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EDITORIALS

Mr. JACL Credit Union

Compassion for fellow Japanese Americans coming out of the evacuation camps in 1943, many of them in need of financial help, led the wartime National JACL Treasurer Hito Okada to organize the National JACL Credit Union, which he helped to develop into a \$2,500,000 institution over the past three decades. On July 1, he retired from active service as treasurer-manager as Albert Oshita with solid credit union background was appointed to carry on the Okada tradition of service to those in need.

We join his many friends to wish Mr. JACL Credit Union well in his retirement. No other JACLer has matched his years in point of continuous service in the organization. Count them—it's been 33 years.

National Council Narrative

In view of the importance of presenting as much detail and as early as possible of the actions of the recently concluded National Council sessions during the Sacramento convention, the Pacific Citizen literally went overboard to cover the give and take of delegates and synopses the various reports and actions that comprise a national convention.

This was the first time about 25 per cent of the available space was given over to activities of the National Council during the five issues the Narrative appeared. We estimate over 33,000 words were packed into some 850 column inches of space. We gauge a page of copy to contain about 300 words.

If there are any substantial misinterpretations or omissions of National Council actions, we trust the delegates will inform us by letter.

In reality, the Narrative was to make it easier for the delegate upon his or her return to the chapter. Indication of that seems apparent from the observations now coming to our desk through chapter newsletters.

JACL seems to be at a critical crossroad each time the National Council convenes. The Sacramento meeting was no exception. Most significant outcome, we happily add, is that JACL means to stay in business with new issues and challenges to resolve. With a \$492,300 budget—it's not a child's plaything.

1976 Nisei Week Festival

A community event which the Los Angeles JACL initiated in 1934 and developed through the prewar years, the Nisei Week Festival is the granddaddy of Japanese cultural events on the American civic scene. It blossoms forth again this weekend in Little Tokyo, culminating with the Ondo Parade next weekend on Sunday afternoon.

The JACL origin has passed into oblivion, which may not be a point to press, since the essence of this Festival is to have a good time in the Japanese style. But we do not forget it.

● Harry K. Honda

Ye Editor's Desk

ARIZONA IN THE SUMMERTIME

For a change of pace, the Honda family of three vacationed in the neighboring state of Arizona this past week.

The tourist stereotype that Arizona is no place to vacation in midsummer favored us with lower rates at the motels and uncrowded conditions at the popular sites—such as the Grand Canyon's south rim (where we encountered a busload of Japanese tourists), the Petrified Forest (where an Asian American lass is stationed as a park ranger), and the famed Arizona-Sonora desert museum near Tucson.

The summer rainstorms in southeastern Arizona, we found, are referred to as monsoons. And it was responsible for beautifully greening the plateau country there. By comparison, the hills in Southern California are brown (or ashen gray if swept by fire). The temperatures, admittedly in the 100s in the late afternoon, are bearable because of the lack of humidity. Museums and shops we visited are all air-conditioned, the drinking fountains all dispensing ice-cold water—even at the rest stops by the main highways.

San Xavier del Bac has allusion named after the Jesuit missionary of India and Japan, St. Francis Xavier—as

the white jewel nestled against the Tucson Mountains. Underground viewing of animals at the Desert Museum was a first for this denizen of public places to see. Where else can you press a button, which illuminates a tiny hole and see closeup a beaver asleep upright over its tail, vampire bats in a suspended position and many other mammals resting after cavorting in the open air portion of their exhibit area? And all this in air-conditioned comfort. The rare desert pupfish were the first we've ever seen.

We were also mindful of the Japanese and Chinese contributions to the progress of Arizona, but no where was it in evidence at the State Capitol archives museum in Phoenix—a situation which surely needs attention. We did notice, however, the presence of Chinese in the roaring history of Tombstone, which wanted to be much like San Francisco.

We suspect the thousands of Japanese Americans who were forcefully put in the wartime concentration camps in Arizona conceived it's the last place they'd want to spend any time on vacation. Yet there are natural wonders and grandeur to behold and hospitality of its people (one out of four are American Indians) to relish.

POEMS by Jonny Kyoko Sullivan

from memory the wedding photograph

Perhaps this pen knows
the way
Japanese calligraphy
flowed onto
thin blue paper
from the pen
in my mother's fingers
scratching
quickly at the blankness
delicate seedlings
kanji and hiragana
and when the pages were filled
with five columns
she folded it
running its edges flat
and sealed it
hushing me quiet
as I stood watching
over the table's edge
the way for this pen
to finish its writing

Mother is sixteen
in a white satin blouse
(Now, when pulled from her trunk,
it is faintly yellowing
like a pressed flower,
like ivory.)
Her hair wisps in curls
about her forehead.
Against her right temple
a white flower
pulses its scent
into her young skin.

Father
is earnest at eighteen,
his Arizona smile frugal
as the desert is frugal,
his wide eyes
stepping back into themselves
like pools in a Japanese garden.

MINORITY OF ONE

Fading Away

By EDISON UNO

San Francisco
General Douglas MacArthur revived an old army tune with his famous quote of "Old soldiers never die, they just fade away." That thought comes to mind everytime I think of old time JACLers, especially some of the early pioneers who are fast approaching their golden years.

It was good to see seven past presidents at the Sacramento convention in late June. George J. Inagaki, better known as "Callahan" Inagaki, was looking exceptionally well, sporting a beautiful Southern California tan, trim and active in spite of major heart surgery. Advancing in age, George manages to keep young at heart and spirit, although hair is thinning and turning grey—he continues to be active and serves his community in many ways. I've known George long before he became a grandfather, a role I'm sure he fills with humor and joy.

National conventions are always good for renewing old friendships. Other past presidents like Dr. Roy Nishikawa, Shig Wakamatsu, Frank Chuman, Jerry Engomoto, Ray Uno, and Henry Tanaka were actively participating in many of the discussions before the National Council. I don't recall seeing Kumeo Yoshinari and I heard that Pat Okada was in San Francisco attending another convention supported by the National Institute of Mental Health. Hito Okada of Salt Lake City was missed. I understand his health prevents him from active participations these days. Dr. Randolph Sakada died some time ago.

Four of the seven pre-war national presidents are deceased, Clarence Aral, Dr. George Takeyama, Jimmie Sakamoto, and Walter Tsukamoto. Dr. Terry Hayashi, Dr. Thomas Yatabe, and Saburo Kido are the surviving past presidents from the pre-war era.

One person who was known as Mr. JACL, the former national director Masao Satow was sadly missed. I am glad our organization will properly recognize the memory of Mas Satow, a man who devoted a lifetime of service and dedication to the organization which was so much of his life. It was good to see old timers from Central California, Sally Slocum and Tom Shi-

masaki looking healthy and spry. I'm sure there were other early pioneers of JACL at the convention, but failed to make note of them. Of course, Mike Masaoka falls into that category and his presence has been duly reported in many of the reports of the proceedings.

Many JACLers asked me about my father-in-law, Saburo Kido. Mr. Kido had a stroke several years ago, retired from his law practice, and moved to San Francisco just a few blocks from our home. The Kidos live a very quiet life. I believe Mr. Kido is approaching 73. His physical condition is slowing down and his memory is failing. It is very sad to see him declining, especially after such an active life and a sharp mind, ready to discuss any topic under the sun. Growing old and fading away is a difficult and depressing situation. One must develop a great deal of patience and understanding.

I guess we should count our blessings as his circumstance could be much worse. At least he can take short walks, enjoy his meals by himself, and pass the time by watching television. Geriatric problems are often hard to accept.

Mrs. Kido usually brings him over every afternoon for a change of pace in their daily routine. I've become the expert exercise taskmaster for his daily calisthenics since he refuses to respond to his wife's repeated requests. Our Sunday evening dinner brings the family together; however to Mr. Kido the memory quickly forgets one of the last remaining joys of life. His pace has become slow, his balance unsure, his reactions irregular, and a disorientation that makes life a gradual fading away. Perhaps many older Nisei can understand this condition, especially if they've experienced the long term caring for a parent who has become almost totally dependent.

For many friends of the Kidos, we thank them for their concern and inquiries. Although the picture is not too bright, we are grateful for the strength and encouragement expressed by many who remember the old man as Sab Kido, a courageous leader, visionary, and unselfish contributor towards the cause of Japanese in America and the JACL.

Writers' Conference—

Continued from Front Page

my head—one, from the Sons of Hawaii when they close their Hawaiian music sets, Sunday at the Territorial Tavern in downtown Honolulu: "We are the Sons of Hawaii, and we ARE Hawaii!" The other I get to roar on stage as backup Harry: "I have courted death and drunken puke-ness and my face shining!"

The Conference leaned toward the play's premiere, Milton Murayama, Ray Tsuchiyama, and I presented papers on "Writing in Dialect and Mixed Languages," the unique languages of Asian America. Frank Chin lanced the "Yellow Critics of Yellow Writers," critics, as Chin sees them, who display their racial self-contempt by judging Asian American literature with White Western criteria. Inada paid tribute to Toshio Mori and Mori's distinctly Nisei voice in fiction. Mori himself then spoke to us.

The stories must be told. Several weeks ago, after a hot day of Conference fund raising in the International District, Judi Nihei and I downed our drinks and began taking notes as bartender Concord "Conc" Takeuchi at Bush Gardens recalled the old days: Cauch Hira-bayashi and Shrink Fujino ("Shrink" because the man was a cripple, but no one would say so in his face; they called him "Shrink" instead) and their Nisei Bar in Chicago, those days following the "Relocation." Conc remembered Chicago's Honolulu Bar and Honolulu Harry's and a bowling alley purchased by still another Hawaiian-in-exile hui. If we hadn't been cooling off and talking stories there in one of Seattle's Nisei bars and grills, Conc may never have recollected those Chicago hangouts where our play is set.

Friday night, July 2, the Ethnic Cultural Theater's capacity crowd was hot and ready. Backstage, with Chin leading us for the final time, the cast rumbled out a volcanic Energy Yell: AIIIEEEE! It was a powerful night for all of us. Our writers were there, with us all the way, and the rest of the audience dove into the surge.

Conference Credits

The week's event cannot be repeated. Lawson Inada, almost never one to mouth cliches, reflected that what had happened here was a result of some "chemistry." It had something to do with our becoming a community during the past six months at the UW Asian American Studies offices. We also achieved something because, crass as it may sound, we are paying for the Conference. We are paying our writers what they have long deserved but have rarely gotten as artists, teachers, professionals, and experts. They have been giving us their lives. And we gave: Sam Solberg, Kai Fujita, Bea Kiyohara, Fred Cordova, Jean Huntley—to name only a few—somehow made and donated months of time and labor, in some cases far more than fulltime. These months we have known no one can kick us around, because without what we have given to the very end, there would have been no Conference this year. No one could fire us except we, ourselves.

The final line I had prepared for the entire event was lost in the exuberance following the "Nisei Bar & Grill" premiere. The line was for Garrett Hongo. I'd thought that I'd be up there weeping. Instead I was laughing with the rest. It goes like this: at the end of Akira Kurosawa's magnificent Shichi-nin no Samurai, the leader of the seven stalwart warriors from the graves of the four who have perished, turns to his comrade and smiles, "Mata iki nokotta, na." Again we survive. He is not congratulating himself and his buddy. He is expressing his astonishment. We should have died!

One by one we leave Seattle, return to our homes. Somehow last week we celebrated our arrivals, we watched an infant grow and we bade farewell with dancing souls, in this our year of the dragon.

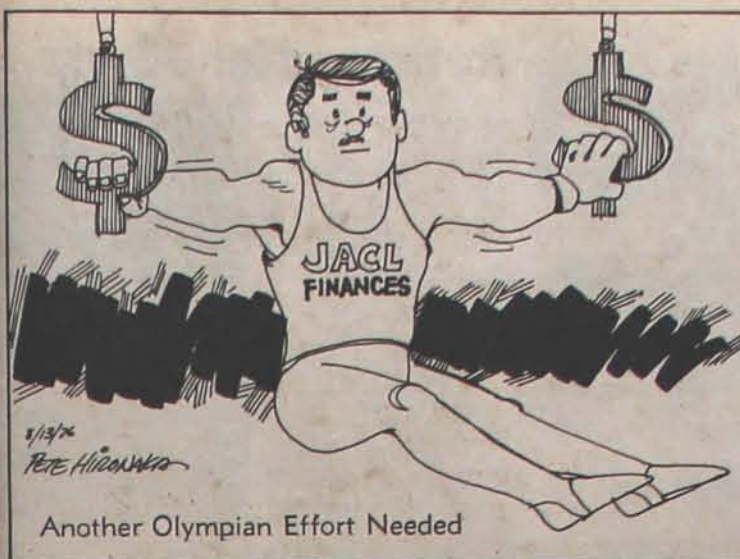
Quote of Note

I fear three newspapers more than a hundred bayonets.
—Napoleon Bonaparte

* 25 Years Ago

In the PC, Aug. 18, 1951

Aug. 11—Army B-50 bomber crashes into Seattle apartment managed by Issei, Kenzo Kadoyama; six-man crew and five apartment occupants known dead.
Aug. 14—William Randolph Hearst dies at age 88; obituaries fail to note his anti-Japanese role in U.S. history.
Aug. 17—President Truman signs evacuation claim's compromise settlement bill.



FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

Reparations or a Pavilion

Denver, Colo.
The Pacific Citizen assures us that after dilly-dallying for six years, the national JACL is now proceeding with all due dispatch on the matter of seeking reparations payments. These would presumably reimburse Japanese Americans for the physical losses and humiliation suffered in the wartime evacuation. The figure of \$2 billion in total payments has been published.

A good many JACLers have put a lot of time and thought into the reparations program and many believe strongly in it. Even my good friend Mike Masaoka has risked his niche in the pantheon of authentic Japanese American heroes to make a stirring pitch for a reparations bill. He realizes, of course, that his name could be mud should the campaign prove to be a costly flop and its good intentions backfire, as some fear it may.

Count me among those in the latter category for reasons too numerous to mention here. I have said before that I think it is a bum idea and I say it here again for the record.

One reason the reparations program has been slow taking tangible shape is that there seems to be no consensus as to what should be done with the money, if and when it becomes available. This is one thing Congress will want to know for sure. Some of those pushing most vigorously for a reparations bill have assured us with commendable nobility that they don't want the money for themselves, it's really the principle of reparations that's the important thing. Others believe that while principle is just dandy, the element of personal gain must be injected if there is to be widespread public support.

Let me cloud the matter even further by injecting an idea from Bill Kline, program director of a Sacramento television station, who may or may

not have thought of it in connection with the reparations bill. Kline is pushing hard for a West Coast version of the Statue of Liberty which as everyone knows graces the entrance to New York harbor. But his idea goes beyond a mere statue, no matter how impressive. He would like to see a Pacific Pavilion built on Alcatraz Island in San Francisco Bay as a tribute to the contributions made to the United States by all Asian immigrants. It would be, he writes:

First, a tribute to all our Asian immigrants.

Second, a pavilion of malls, with each nation and region represented, providing a sampling of the history, art and customs of each area. There would be shops featuring the products and crafts of each country, and restaurants serving ethnic foods.

Third, a Theater of the Pacific, for the performing arts of each region, also for conventions and meetings.

Fourth, an international radio facility would be located within the Pacific Pavilion, either privately operated or the Voice of America, serving the Pacific and Asia.

Kline would like to see an international competition to select a design for the pavilion. He visions a central column reaching into the sky, with wings radiating outward to house displays of the various regions, with colored glass lighted from within to outline a U.S. flag visible from incoming jetliners.

Kline says some San Francisco businessmen have put up some money to start a movement to change the negative image of Alcatraz into something positive, and he feels the Pacific Pavilion idea would be ideal. But anything as ambitious as this is going to take a lot of money.

Which is where the reparations bill comes in.

What do you think?

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Plain Speaking

THE RIGHT TO BE COUNTED

Congressman Sparky Matsunaga has introduced a resolution (HJR 1034) which will provide for the inclusion of certain economic and social statistics for Asians and Pacific Island Americans in the decennial census tabulations.

This may not seem like a critical piece of legislation to you; however, the impact which it will have upon Asian and Pacific Island Americans is potentially very great. Why is the potential impact so serious? Because the right to be counted is becoming as important as the right to vote or the right to a fair share of the governmental resources. It's important to note that benefits from federal programs are based upon census statistics.

Asian and Pacific Island Americans from all over the United States are beginning to organize around this issue. The Pacific Asian Coalition, the Asian Pacific American Federal Employees Council, JACL and others have coalesced to surface the issue of an accurate count by the Bureau of the Census. The federal bureaucracy and Congress are the targets of pressure.

Some success has been realized with the formal establishment of an Advisory Committee for Asian and Pacific Island Americans of the Bureau of the Census of which David Ushio is a member.

Just before our National JACL Convention, I just completed presenting testimony with a panel of other Asian American organizations before Rep. Pat Schroeder, Chairperson of the House Subcommittee on Census and Population. Our testimony helped to substantiate the fact that an inaccurate count has, indeed, been made with respect to Asian Pacific Island Americans because of unique cultural, historical, and ethnic characteristics of each Asian American ethnic group. Some of those characteristics which obviate an accurate count by the Census are the high rate of interracial marriage, the high rate of immigration, the language barriers and a potential fear and suspicion of the government because of historical discrimination.

The importance of an accurate population count with a detailed delineation of the socioeconomic characteristics of the Asian Pacific American ethnic group is vital. Bogus data can only lead to bogus conclusions.

Chapter Pulse

August Events

● Eden Township JACL and Community Center each pledged a \$100 to help defray expenses of the visiting Little League champions from Japan on a 10-day tour in California. The youngsters from Ise, Mieken, played the Golden Gate Optimist League (Samsel) All-Stars Aug. 1 in San Lorenzo.

July Events

● Seabrook JACL was involved with the Bridge Towne 200 Festival July 3 at Bridge-ton, N.J., but it meant a lot of hard work and fun as well as a few hundred dollars richer for the Seabrook Buddhist Church and the chapter. Kayko Ichinaga and Peggy Fukawa were in charge of the chapter involvement with Henry Kato contributing his artwork for the decorative signs.

● Fremont JACL announced its annual fireworks sale (June 28-July 4) was another success, thanks to the committee headed by Dr. Jim Yamaguchi. Proceeds went toward the chapter scholarship fund.

● Portland JACL, which participated in the July 18 Ethnic Folkfest and Neighbor Fair, may be an annual function. Judging from the financial profit as the committee chaired by Mickey Yasui has announced proceeds would go toward the chapter operating funds.

Despite short notice to participate, the committee came up with ideas that proved popular and profitable. The demonstration and relay race with chopsticks and jellybeans always drew a crowd watching or waiting to try their skills. The origami booth by the Japanese Ancestral Women's Soc. sale of T-shirts and socks, beer, teriyaki being sold out by 6 p.m., and response by JACL families contributed toward the successful venture, noted Bill Kolda, chapter president.

Scholarship



Peggy Yonaki

● Delano JACL scholarship of \$200 was awarded to Peggy Yonaki, daughter of the Joe Yonakis, who graduated from Delano High this summer, during the chapter graduates party at Cecil Avenue Park. About 50 persons were present. Other graduates honored were:

High school—Mark Okino, Warren Nagasaki; Cecil Ave. School—Lynn Kawasaki, Marshal Okino, Toni Fukawa.

The award winner plans to major in business at Cal State Bakersfield. Having three older brothers, David, Dennis and Doug, she enjoys going to the drags and can match wits with any fellow when it comes to engines.

● Salt Lake JACL handed scholarships amounting to \$1,000 recently to four high school students. Recipients are:

\$400—Lynn Nishitani, Viewmont High, Bountiful, Utah; daughter of the Ron Nishitani, North Salt Lake. \$300—Gary Takanaka, West Lake, Salt Lake City; son of the Setao Takanaka, Salt Lake City. \$200—Kotaro Sugita, East High; son of the K. Sugita, Salt Lake City. \$100—Rumi Marsh, Cypress High; daughter of Harumi Marsh.

Lynn and Gary are planning to enter Univ. of Utah. Kotaro is going to Univ. of

City congratulates Issei couple



Carson JACL members Tom Arikawa and his wife recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and were congratulated by the City of Carson on July 19 during the first city council meeting at the new City Hall at Carson St. and Avalon Blvd. Council members (from left) who signed the proclamation are Mayor John Marbut, Kay Calas, Gilbert Smith, Clarence Bridgers and mayor pro-tem Sak Yamamoto. The Arikawas are parents of Lily Okura of Washington, D.C. and Yae Ono, formerly of Dayton, O., and now of Carson.

'Heart Mountain: History of American Concentration Camp' based on thesis

MADISON, Wis.—"Heart Mountain: The History of an American Concentration Camp" by Douglas Nelson has been published by the Univ. of Wisconsin and State Historical Society of Wisconsin. The book is based on Nelson's master's thesis at the Univ. of Wyoming, where he drew on camp records, newspapers, official reports, correspondence and scores of works already written about the evacuation.

He disputes the popular notion that Japanese Americans patiently cooperated when they were relocated and describes the sharp divisions within the camp over the Selective Service issue. The 183-page book lists at \$12.50 plus 50 cents for postage and handling from Wisconsin History Foundation, 810 State St., Madison 53706.

NC-WNDC co-sponsoring post-Olympic volleyball

SAN FRANCISCO—The U.S. and Japan volleyball teams will meet again in a post-Olympic game Sept. 1, 7:30 p.m. at Kezar Pavilion, according to the Northern California-Western Nevada JACL District Council, co-sponsors with the U.S. Volleyball Assn. Japan won over the Americans in the recent Olympic round-robin tournament in Montreal.

Tickets at \$3 per person are available from district JACL chapters and at the following locations: San Francisco—JACL Hq. Paper Trs. Cal 1st's Japan Center office. Sumitomo's Century Blvd. office. Berkeley—Yamaguchi Realty; Oakland—Cal 1st Bank, Sumitomo Bank; Alameda—Alameda Sports; Goody's; Hayward—Sumitomo Bank; Fremont—Cal 1st Bank; San Jose—JACL Office; Sacramento—JACL Office.

Proceeds from JACL ticket sales will be used to establish a Japanese American legal assistance fund.

Fuji Towers open

SAN JOSE, Calif.—With the 140-unit Fuji Towers dedicated in June, more than half have been rented, according to resident manager Sam Tashima (275-8989), to senior citizens who want to live in Nihonmachi area. It is located at 5th and Taylor.

CIC given check



SAN FRANCISCO—Japanese American Postal Club president William Kyono (second from right) presents \$621 check to Committee for Internment Committee efforts to allow federally employed Nikkei credit toward Civil Service retirement for time spent in WW2 internment camps. Accepting check is Toshiko Yoshida, CIC co-chairperson. Others (from left) are Jim Otsuki, Dave Minamide, John Yasumoto, Margaret Kitagawa and Zane Matsuzaki.

Life Memorial

National Headquarters has received a Life Memorial Membership in memory of the late Masao Satow, beloved National JACL Director for over 25 years from Chis Satow, wife of the late National Director.

James Murakami, National JACL President, expressed his sincere thanks to Mrs. Satow for her generous donation to the organization. Life Memorial memberships are a special way to honor those who have passed on and support the organization. Persons desiring further information about such memberships and other memorials should contact Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115.

JACL Japan flight seals available

SAN FRANCISCO—Because of some revisions and group cancellations, there are several openings on JACL flights to Japan in the fall and another flight has been added leaving Los Angeles Oct. 3 and returning Oct. 23.

Seats are available for Flight 7 leaving San Francisco Sept. 28 and returning Oct. 19; Flight 9 leaving San Francisco Oct. 1 and returning Oct. 22; Flight 11 leaving San Francisco Nov. 8 and returning Nov. 29; and Flight 12 leaving San Francisco Oct. 12 and returning Nov. 3.

Further details are found in the Flight announcement on page 2.

Redevelopment—

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ties are available within the Little Tokyo area before any demolition work is started.

LTPRO representatives Cynthia Chono and Maria Cuervo issued an open invitation to the CRA board to appear at a community meeting Aug. 15, 3 p.m., at Little Tokyo Towers. CRA board chairman Kurt W. Meyer said he and two others would attend. The Nisei CRA commissioner Tautomu Uchida said prior commitments prevail and could not attend. If a fourth member is present, a quorum to conduct CRA business is constituted, Meyer added.

The recently appointed CRA administrator Edward Helfeld said his staff had yet to find any alternative for businesses facing eviction other than interim locations outside Little Tokyo.

CRA has sent notices to 124 individuals and families, 19 business establishments and 21 cultural-community groups located on Weller St. and E. 2nd St.

21-Story Hotel

In the meantime, the proposed 21-story hotel continues to proceed toward scheduled occupancy in September, 1977. Hotel New Otani has an agreement with CRA to acquire remaining property in the Weller St. triangle for commercial projects planned in conjunction with the hotel.

LTPRO demands included replacement housing for residents be within the Little Tokyo area, relocation assistance, and compensation for losses incurred by community people.

CRA also voted to terminate its "exclusive negotiation rights" with the community-based Shin Tokyo Plaza syndicate which is expected to collaborate now with the rival Japanese Village Plaza interests, who were originally coordinated by Little Tokyo architect David Hyun, a Hawaiian-born Korean American, and attorney Frank Chuman.

JACK OGAMI: Snake River Valley JACLer

Elected Lions District Governor



Jack Ogami

SUN VALLEY, Idaho—A Nisei who was raised in prewar Seattle, Jack Ogami was elected Lions District Governor at their 39-W district convention here June 5. He is also active with Snake River Valley JACL chapter and the Intermountain District Council.

Looking at his campaign leaflet at the convention, it is evident there was a race between the Lions International and JACL to see which would elect Ogami first to the governorship.

He ascended step-by-step through the leadership ranks of both groups—local chapter president and related posts in both JACL and Lions. At the district level, Ogami had been zone chairman and deputy district governor with the Lions. With JACL, he was vice governor for five years and served other posts as well as being national JACL recognition chairman for one biennium. He also holds both Silver and Sapphire JACL pins.

Ogami is active also with the chamber of commerce, city recreation committee, Boy Scouts court of review, Idaho Eastern Oregon Union Assn., and both the American Legion and VFW posts. After graduating from Leran College in Dubuque, he served with the Army counter-intelligence.

He owns the Idaho Bag & Metal Co., married with four children and parishner of St. Agnes Catholic Church.

—Ron Yokota

Rep. Mineta—

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umerated several points for the debate on education: 1—Public education is, and should be, the primary instrument for democratizing our society.

2—Education should encourage individual growth rather than stifle it.

3—Our schools should provide people with basic skills necessary to do more than just survive.

4—We need a statement of national policy—perhaps in the Constitution—that recognizes education as a basic human right and that it is the government's responsibility to insure that quality education is available to every person who seeks it.

Mineta also told the leadership conference his legislative proposal to bring zero-based budgeting to the Federal government to establish governmental accountability and fiscal responsibility should influence educators to push for educational reforms and re-evaluating of financial priorities.

Community Fete

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The Japanese community here will honor Rep. Norman Mineta at a \$50 per plate testimonial dinner Aug. 20, 7 p.m., at the Hyatt House. Dinner sponsors include:

J. K. Ishimatsu, Yosh Uchida, Henry Yamate, George Hinoki, Yuki Shibata and many others.

Merit's 3rd office



Hiroshi Tsukahara

Merit Savings opened its third office Aug. 9 at 1995 S. Atlantic Blvd., Monterey Park with Hiroshi Tsukahara as branch manager. Gifts will be given to those who register during the first 30-day period. Norman Rockwell covers on the Saturday Evening Post will be on display. A community room is available during weekends and evenings.

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It is only in Los Angeles that such a vast network of health-care facilities is concentrated solely for the benefit of a minority group. And in the years to come, these assets—land, buildings, community goodwill and all shall pass into the hands of the Samsel, Yonsei and generations yet to come. Therefore, it should be with a sense of pride that every effort be made to keep these holdings intact, by the community and for the community here and for those within the continental USA.

With regard to the new addition—the Intermediate Nursing Care Facility, it is urged that each person respond, in his own way, to the appeal from the many volunteer solicitors who will seek your help in making the \$400,000 fund campaign a success, and thus help in adding another increment of service to the Japanese community.

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Asian studies confab set Oct. 8-9 in Flagstaff

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — The Western Conference of the Asian Studies will meet here Oct. 8-9 with workshops on Nikkei history to be chaired by Russell Endo of the Univ. of Colorado, Don Estes and Bob Nakamura of San Diego City College. Topics include: "The New Asian in West Texas," Yung-mei Tsai, Texas Tech; "Asian American Communities in Phoenix," Richard Nagasawa, Arizona State; "Asian American Communities in Tucson," Paul Leung, Univ. of Arizona; "Asian American Experience in Colorado," Russell Endo; "Coral Histories," Arthur Hanson, CSU Fullerton; "Japanese and English Written Sources," Don Estes; "Photo Archives," Bob Nakamura; "Japanese Experience in Idaho," Robert Sims, Boise State. Films: "Wataridori," "Kites and Other Tales," "Cruisin' J-Town".

PC's People

Government



Nadine I. Hata

Nadine I. Hata, 35, of Gardena, was appointed June 17 by Gov. Edmund Brown Jr. to serve a four-year term on the California Historical Resources Commission, responsible for selecting sites of historic importance. She teaches history at El Camino College in Torrance and is vice-chairperson of the Calif. State Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

Health

Washington, D.C. JACler K. Patrick Okura was named interim special assistant to the director for international affairs at the National Institute of Mental Health, where he is executive assistant to the director.

Dr. Lloyd T. Iseri, UC Irvine professor in medicine, has successfully used an external heart pacemaker under emergency field conditions while accompanying Orange County Fire Dept. paramedics based in the Laguna Hills-Saddleback Valley area the past nine months. Pacemakers had not been used outside the hospital to aid heart attack victims, Iseri said.

Dr. Harry Hatasaka, Palo Alto, Calif., was installed as president of the Pacific Coast Society of Orthodontists-Central Component at its quarterly meeting on June 7. Immediate past NC-WNDC JACL Governor is the first Nikkei to hold this office. Prior to assuming the presidency, Dr. Hatasaka served the PCSO as editor, secretary, assistant program chairman and program chairman. The PCSO-CC is comprised of orthodontists from Northern California, Northern Nevada, and Hawaii and is a constituent of the American Association of Orthodontists.

Churches

San Francisco-based businessman, Selho Tajiri, 66, has joined the Nation of Islam as part of the new policy of the Black Muslims organization opening its membership to all persons. The acceptance was featured in a front page story June 11 in the Billboard News (formerly "Muhammad Speaks"). He came to the U.S. in 1965 and was closely associated with the Nation of Islam for the past five years.

Education

Dr. T. Scott Miyakawa, engaged in research on the East Coast, was recently named chairman and professor of the Dept. of Sociology at the Univ. of Massachusetts-Boston.

Flower-Garden

Santa Clara County Fairgrounds owes its decorative landscape and "park-like" appearance to San Jose nurseryman Jack Machida, dubbed the "horticulture Santa Claus" for his donation of more than 2,000 ornamental shrubs, plants and trees since 1973 to beautify the grounds, according to Ted Moniz, fair director. The fair is scheduled Aug. 20-29.

Manzanar High reunion

LOS ANGELES — Manzanar High class of '46 will have a reunion Sept. 25 here. Details are obtainable from Shig Kuwahara (283-0892), Betty Imura (770-8018) and Jun Ogimachi (893-3518).

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Courtroom

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Book

"No-No Boy" by the late John Okada of Seattle, which first appeared in 1957, is being reprinted by CARP Publishing, P.O. Box 3820, San Francisco 94119. CARP is the Combined Asian Resources Program, a nonprofit group, which plans to publish a series of Asian American literary works. It belatedly is being acclaimed as the most vigorous novel of the Japanese American in the 1940s. Listed at \$5.95, CARP has a pre-publication price of \$3.95 plus 35 cents for mailing and sales tax.

Univ. of Arizona Press, which publishes monographs of the Asian Studies, issued its 24th volume, "Dogen Kigen — Mystical Realist" (\$4.95 paper, \$8.95 cloth) by Dr. Hee-Jin Kim, with the Univ. of Oregon Dept. of Religious Studies. Dogen was the 13th Century founder of the Soto Zen sect in Japan. Born in Korea, Kim's basic education was in Japan. He expanded his life-long interest in Buddhism in the U.S., where he earned his B.A. and M.A. in philosophy at Univ. of California and his doctorate in religion at Claremont Graduate School. "It is high time for Western students to deal with Zen as a historical religion in the concrete historical, philosophical, moral and cultural context," Dr. Kim says in the preface.

Press Row

Arthur Iwasaki, with the North Glen (Colo.) department of horticulture and instructor, has started a garden column in the weekly "Express", circulated in Adams County.

Fine Arts

Karen Tsujimoto, who hails from Salt Lake City, is one of five curators at the San Francisco Museum of Art, which recently opened a photographic exhibition and objects of Bay Area artist David MacLay.

Funding to aid poor in L.A. terminated

LOS ANGELES — Funding allocated for services to the poor through the Greater Los Angeles Community Action Agency was recently cut off, bringing on an outcry from its acting executive director Jim Miyano.

He called the cut "improper, unwarranted, a violation of the precedent established in prior funding and insensitive to the needs of the poor".

S.C. YPCP conference

LOS ANGELES — The annual So. Calif. Young People's Christian Conference will be held Sept. 4-6 at Camp 365 in Running Springs near Lake Arrowhead with Dr. Lester Kim, counselor with the Greater Peninsula Council of Churches, as speaker. For details, write Shirley Lee, 1618 Armacrest, Los Angeles 90025 (826-4937).

N.Y. Asian directory

NEW YORK — Asian organizations located in the mid-Atlantic states and Washington, D.C. will be listed in a directory now being compiled by China Institute in America, 125 E. 65th St. (New York City 10021), and the Pacific Asia Coalition.

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Local Scene

Los Angeles

Junko Hutchins reigned as Miss Teen Sansei at the 18th annual Crenshaw Square Oriental Summer Festival over the July 17-18 weekend where 10,000 witnessed the ondo dancing, entertainment, cultural displays and concessions.

Fresno

The Issel Service Center birthday party for August will be held Aug. 13, 1 p.m. at Chinese Gardens Restaurant (across the street from the Buddhist Church) to honor Issel born this month and to introduce and welcome Toshio Sakai, community developer for the Central Valley Japanese community center. Luncheon tab is \$3.50 with reservations being accepted by Chie Yokota (237-4006). The center also acknowledges the contribution from Mrs. Matsue Hirasuna in support of the recent 15C-sponsored trip to the Fresno Underground Gardens. Issel interested in the September trip (the Sept. 12 matinee of the Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey Circus in Fresno) should call Chie by Aug. 20. Blood pressure readings were scheduled for Aug. 12 by Mr. Kishihara. He will be taking readings every second and fourth Thursday, 1-3 p.m., at the Issel Service Center.

S.F.—East Bay

So. Alameda County Buddhist Church marks its Obon festival this week, culminating with the colorful folk dancing Aug. 14, 7 p.m. The Rev. Y. Matsuyabashi of Sacramento was guest speaker at the opening service Aug. 8.

Portland

The Tanabata Festival, postponed because of rain July 7, has been rescheduled for Aug. 21, 7:30 p.m. at the Japanese Garden. The Fujinami Kai School of Dance will perform with Mary Nakadate as narrator.

The Fujinami Kai School of Dance will present a special program for area Issel on Aug. 27, 7:30 p.m., at the Pacific Power and Light Bldg. Because of limited seating, reservations should be made by Aug. 20 with Mary Nakadate (244-9730) or Haru Ninomiya (289-9807) by Aug. 20.

Philadelphia

Funded by the United Way of Philadelphia, the Asian American Council of the Greater Philadelphia has recently employed Emi Tonooka as its executive secretary. AAGP is based in the Chinese Christian Center on Race St. About 39 dancers from Japan will join the Philadelphia's Bicentennial '76 at the Parkway celebration Aug. 18-19.

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White/Black Johannesburg

Johannesburg — As an "honorable White" I was enjoying a lunch with mixed feelings at a restaurant dominated by whites. Of course, Blacks are not permitted to enter them in South Africa. For them, restaurants with decreed notice outside stating "NON-WHITES" restaurant, are the only places available and there are not so many. My face must have been quite conspicuous among the whites for it was nearly black after going 3 weeks through the 100° heat in the Middle East desert countries. As a guest in this fine country, I have no intentions for criticisms and only wish to convey to you what I observed and heard, leaving the rest to the reader's own assessment. Here they are:

—Getting off the bus at the air-terminal downtown, I was encountered with 2 entrances of which one was reserved for the white wall "NON-WHITES ONLY". Hesitation gripped me but I entered the non "NON-WHITES" entrance. Nothing happened.

—During daytime thousands of Blacks are walking the streets with hardly any Whites



Congressional Scene

Rep. Spark Matsunaga and other members of the House Select Committee have succeeded in doubling to \$20 million, federal funds available next year for multipurpose senior centers under the Older Americans Act.

Pointing to continued discrimination against women and minorities in housing, Matsunaga has introduced legislation which would give the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development greater authority to enforce fair housing laws.

Sports Scene

Dr. Robert Maehara served on the AAU Hospitality Committee of the United States at the Olympic Games, July 17-Aug. 1, in Montreal. . . . Tommy Lee, former Islander now serving as athletic director and football coach at Willamette Univ., Salem, Ore., has recruited eight Island athletes for the 1976-77 year. All are football players excepting baseball pitcher Mark Olmos of Radford. . . . The recruited football players are Scott Chan and Lot Chan, both of Kaiser; Robert Aquino, Castle; Robert Chun, Damien; Herman Gilman, St. Louis; Talmadge Magno, Hilo; and Matt Overholt, Kailua.

Former Univ. of Hawaii basketball coach Bruce O'Neil paid the rent for the Makiki apartment of the two UH basketball players, according to records of a realty company. This was in violation of NC-AA rules. The players involved were Henry Hollingsworth and Edwin Torres. The rent amounted to \$310 a month.

Reid Asato and John Collins, contributions to sumo in Japan, are looking forward to a early future. They have joined the Futagoyama stable in Tokyo. Once they get the hang of operations around the stable, the young men are expected to be put to work as apprentices.

Education

Hilo College and Hawaii Community College have received preliminary accreditation from the Western Assn. of Schools and Colleges.

Honolulu Scene

Toto, a 22-year-old female elephant at Honolulu Zoo since 1949, was put to death June 24 because of advanced cancer.

Deaths

Kiuta Kaga, 93, father of city councilman George Kaga, died July 3. The elder Kaga operated a store in Kapahulu. Bishop Kodo Fujitani, 90, retired head of the Honcho Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii, died July 18. He came to Hawaii in 1921 and was decorated in 1987 with the Fifth Order of the Sacred Treasure by the Japanese government.

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