

Impeachment

Is the President of the United States guilty of an impeachable offense?

This question will be answered by a 38-man House Judiciary Committee which has the onerous task of examining massive data collected during the past four months and conducting public hearings the next six weeks before arriving at its decision.

The White House chose not to comply with the Committee's request for release of some 42 Watergate tapes. Instead, it chose to offer edited tape transcripts which also omitted 1,670 portions of conversations as being "inaudible" or "unintelligible." This is one omission for every minute of the 53 hours of taped conversation. The Committee stated that these transcripts are suspect and inaccurate, and has granted a five-day delay in the legal proceedings over the subpoena issued on the tapes. The request for a full disclosure of the conversations as recorded, with expressions and feeling tones, could reach a confrontation.

The House Judiciary Committee will focus its hearings on six major areas: the Watergate break-in and coverup, Nixon's personal finances, use of executive agencies for political purposes, domestic surveillance activities of the White House, political "dirty tricks" and "other alleged misconduct." It will be the Committee's job to decide whether supporting evidences on any of these areas amount to impeachable offenses.

Contrary to the constitutional process of impeachment, the Committee has granted permission of James D. St. Clair, the President's chief counsel, to be present during the investigative stage and to question any of the witnesses.

Hearings will be open to the public and on live television. Decisions are expected to be made on a day-to-day basis, depending upon the evidence or witness to be examined. The viewing public will witness an historic and sober event which will undoubtedly have a major impact on our nation's relationship with other countries in the world, regardless of the Committee's outcome.

In November, 1973, National JACL supported the House Judiciary Com-

mittee's charge to make inquiry into the possible impeachment of the President. We felt it was imperative that the Committee proceed with its inquiry in a principled manner and that it not allow partisan political considerations to color its deliberations. We wanted assurance of proper legal processes provided by the checks and balances in our governmental system. Despite the carefully worded National JACL statement, many JACLers alleged that it was politically inspired. The matter was subsequently brought to the attention of the recent National Board meeting. A resolution was introduced to require public statements by National JACL be cleared with the National Council or National Board. It was defeated.

In my opinion, this action represented a significant step forward for JACL. It is absurd to espouse social justice and equality and to champion the use of legal processes as the proper means of correcting injustices and inequities, then to place constraints upon the issuance of public statements on such matters.

To be an effective advocate organization, JACL must have trust and confidence in its elected officers and staff, particularly the National president and executive director, to issue timely and affirmative public statements which are consistent with the philosophy and goals of the organization. Otherwise, we may as well revert to a social organization and devote our push to ways to improve and enhance the membership benefits program.

We are pleased that, despite all the political shenanigans to discount the House Judiciary Committee's principled inquiry, Chairman Rodino has maintained a proper and disciplined course up to this point. There is every reason to believe that he will hold to this course as the inquiry enters its final and most crucial stage of investigation.

The Committee's recommendation, for or against impeachment, will be sent to the House floor for vote. Should the House vote for impeachment, a trial will be held in the Senate where a two-thirds vote would be needed to remove the President from office. Should the House vote against impeachment, the President will be exonerated, the Senate will not hold a trial and the President's confidence with the public will be restored.

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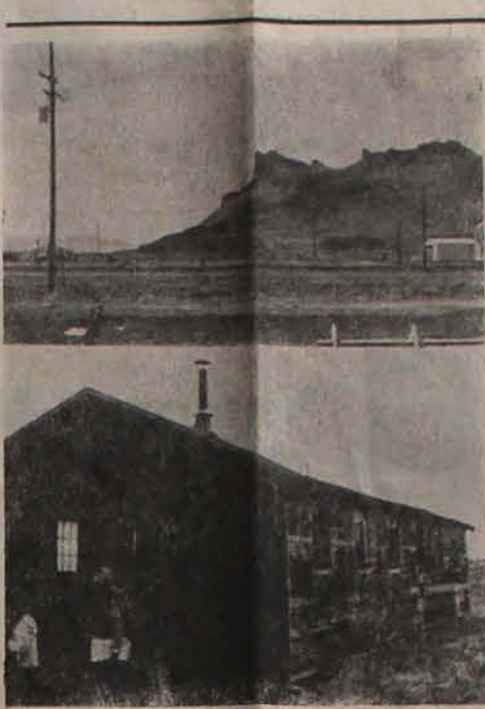
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Overlooking what was the Tule Lake WRA Center, which housed over 18,000 Japanese American evacuees during World War II, is famous "Castle Rock" in the top photo taken by the NC-WNDC Pilgrimage advance committee. Below is one of the original camp barracks, the tar paper weather-worn and most of the windows shattered.

Tule Lake designated historical landmark

SAN FRANCISCO—Tule Lake WRA Relocation Center has been declared a state historical landmark, it was revealed by Jim Murakami, National JACL vice-president, during the May 5 meeting of the JACL Northern California-Western Nevada District Council.

Ushio, JACL executive director, had traveled to St. Helena the previous week to urge the State Landmark Advisory Board of the California State Dept. of Parks and Recreation to make the Tule Lake camp a historical landmark. The JACL recommendation was unanimously approved and a plaque will be placed in the near future. Murakami reported. This will be an extension of the request which made the campsite at Manzanar an official landmark in 1973.

Murakami and David

CHANGED TO 'JAN'
USAF drops 'JAP'

(Special to The Pacific Citizen)
WASHINGTON — Acting on a request from Sen. Hiram L. Fong, the U.S. Air Force this past month (April 24) dropped the use of the acronym "JAP" by its Judge Advocate Procurement.

Air Force Secretary John L. McLucas, in a letter to Fong, said "as a result of your personal concern and to prevent any distress to Japanese American citizens, we are taking the necessary steps to discontinue use of the offending acronym."

McLucas said instructions have been issued to substitute the symbol "JAN" in place of "JAP" as quickly as administrative considerations will permit.

In his request to McLucas, Fong noted that the Air Force's Office of Legislative Liaison, in answer to criticism had explained that the use of "JAP" symbol was and is not intended as a racial slur.

"I do not question that the explanation was made in good faith," Fong said, but as a matter of principle "I do object to the use of 'JAP' by any unit of the U.S. government."

Fong said the term in question is one of "disparagement to all Americans of Japanese ancestry" and noted that the Japanese American Citizens League has long sought to eliminate public use of the term.

He also pointed out both the State of California and the Library of Congress had recently stopped using the term at the request of the JACL, and had submitted "Jpn" for "Jap".

In the California case, Governor Ronald Reagan directed that the term "Jap" be deleted from a directory published by the California State Board of Medical Examiners.

The Library of Congress discontinued use of the acronym and also substituted "Jpn" to use as a code for bibliographic and other purposes.

"I am very pleased that the Air Force has acted to resolve this matter," Fong said. "Whether intentional or not, we should not allow the use of terms which are offensive to any group of our fellow Americans."

Fong is a retired Colonel in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. He served as Judge Advocate of the 7th Fighter Command of the 7th Air Force at Hickam Air Field in Hawaii during World War II.

In his letter to Secretary McLucas on March 22, Fong enclosed a copy of the Jan. 25 and Feb. 1, 1974 issues of The Pacific Citizen to cite instances where the JACL or its individual members have protested the use of "Jap" by various groups or persons.

Have You Made Your Pledge to the Bldg. Fund?

Credit goes to Sac' educator for change

SAN FRANCISCO — The decision to substitute the offending Air Force acronym "JAP" to JAN marked the end of a lengthy one-man campaign, the National JACL said this past week (May 8), crediting the change to Tooru Yamanaka, program director for Asian American Ethnic Studies at California State University, Sacramento.

Yamanaka began writing the Air Force as early as 1972, pointing out how inappropriate the acronym was. A response to a letter he had written to a congressman in November, 1973, elicited an explanation that "no racial slur is intended."

Yamanaka continued to write more letters to organizations as well as other legislators. "To date, I've received responses from Senators Hiram Fong, John Tunney, Representatives John Moss and Patsy Mink and the Japanese American Citizens League informing me of the Air Force decision to discontinue its use," Yamanaka said.

'Racist' job form used by discount store withdrawn

LOS ANGELES — All White Front stores were instructed by their parent company, Interstate Stores (an equity opportunity employer), to discontinue use of its job application form which contained six questions pertaining to internment and citizenship (see Mar. 1 PC).

Earlier this year, the form in question came to the attention of the County Commission of Human Relations consultant John J. Saito, who was advised last month by the Interstate Stores attorneys in New York, that the form had been discontinued but "for some reason" not fully implemented in the White Front stores.

The White Front Store officials were advised last Mar. 1 to use the revised application form which, in its line of citizenship status, asks whether the applicant is a U.S. citizen or alien, with space allowed for type of visa and alien registration number.

No question is asked as to the citizenship status of the spouse as was requested in the discontinued form.

The preface to the revised form notes that review of job qualification is based "solely on merit."

The "racist" job application form drew immediate concern from the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, JACS-Asian Involvement and the PSWDC-JACL.

JAPAN-U.S. FRIENDSHIP ACT UNDER STUDY

Sen. Fong Stresses Mutual Trust and Understanding

WASHINGTON—Sen. Hiram L. Fong (R-Hawaii) stressed the importance of "mutual trust and understanding" across the Pacific as he gave full support May 1 for a proposed Japan-United States Friendship Act.

Under the bill, funds being received from Japan in payment for facilities built in the Ryukyu and Daito Islands by the United States during its administration of the area, would be used to promote scholarly, cultural and similar activities between the two nations.

"Mutual trust and understanding between the United States and Japan must be continually and intelligently fostered," Fong said in a statement to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee considering the bill which was introduced by Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.) and is being co-sponsored by Fong and 22 other Senators.

"Considering the obstacles of distance, language, and culture which exist between the United States and Japan, this is not an easy task," Fong added.

He noted that despite the millions of Americans who were in Japan during and after the U.S. Occupation and the "substantial population of Japanese descent" in America, "there are not many Japanese who speak English well and the number of Americans who speak Japanese... is minuscule."

He also said that though there have been exchanges under the Fulbright-Hayes program and help from private foundations, "considering the importance of Japan to the United States in the pursuit and preservation of progress and prosperity in the Asian-Pacific world, Americans generally have shown a lack of knowledge and understanding of Japan and her people."

Under the bill, \$32 million or 10 per cent of the \$320 million being paid to America by Japan under the treaty which returned the Ryukyu Islands to Japanese administration would be used for various support programs for language studies and research; major collections of Japanese books and libraries in U.S. colleges and universities; the arts fellowships at undergraduate, graduate and faculty levels; visiting professors and lecturers, and for other such exchanges.

The bill would establish a "Japan-United States Friendship Trust Fund" to be administered by a 10-member commission appointed by the President. Interest from the trust fund, gifts and dona-

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Portland and Gresham-Troutdale JACL Chapters Co-Host

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July 23-27, 1974 - Sheraton Motor Inn
Weeks Remain Till JACL Convention Week in Portland

The Asian-American Fair

By KEN KAJI

Portland
Pre-planning, grassroots participation, membership involvement. We've seen a lot of these terms lately. They have stimulated our National JACL leaders, officers and staff to implement a "new style" convention.

With an emphasis on early planning, careful chapter review and examination of JACL's policy and programs, this year's convention offers a unique opportunity for broader participation as JACLers are being asked to review and establish policies, set priorities, and determine programs.

The process of obtaining greater general membership participation compels all to focus on the purpose of JACL. Chapters and delegates are reviewing where we've been, stating where we want to be, and begin to suggest how to get there. The large amount of materials already in the hands of delegates shows there's no withholding of information.

In the year of Watergate

DEADLINES

To Nat'l Headquarters
22 Peace Plaza, S.F. 94115

May 23—Nominations for JACL-er of Biennium.

June 3—Nat'l Committee report.

June 15—Activity reports for Inagaki Chapter of Biennium Award.

June 21—Bids for '74 Convention.

July 25—Post-Convention Tickets.

To J.A. of Biennium, Emi Somekawa, 1211 - 21st St. SE, Puyallup, Wash. 98371

May 23—Nominations, supporting data for "Biennium of Biennium."

To Convention Board, 327 NW Couch St., Portland 97209

May 31—Asian American Fair exhibit space.

June 21—Convention pre-registration, 160 package deal, \$70 after June 21.

To Okada Testimonial Album, Tom Shimazaki, P.O. Box 876, Lindsay, Calif. 93247

May 15—Letters (untold and one side only) with salutation addressed to Ilio.

Convention Info

Nat'l JACL Convention Board
327 NW Couch St.
Portland, Ore. 97209
(503) 223-4051

to reserve exhibit space and share their own projects, programs, and ideas. These chapters can expose the Convention to a group or activity which has been of particular interest to themselves.

The Convention Program committee especially wishes exhibits in the areas of: (1) cultural and ethnic identity, (2) social and health services, (3) civil rights and political equality, (4) equal employment opportunities, (5) public housing and urban renewal, (6) education and public media, (7) research (all kinds), and (8) social and recreational activities. It's a chance to share and exchange activities and ideas.

Chapter Presidents have been sent exhibit guidelines & application forms. Anyone or group wishing space allocated, may call them or the Convention Board. Deadline is May 31. Space is being offered on a first come, first served basis.

Some groups have already indicated ways in which they will present their idea at the fair. Some plan to use slides or a film, audio tapes, visual materials (pictures, prints, posters), an oral presentation, displaying books, printed literature or selling materials, three-dimensional displays, or resource persons. Some funds are available to help defray expenses in special cases.

So, Portland in July will help us to explore our own and other Asian American community. It invites grassroots participation, convention delegate participation, and awareness raising. Do plan to come to the Fair.

The Asian American Fair will provide the Convention with a "shopper's list" of programs and projects about and in Asian American communities (i.e., Chinese, Filipino, Korean, and Japanese). There will be examples of chapter activities such as senior citizen projects, educational exhibits, Asian American coalitions.

Community organizations will share their contributions of culture, community life, recreational activities, ethnic studies programs, and such critical community concerns as medical services for the elderly, language classes, a chance to interact with other Asian Americans, etc.

JACL Chapters throughout the country are encouraged to help the help we can get.

Convention news in brief, up to date

Booklet Advertising. Ad copy for the Convention Booklet should now be with the Portland Convention Committee. Chapters still having material or camera-ready copy as promised should send it immediately.

Early Registration. Nobu Tsuboi, registration chairman, reminds that June 21 is the final day for the \$60 package deal. Considering it covers six meals (including two banquets, a salmon bake, and two special luncheons), two socials, transportation to Kah-Nee-Ta, registration, and the convention packet, it's well worth the price. Chapter presidents have application forms or write the Convention Board.

Energy Available. Latest reading indicates that gasoline is no problem in Oregon or along the freeways leading to the Convention site. With Expo '74 in the Pacific Northwest this summer, the Federal Energy Office plans to constantly readjust the gas allocation to care for tourists. If you were wondering about driving, you can expect open gas stations on your way here.

Information Lost. The Convention Board has sent mailings to each chapter president, district governor, and regional office with up-to-date information. If your chapter has not received registration forms, hotel information, exhibit applications, and other Convention information, please let the Convention Board know immediately. We'll expedite.

(Undoubtedly there are many Nisei active in the LWV, but the PC files contain one item that Mrs. Masako Nagumo was head of chapter of Central San Mateo County in 1970.—Ed.)

Lucy W. Benson, LWV national president, of Amherst, Mass., earlier said she didn't think "men joining would change the thrust of the organization" and felt the league would be stronger with "an equal membership policy."

The Male Suffrage Caucus of the league had distributed pamphlets saying: "The League of Women Voters cannot continue to demand pas-

sage of the Equal Rights Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and not give the vote to men."

Mrs. Benson said that admitting men might necessitate a change in the name of the league but she said that would not be considered until the league's 1976 convention. Meanwhile, the league overwhelmingly voted to reject the titles "chairwoman" and "chairperson" and to retain "chairman" for all committee heads.

Founded in 1918 when women won the right to vote to promote "government by your business" and to participate as actively as one can, the League of Women Voters is now some 160,000 strong.

The weekend program includes a short Saturday evening ceremony at a cemetery in Klamath Falls where the graves from the camp have been moved, and a Sunday morning program at Tule Lake followed by tours of the area led by former camp residents.

The pilgrimage itself has been in the planning stages for over a year and was originally under the sponsorship of the Placer County JACL, Selma Otis, NC-WNDC community relations chairman, was involved in planning the original pilgrimage and chairs the committee planning the current one. He presently lives in Roseville and is himself a former Tule Lake resident.

"My wife and I, born and educated in America, spent a

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NAT'L JACL ELECTIONS

Wanted: President-Elect

PORTLAND, Ore.—Seven nominations for National JACL offices have been submitted by district councils, reports Dr. Homer Yasui, chairman of the national nominations committee. The nominees are:

Helen Kawagoe and Grace Ueyehara for Vice President for Public Affairs; Frank A. Iwama and James K. Watanabe for Vice President for General Operations; Izumi Taniguchi for Vice President, Research and Services; Tomio Morizuchi for Treasurer; and Tad Hirota for 1000 Club chairman.

Although no nominations for President-Elect have been received, there are still two ways in which nominations may be made, Yasui explained. The nominations committee may name one of the other nominees for the office of president-elect provided consent for such a change is obtained or nominations may be accepted from the floor during the council session.

Candidates are scattered geographically with majority on the west coast. Two were nominated from the Pacific Northwest and Northern California-Western Nevada; single nominations from the Eastern, Central California and Pacific Southwest district councils.

"All of the nominees bring with them a wealth of JACL and community experience," Yasui said. "And anyone of them will be an outstanding national officer and a credit to the organization."

The National Council will elect the new officers for the 1974-76 biennium on July 27 during the final business session of the JACL convention

here. The nominations committee will formally meet July 24 to select and recommend to the National Council the slate of candidates.

Brief profile on the candidates are:

FOR V.P.—PUBLIC AFFAIRS
Helen Kawagoe, nominated by the PSWDC, is from Carson, Calif. She is the immediate past PSWDC governor, served two terms as Gardena Valley JACL president, and is presently serving as City Clerk of Carson, the first Nisei woman on the main post to be elected to a municipal position. Prior to her election, she was vice president for marketing and public relations with Merit Savings & Loan Assn., Los Angeles. Among her numerous civic activities: v.p. Carson Chamber of Commerce; Carson Planning Commission; member, L.A. County Commission on Consumer Affairs.

Grace K. Ueyehara, endorsed by the EDC, lives in West Chester, Pa. She is presently serving her second consecutive term as EDC governor and was recently appointed to chair the National JACL education committee. In her school district where she is employed she serves as school social worker, pupil service consultant and coordinator of the Title I program. Active in her community, she is a member of Philadelphia Fellowship Commission board, West Chester League of Women Voters board, Human Relations Council.

FOR V.P.—GEN. OPERATION
Frank A. Iwama of Sacramento, Calif., is the incumbent vice president for general operations and endorsed by the NC-WNDC. In JACL, Frank has chaired and served on various special national committees as well as the 1971 president of the Sacramento chapter. He is presently deputy attorney general with the office of the State Attorney General in Sacramento and served on the boards of county legal aid society and Metropolitan Sacramento Urban Coalition.

James M. Watanabe, M.D., of Spokane, Wash., was nominated by the PSWDC and is immediate past president of the Spokane chapter board for 10 years, including two terms as chapter

president. He is a physician-pathologist at Sacred Heart Medical Center, where he is assistant director of laboratory and director of residency training. In his community he has chaired the Affirmative Action Council for the Spokane School District, is a member of the State Commission on Asian, American Affairs.

FOR V.P.—RESEARCH & SERVICES
Izumi Taniguchi, Ph.D., of Fresno, Calif., was endorsed by CCD and is currently the CCDCC governor, served as Fresno chapter president in 1971 and served on many other chapter, district and national committees. He is an associate professor of economics and is chairman of the economics department at Fresno State university. His community activities include acting as adviser and sponsor to a number of university and community youth groups, presidency of the Japanese Language School in 1970 and membership in the Fresno County ad hoc committee on air pollution and the budget committee of the University Religious Center.

FOR TREASURER
Tomio Morizuchi of Seattle was nominated by the PSWDC and president of the Seattle JACL in 1972 when it won the Chapter of the Biennium Inagaki Citizenship Award. He has chaired a number of committees and served on the chapter board since 1969. Tomio is president of Uwajimaya, Inc., wholesale-retail distributors of Asian foods and merchandise. In his community, he is a board member of the United Savings & Loan Assn., Retail Merchants Assn. of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, International District Improvement Assn., and the Seattle Japan American Society.

FOR 1000 CLUB CHAIRMAN
Tad Hirota of Portland, Ore., is the present National 1000 Club Chairman, a post he has held for two terms. He has been on the chapter to national and includes presidencies of three chapters—Oakland, Berkeley and Seattle—and two separate terms as NC-WNDC governor. On the community level, he has been president of the Berkeley-Sakai Sister City Assn., Oakland Buddhist Church and Military Intelligence Service Assn. of Northern California.

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Ye Editor's Desk

TO THE 'UN-QUIET AMERICANS'

We can't recall a National JACL nominations slate without a candidate for the top position but it has happened. No one has signed the consent sheet to run for president-elect, which is the "top position" so far as JACL elections are concerned as the current president-elect assumes office of the presidency on the last day of a national convention.

There are six elective positions on the slate. Seven have been nominated for five positions. The nominations committee has the unenviable task of completing the slate to be recommended at the first session of the National Council, at which time further nominations from the floor could be made. What might facilitate the committee's task is knowledge beforehand that a nomination for president-elect would come from the floor—all proper and signed. Otherwise, the committee will probably have to assume the task of "king maker" and see which one of those already nominated is willing to change. If the committee is foiled and no one is elected president-elect, it then falls upon the National Board to fill the vacancy.

Being president-elect is a four-year commitment—two years in which to learn the "insides" of JACL and prepare for the eventual presidency and two more as president supervising the JACL, traveling the JACL circuit and fulfilling at least 13 duties as noted in the JACL Constitution, which Dr. Homer Yasui of Portland, nominations chairman, has extracted from the articles and by-laws:

- 1-Representing National JACL at meetings to which JACL has been invited.
- 2-Convening special sessions of the National Council.
- 3-Presiding at meetings of the National Board, National Council and National Convention.
- 4-Appointing a JACL legal counsel, Pacific Citizen Board chairman and two additional members-at-large to the National Board.
- 5-Prescribing specific duties of national standing committees and appointing members to these committees together with the National Director and with approval of the National Board.
- 6-Appointing members to interim committees as defined by the National Council and with approval of the National Board.
- 7-Appointing members to special committees.
- 8-Appointing members to the Pacific Citizen board of directors with advice and consent of the National Board.
- 9-Assist in preparing and presenting the budget to the National Council.
- 10-Serving on the National JACL Reserve Fund board of directors.
- 11-May or may not be a member of special project board of directors.
- 12-Serving as representative on the National JACL Endowment Fund Committee.
- 13-Presiding at the Executive Committee, which meets twice a year.

Duties for president-elect, are much like those of other vice-presidents, to perform such tasks as assigned by the National Board, National President or National Council, sit with the Executive Committee and National JACL Reserve Fund board of directors. The president-elect has the right of succession to the office of presidency.

Duties for the treasurer are more specific: keeping an account of all monies received or disbursed with semi-annual reports to the membership; collecting registration fees at the National Council from delegates (\$1 per adult, 50 cents per youth); preparing the budget and serving on the Reserve Fund and Endowment Fund boards.

Duties for the 1000 Club chairman includes stimulating growth of the fund-raising arm of JACL and performing such other tasks as assigned.

It seems the duties haven't changed over the years, but the number of candidates for national office has varied from a high count of 19 nominees for six elective positions in 1956 to the current low of 7 nominees. We also note two positions had no nominees at the outset in 1964.

The challenges have not diminished over the years, though the duties tender no hint of them. Insight to some of the problems are best gleaned from observations of National officers in their columns. Many more are noted in the heavy exchanges of correspondence—which seldom make print, giving some others the attitude JACL isn't doing anything. Getting on board—the National Board—will quickly dispel the simple notion.

In years past, JACL had been stymied by lack of professional staff. Now, executive director Dave Ushio has a complete staff to administer and implement programs (except that our Washington representative will need a successor in the coming weeks as he returns to academic life—this time to teach law). With new mandates about to come from the Portland convention, and living in the kind of times when much still needs to be done, it baffles us that no one was nominated to the "top post." The Enryo Syndrome still persists. Where are all those "un-quiet Americans" who wanted to debilitate that characteristic?

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, May 21, 1949

Mrs. d'Anquino (Tokyo ship ... California agency ... denied citizen rights, maintains ban on permits for ... ex-Sugano ... Po- Issei group ... San Francisco ... Idaho ... police ... supervisors ... pass resolution ... two Nisei ... suspects in \$3,000 ... racial bias in city ... bureau ... House ... development program ... Nisei ... Ansett ... realign ... support ... citizenship ... measure for Issei citizens ...

A grandfather's hope for children of intermarriage

By SHAKE USHIO
Mt. Olympus JACL

Salt Lake City
I have a granddaughter named Misti, a cute little gal and sharp as a tack. In the house next door there is little Jennifer with dimpled cheeks and soft brown, intelligent eyes. Then there is little Michael, lovably mischievous, full of life and vigor. Beautiful children all uniquely different and of loving concern for me.

They are uniquely different because they are the creation of a racially mixed parentage.

GUEST COLUMN

Japanese and non-Japanese. They are not isolated cases because statistically about 50% and up to 90% in some areas of Saneel marriages now involve a non-Japanese partner and will eventually affect almost every Japanese American family in America. Host of the resulting children are very good looking, vigorous, sharp, and show promise of great success in life.

I am lovingly and vitally concerned because they are mine and I wish them all the success and happiness in the world.

A wise and astute professor at the Univ. of Utah once remarked to me that in the long run and ultimately this (the racially mixed marriages) was the only sure solution to the human relationship problem besetting the world. But in the meantime, while we wait for the ultimate to happen, there are immediate, up-to-the-minute concerns and problems that we need to face today.

Historically and culturally speaking, children born of mixed parentage oftentimes face a bleak and dismal prospect of not being able to find their just and proper place in society. In many countries especially those with homogeneous populations, he becomes a pariah, an outcast not really knowing where he belongs. This must not happen here in America.

There is also the question of personal identity. A beautiful Eurasian girl recently remarked to me that though she was well accepted wherever she went, and she lacked for nothing, she sometimes wondered about the one-quarter Japanese blood that coursed through her veins.

Was it an asset or a liability? Did it make her something special? Should she be proud of it or should she renounce it?

I hastened to assure her that she should be proud of it and wished that I had the time and information to tell her all about the rich heritage and the cultural value that she had inherited from her Japanese grandparents which together with her Scandinavian and European blood should truly make her someone very special.

Mrs. Harriet Kimura in her enlightening article in the PC and others in similar situations, have expressed a concern that the average Nisei attitudes toward the non-Japanese spouses of our Nisei and Saneel families may be somewhat biased and racist and prejudicial.

If this is so and I believe her point is valid and well taken, we need to do some soul searching and somehow mend our way.

Recently, at a JACL District Convention, as part of my remarks at a dinner meeting, I expressed my feelings and love for the influx of non-Japanese partners into our family relationships, my hope for success in the resulting formation of new families, and the great need for awareness on the part of all of us as to the realities of this situation and the need for constructive, forward looking attitudes and programs to cope with it.

The response, and the reaction I got was both surprising and gratifying. To bring it out in the open and to discuss it with candor, sympathy and hope appealed to many. For too long have we turned the other way and wished that it would go away.

Being only three-tenths of one percent of the total American population, and having achieved the degree of public acceptance and approbation that we have, and having no control as to who should fall in love with whom, it is inevitable that more than one-half of our young people will find their mates outside their ancestral bounds.

If the trend continues, and there is no reason why it will not even accelerate, by the year 2000, a scant 25 years from now, the National Planning Commission for the JACL or any Japanese American organization will be faced with a situation in which over one-half of the potential membership will be non-Japanese and the bulk of the balance may have only a fraction of Japanese blood.

If we do not face up to this reality, and come up with constructive and imaginative plans and a refreshing change of attitude, we may well be relegated to a role of a dying organization, catering to the needs of the dead and dying Nisei population and final extinction.

What I would like to see is a bright and glorious future. Continued on Page 5

6th BIENNIAL JACL CONFERENCE

"WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?"
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National Dialogue

NC-WNDC PILGRIMAGE TO TULE LAKE

San Francisco
In the past few months I've had the pleasant task of assisting the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council in the absence of a Regional Director. It has been especially enriching because I've had the opportunity to work directly with many of the elected and appointed JACLers in this region. Right now, the most anticipated event is, of course, the Tule Lake Pilgrimage on May 25 and 26.

One of the most exciting things I feel about this project is that I am seeing many different groups working together toward a common goal. Of course, the JACL chapters are involved, but with them are student groups and non-JACL community people.

The youth from the Sacramento area are working to raise funds to charter their own bus for the pilgrimage. They are receiving assistance from the chapters and individuals.

In Tule Lake and Klamath Falls (where the graves from Tule Lake now rest), members of the community are working to aid us in planning the pilgrimage. The two most notable have been Tule Lake City Clerk Bob Jones and Klamath Falls reporter Ruth King.

This involvement of different groups and individuals seems to exemplify what JACL is all about. Yes, I know JACL is primarily a civil rights organization, but this interaction of youth, the seniors and non-JACLers can probably do more to further understanding between the groups than any one piece of legislation.

Behind all this work has been Seichi Otow, NC-WNDC Community Affairs Chairman.

LETTERS

ABC-TV film

Editor:
I was very surprised to see your headline: "Asian Americans slam ABC-TV's 'Men of Dragons' (May 3 PC)". My family and I thoroughly enjoyed this TV movie and we were hoping and expecting it to be turned into a popular weekly series. It's just a good entertaining, action movie a la James Bond. What's all the fuss about?

How come the article only names Jared Martin and Kati Taylor as the stars? Robert Ito did not just appear in this movie; he was one of the stars and a hero at that! Nisei actors seldom get starring roles so when they do, they should be recognized.

Asian Americans for Fair Media should be promoting "Men of Dragon" instead of slamming it so that it can be made into a weekly series. If Robert Ito appears regularly, I'd sure like to see a Nisei actor be a TV hero for a change.

W. SAKAKURA
Fremont, Calif.

'Operation Zebra'

Editor:
A rash of senseless killings in San Francisco has inspired a police dragnet for the "Zebra Killer". Extreme measures have been taken by Mayor Joe Alioto, who ordered wholesale harassment for Black males. Japanese Americans should stand in opposition to these racist inspired actions, for they can remember serious abridgements of constitutional rights due to ethnic identity.

RACK FUKUHARA
San Jose

Bicentennial film

WASHINGTON—The 28-min. prize-winning film, "Price of Freedom", produced by the American Battle Monuments Commission, has won the Freedom Foundation's George Washington Honor Medal. Gen. Mark Clark, USA (ret), chairman of the commission, accepted the medal at a dinner held here May 1. Prints are available through the ARMC, 2001 Tempo A. Washington, D.C. 20315, for showing to interested groups.

NC-WNDC PILGRIMAGE TO TULE LAKE

From his farm in Roseville he has been worrying over the details of the pilgrimage. For him the trip has been two years in the planning. It was originally planned in 1973 by the Placer County JACL, but due to conflicting dates it was cancelled. This year, Seichi brought the idea up before the District Council where it was promptly adopted. From there, things began to roll.

Reservations have been coming in steadily. We've even had several from Los Angeles—they are flying up to join the San Francisco bus to Tule Lake. JACLers in Portland have expressed interest in meeting us in Tule Lake, but their participation will depend on the fuel situation they said.

The media has expressed interest in covering the event. From information received at Headquarters, there will probably be coverage by radio, television and newspapers from San Francisco to Sacramento to Portland.

Seichi headed an exploratory group up to Tule Lake a couple of weeks ago and returned with some exciting reports. According to him, there will be plenty to see and do once we arrive and the experience will probably be an unforgettable one.

Several years ago I had the opportunity to take part in a pilgrimage to Manzanar and

the memory of that visit still remains with me. Since I was just a baby when our family was interned at Gila River, I have no memory of the experience. So it was out of curiosity that I made that trek to Manzanar.

I found it isolated, bleak, dusty and windy. It was hard to imagine a tar-paper city housing 10,000 on such a site. I know from pictures and stories related by my parents that Gila was different, the dirt was replaced by sand and the few scrubby trees by cacti. So that was where I spent my first two years of life.

For many of us who were babies during the war and too young to remember, it will be this sense of curiosity drawing us back to the small community of Tule Lake. Most of our contemporaries can show us snapshots from their childhood playing in yards, in front of homes and with their playmates. If we are lucky enough to have any pictures at all, they are usually in camp.

In my case I've seen only one snapshot of a group from our block standing in front of some monstrous cacti.

Whatever the reason for joining the pilgrimage, be you Issei, Nisei, Saneel or non-Japanese American, the benefits derived in the educational experience alone will be well worth the trip.

Hikari

THE YOUTH CONNECTION

Washington
It is time for the National Youth Program of JACL to begin making connections with other youth groups in the Japanese community and in the Asian American community-at-large. I view this as a necessary requirement so that the JAYS can begin to participate in various activities in our communities or at least so various alternatives and perspectives will be open to them.

The time lapse which has taken place in our Youth Program has created some misconceptions regarding the JAYS. There is a belief among some that our JAY members are only concerned with social activities. Having talked with many JAYS and having attended various JAY functions I am aware of the concern they have in community-oriented issues (i.e., elderly, housing, drugs, education, etc.).

What has not occurred recently is the opportunity for the JAYS to become familiar with things outside of JACL for them to become involved in. Often what is missing too are ideas for activities that the JAYS can begin doing!

For the JAYS and the JACL to maintain itself as a viable part of the community, then it must actively work in this area. I don't think it would be unrealistic to say that in some ways the JAYS and JACL have isolated themselves from the community-at-large and from some groups working in the community.

I believe that as National Youth Director it should be one of my goals to build up contacts to bring the Youth Program into contact with other youths in our community. I believe also that as an individual working for JACL I should work in other areas of the community and contribute in whatever way possible.

During the coming months, my plans call for a "needs analysis" of the entire JAYS and Youth Program: assessing chapters, districts, programs within the Youth Program, membership, community groups. Being somewhat isolated for the time being, I will depend a great deal upon my contacts with individuals in and outside of the JAYS and JACL. Before beginning a program or making changes, it is vital that an analysis be done to decide which programs we should maintain and which should be done away with all together.

Following my move to San Francisco I would like to begin meeting with various youth groups in the Asian community to begin to work with them on those issues which face us all. In building such working relationships I feel that I will be better able to bring the National Youth Program into some kind of perspective whereby it becomes a valuable resource to our own youth and to youth throughout the Asian community. Therein lies the value and the attraction of any youth group or youth-oriented group.

For those who have ever been involved with JACL's youth and for those currently involved, I would be interested in hearing your views and opinions regarding what has not been done and what we can do in the months to come. All I can ask is that you help me in whatever way you can and please feel free to contact me, c/o Washington JACL Office, 1730 Rhode Island Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20036.

Perspectives

ONE TULE LAKE'S MEMORIES

Tehachapi
Reading of the proposed "Tule Lake Pilgrimage", being planned by the NC-WNDC, brought back memories of a stop we made in 1962 at that historical spot enroute to the Seattle JACL Convention. Inquired in the town about the specific location, and couldn't help but remember the "Japs Not Wanted" sign in 1943 that tightened up my gut, as we left "camp" enroute to Chicago.

Remembered looking at "Castle Rock", a prominent peak that many Tuleans will recall as a landmark. There were remnants of structures and foundations that told a story of the "city" of 18,000 that once stood as a testimony to one of a great democracy's most tragic mistakes.

Nostalgia brings back days at Tri-State High School, and the many friends lost track of over three decades. Remember too the teachers who took their professional responsibilities seriously enough to be truly concerned over whether we learned anything or not.

Memories return of the huge first graduating class of 1943, who donned the traditional caps and gowns, and received sheepskins in an unfinished gymnasium, yet without windows. All this in a surprisingly "normal" way, considering who we were, and where we were. Even gave a speech titled "Today We Follow, Tomorrow We Lead"—how's that for optimism.

Once in a while I still leaf through the "Aquila", our class annual, and wonder what happened to everybody—hoping that the Good Lord has been kind to most.

I'm personally gratified to learn of the "Pilgrimage", something that is uniquely apropos for a JACL District to coordinate.

Along the same line, similar earlier efforts as Manzanar that were successfully climaxed by a State Historical Landmark, is further testimony to a vital part of the history of Japanese Americans in the United States. I think it is significant that young people (I remember Warren Furutani) and a few not in the mainstream of JACL, gave leadership and impetus to that project.

A final thought: When we remember the barbed wire, the desolation, and the "No Japs Wanted" signs later, we should never begrudge ourselves the feeling of satisfaction that we've come a hell of a long way. But we would do ourselves and our parents the greatest honor, if we never get arrogant about it, and never forget that corny quality called compassion.

Aisarema, Inc.

Craig Shimabukuro

Los Angeles
In August of 1971, a group of college students got together and formed a non-profit educationally-oriented corporation called "Aisarema". The group offered a much needed service to the community and an organization which centralized books and other material about Asian American history, cultural and traditions, in one location. They were also interested in offering a forum for Asian American artists and writers.

One of their most needed and successful components has been the Amerasia Bookstore. The bookstore is one of the few places in the entire United States where books, materials, newspapers, pamphlets and magazines on Asian Americans are to be found in one location. Many colleges throughout the U.S. are supplied materials for their Asian American studies programs from the bookstore. Many school districts are visited to show what is available for use in grade schools.

Amerasia has distributed material to many school districts, such as the Seattle Unified School District. It has assisted in the development of Asian American classes and curriculum, and supplied their wares to the U.S. Army for an officers' training program and to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

To this point, the bookstore and all of its related activities have been run by volunteers. Since Aisarema, Inc. is a non-profit educationally-oriented group, they have done much to promote Asian artists and writers. They have a small gallery (located in the bookstore) where many artists can display and explain their works.

One show displayed the work of a handicapped Saneel who had previously won first prize in an art contest sponsored by the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation for handicapped artists.

Asian American writers have also been given a forum, through the group, where they can discuss their books with members of the community. Shizue Takashima ("Child in Prison Camp"), Royal Morales ("Makibaka") and Dennis Ozawa ("Jan Ken Po") are some of the authors which have utilized this service.

Being community-oriented, the organization has also been a sponsor for the local neighborhood Youth Corps program, which offers jobs to young people for the summer. The bookstore operation, craft workshops and the artist-writer forums are some of the activities which the young people learn about and participate in, while working in the NYC program.

Until now Aisarema has been totally self-sufficient and has been staffed by volunteers. Aisarema has been, and is, one of the most valuable

DISTRICT DIALOGUE

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QUESTION BOX

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JASI tape library

LOS ANGELES—Japanese American Sightless Institute library (623-4333) seeks suggestions on what Asian American blind and visually impaired would like to hear on tape or have recorded.

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Kats Kunitzugu

On the Margin

MS. MARCH ON THE MARCH

Los Angeles
Whatever happens to those eager, bright personality gals in high school who run for secretary of the student body, make the honor society and become its president and are cheer leaders as well? Well, one of them never married the captain of the football team but has continued her running for office (winningly) and is now one of only two women serving in the 120-member California legislature.

Assemblywoman March Fong (D-Oakland), as the press usually identifies her, is also running for the office of Secretary of State, which Jerry Brown hopes to vacate in favor of the governor's chair.

The slim, poised and extremely articulate Ms. Fong, whose pert smile belies the fact that she is the mother of two college-age children and holds a B.S. from the University of California at Berkeley, an M.A. from Mills College and a Ph.D. from Stanford University, appears to be relishing her tough campaign schedule, moving from Orange County to Beverly Hills in one day, her shoulder bag with the Kelly green sticker proclaiming "March Fong, Secretary of State" swinging jauntily at her side.

In person, she is an intelligent, easy conversationalist, relaxed and unaffected. Talking to her, it is readily understandable how she, an Asian American woman, was first elected to the Assembly in 1966 and has been re-elected every two years since by ever-increasing majorities (a whopping 78 per cent in 1972).

There is the straightforward handshake and none of the hokum good will politicians are apt to display before constituents and/or possible donors. There is a swift and subtle taking of your measure and as she talks, issues become clearer rather than foggier, as happens often with legislators whose backgrounds are legal rather than educational as is March Fong's.

Her father is a third generation Chinese American who spent his childhood in China, while her mother is a first generation Chinese immigrant. March was born in the back room of a laundry in the little Central Valley town of Oakdale, the youngest of four children. Her family was poor, and Mrs. Fong worked her way through school in the days when scholarships were not as readily available to minority students as they are now.

As the only Chinese family in Richmond where her family later moved, Ms. Fong grew up in a non-Chinese milieu, which may explain how she was able to cultivate her self-starting, fearlessly independent outlook and personality which appeal to the voters in her district with a population that is 68 per cent white, 24 per cent black, 5 per cent Mexican-American and 3 per cent Asian.

"I have the national headquarters of the Hell's Angels in my district, the national headquarters of the Black Panthers also and about six John Birch Society chapters," she pointed out to the amusement of friends who held a cocktail reception for her recently at the plush Cave des Roys. She is a good candidate. What she needs now is about \$300,000 for a campaign to bring both herself and the office she seeks to the notice of the people of California.

ISSHO-NI: Tom Hibino

Midwest Conferences

Chicago
For many years JACLers in the Midwest, because of their awareness of the unique set of circumstances and problems they face in this area, have been strong supporters of regionally-based programs. It has often been the feeling that National JACL, in the absence of a viable concept of regionalization, would become totally West Coast-oriented due to the large concentrations of Japanese Americans there.

This year two other Asian American groups in the Midwest have begun to organize on a regional basis for similar reasons.

On the weekend of April 12-14, the Asian American Study Group in Chicago sponsored a Midwest Asian American Conference primarily for college and university stu-

dents interested in Asian American Studies programs. Since the beginning of the creation of these programs in the late 1960s, schools in this area have generally turned to the West and East Coasts for direction and resources. A major objective of this conference, however, was to stimulate and encourage the use and development of resources in the Midwest.

This gathering of over 100 participants from some 15 schools and organizations in 7 different states was seen by some as the beginning of a Midwest movement which would eventually take an active part in the national development of Asian American studies and other programs.

One immediate result of the conference was a proposed newsletter which will begin to link up the many isolated campuses and communities in this region and provide a voice of the Midwest to the East and West Coasts.

CALENDAR

May 17 (Friday)
St. Louis—Ed Mtg.
Belmont—Gen Mtg. La Casita, La Habra Shopping Ctr. 7:30 p.m.; Dr. Lloyd, West, splr.
May 18 (Saturday)
Chicago—JAY graduates dinner-dance, Weigelt Hall, 2010 N. Damen, 4:30 p.m.; Tom Hibino, splr.
May 19 (Sunday)
PSWDC—Golf Session, Hollywood JACL hosts: Holiday Inn, Hollywood, 1755 N. Highland, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
Arizona—Golf Tournament, Greatham-Trousdale—Iseli Appreciation dnr, Chinese Village
West Valley—Picnic, Morgan Hill
Bay Area Community—Gen Mtg. JACS Office, 2012 Pine, San Francisco, 7:30 p.m.
May 21 (Tuesday)
CCDC—Mtg.
Puyallup Valley—Asian Day, Tacoma Community House, May 23-24
NC-WHDC—Tule Lake pilgrimage May 24 (Sunday)
Regina—Community Memorial Service
May 27 (Monday)
Pocatello—Memorial Day service, May 31—June 2
Dayton—Inn Folk Fair
June 1 (Saturday)
Midwest—Graduates dnr, Lane House Restaurant
New York—Gen Mtg. Peking Park Restaurant, 4:30 p.m.
June 2 (Sunday)
PSWDC—Nisei Relays, CSU Fullerton field
June 3 (Saturday)
Puyallup Valley—Graduates dnr, June 5-6
May 1 JACL—Planning Comm Mtg. San Francisco
June 11 (Tuesday)
San Mateo—Mt. St. George Presbyterian Church, 8 p.m.
San Luis Valley—Ed Mtg. Summer School Annex, 7 p.m.
June 12 (Wednesday)
West Valley—Ed Mtg. Bank of Orange County—Ed Mtg. Bank of Tokyo, Santa Ana, 7:30 p.m.
St. Louis—Fair '74, Forest Park, June 16 (Friday)
Florida—Japanese Movies, Buddhist Hall, 7:30 p.m.
June 15 (Saturday)
MPCDC—Gen Session, Ft. Lupton JACL, 10:00 a.m.
June 16 (Sunday)
Pocatello—Picnic, Blackfoot Fairgrounds.

Forthcoming the weekend of May 31-June 2, another conference, the Midwest Regional Conference on Asian Health, Education, and Welfare, will also be held in Chicago. This conference, sponsored by a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health, is one of a series being held around the country.

The following objectives, which will be discussed through a series of workshops and meetings, have been decided upon:

1—Identification of local and regional needs and concerns of the Asian American population in terms of health, education, and welfare.

2—Development of preliminary strategies to meet the above needs and concerns.

3—Development of a permanent structure or organization in the Midwest to provide continuity in the development and implementation of these strategies.

4—Participation in the development of a national coalition to attract wider support for regional efforts and to support national concerns.

Attempts are being made to bring together a cross section of Asians and Asian Americans in the Midwest representing different ethnic, geographical, occupational, generational community-based, and student groups. Travel funds are available to interested persons and groups. For further information, contact the JACL Midwest Office at 5415 N. Clark St., Chicago, Ill. 6064 or call (312) 728-7170.

Tom Hibino is the JACL regional director in Chicago.

MAJOR CHANGES IN JACL FUNDING PRIORITY URGED

Orange County
Resolution Calls for More DC Programs

SANTA ANA, Calif. — What the Orange County JACL regards to be the priorities of the national organization were cited in a resolution to be discussed at the PSWDC quarterly meeting May 19 at the Holiday Inn, Hollywood. Henry S. Sakai, chapter president, attached no "cost estimate" but allowed that each JACL district council draft its own budget to meet its particular needs. He cited the PSW regional office proposed annual budget of nearly \$69,000.

Of the \$324,400 expended by National JACL in 1973, Sakai said only one-sixth or \$58,467 went toward programs through the four regional offices. The resolution declared: "There is an increasing need for additional funds for programs and staff at the regional office level."

And recognizing the existing National JACL budget is limited, the resolution continued, "There is need for a major reordering of the national funding priorities."

Orange County JACL asks: 1—Functions of the Washington Representative and Eastern regional director be combined.

2—National Youth Program (\$32,000 was budgeted in the past biennium) be discontinued as presently organized and shift funds to regional offices for program development in areas of their specific needs.

3—Staff functions at National Headquarters be recognized to allow the majority of their efforts to be directed in the daily administration of JACL, speaking for and strengthening the public relations effort and seeking outside funding sources.

4—Majority of the budget be allocated to regional offices, based on needs, area, population, etc., to develop meaningful programs and priorities for their respective districts. The resolution noted: "It has been demonstrated that National programs do not apply to every district because of geographical, population and socio-economic differences and therefore not serve the primary needs of chapters or districts."

The resolution also expressed opposition to the practice of increasing membership dues whenever there is need for additional funds — a position which has been often expressed by other chapters in the past. Yet as needs are shown and costs increase, not only dues but support has continued to grow, one long-time JACLer noted.

PSW regional office seeks \$69,000 budget

LOS ANGELES — The \$69,000 annual budget proposed for the Pacific Southwest JACL regional office for the coming 1975-76 biennium has been submitted by Craig Shimabukuro, regional director, calling for expansion of present staff of two to five.

"If the organization is to remain a viable force in the community, it must grow in size and become a much more integrated part of the community," Shimabukuro noted.

Additional staff would be expected to develop new chapters and increase membership as well as better serving the community, which includes 20% (131,000) of the total Japanese American population in the district.

Nisei Relays date now June 2

LOS ANGELES — The PSWDC Nisei Relays has been advanced from Sunday, June 9, to June 2 at the Cal State-Fullerton athletic field, it was jointly announced by the co-hosts Orange County and San Gabriel Valley JACL chapters.

Entry deadline has also been advanced one week to Wednesday, May 29. The change was made because of a conflict with baccalaureate services being held June 9 for many high school seniors. The earlier date was also preferred by athletes.

The Nisei Relays queen and her court will be selected May 19 during the PSWDC quarterly meeting at the Hollywood Holiday Inn.

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CHAPTER PULSE

Scholarship

CCDC scholarship winners announced

Carole Yamakoshi of Reedley High and Pamela Fukushima of Dinuba High were named 1974 winners of the \$200 CCDC scholarships while Randy Sasaki of Reedley High was named the \$100 Issei memorial scholarship winner.

Named to get the Citizenship Awards were Mike Kiyomoto, Reedley; Ann Hirose, Fowler; Christine Shimazaki, Lindsay; Bill S. Yebisu, Woodlake; Maria Lou Nagata, Dinuba; and Colin Hirayama, Bullard High.

Carole has been active in many clubs on campus, community and church with honors in science. Pamela was named to the Society of Outstanding American High School Students with honors in history, art and literature. Randy, student body president at Reedley High, is listed in the Who's Who of American High School students with honors in science and math.

Eden Township to honor high school seniors

Six scholarships will be awarded at the second annual Eden Township JACL senior recognition potluck dinner May 18, 6 p.m., at Eden Japanese Community Center. Honorees will include 50 high school graduates from the area.

Scholarships to be awarded include four \$100 grants from the Chapter Achievement program, \$100 from the Sumitomo Bank at Hayward and \$50 from the Eden JAYs, according to the Rev. Arthur Tsuneshi, scholarship chairman (278-5514).

Esther McStay with Scholarship, Inc., and Dr. Vernon Kam, CSU-Hayward, were announced as the judges.

May Events

Pocatello-Blackfoot holds Honor's dinner

Under supervision of Trav and Susan Gardner, the Pocatello-Blackfoot JACL held

Minority Week

WOMEN—Dr. Virginia Trotter, 52, vice-chancellor at the Univ. of Nebraska, was nominated April 18 by President Nixon as the first woman to be the government's highest education officer: Assistant Secretary of Education in the Dept. of HEW. A native of Boise, Idaho, with a doctorate in home economics from Kansas State, she has been vice-chancellor since 1972. Her appointment includes authority over the Office of Education and the new National Institute on Education, established to conduct and coordinate research.

LAW STUDENTS—Rockefeller and Carnegie foundations will award grants totaling \$1.2-million to black law students in the South starting next fall as fellowships and scholarships. Number of black students at 17 predominantly white law schools in the South rose from 22 to 375 in the past five years. The NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund will administer the Earl Warren Legal Training program. In Mississippi, ratio is one black lawyer to every 16,000 blacks while it is 1 to 450 whites. (Asian Law Students Organization at Hastings, San Francisco, noted only one Asian lawyer for every 1,679 Asian nationally.)

SCHOOL INTEGRATION—The Memphis school desegregation plan was left untouched by the U.S. Supreme Court April 22, supporting lower court decisions which feared white residents would flee the Memphis school system if the plan achieved greater integration than had been imposed. Some 38,000 pupils are now being bused for an 83% desegregation. The rejected proposal would have involved 48,000 pupils. Opponents pointed to 21,000 black students in all-black school or one-third of the school's system. The Supreme Court has refused to re-examine Southern school desegregation for the third time in the last six months in face of integration orders. The justices let stand plans under civil rights attack at Chattanooga and Knoxville, Tenn.

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its annual Honor's dinner May 4 at the Idaho State University student union.

Sanaye Okamoto and Masa Teukamoto gathered pictures and old films of the Japanese story in Idaho for presentation after the dinner. Larry Harada was emcee.

AANBA executive speaks at Orange County JACL

Tantomu Uchida, executive director of the Asian American National Business Alliance, was guest speaker at the Orange County JACL meeting May 8 at the Bank of Tokyo hospitality room in Santa Ana. The alliance recently expanded its operation to include an office at 2100 N. Main St., Santa Ana.

The Santana Wind revealed the Orange County JACL will be spotlighted in the forthcoming issue of "Jade", a new Asian American magazine, because of its relative success in attracting young adults as leaders who can work in concert with older members on the chapter board.

Local JACLers and Manzanar Committee members assisted in the presentation of the Evacuation story to 500 students at Villa Park High School on April 18. Barbara Kurek, Asian Studies teacher at the school, initiated the project. The film, "Subversion", was shown.

Bay Area Community to meet May 19

Bay Area Community JACL will meet May 19 at Japanese Community Services office, 2012 Pine St., San Francisco at 7:30 p.m. with Mary Ann Takagi presiding. Agenda includes discussion on the chapter's role with JACL, membership and newsletter.

San Gabriel Valley plans Keiro-ka May 19

Area Issei and Nisei over age 70 will be guests of honor at the San Gabriel Valley JACL keiro-ka May 19, noon, at the new East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center in West Covina.

The Minyo Club will entertain with a program of Japanese songs and the Ikenobo class will sponsor a flower show with an Oriental potluck feast concluding the day, general chairman Kazuo Yamemura said. Assisting are: Mrs. Frank Yamashita (444-7450), dnr; Kizo Hiramine, and all board members.

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Japan Today

WEATHER—Cool summers and unusually long dry spells are likely to continue for at least 10 more years, a Meteorological Agency task force has concluded. The April 2 report explained atmospheric cooling at high altitudes around the North Pole since the 1940s has prevailed against the normal east-west air currents for the northern hemisphere.

PHILATELY—The third in the series of stamps relating Japanese folk tales appears June 10 with scenes of Issun-Boshi (akin to the English Tom Thumb story). First series, issued last November, related the tale of Hansaka Jiji (the old man who made trees bloom); and second, issued last January, told the story of Tsuru-Nyoko (the Crane Wife).

SHINKANSEN (Bullet Train)—Running through the Higashiyama tunnel near Kyoto at a 130-mph clip, two passengers aboard the Shinkansen bound for Okayama in Tokyo were injured slightly when a window next to their seats shattered. A lawsuit seeking \$1-million damages was filed March 30 against Japan National Railways by residents in southern Nagoya who claim environmental pollution (noise and vibrations) every five minutes between 6 a.m. and 11:30 p.m. because of the Shinkansen. It was the first suit instituted demanding redress for public nuisance caused by an existing railroad. Eight JNR maintenance men, after years of making no headway, are suing for compensation due to exposure of human excrement dumped by JNR trains until the practice is stopped. They seek \$300,000 for each worker each subjected and \$30,000 each month.

ZOO—The pair of giant pandas at Ueno Zoo was credited with drawing a record 2,193,143 visitors during FY 1973, which ended March 31. On Children's Day last year (May 5), over 120,000 jammed the park which normally restricts daily attendance to 50,000.

RELIGION—The founder of Tenshinkyo, a sect founded in 1938 by Mrs. Kiyoko Kado at Hakone, was suspected of violating pharmaceutical law for selling to its followers, a panacea consisting of arsenic-tainted "omnipotent" mineral water, said to come from a Yamanashi-ken spa. It was being sold for \$3.00 (\$10 per two-liter about 2 qts.) bottle. Kozo Okamoto, 26, lone survivor of the three Japanese attackers at Lod International Airport two years ago and now serving a life sentence, is studying Judaism in prison, Embassy sources reported. A wide segment of Soto Zen Buddhist history was displayed under sponsorship of the Mainichi Newspapers in April at Tokyo's Daijingu Dept. Store, commemorating the 650th anniversary of the sect founded at Soji Temple in Yokohama by Keizan (1208-1253) and devoted student of Dogen (1200-1253) who had studied Zen in China.

MEDICINE—Patients afflicted with Itai-Itai disease, now being suspected as a form of cadmium poisoning, are finding relief with large doses of Vitamin D, the Japan Hygiene Congress meeting in Nagasaki was told. Patients complain of acute pain in the back and legs. They live in areas known to be heavily polluted with cadmium waste discharged from nearby copper mines in Hyogo and Toyama. A Fukuoaka judge ruled all A-bomb victims who live in Japan should be able to receive treatment based on the Medical Treatment Law for A-bomb sufferers, even if he were an illegal alien. Thus an Osaka-born Korean was issued a health insurance card. He was expatriated in 1951 for having violated the alien registration law and arrested in 1970 for trying to re-enter Japan to seek treatment for his A-bomb disease. The Defense Agency Medical College opened April 23 at Iruma (Saitama) Base with 48 candidates. Only string attached to students is that they remain with the Self-Defense Force for nine years after graduation. Students receive a \$29,200 monthly allowance, semi-annual bonuses, free tuition, board and room. Over 3,400 took tests for the first class.

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ture in which throughout this great land of America there will be many men and women with traces of Japanese blood in their veins serving with distinction as leaders in government, industry and in the business world, with excellence in the fields of art and sciences and professions and in the trades, with honor and integrity in every aspect of life in these United States. And may we and our non-Japanese partners consider our Japanese heritage a mark of unique distinction, a something special that needs to be nurtured and valued. May we also in the common bonds of pride in our heritage be joined together in an organization such as the JACL to protect and to maintain what cultural and ethnic identity that may be necessary, to be a repository of our common history and achievements, and to be a means of communication with each other as we as a group become



Hawaii Today

Honolulu—Damage from the April 19 flash floods was estimated at \$2.35 million by a spokesman for the State's civil defense dept. Areas hardest hit included the Manapuna industrial area below Tripler Hospital and the Waiwae-Haleiwa sector.

The state's 9,000 ILWU sugar workers went back to their jobs April 24, ending a strike which began March 9 on plantations on Oahu, Maui, Kauai and the Big Island. It has been learned that the union won a 75-cent hourly pay boost for all workers under the pact. Hawaii's pineapple strike ended April 23 with ratification of a new contract by some 6,000 pineapple workers on Oahu, Maui and Lanai. They began their strike at midnight April 6. ILWU made job security a major issue in both the sugar and pineapple negotiations, although wages were also a key demand.

Now that the worst of the gasoline shortage appears to be over, many former bus riders have returned to their own vehicles for transportation, according to the City's mass transit division. Bus ridership peaked in February at about 833,000 passengers when the effects of the crisis were felt the hardest. But the April average was 747,232, down almost 90,000.

The State's unemployment rate rose to a new high of 7.6 per cent in March with 26,100 persons out of jobs in all the counties. One of the major reasons for the jump in unemployment was the high incidence of labor disputes, with 8,900 persons involved in strikes or walkouts. The Hawaii Employment Assn. criticized unemployment statistics, saying they were "very inaccurate." Spokesman Michael Welsh said HEA feels the state's figures make the public think that jobs aren't available. But he said, "We have jobs available for plenty of people — if they are interested." HEA member agencies report that they have an excess of job openings in relation to the number of persons seeking jobs.

Names in the News—Gov. John Burns entered St. Francis Hospital April 29 for further surgery. Burns has been suffering from an infection that stems from a cancer operation Oct. 22. The operation was to remove an infected fistula which has slowed Burns's recovery. Doctors gave no indication that malignancy had returned. Dr. Bernard Fong was the attending physician. Dr. Richard You has told the Advertiser he believes he is the doctor who in 1970 treated a bullet wound suffered by a murder suspect hiding out in Hawaii.

Tule Lake—Continued from Front Page

year at Tule Lake. When we were allowed to relocate from camp, we moved to Idaho," Otow recalls. Tule Lake was originally a relocation center as were the other nine camps and housed the families evacuated from the West Coast. But as the camp authorities began to identify the "trouble makers" and repatriates, Tule Lake was designated a segregation center. Those evacuees considered "loyal" were sent to other facilities and all of those considered "disloyal" were assembled at Tule Lake.

The history of the Tule Lake camp is spattered with accounts of riots, killings, and general discord. Why return to a place filled with such unpleasant memories? "The camp experience is definitely a part of the cultural heritage of the Japanese American, especially those who grew up on the West Coast," Otow expressed. "The experience of living behind barbed wire, under constant guard, could not help but affect us and other attitudes. Some were very angry and attempted to rebel, others took it in stride and tried to make the best of it. Even today feelings regarding camp are mixed. There is still the anger, but some are able to remember the experience with nostalgia because of the many lifelong friendships made there."

"But one of the most important reasons for our pilgrimage today," Otow said, "is to help to educate our children. Many were born in camp or after camp and thus too young to remember. We hope this will provide them with an important link to their past."

Otow spoke without a trace of bitterness about this experience which changed so many Japanese American lives. "It happened, there is nothing we can do about that now. But if we continue to educate the public and our children, and show them that even in America something like this could happen, then maybe in a small way we can prevent it from ever happening again."

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Honolulu Scene

A spectacular fire on April 23 engulfed the top floor of the stone building at Fort St. Mall and Beretania, attracting hundreds of spectators in the 4:36 p.m. blaze. Eleven fire companies took 40 minutes to control the first. The three-story building is across the street from the Catholic Church and used to house the Japanese Consulate prewar. Members of the Makiki Christian Church observed the church's 70th anniversary April 28 with a special luncheon. The church was founded by the late Rev. Takie Okumura in 1904. It moved to its present location in 1932.

Political Scene—Maul Mayor Elmer Cravalho, 48, announced April 29 that he would step down as mayor of Maui County in July to devote his time to his "first love" — agriculture. If he does run at all for public office in the future, he said, it would be that of Maui County council. Cravalho's current term runs till the end of 1974.

Police Force—Retiring deputy police chief Charles Duarte, 57, was honored for his 32 years of service at a testimonial dinner April 30 at Likai Hotel. He says organized crime is flourishing in Honolulu and this is due largely by a court system which "recycles" many hardcore criminals back into the community. "There are felons who are arrested and are consistently cycled through the system; they go to court; they get out on parole. They are in the streets again. It's a vicious cycle. For me to say otherwise would not be true. Many policemen have expressed these views. It causes frustration among the police."

Business Ticker—Chinn Ho, who owns the Likai Hotel, reportedly is selling the hotel to Western International Hotels of Seattle for a reported \$35 million. For 1973, the hotel logged average occupancy of 86.6 per cent, up from 77.7 per cent in 1972. In 1974, occupancy surged to 93 per cent in January and more than 98 per cent in February and March.

In Canada

(From the New Canadian)

TORONTO—Canada's oldest Nisei, Jiro Oya, 83, who worked for many years pre-war at the Japanese consulate in Vancouver, died recently at his home in London, Ont. The (Toronto) Nisei Church founded by the late Dr. K. Shimizu celebrated its 20th anniversary April 4. A one-man show of paintings on India by Shizue Takashima was held at Evans Gallery during the first half of April. She had received a Canada Council Grant to spend a year in India. Author of "A Child in Prison Camp" (sold in the U.S. by Morrow & Co., \$6.95) is also writing a book of her trip to India.

VANCOUVER—Dominion Day (July 1) celebrations in British Columbia may turn out to be the biggest multicultural event in Canada's history as simultaneous folk festivals are being planned for eight cities in the provinces with culmination set for July 7 at Stanley Park. Every cultural group, including Chinese, Greek, Indian, Japanese, Portuguese and other communities, are being contacted to participate.

SPORTS—Randy Kusano of Winnipeg has been appointed to the basketball coaching staff at the Univ. of Manitoba. The onetime Saseel high school and college basketball star is the son of the H. Kusano's, Japanese volleyball coach. Prof. Hiroshi Toyota of Tokyo University, while touring Canadian cities, said the Canadian women's team has a good chance of winning the bronze medal in the next Olympics. He noted four years ago there was but one center with a good training program but it has since spread to every province. Toyota will conduct an International Volleyball Assn. American Zone clinic during a mid-July at Jasper, Alta., for students.

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BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman Churchill's Wartime Acts Appraised

CHURCHILL AS WARLORD, by Ronald Lewin, Stein and Day, New York, 285 pp., \$10.

Addressing the House of Commons, March 24, 1938, on the fall of Austria to Adolf Hitler, Winston Churchill said, "For five years I have talked to the House on these matters. I have watched this famous island descending incessantly, fecklessly, the stairway which leads to a dark gulf. It is a fine broad stairway at the beginning, but after a bit the carpet ends. A little further on there are only flagstones, and a little further on still these break beneath your feet."

Six months later, Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain flew to Munich to appease Hitler, whose armies were poised to invade Czechoslovakia. In London, Churchill met with a group of influential statesmen to draft a telegram warning Chamberlain against granting further concessions to Hitler whose untrustworthiness had been repeatedly demonstrated.

One by one the other members of the group left the meeting, the telegram unsent, until only Churchill remained, "sitting in his chair immobile, frozen, like a man of stone," tears in his eyes. Outwitted by Hitler, Chamberlain and French Premier Edouard Daladier signed an agreement forcing Czechoslovakia to cede to Germany those districts of Bohemia and Moravia with 50 per cent or more German-speaking population.

Having thrown away the best defenses of Great Britain and its allies, Chamberlain returned to London proclaiming he had secured "peace in our time."

Finding Czechoslovakia deserted by its allies and rendered defenseless, Poland and Hungary claimed slices of the remaining territory. German officers went beyond the Munich Agreement to annex other small sectors. In March 1939, Hitler completely flouted the Agreement by marching into Prague and taking over all that remained of the dismembered nation.

Gaining strength as he weakened his opponents, Hitler, September 1, invaded Poland. The self-enfeebled Allies belatedly opposed him with arms.

The incomparable German army carried all before it. Before the rout, the Chamberlain Cabinet fell; Churchill became prime minister.

Addressing the House of Commons as the Nazi night darkened over Europe, Churchill said, "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat," but he exhorted his people to go forward towards victory "with our united strength."

Defeating the Dutch, Belgians and French, Hitler drove

the British from the Continent. German invasion of the British Isles appeared imminent, but by Sept. 15, 1940, the British wrested control of the skies over their island and so aborted the invasion plan.

The author identifies this achievement of aerial supremacy as the first of four foundation stones over which Churchill proceeded towards victory. The other three vital footings are: the German invasion of Russia in June 1941; the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor; and the Allied victory over German submarine warfare in the Atlantic.

Assuming the prime ministership to wage a war that might have been averted if his warnings had been heeded, Churchill had confronted the prospect of imminent defeat. The turning points mentioned promised him survival and ultimate victory.

The erudite author recounts the prosecution of the war and analyzes the strategy employed. He appraises the proposals and decisions of Churchill, sometimes to the discredit of the warlord.

Condescending towards the British prime minister and ultracritical, the author strews his pages with distracting footnotes, the information of which might better have been incorporated into the text, relegated to the back pages, or omitted. He mars his otherwise well-organized, lucid account by lacing it with untranslated Latin and French words, phrases, and sentences—even a whole paragraph.

He seems oblivious to the color and drama of the indomitable Churchill rallying his people and inspiring the Allied world with matchless eloquence. But conceding the validity of his implied military omniscience, the author makes his points.

He assesses the performance of Churchill and awards him a passing mark.

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