

Emperor's visit to U.S.

On the eve of the arrival of the Emperor and Empress of Japan to the United States, the JACL issued the following statement in this press. It was signed by David Ushio, national executive director.

San Francisco
The National Japanese American Citizens League joins with millions of Americans throughout the country in welcoming the Emperor and Empress of Japan to the United States. American citizens of Japanese ancestry recognize the historical significance of this visit and applaud this event as positive evidence of the mutual desire for continuing friendly relations between the U.S. and Japan.

Today the economic and political alliance between Japan and the United States remains strong and healthy and is essential to world stability and peace. To strengthen this positive alliance requires a continuing effort and dialogue between the people of Japan and America to understand each other as fellow human beings and to appreciate the unique cultures of both nations.

When our American dignitaries visit abroad, we as Americans expect friendly and cordial receptions by the people around the world. Now, as the Emperor of Japan visits our country, it is only appropriate that the American people extend the same courtesy and respect.

The importance of maintaining harmonious relations between the U.S. and Japan is of prime concern to the Japanese American Citizens League. Historically in times of political and economic

tension between the U.S. and Japan, Japanese Americans have been the victims in this country of misdirected animosities toward policies of Japan. The most notable example occurred during World War II when 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were imprisoned without due process as a consequence of the Pacific war with Japan.

Currently some economic trade and conservation issues involving Japanese policies are causing similar problems for Japanese Americans. In recent years, for example, Japanese Americans have become the innocent targets of certain special interest groups resulting in protests and confrontations. In many instances these campaigns have racist overtones which are misdirected toward American citizens who happen to be of Japanese ancestry. The fate of Japanese Americans is inextricably tied to the relations between Japan—the country of their ancestry—and the United States—the country of their citizenship and their home.

JACL regards this long overdue visit of the Emperor to the U.S. to be living proof of the strong and friendly ties between the two nations. JACL urges Americans to utilize this opportunity to learn firsthand about the people of one of America's most important allies.

JACL extends a warm welcome to Emperor Hirohito on this historic occasion and calls upon all people both in the United States and Japan to renew their commitments to build bridges of positive understanding and goodwill between Japan and the United States.

GEORGE KOBAYASHI: Gardena Valley JACLer Treasurer keeps eye on budget

GARDENA, Calif.—City Treasurer George Kobayashi sums up his responsibility by explaining: Keeping an eye on the city's \$9.5 million budget is much like keeping an eye on the finances of any business.

While his name graces the city's official stationery along with city councilmen, city clerk, city attorney and administrative officer, the treasurer's position is only part-time, which gives Kobayashi more time to do what he has been doing for past 25 years, running Kobayashi's Furniture and Appliance Store and fixing television sets.

The Kobayashi story by Mike Runzler appeared as part of the Gardena Valley

News series presenting a closer look at the people who run the city.

The Gardena-born Nisei admitted not taking any business or finance courses in school because "business is all common sense." What does take schooling, he adds, is bookkeeping.

Bulk of the city treasurer's work is being handled by deputy city treasurer Alice Tsukahara. Kobayashi was appointed to the post 14 months ago when the previous city treasurer passed away after holding the position for 12 years. Kobayashi's term expires in 1978 and he expressed a willingness to run for the elective post. "I

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Campaign hinges on support

By HARRY HONDA

Anaheim, Calif.
People working for evacuation reparations realize the legislative campaign is tough. Delegates attending the recent JACL California Tri-District Conference here last month now know how tough as they heard from panelists presented by the Pacific Southwest District Council.

Kaz Oshiki, chairman of the JACL national committee on political education, from Washington, D.C. reviewed the presentations with a critical eye as the PSWDC moderator Paul Tsunehashi had requested.

The administrative assistant for Western Congressman Robert Kastenmeier prefaced his critique by flatly stating he was "absolutely for reparations" as one who experienced the hardship and humiliations of the 1942 Evacuation.

Then a teenager of 17, just out of Leuzinger High in the Gardena Valley, "all those things which you learn to believe so well and so strongly about our democratic way of life, about all of us being equal, about a man being innocent until he is proven guilty, were suddenly shot to hell," Oshiki began. These were thoughts that struck him hard as he sat with his family in Santa Anita—the temporary home which earlier had been occupied by racing horses.

In spite of his personal feelings and the rightness of evacuation reparations, Oshiki reminded himself he is daily engaged in the full-time business of politics and the legislative branch of the national government.

Oshiki said those working for reparations must accept the reality of the national economy today, which is "not very good," and the reluctance on the part of the White House to recommend any program that might cost any more money.

Furthermore, Congress has also been reluctant to appropriate money for new programs that "they think aren't worthwhile," Oshiki added.

Realities of the 1970s

And generally speaking, most Americans view Japanese Americans as not an oppressed minority so bad off and in need of assistance that legislation is needed to give them money. Most people think Japanese Americans as

the one minority group "that has it made," Oshiki said, compounding the problem and task facing these working for reparations.

"But that reality doesn't mean we should forget reparations," Oshiki declared. "It means that if you are interested in reparations, you must accept these facts for what they are and then work harder to make what may yet be a hope or a dream (to become) a reality. You have to remember that a just cause does not mean automatic legislative approval."

Of the so-called Danielson bill in the hopper concerning reparations, Oshiki urged it be dropped and said he wouldn't even consider it be rewritten.

Oshiki disagreed with Washington JACL representative Wayne Horiuchi that the campaign for reparations might take from five to 10 years. "It might take 19 years or it might take two," Oshiki commented. "It is not necessarily true that it's going to be a long and arduous campaign. . . . It depends upon the amount of enthusiasm and community support it has generated."

"If enough support can be generated, it can move very fast," Oshiki predicted, provided the bill has proper leadership in Congress.

Oshiki was not prepared to assess how much money would be needed to mount a campaign. "More important (at this point) is the support and enthusiasm of the people who believe in it," he said. "The will to do it is the issue," as he noted signs starting to emerge within JACL and the Japanese American community.

E.O. 9066, Inc.

He lauded the educational campaign of the E.O. 9066 Inc., a Los Angeles-based group seeking reparations, for without Japanese American community support, "you may as well forget reparations." About their questionnaire, Oshiki hoped the E.O. 9066 committee would not presume the 99% of those responding to approve was typical. He said those in favor (about 200 responses) had been tabulated by the Tri-District Conference) would say so but most Nisei are apathetic.

While more returns are being received by the E.O. 9066 committee, Sue Embrey reported on the first 200 forms, indicating one or two Nisei were opposed to reparations.

LOS ANGELES — Japanese American Cultural and Community Center submitted application for a \$1.25-million matching block grant with the City of Los Angeles board of grants administration, it was announced Sept. 30 by George Dozaki, JACCC president.

The grant would be used to construct the first phase of the Center for its neighborhood facility to accommodate cultural instructors and community service groups now headquartered in the Sun Bldg., 125 Weller St., which is scheduled to be torn down late next year to make way for a commercial complex adjacent to the New Otani Hotel now under construction.

Senate-House conference acts on amity bill

WASHINGTON — Senate-House conferees agreed this past week (Oct. 1) to establish a \$36-million Japan-United States Friendship Trust Fund to finance scholarly, cultural and artistic exchanges between the two nations, the Washington Office of the Japanese American Citizens League reported.

The bill went to joint conference to resolve the differences between the Senate version (S 824) passed last June and the House version (HR 9667) passed Sept. 26. The House also passed a concurrent resolution welcoming the Emperor and Empress of Japan to the United States.

Such programs as student exchanges, Japanese language courses, library collections of Japanese works and exchange of performing arts between the two countries were mentioned during the House discussion of the bill.

Rep. Clement Zablocki (D-Wis.), in urging passage of HR 9667, reminded Japan had already taken steps to improve relations in these areas, citing the initial \$100-million endowment from Japan Foundation to support American institutions to disseminate knowledge of Japan.

Money for the trust fund would come from the \$320-million Japan is paying to the U.S. for the reversion of Okinawa with 5% of that (\$16 million) for the fund and about \$14 million available in U.S. accounts in Japan under the Government and Relief in Occupied Areas (GARIOA) settlement.

The fund will earn interest from deposits and it may also accept gifts and donations, Zablocki explained.

The fund will be administered by a group of distinguished Americans drawn from government and private life who have been working with the Japanese on the Joint Committee on U.S.-Japanese Cultural and Education Cooperation to promote ties between the two nations.

Community Redevelopment Agency administrator Richard G. Mitchell has recommended the amount be separate from the \$4.2-million being asked for on-going programs in the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project for the next fiscal year. Mayor Tom Bradley has also indicated active support.

But Cooke Sunoo, project coordinator in the City Office of Urban Development, reports a strong possibility the two budgets will be combined and pared down since the entire HUD block grant is \$38.9-million whereas some \$200-million worth of citywide projects are up for consideration.

JACCC also pointed out it was the first time in the 75-year history of the Japanese American community in the city that funding from the city is being made, that tenants in the Sun Bldg. are fully community funded and supported on-going programs (some for as long as 40 years like the JACL), and that services to the aged and low-income in the Japanese community need to be expanded.

Dozaki was also on a 13-day mission to raise funds in Nagoya and Tokyo during the latter part of September in wake of the promise of Prime Minister Takeo Miki to personally raise a billion yen (about \$3.3 million).

Efforts were also initiated in Tokyo to secure tax-exempt status to the donations by Japanese contributors and assist in the kick-off campaign among businessmen and government leaders in Nagoya.

NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING DRIVERS TO GET HELP

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—With nearly 400,000 non-English speaking customers visiting the offices of the Dept. of Motor Vehicles throughout the state to get drivers licenses or to register vehicles each year, a study has identified 20 field offices which could be required to provide bilingual services under the 1974 Dynamically-Allocated Act.

Vast majority of the non-English speaking clients speak Spanish (90%) but the survey also located significant numbers who speak Asian languages in downtown L.A., Hollywood, Pasadena, San Pedro and Montebello offices in Southern California.

Sampling estimated 10,000 speak Filipino, 7,500 speak Chinese, and 6,900 speak Japanese.

would be established to use federal income tax payments from Nikkei (such as that currently permitted taxpayers to finance presidential election campaigns) for a 10-year period and make disbursements to verified application claims.

Miyatake pointed out this would eliminate direct congressional appropriation to fund reparations and hoped it be done in an expeditious manner, "unlike the 2 to 15 years required to process Evacuation property loss claims."

E.O. 9066 was accomplished in four months, he reminded, pointing to the need for quick action as over 30% of the Nisei in the Seattle area are now subsisting on their Social Security, according to Miyatake.

The Seattle JACL reparations efforts has been endorsed by the Pacific Northwest District Council. A 35-mm. slide presentation to develop some common rationale among the Nikkei to push for reparations is also being prepared, Miyatake said.

Rationale, as his committee sees it, calls for an equitable settlement, consideration of all persons affected by the exclusion order, utilization of all Nikkei talents and resources, spelling out the needs to be implemented and method of reparations payment on a timely basis.

The unique approach, Miyatake said, can be ascribed to the independent way of thinking exhibited among Pacific Northwest people. Minoru Yasui and Gordon Hirabayashi, the first two Nisei to test the exclusion orders, hail from the Pacific Northwest (Portland and Seattle, respectively). Even the resolutions testing JACL traditions, such as retiring the Masaka creed, came from this district, Miyatake pointed out.

"It is probably due to the feeling that we're still in the frontier and everyone is entitled to his individual thoughts," Miyatake added. Limited to a 20-minute presentation, Miyatake had to continue his report after the PSW panel discussions were adjourned for the Saturday banquet. He said it normally took about 2 hours to provide the background, history, philosophy, concept and implementation.

Seattle implementation

The Seattle JACL reparations committee was continuing.

MDC reparations survey



Sen. Daniel Inouye congratulated by Salt Lake JACL vice president Sadao Nagata (r) for perspectives on Watergate episode as viewed from foreign nations.

Sen. Inouye explains final lesson to be learned from Watergate trauma

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—The final lesson to be learned from the Watergate episode, says Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, is the capacity of the American system to endure in the face of adversity and disgrace.

And Americans can look abroad for a better perspective on Watergate than they seem to find at home, the Hawaiian Democrat said Sept. 19 at the Utah Jefferson-Jackson Day banquet at the Terrace.

"During the period when Watergate was unfolding, I became intimately aware that what Americans looked upon what was being brought to public view as the most disgraceful episode in our nation's history."

"Many of my fellow citizens contacted me urging that these matters be dealt with in some manner which would not threaten the public esteem of our nation's highest leaders. They expressed concern that we would badly tarnish the image of America abroad if we were to publicly charge and impeach a President."

Inouye said since Water-

gate he had traveled widely abroad and "almost without exception, what has impressed these foreign leaders is the stability of our nation."

"They marveled over the capacity within our government and under our system to call to account the world's mightiest leader and to bring about his removal from office without riots, without violence, without censorship, without intrigue, without insurrection and without the force of arms."

"The fact that our Constitution and our system of government provided for orderly change, rather than the illegal acts of our President and Vice President, left the most enduring imprint on their minds."

Inouye said Americans must put the national self-doubt born of Watergate behind them and regain the resiliency which brought the country through its first two centuries.

"I believe the time has come for all of us to pause, to put an end to the recent orgy of self-recrimination, to take stock of ourselves and to count our blessings."

Other shortcomings cited by Inouye included Vietnam, racism, rising crime rate, abuses of the CIA and FBI, inflation, unemployment and energy. Concerning censorship, he noted books, magazines, newspapers and TV programs are permitted almost without limit. "We believe in the ability of our people to choose the good from the bad when they are free to make that choice and we don't entrust to any governmental body the power of unlimited and unjustified censorship."

Concern the racial issue, he said, "We have done much to dissipate racial discrimination over the past few decades honestly and publicly."

Among the 700 Democrats attending the banquet, co-chaired by Raymond Uno and Char Finney, were 70 Japanese Americans, including ex-Islanders, 442nd veterans and JACLers. The Nisei met informally with the Senator after dinner.

Autumn dinner

PLEASANTON, Calif. — Assemblyman Floyd Mori (D-Pleasanton) announced his major fund-raiser of the year, Autumn Dinner, is to be held Oct. 24 at Castlewood Country Club. Tickets are \$30 per person, available from Nancy Middleton (415 — 846-5267). Star Trek's George Takei will be emcee.

New S.F. commissioner



George Yamasaki Jr., 40, (right) is sworn in as member of San Francisco's social services commission by Judge Charles Goff, presiding judge of the Municipal Court in Sept. 26 ceremonies at the Mayor's office. Witnesses are acting mayor Quentin Kopp and Yamasaki's children, Paul and Emily. Mayor Alioto's appointment is being criticized by friends of Yori Wada, who was replaced.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—The hurt of Evacuation was evident in the returns of a reparations questionnaire received in recent weeks by Bill Del, Midwest District Council representative on the National JACL political education committee, who announced the results Sept. 30.

An overwhelming majority of the 176 respondents in the Midwest favor reparations of some kind, though only four of the eight chapters cooperated in the midsummer survey to distribute questionnaires. They were Chicago, Cincinnati, Milwaukee and Twin Cities. One report was filed from Detroit. Nothing was received from Cleveland, Dayton or St. Louis.

The survey form consisted of seven questions with space for additional comments where members were allowed to editorialize.

In tabulating, Del categorized responses by age groups (a) over age 50, (b) 30-50, and (c) under age 30. He found it interesting to compare the vote, remarkably similar at the top vote producing levels.

While the percentages in favor of reparations by age group was broken down to (a) 83%, (b) 84% and (c) 100%, negative comments appeared more expressive in Del's report.

Probably a nonevacee or born postwar, one complained: "Many of us, most of us in the USA, suffered as much as or more than these interned because of ancestry during WW2. It's a rip-off to try and force payment to a few and the expense of those who cannot demand such favors."

Another expressed his gratitude as a Nikkei American evacuee: "I hope I am not still licking my 'wounds'."

Matsui unopposed in Sac'to election for city council

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — City Councilman Robert Matsui, unopposed in the Sept. 23 municipal primaries, polled 3,487 votes for the District 8 seat from the total of 5,749 in the district who voted.

Four years ago, the Samsel attorney faced six opponents in his first outing and still won without a run-off.

For a brief period, Matsui was considering to run for Sacramento mayor on a write-in basis after Mayor Richard Marritt resigned to accept a state appointment.

A referendum to remove the late Earl Warren's name from the Sacramento community center won by a 73% margin (29,170 — 10,727). The city council had voted 5-3, including an aye vote by Matsui, for the name change last April. But opponents of the move contended the voters should be consulted before a politician's name is placed on any municipal building.

Sakura Festival float

planned by JACL in '76

SAN FRANCISCO — The NC WNDG and San Francisco JACL will co-sponsor a float in the 1976 Cherry Blossom Festival parade here. A U.S. Bicentennial theme has been suggested.

Gunshot victim dies after 9 months, autopsy ordered as if may be murder

FRESNO, Calif.—Thomas Y. Kubota, 48, died Sept. 25 after being admitted at Valley Medical Center where the attending physician listed the cause of death due to heart failure resulting from paralysis.

But Fresno District Attorney William A. Smith, informed by a Fresno Bee reporter two days later that Kubota had died, remembered the paralysis was due to a shot.

After he was robbed, Kubota, a liquor store owner, began keeping a gun in 1971. A year later, Kubota shot to death an armed young man trying to rob him. And last Oct. 1, Kubota stepped in front of his wife, Michiko, when a 17-year-old pointed a pistol at her, pulled out his own gun and wounded the would-be robber with three shots.

Last Dec. 27, Kubota was held up again by Larry Tanksley, 20, who was hit by three bullets in the exchange of gunfire and died five hours later. Kubota, shot twice, was hospitalized and unable to move his lower body. Tanksley's accomplice, Ev-

erett B. Smith, 19, pleaded guilty to a robbery charge in driving the car that fled the scene when gunshots were fired.

The D.A. said those involved in any way in a crime may be prosecuted for murder or as accessories to murder if a victim dies within one year and a day of the crime as a result of the incident.

An autopsy was ordered to determine whether Kubota's death resulted from complications of those gunshot wounds. For the Kubota family, it was a double tragedy as his sister-in-law, Mrs. Frederick (Kikue) Kubota, 40, died the same day following a brief illness.

Tom Kubota is survived by his widow, three children, four brothers, James (past CDCC governor), Wesley, Henry and Dr. Frederick (past Fresno JACL president), and sister, Michi Shimada (Stockton).

Kikue Kubota is survived by her husband Fred, two sons, mother Tadako Katayama and three brothers: Tadashi (Torrance), Ben (Selma) and Yo.

Bank of Tokyo lends \$1 million for urban renewal

SAN FRANCISCO — The Bank of Tokyo of California became the first bank offering the San Francisco Redevelopment Agency a 5 percent \$1 million loan to permit long-delayed rehabilitation of hundreds of homes in the Western Addition A-2 redevelopment area, it was announced Sept. 16.

Other banks have been asked to participate in the program, which provides 3.75% 30-year loans for up to \$30,000 per dwelling unit to individual property owners. S.F. Redevelopment Agency director Arthur Evans explained.

Currently, rate on private rehabilitation loans is about 9 1/2% so that owners will save an average of \$75 a month in repayment. The agency loan program was made possible by a state law co-authored by Sen. Milton Marks and Assemblyman John Foran of San Francisco.

Agency efforts to rehabilitate worthwhile homes had been hampered by shortage of money through federal loan programs. About a third have been restored, but 1,800 units in 200 buildings remain.

Evans noted the Bank of Tokyo has been pioneering in making loans in the Western Addition and Nihonmachi areas.

Calif. 1st Bank ranks 8th in state

SAN FRANCISCO — California First Bank, a merger of the Bank of Tokyo of Calif. and So. Calif. First National Bank, initiated service Oct. 1 through a network of 120 branches throughout the state.

With combined assets approaching \$2 billion, it ranks as the eighth largest bank in California and among the top fifty in the United States. Masao Tsuyama, Tugin president, continues as president of the new bank.

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EDITORIALS
A Battered Manzanar Plaque

The state historical landmark plaque at Manzanar was found defaced several weeks ago by John Korty, who is producing a TV film based on the book, "Farewell to Manzanar", by Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston and James Houston. A controversy had swirled over inclusion of the words, "concentration camps", to describe these wartime centers detaining Japanese Americans during World War II because their loyalty was suspect. Are the two coincidental?

This past week, Phil Jordan, Sacramento free-lance writer, visited Manzanar, reporting the second and third paragraphs were scarred by someone wielding a hatchet. The dents are about a quarter-inch deep or more; several letters are bent out-of-shape but still readable. Here is the text of the plaque:

"In the early part of World War II, 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry were interned in relocation centers by Executive Order No. 9066, issued on February 19, 1942.

"Manzanar, the first of ten such concentration camps, was bounded by barbed wire and guard towers, confining 10,000 persons, the majority being American citizens.

"May the injustices and humiliation suffered here as a result of hysteria, racism and economic exploitation never emerge again."

This bronze plaque, embedded in cement on the stonehouse at the main gate, was placed April 14, 1973, by the State Dept. of Parks and Recreation in cooperation with the Manzanar Committee and the Japanese American Citizens League.

It is an offense to deface historical markers. There are no plans to replace the battered plaque. Maybe it should be left as is—to shockingly remind Americans the West Coast hysteria of 1942 still festers. The mad-brained hatchet-job inflicts a much harsher message than words can ever portray.

Asian American Calendar

Like so many great ideas that seldom pass beyond the muster of words and fall away, the "Asian American Calendar" has been on many a mind of Asian American specialists, but it has taken the lure of the U.S. Bicentennial to have this idea bloom in rough draft form.

Les Hamasaki of the Los Angeles mayor's office in the community analysis bureau has requested Pacific Citizen help to fill in as many blank spaces as possible on the 1976 calendar. Of the 366 days (yes, it'll be leap year), he has penciled in about 80 items that covers cultural heroes and holidays for the Japanese, Korean, Chinese, Filipino and Samoan communities in Southern California.

For instance, in January there is Oshogatsu (Japanese New Year) on the 1st, Korean Five Grain Day on the 15th, Chinese lunar new year (Dragon) on the 31st. There are two legal precedents which were handed down: Oyama alien land law decision in 1946 on the 19th and the Lau bilingual education case in 1974 on the 21st. Only birthday shown is that for Carlos Romulo of the Philippines on the 14th.

Six or eight entries per month dot the remainder of the year. We are open for nominations. Special detective work may be needed to fill in Feb. 29. Thus far, our first hour of digging has yielded eight more entries. We shall keep working till all (or nearly all) are covered. Our version, with the help of Hamasaki and others, will be published in the 1975 PC Holiday Issue.

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Other Thoughts on the Visit

The Emperor and Empress of Japan have been in the United States for five days as this week's edition goes to bed and apparently all has been as can be expected. All the signs lead to a fruitful visit as the royal couple spend this weekend in San Francisco and Hawaii.

The concerns for their safety have been overbearing in official circles (we had a glimpse of that during a press briefing in anticipation of the Emperor's visit to Los Angeles), but all seemed under control in Washington, D.C., except for one incident which occurred during the outdoor White House welcome ceremonies Oct. 2. A single-engine plane, dragging a banner reading, "Emperor Hirohito, please save our whales", flew just outside the restricted airspace over the White House.

Yet the worries by both Japanese and U.S. security agencies are understandable in view of the assassination attempts of President Ford last month and an unsubstantiated tip the FBI had received that Japanese terrorists may have entered from Canada to kill both the Emperor and Mr. Ford.

The Japanese are also aware 40 million Americans own handguns whereas Japanese law prohibits private gun ownership and the five-year penalty for possession is so rigorously enforced that criminals have resorted to remodeling toy guns or resort to other weaponry.

Ultraleftists in Japan, before the royal couple departed, on their first and historic visit of the U.S., protested the trip—a part of the continuing political debate over whether his role should remain symbolic as decreed in the post-war Japanese constitution. But Japanese domestic political scene has improved immensely since the days when President Eisenhower's proposed visit had to be cancelled, cul-

minating last year when Mr. Ford became the first incumbent U.S. President to visit Japan.
The public image of the Emperor in Japan has been changing since the end of World War II as the Imperial Household Agency has been determined to "humanize" him—to borrow a public relations term. But the institution and tradition of the Emperor lingers in Japan.
The people in Japan still have a profound sense of race and nation because of the institution of the Emperor, which goes back some 2,000 years in an unbroken line. Since the Emperor goes back to the very beginnings of Japanese history, the people there still believe they are related to him.
This strictly Japanese attitude (not widely held by Americans of Japanese ancestry) has spilled into their political and economic endeavors, prompting a Nikkei element in the Los Angeles area to publicly raise the issue of "Emperor ideology", examine the impact of Emperor Hirohito's visit and release a long, open letter that was published Oct. 2 in the Ratu Shimo English section.
One Sansei was turned completely around. He had believed showing off the Rising Sun flag as a positive affirmation of his racial identity but when he realized that flag was

A Great Shame

By EDISON UNO
Anahelm, Calif.
It's fun to drop names now and then, just to see how people react. The other evening, I had the pleasure of having dinner with former President Nixon's counsel, John Dean III, along with a few hundred other JACLers who attended the Tri-District Convention in Anaheim on Sept. 13.
I don't know if it was intentional or merely coincidental, but the convention was being held at the Grand Hotel in the shadows of Disneyland, a world of make-believe, fantasyland, and other childhood adventures.
I flew into the Orange County airport, and took the commuter bus to the hotel. As the bus approached the world famous playland, there was an air of excitement as children and parents were stimulated by the sight of the monorail, Matterhorn and other signs that Disneyland was close at hand. I felt another kind of excitement as I was anxious to hear the discussion on reparations which was one of the agenda items and also the publicized topic of John Dean's banquet speech.
The convention proceedings were what I had expected. There was very little new information about reparations. A panel presentation included A'LU counsel Fred Okrand, JACL's Washington Representative Wayne Horuchi, Henry Miyatake of the Seattle chapter, Kaz Oshida of Washington, D.C. and administrative assistant to Rep. Kastenmeyer, Sue Embrey of the newly formed E.O. 9066 Inc. and Lu Haas from Senator Cranston's field office. Most of the discussion traced the history, the efforts of E.O. 9066 committee, the rationale and basis for reparations, the legislative problems and other related issues.

MINORITY ONE

No one pressed the concept of reparations, although it seemed clear to me that the official JACL policy was one which was not enthusiastically in favor of making it a high priority on its legislative calendar. Fact of the matter is that the National JACL Council has mandated a reparations program back in 1970 at its Chicago convention. In 1972 it reaffirmed its support of the reparations resolution at the JACL convention held in Washington, D.C. Last year, it was again adopted as a program when we had to remind the National Planning Committee that it was inadvertently omitted from their recommendations to the convention. One begins to wonder about the realities of a Mickey Mouse program when such an important mandate of three national conventions is still viewed as someone's fantasy.
There were ample excuses why the reparations program has not made substantial progress over the past six years. Some of the reasons sounded very familiar—it would cost millions of dollars, it would divert resources from current programs, it is not the right time to press for remedial legislation, especially one which asks for money, it will be a long and expensive campaign, and it would be difficult to rally the necessary support from the larger segment of society. All of these arguments are very true, but the same excuses were given to these who sought JACL's support when the repeal of Title II was first presented as a national resolution.
Speaking of Title II, it was ironic that John Dean's first interest in the subject of reparations resulted from his work in the Department of Justice in drafting a letter of support of repeal. Dean's speech was casual and informal. He did not say anything new, but the fact that such a national figure said JACL should proceed immediately for reparations was important. I was happy to hear him encourage the JACL leadership—maybe now JACL will move aggressively.

The former White House counsel also urged JACLers to tell their own story. He referred to the Evacuation and relocation experience as "a great American shame." As that reference was made, it seems to me that it was the same label put on the Water-gate episode.
It was indeed unfortunate miss the opportunity to get national publicity on Dean's appearance. The story was killed when a Los Angeles Times reporter was refused access to the dinner. That sort of treatment of a member of the working press will certainly hinder any attempts to educate the general public about the Japanese American experience.
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Tri-District—

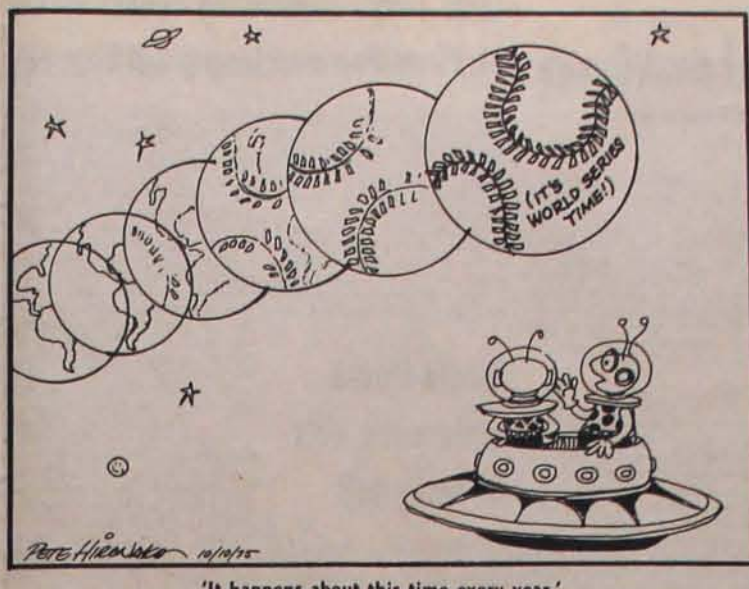
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vinced when it began its study that undoing Evacuation through the courts appeared insurmountable and that a legislative process was necessary, as a Univ. of Washington law school dean who researched the law had advised.
With respect to implementation, Miyatake proposed government bureaucracy involved with reparations should be reduced to an absolute minimum, that there be no fees allowed for those assisting applicants to file and permitting the applicant the option to designate qualified non-profit community groups to receive these funds for cultural-community purposes.
Under the Seattle plan, both individuals and community groups would be entitled to reparations. Three opposed to reparations, Miyatake said, should be guaranteed their right not to file. His committee found 10% of the Nikkei in the Seattle area are opposed to reparations of any type.
Under the Seattle plan, reparations would also cover losses due to incarceration without due process of law, income loss, loss of businesses, suppression of Japanese language and culture, and voluntary resettlement to avoid internment.

Cranston's office
Lu Haas of Sen. Cranston's Los Angeles office openly wondered why reparations had taken this long to get on the agenda but was not sure how to proceed from this point. Reporting that the Senator currently has no position, "he would be very sympathetic to the concepts," he continued.
Beth Haas and Cranston lived through this Evacuation period in California and affirmed "this is one wrong that must be righted".
He remarked that Gen. Lee had his citizenship restored after 100 years, "but I don't like to suggest that Japanese Americans are going to wait a 100 years for reparations". The structure of the campaign is important, Haas believed, since it requires much effort to get across a new concept.
He felt it may take a greater organization that JACL "since you're trying to dip into the federal treasury", adding that the presentation made by Miyatake was "new information" to him.
Haas, a communications specialist said, "All of us in civil rights know what it takes to get new concepts through Congress" and if JACL and others recognize this and start educating and enlisting other Americans to do something, "there are people out there who will respond".
Fred Okrand described the role of the ACLU during World War II in defense of the Nikkei.
Horuchi wondered whether JACL was ready to divert its resources to campaign for reparations and saw the need for a much broader based coalition than the Title II repeal campaign.

Edison Uno of San Francisco also made a strong plea for reparations, repeating that the National JACL Council had mandated a reparations campaign at the 1970, 1972 and 1974 convention.

Minority Week

The Navajos are still regarded "the poorest of the American poor" with the worst health and least education of any ethnic group in the United States, according to the latest U.S. Civil Rights Commission study: "The Navajo Nation: an American Colony" released Sept. 16.



'It happens about this time every year.'

FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa
Time of Deceit

Denver, Colo.
This is being written as another wild mushroom season hurries to a close, and none too soon at that. For mushroom season is a time of high elation and deep deceit, of envy and greed and even an occasional display of nobility.
The mushroom is the Japanese "matsutake." The scientific Latin name is *Armillaria ponderosa*. In some years it is found abundantly in the evergreen forests of the Pacific Northwest. It is found considerably less abundantly in the Rockies which perhaps is the reason it is sought so, shall we say, desperately.

The most popular mushroom grounds hereabouts are in Roosevelt National Forest, in the Red Feather Lakes area, a good two and a half to three hour drive from Denver depending on how violently one shatters the 55-m.p.h. highway speed limit.
Although these mushrooms are seldom up before mid-August, the more rabid enthusiasts begin dreaming about them anytime after the Fourth of July. By the first of August they can hardly contain themselves. And when they finally do head for the mountains, they start out in the middle of the night so they can be on the scene at the crack of dawn.

Even though mushrooms, unlike wandering deer or elk, are inanimate objects and cannot escape, the hunters feel a need to pursue them as early in the morning as possible. And when they see a specimen they cannot repress an urge to leap for it as if it were a frog or squirrel that would flee.

Mushroom hunters are secretive about almost everything. They won't tell their closest friends if they know a secret forest glen that produces mushrooms. In fact, they are downright deceitful, which everyone accepts, and they talk in a kind of code which everyone understands and makes allowances for. Let me give you a few examples.
A friend reports: "The Red Feather Lakes area is terribly dry, they haven't had any rain for months and nobody's finding any mushrooms." If you know the code, you can translate that to mean: "It's been raining like hell up there and mushrooms are popping up all over the place."

Or take this gem. "We found a few last Sunday, but we had to walk two and a half miles over three ranges of mountains." The real meaning is "We found a half bucket just a hundred feet off the side of the road," and the falsehood is told to discourage the listener from going mushroom hunting because of the hard hike involved.

If someone says plenty of mushrooms are to be found by taking to the woods on the left side of the road after the third horseshoe bend, the experienced listener makes it a point to try the right side after the fifth or sixth bend.
One can learn to understand code, but there is no way of making sense of the directions shared by well-meaning but totally disoriented womenfolk. Their conversation might go like this:
"You know the place by the big rock and the forked tree where you can see a meadow? Well you walk in to the left there past some red pines and an aspen grove and I heard that's a good place."

The listener takes it all in and makes a mental note, but in reality she's thinking of another place with a bigger rock and an unforked tree ten miles up the highway. She goes to the spot she thought her friend described, but it's the wrong place and there are no mushrooms there, and that's the end of a beautiful friendship.

Most folks agree the best part of mushroom hunting is finding them. That's the moment of ecstasy. Once you have them, you can gloat a while, eat some, freeze some. But mostly you give them away to the smart ones who stay at home, or airmail them at horrendous cost to friends and relatives in California. People who are habitually generous develop an all-consuming greed when they go mushrooming. They want to pick every last mushroom. They envy others who find more. But once they return home, they resume their natural generous, amiable characteristics. Do you suppose matsutake also has hallucinogenic properties?

From Our 60,000 Readers
PC Letter Box

Tri-District Conference

Editor:
Self-criticism leads to self-improvement. And the workshop on reorganizing the JACL at the Tri-District Conference in Anaheim provided much food for thought.
Isn't it time for the JACL to develop programs in which the rank and file can participate? We seem to expend our substance on "affirmative action", "fair media", "pilgrimages to concentration camps", and other such esoteric matters so dear to the hearts of our younger intellectuals and elitists. Turned off by such conjectural racial issues, capable, experienced Nisei have joined other organizations to meet the real needs of their communities.
If the JACL sponsors a national competition of essays and exhibits on the American interest, whether I agreed or

disagreed with the articles. I particularly enjoy the information contained in the guest columns. But I just had to comment on Homer Yasui's "Women in Japan" (PC Sept. 19). It was the most amusing article I have read in the PC for a long time.
Hurrah for him. This kind of humor is at its best. PC needs to have more of this as well as the serious and informative. So often in these days of unrest, we forget to laugh at and with life. We Orientals are always so stereotypical as cool and serious minded people that I'm happy and amused to read that a male Japanese American was so chagrined out of his status.
Thank you, Homer, for a very funny and wonderful article.

MASARU ODO
Gardena, Calif.
On Being Amused
Editor:
I have enjoyed the PC with San Jose, Calif.

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- National Headquarters acknowledged 53 new and renewing memberships in the 1000 Club during the first half of September.
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Downtown L.A. JACL's "Two Decades of Citizenship" luncheon held Sept. 20 honored 240 naturalized Issei. Among the honorees was Mrs. Haruyo Masaoka, 87, mother of Mike Masaoka (seated, at left). Others pictured are (from left): Joseph Suresk, U.S. immigration district director; Consul General Keiichi Tachibana; standing—Manual K. Inadomi, president, Japanese Chamber of Commerce; Katsumu Mukaeda; Nisei Week queen Dulcie Ogi; and Takito Yamaguchi, luncheon emcee. Among messages read was one from President Ford, saluting the "spirit that has characterized the continuing contributions of Japanese Americans".

Pulse

October Events

Riverside JACL will hold its general meeting Oct. 11, 7:30 p.m. at the UCR International Lounge. It was announced by president Mable Bristol. Four speakers have been invited to discuss the Casa Blanca problem.

The chapter is in charge of the salad being served at the annual IRC Student Festival Oct. 12 at Poly High, where foreign students attending schools in the area will be guests at a dinner.

Chapter also reported the annual Thanksgiving dinner will be held Nov. 13 at the First Christian Church, Lily Taka and Masako Fujimoto are in charge.

A busload of Contra Costa JACLers will be Lake Tahoe-bound Oct. 18, leaving from the Del Norte BART station at 8 a.m. and return by 8 p.m. the next day.

Eden Township JACL will honor Issei over age 65 at its appreciation potluck supper Oct. 11, 6 p.m., at Eden Japanese Community Center.

Two Japanese films, "Ochi: the Blind Swordsman" and "Torajiro Wasurenagusa" will be shown from about 7:30. No admission will be charged.

Placer County JACL member benefit Oct. 12, 7 p.m., at the Placer Buddhist Church near Penryn will feature Shochiku's "Nagare no Fu", a story portraying life in Japan in the past 50 years since Emperor Hirohito ascended to the throne in 1924.

Reparations—

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Someone wanted to know what the Washington JACL representative was doing with respect to reparations.

As for support of the campaign, one remarked, "This should have happened 20 years ago" as the Issei and Nisei have put up "with a lot of grief". He said reparations should go through before too many people die and get something back "even if it's just a feeling of accomplishment".

"This step is long overdue," another repeated. "People today, both young and old, do not realize this can happen or has happened in the U.S."

One mother remembered her family didn't want to

move into the camps and settled near Fresno, a "white zone", but that was short-lived. They were told to keep moving inland four months later and to camp. She was pregnant and had three other young children, 7, 4 and 3 years old. The rest of her plight, reported verbally, follows:

"The hospital in Poston was not finished, or I could not have milk, egg or protein. I had vitamins, but not enough. The baby boy was born, but troubled liver with all over yellow even finger tips. The doctor said to give a lot of water. I never had enough milk to drink. He is small with small bone and other children, 4 and 3 years old at that time are small too. Very important formative years. I could not feed them properly. I could not forgive what the government did to us besides psychologically so disturbed of small children forced move from our bedroom, playroom and toys. They saw all kinds of Japanese people and they don't like them anymore."

JACL Subscribers

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The PC Circulation Office acknowledged 252 subscriptions for members in 30 chapters as follows:

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Survey returns

The lone Detroit response was "no", which was meant to be a collective feeling of the majority as most of the group had not even filed for Evacuation Claims. The writer concluded, "Reparations is strictly for the Blacks and the Indians..."

Tabulation of the MDC reparations survey follows with three figures indicating actual numbers by age categories, as explained:

chairman.

September Events

Local charitable organizations in Fremont, Calif., assemble annually at the Hub Shopping Center "Charity Mall" to raise funds. The event held Sept. 6 was the third annual and the Fremont JACL has been participants each year to boost its scholarship fund.

The JACLers manned a beef kushiyaki booth, tempting the Saturday shoppers to try teriyaki beef on a stick. Oscar Sakamoto, booth chairman, was assisted by: Carol Yamaguchi, June Hashimoto, co-ch; Loretta Tanouye, Jan Kaneko, purch; Tom and Kay Chun, marinating; Eugene Shumoto, ice chests/photos; Moss Kishiyama, charcoal; Joyce Tahira, Mary Kasama, Sach Akabe, Mrs. Wallace Terui, Mrs. Shig Tanouye, Ayako Hashimoto, sales; Jimmie Yamaguchi, Walter Hashimoto, Scott Hashimoto, Ted Inouye, Harry Tanouye, Frank Kasama, Shig Tanouye, Ted Sato, eKith Vagi, Oscar Sakamoto, Frank Nakasaka, cook; Noriko Sakamoto, Amy Nakasako, decor.

November Events

Contra Costa JACL will sponsor a Career Forum Nov. 15 at Contra Costa College to assist young Asian Americans. Workshops and panel discussions will cover the current job situation, give tips during employment interviews and feature speakers relating their own employment experiences. Glenn Onizuka is forum

Fremont JACL 'kushiyaki' crew



Clad in distinctive happi coats, Fremont JACLers man a beef kushiyaki booth at Fremont Hub Shopping Center's third annual Charity Mall. Besides raising funds for chapter scholarship, the booth won a \$25 award for costume, theme and decoration. Event is staged with other charitable groups.

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/s/ Harry K. Honda
 Editor

San Mateo hires bilingual worker for new center

SAN MATEO, Calif.—Thomas Grubbs has been hired by San Mateo JACL as full-time bilingual community worker in charge of the new JACL Community Center, which opened last month at 414 E. 3rd St. (343-4045).

The chapter received a \$11,606 contract from the city council (Sept. 12 PC) and was named with two other minority groups to provide remedial services and clarify agency programs to the socially or economically disadvantaged.

Grubbs, a former Presbyterian minister, is assisting Issei, Japanese speaking immigrants, shut-ins and others who need help with Social Security, Medicare, Medical, food stamps, etc.

The federally-funded (revenue sharing) project for the year is being expanded to cover housing, jobs, educational and other programs to assist the community.

Representatives from the community named to the advisory board to assist the community worker are:

Yasuko Ito, chmn; Tom Konno, city liaison; Douglas Ota, treas.; Suro Kunitani, sec.; Yosh Kojimoto, Ernie Takahashi, Bill Nolasak, Bill Tsukida, Howard Ogasawara, Florence Yoshiwara, Grayce Kato and Roy Nakagawa.

The JACL center is open weekdays from 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. It is housed within the Japanese American Curriculum Project office.

RICH LOOKING PIE WINS SWEEPSTAKES

SEBASTOPOL, Calif.—Leslie Murakami, 14-year-old daughter of the Jim Murakamis of Santa Rosa, had been baking for six months, but her junior and senior division entries in the mid-August Apple Fair pie-baking contest were judged grand sweepstakes winners.

Leslie, now a freshman at El Molino High, received a trophy and cash award for this pie:

LESLIE'S PRIZE PIE
 Mix thoroughly 4 cups flour, 3/4 cups Crisco or other shortening, 1 1/2 cup Fluffo. Add about 1 cup water and mix.
 Fill with 4 cups of sliced Gravenstein apples, 3/4 cup granulated sugar, 1/2 cup brown sugar, 1/2 tsp cinnamon, 2 tsp cornstarch.
 Dot with 1/2 tsp. margarine or butter. Yields two pies.

SUMMER TEEN PROJECT PRODUCES MAGAZINE

SAN FRANCISCO—A group of teenagers, sponsored by the San Francisco JACL this past summer, has produced a 16-page magazine, Kagami (Mirror), containing pieces on Nihonmachi, poetry, short stories, drawings and photographs.

Working under Suzie Okazaki, the group produced several minifilms and other art objects, such as woodblock prints, collages and the magazine, which is available for \$2 a copy from:

JACL Art and Music Fund, 402 15th Ave., San Francisco 94118.

CALENDAR

Oct. 11 (Saturday)
 Eden Township—Issei appreciation supper, Eden Comm Ctr, p.m.
 Berkeley—Fashion show, luncheon, Spenger's Restaurant, 12n.
 Salinas Valley—Issei Appreciation, YMBA Hall, 6 p.m.
Oct. 12 (Sunday)
 NC-WNDC—Mt. Placer County—Movie benefits First Buddhist Church, 7 p.m.
Oct. 13 (Monday)
 EDC—Qtrly session, New York. Contra Costa—Tahoe trip, Iv. BART and Norte St., 8 a.m.
 Fremont—Issei Appreciation dnr, Cathay House, 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 19 (Sunday)
 East Los Angeles—Issei Appreciation Day, Japanese Retirement Home, 325 S. Boyle Ave., 1-4 p.m.
Oct. 21 (Tuesday)
 Salinas Valley Bd Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, 8 p.m.
Oct. 25 (Saturday)
 MDVJ—Mtg, Chicago JACL Office, San Jose—Golf tournament, Muni course.
 Philadelphia—Issei testimonial, Philadelphia—Issei testimonial, West Valley—Mtg, Tak Takel, state dir of consumer affairs, 5p.m.
Oct. 31 (Friday)
 Philadelphia—Gen Mtg, Bryn Mawr College, Seminar on Aging.
Nov. 1 (Saturday)
 West Valley—Teriyaki dnr, San Mateo—Teriyaki dnr, Night.
Nov. 2 (Sunday)
 NC-WNDC—Qtrly Session, San Francisco.

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PC's People

Education

Mrs. Miki Nakagiri, active San Fernando Valley JACLer, was granted an opportunity leave from the L.A. Unified School District where she is an adviser in the Office of Multicultural Education, to join the Hispanic Urban Center educational staff, acting as an Asian American project specialist. The center has been conducting in-service programs for teachers on the Mexican American Child in the Schools and Miki will be developing a parallel survey course for the Asian American child under the newly



Hiro Imamura

Returning to her hometown after a seven-year world tour concertizing, pianist Hiro Imamura will be presented in a UC Berkeley recital at Hertz Hall on Oct. 19, 8 p.m. Numbers include Bartok's Mikrokosmos, the Schumann Humoreske, Prokofiev's Sonata No. 2 and three Chopin pieces.

funded Emergency School Aid Act.

A new 15-member citizens advisory committee to study the management of the nation's second largest school system, the Los Angeles Unified School District, was established Sept. 21. Board of Education member Julian Nava named Togo W. Tanaka, a West Los Angeles JACLer, member of the L.A. Community Redevelopment Agency and president of Greymery Enterprises. Recipient of the 1975 American Federation of Teacher's human rights award was Rep. Patsy T. Mink (D-Hawaii) at its annual convention in Honolulu. Besides 10 years of service on the House Education and Labor Committee, the award cited her support for financial aid to children, national day care, equal opportunity for women, civil rights and on the problem teachers face when working in U.S. government overseas schools.

Press Row

Seattle Post-Intelligencer columnist Emmett Watson, on special assignment profiling fascinating people, introduced his series Sept. 7 with an intimate sketch of Taul Watanabe, 54, executive v.p. with Burlington Northern. The front page picture in color shows Taul sitting on a bale of hay at Puyallup Fairgrounds in the same barn where 33 years ago he sat as an evacuee from Salem, Ore.

Hawaii Hochi English editor Jim Brown has initiated a policy on writing Hawaiian names by including the glottal stop (') and the macron (dash over a long vowel) in headlines or doubling the vowel in the copy for lack of appropriate typeface "to emphasize the 50th State's native heritage . . . and as Hochi's American Bicentennial project."

Honolulu Advertiser editor-writer Melvin Goo was among the half dozen U.S. writers invited by the Japanese government to interview Emperor Hirohito the week before he departed on his historic visit to the U.S. Born in Macao, Goo attended Iolani School and Univ. of Washing-

ton. He worked on the Seattle Times and Newsweek magazine before joining the Advertiser. . . . Carey McWilliams, 70, announced his resignation as editor of the Nation effective Dec. 31, 1975, ending a 24-year stint and plans to write some books. His "Prejudice, Japanese Americans" (1944) has been a standard reference on the history of Japanese in California, emphasizing the period of Evacuation and its causes.

Sports

Steve Omi of Alhambra High, a 5.0 graduate and all-around tumbler in the state CIF gymnastics finals, was awarded the Oliver Trophy for the Southland last month. Son of the Rev. and Mrs. Frank Omi, he is now a UC Berkeley freshman. The Oliver Trophy, new in its 15th year, is presented in memory of Nellie G. Oliver, founder of Nisse club for boys in 1917 in Little Tokyo.

Health

Detroit JACLer Dr. Joseph D. Sasaki of Ann Arbor was named among Notable Americans of the Bicentennial Era by the American Biographic Institute of the Historical Preservation of America, Inc. An optometrist and researcher, Dr. Sasaki has been lecturing on preventive optometry and gerontology and on "Syn-Holistic," the relationship of the eye to its effect

upon the body and mind. At the community level, he has been Michigan District Governor (1967-69) with Optimist International and was the state's Optimist of the Year in 1973.

Gardena-

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like it. It's interesting," said the man who has seen the city generate enough revenue to get out of debt it had been in a few years earlier.

He revealed the biggest part of city expense is the payroll. And because of his business experience, he finds running the city is like running a large business. "I'm not going to blow money foolishly; if you do, you'll end up broke."

125 frolic at Topaz

High alumni reunion

SAN FRANCISCO—The 30th year reunion of the Topaz High School alumni was celebrated Aug. 30 at the Miyako Hotel by some 125 members and guests. A 35th year reunion in 1980 has been scheduled for San Francisco.

While most came from Northern California, their reunion saw a few from New England, Pennsylvania, the Midwest, Texas, and Southern California.

St. will have its annual show main benefit dinner Oct. 11, 4-7 p.m. at \$1.75 per plate. A film will be shown during the dinner.

Varied art media of stone-ware, enamel on copper, oil and water-colors by Eddy Kurushima on West L.A. are on display at the Sumitomo Bank in Little Tokyo through Oct. 10. He was former art director and production manager with Saatchi Brastoff products and now owns his company, Eddy K. Designs.

E.O. 9066 Inc. will meet Oct. 10, 7:30 p.m. at the Japanese Retirement Home, 325 S. Boyle Ave. It was announced by chairman Paul Tsunehashi. Discussion on the kind of legislation to secure redress for evacuation is scheduled.

San Jose

Sumitomo Bank of California has petitioned for its third branch in San Jose, to be located near Blossom Hill Rd. and Snell Rd. in the Alameda section. Its bid three years ago in the same area was unsuccessful.

S.F.—East Bay

Eden Japanese Senior Center activities for October began with a bus ride to Calla-toga on the 9th to view the petrified forest and the geyser or bathe at the hot springs there. On the 18th, a luncheon will be served by the So. Alameda County Buddhist Church and on the 23rd, craft work and minyo lessons are planned at the center, 710 Elgin St., San Lorenzo.

Montebello Woman's Club raises \$5,500 for home

LOS ANGELES — Net proceeds of \$5,500 from the recent Nisei Week fashion show, sponsored by the Montebello Japanese Woman's Club, CFWC, was donated to the Japanese Retirement Home. It completed a \$10,000 pledge which included a prior donation made in April.

Fred Wada, chairman of the Retirement Home development fund, accepted the donation from Mrs. Roy Ito, club president, and Ritsuko Kawakami, philanthropy chairwoman.

BOOKSHELF

Chamberlain to both Emperor Taisho and his son Emperor Hirohito, Osanaga Kan-roi, 96, narrates an insider's view to the life of a closely guarded monarch in his book, HIROHITO: AN INTIMATE PORTRAIT OF THE JAPANESE EMPEROR (Gateway, L.A., \$8.95) being distributed by Japan Publications Trading Co. The original Japanese version, "Tennosama," was published this year by Kodansha. With only 167 pages, 12 of them photographs, the rich glimpses of the Emperor as a youth, crown prince and his ascent to the throne cover three-quarters of the fast-reading book. But the final quarter of the book starting with the May 15, 1932 incident where young army and navy officers tried to carry out a coup d'etat, outbreak of the World War II, surrender and the new Japan proved most fascinating.—H.H.

Translator Andrew Dykstra, Ph.D., has used SEXY LAUGHING STORIES OF OLD JAPAN (Japan Publications: \$5.75) to increase appreciation of another phase of Japanese culture—the ribald and satiric tales repeated by story tellers among the common people of the Edo period. Tone of the tales compare with Chaucer, Boccaccio, Rabelais and Boecaccio.

A Japan best-seller, GARLIC THERAPY (Japan Publications: \$2.95) by Dr. Tadashi Watanabe, home economic professor at Osaka Municipal University, says regular users of garlic have healthier skin, stronger stomachs and sleep better. Besides the scientific reasons for curative powers, there are suggestions for its use as pesticides, pills, brew and in cooking.

• Richard Gima

Aloha

HAWAII TODAY—Years of research on giant Malaysian prawns by the State fishery biologists have begun to pay off with pilot farms producing about 3,600 pounds a month for island consumption. Takaji Fujimura spearheaded the research and development of the fledgling industry. He is chief of the state's Aquaculture Fisheries Research Center. . . . The U.S. Labor Dept. has accused Hawaiian Telephone Co. of violating the federal anti-discrimination law by discharging several employees between 40 and 65. The company, however, has denied the charge. It says these involved retired.

MEDICAL NOTES — Dr. Grant Stemmermann, director of pathology lab at Kuakini Hospital, said in Honolulu recently, "The Japanese, by all odds, have the highest frequency of gastric ulcer in the world . . . but over the past 10 years at Kuakini where two-thirds of the patients are Japanese, there's been a steady decline in both gastric and duodenal ulcer patients. Admission of such patients this year is about half of what it was 10 years ago." The question then is: Where have all the ulcers gone?

POLITICAL SCENE — Rep. Grant Matsunaga says there will be little chance of avoiding a showdown clash next year between him and Rep. Patsy Mink for the seat now held by Sen. Hiram Fong. Matsunaga disagreed with Sen. Daniel Inouye who said in Aug. that a showdown could leave the Democrats with neither congressional seat.

CONGRESSIONAL SCORE — From Rep. Matsunaga's office: (1) He has urged the House Agriculture Committee to approve new sugar legislation which would re-instate the basic mechanism of the old sugar Act, which expired in Dec. 1974. (2) He has asked President Ford to reverse his position and to support the enactment of new sugar legislation during this Congress. . . . Rep. Patsy T. Mink has urged the President to appoint an Asian American to the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission and to include in the administration program her proposal to establish a national Asian studies institute.

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NAMES IN NEWS—Albert Hamal, 41, is coordinator for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees. He formerly was executive secretary of the Hawaii State Teachers Assn. . . . Mrs. Joyce Mitsunaga, administrative assistant at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Punchbowl, has received commendation from Veterans Affairs for outstanding service in her seven years at her position. . . . Cyd Akemi Ykremoto, daughter of John Ykremoto, expects to sign a contract with Office 21, the Tokyo company that has backed such established stars as Masako Mori, Junko Sakurada and Momoe Yamaguchi.

More than 2,000 friends of the late G-v. John Burns paid \$100-a-plate for a fund raiser Aug. 25 at the Sheraton-Waliki Hotel. About \$150,000 was collected. It will form a nucleus of an endowment fund which will provide for Univ. of Hawaii scholarships, fund

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