3 at the Chin Tiki to honor the new senior and junior officers (from left): front—Mary Kamidol, Satoko Poster, Faye Hirazawa, Karen Yoshikawa, Dan Oda; back—Harry Lee, Dr. Kaz

Mayeda, Minoru Toganaki, Miss Akagi (hidden); Tami Sato (partially hidden); Sally Higashi, Scott Yamazaki (past pres.); Art Morey, Stan Hirozawa, Michael Mayeda, and Art Teshima (JAY pres.) MDC Gov. Ross Harano was installing officer.

Trips aboard jump

TOKYO—A total of 1,392,000 Japanese made trips abroad in 1972, a drastic increase of 45 per cent over the previous year, according to the annual white paper on tourism released by the government.

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Japan firms due
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SAN JOSE, Calif. — A Japanese auto manufacturer and a major maker of home appliances may set up factories in San Jose, according to Mayor Norman Mineta and chamber of commerce president Warren Gannon who returned June 9 from a two-week industry tour in Japan.

They were with a delegation from 36 states who met with industrialists who not only have the dollars but the desire to invest in America because land and labor are getting expensive due to inflation in Japan.

While teams from other companies in Japan have been visiting San Jose and will continue to come here this summer, the mayor was not ready to reveal the names of the two firms which will send representatives to consider manufacturing sites.

Liaison Office

Mayor Mineta said he will propose to the city council that San Jose establish a liaison office in Japan.

Los Angeles, Long Beach and the Port of Oakland are also considering establishing such offices, he added.

Meanwhile, an economic development group will be established July 1 at city hall. Gannon noted the San Jose group was fortunate in having Mineta, who speaks Japanese fluently and with friends who had valuable contacts. The fact that Mineta is the first American of Japanese ancestry to head a major American city had its impact, too, Gannon noted.

The San Jose team called upon some 50 Japanese firms during the 2½-week stint in Tokyo and Osaka. They found deep interest in California and San Jose.

CALENDAR

June 22 (Friday)
Sequoia—Sports Awd dnr, Palo Alto Buddhist Church.
June 23
Riverside—Senda Festival.
June 23 (Saturday)
Seabrook—Installation dinner.
Cleveland—Graduate Scholarship dnr, Astorhurst Restaurant, Bedford, 6 p.m.
June 24 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Gen. Mtg. Nisei Hall, 7:30 p.m.
June 24 (Friday)
Sequoia—JACL sushi sale.
June 24 (Saturday)
Seabrook—JACL picnic, Marvin State Park, 10 a.m.
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Hawaii Today

Gasoline shortage is already felt on Kauai. Kaau Morita, a Union Oil dealer on the Garden Island, said he was cut back May 14 in the amount of gas he could sell. He said he was allotted only 85 percent of the average of the months of January, February and March. "I have my door closed to I can do some small things in the shop. I'm only watching for my regular customers, but you know, I can't turn anyone down if I'm open," Morita said.

Four oil companies have refused to submit bids for supplying the Maui County government with gasoline and diesel fuel for the next fiscal year. Refusals were made in spite of public statements recently by Shell and Standard that they would continue to deliver to their existing customers. Maui County has appointed an ad hoc committee of officials to study alternative means of meeting its needs for fuel if serious shortages should develop.

In a health survey of the nation's 50 states, Hawaii came out best. This is the result of a survey of the health of the nation's 50 states, using death rates, deaths due to motor vehicles, and from the combined group of heart disease, cancer and stroke as the criteria. Its citizens suffered less from influenza and pneumonia. In terms of life expectancy, Hawaii ranked right at the top, 71.55 years, close to the best of all, which prevails in Nebraska, whose citizens can expect to live to 71.85 years.

Some 1,600 persons attended the first, false-toasted held May 18 at the HIC's Honolulu Concert Hall. False-toasted is a method used by male singers to obtain notes of female quality, well above those of the normal voice range. Among the false-toasted were George Kainapala, Kim Brown, Richard and Solomon Hoopii, Joe Keawe, David Chung, Bill Lincoln, Kelli Jay, Kekua Fernandes, Sam Bernard, James Papa and others.

The U.S. Justice Dept. has surprised the local visitor industry by ordering an inquiry into possible price-fixing in the hotel industry. Subpoenas served on some travel organizations. They include the Hawaii Hotel Assn., the Pacific Area Travel Assn. and the local chapters of the American Assn. of Travel Agents. "I don't think they are going to find anything to substantiate any charges of price-fixing here," said Thomas Held, president of Aloha Hawaii Travel, Ltd., a wholesaler of island tours and deposits for 23,000 persons, the American Legion's national convention in August will be the largest ever held in Hawaii. The convention will be held between Aug. 17 and 23, but the crush of Legionnaires will begin a week before that because the Hawaii Dept., which has members in the Far East, also will be holding its convention.

City Hall

Mayor Francis Ching of Kauai has appointed four men to county boards and commissions. They are Will Miyake, 37, liquor control commission; Alex Young, 58, police commission; Joseph Rodriguez, 74, and Gerald Daly, 33 board of water supply. Daly is a Democrat; all others are Republicans.

Veteran political figure Charles E. Kaubane, 69, was named by Mayor Fasi to a seat on the Honolulu Police Commission. Kaubane has been a policeman, a member of the State and Territorial Houses of Representatives and a lobbyist for the Teamsters Union, among other jobs. He made headlines in 1947 when he slugged Hiram L. Fong, then one of his fellow members of the Territorial House and now a U.S. senator from Hawaii. The two later made up.

Guido Salmaggi, 54, who served a short stint as City auditoriums director before he clashed with Mayor Fasi and resigned in 1970, said he was leaving Honolulu after living here 10 years because he can't find a job.

Salmaggi, who has sung "The Star-Spangled Banner" at every Islanders baseball team home game for the past four years and who has worked sporadically as an entertainer at local nightspots, said he would come back to the Islands if a job opened up. Said Salmaggi philosophically: "I'm not ashamed to admit I'm broke. It's happened to better guys than me."

Medical Notes

The family of 9-year-old Kathleen Vincent, said to have suffered brain damage from a drug administered to her in infancy, has received a \$16,000 out-of-court settlement of a court suit. The suit had been filed by Kathleen's father, Gerald Vincent, against Drs. Mer McCarthy and James M. O'Connell, who, Vincent claims, administered the drug to his daughter when she was nine months old.

Dr. George Goto, chief of the Dept. of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Queen's Medical Center, has been named Hawaii's Physician of the Year by the Hawaii Medical Assn. Goto also has been awarded the annual A. H. Robbins Award for community service. Goto has been involved with legislative matters dealing with contemporary medical issues for several years.

Honolulu Scene

An early morning fire on May 12 did more than \$300,000 damage to part of the remodeled former Primo Brewery in Kakaako. Firemen said it apparently started in a back storeroom of Far Eastern Furnishings Hawaii, Ltd., now occupying a first floor unit of the modernized building at 845 Cooke St. It gutted the six-month-old firm, destroying its inventory of about \$100,000 worth of Hong Kong-made furniture, but was contained within the concrete-walled store.

The Church of the Crossroads on University Ave. celebrated its 50th anniversary with a series of events between May 20 and 27. Speakers included former pastor Delwyn Rayson, who now ad-

vocates Marxism, and the Rev. Mineo Katagiri, assistant to the president of the national United Church of Christ. Katagiri is an activist in urban economic affairs and civil rights.

Dedication ceremonies for the new Shinyu-en Buddhist Temple at 2348 S. Beretania St. was held May 13. The temple is the first of the Shinyu-en sect in Hawaii. Bishop Joshi Kurayama established the sect here, with a modest headquarters in Milliani Town two years ago. Bishop Kurayama, a woman, was a pharmacist in Tokyo at one time.

The Walkiki Natatorium is slowly deteriorating and now appears doomed for destruction. The Army Corps of Engineers says demolition of the natatorium could begin as early as Sept. 1973. The plan for demolition has been forwarded to the President's Council on Environmental Quality. The natatorium is a public salt water swimming pool built in 1927 as a living way of memorializing the dead of World War I.

Tourism

The Lahaina Kahuapali & Pearl Harbor Railroad may be rolling in business again in June. The train made its last run Oct. 18, 1972, after the railroad was taken over by the U.S. Department of the Interior. The railroad was built by A.W. McKelvey of Lahaina, who later sold it to Maui Corp. and today the rolling stock is owned by American Security Bank.

Shareholders of Sea Life Inc. ratified an agreement of their company to join venture of Bishop Corp. of Honolulu and Lion Country Safari, Inc. Two representatives of the company, Sea World, Inc. of San Diego, dragged the meeting for hours in an attempt to persuade Sea Life shareholders to sell the World instead. But 80% per cent of 34,317 shares represented at the meeting voted to keep the company. The Bishop Corp./Lion Country deal with 15% per cent disapproval.

Political Scene

LL Gov. George R. Ariyoshi said he feels "a lot stronger" about becoming a candidate for governor than he did six months ago and acknowledged that he recently has talked with Joe Napolitano, nationally known political campaign consultant, about the possibility of making the race. But Ariyoshi said he, as yet, has made no firm decision.

Mayor Elmer Cravath in a speech to the Maui Community College graduating students said that he does not plan to seek the governorship in 1974. He said in unequivocal terms that "in no way does he have 'interim' ambitions."

Mayor Frank Fasi of Honolulu was served with penal summons while making his debut May 14 as a radio personality in place of KGBM's vacationing Akuahead Pupule. Fasi told listeners over the air that a man from the sheriff's office came up to him at the station. Said Fasi, "I guess it has to do with 'shibui' that the Governor and his attorney general are going through on the vendetta to try to get to Good Guys for Fasi said he welcomed the investigation, but Fasi added he wished "they'd do the job for the State." Charges filed recently are misdemeanors punishable by \$500 fines. They contend that Good Guys for Fasi failed to report 12 campaign contributions ranging from \$500 to \$50,000 received during his successful bid for re-election last year.

Names in the News

Susan Allison Murphy of Kailua was named first runner-up May 11 in the national Junior Miss Pageant at Mobile, Ala. She received a \$6,000 scholarship. The winner was Linda Rutledge, a Kanak high school senior. Lisa Murphy, 17, also was a double winner in the youth fitness and poise-and-appearance categories. John A. Nakamura, a Waiatua High School student, won two awards at the 1973 Hawaiian Assn. of Future Farmers of America banquet May 12. He won the \$200 Honolulu Star-Bulletin Farmer Award and the \$500 National Foundation Star State Farmer Award.

Mrs. Flora L. Thong has been appointed chief of the nutrition branch of the State Health Dept. She has been employed by the department since 1955. Mrs. Thong began her new duties May 15. George Seriguchi, auto mechanic instructor at Maui Community College, has been presented with a cash award of \$250 as a reward for excellence in teaching. The

Nisei author wins medal from club

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Conference scheduled on Amerasian theology

LOS ANGELES—Three eminent Japanese theologians will participate in the first conference on East Asian and Amerasian theology scheduled Aug. 6-17 at the Claremont School of Theology. It was announced by Rev. Roy I. Sano, coordinator, with Rev. William Shinto of the two-week session.

The visiting professors from Japan, en route to their teaching posts in the U.S., are Dr. Yoshinobu Kumasawa, professor of systematic theology, Tokyo Union Theological Seminary; Dr. Kiyoshi Sakon, professor of Old Testament, Tokyo Union; and Dr. Masao Takenaka, professor of Social Ethics, Doshisha Theological Seminary, Kyoto.

The Rev. Jonathan Fujita, 3500 S. Normandie, Los Angeles 90007, is conference registrar. The \$65 fee covers meals and lodging. Financial assistance is also available.

MRS. TOMIKO ISHIKAWA

Fresno's Mother of 1973 Named

FRESNO, Calif. — Tomiko Ishikawa last week was honored Mother of the Year for 1973 by the Women's Section of the Fresno County and City Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Ishikawa, a native Fresno, was nominated for the award by the Fresno chapter, American Association of University Women.

She and her family were honored at a luncheon May 8 at the Fresno Hilton. Mrs. Ishikawa, who is married to lawyer Jin Ishikawa, is a past president of AAUW and has been a member of the organization since 1952. She is currently serving a four-year term on the Fresno State Univ. Advisory Board.

Long active in community activities, she is a member of the Japanese American Citizens League and Sunday school superintendent at Fresno Buddhist Church.

She is the mother of two children, Mrs. Gail Duffy of Portland, Ore., and Robert, a law student at the Univ. of Southern California.

Mrs. Ishikawa is a graduate of Occidental College, has lived in Fresno all of her life, except during the period of Japanese internment during World War II.

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Exposed, Yozo reflects, "It was all I could do to suppress a shriek of terror."

Van Gogh Self-Portrait

Takekichi shows Yozo a reproduction of a self-portrait by Van Gogh, saying, "It's a ghost."

Deeply moved by the portrait, Yozo writes, "There are some people whose dread of human beings is so morbid that they reach a point where they yearn to see with their own eyes monsters of ever more horrible shapes..."

As Dazai turned to literary creation to depict the monsters that terrified him, Yozo, inspired by the French impressionists, turns to painting. He neglects college in Tokyo to attend art classes.

In art class he meets Horikawa who introduces him to the Communist Party and the vices of the capital. Already tubercular, Yozo becomes a

drunkard, squanders his money on drink and prostitutes, sponges on women, attempts double suicide, survives, is indicted, is expelled from college, becomes a drug addict, and is committed to a madhouse.

Incidents Not Depicted

Throughout, the narrative is weakened by a serious flaw: Yozo describes his feelings about incidents instead of depicting the incidents so as to inspire appropriate feelings in the reader.

Though the Van Gogh self-portrait alters the life of Yozo, he describes it only as a "brilliantly colored picture," not even mentioning which of the many self-portraits it might have been, though one suspects it to be the final self-portrait, painted in the terror of recurring insanity.

Even making the impossible assumption that most readers would know the portrait, they still could not be expected to see in the haunted eyes staring out from the tormented mind what the half-crazed Yozo sees.

Again, one of the most traumatic experiences in the life of Yozo is the botched double suicide. He disposes of this portentous event with the line, "She died. I was saved," neither showing how she died nor how he was saved.

Reader Unprepared

He sees his wife being violated, a situation of which he has prepared the reader only by noting that his wife is of a trusting nature. He records the scene this way: "A small window opened over my room, through which I could see the interior. The light was lit and two animals were visible."

Too spiritless to intervene, he goes into detail about the emotions the violation evokes in him. Only after the incident is the rapist introduced, though Yozo had been well-acquainted with him.

The rapist should have been introduced before the scene, with clues to his later behavior. The rape scene should have been so vividly portrayed the reader would be inspired to the feelings of Yozo attributes to himself.

Yozo dies a suicide. The book ends with an epilogue, again in the third person, with the author talking to one of the many women who had loved and succored the futile diarist. Since Dazai has merits

to abate his literary faults, he has the woman ending the account with a judgment on Yozo that casts new light on all that has gone before.

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MANHATTAN ECHOES: Joe Oyama

New York, We'll Miss You

(This marks the final installment of Joe Oyama's "Manhattan Echoes". He has titled succeeding columns as "Cincinnati Echoes"—Editor.)

Leaving New York, I shall miss the New York Times and the Sunday editions of the New York Times, an institution. The 2-page tabloid size Nichibei's English section is edited by "Taxie" Kusunoki, who in real life is Mrs. Steve Wada, wife of a dental laboratory owner and technician.

Over the years the Nichibei has built up a sense of community in a city where there are no geographical Little Tokyo demarcations like on the West Coast. But due to the Nichibei's coordinated efforts, when the film "Little Tokyo" was shown recently at the United Church of Christ (Japanese American), there was a full house.

About this film Miss Kusunoki wrote, "If the applause which followed the screening at the church were not approval enough of Yoshitane Horii's effort (program director of Japan Broadcasting Corp.), let it be said that the film is superior in many respects to any other on the subject that has been shown here or on television, lacking only a sharper probing into the Nisei experience. But that, without a doubt, is a separate can of worms and a possible separate project."

Issei Ambulatory Cases

Mr. Horii revealed that when the film was first shown in Japan, the Japanese responded with "kind of a shock," because heretofore they had been accustomed to seeing only Horatio Alger type success stories about the Japanese in America. The film "Little Tokyo" depicts Issei ambulatory cases, some blind, eating in a hospital, and a soul-searching scene of an Issei being rushed to a hospital, sirens screaming. There is a flashback to his lonely room in Little Tokyo, a desolate place with meager possessions.

At the hospital he is visited by a bright-faced Sansei girl bearing a bouquet of flowers, who, because she cannot speak Japanese tries to communicate with him in English. Delighted, the Issei enters into a lengthy conversation (he doing most of the talking — very animatedly), relating earlier encounters with racial prejudice in this country.

Sansei Home Life

These are poignant shots of Issei in "Little Tokyo", standing in the bright Southern California sun with no place to go. Hats on, probably nostalgically talking about the past, as life goes on about them as usual — people walking by at a fast clip on their way to work.

When the Sansei were shown on the screen the Japanese translation said that the incidence of drug involvement was higher among the Sansei in Los Angeles than among any other minority group, there was an air of disbelief on part of many Nisei in the audience.

In the film, the Sansei pointed out that they had not been ready for the shock of discrimination, that they had been sheltered, and the experience was shattering.

New York Nichibei

Now to get back to the N.Y. Nichibei, for the size of the paper, a lot of news is packed with headlines such as "Fault Social Security Cred-

its: Say Non-Citizens are Penalized," "Bunraku Come to N.Y.," "Contest Seeks Writings of Books for Children," "Asian Cultural Night," "The Mayor Responds to Yuki Tomono" (the brother of the murdered Japanese on Jan. 1st 1973), and a posthumous poem by the victim, Masanaru Tomono, entitled "People", which reads:

Know the people
They pretend to work
for the people

Know the people
They are raped
by the people

Know the people
They tell the truth
to the people

Know the people
They believe the reason
of the people

Taxie's Husband, Steve

Taxie puts down protocol and pretense with unflinching courage and honesty, but she also tempers her criticism of the Nisei with support. Her husband, Steve, who is very soft-spoken is one of the top Japanese photographers in New York.

The Nichibei holiday issue is a family affair with Steve's in-depth photography embellishing the pages and their daughters' illustrated poetry featured.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

USC Dept. of East Asian Languages and Cultures will offer a summer session series of Chinese and Japanese language courses June 18 through Aug. 10. Elementary through advanced levels and are open to both undergraduate and graduate students. Each course carries eight units of credit. Further information can be obtained by phoning 748-2660.

Asian American National Business Alliance, Inc., contracted by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce to help develop Asian American business enterprises, has moved to Olympic West Blvd., 1543 W. Olympic Blvd., Suite 332, Los Angeles 90015 (382-7381). It had been located in the Cathay Bank Bldg. in Chinatown.

S.F.—East Bay

The Buddhist Temple of Alameda will hold its Vacationland carnival and bazaar June 23-24. General chairman Kiyoshi Naito and Yasu Yamashita promise plenty of food—Japanese and American—plus homemade pastries and plenty of cold soda and beer.

Sacramento

Scout Troop 250, started 20 years ago, under the sponsorship of Sacramento VFW Nisei Post 8985, will hold an anniversary reunion party Saturday, June 23, from 5 to 10 p.m. at the activity hall of the Japanese United Methodist Church, 6929 Franklin Blvd.

San Jose

Donations for its annual rummage sale are now being sought by the Fujinkai of the Wesley United Methodist church. The sale, which will be held in the church parking lot, will take place on Saturday, June 23, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Proceeds will be used to purchase special membership pins which stand for special missionary giving, and to furnish a future second minister's home.

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NEWS CAPSULES

Nisei Week

Cheryl Suzanne Kawakami, 21, sponsored by San Gabriel Citrus Valley Optimist Club, is the seventh candidate to enter the 33rd annual Nisei week Festival queen competition. Los Angeles-born USC alumna is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Kawakami, 5'4" and 110 lbs. She attended South Hills High School in Covina and was graduated from Mt. San Antonio Junior College.

Montebello Japanese Women's Club (JCWC), will sponsor the Nisei Week Fashion Show-Luncheon, July 29, at Century Plaza Hotel with Ethel Kohashi as general chairman. Reservations are being accepted at \$12 per person by Kim Yasui (723-5948). The club also was recognized at their district convention with first prize for the International Hostess report submitted by Sakaye Aratani, chairman.

Fine Arts

Ruth Asawa, San Francisco sculptor and city art commissioner, was honored by the San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau with its 1973 award. She was one of five individuals, four of them San Franciscans, along with the Sunset Magazine and Amtrak, who were honored for making important contributions to the city. They were honored at the bureau's 63rd annual luncheon June 4 at the San Francisco Hilton.

Organizations

Dr. George Togasaki, San Francisco-born Rotary International president in 1968, returned to his home in Tokyo June 9 after spending several days in San Francisco. He had attended the 1973 Rotary convention in Switzerland last month and a U.S. session at Lake Placid, N.Y. He plans to return to the U.S. at least twice more this year to attend meetings of the Rotary Foundation trustees. Minneapolis will host the next Rotary International convention in May, 1974.

Carl M. Tamaki, one of the first Nisei to be hired by the Los Angeles Dept. of Water and Power after WW2 in 1947 and now executive assistant to the general manager and chief engineer of DWP, was elected president of the Westside Optimists Club.

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FRANK H. MINAMI (above)

was appointed vice president-marketing and regional public relations officer of The Sumitomo Bank of California's headquarters office at San Francisco. Joining the bank in 1957 as a teller, he was promoted to assistant v.p. in charge of public relations in 1969, for the bank's main business office, and in 1971, was transferred to the bank's headquarters office marketing department. Minami hails from Vallejo, and has lived in San Francisco since 1947, after military intelligence service with the U.S. Army.

Takero Inoue, an international banker of 24 years, has been named vice president and manager of the Crenshaw branch of the Bank of Tokyo of California in Southwest Los Angeles. Bank president Masao Tsuyama also announced other promotions: Kazuo Ohsawa of San Francisco Head office, vice president and auditor; Calvin Kajikawa of Los Angeles Main office, asst. v.p.; and Lawrence McHale, Head office, asst. auditor.

PC cartoonist Pete K. Hironaka of Dayton, Ohio, has been appointed to the new position of art director with Philip A. Office and Associates, Dayton-based advertising-marketing agency. The staff member served the past seven years as designer-illustrator with E. F. MacDonald Co. Hironaka graduated in 1931 from Miami University and makes his home in Kettering with his wife Jean and their two children, Stan and Cathy.

Fumio Okimoto, president of the Hawaii Credit Union league, was elected to the board of directors of CUNA Mutual Insurance society, life insurance affiliate of the international credit union movement. A native of Lahaina, Maui, he has been active in the credit union movement since 1951. He is a purchasing agent for the Maui county department of water supply.

Arthur B. Brockhaus heads the Ozawa International Inc., 201 S. Lake St., Pasadena, Calif., exporters of American-made products in Japanese service station as well as agent for Japanese manufacturers. The parent firm, Ozawa & Co., processes some 2,000 tons of sesame seeds in Japan and operates service stations in Japan.

Ricoh Electronics, Inc., began operations June 15 at its new Irvine (Calif.) Industrial Complex plant where desktop printer calculators will be fabricated. Mikio Tatebayashi, 69, of Tokyo and company president was present for the opening ceremonies as well as Irvine Mayor John Burton and Dr. Hiroaki Yamashita, president of the new California firm.

Roberta Kariya, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Takamoto of Ewa (Hawaii), was named a director of Mary Kay Cosmetics, Inc. Now a California resident, Mrs. Kariya is the first Japanese American director of the Dallas-based company.

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service to USC's student life program.

Rep. Charles H. Wilson (D-Calif.) presented flags which have flown over the U.S. Capitol to seven Gardena girl scouts who achieved the rank of First Class, equivalent to the Boy Scouts Eagle award. Among the seven were Linda Nagamatsu, Irene Nakatsu, Marilyn Hikimaru and Karen Watali, all of GS Troop 1483.

Among 18 San Francisco Bay Area residents honored June 7 by the Boy Scouts of America at their annual council dinner at Oakland were Silver Beaver and Silver Fawn award winners who have distinguished themselves for 10 years or more as adult leaders. One of them was Tadashi Ishida of San Francisco who began as a cubmaster of Pack 12 in 1948 and since then served as assistant scoutmaster, scoutmaster, Explorer adviser, Cub round-table commissioner and presently a unit commissioner.

Attending the first conference of "builders and users" in an effort to learn how disease begins in the human body June 10-12 at the Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C., was Dr. Roy Teranishi of the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Western Regional Research Laboratory, Albany, Calif.

Dr. Shig Matsukawa of Salt Lake City is president of the Utah Optometric Assn.

Dr. K. Kay Okawa was elected chief of staff of South Davis Community Hospital, Bountiful, Utah. He specializes in internal medicine and cardiology.

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honored in the 86-year history of this organization. The only previously member of Japanese ancestry was Hideo Noguchi, elected in 1915.

Education

William Chon-Hoon was appointed principal of Cantelar St. School, which has the largest Chinese American enrollment in the Los Angeles Unified School District. In the heart of New Chinatown, the school serves as a community center after school and on week-ends. Chon-Hoon is the first school principal of Chinese ancestry in the system.

Science

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Health

Dr. Shig Matsukawa of Salt Lake City is president of the Utah Optometric Assn.

Courtroom

Steven Dol of San Francisco has passed the State Bar examinations given in San Francisco for three days, Feb. 27-29 and March 1. Dol, owner of the Marvel Cleaners, studied law for several years at Golden Gate College. "I would like to go into the field of U.S.-Japan commercial relations," he said.

Deaths

Rev. Jingoro Kokubun, 90, of Los Angeles died June 7 of brain hemorrhage. A pioneer Issei Christian minister, he is survived by sons, Joe, Dev. Kay, daughter May Toyotome and 13 grandchildren.

Poniet Square Hotel

fire victims settle suit

LOS ANGELES — Twenty-eight persons received \$267,000 June 7 in the settlement of damage suits resulting from the burning of the downtown Poniet Square Hotel on Sept. 12, 1970 in which 19 persons died.

The money was paid by Pacific Automobile Insurance Co., on behalf of Yoshimatsu Minami, who had leased and managed the 60-year old structure; and by Zurich Insurance Co., on behalf of Isaac Ross, the building owner.

Tractor flip fatal

FRESNO, Calif. — Isaac Matsumura, 66, was killed in a farm accident May 23, while backing the tractor and falling over a ditch bank into four feet of water. The tractor flipped over, pinning Matsumura underneath, the coroner's office reported. The accident took place on his property at 3463 W. Jensen Ave. Sheriff's divers recovered the body.

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