**Japanese & non-Japanese marriages rising**

SAN FRANCISCO—Glenn Omatu of Hokusai Mainichi here reported Jan. 27 that the Japanese intermarriage rate here rose to some 66% in 1976.

His analysis of last year's marriage license statistics revealed roughly two out of every three marriages to be interracial.

This compares drastically to the intermarriage rate in 1958, at an estimated 25%.

In 1971, it was 58%, 55% in 1973, 59% in 1974, and 62% in 1975—a definite intermarriage trend.

Last year, 111 marriage licenses were issued in San Francisco to couples in which either the bride or groom was Japanese; 78 were issued to “Japanese Japanese” couples, 73 to “Japanese Non-Japanese”.

“In other words,” Omatu said, “it is now marriages in which both partners are of Japanese ancestry that have become the exception, not the rule.”

However, Omatu warns not to draw presumptuous conclusions from these statistics.

The data involving intermarriages takes into account recent Japanese immigrants as well as naturalized Japanese citizens. In 1974, for example, the San Francisco marriage rate was 66 percent.

But “nevertheless,” the reporter concludes, “the intermarriage statistics raise interesting questions about the present state and future of the Japanese American community.”

**Prison system chief tells it like it is**

**JERRY ENOMOTO**

**MAS SATOW ON SLIDES**

SAN FRANCISCO—Slide presentation depicting the activities of the late Mas Satow as National JACL director will be a highlight of the Headquarters Rededication banquet Mar. 5 at Miyako Hotel.

Mike Masakazu, just recommended by the Midwest District Council to be treasurer of U.S. JACL, will address the gathering.

**DR. GEORGE KAGIWARA**

By Dr. Richard Ikeda SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Dr. George Kagiwada, director of Asian American Studies on the UC Davis campus, appealed for help from the Sacramento JACAL during its Jan. 22 meeting in his continuing fight for tenure (guaranteed) position on the Davis faculty.

Kagiwada was hired in 1970 to start an ethnic studies program that would inculcate students with the local Asian community and in this way not only make Asian Americans of their Asian heritage but also give them first-hand experience in working with this community.

In a slide and tape presentation at the chapter meeting, Kagiwada illustrated all that Asian American Studies are accomplished on the campus and in the community during his directorship.

Floyd Shimomura, Sacramento Chapter president, stated that one example of Asian American Studies’ influence was in the recent case of an elderly Japanese woman trying to recover $87,000 from the U.S. government (PC Jan. 20).

“Case was brought to JACL attention by the Asian Legal Aid Outreach, an organization created by law students in Asian American Studies,” Shimomura said.

This kind of activity with real student involvement in timely problems helped answer Governor Brown’s recent criticism of the University continuously dodging society’s problems,” Shimomura said.

JACL to Assist

Shimomura agreed to represent JACL on a negotiating team which will meet with UC Davis Administration to ensure a fair evaluation of Dr. Kagiwada’s work and to underline the relevance and importance of Asian American Studies to the Asian community.

The team will have nine members representing UC Davis faculty and staff, Asian students at UC Davis, and other concerned Asian Community groups.

By the time the University has recognized published articles as the main criteria for granting tenure and giving promotions,” Kagiwada explained. "Hopefully with enough community support, the University will authorize the sum of money needed to provide a meaningful credit for developing these programs.

"Granted this is a new direction in academic life from old traditional subject methods and but some of us strongly feel that the University must lead the way in breaking new ground for the betterment of ethnic minorities,” Kagiwada said.

The granting of tenure is still done in complete secrecy at the University,” Kagiwada said. He showed the various steps involved. He feels that the traditional criteria and presented what he felt were fair criteria.

Comment Invoked

“The major difference is that instead of being judged solely on my publications, I was judged on my creativity—the creation of a brand new direction in higher education, one that stresses community involvement, anti-racism and integration, anti-fight for University students and action by the community itself. This takes subtle and careful planning so that not only does the student learn but the community learns from the student and the process of community action.

“As an example, in the Asian Free Clinic, our student learn first hand about the health needs of aged and disabled community members. Furthermore, if patients are taught by our students everything from the fundamentals of good health to benefits of bettering good health habits,” Kagiwada said.

“These are the new trans actions in education. We
by the board

Who is Randy Chin?

By ERIC W. KIYOSUGI

Berkeley, Calif.

Many of you have probably been reading through the National Board mailings and have come across the name Randy Chin, and wondered, "Who is he, anyway?" You may have thought, "He's a member of the EXCOM, and I don't know a thing about him."

Well, I am in my fourth year of studies in the field of chemical engineering at UC Berkeley. I have been attending UC Berkeley since graduation from high school, and expect to achieve a Bachelor of Science degree in March, 1978. Although my home is in Hayward about 20 miles from Berkeley, I prefer to live near campus during the school year.

I am a member of the Eden Township JACL JAYs in Hayward, and have been since 1973. A friend persuaded me to attend a few meetings and activities. By the third meeting I attended, I found myself on the election ballot for vice-president. When the president-elect was forced to relinquish the position, I quickly rose in the ranks and became chapter president. After some time I began to learn some things about district JAYs, and eventually national JAYS. I became actively involved in setting up the JAYS Biennial Convention held in Hayward in 1974, and came out of it with a strong interest to do more for the organization.

National Youth Assembly selected me to succeed Dale Shimasaki as National Youth Coordinating Council Chairman. I quickly found myself in the national ranks with little prior experience to National JAYS. I feel I can learn quickly because I have a strong desire for the JAYS organization to be healthy and continuously growing. Another valuable asset backing me is the enthusiastic group of eight district youth chairs representing the six JAYS districts. They are Chris Noma, NCWN DYC, Brian Hoshiko and Ramona Speck, CC DYC, Raymond Hong, PSW DYC, Jim Ono, IDYC, and Kala Kitazawa and George Mitchell, EDYC. Together, it is our duty to provide the leadership for the JAYS. We will be present at the upcoming National Board meeting in March, and you can expect to hear a lot from us in the times to come. -Randy Chin

SALT LAKE CITY — Mrs. Masao Ono, 87, looks forward to a bright future in Utah — despite a past marred somewhat by World War II.

She and her late husband, Yasaku Ono, had lived in Green River, Wyoming. Yasaku was a section foreman for the Union Pacific Railroad.

On Dec. 7, 1941, a tragedy struck — Pearl Harbor. Yasaku and Mrs. Ono were interned from their home and sent to a detention camp. They had three days to vacate their house. The Japanese employees of U.P. who lived in the company-owned houses were homeless.

Although camps were built for Japanese of the Pacific Coast states, no camps were built for inland Japanese who lost their homes. They had nowhere to go. Not even a detention camp!

"It was terribly cold," Mrs. Ono remembers as she describes their experience in the internment camp.

"The Sun family, who were beet laborers, had a cabin on private property where they moved in to stay. "Yes, '41 was a sad Yule for the Ono family and for us, too, because of our sympathy for them," Walter Dale Francis told a Deseret News correspondent.

Before the war, Yasaku Ono had come to work for Walter's father, A.W. Francis, in a grocery and dry goods store, in Morgan, Utah.

Yasaku lived in an apartment above the store. He took care of janitorial duties, the receiving of freight and various handyman jobs. Meanwhile, his mother was concerned about finding him a wife.

I wish my mother not do this... I want to choose American woman," he said to his friend Mr. Francis.

Later, Yasaku went to Seattle to meet his picture bride and marry her.

During the war, when the Ono family moved to Salt Lake City, Walter Dale Francis sponsored them and arranged for them to live in an upstairs apartment in the home of his sister.

Joe and George Ono, their two Wyoming-born sons, were of military age and were inducted into the U.S. Army.

Joe was sent to Japan as an interpreter and later attended the University of Utah and Temple University, graduating as a dentist. Today he practices in Salt Lake City.

George was sent to Europe with the 1st Battalion of the Bulge. Currently, he manages a chain of restaurants.

The Kawaguchis

But Utah's Japanese would have had it a lot harder had it not been for Ike and Jun Kawaguchi.

Ike Kawaguchi arrived in the United States from Japan at 14. Like his father, young Ike became involved in the sharing of common labor activities — plus farming — living in a group of small Utah communities, and working in mines at Bingham.

Dec. 7 was Ike's birthday. He was in California for a relative's wedding in 1941, good cause for celebration. Yet, Dec. 7, 1941 brings back memories for him. "No, no, it can't be," he remembers crying on hearing that Japan had attacked Pearl Harbor.

He left the West Coast quickly because of rising sentiment against Japanese Americans and returned to his farming enterprise in Utah.

His home in Syracue, Utah, was suddenly filled with uprooted friends and relatives. Japanese Americans were driven away from their own communities by the rising wartime hysteria and boycotts against their businesses.

Ike took them in and assisted them.

His wife, Jun, was always washing dishes, cooking food — providing comfort to those displaced victims of prejudice.

When the war tensions eased, Ike helped many of his home-sick friends and relatives find new jobs and become established in the community.

He helped Caucasians in Utah as an interpreter.

Later, he went on to become a successful rancher and farmer, owning the successful West Point property for 18 years.

Many Japanese Americans in Utah and elsewhere survived the after-effects of Pearl Harbor because the Kawaguchis, and other Americans, both Caucasian and Japanese, had cared enough and were willing to share.

Eastbay nominations

OAKLAND, Calif. — Nominations are open for the annual International Institute of East Bay awards for immigrants who have contributed to the local community. They will be honored May 7. Forms are obtainable at 207 Lee St. (451-2844).

Utah Japanese: survival in hard times

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New Otani hotel issue hits city hall

LOS ANGELES—The site of the future New Otani Hotel has been the scene of controversy. “Topping out” ceremonies were held Feb. 1, attracting nearly 300 civic and community dignitaries led by Mayor Tom Bradley. Councilman Gilbert W. Lindsay, popularly called mayor of Little Tokyo because of his district encompasses Japanees town, declared the building would be up in 18 months.

Bradley dubbed the 21-story complex, to be opened Sept. 1, a future “jewel of the City of Los Angeles.” Yasumasa Tomiyama is head of East West Development Corp. (EWDC), owner-developer of the $30 million New Otani Hotel.

Hotel will have 448 rooms, three restaurants, cocktail lounges and 200 visitors cars. Underground parking accommodates 200 cars.

Sun Hotel Tenants

However, a group known as the Little Tokyo People’s Rights Organization (LTPRO) critized the New Otani project as something which would “further the dispersal and destruction of Little Tokyo”, a basis of the latest controversy was due to an old structure, the Hotel Sun, on Weller St., scene of anti-eviction demonstrations by LTPRO.

Sun Hotel is scheduled to be wholly vacated by Mar. 1. Tenants are primarily Span.

be wholly vacated by Mar. 1, of the property have been relocated with HUD funds. But despite this, some 27 holdouts remain. Of the 27, only six are eligible for relocation benefits.

Final eviction notices were delivered to remaining tenants on Jan. 27, allowing them 30 days.

Subsequently on Feb. 5, the opposition held a “rally and repair Sun Hotel” event to demonstrate their unity and determination in the struggle against “forced evictions.”

City Hall Disturbance

On Feb. 9, LTPRO staged a demonstration in the City Council, demanding to be heard. LTPRO claimed they had tried all channels to be heard, but were refused. Angry LTPRO members used chanting and appeals to Lindsay.

The group was allowed to speak, because in the words of council president John Gilbij, procedures were not followed. Gibson mentioned disturbing “the orderliness of the Council chamber” was a misdemeanor. Three LTPRO members, however, repeatedly demanded to be heard. They were then hauled and placed under arrest. Warren Furutani, David Mon­kawa, and Eric Nakano, 19, all of Los Angeles, were booked on the misdemeanor charge and each was fined on $250 bail. An arraignment is set for Feb. 24.

Parking Facility

One argument the LTPRO brought up was that the re­sults of redevelopment in Little Tokyo have been dem­onstration of housing and local businesses in favor of parking lots and “hotel for the homeless.”

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Oh also revealed that street parking in Little Tokyo will be limited soon due to closing of three private lots providing 336 spaces. The area parking problem would be compounded by influx of construction workers involved in upcoming projects.

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EDITORIALS:

Mission Accomplished

The JACL Committee for Iva Toguri, chaired by Dr. Clifford Ueda, assembled for the last time on Feb. 7 at a San Francisco Nihonmachi restaurant with Iva and her chief counsel Wayne Collins present to regale over a successful mission.

Three weeks earlier, President Ford had pardoned the Chicago shopkeeper and restored her citizenship and acknowledged her faith and America.

While there were some feelings expressed in public concerning the inadequacy of JACL presidential and thus to the government be held liable for redress or return of the $10,000 fine that was paid, it was Iva's wish to fully enjoy her new status at this point without further disruptive thoughts.

The committee then adjourned and thus declared itself deactivated.

But there are outstanding questions to cover before the committee's books are closed. While some $7,000 has been acknowledged in contributions to date, expenses will total around $8,500 — leaving a $1,500 deficit. Since no JACL budget was allocated for the work of this committee because of the faith that goodwill donations would sustain their efforts.

Further public appreciation of the committee's accomplishments can be manifested by seeing their deficit eliminated. Send another check to JACL Headquarters.

Dr. Ueda's closing remarks bears repeating here:

We appreciate the organizing and campaign in her behalf. Without Wayne Collins' understanding and expert counseling, the campaign could not have succeeded as it did. Many of the issues offered to all the nation and overseas who worked on this campaign..."

That selfless spirit and dedication indicates why this mission was accomplished.

The Guest’s Corner:

The Comeback: JACL Bowlers

By CHIZ SATOW

San Francisco

We are getting into the season of bowlers...as they strive for a perfect game in the keen competition, one against one with bowlers coming from as far away as Japan as well as Hawaii. The tournament sponsors are now known as the JANBA (Japanese American Bowling Association), an outgrowth and continuation of the San Francisco JACL Bowling Tournament, functioning with the original Bowling Advisory Board.

It was an unfortunate decision that the National Council, Board, etc. stated at the Convention held in Portland in 1974 that JACL could no longer sponsor the annual tournament because the ruling was discriminatory...in that four out of a team of five had to be Nisei, one for the doubles, etc. The regulation seemed to have worked equitably for many years, but the mutual benefit of JACL as well as the bowlers.

This sort of being "kicked out" of JACL was a bitter disappointment. I must bow as he nurtured his Nisei Classic since 1947 at a time when the JACL could have overcame a much greater discrimination to gain the rights for all bowlers to participate as members of the American Bowling Congress (ABC) and WIBC for women.

At the same time, the local chapter of the National JACL Tournament who gave up their high status as National Tournament entries and travel were frustrated in continuing to support a tournament where the very purpose of the event was undermined as participants rolled side by side...all in the same pot of background. In essence it deteriorated the tournament and forced the original intention against the pros.

Perhaps JANBA is enjoining us to control this tournament in this respect, and it is a credit to JANBA in their hard work voluntarily to uphold the fine tradition of fellowship and sportsmanship.

While under the auspices of National JACL, every participant had to pay the membership dues, and many reluctantly joined so that they could bowl. I’d like to believe that this wasn’t and isn’t the main issue if JACL should once again regain this program as part of the varied phases of activity sponsored by JACL.

Even though it may be a long wait for the first JACL Classic with Akagi as the chairman, National JACL is trying to develop the program as a local bowling tournament, and as previously announced, it will be held this August 3rd. The first annual to be known as the Masao W. Satow Memorial Handicap at Japanese Bowl in San Francisco Nihonmachi. We encourage many average bowlers with the handicap feature, where the handicaps are from the East as well as bowlers will find it more comfortable to participate.

Reviving this blue ribbon tournament as a JACL program would be a splendid tribute to Mas and a fullfilment of his wish.

Nisei in Japan: by Barry Saki

Recent Impressions

Tokyo

From my recent Southern interlude, a few more impressions still linger; the obvious diversification of Nikkei occupational activities, the continuing dispersion of the JACL to Non-West Coast states and the pronounced trends towards intermarriage.

Assimilation is well on its way in the community. Is this the time to eliminate the need for JACL? The immediate assessment: Not within the lifetimes of many of us.

Several people, including myself, are still fast and the damage cannot be reversed.

Editor:

Although the "Minority of One" is very real, the seeds of Edison Uno's ideas and advice are having a profound effect on the hearts and minds of many who continue to carry the banner for the "Minority of One" as a majority of one. I'm sure in this spirit there is a minority of one, but a minority of one plus. Perhaps in challenging many established thoughts, he, with ideas per- gulated by the changing times, stood alone. His ideas influenced the thoughts of many, in this respect he will remain alone.

However his ability to communicate to different generations through his writings put him into a gifted minority.

Always looking to the future, he has contended over and over again, the world is growing and will grow. Now these of the "Minority of One" must carry on the tradition.

TOKYO PUTA

Los Angeles, Calif.

Editor:

Tomo Uno represented...but he is in the minority. Traditionally, there appears no opportunity and the elimination of discrimination must constantly be our battle cry—until all people are treated equally.

There are many projects which he has on his own that can be continued...must be continued...must be elaborated. He should be encouraged to increase the number of his followers, get behind his ideas, visions and goals for what he calls "the minority of one". The day may come when this becomes a reality for the betterment of our future generations.

EDWIN NAKAJI

El Cerrito, Calif.

East Wind: by Bill Marutani

A New Vision

BECAUSE THE POSITION of JACL National Director is one so very integral to the well-being of the organization and its activities, it must be confined to the hands of a passing few. I advisedly say "passing", for national presidents and national boards come and go, but the National Director remains, inexorably the seed of Edison Uno's thoughts, the chairman of our "Minority of One" to carry on the tradition.

AS AN ORDINARY concerned card-carrying JACL member, I say all this with respect to the current National President, Jim Murakami, and his Board. In respect to this all-important search for a new National Director, it is incumbent upon leadership is ar-far-reaching one, both in scope to the membership as well as impact into the future. Thus the selection process must be scrutinized, scrutinized, not to any local or regional philosophy; to the future, not to the past; to rejuvenated vigor and dedication, not to preservation of the status quo.

IF YOU ARE in the same position as I am, then you, too, know very little of what is going on. And just as I have heard bits and pieces of unconfirmed information so often, you may also have heard some names mentioned of purportedly interested applicants for the position. I have heard the names of two persons in particular who, in my opinion, are most excellent candidates that I am puzzled why the selection has not been made. Instead, I am puzzled to read that the specifications for the position have been changed and the selection deadline extended.

A REQUEST IS hereby voiced to the leadership to provide us, the members, with information relating to this all-important search for a new National Director. Remains the critical position of National Director? (4) What is the procedure to be followed in the final selection process? Who decides? (5) Will members be given the opportunity to express themselves before the selection is made? If so, when and how?

THE NATIONAL DIRECTOR should reflect the hopes, aspirations and concerns of the Japanese-American community in the Midwest, the West and District, the Midwest and other districts. But if we are not provided with a free and open opportunity to be heard, we very much run the risk of receiving subterfuge. After all, our future is too important for such unilateral, haphazard treatment.

IT IS HOPED that we, the membership, can look forward to an early and positive response to this appeal.
Salt Lake City

An evening with Hito Okada is one of privilege and pleasure. When he retired last year as treasurer-manager of the National JACL Credit Union, it was noted that Hito has contributed 33 years of continuous service to the JACL. It is a record unmatched by anyone.

In 1974 the National JACL convention meeting in Portland paid deserved tribute to the former two term national JACL president and war-time treasurer. It was a particularly poignant occasion for Thousand Club members because Hito had organized that group.

We have seen less of Hito since his retirement from the credit union. His presence has been missed because handling business transactions always provided an excuse for visiting with Hito.

We decided it was time to renew an old association and learned it is not that easy to avail oneself of his services. His schedule is quite busy. The earliest day he had free was midweek, past my PC deadline. So graciously he consented to wedge us in between a Saturday Masonic banquet and a Monday luncheon.

He mentioned over the telephone that he has not been feeling too well and warned that his appetite has diminished. But on Sunday, he surprised us when he walked confidently up our steps bearing gifts in both hands.

Brandy, the neighbor's German Shepherd, happened to be visiting. I was apprehensive that his enthusiastic belligerent greeting would overwhelm Hito and was about to collar the dog when Hito stopped and smiled.

He also stopped Brandy, who, at least a hundred pounds of muscular strength and speed, in a firm voice, he commanded the dog, "stay." Brandy, who is probably the most contrary free spirit, sensed the firmness of the order and obeyed.

One of Hito and his wife, Aiko's anticipations is the Cocker Spaniel which they expect to receive sometime in March. Both Toyo and Duke, their prize show dogs are now deceased. The puppy will be a direct descendant. Hito plans to train the dog himself instead of sending it to a trainer.

Parkinson's disease is more of a discomfort to him. The medication is less effective, but he appreciates the fact that L-Dopa has worked longer for him than most other patients. Because it is difficult for him to write or type, he dictates his correspondence to Aiko.

The physical impairments have not affected his speech. This was most evident when he appeared a year ago on a local television program. For those who remember his former fine delivery, it is still there. He and his old friend Stormy Mitsuregae engaged each other with a number of fish stories. They enjoyed a good laugh over remembering the large trout with George Inagaki caught and which they threw overboard. Hito said that this summer he may renew his fishing again.

These comments are offered as assurance to his many friends and admirers across the country, who have expressed concern over Hito's health recently. He is still a master story teller and the laughter is that of a man who embraces life.

And what a tremendous life that has been lived to see who has not only witnessed but helped move history for Japanese Americans. Hito paid a price for all of us and there were no material rewards. When this was mentioned, he corrected us. He spoke of the satisfaction of helping his own people.

Later in the conversation, my son made a comment that being of Japanese ancestry had minimal effect on his present or future. Hito said, "Then that means JACL was successful. We did our work so you and my daughter, Carolyn, can feel this way and this is good."

When asked if his American dream came true, he answered, "It came true larger than I expected." This from a man who knows what dreams are all about. He expressed his hope that the Japanese people will come to see them come true. He helped to make them come true.

The wise man becomes full of food, even if he gathers it little by little.

---Buddha

Mr. JACL Credit Union

From Happy Valley: by Sachi Seko

From the Frying Pan: by Bill Hosokawa

The Hayakawa Connection

Summary: by Wayne Horuchi

Legislation for 1977-78

JACL and the Committee for Atomic Bomb Survivors will make another run at getting some progress on compensating the U.S. citizens and Japanese survivors of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

To generate progress on the bill which establishes a more accurate count of Asian and Pacific Island Americans at the U.S. Census is also important because of the Federal Government's reliance on Census statistics for financial outlays and voting representation.

Finally, and probably most significant of all is Reparations. JACL is still in the legislative molding process, but will soon be coming to grips with a specific legislative proposal. In fact, several Saturdays ago (Jan. 23) at the Eastern District Council meeting a separate discussion was held to address the strategy that EDC would take in pursuing reparations in the next several months to obtain community input into the reparations legislation.

Hopefully, some resolution will be made and the reparations campaign can begin.

During the year, I'll be focusing my columns on some of these issues because your help and cooperation will be needed to successfully pass these measures.
chapter pulse

- Contra Costa
  The Contra Costa JACL held an installation dinner-dance at Spencer's restaurant in Berkeley on Friday, Feb. 4. Lehma Brightman, chairman of the Native American Studies at Contra Costa College, spoke on "an overview of the native American movement."

- Houston
  Houston JACL will install their new cabinet members at a dinner-dance at Spencer's restaurant on Saturday, Feb. 19, 7 p.m. He succeeds Dr. Yosh Tsuchida.

- Pocatello
  By Marie Proctor
  Pocatello Mayor Donna Boe made her first public appearance since being sworn in as Pocatello’s first woman mayor at the Pocatello-Blackfoot JACL installation dinner Jan. 10 at the Colonial Inn.

In relaying her new experiences in the city council, the mayor found the job stimulating and encouraging others to participate in city government. Noting there were vacancies on various city boards, she encouraged volunteers to become involved.

- Salt Lake City
  Dr. Clifford Uyeda of San Francisco was guest speaker at the Cocket JACL installation dinner held Jan. 29 at LaFitt's. He spoke of his concerns about whales.

- Santa Maria Valley
  Nell Nachtigall, who will serve as Santa Maria Valley chapter president, succeeding Harry Kajioka. Nachtigall also announced three local students, Ruth Kajioka, Miles Kajioka, and Maureen Kameshita, were selected to represent the Santa Maria Valley chapter at the Presidential Classroom sessions for Young Americans in Washington, D.C. in the months of February and March.

- Los Angeles
  Los Angeles—A Republic insur. Mer, 105 E. 7th St., 7:30 p.m. Ogawa—21st year membership, Japanese Christian Church, 4 p.m.

- March 5-6
  Lake Tahoe—JAACL snow trip.

- March 6 (Sunday)
  Chicago—Japanese Cultural Exchange, Rogers Park Library, 6:30 p.m. Dr. Kondo, Mt. Hood, 7:30 p.m.

- March 11 (Friday)
  San Lorenzo—Eden Japanese St. Ctr., 49-50 p.m.

- March 12 (Saturday)
  Fresno—Benefit dinner-dance, Palomar Lakes Country Club, 7 p.m.

- Riverside—International Education Week, YWCA, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- March 13 (Sunday)
  San Carlos—Japanese St. Ctr., 7:30 p.m.

- March 14 (Monday)
  Alameda—Mitsubishi, Hotel, 7 p.m.

- March 19 (Saturday)
  San Francisco—St. Ctr. Excursion to Los Angeles.

- March 20-28
  Nat’l JACL—Annual Bd & Staff mtg, HQ.

- March 19 (Saturday)
  Sonoma County—Dance class. East Block, 8 p.m. (Every third Saturday)

- March 21 (Monday)
  Mentone—Japanese American Art Ctr. benefit, Children’s Theater, 8 p.m.

While the CALENDAR features JACL activities, events and deadlines, we welcome non-JACL groups to post notices.

Calendar

Non-JACL calendar items are indicated with type in italics.

- Feb. 18 (Friday)
  West Los Angeles—Royal Duck, 7:30 p.m. Marion Saito, speaker, "Nutrition".

- Feb. 19 (Saturday)
  Torrance—Vacation JAACL Carnival, American Legion Memorial Hall, 7 p.m.

- Feb. 20 (Sunday)
  St. Louis—Int. Dir. Le Chats, 5:30 a.m.—3 p.m.

- Feb. 21 (Monday)
  Los Angeles—Japanese America Society, 4th annual banquet, Villa Bonita, 6:15 p.m.

- Feb. 22 (Tuesday)
  Wasatch Front North—Reception for Min. Paul, State Capitol, 6:30 p.m.

- Feb. 23 (Wednesday)
  Los Angeles—City Employees Japanese American Assn. dinner, Golden Palm Restaurant, 6:30 p.m., with Mcmahon Kojima.

- Feb. 26 (Saturday)
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LODI JACL
Northern Cal's fourth new chapter in 2 years formed

LODI, Calif. — Years of patience and steady encouragement by Dr. Harry Hataoka of Palo Alto, the new chapter chairman for Northern California, culminated Feb. 26 with the organization of the LODI JACL chapter.

The organizational meeting at the LODI Buddhist Church found 58 persons petitioning for the new chapter. Twenty-five of them are currently Stockton JACLers.

The first regular meeting was held this week (Feb. 17) to plan for the installation program, establish a chapter constitution, hear representatives from the Blue Shield and Blue Cross discuss their respective health plans and welcome more new members.

Lodi JACL becomes the fourth new chapter in the past quarter for the district, which now boasts 31 and boosts the national chapter membership to 103. The other three newer members in Northern California-Western district are Marin County, Tri-Valley (east Alameda county) and San Jose.

According to regional director George Kondo, Hataoka traveled time and time again and at his own expense to LODI ever since the idea of JACL in LODI was conceived some three years ago.

George Baba, current Stockton JACL president, and Mrs. Mabel Okubo, immediate past Stockton JACL president, were instrumental in organizing the LODI chapter. With the loss of 25 members, Baba noted:

"The important thing is that JACL has gained additional strength above those who have trashed our chapter. Stockton JACL has organized a full-scale campaign to make up the loss."

That sentiment was voiced by Tom Tsutsumi, Don Morita, Mas Okuhara and others who believe in the need of a JACL to serve local Californian Americans in relation to the total community.

Credit was also given to Steve Nakashima, NC-NDMC vice-president, and Ed Valley JACL at the organizational meeting and men of the LODI chapter pointed out his personal involvement in JACL in a most convincing manner. After all the JACL has done for Japanese Americans, I feel that now it is my turn to return a debt."

The first meeting was climax with the election of 1977 officers, who were unanimously picked: Tsugi Yone, pres., Dennis Morita, Treas., Mrs. Margaret Tanioka, sec., Dr. Kenneth Takeda, treas.

Chapter membership dues at $14, 20% double are being accepted by Dr. Takeda. 626 Birchwood Dr., LODI, Calif. 95240 (209-1993-1798).

San Jose starts hot lunch series

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The Japanese American Community Center of Northern California, supported by 18 local Nikkei groups, will have its next hot lunch June 10 at San Jose JACL, 24th and California St. at the Buddhist Church.

The first luncheon at the Wesley Methodist Church last month attracted over 100. Volunteers prepared and served lunch featuring chicken teriyaki. Donations of fruit from the West Valley YWCA Center, Charles Kimaki were acknowledged.

Ground broken for Hollywood center

LOS ANGELES — Ground breaking ceremonies for the $60,000 Hollywood Japanese Cultural Institute took place Sunday, Feb. 6.

Chapter Pulse: Continued from Previous Page

Ken Sam

The chapter's annual fund-raiser, the S.F. JACAZAAR Carnival, will be held Feb. 19 at the American Legion Memorial Hall, Joe Salo as chairman.

San Mateo JACL

San Mateo JACL held open house Feb. 13, its

Whale issue still facing JACL

BY NAOMI YAMAMOTO
TURLOCK, Calif. — Dr. Clifford Uyeda of San Francisco, guest speaker at the Cordova JACL spring dinner Jan. 29 at Latiff's, reviewed the whaling issue as it involves Japan-U.S. trade relations and how JACL became concerned because of the racial factor, promoting boycott of Japanese products “to save the whales.”

He reminded the Japanese in the United States are not responsible for killing of whales and added that pressures here for boycott will not be changed unless underlying causes are better understood.

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San Mateo JACL Community Center, 502nd Avenue.

The Center offers several services in Japanese, English, Tongan, and Vietnamese. Some of these services include info and referral for jobs, community education meetings, counseling, language interpretation, and assistance in Social Security matters.

Seattle

Seattle JACL announced last month sponsorship with the Pacific Northwest District Council of a JACL spring tour in 1978 to Japan. Group air fare (subject to change) will be $484, according to chapter travel chairman Persson Kadohashi.

Sanlando

During the joint installation banquet of the Orange County-Sanlando JACL chapters Jan. 22 at the Sadie Deckin Inn in Norwalk, the Sanlando chapter presented awards for outstanding service to Hiroshi Kameyama, new chapter president; Jun Pakashima, Henry Yache from maga and Charles Ida. They had been active with the chapter and it was organized in 1966.

Chapter scholarships chairman Ben Ishino presented cash awards to Don Horimoto, UC Irvine; Thomas Takama, UC San Diego; and Michele Toyota, Whittier College.

Sonoma County

The Sonoma County JAYS are hosting a crab dinner on Saturday, Feb. 19, 5:30 p.m. at Enmanji Memorial Hall with half a crab plus trimmings and beverage for $4 per adult, halfprice for children. This is not only making venture, according to Jeff O'Kani and Alan Murakami, who are handling reservations.

The JAYS are also planning a snow out of Tahoe the weekend of March 5-6. They will be guests of the U.S. Coast Guard Lake Tahoe Station.

The JACL chapter ballroom dancing class, which meets every third Saturday at Enmanji Memorial Hall from 8 p.m., will practice after the JAYS' crab dinner.
Dear Ms. Weglyn:

I have just read your book "Years of Infamy." It is excellent and tells me much on the whole terrible subject of our treatment of loyal Americans.

Mr. Michener, who is a favorite author of mine, said in his introduction to your book that our concentration camps were not "hell holes of starvations and brutalities" because many Americans worked to help "salvage our national honor." I disagree with his words, as nothing can salvage our honor or explain our conduct in regards to the Nisei. I don't believe Mr. Michener would have written those lines had he read "through the wire" at Santa Anita Race Track in 1944.

This year the United States celebrated its Bicentennial. As my family celebrated as Americans, and particularly as we watched some of the events across the country on television, we told our children, ages thirteen and eleven, two things which were not brought into Bicentennial focus. We told them of "the trail of tears," the forcible "re-settlement" of the Cherokee and other tribes from Georgia and Tennessee to Oklahoma; and of the camps: Manzanar, Tule Lake, Heart Mountain, etc.

Shameful Episodes

As my husband had Cherokee ancestors, I said "there are two shameful blots on your history. Our ancestors moved on a wild land, alien to their own; and my friends moved, if not on foot, into concentrated camps, in areas alien to them."

I added: The Japanese Americans were not moved because of race, or language, or any other threat, but because of greed, bigotry and jealousy. When the Cherokee and other tribes were removed to Oklahoma, per-haps ignorance could be used as an excuse. This could hardly have been true in 1942.

As far as I know, only one man in Congress, California's Congressman Jerry Voorhis, now living in Claremont, Calif., spoke against removing the Japanese. Several years ago, I mentioned this to Mr. Voorhis; he said it was so long ago it didn't matter anymore. It mattered to me, as did my own family's attitude. Because in 1942, I was just ten years old.

Perhaps my impressions are distorted; some of the details fuzzy; but certain things stand out clearly in my mind that the very personal way the "Relocation Act" touched me has framed and colored my adult life and influenced my social actions and those of my children.

Like the young Americans of Japanese ancestry who were interned in the 60s and 70s, I, too, wanted to know why, and further, I want to make sure it never happens again. I have been involved in national and local causes; and I have seen others who were with me in school in 1942 involved, too. A part of me, whatever we recall, however imperfectly.

Nisei Classmates

As I am sure almost every school child did on Dec. 8, 1941, in our elementary school in Alhambra, Calif., listened to President Roosevelt's speech; we looked up Pearl Harbor on a map. We discussed the attack.

Joey, a boy whom I had known for a long time (by ten year old standards) said "Wow. Those dirty Japs." All of us agreed. Joey lived a street away from me. I was always asking my four year old, his mother had a number of reasons to beays in glass cases, dressed in gorgeous Japanese costumes.

On rainy days my mother, who had a car, always drove a block the "wrong way," to pick up Joey and his younger sister Janice so they wouldn't have to walk in the rain. Sometimes my mother and Joey's mother would have coffee together. They often went to PTA meetings together. Joey's father worked for Los Angeles County.

I had another friend, a young girl in my class, a younger sister Arlene. Her parents were active in a local Christian church. One day, Tammy came to school and began to cry. She had to move. Joey, his father was anxious, said he was moving too. So did Tammy, tears streaming down her face said: "They are calling us Japs, saying we aren't Americans anymore."

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The parents and the teachers gave a little party at school. There were "going away" gifts. Both Joey's parents, and Mrs. Sato came, Mrs. Mori, Tammy's mother came. Several of the Cameron kids came as als as a few of the children. The day before, I had gone to Joey's house, especially because I'd hit a fellow student.

It had seemed surprising; I'd never misbehaved before. I cried, tears ran down my face because he called Tammy a Jap and said she was glad she was an American. I principal shook her head and said it was hard to understand. They didn't care anymore, People, she said, "did not always do the right things."

I was most confused. You see, my family and my parents had both been born in Germany. As soon as I heard about Joey and my family were being sent away, I asked if my name was German? my family, too? hadn't they already had to go away. "No," said my mother. Then why was my family sent away? she asked. I told her I thought they are different than us. Because we had a war (WWII) when the United States owned territories, we knew Americans of German descent didn't sup-port our military.

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**Midwest District Council**

Chicago - Cincinnati - Cleveland - Dayton - Detroit - Hoosier - Milwaukee - St. Louis - Twin Cities

By Sam Honda (Twin Cities)

I often hear the expression: "The good life in Minnesota." Many people have always felt there is less prejudice against Japanese Americans in Minnesota than in many places where they have lived. In fact, a proclamation on Civil Rights issued by the Governor of Minnesota in 1960 stated: "I hereby call upon all citizens of Minnesota, for the sake of the unity and strength of our state, to work for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and injustice against any group of our fellow citizens because of their race, creed, or color."

The Midwest District Council hereby sets forth its position on discrimination against Japanese Americans in the Midwest.

We respectfully urge you, given your desire, to work for there several legislators who are a few people in power to accomplish what is banned by the Civil Rights Legislation. We further believe that there is a need to work for the elimination of all forms of discrimination and injustice against any group of our fellow citizens because of their race, creed, or color.

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Today for Tomorrow & by Ion Inouye

Myth of a Generation Gap

I don’t know who invented the term “Generation Gap,” but it dates back to the 1960s. In that era, a generation gap was the prevailing theory that orthodoxy especially, the idea of a Generation Gap becomes popularized.

There are supposedly two warring camps, the “young” and the “old,” and this period was called the Generation Gap.

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to, their last years meaningful? "Don’t trust anyone over the age of forty. If you don’t think the ruckus and fighting makes dreams and aspirations of today victims of “age” or “generation gaps.”

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I have one question to the “aspiring” youth of today. "Aspiring" youth of today: How is a little baby different from an old man? The answer I got was, "In age." At fifteen I had forgotten about it, I sloughed off writing to achieve this goal.

In fact, the secret of success is not to project, but to get the job done now. Time is the distancing factor. "Better to be a certain age (or older) in order to get something done.

The elderly and establishment are not necessarily the ones to be trusted. How would you, who are old enough to read this, like if I gave you a sparkling at age 42? Well, if you don’t like it, imagine how your child must feel.

I can carry this to an extreme—Bill wants to wait until he is 30 and established before he dates women on a dating basis.

Jim wants to retire within 10 years to pursue a real estate career. When he reaches retirement, he will think about the good old days when he was working. He had entered my office overlooking that I was not “hoping for the next day’s edition,” he was actually being a writer. That’s a big difference.

I have no respect for or Grandpa Minamoto for Chris Noma Angeles, or "the ruckus and fighting makes dreams and aspirations of today victims of “age” or “generation gaps.”

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I can carry this to an extreme—Bill wants to wait until he is 30 and established before he dates women on a dating basis.

Jim wants to retire within 10 years to pursue a real estate career. When he reaches retirement, he will think about the good old days when he was working. He had entered my office overlooking that I was not “hoping for the next day’s edition,” he was actually being a writer. That’s a big difference.

I have no respect for or Grandpa Minamoto for Chris Noma Angeles, or "the ruckus and fighting makes dreams and aspirations of today victims of “age” or “generation gaps.”

There are blocks that hinder communication, and doubt that some down-to-earth work completed.

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The Other 'Roots'

Los Angeles

Mata yururatu. Ripped off again! Quickly, when I mention "Roots" comes to your mind? Slav­ery? Alex Haley? Kunta? Kinte? Not me! Were you just seduced? Not Lawson Inada! Not Wakamatsu Colony? Ah so... you believe these things could... so clever... can produce copy better than original! The original... an anthology focusing on the

ROOSTS. AN AMERICAN ASIAN READER. Edited by Amy Tachlkl. UCLA Asian American Stud­ies Center, 538p. $17.

Asian American concern, was published in 1971 by the UCLA Asian American Studies Center to fill a void in Asian American literature and has since been burned in the curriculum of many eth­nic studies across the na­tion. Per the author’s instructions, the book is becoming out-of-date.

Upon the subsequent publi­cation of Haley’s "Roots" and its sucess­ful pre­miere on the airwaves, "Roots" should become even more obscure with the attendant result that some future scholar will re-discover it and not forget the con­tribut­ing date conclude again that Asians are notori­ously..."

The editors of the anth­ology have gathered a wide range of articles, extracts, and stories of contemporary American American writings, traditional Asian American writ­ers, and stories of Asian Americans in America, and rich historical data. Dis­proportionately, the focus on youth perspective is justified because the coming genera­tion must ultimately deal with their own terms with the major­ity society. The book is loosely divided into: Youth, History, and Communi­ty. Each segment attempts to define the Asian American identity by selecting of current issues, illuminate the shallowness of previous ana­lysis, and provide alternate directions for a more honest evaluation.

Identity has been and will continue to be the crucial issue for Americans. Unlike Alex Haley, Asian Americans do know the gen­eration gap that exists through the detailed immi­gration documents and the careful preservation of records in the "old countries." The search for identity does not lead to nostalgic plagiarisms and phony "Asian" but rather to the study of Asian Americans here for self identification. "A man is defined in relation to the conception of the majority culture.

Asians are copiers not origi­nators. The Asian American concern, according to a scholar will re-discover it and not forget the con­tribut­ing date conclude again that Asians are notori­ously..."

Harry Kubo heads new farm group

S F SAN FRANCISCO—United California Agriculture, a new group replacing the Agricul­ture Committee on Agricult­ure Labor, was formed Dec. 28 with Harry Kubo of Parlier as Executive Director. The group's name is derived from theIELA (International Federation of Associations of Agricultural Labor) in Japan.

Defeat of Proposition 14 at the last election stimu­lated a wave of union activity in California as, land use, water and labor, one grower pointed out.

Claremont scholarship

CLAREMONT, Calif. – Sanyo Elec­tric Co., a major head firm, estab­lished a $25,000 scholarship fund for Orient­al Americans at Claremont Men's College who need financial assistance for college.

...a haunting mood piece in her play which is basically a...
Press Row
Freelance writer Fayuko Kamisaka, who began writing about the "Tokyo Rose" case in Japan in the "Shukan Asahi" and "Yomiuri Shimbun", interviewed Iva Toguri d’Aquino for Japanese TV via satellite on the day Iva submitted her third petition for presidential pardon and her role in obtaining signatures on the pardon petition was recently revealed. Signing were such luminaries as:

Seijiro Ona, musical director of the Boston Symphony; Nobuo labu, winner of the 1980 Best Actor Academy Award for his role in "Kagemusha"; and Yoko Ono, wife of John Lennon, who has been a vocal supporter of Toguri’s effort to return to Japan.

Nisei named director of Wash. state agency

OLYMPIA, Wash. - Gov. Dixy Lee Ray has appointed Kazuo Watanabe, 53, Seattle-born attorney with private practice in California, to be director of the State Dept. of Commerce and Economic Development, effective Jan. 27.

The appointment was announced Jan. 21.

Watanabe, after serving with the U.S. military intelligence service in Tokyo (1945-50), graduated from the Tulane Univ. School of Law and in 1957 was appointed the first Nisei to the Los Angeles County public defender’s office, where he served for a decade. In the past decade, he practiced law in Angelino Heights representing a number of Japanese companies. He is married and has two children.

Presw, he graduated from Bailey Gatzel School and Broadway High. The state director's position pays $26,830 per annum.

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