

Issei History

In September, 1966, a four year grant of over \$400,000 was awarded by the National Institute of Mental Health to support a three generational study. Detailed data were amassed from over 4,000 Issei, Nisei and Sansei who responded to lengthy personal interviews and questionnaires. Some 1,047 Issei interviews were completed by July, 1966. To this was added over 2,000 Nisei interviews by October, 1967, and 816 Sansei questionnaires.

Many doctoral dissertations and technical papers resulted from the mass of data collected. Other related studies emerged and are now in various stages of completion for eventual book publication. These studies now include legal/legislative history, agricultural history, economic patterns and ethnic solidarity, racial accommodations of Los Angeles Japanese, and the Japanese American community over three generations.

Meanwhile, the originally conceived Issei story/definitive history study continued with completion anticipated by 1969. But a series of events, including turnover of research investigators, extended illnesses, death of the project administrator, lack of persistent monitoring and internal problems further extended its completion.

At this time last year, four chapters of the definitive history manuscript were completed. To the consternation of the JACL-JARP committee, this matter was brought to the attention of the UCLA administration.

As of this date, more than 24 chapters of the manuscript have now been completed. Members of the JARP committee have been reviewing these chapters for completeness and accuracy, especially those chapters on the post-world War II period.

Completion of this major work is near. The progress made can be attributed to the serious concerns of the UCLA administration to fulfill its commitment to the Japanese American Research Project and to its many contributors. Executive Vice Chancellor Saxon and the Deans of the Department of History and Social Sciences are to be commended for making whatever arrangements that were necessary to assure prompt completion. JACL's commitment has now begun with several potential publishers.

While it is encouraging to learn that five other books will result from research conducted on Japanese Americans by UCLA educators and scholars, it is of greater encouragement to learn that the definitive story of the Japanese in the United States, for which JACLers have contributed over \$100,000, is now approaching the publication stage.

The history of JARP is a story in itself which some day may be told.

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May 31 deadline for JACL Wash'n representative job

SAN FRANCISCO — Candidates continue to be sought for the position of JACL Washington Representative. "The response thus far has been good," reports Shig Sugiyama, chairman of the screening panel, "but we are still urging all interested parties to apply so there will be a wide range of candidates and we will be assured that the most qualified person will be selected."

Information is available through Headquarters (415) 563-3202. Application deadline is May 31. Applicants should send detailed resumes to:

JACL Headquarters, 22 Peace Plaza, Suite 203, San Francisco, Calif. 94111.

The Washington Representative is headquartered in Washington, D.C., and works with the nation's leaders to protect the interests and concerns of Japanese Americans.

Applicants should be college graduates, preferably with substantial course work in political science, public administration, law, or public relations related subjects.

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LOS ANGELES—Kiyoyama (left), three-time chairman of the Nisei Week Festival in the immediate post-war years, presents a pledge of \$20,000 to Katsumu Mukaeda (r), chairman of the Japanese American Cultural Community Center board of directors, as Taro Kawa, secretary-treasurer of the trust fund established more than 20 years ago, looks on with approval. Sum represents net profits from the three Nisei Weeks Yamato headed. In the foreground is a preliminary study model of the cultural community center done voluntarily by Kajima Associates.

—Photo by Gary Miyatake

COMMUNITY CENTER FUND \$35,000 pledged; \$2 million goal

LOS ANGELES — Net profits from the first three Nisei Week Festivals held in 1949-51, then headed by Kiyoyama, were placed in trust for a community center.

This past week, Yamato and Taro Kawa as trustees of the fund, pledged to donate the \$20,000 fund to the Japanese American Cultural Community Center fund drive.

The community groups which participated in the first three postwar Nisei Week festivals agreed to forego the profits to establish a community center fund. Yamato recalled that approximately \$3,000 were realized in each of the three years.

The years have softened whatever bitterness they may have felt when at the end of three years, they were accused by some people of "having a monopoly on Nisei Week".

The innuendos and public criticism prompted them to withdraw their completely voluntary services to the festival. With Eiji Tanabe as president of the fund, attorney John Maeno drew up papers to make the fund independent of subsequent Nisei Week festivals and the \$9,000 fund was deposited in Merit Savings and Loan Assn. In that intervening 20 years, the fund has grown to \$20,000.

Long illness prevented Tanabe from being present at the formal presentation of the fund but Yamato and Kawa were both relieved to see the fund put to use as intended. Katsumu Mukaeda, JACC board chairman, accepted the contribution. Mukaeda also acknowledged a \$1,000 donation from Tokyo JAL regional manager Shig Yamada on a recent visit here with his son Izumi, about to graduate from UCLA. Yamada was for 10 years the JAL regional manager at Los Angeles.

Two other major contributions made to the community center fund were \$10,000 from Fujima Kansuma, who has been teaching classical Japanese dancing for more than 30 years, on behalf of the Kansuma Kai; and \$5,000 from the U.S. Kendo Federation, Southern Region.

Mme. Kansuma's showmanship has helped to introduce the classical Japanese dance to the Southland public with appearances at the Santa Claus Lane parade in Hollywood, Disneyland Christmas parade, the annual Catalina Island pageant and the Kabuki recital at the L.A. Music Center.

Taigo Kawaguchi, Kendo Federation Southern regional president; Torataro Nakahara, U.S. Kendo Federation president and group adviser Yutaka Kubota made the presentation to George Dozai, JACC president, and Manuel K. Inadomi, Japanese chamber of commerce president. The \$5,000 sum were proceeds from the kendo international tournaments held in San Francisco and Los Angeles a year ago.

The community cultural center is planned for 2 1/2 acres near San Pedro St. and Acusa St. The goal is for \$2 million to be raised from the local community, businessmen, Japan corporations in the area and U.S. firms doing business in Japan, the larger non-Japanese community and through patronage of theater seats.

MITOSE COUPLE CHARGED WITH FIVE COUNTS; BAIL SET AT \$200,000

LOS ANGELES — The Frank Namimatsu murder case looms to be one of the most bizarre for Little Tokyo as a self-styled faith healer, James Mitose, 57, and his wife Dorothy, 62, were indicted May 13 on five counts of murder, conspiracy to commit murder, attempted murder, extortion and grand theft.

The preliminary hearing in Judge Xenophon F. Lang's court ended after seven days of testimony, which was reported in great detail by the Japanese daily vernacular press.

Mitose's son, Alvin, 19, was acquitted of three counts of murder but charged with extortion and grand theft. His bail of \$15,000 was posted the next day. But bail for his parents was set for \$200,000 each, making it highly impossible for them to post.

Judge Lang also found Terry Lee, 27, karate student of Mitose, answerable to charges of murder of Namimatsu and attempted murder of his wife, Toshiko, and conspiracy to commit murder. The Mitoses and Lee will be arraigned on May 28. Attorney Louis Ito and Ricardo Torres presented the case for the

REP. PASTY MINK DUE AT BERKELEY ASIAN MEET

BERKELEY, Calif. — Rep. Patsy T. Mink will speak on "Asian American Concerns" at UC Berkeley's Distinguished Minority Speakers Series May 24, 7:30 p.m. in the Life Sciences Bldg., according to Dr. Paul Takagi of the Asian American Studies, co-sponsors of the graduate minority program science project.

PATSY MINK MAY RUN FOR SENATE IN '76, FIGURES FONG TO RETIRE

HILO, Hawaii — Rep. Patsy T. Mink (D-Hawaii) expects to run in 1976 for the U.S. Senate seat now occupied by Hiram Fong. She said she doesn't believe he will seek reelection in two years.

The brief remarks came during a May 4 press conference before the Hawaii County Democratic Convention convened and where she delivered the keynote address.

Mrs. Mink doesn't expect to oppose Fong since she anticipates his retirement.

Mrs. Mink also predicted the House will impeach the President as the "votes will be there to impeach him." Her flat prediction came during

the keynote. And the Democratic Congress must be prepared to lead the country for the next two years, she continued.

She called on Hawaii's Democrats to help return her and Rep. Spark Matsunaga to office to help provide the nation with a "vetproof Congress". She did not believe the Democrats need Watergate to win the 1974 elections because the "No. 1 political issue is inflation".

She accused President Nixon of being incapable of managing a sound economy and desired the loss of buying power of the average worker. She said she was opposed to the President's national insurance plan which "will permanently tie all Americans to a system operating for the profit of private insurance companies". She also scored unemployment, educational failures she blames on Mr. Nixon, and the President's opposition to Office of Economic Opportunity programs.

—Community Action — may survive.

The President's budget officers, however, indicated Mr. Nixon will veto any legislation which includes federal financing for G.A.P. whether it's inside HEW's budget or not.

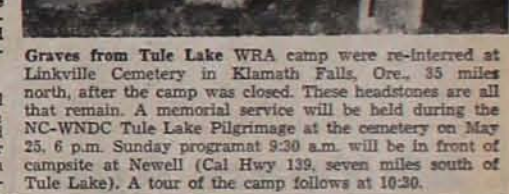
CAP supporters feel they have garnered enough conservative Republican support to override a Nixon veto, thanks to the efforts of former Rep. William C. Cramer of Florida, hired as chief lobbyist by the Community Action workers at an anti-poverty fee of \$25,000 per month.

At one time, OEO controlled 39 programs and is now down to three essentially: legal services, community action and economic development.

Rep. Matsunaga calls transcripts 'deception'

HONOLULU — Rep. Spark Matsunaga, keynoting the 1974 Oahu County Democratic Convention May 4 at McKinley High School, accused the President of deceiving the people into believing he would release "everything" by showing on nationwide TV "stacks" of Watergate related material.

The White House transcripts, he said, will make impeachment even more likely. "The type of deception the man in the White House is trying to practice on the American people is... illustrated by this one example," he declared.



Graves from U.S. Lake WRA camp were re-interred at Linkville Cemetery in Klamath Falls, Ore., 35 miles north, after the camp was closed. These headstones are all that remain. A memorial service will be held during the NC-WNDC Tule Lake Pilgrimage at the cemetery on May 25, 6 p.m. Sunday program 9:30 a.m. will be in front of campsite at Newell (Cal Hwy 139, seven miles south of Tule Lake). A tour of the camp follows at 10:30.

Public protest made in sentencing of Asian youth, 16, to state prison

LOS ANGELES — Branded an Asian youth was chosen as the "state's youngest convict" at age 16, Santa Monica Superior Court Judge Laurence J. Rittenband on May 9 sentenced Chi Ko Wong to life imprisonment for murder.

Convicted last month of killing a waiter during a restaurant robbery, the prosecutor had described him as the "hit man" for a Chinese extortion ring — the Yau Lee gang. "He was specially trained by older gang members as an assassin. He is a trained killer," deputy district attorney David Wells said.

Persons less than 18 years old are customarily sentenced to the custody of the California Youth Authority.

The judge, while aware of the defendant's age, overruled the plea of defense attorney Jay J. Tannenbaum that Wong be committed as a juvenile because the "state prison is not geared to handle boys of that age".

Wong was one of two young robbers who entered Twin Dragons Restaurant in West L.A. last Dec. 30 and robbed it of \$150. While his confederate scooped the money from a cash register, Wong held a gun on patrons and employees. A waiter, believing Wong's weapon a toy gun, pursued them and was fatally shot.

Tannenbaum plans to appeal. Wong will be eligible for parole in seven years. A junior high school drop-out, he came with his parents to this country from Hong Kong about six years ago. The family lives in Los Angeles.

Meanwhile, an Asian American group has protested the sentence, while deploring the crime. As Ratu Shimpo editor Ellen End noted: "It has been suggested that Wong be dealt with harshly to serve as an example to other youths who might commit major crimes... It wasn't purely by accident that

"But the Asian community in Los Angeles doesn't pose as big a threat to the example-makers as the larger white, black and Chicano sectors, in my opinion, so the District Attorney may have felt the Asian youth was a logical choice. "I deplore the act of murder and firmly believe a person who takes the life of another should be sent to prison, but I deplore also the inequality of treatment I believe took place in the Wong case."

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Arthur Flemming to address banquet

PORTLAND, Ore. — Arthur Sherwood Flemming, chairman of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, is slated to address the National JACL Biennial Convention at the Sayonara Banquet on Saturday, July 27, it was announced by Dr. James K. Tsujimura, Convention Board chairman.

Flemming, who has served in high government positions under six United States Presidents, will speak on civil rights in the 1970s and how it relates to minorities, especially to Japanese Americans.

"Mr. Flemming has long supported the civil rights movement and in this area, he and JACL share common goals," Tsujimura said. "His interest in the Asian American community has often been reflected in his work. For example, when he chaired the White House Conference on Aging in 1971, he established an Asian American special concerns session and appointed JACL executive director David Ushio as its chairman. He also named Ushio to the executive committee to follow-up on the conference committee."

"Here in Oregon," Tsujimura added, "we are especially pleased that Mr. Flemming will be keynote speaker at the Sayonara Banquet and we will have an opportunity to welcome this outstanding civil libertarian back to his former state of residency."

Flemming lived in Oregon from 1961 to 1968 when he was the President of the Univ. of Oregon. He has also held presidencies at two other educational institutions: Ohio Wesleyan University, 1948-53 and 1957-58, and Macalester College, 1968-71.

Concurrent with his present appointive post as chairman of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, he is a U.S. Commissioner on Aging with the Dept. of Health and Welfare (HEW) and a Special Consultant to the President on Aging.

Flemming began his government career when he was a member of the U.S. Civil Service Commission. During World War II he served on the War Manpower Commission and was chairman of the Commission's labor-management manpower policy committee.

In the 1950s he became director of Defense Mobilization, served as a member of the National Security Council and, by invitation of President Eisenhower, he participated in Cabinet meetings. It was also under Eisenhower



Arthur Flemming

or that Flemming was Secretary of HEW from 1958 to 1961.

Flemming's concern for the civil rights movement is reflected by the strong stand taken by the National Council of Churches of Christ in America in this area during the years he led the group as its President from 1965 to 1969.

Other groups benefiting from his chairmanship or presidency include the National Advisory Committee of Upward Bound, Commission on Political Activity of Government Personnel, Social Security Advisory Council, Oregon Council of Churches, National Council on Social Welfare and the American Council on Education.

He has also been a member of the first and second Hoover Commission on Organization of Executive Branch of Government, President Eisenhower's Advisory Committee on Government Organization, International Civil Service Advisory Board, National Advisory Committee of Peace Corps and the President's Committee on Labor-Management Policy.

A native of Kingston, N.Y., Flemming is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University, received his M.S. degree from American University and his J.D. degree from George Washington University.

"Even my mother can win one" — 1000 Club medal

Tennis anyone? The once mocking remark has become the "swingers" war cry as a tennis craze sweeps the nation.

Robert L. Moore, JAL district manager, has agreed to donate a medallion to each participant and trophies for winners. To win one of the 1000 Club medallions all that is apparently required is to clutch a racket and to crawl onto the court. Lovely State Donna Yumori, San Jose State University student leader says: "Golly, even my mother can win one."

Dr. Frank Sakamoto, Chicago's dynamic 1000 Club organizer, will arrive at the San Francisco Airport at noon Saturday, July 20, to be greeted by popular 1000 Club National Chairman, Tad Hirota, with a "tennis elbow" handshake.

Dr. Sakamoto's entourage will include his charming wife, Toshiko, two husky sons, Michigan University gymnast Randy, and Illinois state junior judo champion Glen, and about 50 members from the Midwest and Eastern districts. The group plans to immediately go into seclusion and training at Miyako Hotel, starting with a 1000 Club whang-ding at 8 p.m. with cocktails, dinner and dancing.

James Iwasaki of Azumano Travel Agency has reserved four brand new indoor courts at the Portland Tennis Center for Tuesday, July 23, 1:15 to 7:30 p.m. and Thursday, July 25, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for the 1000 Club Tennis Tournament. These courts have been built since Chiye Tomihiro and Dr. Tom Tamaki (an awesome mixed doubles team) once graced the courts in this area.

The tournament is being carefully coordinated with salmon fishing, golf, bridge and other stimulating activities planned by the host Portland Chapter.

The 1000 Club tennis tournament is open to every JACL member attending the Portland Convention, including their children, grandchildren, parents or grandparents. Entrance fee is \$5. Prospective participants can pre-register with:

Pete Nakahara, 90 E. Taylor St., San Jose, Calif. 95112 or Dr. Tak Inouye at 736 N. Second St., San Jose, Calif. 95112.

'Break Day' (July 26) in central Oregon area

By JIM IWASAKI (Booster Activities)

PORTLAND — For "break day" July 26, from the convention, the Booster Activities committee has chartered transportation for a trip into central Oregon country.

Conventioners on the package deal get on board, a box lunch and an authentic salmon dinner; without a package deal one; must submit reservations for the trip now.

Destination: Kah-Nee-Ta vacation resort, owned and operated by the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon.

As such, Kah-Nee-Ta represents one of the unique Indian success stories in all of the U.S. There is great spirit there as you see the towering tepees... vintage teepees, Neesha or modern cottages. Year round attraction at the village are the hot springs, a swimming complex with waters of 95 degrees... just the thing to soak away convention pressure.

Other facilities are the picnic area where the tumbling river waters flow and where we will have the Indian-style salmon bake in the late afternoon. Downstream is a golf haven for swingers... massage for the swayers... craft shops for the folks back home (and the local economy). Take time to explore... hospitality is part of the ancient Warm Springs tradition that lives on at Kah-Nee-Ta Lodge overlooking the fairways, and where we will have a bridge tournament, a few "rap" sessions and don't forget to bring your cameras!

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Harry K. Honda

ECONOMICS—'DISMAL SCIENCE'

Augustus Hawkins, now a congressman since 1955, used to sell real estate in Los Angeles and he was a state assemblyman at the time when he sold us our first home in '46 when evacuees were allowed to return to California. We no longer live there as the house was bought by the state to make room for the Harbor Freeway.

That personal—though commercial—relation had kept us interested in his legislative efforts as reported in the press from time to time. His latest has sparked this week's topic, a full employment bill which would establish "the right to employment opportunities for everyone able and willing to work."

Since the October oil-energy crisis, a new set of economic patterns have been put into play. For one thing, Japan has been shown to be a "have not" nation. A new economic term, "stagflation" (a combination of economic stagnation and inflation), has come to replace "recession." While unemployment figures might be tolerated (since the majority is employed), inflation (which affects all) won't be by November.

Watergate may not be the political issue it is now if inflation persists—which would be of critical concern to all incumbents, irrespective of political party.

The development of a full employment policy, except in times of war, has been thwarted from various quarters. The private sector operates on the basis of not full employment to save on wages. Orthodox economists believe in a law which links decreasing unemployment to rising inflation and low inflation with rising unemployment.

The new breed of economists question this law—the Phillips Curve—and suggest job creation reduces divisive competition, a reduced labor surplus places workers in a more favorable position with employers, reduces welfare rolls, poverty and crime at the same time promotes general welfare, productivity and GNP.

The public sector operates on the basis of stepping in



Some Reminders of Why We Should Pause in Reverent Tribute

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER: Mike Masaoka

Mineta's Bid for Congress

On my most recent trip to California, I found—as expected—a great interest in and support for San Jose Mayor Norman Mineta's candidacy for the national House of Representatives. Though—also as expected—most of those indicating concern were of Japanese ancestry, I found much greater interest than I had anticipated among non-Nisei citizens.

It is now more than 30 years since most Californians by their silence and apathy permitted the mass Evacuation and incarceration of all persons of Japanese origin from their homes and associations on the West Coast. Now, in another period of growing tensions between Japan and the United States, such as that which preceded the Pacific War which began in 1941, there are those who may choose to see in Mineta's campaign a barometer of current California concern for Japanese Americans in particular and for Asian Americans in general.

Some of Mineta's campaign workers report that racial slurs and threats are being privately whispered, although there is little actual evidence of a coordinated and active campaign of appeals that seek to foment and revive California's historic prejudice against Orientals in general and Japanese in particular.

The most noticeable effort was the hand printing in large crude epithet "JAP" across Mineta's garage door, which fronts on the street and forms part of his beautifully landscaped home, right after he announced his candidacy this spring. Since then, it seems that more Mineta signs are mutilated, taken away, or covered by other signs than for any other of the many Santa Clara County candidates for national, state, and San Jose city offices. Also, in many of his signs, the letter "c" in the party identification "Democrat" has been crossed out. Whether the destruction and/or mutilation of his signs are part of a deliberate and planned campaign of sabotage or whether they are the work of individual crackpots and possibly racists has not yet been determined, and may never be.

Mineta's campaign strategies are rightfully worried

By Masao W. Sato

As It Was

IN MEMORIAM

San Francisco Marker C-296 at Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno is for Pete Masuoka, the first volunteer for the Japanese American Community Center. According to the late Bill Davis of UC Stiles Hall, Pete might have been the first Nisei halfback on the Cal varsity. Pete volunteered to join his two brothers already in the Army. Subsequently all four Masuoka brothers were in service. Some years later I was to meet brother Ed as Commander of the VFW Golden Gate Post in San Francisco, and sister Margaret, wife of Jim Murakami, current JACL National Vice President.

During the war, to its eternal shame, RKO Studios filmed "Betrayal From the East" in which a cheer leader at Stanford turns out to be an officer in the Japanese Army. Reprising to a protest from the Pacific Coast Committee on American Principles of Fair Play, a RKO spokesman assured there would be nothing derogatory in the picture to Japanese Americans. Some stupid TV program directors still trot out this film to fill in time. What they and RKO Studios don't know, and probably care less, is that Hitoshi Moe Yonemura, the only Nisei Yell King at a major University (UCLA), gave his life for his country and was buried with honors at Golden Gate National Cemetery. I saw Moe grow up in our S.O.N. Y Club at the Japanese Christian Church in Los Angeles under Y Leader Sam Furuta, JACL stalwart of the East Los Angeles Chapter.

The first 442 casualty among the families at Manzanar was Frank Arikawa. Frank had the ability to come off the bench and score buckets for the Spartan Y basketball team, perennial contenders in the Southern California JAU AA League and one-time South representative in the North-South basketball series. On a visit to Manzanar

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From the Frying Pan

CATCHING UP WITH THE MAIL—One of the brightest spots in the Heart Mountain Sentinel, the weekly paper published at the Heart Mountain (Wyo.) WRA camp, was a column called "Mo's Scrapbook" by Miwako (Mo) Oana. Mo hurried off to New York City, married Tad Miya, reared a family and dreamed about getting into the writing profession. Those dreams didn't quite materialize, but she got pretty close—as secretary to Russ Schoch, one of the seminar directors at the American Press Institute at Columbia University where working newspapermen go for two-week cram courses designed to help them do their jobs better.

The American Press Institute is scheduled to move this summer from the Columbia campus to new quarters at Reston, Va., outside Washington, D.C. Of course Mo couldn't go along since her family is established in New York City. But things worked out just fine. She was chosen recently as administrative assistant to Dean Elie Abel of Columbia's Graduate School of Journalism.

Talking about Heart Mountain, Bill Hirokawa, a student at UCLA, wishes to know how the attitude toward the evacuees differed in Powell and Cody, Wyo., the towns closest to the camp. Well, Bill, that was a long time but the basic difference was based on the fact that Powell was and is a farming community, and Cody was and is primarily a ranch, tourist and oil town. The farmers needed help in harvesting their crops the fall of 1942 and the Heart Mountain evacuees responded. They played a big part in saving the sugar crop and the people in Powell were pretty darned grateful. At the same time, however, Jack Richard, editor of the Cody Enterprise, was very understanding and his paper did a great deal to keep the people informed.

Here is some more Issei-ese contributed by June K. Tanaka of Montreal who, like most Canadian Nisei, grew up in British Columbia. **Compa**—Together, in partnership, probably shortened

BEN TSUJIKAWA: White River Valley JACLer

Family enterprise produces clay pots for flowers; over 1 1/2-million a year

AUBURN, Wash.—Ben Tsujikawa says that walking into his Auburn plant is like "stepping back into the Middle Ages."

The 37-year-old White River Valley JACLer is referring to his antiquated, and often home-made, equipment which, despite its age, produces more than 1.5 million red-clay flower and plant pots yearly.

The Auburn Pottery Co., Inc., was started as a family enterprise in 1924 by Tony Tsujikawa, Ben's father. Ben assumed operation and management from his father in 1962.

Ben, along with his parents, sister and occasional hired help, has produced thousands of clay pots annually. Originally, he explained, the pots were cast in individual plaster molds through a slow, tedious process called "jiggering." Each pot remained in the mold until completely dried and fired in a kiln.

Later, the Tsujikawas mechanized some of the production, purchasing used equipment and adapting other machinery to their needs. Ben now is building a "pug mill," which will compress the clay, to which water has been added, into cylindrical strips which in turn will be fed on a belt to a pot press.

Although there still is a great deal of hand work involved, mechanization over

the past 10 years raised production from 300,000 to more than 1 1/2 million pots a year.

Molded from a blue-gray, terra-cotta clay, the pots turn red when fired in a kiln. The source of clay, located on Tsujikawa's property is a closely guarded secret because of its scarcity. He uses about 1200 tons a year.

The pots are air dried after brick kilns dominating the single pressing and fed into two huge room plants. The kilns, built in 1936 and 1941, each hold approximately 30,000 pots at a time.

Starting at room temperature, the heat is increased slowly to 1700 degrees over a 36-hour period—then the finished product is ready for distribution.

The plant is one of two west of the Mississippi River and one of about a dozen in the nation. He ships the pots throughout the states, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Alaska, Northern California and Hawaii.

"This is one of only a few businesses where you go from the raw material to the finished product in one step," he noted.

Thought for the Week

He who deliberates fully before taking a step will spend his entire life on one leg.—Chinese Proverb.

Masaoka—

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termining his votes, but that he will be guided by his constituents' wishes, if they can be ascertained properly and his own belief and judgment, based upon the facts as he knows them and the dictates of his conscience.

Still, because he is of Japanese ancestry and because he has experienced and understands the unique problems that concern the Japanese today on the continental mainland of the United States, he can be counted on in Washington to watch and promote the general welfare and well-being of those of Japanese origin in this country as no other member of Congress can.

Senator Daniel Inouye and Congressman Spark Matsunaga and Patsy Takemoto Mink, as well as Senator Hiram Fong, too, all from Hawaii, have demonstrated in active service how invaluable they can be to the common cause of Japanese and Asian Americans today. If Mineta can join them, and provide that special affinity as a mainland Nisei, the "cause" of Japanese Americans will be advanced tremendously.

That he can represent with dignity and effectiveness more than one constituency is seen in the fact that the National Conference of Mayors has often called on him to represent all of the chief executives of the United States before the Congress and in Administration circles on specific problems, such as revenue sharing.

Since Mineta happens to be

a brother-in-law, it may — and I gladly confess it — that I am prejudiced in favor of his candidacy. But, because I have been in Washington ever since the end of World War II, lobbying not only Congress but also the Government, I know how effective a Congressman like Norman can be. Moreover, since he will be the first Japanese ancestry from the mainland, I know that he will be exemplary and outstanding, just as his fellow Nisei from Hawaii have been, and thereby help open up national elective offices to other qualified Nisei and Sansel in the years to come.

Mineta is charismatic and articulate, even eloquent. He does his homework and he prepares for every public appearance. He will reflect credit on all of Asian ancestry, and all Asian Americans can take pride in how he will operate in their behalf, while not neglecting his particular constituency in California.

So, those who believe that the time has come when a highly qualified Nisei should be in the United States Congress from the mainland, ought to contribute to his election campaign, as one effective means to help his election. Because he has never, as a Councilman and then as Mayor, catered to any special interest, especially big business, he is not assured of adequate finances to conduct his campaign. He has no independent wealth as such, being a representative Nisei in this respect. His opponent will probably receive substantial contributions from others outside this district, so he also needs contributions from his fellow Nisei outside his own area.

In fact, his campaign treasurer has indicated that Mineta will be lucky if he can match half of his major opponent's funds in the coming general elections.

If you want to help elect Norman Mineta the first Nisei Congressman from the continental mainland and share in this great achievement and break-through, please send a check to the Mineta for Congress Committee, c/o Treasurer Grant Shimizu, 4965 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California 95118, right away in order that he may have the needed funds to record a "smashing" victory in the primary election on June 4. The checks must be personal, and not from a corporation or business. The profession or employer must be identified in order to conform with federal disclosure laws.

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Though this Newsletter is longer than it should be, please understand that its length and detail were caused by the hope of answering some questions often asked of Norman Mineta and inviting contributions to help elect the first mainland Japanese American to the United States House of Representatives.

Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Sports Scene

Bob Ikehara, Farrington High School basketball coach, has resigned his position. He will remain on the faculty as a counselor. Ikehara led the Governors to state championships in 1959 and 1960.

Education

Hawaii Loa College, below the Pali Lookout in Windward Oahu, has launched a drive for \$250,000 in contributions to alleviate a deficit in its operating budget. The college this year has 201 students, compared with 229 a year ago. The drop is the first since the college opened in 1967. It is fully accredited by the Western Assn. for Schools and Colleges. **Frank Martin**, Lahainaluna High School industrial arts teacher, has received the Outstanding Industrial Arts Teacher of the Year Award for Hawaii. Martin has taught on the secondary level for 23 years.

Courtroom

Police Officer **William C. Kim**, 23, of Kalihi, Windward Oahu, has been charged with attempted murder in an alleged attack April 26 on his bride of five weeks. According to police, Kim pistol-whipped and shot at his wife. He tried to run her down with his car, police said. Kim was on leave for an injury since he shot himself Jan. 1.

Congressional Score

Recent events on the nation's college campuses have given impetus to the congressional effort to establish a U.S. Dept. of Peace, according to Rep. **Spark Matsunaga**, principal sponsor of legislation to create the proposed new federal department. "Peace has become a new academic specialty. With the exception of 'streaking,' peace studies are today's fastest

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LITTLE TOKYO? HEAVEN FORBID

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The Christian Science Monitor is usually held in high esteem as a model of responsible, objective and well-written journalism, but they stumbled badly in a travel article written by Elizabeth Pond, the paper's Tokyo correspondent.

Ms. Pond's article explored the possibilities of what to show Japanese visitors in America, and she went out of her way at both the beginning and the end of the article to emphasize that Little Tokyo in Los Angeles was absolutely verboten.

"I'd severely limit their time in New York; it's too much like Tokyo. And I'd forbid them from going anywhere near Little Tokyo in Los Angeles; it's too unlike Tokyo," she writes archly.

"... Forbid them from going anywhere near Little Tokyo in Los Angeles," she concludes, without really explaining why she is so adamant that Japanese tourists avoid Our Town.

She'll have them renting a Toyota for their cross-country trip, and she wants them to peek in at Pomona College to "see how well their own culture exports in the Kabuki performances there." She'll have them eat in a Japanese restaurant in New York and drop in on Takashimaya or the Sony offices while they're there. But please, Little Tokyo is beyond the pale.

Poor Ms. Pond may have visited Little Tokyo at one time and made the acquaintance of one of our redoubtable shopkeepers who made it plain to her that they were doing HER a favor by selling her their wares, an attitude no doubt fostered by their knowledge that hakujin shoppers in Little Tokyo are of the nickel-and-dime variety. But that scarcely accounts for her miffy dismissal of Little Tokyo.

Of course I don't consider Little Tokyo The Place To See in America for the Japa-

AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka Pulse still beats in N.A. Post

The North American Post, only surviving Japanese vernacular covering this northwest corner, continues to be a "talked about" subject. At one time, meetings between publisher H. T. Kubota and the Nikkeijin Kai concerning the paper's future were held.

An AP feature at one time feared the Post was about to call it quits. The Nikkeijin Kai, aware the paper was fulfilling a need in the Japanese community, was concerned about a community without a paper. Kubota has since had second thoughts.

Perhaps the time has come for the Post to change, updating its equipment and Japanese type. Or, continuing as they are, face the prospect of annual increases in subscription and advertising rates. Holding on to their outdated printing methods adds to production costs.

Like we said earlier, it's sad to see any newspaper fold. We have experienced similar fate, having managed a small town weekly that folded. An ad agency we managed also is now defunct.

The Japanese community can show its support, but raising subscription so that many Issei living on Social Security can't afford it would only mean the paper starves unless more businessmen step in with advertising.

As for the bilingual paper here, the Post ran an English section with Ute Hirano as editor, but no longer. In the Nisei heydays in the 1930s, Seattleites had two Japanese dailies: the North American Times and Great Northern Daily, both with English sections. Dick Takeuchi, the late

S.F. JACL slates Olympics meet

SAN FRANCISCO—The 22nd annual San Francisco JACL Olympics will be held June 2 at Kezar Stadium. Entry forms have been distributed to local organizations and NC-WNDC chapters, according to track meet chairman Fred Ogawa. Entry deadline is May 19.

In view of last year's success, special events for girls, ages 11-16, will be included. Berkeley JACL is the defending champion.

Dave Ushio appointed Urban League director

Urban League director—14 SAN FRANCISCO—The Bay Area Urban League added six new directors to its board recently for a three-year term. Among them was David E. Ushio, national JACL executive director. He also serves with the State Dept. of Education on the legal and factual analysis committee, national board of the National Federation of Settlements and the American Immigration and Citizenship Conference board of directors.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Alan Kumamoto urged United Way to recognize the Asian American problems in the community at its annual meeting in Chinatown recently. He cited the need for bilingual-bicultural services in physical and mental health, senior citizens and youth. The onetime JACL youth director noted there were three all-Asian gangs in Los Angeles.

San Francisco

KRON-TV's Community Circle, talk show with Terry Lowery, had on May 12 Patricia Nakano, asst. Nat'l JACL director, discussing the work of the S.F. Unified School District advisory committee, of which she is a member.

The City College Asian Club presented its annual Asian Week May 13-18 on the theme, "Asians Come Together," closing with a picnic May 18 at Discovery Park. Opening day speakers included Stephanie Tang and Wayne Maeda.

United Japanese Community Services will sponsor a luncheon June 5, 5 p.m., for its three member organizations at California Hall, Polk and Turk St. Tickets are \$5 per person, obtainable by calling UJCS (563-8082). Member groups to be financed for their community work are Japanese Community Services, Japanese Community Youth Council, and Kimochi, Inc.

A community forum on Evacuation will be held June 1 at the S.F. Buddhist Church from 7-9:30 p.m. Camp art, skits and speakers, including Hiroshi Kashigai, Chiz Iiyama and Warren Furutani, are scheduled. Bay Area Community and San Mateo JACL chapters are among the sponsors.

S.F.—East Bay

The Bay District Jr. YBA sponsors its second annual volleyball tourney May 25-26 at Contra Costa College in San Pablo. A dance will be held on May 25.

Chicago

Japanese Community's Memorial Day services, sponsored by the Japanese Mutual Aid Society, will be held Monday, May 27, 11 a.m. at Montrose Cemetery. Representatives from the American Legion Nisei Post 1183, JACL, churches, civic and business groups will participate.

Nisei Post 1183 holds its 25th anniversary dinner-dance June 1 at the Hotel Belmont. The semi-formal affair will feature music of the '40s and '50s.

Denver

Community Action Research Project (CARP), staffed by Mark Miyoshi and Mrs. Elaine Tamaki, hosted the May 11 meeting to discuss rebuilding the local Asian community in line with the Asian American Mental Health Federation studies. Ron Aramaki of the Salt Lake City Asian Community Center was among those present.

Seattle

The JACL-sponsored "Pride and Shame" travel exhibit continues to make its hectic round. It was shown at Western Washington State College, Mercer Island High and Renton High during April, scheduled for May at Ft. Steilacoom Community College and Tacoma Community House (May 25) and at Asa Mercer Jr. High (June 3-5).

The Japanese hot-luncheon program, funded by Title 7 of the Older American Act of 1965, has been in operation since March at Nisei Veterans Hall. A pilot program geared for 40 persons, as many as 70 have been fed, according to site manager Edna Tanigawa, dietician. Mrs. Sally Kazama, member of the Nutrition Task Force for King County, was a prime mover for the Issei program. NVC has donated use of their facilities.

The two national JACL officers are expected to complete their study for review and recommendation by the National JACL Board meeting July 22 at Portland.

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NEWS CAPSULES

Nisei Week

Continuing its tradition of selecting tall, stately candidates for its Nisei Week Queen entry, the East Los Angeles JACL chose Karen Misako Iwasaki, 5 ft. 8 inches tall, as its 1974 representative at the annual Emerald Ball May 11 at the Montebello Country Club. Miss Iwasaki, 19, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shogo Iwasaki of Monterey Park and currently attending California State University at Los Angeles. She is a 1973 graduate of Alhambra High School.

Music

The Los Angeles Music Teachers Assn. opportunity recital of young talented pianists held April 28 at Santa Monica Civic Auditorium included the appearance of Stuart Tamaru, 14-year-old son of the Tug Tamarus of Huntington Beach, who played Sarabande in D Minor by Mozart. He is an eighth-grader at Harbour View School and a student of Kathryn Gawartin.

Organizations

Ron Nakamura, a junior at Reedley high school, has been selected to represent Reedley Post 35 at the 37th annual Boy's State which will be held June 22-29 in Sacramento.

Government

Los Angeles city high schoolers observed Boy's Day in government the week with or prior to May 5. Named to sit as chairman of the County Board of Supervisors with Kenneth Hahn was Steve Kurashima, 18, of Gardena High, an honor student in biological sciences and active in various campus clubs.

John N. Higaki, San Jose JACLer, was named by the city council to the San Jose human relations commission on May 7. Gov. Reagan appointed Mark M. Ozawa, 16, of Torrance to the new state advisory commission on youth. His term expires March 28, 1976. He is sophomore class president at Torrance High, youth coordinator for Friends of Madrona Marsh.

Entertainment

Joe Folliess star Christy Ito, daughter of the Kay Ios of Portland and former Portland State student, was home for the 1974 opening of the Shipstads & Johnson's show at the Memorial Coliseum April 30.

Noted jazz pianist Toshiko Akiyoshi and her husband Lew Tabackin, tenor saxophonist and flutist, have gathered a 16-piece Big Band featuring some of the respected musicians in jazz including trombonist Britt Woodman, alto saxist Gary Foster, trumpeter Bobby Shew. Shiko has appeared at Newport Jazz Festival and Times, recorded on both U.S. and Japanese labels; while Tabackin has played with big bands in the past and is currently playing with Doc Severinsen's NBC Tonight Show Orchestra. The Big Band made its Wilshire-Ebell theater debut May 22.

Awards

Former Portland resident, Dr. Lindbergh S. Sata, executive director of Harborview Community Mental Health Center and chief of psychiatry at Harborview Medical Center, Seattle, was guest speaker at the Portland community graduation dinner May 5. Some 200 persons gathered to honor area high school and college graduates. High school scholarships were presented to:

Susan Hommyo, Portland JACL; Jesse Easley, Valedictorian; Dennis Kimura, Women's Club; Arlene Wager, Japanese Ancestral Society; Christie Iwasaki, Bruce Nishikawa, ONV; Lora Oaki Transpacific Women's; Dennis Ishihara, Roger Okamoto Memorial Citizenship Awards—Richard Sato, Grace Yoneyama; Grant Henjico Athletic—Bruce Nishikawa; ONV Special—Jane Driggers.

Calif. Highway Patrol's community service award for saving the lives of three injured persons caught in flaming car in a rear-end accident was presented recently to Kingsburg rancher Yukio Hamada, 44, and Harmon Prine. The accident occurred Feb. 22 near Dinuba. CHP noted the rescuers "without thinking of their own safety" dashed to the wrecked vehicles to remove the three.

Sen. Song seeks shield law for newspapermen

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Sen. Alfred Song (D-Monterey Park) introduced a bill March 13 that would prevent a newspaper reporter who refuses to produce his notes and other unpublished material from being cited for contempt of court. He expected his bill to be more successful than other proposed shield laws.

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Maria Alko Rivera, 18 (left), is crowned Miss Metropolitan L.A. JACL by Jeanne Chuman, last year's titleholder, for the 1974 Nisei Week queen contest. The chapter is also chairing the coronation ball and two-day carnival for Nisei Week in late August as this is JACL's year to sponsor these events. Maria is 5 ft. tall, 108 lb., works with the Sumitomo Bank of Calif. at its main Los Angeles office. Of Japanese-Nicaraguan ancestry, she speaks fluent Japanese and was born in Los Angeles—Photo by Roy Hoshizaki.

Business

Asian American National Business Alliance, a federally-funded agency offering free management, technical and financial assistance, appointed Monroe Clark as its new Santa Ana office manager. He was contract administrator with Autonetics in Anaheim. Since January, the SA office secured \$802,000 for Orange County businesses. . . . First Pacific Bank of Chicago, a subsidiary of Dai-ichi Kangyo Bank, Ltd., announced Yoshihiko Uyeda, deputy general manager of Dai-ichi Kangyo's international department, as president, succeeding Tatsuo Aoki who has been recalled to Japan.

Fine Arts

Contributing to the Crown Zellerbach art show with 54 pieces being auctioned (June 1-9) for San Francisco KQED (9) were Kenjiro Nanao of Palo Alto, a lithograph named "Variation on a Sucker," and Michi Itami Zimmerman of Berkeley, an etching, "Kaoru".

Sports

UC Irvine frosh Robert Goto has surpassed his goal of pole vaulting 16 ft. (May 10 at the Fresno Relays) and is looking toward 17 ft. in future meets, including the Bakersfield Relays May 25. Jr. Olympics June 13 in Florida. His parents, the Bob Gotos, reside in Whittier, Calif.

Agriculture

Dr. John K. Matsushima, animal sciences professor at Colorado State, has developed a recycling process using slaughterhouse wastes into a protein supplement in pellet form for feedlot steers. He noted the stomach of slaughtered animals contains partially digested grain, still with high protein value. The material is dried and combined with blood meal. A digestibility study is underway before a final evaluation is made.

Education

Five Nikkel are listed in the current State of Colorado education directory as having administrative positions: Mrs. Chiyo Horiuchi, D.Ed., consultant in special education services; Mrs. Asahi Oshima, Boulder Valley School District home economics coordinator; school principals — Luecky Ashida, Crowley County Jr. High (180 students, 14 teachers); Joseph T. Arikki, Lincoln Elementary, Denver (544-21); and Herbert H. Oda, Meeker Elementary, Meeker (300-19). Mrs. Horiuchi received her doctorate last December from the Univ. of Northern Colorado.

San Jose Mayor Norman was named May 10 by State Supt. of Schools Wilson Riles to a 25-member committee to develop ways to cope with violence in the schools and identify the role of the educators, law enforcement and court officials in handling school-related crimes.

Milestones

Dr. Fred H. Iwamizu, 69, Kauai-born dentist practicing in Little Tokyo, since his graduation from USC dental school prewar, died May 8.

Friends and relatives of Momotaro Kawahara, Eden Township pioneer, gathered April 7 to celebrate his 88th birthday at his San Lorenzo home. He was born in Fukuoka-ken on April 21, 1886, and is a naturalized citizen. Children honoring their father were:

Mrs. Mas (Shizue) Kariya, San Mateo; Mrs. Walter (Harumi) Perkerin, Walnut Creek; Sam, San Lorenzo; Mrs. Hisashi (Lily) Higashi, San Lorenzo; Mrs. Tad (Sachi) Masako, San Mateo; Harry, Altadena; and Mrs. Roy (Momoko) Hatamiya, Marysville.

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At least once a month or more, this area (or more) will be used to communicate to members of the JACL-at-large and others current, past, and future activities of JAYS, items of general interest to JAYS, and information on services and programs of general interest to youth.

The District Youth Chairpeople (DYC) have been asked to relay items for this column. The various local chapter chairpeople should also submit items as they occur. The National Youth Director will be contributing information on various youth services (i.e., scholarship and fellowship aid, summer work opportunities, student internships, community youth projects, etc.). If anyone would like specific facts on any item which appears that they would like more information on, contact the National Youth Director.

As has been discussed with the DYC, we would also like to use this space for general "sounding off" by the youth. When an opportunity comes up, any youth can submit through the Youth Director a column or comments which will be forwarded to the PC on the regular mailing date. Eventually we would like to see an entire section of the PC devoted to youth and their concerns.

HAPPENINGS: On May 25, the Washington, D.C. JAYS will be sponsoring a camp-out and rafting trip.

The JAYS and others in attendance will be rafting down the Shenandoah River. . . . Over Memorial Day weekend the Cleveland JAYS will be camping-out in East Harbor near Sandusky. . . . May 25 is also the date of Milwaukee's Graduates' Dinner. . . . In addition, Memorial weekend will be the occasion of a JAY volleyball tourney in L.A., with JAYS invited from Northern Cal District. This tournament will be complete with trophies!

OTHER ITEMS: Congressman Spark Matsunaga has put together a guide on career opportunities and federal financial aid programs entitled, "After High School . . . Your Career" . . . A publication entitled "How to Pay for Your Health Career Education," has been prepared particularly for minority students by HEW's Health Resources Administration. The booklet reports on nearly \$3 billion in funds annually available to students plus other information of interest regarding financial aid.

This is just the beginning of what we would like to do with this space. Any ideas, comments, and criticisms are welcomed. If you want further information or wish to comment on anything that appeared here, write: Gail Nishikawa, National Youth Director 1730 Rhode Island Ave., N.W., Suite 201 Washington, D.C. 20036 Hope to hear from you!

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