

Tough Job Ahead

Washington — Three weeks ago, I reported that — in follow-up to resolutions of the Midwest and Pacific Southwest District Councils — I had asked for the National Board's approval to appoint an investigative body to inquire into charges and allegations concerning the performance of the national leadership. Although an early and favorable response to my request was expected, the reply from the Board members after some four weeks indicates that a majority of the Board does not approve of an investigation by a separate body.

Accordingly, in the absence of clear authorization to spend money to have the facts and issues in the controversy clarified, I have had to suspend the appointment of the proposed fact-finding commission. The whole matter will now rest with the National Board, which will meet in special session on June 7 in accordance with the MDC resolution and as called by the three members of the Board from the Midwest.

Since many JACLers are undoubtedly concerned and puzzled by the uneasy controversy, it is hoped that the National Board will be able to resolve the matter to the satisfaction of the JACL membership as a whole.

In this regard, the MDC was requested to specify the particular charges it wished to have considered, to assure that the intent of the MDC res-

olution could be met. It has been indicated to me, however, that specific charges were not considered by the district council in the formulation of that resolution.

It is further understood that the PSWDC is calling upon the National Board to consider "charges" against certain officials (Copies of the resolution calling for his action have not been received by the Board as yet). The charges are reportedly contained in a transcript of the proceedings of a district council meeting held on March 9. That is, it appears that the National Board is expected to study what is purportedly to be a verbatim transcript of the tape recordings of some 5 or 6 hours of discussions to elicit the charges to be considered.

Since Executive Director David Ushio and I (as well as President-elect James Murakami and Vice Presidents Helen Kawase and Dr. Izumi Taniguchi) were present at that particular district council meeting and responded — to the best of our ability — to the questions posed by delegates and others present at the meeting in what I understand was supposed to be an "open and frank discussion," it is again not clear what was or is intended by the PSWDC resolution.

If I recall correctly, the delegates at that meeting could not and did not specify any particular charges for consideration.

From JACL Nat'l Headquarters

Communication

Development Committee reports

San Francisco — How much can the JACL Development Committee raise? Nobody knows for sure; not even the committee itself. They do know that raising funds won't be easy. And that was the subject of the first meeting of the committee held here April 4-5.

Identifying sources of funds was the major topic of discussion at the day-long meeting. According to Noboru Nakamura, chairman of the committee, there was general agreement among the members that securing both unrestricted funds — monies which can be used for any purpose — and restricted funds were major concerns for JACL.

"They feel that the state of the national economy and the stark market might make securing funds difficult," Nakamura said. "The critical financial situation in which JACL finds itself makes this a high priority item, nevertheless."

To assist in finding funds for JACL, each member of the committee was assigned the task of establishing a development committee in his or her locale, each committee to be made up of persons who can be most influential in developing contacts in organizations which are potential sources of funds for JACL — organizations such as corporations, foundations and government.

Heritage Project to meet again

San Francisco — In a report on activities since the second meeting of the National JACL Ethnic Heritage Project advisory council April 4-5, project director Patricia Nakano indicated a third meeting of the advisory council is being planned for May 30-31 here to review the draft of its teacher manual before publication.

The basic format of the manual was outlined at the April meeting and the staff has been assembling a rough draft as its main assignment. Specialists in graphics and content were to review the material May 10.

Meetings by certain advisers also continued in recent weeks to share project developments with individuals involved in Asian American studies and curriculum development in Chicago and New York.

Research coordinator Roy Hirabayashi's visit to Seattle (April 7-9) was found to be very useful with Mako Nakagawa arranging the schedule, meeting with various members of the Asian American community and Seattle JACLers.

Bowling tourney entries received

First entries for the 29th annual National JACL Bowling Tournament scheduled from July 25-August 2 at the Golden Gate Lanes in El Cerrillo have been received by Mrs. Yo Ishizawa, entries chairman. It was announced today by Hi Akagi, tournament coordinator. Entry deadline is June 15.

The headquarters hotel for the 1975 tourney will be the Marriott Inn in the Berkeley Marina. Rooms at the Berkeley House Motor Inn and the San Francisco Miyako Hotel have been blocked off also, according to Ken Yamahiro, housing chairman.

Akagi also revealed that Steve Ito, president of the

East Bay Nisei Bowling Assn., has been appointed assistant tournament coordinator.

The awards banquet will be staged at the Marriott Inn with Jerry Irei, Northern California-Western Nevada District Council JACL 1000 Club chairman, in charge. He will be assisted by the 1000 Club chairman of all the East Bay JACL chapters.

A sum of \$1,000 will be added to the Tournament prize fund from proceeds developed through the benefit dinner, prize sales and advertising in the souvenir booklet. It was reported by chairman Tad Hirota of the National 1000 Club, sponsoring body of this year's competition.

JACL HQ. BLDG. DEDICATION GALA SLATED IN JULY

Full Day Program Planned with Evening Banquet

SAN FRANCISCO — With completion of the National JACL Headquarters Building this past week (May 16), plans are now underway to launch a festive dedication event during the month of July.

More about the design of the building will be revealed in a subsequent report. The three-story modernistic building is located on 1765 Sutter in San Francisco Nihonmachi.

Jack Kusaba and Dr. Terry Hayashi will act as co-chairmen in charge of overall planning. Ben Takeshita and Cherry Tsutsumi will assist as co-vice-chairmen.

The dedication theme will be "Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," a phrase that symbolizes the heritage of the Issei, contributions of the Nisei and aspirations of the Sansei.

The celebration will emphasize the national effort that went into the making of the building. According to Kusaba, "This building owes part of itself to every chapter in the United States. We want its dedication to reflect that fact."

The day's event includes a special breakfast, an outdoor dedication ceremony, and a schedule of planned tours for such groups as the Issei chapter presidents, and JAY delegations. The dedication will be culminated that evening at a banquet featuring a significantly distinguished speaker.

Assisting in the planning will be Hotsu Akazawa, Nobu Nakamura, Wes Doi, Harry Tanabe, Steve Doi, and Yo Hironaka.

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JACL wreath due at Unknown Tomb

WASHINGTON — JACL will participate in the annual Memorial Day ceremonies May 26 at Arlington National Cemetery by laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers. National President Shig Sugiyama will present the wreath. It was announced by Ira Shimazaki, Memorial Day committee chairman.

JACL is one of the very few non-military organizations participating in the national ceremonies. The Washington, D.C., JACL memorial services will be held the day prior, May 25, 10 a.m., at the grave of Pfc. Thomas T. Kuge, section 34, at Arlington. Chapter members then assist in placing flowers at each of the Nisei graves.

MURAKAMI TO SPEAK AT SAN BRUNO RITES

SAN FRANCISCO — JACL National President-elect James Murakami of Santa Rosa will be speaker for the annual Memorial Day Service for the Nisei War Dead at Golden Gate National Cemetery in San Bruno May 26, 10 a.m. in Section R of the cemetery.

Sponsoring organizations are the Golden Gate Nisei Memorial Park, VFW; Northern California veterans of the U.S. Military Intelligence Service Language School; and the Japanese American Citizens League: National, Northern California-Western Nevada District Council, and San Francisco Chapter.

FRED TAKATA: 1925-1975

JACL-PC ex-staffer succumbs

LOS ANGELES — Fred T. Takata, 49, manager of Midwest Travel Agency for nearly a decade and with the firm since 1961, died of cancer May 10 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Orange. Final rites were conducted May 15 at Nishi Honwanji with 600 mourners attending.

In 1973, he was appointed executive vice president of his firm.

Takata, a 1000 Club life member with the Downtown L.A. JACL, was instrumental in organizing the so-called "Nisei Fun Tours" for his agency — first to Japan and the Orient, then Europe, to the South Pacific and more recently to Africa.

Prior to joining Mitsui Line in 1961, when it was then known as Taiyo-do, Takata was So. Calif. JACL regional director for four years, succeeding Tats Kishida in June, 1957. The previous year (1956), he had been East Los Angeles JACL president.

Born in Los Angeles, he was attending Poly High when WWII broke. The family relocated to Anaheim WRA Center and moved to Denver where Fred finished at South High. He served in the Army at SHAEF in the European theater, returned to Los An-

Fred Takata, 49

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Bldg. Fund tops \$410,000

SAN FRANCISCO — Over \$400,000 has been contributed to the National JACL Headquarters Building Fund, according to Steve Doi, co-chairman of the National Campaign Committee. The 5,339 donors to the Building Fund have donated a grand total of \$417,949 through April 30.

Seventeen percent of the JACL membership has come out in support of this project, a turnout considered excellent by professional fundraising statisticians, Doi exclaimed.

"I personally think it's fantastic," said Doi. "This is a tremendous accomplishment for the JACL and for all the JACLers. The faith that went into the planning of this building and into the development of the funds required to actually construct and furnish the building is testimony to the positive future to which the JACL can look forward."

Tad Hirota, co-chairman of the National Campaign Committee, agreed and added: "What the books say is 17 percent may be actually 34 percent, perhaps even higher. Most people who are sending in one pledge card are

contributing on behalf of their spouses; some represent their children and parents, too. Several JACL Chapters have made a single pledge on behalf of 25 to over a 100 contributing members.

"We are also extremely grateful to the over 300 donors who are not JACL members, but who have pledged their support of this project and of the future of the JACL," Hirota added.

Strong faith in JACL

"We have reached a high plateau in terms of contributions," said co-chairman Mas Satow. "The high level and caliber of contributions to the Building Fund Campaign is a genuine tribute to the people that make this organization strong. Due to the increased costs of construction, furnishing, maintenance and utilities, however, additional funds will be more than welcome.

"The JACL as an organization had pledged itself to the

construction of the National Headquarters Building almost two years ago, and as I see it, the determination to live up to that pledge has not weakened even in these times of inflation and recession. We have built the organization upon the greatness of its individual members; we can build this national JACL Headquarters on that same greatness, I am certain."

The building fund campaign opened with a kickoff banquet Oct. 28, 1973 with Sen. Daniel Inouye as keynote speaker, who declared, "I think the time has come for the Quiet American to have his own office."

By September, 1974, the amount pledged and contributed to the Fund topped the \$300,000 mark toward a goal of \$375,000 — a goal that escalated because of rising costs of construction due to inflation. At year's end, the fund total reached \$366,700.

FRED I. NAKAGAWA CASE

AMERICAN SCHOOLS IN JAPAN STILL COOL TOWARD AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

YOKOHAMA, Japan — The three-year struggle for a promotion of Fred I. Nakagawa, Nisei teacher with the U.S. Dept. of Defense Dependents Schools in Japan, has ended in his favor after two hearings and investigations. He will be considered for the next available position of assistant principal.

But Nakagawa said last week (May 14) he was not pleased with the overall decision since the agency continued to deny racial discrimination had been involved in his denial of the promotion and would not take affirmative action to eliminate future cases of this kind. An appeal to the U.S. Civil Service Commission appeals review board is being considered, Nakagawa said.

Nakagawa had contended the school management failed to consider his qualifications when he sought promotion to the administrative position in the fall of 1972. A teacher of 13 years at the time, he held a master's degree and 12 additional college credit hours in education. He also received outstanding ratings from his principals.

He also credited the support of the National Education Assn., Washington, D.C.; attorney Raymond Uno of Salt Lake City and other friends who rallied to his support.

Job favoritism

In Washington, Rep. John E. Moss (D-Calif.) of Sacramento made public a U.S. Civil Service Commission report this past week (May 6) showing repeated violations of equal employment opportunity regulations in 1973-74 within a number of federal agencies.

Agencies named included the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, National Science Foundation, Smithsonian Institution, Small Business Administration, Merchant Marine Academy, National Technical Information Service and the Defense Mapping Agency.

Kept secret by the commission, Moss said their reluctance to publicize the findings raised questions about its commitment for equal job rights for the 2.7-million federal employees.

The reports found cronyism, political favoritism and other irregular practices being used to fill employment needs. Commission officials declined to say how many personnel management studies had been prepared in all.

The General Accounting Office, the congressional investigating agency, also charged May 4 that government agencies with being so lax in enforcing anti-discrimination rules in employment practices required by government contractors that it does not even have a list of all the contractors.

The GAO study was an outgrowth of 1973 hearings by

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BCA and Nat'l JACL Youth Programs co-sponsor June 6-7 film showing

SAN FRANCISCO — The National Youth Programs of the Buddhist Churches of America and the JACL will host a showing of six films from the Visual Communications, Inc. of Los Angeles on Friday and Saturday, June 6 and 7.

The June 6 showing will be held at the Oakland Buddhist Church, 825 Jackson St., from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

The June 7 showing will be in the Student Union of CSU-San Jose from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Admission will be \$2 for the general public and \$1 for students with identification. Proceeds go towards defraying the costs of putting on the showing.

In addition to the six films, two individuals from Visual

Kissinger, Leo McCarthy, Juan Marichal, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, Seiji Ozawa, all of whom were not born in America?

'My Lai' mentality

"I'm concerned about the racism and insensitivity injected into this issue," said Ushio. "Not too many months ago, Americans were appalled to learn of the atrocities committed at My Lai. We were horrified to hear Lt. Calley and other officers justify the slaughter of unarmed, innocent women and children by saying, 'Gooks don't value life as Americans do' or 'Gooks don't care about freedom or family'."

"The atrocities of My Lai were opposed to the American sense of fair play, justice, respect and equality shown all people regardless of race, creed or color."

"It is shocking to hear national leaders, who were re-

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Pat Okura speaks on Asian Americans before junior class at West Point

(Special to The Pacific Citizen) WEST POINT, N.Y.—K. Patrick Okura, executive assistant to the Director, National Institute of Mental Health, helped to dispel the notion that Asian Americans are a "model minority" in an address before the junior class here at the U.S. Military Academy.

The past national JACL president was invited April 14 to speak to the Class of 1977 as part of the Cadet Human Relations training program. The audience was composed of 1,015 cadets, faculty, military and civilian members of the garrison.

Contemporary problems faced by the Asian American minority—especially those immigrants who have come within the past five years from Korea, China and the Philippines—are in the areas of employment, housing, social relations, health and mental health services, social services, education and language, Okura declared.

Many are unskilled, but those who are skilled are unable to find employment commensurate with their training and education, Okura noted, especially professionals from the Philippines and Korea.

They live in Asian ghettos, known as Chinatown, Manilatown, Little Tokyo, etc., where newly-arrived immigrants attempt to seek their existence in already overcrowded, unsafe housing.

Language handicap

Language has severely handicapped many of the youngsters who have completed studies commensurate with their age; English is a foreign

JACL Hq moves

As of May 19, National JACL Headquarters is located in its new building at 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115. The telephone number has been changed to (415) 921-2225.

Nisei councilman offers Viel aid

OXNARD, Calif. — City Councilman Tsugio Kato this past week (May 13) announced he has offered to sponsor a Vietnamese refugee family.

His action was motivated after he and Mrs. Kato visited the refugee quarters at Camp Pendleton.

Dr. Kato said it was quite an experience, one which "brought back memories to my wife and me, as we were in a similar situation during the war". Kato spent four years as a youth in Gila River WRA Center.

Kato said he is hoping to sponsor a fellow Lions Club member, his wife and two daughters. He urged others to sponsor displaced Vietnamese.

Shigetaki J. Sugiyama, National JACL President
Alfred Hatate, PC Board Chairman
Harry K. Honda, Editor
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Ye Editor's Desk
A LETTER FROM CARRARA, ITALY

The power of the press is a known factor; but what it means for the good name of the Nisei worldwide became evident again this past week after a brief exchange of letters with an Italian businessman, Dennis Costa of Carrara, who remembers as a lad the arrival of the 442nd RCT 30 years ago to liberate his town.

It was a year ago that the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council organized a pilgrimage to Tule Lake. The media covered it, including the news magazines Time and Newsweek, which also publish international editions.

Costa clipped what he saw in TIME, underlining the passage that "many volunteers from Tule Lake and other camps went into the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, a Japanese American fighting unit that served in Italy and France with extraordinary distinction."

How he thought of writing to the "Japanese American Citizens League, Los Angeles, Calif., USA" is explained in the letter below for the Time article does not mention JACL anywhere.

He had asked us last December for more information about the 442nd RCT — and we obliged, since he intended to write about the Nisei soldiers in the local press last month on the 30th anniversary of their arrival in Carrara. We sent him reprints from the Congressional Record, paying tribute to the Nisei in uniform and a photo-copy selection of clippings in our files. We also encouraged him to write to the 442nd Club, 933 Willow St., Honolulu 96814, for photographs, since we were not able to spare any. Then we asked, in closing, how he came to ask.

We are very glad he provided background in reply as we let his letter explain why he asked the JACL for information about the 442nd.

"I was only 15 years old when I saw those soldiers. It was a long time we awaited the Allies as that would have meant for us the end of the war. The last (waiting) months with the front line had been very bad. When at last the first American soldiers arrived, it was a surprise to see them with eastern faces.

"I've always had a pleasant recollection of them since they were the symbol of the beginning of a new life. They were nice with us civilians and I heard they were extraordinarily brave in combat. But it had all the time been a mystery who actually they were.

"Carrara people have always talked about them as if they were Filipinos and even in some books (in Italy) they are called Filipinos. However, I never managed to read anything from American sources to make that sure.

"In the years after the war, many American movies came here featuring U.S. troops but I never saw again the 'Filipino' (I wonder if the film, 'Go for Broke', was ever distributed in Italy—Ed.).

"In my trips to the USA — I am in the marble business — I made inquiries to some friends but was told that it was very unlikely there were Filipino units in Italy. So the mystery remained.

"Only last year from a story in TIME, of which I enclose the page (with the Tule Lake camp pilgrimage report), I've learned that a Japanese American unit served in Italy and thought that very probably it was the one that for 30 years I unsuccessfully tried to know all about. After that I made a research through the Encyclopedia Britannica Service, which removed all doubts. In the same was mentioned the Japanese American Citizens League, which I thought might be the right office to ask further information.

Costa intends to correspond with the 442 Club in Honolulu in hopes of writing with someone who helped liberate Carrara. That shouldn't be

25 Years Ago
In the PC, May 20, 1950

May 3—Isaho Falls JACL hosts its 12th annual ABC city tournament; action proceeds removal of race ban.
May 10—Tokyo slider statesman Yukio Ozaki, 91, resigns.
May 15—JACL joins NAACP, ACLU and American Jewish Congress brief upholding Ben Fujii case outlawing Civil alien land lease state appellate court.
May 16—Nisei Week reactivated under L.A. JACL Coordinating Council sponsorship.
May 17—Wally Yamaguchi leads Salt Lake City team with 341 batting average in Pioneer League (PCL) game.
May 20—Chicago JACL urges Congress to extend 1949 rent controls.



Memorial Day—1975

Hikari
Gail Nishioka
TRIBULATIONS OF YOUTH

San Francisco Youth seems to be a sub-culture most individuals in our organization say they support or say they are concerned about. Yet there is the feeling among many of our young people that the JACL does not really make any positive efforts to support them other than to say they support them and their activities.

On Saturday, May 10, a meeting was held in Sacramento to discuss the reasons for the disbanding of the Sacramento JAYS. Supposedly, the meeting was to have consisted of JAYS and JACLers who had voiced their concern over the folding of the youth group. Lack of communication among other reasons lead to a poor showing of JACLers, and as it turned out, only one JACLer was present, the Chapter President.

Many reasons are given for the folding of JAYS chapters, some specific to certain areas and some very universal are heard. Age is a factor to consider: since our youth group normally consists of individuals between the ages of 14 to 22, it is not surprising to find difficulties in planning activities which are mutually enjoyable to all of the young people involved. Also, it

Headquarters—
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The Victorian-style wooden structure which was razed June 18 for the Headquarters Building was, at one time, a school for Japanese Americans for a brief period when the San Francisco Board of Education excluded them from public schools in 1906.

Debris was cleared and on July 13, formal groundbreaking ceremonies were held. Present were JACLers who were instrumental in the founding of National JACL in 1929.

Dr. Kazuo Togaaki, Dr. Terry Hayashi, Susumu Togaaki, Yasuo Abiko, Dr. Carl Hirota and Dr. Henry Takahashi.

Foundations were poured in late July and actual construction underway by Labor Day. By mid-January, the roof was completed and interior work accelerated. Final touches were being applied in April as the staff began its plan for the move during the past week.

So, I have heard many young people say that they would just like to see more JACLers attend their functions. For example, at the quarterlies where young people work very hard to organize and put on informative workshops, few if any JACLers attend to hear and learn about those things which young people are currently interested in.

There will be a Tri-District Conference from August 13-17 in Fresno; how many JACLers from the three districts involved will make the effort to join with the young people even for a couple of activities?

Our young people are very keen on the idea of sharing their thoughts and concerns and hearing what others have to say and feel about certain issues — how can that happen unless JACLers truly get out to support them? Please join with us.

- Sadao Oka, Sal
Mitsuo Okamoto, Por
Michiko Okamura, Seg
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FOR THE FUTURE
Portland
Monopolizing the media today is a situation that we as Asian Americans must begin to deal with, the Vietnamese refugee.

To many individuals an attitude of indifference clogs the mind, and smother basic humanitarian feelings towards these people. To others set out to do the humanitarian thing, tunnel vision develops and basic cultural characteristics and needs of these people are forgotten.

Can we, as fellow Asians, help facilitate a better awareness and understanding of the problems these people have? Yes, we can and must, not as a humanitarian gesture, but because we are fellow Asians. The philosophical questions which are troubling other Americans during this situation are not and cannot, exist in Asian-Americans but in the situation itself.

To initiate an awareness of what needs to happen within our organization concerning this situation, we must view our commitment in short and long range objectives.

The short range objective is to establish a task force in your communities to meet with these people and identify immediate needs and problems. From identification of needs and problems an open campaign to meet these concerns should be developed.

CHIAROSCURO
son, Gail and the rest, I knew it was going to be an interesting evening. I certainly was not disappointed.

Tom Hibino
Issho-Ni

EAST-WEST YOUTH EXCHANGE
Chicago
One of the people I met at the recent National Staff meeting was Chie Yokota, the lone staff person in the Central California Regional Office.

Meeting her gave me the opportunity to pursue one of my pet projects, a youth exchange program for Midwest and California Sansei. The way I envision it, students from this area could spend all or part of a summer in California while those from out there could come east.

My interest in such a program stems from the days of my own youth when I often heard my parents talk about life in California during the pre-war days. It all sounded so exciting, although I'm sure it was difficult to be Japanese on the West Coast at that time.

Edison's comments critical of JACL seemed to be so enthusiastically received. Should any reparations movements try to disassociate itself with JACL, and concentrate on getting the rest of the community involved?

How many are there really willing to pay the price in terms of time, money, taking "praisable" "blacklash," or whatever, to really see this matter to the end? Am I?

In the past two weeks I've talked to many who support the idea of reparations. They represent a wide range of the political spectrum. Surely justice knows no particular ideology or political persuasion.

Perhaps the conviction we have a just cause before us can keep us moving forward together. What this can do for the JA community may be as important as the goal itself.

"Chiaroscuro" is a heading reserved for and identifying contributions from JACL Chapter presidents. The observations and problems viewed from their vantage point are selected from newsletters, memos or letters.

Takala-
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stint' as regional director and later served on the PC Board. He credited the writing of his PC column, "Pointing Southward", for the "ease" in travel reports penned for the Ratu Shimpu later.

Surviving as well as Julie, a Michael, D. Lisa, Sharon, Melanie, p. Masaru and Hisako, Richard and sis Mrs. Dorothy Lord.

Job bias-
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then Rep. Martha Griffiths (D-Mich.) on the economic problems of women. The Labor Dept. requires each contractor with 50 or more employees and a contract above \$50,000 to prepare an affirmative action plan "to achieve prompt and full utilization of minorities and women at all levels and in all segments of the work force where deficiencies exist", the GAO said. For enforcement, the department can cancel the contract.

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Denver, Colo. At 3, one is no longer a mewling infant nor yet a child capable of reason. At 3 one is developing a mind of his own, pressed by needs and desires but unable to articulate them and unable to the physical skills to accommodate all that welling nervous energy. And so life is full of frustrations and misunderstandings and inevitably a 3-year-old must explode in sudden outbursts of temper and petulance. Three is indeed a difficult age.

These are thoughts that come to mind this evening now that Matthew William Harveson, age 3, has gone back home to California with his father, mother and baby brother Jon. Matt is grandchild No. 4. He and his family spent a brief vacation with us, and as is inevitable with little people his age, the long periods of fun were punctuated by less happy moments.

Perhaps some of that was the fault of his grandparents. Matt unfortunately must have felt shortchanged in the amount of attention he was getting because his brother Jon at age eight months is a chubby butterball of good humor, uncomplicated so long as he gets his rations on time and blessed with a fetching grin. It is hard for a 3-year-old to compete against someone like that.

And yet in his small-child way Matt taught us a lesson. If his moments of unhappiness were loud and violent, they were also of short duration. He is not one to bear grudges, the way we adults are inclined to do, or to seek vengeance

Aloha from Hawaii

By RICHARD GIMA

Honolulu A new interisland ferry ship, the *Boeing Jetfoil*, began testing in Hawaiian waters this past week (it came from Seattle May 11) with actual service starting June 11, announced officials of Pacific Sea Transportation and Matson Navigation Co. Surface transportation between the islands is being revived after an absence of more than a quarter century.

Cocaine worth at least \$10-million was seized May 6 by customs at the Honolulu airport. Arrested was a Fountain Valley, Calif., medical receptionist Dionisia Ferrer, 24, who had arrived from Tahiti. It was believed to be the island's biggest haul.

Total number of unemployed went up another 3,000 in March to 27,800, the State Labor Dept. reported. Number of employed is 335,400. . . . Hawaii and Florida appear to lead in the national \$1-billion race for a site to build an ocean-based nuclear power plant, says the Advertiser. Congress last year set aside \$20 billion to be spent over a 10-year period on research and development for alternate nuclear energy.

Names in the News

Selected third-place winner in the Junior Miss contest held May 8 at Mobile, Ala., was Cortis Jean Chang, 17, daughter of the Mun Bo Chang of Kaimuki, attending Sacred Heart Academy. She earned \$3,000 in scholarships. . . . The Rev. Abraham Akaka, pastor of Kawaiahoku Church, delivered the 25th anniversary sermon at the Church of the Shimes, Van Nuys, Calif., and made honorary pastor there. Defense began his case May 5 in the federal income tax evasion trial of reputed underworld leader Wilford Pala. . . . Prosecution witnesses said his money came in the form of protection payments from gambling operations. Pala was found guilty and jury he had lived all his life off his wife's earnings as a drug store clerk and theater cashier. The government charges he made more than \$500,000 during 1969-70-71 and failed to pay the taxes on more than \$248,800.

Sports Scene

UH athletic director Paul Durham, 61, resigned for personal reasons. He had been head football coach and athletic director at Linfield College, Ore., before assuming the UH post in 1969. . . . Advised in 1973 by his physician to retire after suffering a heart attack, Donald Mahi returns as head football coach this fall at Castle High School.

Neighbor Island

Hilo's General Lyman Field, which began to service direct mainland flights in 1967, may soon be open to foreign passenger flights as the state legislature has appropriated \$2.7-million to construct a separate customs facility. . . . Big Island retired legislator Joseph Garella suffered a heart attack in April and is now recuperating at home. . . . Ex-Sen. Eureka Forbes is seriously ill in Leahi Hospital.

Business Ticker

Matsumoto Fukuoka and Newben Zane have been elected to the board of Liberty Bank of Honolulu. . . . John Bentley, president of First Hawaiian Bank, and attorney Robert Oshiro have been elected to the board of Hawaiian Telephone Co. . . . Michael Matsumoto has been promoted to secretary and a director of Shikoku, Shimbushu, consulting structural engineers.

Deaths

Amy Richardson, 54, wife of Chief Justice William Richardson, died May 1 following a long illness.

Join the JACL

VOTER REGISTRATION BY MAIL BILL SEEN AS COSTLY NEW BUREAUCRACY

WASHINGTON — Need for greater voter participation at all levels in U.S. elections was stressed by Sen. Hiram L. Fong (R-Hawaii) this past week (May 7) but said federal voter registration by mail is not the way to accomplish this goal.

In an opening statement on the National Voter Mail Registration Bill (S. 1177) heard before the Senate Post Office & Civil Service Committee, of which Fong is the ranking Republican member, he said the proposed bill would encourage greater fraud, create a new bureaucracy costing taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars and, in many states, would mean dual registration — one by the Federal government and one or more state and local governments.

Fong also noted that both Hawaii Gov. George Ariyoshi, who as former lieutenant governor was in charge of voter registration, and present Gov. Nelson K. Doi, now in charge, are in record currently opposed to the measure, which has been a subject of debate since 1971.

Fong said Ariyoshi and Doi were concerned because of the prospect of "mass confusion" among voters and "multiplying the opportunities for committing fraud" among other reasons. In Lt. Gov. Doi's words, "I feel that there are better alternatives (than S. 1177) and many more prudent ways to commit the millions of taxpayers' monies."

Fong outlined what he regarded as defects to the proposal and hoped the hearings would elicit sound, grass-roots ideas for improving voter registration and participation. "We need to encourage more response from people around the country who are actually responsible for the conduct of registration efforts and elections," Fong declared.

Record elsewhere

In stating his opposition, Fong noted that proponents claimed voter registration by mail would substantially increase participation but:

1.—In Texas, which has voter registration by newspaper coupons, only 20.5% of the voting age population voted in 1974 — the lowest turnout in the Nation.

2.—In North Dakota, which has no voter registration, only 56.2% of the eligible voters voted.

3.—In Maryland and New Jersey, which have mail registration systems, the expected sharp increase did not occur. Instead, the number of registered voters in New Jersey, as of November 1974, was 39,000 fewer than for the 1973 gubernatorial election. And in

Okura —

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to mental hospitals have not fared well because of the language barrier and insensitivity of staff, he added. Other elderly have been forced to live in one-room units, paying rents beyond their means. And the Filipino elderly who worked as a seasonal migrant labor have little or no retirement benefits of any kind.

Okura referred to a California study that indicated the median income of all Chinese families with about four persons to be around \$3,900 per year—below the government poverty guideline of \$4,000. For the Filipino family it was about \$3,000 per year.

First visit

A rare experience for Okura who has addressed countless groups around the country and this being his first visit at the academy, he made like the tourist by arriving a day early.

He was also treated to stand in review with West Point officers to witness 4,000 cadets assemble and march into Washington Hall, the cadet mess, for dinner.

Maryland, there were 77,000 fewer in November, 1974, than the number registered for 1972, the most recent election year.

"Easier registration is not the answer to low voter turnout," Fong asserted. "Why spend \$100 million — probably more — for a program that will not do the job intended?"

While voter registration has been eased considerably with residency requirements reduced, literacy tests and poll tax struck down and more depopulated regions, Fong contended mail registration would encourage voter fraud. Most states require face-to-face meeting between the registrar and voter, who can offer identification — not a fictitious name sent in by mail which, particularly in populous areas, will not be checked before election day.

Proponents of the bill also claim procedures would be simplified but, Fong continued, it would instead open up the real possibility of a dual registration system at additional cost to taxpayers and confusion.

'Birthday present'

Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.) told the committee voter registration by mail would, in effect, "enfranchise millions of Americans who are currently deprived because it's difficult for them to register in person." The American people can give themselves a "glorious birthday present" by setting a new modern-day record in voter turnout in the 1976 Bicentennial elections.

Cranston said enabling eligible voters to register by mail would establish a new way to "insure the universal suffrage of the American people."

He pointed out California had 9.9 million voters last November, compared with only 6.4 million today.

The Census Bureau earlier this year noted almost 80% of Americans 18-20 years old stayed away from the polls in the 1974 midterm elections. Overall, only 45% of a record 141 million eligible voters reported in the last Nov. 5 election nationally, some estimating many were not interested or disliked politics in the post-Watergate era.

Lowest turnout historically was 32.5% in 1942 when millions were away at war.

Computerize statewide

California Secretary of State March Fong Eu, who is for voter registration by mail, recently told a YMCA model legislature that the current system permits fraudulent voting because "you can register in two or more counties right now without risk of being caught?" To prevent that, she will urge the state legislature to computerize voter registration files.

Major municipal, county and state organizations involved in voter registration, according to Sen. Fong, are in record against federal voter registration by mail. Putting into the record were resolutions from:

Executive Committee of the Nat'l Assn. of Secretaries of State; Nat'l Assn. of County Records and Clerks; International Assn. of Clerks, Records, Election Officials and Treasurers; and the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

NISEI RELAYS SITE CHANGED TO HARBOR

WILMINGTON, Calif. — The 1975 PSWDC Nisei Relays will be held June 1 at Harbor Jr. College, 1111 Figueroa Pl., Wilmington.

The switch from El Camino College was due to circumstances beyond the control of the host chapters, Gardena Valley and East Los Angeles, Relays official Tak Kawagoe explained.

Harbor College is adjacent to the Harbor Freeway north of the Anaheim St. off-ramp.

Chapter Pulse

Installation

Some 100 members and friends attended the San Jose JACL installation dinner at Sakura Gardens April 20. Mike Honda, chapter president and one of the five California Outstanding Young Men of the Year, continues for a second term.

Jerry Frenck, director of the Calif. Dept. of Corrections, was the main speaker who covered many topics on prison reform, but stressing the fact that prisons are institutions for punishment while adding that much good has been done by inmates by their high school or college degrees as well as acquire technical skills. The positive features, he noted, are of course undersold because the prime purpose of the Department is not to recruit.

Discussions about group therapy, visitation rights and homosexuality also spiced the question and answer period. The normal installation ceremonies were dispensed with, according to emcee Jim Ono, "to allow more time for our guest speaker, the audience to dip their fingers in the glasses and initiate the officers."

May Events

Graduating seniors, 36 in all, were honored by the Snake River Valley JACL at its May 17 graduates dinner at Eastside Cafe, Ontario, Ore., according to chairman Michael Maeda of the dinner committee.

Gail Niehicka, National JACL youth director, and IDC G-v. George Kimura of Salt Lake City were guests speakers. Gary Kamo was toastmaster. Dancing followed to the music of the Newport Trio. On the banquet committee were:

Mrs. Frances Nishimura, Mrs. Toshiko Okura, Mas Atagi, Mrs. Mitau Ogami, Yas Teramura, George Saito and George Matsuo.

June Events

Sacramento JACL again coordinates the Japanese community picnic at spacious E.K. Grove Park on Sunday, June 1, from 11 a.m. Participating community groups are assisting chairman Winston Ashizawa to assure a full day's program for enjoyment of the young and old.

April Events

The second annual Japanese American art-cultural festival sponsored by S. Jose JACL April 3-5 at Mayfield Mall was declared a "smashing success" by the crowd, merchants and officials.

Mrs. Marjorie Iseke and

David Takamoto, who co-chaired the fair, credited the success to contributing artists, demonstrators, performers and the JACL art committee members.

Ruth Tsuboi displayed sterling silver jewelry. Keiko Mizuhara made Japanese paper dolls; Lori Kono, her older sister and parents demonstrated Bunka, a form of embroidery; Lee and Kiyu Yano displayed their ceramics and porcelain; Sunny Hara, macramé; May Watanabe, paper flowers; and Laura Oku, puppets.

Other participants included catenist Jack Matsuoka, sumi-e artist Hiroshi Sakai and pitter Monte Kawahara; the Taiko Drummers and kendosists with genuine swords.

March Events

New theories on the origin of the Japanese people, language and culture were presented by Dr. Iwao Ishino at the Washington, D.C. JACL general meeting Mar. 22 at A-lyle Recreation Center, Silver Spring, according to Alvin E. Wataha, program chairman.

Dr. Ishino printed out that the people, language and culture had developed independently and described where and how these probably originated.

More than 90 people attended the evening lecture. Dr. Ishino is chairman of the anthropology department at Michigan State, currently on leave and with the National Science Foundation as director of anthropology division.

Vietnamese —

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pulsed by Calley's words, now saying that we should not admit the Vietnamese refugees, that we should send them back," said Ushio. "It would be a sad commentary on American principles if we were now going to resort to a 'My Lai mentality' to judge poor, homeless refugees, most of whom are children."

"This nation is founded on a basic principle of justice and the strength of America is in the rich diversity of her people who bring their unique cultures, heritage, food, history, talents, and hopes to this land. May we continue in this tradition by welcoming the Vietnamese," concluded Ushio.

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Arrival Package	Transfer to hotel, overnight in Tokyo	\$ 23.90	\$12.15
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** All prices based on 30 or more members traveling together (in the case of Sansei Study Tour, 25). Air passage Osaka/Okinawa not included in 7-Day Expo price. Included in all tours: hotel accommodations; but, rail, steamer transportation, English-speaking guide and escort. All fares may be subject to change.

July Events

San Mateo JACL will honor its senior citizens at a Keiro Kai dinner on Saturday, July 12, 5:30 p.m. at the Buddhist Church. Affair is being jointly sponsored by the JACL, Buddhist Church, San Mateo Gardeners Assn. and Sturge Presbyterian Church.

Those who become 80 this year will receive a city plaque. Those over age 65 will be dinner guests of the sponsoring groups. Those planning to attend should by June 30 call:

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A FAREWELL TO FRED

Los Angeles sense of obligation of having to be there. For all his sterling Eagle Scout qualities, Fred never struck me as being rather than-thou or goody-goody. He enjoyed the human condition with all its frailties, too much. I remember him on the 1971 Spring Nisei Fun Tour, to which he invited me along gratis as long as I wrote a column a day on the trip through some of the most beautiful scenery in Japan, when he and some sports engaged the services of a naked dancer after dinner at Shirahama and let some of us more lascivious females stay and enjoy the spectacle. I remember Fred howling as the dancer, with nothing more than a filmy kimono between her and a good chance to catch cold, approached our tour comedian Muzzy Morita, who thereupon turned brick red and beat a hasty retreat. The dancer laughed and went after Fred, who also turned brick red and beat a hasty retreat. If I recall correctly, she also had a couple of live snakes in her act, and Fred claimed he never could stand snakes.

We shall miss his cheerful, round smile along the streets of Little Tokyo, as we already have during the past two months that he fought his battle against cancer. Life is unfair, and tonight I will not stomach any empty words of consolation on his behalf. I rage against his death.

Mrs. Kunitzugu was appointed executive secretary of the Japanese Cultural and Community Center, Inc., succeeding Mrs. Aiko Sharpin who resigned April 30 to return to her teaching post. Mrs. Kunitzugu had been serving as a volunteer publicist.

I remember commenting on the quality of the friendships that Fred fostered, the comment contained in a column I wrote upon Fred's retirement as JACL regional director some ten or so years ago. Everyone there at the testimonial dinner which overflew the third floor facilities of Kawafuku was there because they genuinely wanted to be there—not from any

BOOK REVIEW: Susan Sunada 'Americans from Japan' reissued

The late Bradford Smith wrote in his AMERICANS FROM JAPAN (Lippincott, 1948), "The Nisei have two cultures, a heritage from Japanese and a heritage from America." While he passed away in 1964, the words he wrote in 1947 about Americans of Japanese Ancestry (AJAs), as Mr. Smith calls us throughout his story) remain immortal.

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Playwright search

SAN FRANCISCO — Asian American Theater Workshop, of 144 Central Ave., San Francisco 94117, is offering a \$150 prize for original one-act plays exploring the Asian American experience. Entries must be received by Aug. 30.

CALENDAR

May 23-25 Cleveland-JAY camp out.
May 25 (Sunday) Washington, D.C.—JACL Memorial Day rites, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Arlington National Cemetery, 10 a.m.
May 26 (Monday) San Francisco—JACL YFW, 10 a.m. memorial service, Section 19, Golden Gate State Cemetery, 10 a.m.; James Murakami, speaker. Washington, D.C.—JACL wreath at Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington.
May 26 (Friday) Contra Costa—Family volleyball, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Alameda Jr. HS, 7-10 p.m.
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Eunice Sato wins Long Beach post

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Six Long Beach city council members, including Mrs. Eunice N. Sato, were returned to office last week (May 13) in the city-wide election.

Mrs. Sato polled 29,435 votes while her opponent Ronald Morgan garnered 9,436. She was previously elected by voters in her own 7th district in a special election to fill a vacancy three months ago.

Rep. Mineta opposes Hathaway nomination

WASHINGTON — Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) opposed the nomination of former Wyoming Gov. Stanley K. Hathaway as Secretary of Interior in a letter May 9 to Sen. Henry Jackson, chairman of the Senate Interior Committee.

His record as governor indicates as being "a vigorous proponent of uncontrolled industrial development" in the Grand Teton National Park and leasing of state land for strip mining, opposition to federal assistance to land-use planning and endorsement of clearcutting entire forests does not lend itself to the concerns which should be paramount to the Secretary of Interior, Mineta pointed out.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Nikkei applicants are being sought by Los Angeles (485-4423), the mayor's volunteer corps to city government, to conduct tours for school children and other visitors at city hall.

"Country Fair" is the theme for the Dames fund-raiser for the Japanese Retirement Home (renamed from Home for the Aged) to be held June 7, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Home grounds, 3rd and Boyle Ave. Other groups will have food and game booths while local artisans will sell their goods.

Tamiko Hirano will be coordinator for JACS this summer to organize and coordinate affirmative action activities in the construction field through the Affirmative Action Task Force (628-8590). Men and women interested in entering the construction trades should apply for openings now, especially those experienced but carrying no labor union card.

The Assemblyman Bannal will have his installation dinner May 22, 7:30 p.m. at Alondra Club in Lawndale. Bill Gerber is the new chairman.

Friends of Assemblyman Paul Bannal will honor the Gardena Valley Republican at a \$50-a-plate dinner-dance June 8, 6 p.m. at the Americana Hotel, Culver City. For reservations, call Sue Okabe (321-0785).

California Oriental Peace Officers (COPPO) initiated its annual scholarship fund-raising campaign with Assemblyman Paul Bannal as co-chairman.

San Diego

San Diego County Human Relations Commission (299-2840) is setting up the region's first Affirmative Action Clearinghouse to assist employers and county residents, according to executive director James S. Fukumoto.

A 20-ton rubber tree (Ficus decora) was placed in the Central Federal Tower plaza now under construction in downtown San Diego. Wimmer, Yamada, Iwanaga & Associates, landscape architects for the project, also had a coral tree transplanted in the courtyard.

Sacramento

The Sumitomo Bank of California was robbed of about \$1,000 May 9 about 2:30 p.m. when a lone suspect handed a note to teller Linda Welch, demanding all small bills in her till, exiting quietly by a rear door that no one in the bank was aware.

New York

The Social Security office will have a multi-lingual branch in downtown Manhattan at 107-109 Lafayette St., around June 1, according to the Japanese American Help for the Aging. Japanese language material is being prepared and efforts to secure a Japanese-speaking claim representative are underway.

For the Record

In the PC last week, it was reported nearly 45,000 black elected officials in the U.S., when it should read "nearly 3,000" in the story on the Voting Rights Act extension to also protect Asian Americans.

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The Fred Takata family, his parents Masaru and Hisako, brother Richard and sister Dorothy Lord sincerely thank friends and relatives for their kind expressions of sympathy. Fred Takata, who was born in Los Angeles, a veteran of WW2 and manager of Mitsubishi Travel Agency, passed away May 10, 4 a.m., following a prolonged illness at St. Joseph Hospital in Orange County. Funeral services were held May 15 at Nishi Hongwanji under direction of Fukui Mortuary.

PC's People

Education

Director Peter H. Lee of East Asian studies at the Univ. of Hawaii was among 308 outstanding scholars, scientists and artists to receive a Guggenheim Fellowship last month. He plans to write about the rhetorical structure of East Asian (Japan, China, Korea) poetry and compare it with forms of Western poetry. Some comparison of concepts in East-West prose has been noted in his recent book, "Songs of Flying Dragons" (Harvard).

Susan Oyama, daughter of the George C. Oyamas of Tokyo, was reappointed assistant professor of psychology for the coming year at John Jay College of Criminal Justice at the City University of New York. She recently received her doctorate from Harvard and taught at Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville.

U.S. Bicentennial

Japanese American Day has been proposed by the Bent County (Colo.) Bicentennial Committee as part of its 1976 Grand Teton National Park and leasing of state land for strip mining, opposition to federal assistance to land-use planning and endorsement of clearcutting entire forests does not lend itself to the concerns which should be paramount to the Secretary of Interior, Mineta pointed out.

Organizations

Monterey Peninsula JACL—John Y. Goto was elected president of the Monterey Rotary Club, assuming office June 26. He is self-employed but had been chief lab technician at Monterey Hospital for 21 years. Rotary presidential election process consists of placing a name in nomination for three successive weeks. If there is no opposition, the nominee becomes president (a form of consensus decision-making that prevails in Asian cultures).

Asian American Voluntary Action Center at Los Angeles elected Hoover Ng and Ms. Tacy Lee co-chairmen. Mrs. Betty Komasa, director, and board member Mrs. Joanne Kumamoto completed a four-day conference at Boulder, Colo., sponsored by the National Information Center on Volunteerism.

San Jose JACL president Mike Honda was among five honored May 2 at the California Jaycee state convention at Palm Springs for a distinguished service award. He is with the Stanford Center of Research and Development in Teaching.

Churches

Takeshi Saito, graduate of Emory University who served as a hospital chaplain in Atlanta, was hired as community developer by the Central Valley Japanese Christian Community of Fresno to assist non-English speaking Nikkei with their problems, irrespective of religious faith. Elder Issel, wives of servicemen at the military bases, students from Japan attending

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area colleges may reach him at 4545 E. Shields Ave. (252-1374). Rev. Perry Saito was appointed minister of Wauwatosa (Wis.) Methodist Church, one of the largest congregations in the Milwaukee suburb area. Perry holds from Medford, Ore. His wife, Fumi, is formerly from Sacramento.

Government

Florence Orbi Kong of Los Angeles, deputy appointment secretary to Gov. Edmund Brown Jr., visited Supervisor Kenneth Hahn to discuss the Governor's farm labor legislation (SB 813 by Sen. Dunlap and AB 1533 by Asst. Berman). The supervisor's endorsement by a 3-1 vote the bill which provides for secret ballot election, creates an agricultural labor relations board and restricts secondary boycotts... Milwaukee JACLER Ed Hida, vice-president of DePaul Rehabilitation Hospital, was named to the special advisory committee to the Milwaukee County Board of Public Welfare dealing with mental health, mental retardation and alcoholism.

Japanese garden at Nimitz Center

FRIDRICKSBURG, Tex. — Retired Japanese Admiral Nobuo Fukuchi, 71, dedicated a peace lantern at the Admiral Nimitz Center here April 26, marking the first step toward a Japanese Garden of Peace being designed by Japanese architects.

The late Admiral Nimitz, who commanded the Pacific Fleet during World War II, was a young officer fresh out of Annapolis when he became a warm friend of Japanese Admiral Heihachiro Togo, organizing a fund-raising campaign later to restore the Mikasa Togo's flagship during the historic battle of Tsushima Straits in 1905.

Earlier in the week, Fukuchi met with Mrs. Nimitz at her Berkeley, Calif., home and extremely pleased at the interest Japan was showing in her famed husband.

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NISEI RELAYS OR BUST

Los Angeles There are several things that a person reaching the age of 50 must remember. One of them is that he can't act like he's a 20-year-old.

I learned this fact, rather painfully, the other night at Gardena High School. For the past four weeks I have been trying to work myself back into shape for the "senior's 100-yard dash" slated for the Nisei Relays (June 1).

After letting one's body go to pot for 30 years, a four-week conditioning period causes more aches and pains than conditioning.

However, whether I run in the special race or not I can say that I have lost 12 pounds and that certainly can't hurt. At any rate the other night my son challenged me to a race at 100 yards. He gave me a 25 yard handicap.

Forgetting that I should act my age I accepted.

At the word "go," I flew (or was it staggered) out of the starting position and zipped (or was it stumbled) down the straight-away.

About 30 yards down the track the muscle in my right leg protested violently and I pulled up lame. If I was a car it would be called a

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"blow-out." If I was a race-horse they would take me out and shoot me.

After I managed to sit down on the grass on the football field I felt more foolish than I felt the pain. If I was 20, I would probably get over my aches in a day or two but at 50 I can see that the misery lingers.

As they say around the race track, I may be an early "scratch" from the race if I can't work the kinks out of my muscle.

Too bad they don't have a "finger" race. That's the only

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