

THE BAMBOO PEOPLE'
How Chuman chose the title

LOS ANGELES—Frank Chuman, author of "Bamboo People", explained the title of his first book reviewing all the significant legal cases involving the Japanese in America...

FROM JACL NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS COMMUNICATIONS

Iva Toguri Committee

San Francisco. The JACL Committee for Iva Toguri held its 15th meeting on Mar. 18 and has scheduled its next meeting for April 14 at the apartment of its chairman, Dr. Clifford Dyed...

Nat'l Biennium Awards

Deadlines for three national JACL awards to be conferred at the Sacramento convention were announced by national president Shigeki Sugiyama. They are: May 21—George Inagaki Award for the Chapter of the Biennium...

CHAPTER SPIRIT

San Francisco JACL

Bringing the community closer to the chapter is often a very difficult problem. It is hard to incorporate a program that can help everyone. San Francisco JACL has started a program that has something for everyone, and is an immense help to the community...

FTM commentary

SAN FRANCISCO—The S.F. Center for Japanese American Studies, P.O. Box 99345, San Francisco 94109, is planning to compile written comments and reviews to the John Korty production of "Farewell to Manzanar".

A proud legacy 76 12 weeks 'til 24th Biennial Nat'l JACL Convention June 21-26, 1976 Sacramento, Calif.

Twin Cities gear for nat'l JAYS assembly

ST. PAUL, Minn.—The "JAYS Discover America" at the Sixth Biennial National Japanese American Youth's (JAYS) Convention, to be held here on Aug. 10-15.

Five-Day Event

The convention has been lengthened to five days in order to allow for a less tight schedule. Volleyball and tennis tournaments, tours of the Twin Cities area, and a possible riverboat trip down the Mississippi River are being planned.



Wendy Yoshimura—Mar. 8, 1976

One search illegal

By LEE RUTLE (Special to The Pacific Citizen) OAKLAND, Calif.—The pre-trial hearings in the Wendy Yoshimura case since the first week of March have primarily dealt with challenges by defense to discredit several search warrants issued in wake of the discovery and confiscation of explosives, guns and other material in the garage located at 2575 LeConte Ave., Berkeley.

SEATTLE JACL COMMITTEE STARTED MOVE TO ELIMINATE E.O. 9066

SEATTLE, Wash.—It was the Seattle JACL Evacuation Redress Committee which started the ball rolling toward having President Ford sign the Presidential Proclamation eliminating Executive Order 9066 of 1942.

Milwaukee to host next MDC meet, DC election set

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—The Midwest District Council will discuss matters to be raised at the National Convention at its April 9-11 spring meeting being hosted by Milwaukee JACL at the International Institute.

Kaname named for brig. general

WASHINGTON—Col. Theodore S. Kanamine, provost marshal at Ft. McPherson, Ga., was among 53 nominated by President Ford in mid-March for brigadier general. According to the Army Times, Kanamine will probably be the first Japanese American general on "active" duty.

Inouye speculates on Brown's bid

FRESNO, Calif.—If California Gov. "Jerry" Brown is serious about running for the presidency, he should enter more than the California primary, according to Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii), who was here Mar. 13 to speak on "Asian American Influences in American Politics" at California State University at Fresno.

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'Tokyo Rose' accusers told to lie

CHICAGO — Key Japanese witnesses in the "Tokyo Rose" trial were interviewed by Chicago Tribune's Far East correspondent Ronald Yates, telling him it was the first time they had talked to the press about their roles in her conviction. His two-part report appeared in the Mar. 22 and 23 editions and carried over its own wire services.

Yates found former key prosecution witnesses admitting to him they were forced to tell half-truths and withheld vital information at the 1949 San Francisco trial of Iva Toguri d'Aquino, 59, for her Radio Tokyo broadcasts beamed at American GIs the government held treasonable.

Complete Turnabout

Yates quoted one of Iva's superiors: "Iva never made a treasonable broadcast in her life. She got a raw deal—she was railroaded into jail." Such statements, Yates pointed out, were 180 degrees away from those made at the trial which led to conviction.

Both Mitsushio and Oki testified not only that they saw Mrs. d'Aquino commit overt acts of treason, but that they ordered her to commit them. Today they say that is not true, Yates reports.

Witnesses Unnamed

But Yates does not ascribe who said, "We were told what to say and what not to say two hours every morning for a month before the trial started. Even though I was a government witness against her, I can say today that Iva Toguri d'Aquino was innocent—she never did anything treasonable." The same witness prefaced his remarks by saying, "We had no choice. U.S. Occupation Army police came and told me I had no choice but to testify against Iva or else."

Other witnesses told Yates they were "broke-out in 1941, most were afraid to be repatriated home for fear of being interned in the camp as thousands of Japanese Americans were at the time. After the war they were equally afraid to return—afraid of being prosecuted as traitors."

'Guilty' Feeling Today

One Nisei who testified at the trial told Yates: "The postwar sentiment against Japanese and against Americans of Japanese ancestry was tremendous. We were told that if we didn't cooperate, Uncle Sam might arrange a trial for us too. All of us could see how easy it was for a mammoth country like the United States to crucify a Japanese American—all we had to do was look at Iva. So we 'cooperated' and we did what we were told and now many of us have guilty consciences because of it."

Osaka told Yates

Iva did it to save their own necks", Osaka today is assistant to the secretary general of the Asian Broadcasting Union. He had testified on behalf of Iva via deposition.

Osaka called the Zero Hour ran seven days a week from 6 to 7 p.m. Program opened with an announcement of what was to come, followed by 10 to 15 minutes of news; Iva's spot of 15 minutes from 6:20 with popular music, commentary written and read by Cousins, Ince or Reyes at 6:35, semi-classical music from 6:40 with another woman announcer; and news or skit (which Iva never participated in) at 6:55. "If there was ever any propaganda on Zero Hour,



Photo of Iva Toguri by UPI's Foll as it appeared in the Kashi Mainichi.

it was in those skits," Osaka feels.

Another program originating from the same building at the same hour was the Hino-maru Hour, which had seven American POWs who read statements designed to demoralize American troops. Osaka recalled.

Osaka and other witnesses added there were at least nine other stations throughout Asia that were broadcasting propaganda to American GIs under the name Zero Hour. Many were transcribed in Tokyo and rebroadcast at other hours.

Flair for USA

Yates concluded his first part quoting an unnamed witness: "We all liked Iva and at first we all wanted to help her. But we were not allowed to tell the whole story at the trial—just those parts the prosecution felt could damage her. It was very frustrating. And the real irony of it was that out of all the dozen or so Japanese Americans 'working' for the Zero Hour, Iva was the only one who had enough guts to keep her American citizenship after the war ended. It was that flair for patriotism that proved her downfall."

Felipe d'Aquino, who was employed by Domei News Agency to monitor English language broadcasts, often checked the Zero Hour. Born in Yokohama of a Portuguese father and a Japanese mother, he is today a copy editor for an English-language newspaper in Tokyo. "I never heard her say anything treasonous. And besides, those POWs she worked with were the most everything she said over the air. Why weren't they prosecuted after the war?"

Yates recalls all were exonerated and given promotions by their governments. Ince even testified at Iva's trial and told the court she had entered into a conspiracy with the POWs to sabotage the Zero Hour but praised her for aiding POWs.

Bannai cleared of election charges

LOS ANGELES — The state Fair Political Practices Commission has cleared four state legislators, including Gardena's Assemblyman Paul Bannai, of wrongdoing in their acceptance of \$1,000 each for speaking at a medical seminar here last October.

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The due date has come and gone, but it shouldn't stop chapters which have some to submit them today," Ishihara said. Proceeds go toward keeping the convention costs down for delegates. The ads should be sent to: Joey Ishihara, Sacramento JACL, P.O. Box 22563, Sacramento 95822.

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There's no love in d'Aquino's voice, Yates says, when he speaks of those who may have made money testifying against his wife he has not seen since the trial 27 years ago. Both are Catholic and neither has remarried. Yates noted it was not easy for d'Aquino to think about Iva, their short life together in wartime Tokyo, the countless bombing raids, the struggle for food and clothing the baby which died, the hopes of life after the war. Asked if he'd like to see her again, d'Aquino paused for a moment. "After all these years? It all depends. You know I haven't seen her for almost 30 years. An exchange of friendly words might not hurt..."

EDITORIALS

Supreme Court Decisions

The U.S. Supreme Court continues to render opinions which delineate the individual style of life. While these cases have not attracted JACL attention specifically, three decisions meted during the week of March 22 deserve comment.

In the *Greer vs. Spock* case (Mar. 24), the court on a 6-2 vote upheld military authority in banning political candidates and demonstrators from military bases, since it was the business of a military installation "to train soldiers, not provide a political forum" which might compromise the tradition of a "politically neutral military."

Justice Thurgood Marshall, however, in his dissent, charged that the majority had decided "fundamental constitutional rights can be denied to both civilians and servicemen whenever the military thinks its functioning would be enhanced by doing so." In other words, constitutional rights can be curtailed by military needs. The Evacuation was carried out under the same guise and also upheld.

JACL has long sought a means to test the constitutionality of Evacuation. The case of Dr. Benjamin Spock (the baby doctor), who was blocked from rallying at Ft. Dix with other antiwar activists, may have been far afield to be meaningful for JACL, but whenever a civilian tangles with the military, the Evacuation rule may have consequences.

In the *Edward C. Davis III* case (Mar. 23), the court in a 5-3 decision said no constitutional right is violated when police officials publicly brand innocent individual as a criminal. The court explained the constitutional guarantee of due process of law protected only liberty and property, not the reputation or good name of the aggrieved individual, a part-time newspaper employee. The majority opinion held that under federal law damage to one's name must be accompanied by "some more tangible" harm for to read the due process clause as broadly as Davis had urged would convert all wrongdoing by government officials into constitutional violations.

Again, the minority opinion is worth remembering for it said the majority has made it possible for "police officials, acting in their official capacities as law enforcers" to "condemn innocent individuals as criminals and thereby brand them with one of the most stigmatizing and debilitating labels in our society," all without benefit of trial.

JACL has not forgotten that a generation of Nisei were branded as "enemy aliens" during World War II by the Selective Service.

In the *Frank vs. Bowman Transportation* case (Mar. 24), the high court unanimously endorsed, 8-0, the federal court's authority under the 1964 Civil Rights Act to order retroactive seniority if a minority worker can prove he was qualified for the job, that he actually applied for it and that he was rejected because of illegal discrimination. The black drivers who were turned down, by this rule, were granted special seniority rights and moved ahead of white workers hired in place of them. The majority opinion noted white workers must share "the burden of past discrimination."

This is the first decision on the touchy issue of reverse discrimination. JACL has been involved on such an issue in the past. No doubt, JACL might find cause to show its concern in future cases as they will surely come—now that the ice has been broken.

Let Freedom Ring

Excerpts from *The Patriot's Bible*, Orbis Books, (\$3.95) Maryknoll, N.Y. 10545

A hungry man is not a free man.
—Adlai E. Stevenson (1952)

"Proclaim Liberty throughout all the Land to all the Inhabitants thereof." (Inscription on the Liberty Bell.
—Leviticus 25:10

FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

Michi's Infamy

New York
The largest name on the Japanese American literary front these days is a tiny wisp of a woman, Michi Nishiura Weglyn. She is author of a book titled "Years of Infamy: The Untold Story of America's Concentration Camps," which will be published soon by William Morrow & Co. It is the thoroughly documented account of America's decision to suspend the civil rights of its citizens of Japanese ancestry during World War II.

Others have reviewed the book at considerable length in these pages. This column will focus on Michi Weglyn, the Nisei and the author.

One of the great ironies of her personal story is that the Evacuation decision—which she unmasked as a savagely callous and outrageous action—led her to professional success, a happy marriage and the good life. She talked about it recently in William Morrow's New York offices.

Michi Nishiura grew up on the tiny family farm hard by the shadow of Mt. Diablo on the east side of San Francisco Bay. Her father grew tomatoes, canteloupes, cucumbers, even some apricots, and early in her teen years she did her share of field labor. Michi was a predestined worker, setting the pace for the Filipino hired hands. In time she developed ungirly large biceps and visitors thought she was a boy.

"In a way," she says candidly, "it was a relief to be taken from our marginal kind of life by the Evacuation."

lyn, chemist and creator of perfumes. He encouraged her to find other interests.

Michi had never taken a writing lesson, but writing is what she took on next. Her first effort was a book on grooming—how to dress, how to use cosmetics, how to be more charming. It was a collection of things she had read and squirreled away and heard. A publisher snapped up the manuscript.

About that time someone gave her a book on writing. One passage mesmerized her; it said one must have the written permission of the author when quoting from him. Michi hadn't known anything about that. She had no permission, except some casual oral understandings, from anyone. She rushed to the publisher with her problem. The book was cancelled.

Like many another Nisei Michi Weglyn was curious about the history of the Evacuation that had changed her life as drastically. She began some research and then started a manuscript in the manner of a person writing a letter. It turned out to be an angry document, abrasive and hostile, betraying the chip on her shoulder.

Publisher after publisher wanted no part of it. Friends and advisers who read the manuscript gave her conflicting opinions. One professor's critique came to the attention of a Japanese publisher who put out an early version of the manuscript.

Michi wrote and rewrote her manuscript, learning to make her point honestly without being offensive. How many times? More times over a 10-year period than she can remember. Even after Howard Cady of William Morrow agreed to take *Infamy*, Michi rewrote portions again. Then, because the manuscript was much too long, it had to be edited once more.

Michi is no longer the husky farm lass, but much of the early determination remains. Her next project may be a book on poetry written in the relocation camps. There is no reason why it, too, won't be published.

FROM HAPPY VALLEY

He Made Us Laugh and Sing

By SACHI SEKO

Salt Lake City
There are a few men who leave their markings on a period of time, whose names live beyond their presence. Mas Satow was such a man. JACL's history will always have its "Satow regime."

I met him first before his JACL association. He was a visitor at Gila, representing the YMCA. As a young reporter, part of my Gila News Courier beat was a string of offices in the administrative section.

It was not our first meeting which I remember, but the one on his second tour of Gila. I was chatting with a secretary in one of the outer offices, when Mas came bolting out of the inner chambers, hand extended, exclaiming, "I know that voice."

It struck me as being somewhat humorous, for his was the voice with a distinctive sound which no one could forget. That voice became the sound of assurance in the grim days following the war. In its abruptness was the no-nonsense tempo of an unfailing upbeat. In separate places and times, many of us

I think this says something of a man's stature. We have heard the damnation of many a JACL figure. But even those who disagreed with Mas have liked him, and respected him. He never intimidated others with his wisdom or his years of service.

He was not an eloquent speaker, wringing the tears and tearing the emotions. But then perhaps he was the most eloquent man of our times. Nothing speaks better than truth. He told it as it was, or as he believed it was. He delivered his message directly to you in concise language. He employed no middlemen.

He was probably the lowest paid executive, performing some of the lowliest chores. The tired and drab surroundings in which we quartered him, were as shabby as the wages. If he felt our neglect, he never uttered them publicly.

JACL and Mas Satow were synonymous. When Mas retired, graciously giving his blessings to a new administration and withdrawing quietly from center stage, something began to happen to JACL.



By Jack Matsuoka (Hokubei Mainichi)

heard the staccato delivery of his message.

From the almost shamefully modest hotel rooms which a limited JACL budget could barely afford, to the equally spartan meeting places which were then available, he was the solitary drummer.

He was the night traveler, the boarder of trains and planes. And sometimes in a moment when he thought he was unobserved, you could see the lonely sag of his shoulders. But when he was called upon to speak, he sprang forward with quickly retrieved alacrity.

Ostensibly he was spreading the JACL message. No preacher of the frontier days had as large a wilderness to conquer, as many converts to gather. His was not the most popular issue to peddle in the days of our recovery.

He was a young man then. The rounded face and the eyes with the imp's gleam defying his conservative demeanor. You had to be young and sturdy to fend off the forays of these within and without. There were some, I among them, who sometimes held conflicting viewpoints from those which he espoused. But he differed from most Nisei in one very memorable respect. Those who opposed him philosophically and politically, were not the victims of his personal vengeance. He treated his ego as frugally as he did JACL's money. He knew how to separate people from issues.

A brand new building with all its conveniences, a proud array of new professionals could not put JACL together again. Many of us who knew him, have privately wondered what Mas thought and felt during these extremely traumatic years. Regardless of what the apologists may say, these have not been creditable or credible years. I think most of us have missed the sensible leadership we once took very much for granted. I doubt that there will ever rise a man or woman from our midst to equal his faultless devotion.

Leader and national figure though he was, my fondest memory of Mas reaches far back. It is of Gila. Sometimes on Sunday evenings, the Pilgrim's Fellowship used to conduct its vespers up in the hills, behind the barracks.

Once Mas was a guest at an evening service. When the formal worship was concluded, I remember his suggesting that we have a round of singing. There were no songbooks, no piano. But most of the songs were those learned in our abruptly aborted childhoods.

How happy he was that evening, leading us through the songs. If the words were ill remembered he refreshed our memories. And when we faltered, he blithely continued solo.

The floor of our church that night was the desert sand. The pews were the rocks. We had for candles the stars of a perfect Arizona sky. We were warmed that night by the dauntless spirit of a man who made us laugh and sing.

Perhaps it is not inappropriate that I remember Mas best this way. A man should be remembered for his songs and his laughter.

EAST L.A. SEEKS

NISEI WEEK CANDIDATE

LOS ANGELES — East Los Angeles JACL is seeking candidates to vie for the Miss East L.A. title and be entered in the Nisei Week queen's race. She must be at least 18 years of age by Aug. 14 and have one natural parent of Japanese ancestry, according to June Tanikawa, chapter queen contest chairperson (665-4995).

The chapter will introduce their candidates at the 22nd annual Emerald Ball on Saturday, May 1, at the Ambassador Hotel.

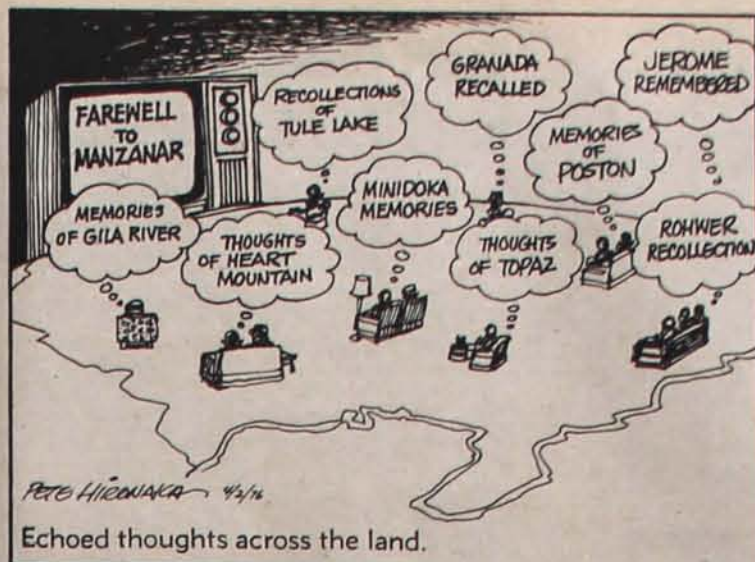
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When you have no observers, be afraid of yourself.

25 Years Ago

In the PC, April 7, 1951

Apr. 2—Terminal Island evacuees declared eligible for identification under Evacuation Claims Act; reverses previous contention islanders were evacuated by U.S. Navy order and not the U.S. Army.
Apr. 3—JACL joins 50 other national groups urging President to establish Fair Employment Practices Commission by executive order.
Apr. 4—Yuriko Amemiya hailed as Broadway's newest dance star in "The King and I".



Echoed thoughts across the land.

Tokyo Rose'

Continued from Front Page

anything wrong. And neither do I." UPI photographer Ray Foll was able to photograph Iva Mar. 24 in the backroom of her store in the Northside. But she declined to comment on the stories which suggested she was unfairly convicted of treason as "Tokyo Rose". When asked to smile, she declined.

Yates' story appears to be

LETTERS

Reparations

Editor:
Hashime Saito's letter (PC, Mar. 5 on "Reparations") is beautiful except for one thing. I can't figure out how one can eat "soul". I can't see how "soul" will help Issei who are barely surviving at the poverty level. I can't see how "soul" will repay the losses suffered by these people who were affected by the unconstitutional act. I can't see how "soul" will rectify the psychological damage that was done to Nisei. I can't see how "soul" will help the financial burden in supporting a nursing home which the people in Seattle are trying to obtain for Issei and elder Nisei. I can't see how "soul" will help the Nihongo Gakko and other programs that our Issei parents strived to save. I'm glad Saito has it "made", otherwise he wouldn't think this way. But I'm concerned about all the others who do not have it "made" because of the concentration camps. I hope that the movement for reparations will involve him and others like him in the community so they can see "what's happening".
CHUCK KATO
Seattle.

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the first emanating from Japan where witnesses at the 1949 trial are talking. Several stories covering the current bid of the Japanese American Citizens League to secure a presidential pardon have been published in various state-side papers.

UPI's Nakashima
Another Tokyo datelined story appeared Mar. 26 when Leslie Nakashima who covers the sports beat for UPI Far East, recalled how he introduced Iva to two reporters, Clark Lee and Harry Brundage of the *Cosmopolitan* Magazine of the Hearst chain.

Nakashima was asked to locate "Tokyo Rose", promising to pay her for an exclusive interview. Nakashima does not know whether payment was ever made and it was by happenstance that Iva was called because her husband was then working with

Nakashima at Domei. She was one of the Nisei women announcers for Zero Hour.

The next day, to his surprise, Iva appeared at a news conference before all war correspondents. Nakashima never saw Lee or Brundage after they had visited him at Domei, probably "frustrated" when Iva was seen with all the other newsmen. Nakashima then lost contact with Iva and found she had been arrested. He only learned thereafter what happened to her from the newspapers.

"Looking back," Nakashima concluded, "I believe that Iva Toguri might have unfortunately erred in thinking that she would become famous and readily granted interviews in the wake of the war's end. But there is no doubt that she was a victim of war hysteria. She deserves justice and she has suffered enough."

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Washington

JACL has lost a friend. With the passing of Mas Satow, JACL will miss a man who dedicated his life to more than just an organization but a conviction. That conviction which Mas held most dearly was the eradication of discrimination of all races in America.

I regret that I did not know Mas on a more personal basis. However, as is with many Sansei, we can only say that "he knew our parents much better." Perhaps he knew me better when I was a young boy. It was in the '40s and '50s when Mas and the Horiuchi family held JACL "get-togethers" in Salt Lake City for him. I only have a vague recollection of those "get-togethers" but I do have a vivid understanding of the history of Mas Satow, the "spirit of JACL."

I know that Mas took care of all of the "nitty-gritty" things that had to be done, that he was the conciliator when things got out of hand, and that he never complained about his role. His ever present smile told you so.

His legacy will never be forgotten. The legacy is said in the conception of JACL, his leadership through the war years, the formulation of the Anti-Discrimination Committee, and the growth of JACL in the post-war years. Like a farmer tilling his field, Mas was always in the field cultivating the membership. Mas was best on the personal "one-to-one" basis, always trading quips or personal experiences which he had with JACLers.

In a lot of ways, Sansei never had the benefit of Mas Satow, at least speaking for myself. This is because Mas represented another generation and another time. However, we can learn from the things which he has left with us.

Let's remember his goodness and his desire to make this a better world.

Let's remember his generosity in giving his life to us.

Let's remember the compassion and honesty and respect and love and loyalty that he gave to all of our lives. JACL won't forget him.

PEPPERMINT WHIRL

The Soul of JACL

By PATRICK OKURA
Executive Assistant
to the Director, NIMH

Washington
The reason that JACL has been such an effective organization for the past 35 years is because JACL has a soul. The one person, more than any other individual, that provided this soul for our national organization was the late Masao Satow. There were many who provided leadership for the organization as National President and other national officers, but the one individual who provided the sustained heart and soul for the organization was our beloved Mas.

While listening to the eulogies that were spoken at the funeral services at Union Church Monday evening, the eulogies covered Mas's contribution to the "Y" as well as to the JACL and the community and as I sat there with saddened heart, I could not help but reflect that without Mas Satow, JACL would have been just another national organization with an ethnic constituency.

In my 40 years of work experience with community organizations and community groups and belonging to dozens of national organizations of one kind or another, no other organization has held my attention and support and has more meaning to me than the National JACL. The only explanation that makes JACL a kind of second religion to me is Mas Satow and all the things he stood for.

I can still remember my very first day at UCLA when I entered the school as a young, 16-year-old freshman who had come to the big city, completely lost on the campus on Vermont Avenue, and having Mas Satow, who was a

senior at the time, actually take me by hand and lead me through the maze of matriculation to college life.

Without Mas's help I am sure that I would have never made it through my freshman year at UCLA. His compassion and genuine desire to be of help to others started long before his work with the YMCA and JACL. Mas was one of those rare individuals who truly practiced what he preached. It can truly be said that Masao Satow was the soul and heart of JACL.

PSW Ethnic Concerns Committee elects Sakai

LOS ANGELES — Henry Sakai, past president of Orange County JACL chapter, was elected chairman of the PSW-DC JACL Ethnic Concerns Committee March 18 at the home of Dr. Steve and Frances Yokoyama. Other elected officers were Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda, vice chairman and Masamune Kojima, secretary.

Major concerns discussed were the impact of Dr. S. I. Hayakawa's articles in the TV Guide and in his syndicated column on the Concentration Camp issue and his interpretation of acceptance of the Japanese Americans in the total American society, Asian American input in the local school systems and the pressing problems faced by JACL, organizationally and fiscally. On the issue of JACL, Ed Tokeshi, Dr. Roy Nishikawa, Kojima and Dr. Sonoda were named to come up with suggestions before the National JACL Convention to be held in Sacramento from June 21-26.

The Ethnic Concerns Committee will meet next at the JACL Regional Office, April 8, 7:30 p.m.

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& Ball

By TOM FUJIMOTO

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Don't miss the opening ceremonies for the 24th Biennial National JACL Convention here on Tuesday, June 22. You may be red-eyed from the Lake

Opening Day

Tahoe trip and your muscles may be aching from the stren-

uous tennis matches and golf rounds, but, drag yourself out of your sacks to see history in the making as JACL seriously reflects over it has been during the past biennial and charts a course for the future.

For these still in the running, the tennis play will continue to select the mythical JACL champions in the novice, intermediate, and advanced classifications for 1976.

transport Issei and the number attending should be made with:
Tak Kunimoto (237-5058), Alice Nakao (351-0913) or Yoshiko Okita (432-4367).

● East Los Angeles JACL and its JAYS group, Duprees, will sponsor the annual egg hunt on Easter Sunday, April 18, 2-4 p.m. at Granada Park, Alhambra. Program is geared for infants and children up to age 12.

Chapter also announced its picnic has been tentatively set for Sunday, July 18 at Legge Lake with barbecue steak dinner benefit as a fund-raiser for the Japanese Welfare Rights Organization. Ken Kato and Min Yoshizaki will co-chair the event.

March Events

● Sacramento JACL Women's Auxiliary continued to play a strong role in the annual Camellia Festival celebration here during the second week of March.

The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Setsuo Masaki, Cynthia Lynn, a junior at Rio American High and member of the

While delegates are listening and considering National Council issues at the Sacramento Inn, a local tour will introduce the boosters, spouses and children to the delights of the City of Sacramento. The center of a fascinating historical heritage, quaint old buildings, massive redevelopment of offices and stores, and a wealth of superb restaurants to satisfy any palate all await to be discovered.

Sacramento Theater Ballet Assn., was selected as Maid of Japan in the 22nd annual festivity, which culminated Mar. 13 with a downtown parade and a gala luncheon at Hotel Senator.

The Ginji Mizutani was in charge of the Japanese cultural exhibits during the week. Other JACLers on the Festival committee were: Ruby Matsuhara, hostess; Gladys Masaki, Ruth Shimomura, Maid coordinators.

● Tulare County JACL hosted a visiting delegation of Japanese students and visitors at its Mar. 29 dinner meeting at Gang Sue's restaurant in Porterville. Among the guests were 15

The delegates will have their opportunity to relax and enjoy a short respite from the business sessions by sampling Sacramento's hospitality at the Tuesday evening Monte Carlo-Mixer.

Make your plans to attend the National JACL Convention in Sacramento during Convention Week and greet your old friends and meet new friends.

Installation

● San Mateo JACL featured Dr. Paul Takagi, UC Berkeley professor in criminology, as guest speaker at its installation dinner Feb. 7 at Airport Marina Hotel. His talk, "Crime in the Streets," was timely in view of the local experience.

Yosh Kojimoto, re-elected president, and his board were installed by Don Hayashi.

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New NC-WNDC chapter organizing in Livermore-Amador Valley

DUBLIN, Calif.—A "Get Acquainted" meeting exploring the possibility of forming a new Northern California-Western Nevada District Council chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League was held March 3 here at the Homestead Savings and Loan community room. Present were residents from the cities of Alamo, Danville, Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton, San Ramon and Sunol.

The following persons were present:
Darlene and Tak Okabe and Dr. Jerry Watanabe (Dublin); Sam Cohen, Frank Inami, Dr. Sam Takemoto, and Tok Suyehiro (Livermore); James Kashiwamura (Pleasanton); and Judy and Susumu Takeda and Hiroko and Masao Tonari (San Ramon); NC-WNDC Governor, Wes Doi, Dr. Harry Hataaka, New Chapter chmn.; and George Kondo, reg. dir. Fremont JACL—Moss Kishiyama and Ted Inoue.

Dr. Hataaka chaired the meeting with comments from Wes Doi and George Kondo outlining the value and the importance of the JACL to the Japanese American community and its citizens. Information on the programs and the

benefits of a JACL membership were disseminated. Representatives from the Fremont Chapter briefly explained the many viable and interesting programs in which the new chapter can participate.

A letter from Assemblyman Floyd Mori (D-15th Dist) strongly endorsed the idea of starting a new chapter of JACL in the Livermore-Amador Valley. Mori said, "I would, without hesitation, encourage every Livermore-Amador Valley resident interested in the Japanese American community to join this new chapter upon its inception."

The initial meeting was encouraging and full of enthusiasm. Each person volunteered to contact friends and Japanese American residents and ask them to join. A problem chapter was formed with Dr. Jerry Watanabe and Sam Cohen as co-chairmen, Darlene Okabe as acting secretary. The next meeting was scheduled for March 31.

Meanwhile, to acquaint people with the JACL, "coffee clatches" were hosted in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. S. Takeda, March 17, San Ramon; Tok Suyehiro, March 18, Livermore; and Dr. and Mrs. J. Watanabe, March 24, Pleasanton.

All those interested in being a "Founding Father" of this newest chapter in this Bicentennial Year are to contact:

Dr. Jerry Watanabe, 6972 Village Parkway, Dublin, Calif. 94566 (822-9721); Judy Takeda, 7447 Hillside Dr., San Ramon 94583 (828-3808) or Sam Cohen, 3120 Norma Way, Livermore 94550 (435-5290).

CALENDAR

April 10 (Saturday)

Contra Costa JACL Appreciation Night, Kennedy High, Richmond, 6-9 p.m.
Berkeley—Egg hunt, Terrace Park, Albany, 11 a.m.
Riverside—Egg Hunt, Canyon Crest Park, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

April 10-11
Milwaukee—Pre-Convention Mtg, Milwaukee JACL hosts, International Institute and Holiday Inn Midtown.
Milwaukee—Spring Dnr, International Institute, 4 p.m.

April 11 (Sunday)

Cincinnati—Potluck dinner, Cleveland—Issei potluck, YWCA, 2 p.m.

April 13 (Tuesday)

San Mateo—Bd Mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Church, 7:30 p.m.

April 13 (Sunday)

St. Louis—Egg hunt, Est Los Angeles—Egg Hunt, Granada Park, Alhambra, 2-4 p.m.

April 21 (Wednesday)

PSWDC—Exec Bd Mtg, JACL Office, 7:30 p.m.

April 23-24

Philadelphia—Polk Fair.

April 24 (Saturday)

St. Louis—Family Movie Night, Fremont—Potluck Dnr, Sangha Hall, 6 p.m.

April 24-25

Reno—Bicentennial Celebration, East Los Angeles—Cherry Blossom Festival, E.L.A. College, Atlantic Square and Prado Shopping Centers.

May 1 (Saturday)

East Los Angeles—Emerald Ball, Riverside—Memor. Mtg, UC Riverside International Lounge.

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PACIFIC CITIZEN...3

MARY ISHIZUKA: West Los Angeles JACLer

Longtime School Volunteer Saluted

LOS ANGELES — Mrs. Mary Ishizuka, longtime school volunteer, was honored in the City Council Mar. 26 during the Human Relations Commission Bicentennial Salute to Women.

As a school volunteer in the West Los Angeles area schools, her persistent efforts in gathering neighborhood support for the Nora Sterry Community Lighted School were recognized as most innovative.

As one of two elementary school pilot projects in the city school system that began in 1972 with a class attendance average of 182 students per month, it continues to serve an after-school student and adult evening program

month at the present time. For the youngsters are classes in bilingual tutoring, conversational Japanese or Spanish, supervised study, arts and crafts. For the adults are classes in cooking, conversational English or Japanese, stitching, nutrition and weight control. Main objective of the community lighted school is to serve the educational, cultural and recreational needs of the community in a local public school at convenient hours.

Mrs. Ishizuka presently teaches English as a Second Language Tuesday-Thursday mornings with two other community volunteers, Amelia Cueva and Marge Morikawa. She was also responsible for initiating the only bilingual Japanese gerontology class in the city schools. Mrs. Toy Kanegai was credentialed to teach the class.

Mrs. Ishizuka is currently membership chairperson for University High PTA, member of the advisory committee for multi-cultural education programs and active with other school projects.

Included among her many awards are:

Community Service Award, WLA Co-ordinating Council 1971; Community Service Award, WLA Chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League 1972; Honorary Life Membership, Nora Sterry PTA 1971; and Continuing Service Award, Webster Jr. High PTA 1975.

Two of her children, Kathy and Kirk, are students of University High School and volunteer time permitting she assists in her husband George's florist shop in Santa Monica.

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Hawaii Today

The State administration is on record favoring capital punishment for certain crimes. It was voiced by Hawaii Attorney General Ronald Amemiya . . . Plans for a \$50 million first phase, including a 350-unit luxury hotel, were discussed during a Hawaii County Planning Commission meeting recently. A Japanese firm, Tokyu Land Corp. and Mitsubishi Corp., envisions five resort hotels containing more than 3,000 units in the South Kohala area.

Unemployment rate in the state reached a 24-year high of 9 pct. in January (33,000), 390 over the December tally, according to the State Dept. of Labor and Industrial Relations. The 50th State Fair will be held over three consecutive weekends at the Aloha Stadium auxiliary parking lot: May 28-31, June 4-6, and June 10-13, according to Craig Miyamoto, Honolulu Jaycees president.

Education

Gail Sykes, teacher for hearing-impaired students at McKinley High School, was named Hawaii State Teacher of the Year. She will be Hawaii's candidate for the 1977 National Teacher of the Year contest. . . . Hawaii public school students may be suspended from school before their parents are notified, under a rule adopted by the State Board of Education after a heated debate.

Three principals approved by the State Board of Education are: Maile Akana, Wilson School; Eshin Tengan, Kanihau School; and Bryon Yashina, Naniakapone School. . . . Two were named vice principals: Karen Hosaka, Naniakapone School; Fred Murata, Wai-pahu Community School.

Names in the News

Tom Horton has quit his job as columnist for the Advertiser. He resigned over the question of freebies—free trips offered newsmen by airlines and others. . . . Fire destroyed the home of Albert

Craig Kusaba Take Five

Main Line to Terror

Unfortunately, "Main Line to Terror," is at best a mediocre, unengrossing thriller-diller. Based on a best-selling novel by Kazuyuki Shimizu, its focus centers on Japan's most renowned bullet train, a major source of income for the government and a major cause of noise pollution for the residents located near the railway.

A young medical intern (Masami Kondo) who has extensively researched the subject of damage to public health caused by the trains decides to forego legal channels to rectify the situation. He opts for destroying a bullet train in nine days unless his demand for lower noise levels are implemented.

Perturbed by the threat, the corporation calls on a sophisticated armchair criminologist (Jiro Tamiya) with extensive international training. Despite acknowledging from the outset that he has no clues, by utilizing his cerebral talents he soon deduces the identity of the suspect, but has less success in locating the culprit.

Tamiya attributes this to dumb luck and figures it will change. He shows no concern over whether a bullet train will be derailed and killing hundreds of people.

Despite the relevance of material, director Yasuzo Masumura skips the taut realistic approach, slides into the muddled realm of melodrama, thereby slacking much of the tension engendered during the course of the film. "Main Line to Terror," Railway to oblivion.

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Mike Masaoka, Washington, D.C.

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WALTER Y. KATO: Chicago JACler

Moves from Argonne to Brookhaven

BROOKHAVEN, N.Y.—Walter Y. Kato, a senior physicist who recently joined the Brookhaven National Laboratory for Nuclear Research, was appointed associate chairman for reactor safety in the Dept. of Applied Sciences. He will be responsible for programs carried out for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (formerly known as the Atomic Energy Commission: 1946-1974), whose major efforts are focused on use of nuclear energy to generate electric power. He will also have program responsibility for NRC work in reactor materials safety and stress analysis.

No stranger to Brookhaven, he engaged in his doctoral research here in 1952-53 as a Penn State graduate student. Since that time, he has had a distinguished career in fast reactor physics and reactor safety, principally at Argonne (Ill.) National Laboratory, where his career spanned 22 years. Five years ago he relinquished his administrative responsibilities as head of the fast reactor experiments section to concentrate on current major reactor physics problems. For the 1974-75 academic year, Kato received the prestigious Argonne University Award, which he spent as visiting professor at the Univ. of Michigan.

He also kept on top of reactor safety activities in many parts of the world, serving as a consultant to Brazil and as a member of scientific delegations to Japan and various European countries. His first trip to Japan came in 1958-59 as a Fulbright Research Professor at the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute. Kato is a Fellow of the American Nuclear Society, currently serving on its board of directors. He is also a member of the American Physical Society and American Assn. for the Advancement of Science.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

The Ikebana International, L.A. Chapter 4, entered an exhibit at the Garden Clubs state flower show Mar. 19-21 at San Luis Obispo. Club will also be represented at its North American regional conference May 4-7 in Washington, D.C., and the third world convention Oct. 17-21 in Tokyo.

Gardena Boy Scout Troop 719 will have a pancake breakfast April 4, 8-11:30 a.m. at Gardena Elks Lodge, 1735 W. 162nd St.

Asahi Judo Club of Montebello hosts its first invitational tournament April 4 at East Los Angeles College women's gym for both male and female members of the Nanka Judo Yudanshakai and U.S. Judo Federation. Participants must have the rank of yellow belt and up.

San Diego

Mrs. Shizuko Shimizu, of 5235 Churchward St., San Diego 92114 is seeking the whereabouts of her nephew, Ray (or Roy) Tokuo Sebato, about 58, from Terminal Island and believed to be in Los Angeles. His brother in Japan is looking for him.

Japan-owned uranium stockpile in U.S. tax controversy at Oak Ridge

OAKRIDGE, Tenn.—Contain-ers filled with enriched uranium owned by 10 Japanese utility companies and processed by the U.S.-government owned plant here at a cost of about \$175 million has given right to an international tax dispute.

The ten Japanese firms this past week (Mar. 24) agreed to pay the city of Oak Ridge and Roane County \$24-million each to settle the tax claims.

Attorneys for the City of

with civil rights, because it tells a story that is not familiar to most. While some of us may have heard of some of the documents and incidents mentioned in the book while we were in camp, perhaps we did not give them the attention and credence they deserved because we in the JACL wartime leadership at that time were so concerned with the day-to-day problems of the evacuees that we did not have the time to check into them. We were so few and the problems so many and overwhelming that in the truth we failed to do some things which, in retrospect, perhaps we should have done.

Regardless, especially in this year of the American Bicentennial, I believe that this book should be read not so much because of what it has to say of a tragic past but in order that all Americans will be forewarned that we must ever remain vigilant that what happened then to us will never happen again to any individual or group. It seems to me that this is the least that we who experienced the persecution and travail of World War II in the concentration camps of our own country owe to what may be described as part of our American heritage.

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ber of the American Physical Society and American Assn. for the Advancement of Science and a consultant to the NRC's Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research.

A native of Chicago and a Chicago JACler, his wife Anna and their two daughters, Cathryn and Barbara, of Naperville, Ill., will join him at the end of the present school term. His son, Norman, attends Swarthmore College.

Assi. USC track coach Ken Matsuda tells how 442nd motto inspired him

LOS ANGELES—The heroic deeds and valor of the 442nd Infantry and its motto, "Go For Broke!", were a vivid inspiration in the life of Ken Matsuda, assistant track coach at the Univ. of Southern California, who was guest speaker at the 442nd Association of Southern California installation dinner Feb. 2.

Holder of a record 16 varsity letters at Westchester High School and a coach for 19 years, Matsuda recounted his many early crises and how the spirit of the 442nd helped him meet the challenges.

"My greatest thrill as a youth was when my uncle (in his 442nd uniform) took me outside from relocation center to visit Jerome, Ark," Matsuda recalled. Throughout his life thereafter, he was destined to make decisions on his own which bore out the 442nd motto.

Matsuda's father, who was an instructor at Fresno State College, joined the Army and was stationed in Honolulu. When the family was sent to Kure, Japan, Ken showed a strong desire to return to the states, even alone.

Working as a houseboy in Gardena, he had to decide whether to compete in athletic or continue work as a houseboy. He went out for sports and his athletic career took roots as he excelled in baseball, football track and basketball. Though his coach advised him he was too small to make the grade in college sports, Ken decided to surmount the known obstacle to achieve his goal—to make a career in sports.

Ken, who turned 40 in mid-

Japanese-invented game being tested in D.C.

WASHINGTON—A new game called "Othello" is being market-tested here. Already a hit in Japan, U.S. distributors think if the \$9 "go-like" game clicks here, it'll sweep the U.S. too.

The game was invented by Goro Hasegawa, a pharmaceutical firm section chief, in 1973. His father who teaches Shakespeare at a university suggested the name, according to the American distributors, Gabriel Industries.

U.W. library seeks Nikkei source material

SEATTLE, Wash.—Source materials on the role of Japanese-Americans in U.S. history are being sought by the Univ. of Washington Libraries, care of Mrs. Dolores Goto, coordinator, Japanese American History Project, Univ. of Washington, Seattle.

"Most of the most significant source materials have not yet been collected," according to Mrs. Goto. "When it has, many more authoritative studies will be made."

On file thus far are the photographs by the late Elmer Ogawa and the "Japanese American Courier", prewar weekly published by the late Jimmie Y. Sakamoto.

February, said the highlight of his career came when a young freshman enrolled at USC. He only had a pair of Levi's and two T-shirts but with a strong desire to compete. It was necessary to find work for the lad and make expenses. Matsuda took him into his own home. When long jumper Harry Hines was unable to compete in the recent Olympics, the head coach asked for Randy Williams, the lad under Matsuda's care. His trip to Germany was a financial problem but was solved by hard work on the part of both.

At Munich, Randy pulled a leg muscle prior to entering his favorite event, but knew he could make at least one jump. His first and only jump was a winning 27 ft. 4 1/4, good enough for the Olympic gold medal.

Matsuda then introduced Williams to the audience, explaining he brought the Olympic athlete instead of his wife. Tom Shimazu (Co. H) was installed as 442nd Assn. president, succeeding Chick Furuyee (100th Int.). George Nishinaka was emcee. Butch Kanahara and the Kotobukis were featured entertainers.

—Kashu Mainichi

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Gov. Evans helps Seattle Keiro project at kickoff

SEATTLE, Wash.—The Seattle Keiro nursing home project got off to an enthusiastic start with Gov. Daniel Evans addressing the Issai Concerns kickoff banquet here Mar. 4 to support the \$500,000 community effort.

Evans congratulated Issai Concerns, headed by Tomio Moriguchi, for initiating the project and urged the entire Nikkei community to give generously of its time and resources to make the home a reality. The home will require continued volunteer help and financial support after its establishment, Evans added.

About \$60,000 in advance donations and pledges have been acknowledged, according to Tosh Okamoto, fund-raising committee chairman, with the campaign in full swing through May.

Other speakers at the dinner included: Moriguchi; Edwin Hiroto, administrator, Los Angeles Japanese nursing homes; Rev. Ken Miyake, Blaine Methodist Church; and Ken Nakano.

Other dignitaries among the 300 included:

Mrs. Evans; Sec. of State Bruce Chapman; King County Councilwoman Ruby Chow and Councilman Paul Barden; Consul General and Mrs. Sono Uchida; State Reps. John Eng and Gene Lux; Judge William Lewis.

Mrs. Mitsuye Mihara was toastmistress, Mrs. Masako Tomiko was dinner chairwoman, assisted by Mrs. Kathy Cox.

Nisei evacuee remembers Wenatchee orchardist

WENATCHEE, Wash.—Tribute was paid in the Wenatchee World to the late B. Robert Loepp, lifetime area resident and orchardist who died at age 71 last December, by Henry (nee Nishimura) Weston of Bellevue.

The Loepps had befriended Japanese American evacuees in the spring of 1942 when feelings ran high against all Japanese. Then an apple orchard foreman, Loepp hired the first Japanese Americans who had moved into the free zone east of here. (The Columbia River was the boundary separating the prohibited and free zones for Japanese Americans during World War II.)

"When things were blackest for my family, Bob and (his wife) Bill gave us hope and faith in the American system and the American people," Weston said of his wartime boss.

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FRED I. KOSAKA: Downtown L.A. JACler

Named Union Federal Savings VP

GARDENA, Calif.—Fred I. Kosaka was named vice president of Union Federal Savings and Loan Assn., Union Federal President William S. Martin Jr. recently announced. Kosaka is manager of Union Federal Savings' Gardena office, 1275 W. Redondo Beach Blvd., serving in that capacity since his appointment in 1970.

A graduate of the Univ. of Washington, Kosaka has served in the financial industry for over eleven years following a distinguished military career.

After entering the U.S. Army in June, 1941, he became the first Nisei to be accepted and commissioned at the new Medical Administrative Corps Officer Candidate School at Camp Barkley, Tex. During his over 20 years active duty, Kosaka served with the Army General Staff in the Pentagon; Armed Forces Far East; Military Intelligence Group; U.S. Seventh Army as a battalion commander; was director of security at the Mojave Desert maneuvers, "Desert Strike"; briefing officer for Allied military attaches; president of So. Calif. West Point Selection Board. He retired from active service with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Kosaka was instrumental in the formation of the Kiyosato Educational Experimental Project, which aids in the development of the people in rural areas of Japan. He was charter president of the Optimist Club of Del Amo.

He is currently involved in a major fund raising effort for the Gardens Valley Japanese Cultural Institute Building Fund. Kosaka resides with his wife and three children in Torrance.

Cleveland Asians to mark Bicentennial

CLEVELAND, Ohio—An Asian Bicentennial Celebration will be staged here May 7-9 at Cleveland State University with an all-day forum and cultural show Saturday and a food fair Sunday consisting of delicacies from the four participating Asian groups: Japanese, Chinese, Korean and Filipino.

Highlight will be the speech by Sen. Daniel Inouye on Saturday, 8 p.m. The groups participating are:

Asian Cultural Society of Ohio, Cleveland JACL, Korean Assn. of Greater Cleveland, Philippine-American Society of Ohio, and Oberlin Asian American Alliance and Asian Women of Oberlin College.

Henry Tanaka is serving as secretary of the Bicentennial celebration. David Namkoong is chairman.

Prewar Japanese bank records in archives

SAN FRANCISCO — Prewar records seized from Japanese firms in the U.S. which had been untouched for 30 years in the U.S. Archives here were explored by graduate students this past summer, according to the General Services Administration here.

Cathy Lewis, Japanese-speaking student at Stanford, and Shoji Masuzawa of Tokyo's Keio University found most of the 1,100 cubic feet of records were confiscated from the Yokohama Specie Bank and Sumitomo Bank in major west coast cities and Hawaii, but also included material from the various Japanese firms and institutions.

The research was undertaken to determine which historical documents will be permanently retained.

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L.A. City Council OKs \$680,000 for Nikkei center

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles City Council gave final approval to the 1976-77 application for Community Development Block Grant funds on Mar. 15, including \$680,000 made available to the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center (JACCC) in the Little Tokyo Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) project, it was announced by George Dolzaki, JACCC president.

The mayor's office will forward the application to the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development for review and funding. In view of new federal regulations requiring public participation in HUD-financed neighborhood facilities, the condominium type co-ownership of the Center building by the city and JACCC is being shaped.

The arrangement which spells out use of the \$680,000 within the \$2.5-million JACCC building awaits HUD approval.

The building is the first of four being planned. Construction is expected by the end of this year. Other buildings in the master plan are the 850-seat theater, martial arts hall-gymnasium and a parking structure.

Halfway Mark
JACCC building committee chairman Tosh Terasawa said, "Since the bulk of funds to build the Center building will come from donations, we are firmly committed to owning at least that part of the building which will be built with our funds and eventually be able to purchase the portion owned by the city. The plan is for the city to lease the portion it will own to the JACCC for a nominal sum."

"The CRA legal staff has been very helpful in working out details for a mutually satisfactory arrangement. We hope to have HUD approval in a few weeks in order that our architects can begin final construction plans."

Terasawa estimates it will take about six months to complete the final design. JACCC has raised \$1,330,000 to date, including the \$680,000 grant. Another \$1,200,000 by the end of the year is being solicited.

CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL STAGED BY EAST L.A.-MONTEREY PARK DUE

MONTEREY PARK, Calif.—The first annual Cherry Blossom Festival will be held at Atlantic Square Shopping Center and at East Los Angeles College over the April 24-25 weekend.

Co-sponsors of the Japanese American spring festival are:

East Los Angeles Nisei VFW Memorial Post 9002; Monterey Park Senior Citizens; East Los Angeles College Monterey Park Sister City Assn; East Los Angeles JACL; Pan Asian JACL; Montebello Women's Club; Montebello Junior Women's; Bella Vista Optimists; Atlantic Square and Prado Businessmen's Assn.

Co-chairing the event are Yukio Kitagawa and Art Katayama, assisted by:

Shizuo Kunihira, Jack Ihara, Frank Watanabe, Albert Ibaraki, Shourin, Min Sumida, Howard Takata, sp. events; Joe Kawata, carnival; Tosh Kumasaka, cult.

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PC's PEOPLE

Military



Henry Wakabayashi

In civil preparedness work with the Pentagon since 1962, Washington, D.C. JACL'er Henry S. Wakabayashi was cited for outstanding performance by the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency in December. The Wyoming-born Nisei is director of the general engineering division in the agency, a graduate in mechanical engineering from the Univ. of Wyoming and the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College. He served in the Army during WW2 in the Far East command and currently a colonel in the Army Reserve. His last active duty assignment was as Asst. Chief of Staff, Logistics Readiness Office, 310th Theatre Army Support Command, Washington, D.C. He and his wife, Seiko, live in Rockville, Md. They have two daughters.

Politics

Mrs. Ruth Watanabe of West Los Angeles JACL was re-elected to her third term as president of the Japanese American Republicans... San Diego JACL'er Vernon Yoshioka, 38, has filed to run for the Republican nomination for the 77th State Assembly District seat in the June 8 primaries. He is the first Japanese American in the county to run for political office... Assemblyman Paul Bannai (R) has filed to run again for his 53rd District seat.

Press Row

Publisher John Uyeno of Lihue, Kauai, has added a third edition per week to his "Garden Island", now being

published on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. He is believed to be the only Nisei publisher of an English language newspaper in the nation.

Radio-TV

NBC-TV's "Farewell to Manzanar" shown March 11 evoked sensitive comments in the press reviews. Some received by the Pacific Citizen included one from the Albuquerque (Bill's nephew), born just after his parents were released from camp in 1943. "The pictures were clouded, but they were real. It did happen." AP's Jay Sharbutt applauded the fine direction of John Korty and uniformly good acting by the cast. He noted after NBC-TV had shown its documentary on Evacuation, "Guilt by Reason of Race", older viewers who missed the whole point of mass internment accused NBC of "forgetting Pearl Harbor". He hoped this time they at least remember a place called Manzanar... Terrence O'Flaherty of the San Francisco Chronicle made the grim observation that his 10-year-old son, Henry Steele, delivered his message of comfort (that there was no justification for Evacuation) until 1947 it appeared in the Harper's magazine... UPI's Joan Hanauer found the story was "a reminder of a shameful time in the past that revealed a weakness in American character and dedication to ideals"... L.A. Times writer Kevin Thomas concluded: "For all that it touches upon, Farewell to Manzanar is neither honest or probing enough. It won't do—not by a long shot." He had also noted been drawn vehement protests from political activist-historian Raymond Okamura and playwright Frank Chin... Christian Science Monitor's Arthur Unger said Korty at times "overestimated", failed to establish the world situation which prompted the hysteria which encouraged the government to discriminate against Japanese Americans, but noted the special "opts for real understanding" of those difficult years.

Elections

While Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) of San Jose has no Democratic opposition in the June 8 primaries in his bid for re-election, two (and possibly one more) are seeking the Republican nomination, law student Grant Jones and a Hungary-born internal audit manager Ernest Konnyu. Bill Best also filed for the GOP bid but his papers were found to be one sponsor short and his name will not be on the ballot unless the state supreme court intervenes. Mineta discussed issues with all three at NOW meeting Mar. 20 in Saratoga.

Business

Power-Ski vice president Ross Harano of Chicago reports progress on the firm's production of 15 prototypes of the water recreational vehicle, which encountered delay because of engineering changes. Downtown L.A. JACL'er Takio Yamaguchi retires at the end of April after 24 years with the California First Bank. He is vice president at

Furutani to speak

at Manzanar pilgrimage

LOS ANGELES—Manzanar Committee co-founder Warren Furutani will be keynote speaker at the seventh annual pilgrimage to Manzanar Apr. 10. Program begins with a tour of the campsite at 10 a.m., a potluck lunch at noon and concluding with the religious service and program.

Since weather will be unpredictable at Manzanar, visitors should bring warm clothing. The pilgrimage planners meet Monday nights at the JACL regional office from 7:30.

15 Saneis to vie for

Crenshaw Square title

LOS ANGELES—Fifteen Saneis candidates vie in the 12th annual Miss Teen Saneis beauty pageant of California to be held July 17 at Beverly Hilton Hotel in conjunction with the 17th annual Crenshaw Square summer festival. Teenagers between 15 and 17 may apply by calling Yuki Tawa (295-4321). A \$1,000 first prize and awards will be presented.

QUESTION BOX

JACL life membership

Q—What do you know about JACL life membership?
—C.T.S., Los Angeles.

A—Within the 1000 Club category is a provision where a member contributing a lump sum of \$500 to National JACL is regarded as a perpetual "Life" member since the amount is placed in a separate savings account where it generates enough interest each year to cover his dues in the 1000 Club. The first life members were Mr. and Mrs. George Inagaki, Venice-Culver JACL, since December, 1952. What is confusing, however, is that at the 1958 JACL Convention, when life membership was upped from \$250 to \$500, those 1000 Clubbers achieving 20-year status were to also be considered Life members, but there is no investment factor providing perpetual membership. At the 1972 Convention, those who passed the 20-year level were presented "20-Year Cumulative Membership" certificates.

INSIDE LITTLE TOKYO

Hot lunch program for aged to start

LOS ANGELES

A hot lunch program for Little Tokyo-Boyle Heights residents 60 year-old and older begins April 2 at the Japanese Union Church social hall, it was announced by Emi Yamaki, recently appointed director of the Koreisha Chu-shoku Kai (Nutrition Program for the Elderly), sponsored by the Japanese Community Pioneer Center.

The meals are to be served between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Retirement home fair

LOS ANGELES—A "Friends Fair" for the benefit of the Japanese Retirement Home will be held June 5, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., at 325 S. Boyle Ave. Groups may participate with understanding 20% of the gross sales is donated to the Home. Those interested should call:

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