Move underway to repeal law evading Canada's Japanese

HAMILTON, Ont.—Steps to repeal the War Measures Act (1914), which was responsible for the wartime evacuation of Canadian Japanese, in 1942 were taken upon the close of a very emotional War Measures Act Conference held April 23 here at the McMaster University medical center.

Among the speakers were Gordon Hirabayashi, chairman of the Alberta Japanese Canadian Centennial Society, and sociology professor, Ken Adachi, author of "The Enemy That Never Was"; and Walter Tanopolski, author of "The Canadian Governor commutes life sentence of Nisei prisoner

OLYMPIA, Wash.—Gov. Dixy Lee Ray has commuted the life sentence of Ken Takahashi, convicted of first-degree murder in 1967. The order of Mar. 30 became known May 13, authorizing parole which would not have become available until 1981.

In a letter to the state legislature as required by law, the governor explained she had received petitions and letters urging the commutation and a recommendation from the state Board of Prison Terms and Paroles.

She said the former oceano­graphy student at the Univ. of Washington was "demonstrably rehabilitated" and had developed a skill as a water pollution control plant operator while at Monroe Reformatory. His conduct and record were exemplary, she added.

Takahashi, 19 at the time of trial, had pleaded guilty to the charge. Testimony showed he had strangled Mrs. Mona Jean Mullin, 33, manager of an apartment where he once lived; then buried the body in his backyard, gaged her daughter, 13, and searched for rent money kept in the apartment.

Takahashi's sister had tes­tified her brother had broken down into tears over the death of his little sister.

Idahoans discuss Minidoka memorial

POCATELLO, Idaho—Possibility of a memorial to pay tribute to the courage of evacuees detained at Minidoka is being discussed informally among JACL chapters in Idaho, according to Alice Sato, local JACL president.

Nearly 10,000 people from the Pacific Northwest were held at Minidoka — near Twin Falls, during World War II. Six years ago, a TV documentary on the camp, "The Fence at Minidoka," was produced and narrated by Barbara Tandberg, of Seattle's KOMO-TV news staff.

Asian Americans pledge $200,000 to aid Democrats next four years

WASHINGTON — Asian American business and community leaders have pledged to raise $50,000 a year for the Democratic party, the Democratic Na­tional Finance Committee meeting here was told in late April.

Norman Lau Kee, executive committee member of the Finance Committee from New York, felt Asian Amer­i cans “must begin to become involved in all aspects of the political process including the financial area”.

SAN FRANCISCO — Calif­ ornia First Bank has established a continuing scholarship program for Calif­ ornians of Japanese ancestry.

Bank president Masao Tsuyama said the California First Bank Scholarship commemorates completion of the bank's new San Francisco headquarters building and is designed "to encourage more young Japanese Americans to pursue the re­wards of higher education." 

Selection, disbursement and other aspects of the pro­gram will be administered by the Japanese American Citizens League.

Mrs. Chisholm, who was honored to have been cho­sen to administer the scholar­ship.

In Fresno, Dr. Inumi Taniguchi, CSU-Fresno profes­sor in economics and chair­man of the JACL scholar­ship committee, regarded CFB's scholarship as "a big boost" and adds to the sta­tus of JACL's scholarship program.

National executive direc­tor Karl Nobuyuki said, "The generous gift from California First Bank re­flects the cooperative spirit of partnership between corpo­rate, university and community-based organizations. This unique scholar­ship effort will further the development and growth of the Japanese American spirit through our most prized possessions—the children." Under terms of the CFB Scholarship program, each recipient will receive a grant of $1,000 per year for each of the four years in which he or she maintains good standing in an accredited college or university. One student will be selected for 1977, and one additional recipient will be named each year until 1980. Thereafter, the program will fund four students annually.

Takaya said the 1977 re­cipient will be selected from the many candidates who have already applied for various JACL scholarships.

Deadline for 1977 scholar­ships was May 10. Com­mencing next year, qual­i­fied students may apply di­rectly to JACL, for the Calif­ ornia First Bank Scholar­ship.

Rep. Shirley Chisholm to speak on Bakke case

WASHINGTON — The Washington Office of the University of California Board of Regents announced May 17 that Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm will be the keynote speaker for the closing ban­quet of EDC/MDC confer­ence July 28.

The 1977 conference will be held at the Twin Bridges Marriott Motor Ho­tel, July 28-31. A tentative schedule of events for the conference includes:

July 28—8:30-10:30 a.m. registra­tion; 10:30-11:30 a.m. open­ing addresses.

July 29—Registration, Special Rep Dinner; G潮ine Luncheon by ticket only, with tours of National Archives.

July 30—Registration all day, Af­ternoon at Valve; Evening Confer­ence meetings, 6:30-7:30 No Host Cocktail Hour, Banquet, Cash Bar Social Hour; 7:30-11:30—Meetings and adjournment.

Mrs. Chisholm, a 1972 presidential candidate and past officer of Congress­ional Black Caucus, will speak about the Supreme Court decision on the University of California Board of Regents.

JACL's Washington Rep­resentative Wayne Horiuchi was "delighted" to have Congresswoman Chisholm agree to speak at the bien­nial EDC/MDC conference.

"I indicated in a letter to Mrs. Chisholm that JACL had reached consensus on the Bakke case at our National Board Meeting and that the California Supreme Court had cited both Hirabayashi and Korematsu in justifying Bakke. Also, she is a plaintiff, Bakke," Horiuchi said. "Because I knew that she had an interest in the case, I suggested her name to the EDC/MDC planning committee who were very enthusiastic about having her speak."
Eight finalists selected for JAL cultural heritage fellowships

Four District Council chairpersons among those selected to share the burden of selecting the top 15 students for the four JAL 1978-79 Cultural Heritage Fellowships. The applications have been reviewed and are currently being screened for the Seasonal grant recipients from their own Districts. The final panel will convene in July to make the awards.

One visit convention is part of caring at a difficult time. That’s why Ros Hills Mortuary offers a modern mortuary, a flower shop and concerned counselors in one peaceful and quiet setting.

Support of the American Sansei Culture. The JACL National Heritage Fellowship Committee announced the top 15 students for the four JAL Cultural Heritage Fellowships. The applications have been screened and are currently being reviewed by the four District Council chairpersons among those selected.

In addition to the honor which were bestowed on him at Commencement ceremonies May 22, Dr. Marutani addressed the Alumni banquet May 21. His speech was titled "Where the Tumbleweeds Go."
Asians fight police dept.'s 5'-6' minimum

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Because a group of Asian Americans have complained about the height requirements, the Fair Employment Practices Commission may challenge the Los Angeles Police Department for its 5 ft. 6 in. (1.67m) minimum in recruitment.

FEPC chairman John Martin was authorized May 5 to file suit on behalf of the FEPC advisory committee is approved. The advisory committee indicated that there was no evidence to show a height minimum was related to the need for an agility test for police officers. The committee also questioned the need for an agility test for men.

In 1972, 5 ft. 5 in. Sanshiro Miyamoto went through painful stretching exercises trying to meet the 5 ft. 7 height requirement of the Detroit Police. In 1974, the requirement was dropped. Sanshiro didn't apply but his younger brother Akio, 5 ft. 3 in., applied and succeeded.

In 1973, the City of Honolulu eliminated its 5 ft. 6 in. minimum for police officers because the requirement discriminated against women. At the time the city was facing pressure from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, which considered Honolulu's hiring and promotion practices discriminatory and threatened to cut off $140,000 in police department funding.

The American Civil Liberties Union has filed suit in Washington to require the LEAA to cut off funding of police departments that discriminate on the basis of race or sex.

Peace Terrace drive

CHICAGO—The Japanese American Service Committee's fund drive for their Peace Terrace housing community, reached 81.7% of its goal as of March 31. The specific names were in the $1,000 or over category.

Nisei contractor to build Little Tokyo community center

LOS ANGELES—Builders will appear on the site of the future Japanese American Cultural and Community Center next month with the designation last week of RST Construction Co. and SyArt, Contractors, to build the new community center in the joint venture by the JACC board.

The $2.5 million, six-floor structure at 25th St. and Los Angeles, will provide office space, conference and meeting rooms, library and exhibit area for various non-profit and cultural groups in the Southern California Japanese community.

RST, headed by general contractor Robert S. Tamae, recently completed the Higashi Hongwanji, a Little Tokyo landmark. A 1965 graduate from the University of Hawaii, he started his firm in 1972, serving as president of Oriental Builders' Association, here, and is currently building the Japanese Village Plaza buildings adjacent to the 321 E. 2nd Bldg.

SyArt is a leader in the field of concrete contractors and general contractor of Toshie Terasawa, JACC building committee chairman.

The need for an agility test

In 1955, the City of Honolulu set a 5' -6" minimum for police officers. The requirement was dropped for men.

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Cal 1st opens Nikkei history room

SAN FRANCISCO — A permanent repository for documents tracing the history of Americans of Japanese ancestry has been established in the Ninth Floor of California First Bank's new headquarters building, 328 California St. Known as the Japanese American History Room, it is open to the public by appointment.

"Our purpose is two-fold," explains Seizo Oka, bank vice president, in charge of the History Room and library. "We want to assure the Japanese American community that the Japanese American portion of our history will be kept as a resource.

At the same time, we intend to make these resources freely accessible to students, historians and the general public.

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New Columnist

This is the first of the monthly columns that Karl Nobufuku has promised to maintain, keeping the membership informed of his activities as National JACL executive director, a post he assumed on May 1—Editor.

ARGATO—The drive from Los Angeles to San Francisco is a long one. The trip up my first day of work with JACL was no exception. Yet it was a fortunate journey for it—a long-awaited break to what was becoming a California condition. Maybe it was the rain or just the drive itself. But it was a special opportunity to reflect and count my blessings.

With the latter in mind, I wish to openly express my "down to earth" feeling for all the people who have helped me so willingly over the past years. It will be presumptuous to think I could list all the people, but I do want to thank such organizations as:

The FOR Department of the Tokyo Valley Japanese Cultural Institute, Asian American Volunteer Action Center, Asian American Drug Abuse Programs and the Tri-District Confab.

Southwest JACL District Council, especially the East Los Angeles and Gardena Valley JACL chapters, the City of Gardena, the offices of Assemblyman Paul T. Inouye and Senator George Sakamoto, Congressmen Charles A. Wilson and Glenn Anderson.

Particularly thanks go to the individuals in the above organizations and offices for it's people who help make things happen.

BY THE GOLDEN GATE—Speaking of people and organizations that helped me get to and settle in San Francisco, I want to thank JACL for that "howdy" reception on the 13th. I was able to meet many new friends. Furthermore, the turnout at their chapter board meeting held in midweek was impressive. Kudos to Mike Ito et al. . . . Chiz Satow was right, San Francisco is a very friendly town.

THE JOB AHEAD—Work at Headquarters is definitely cut out for me. As the new executive director of the National JACL, I realize that my presence can make a difference. So, I am publicizing my work programs to drop a note to the San Mateo JACL chapter. It can be meaningful, judging from the privilege I had meeting with them on the 18th. The officers and members are very heavily into human service programs and education, and we are involved with the delivery of such systems. Chapters may find it profitable to exchange notes and point of integration within and outside of the JACL.

Joining us that night were national treasurer Ed Mori-ga, regional director George Kondo and the Sequoia JACL, headed by Bob Simms of San Jose and to Yasuo Ito of San Mateo and Amy Doi of Sequoia for the "acquainted" session.

CULTURAL CORRIDOR—For those living in or will be visiting Northern California next weekend, join us June 5 for the Cultural Heritage Awards program at Stanford University's new Law Building auditorium.

Makoto of the TV and radio fame way, will be the featured speaker. Those who have not heard him will be in for a unique experience.

COMING EVENTS—The JACL World Federation looks to share a few of the highlights of the Pacific Southwest and Pacific Northwest district meetings. They will be my first two district quarterly sessions as a national staffer. Mits Takasumi of the Red River JACL chapter and Howard Kono of the Tri-District Confab have invited me to their Mid-Columbia JACL graduation banquet and if being chapter president for four terms as Mits has and living in Oregon makes you look that healthy, I'm looking forward to that trip June 19.

Let's all keep looking for ways to work together, the lines of communication open and the dialogue flowing. We're interested in feedback. Until then, let's think about JACL as the "The Japanese American spirit".

Down to Earth: Karl Nobufuku

Why price of fish skyrocket in Japan

by Barry Salt

Tokyo

One reason why American students are finding Japanese college tuition so difficult is that they are forced to pay for the oceanic welfare benefits that white students get are viewed as incidental. Also, the U.S. government took a reasonable position, by: licensing system, by: a tolera-An Online Magazine of Asian American Education Political Affairs and Culture

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Japan's Talk of the Town

What's in Japanese? Why price of fish skyrocket in Japan

by Barry Salt

April, the Soviets have escalated the Japanese efforts to demonstrate the Chinese position is not a question but an obvious fact, and for the first time in more than 30 years, all Japanese-made documents will include the Social Democrats and the Communist Party, which developed in the Soviet position. This is an amazing phenomenon that shows how important the fishing issue is to the entire population. Concernably, under the militaristic regime of 40 years ago, this country did have sea to armed confrontation. Today, the distant Japanese public is not too worried about the war, with the hope that a suitable agreement could be reached.

In a world that still lacks an authoritative international organization, one can only visualize huge seas ahead, and some nations will continue to take part in international games of chess, in which military power still needs a strong position. The earlier negotiations over the conference tables and in expectation of fish shortages, the price of fish in Japan has risen from 30 to 290%.

"Quality Education" as Seen for 3rd World Students

By Aileen Yagade

San Diego, Calif.

In March 1977, Superior Court Judge Louis ruled in the case of Carlin v. San Diego Board of Education that 23 of the schools in the San Diego Unified School District were racially segregated and ordered the district to come up with a desegregation plan to be put into action by the fall. But the specific exclusionary effect was a solution and emphasized voluntary methods.

The whole idea of integration should be critically examined. The 23 schools that were identified as segregated and racially isolated were predominantly Third World schools. Why weren't predominantly white schools identified as having an equally racist nature of the concept of integration? There is something wrong, lacking and inherently inferior about Third World schools. The concept assumes that by mixing with the white students, Third World students would benefit, get "uplifted" and get "quality education." Any benefit that white students get are viewed as incidental.

But what is really meant by that term? Certainly it does not mean an education that teaches Third World people their history, their heritage and a sense of pride in their culture. It means an education that orient white people to the range of white urban, middle class experiences and lifestyles. It is the kind of education that enables one to make it through the University of California but involves paying the price of seriously compromising one's cultural autonomy and identification with the community in order to move up socially and economically. "Quality education" is a more sophisticated version of the "white is good" position minorsity students were being described as "deprived," "disadvantaged" and "underprivileged." This denies the legitimacy of their culture, life style and the struggle to maintain white urban, middle class culture in a position of being superior.

Bilingual and bicultural education with community control over decision making is this quality education. This is the 3rd World students and communities. Rather than siphoning them off to be alienated from their communities, Third World students should be encouraged to stay in the community where they can truly serve the people.
Salt Lake City

I do not go to cemeteries to visit graves anymore. The places probably have not changed much. The same rust marks must be on the iron gates and the wind must make the same clang against metal. It was at my mother's bidding we went all those years past. The journey always began at the bottom of a winding road in the oldest and most forgotten parts of the cemetery. The trees are tall there and it is cool and dark.

Most years the duty fell to my sister and her husband. For some misplaced reason near the last Memorial Day of her faithful pilgrimage, it was my husband and I who accompanied her. We took the usual metal tubs and buckets of flowers, the pruned trees and trimming shears.

Scissors to trim grass nestled close to markers sinking deeper into the setting ground. We remembered these scattered graves through some uncanny connection made with a tree or a curve in the road or another testament. She, one who was so notoriously vague about street addresses.

From there we traveled up into the place where the graves were never and tidier. Sometimes there would be a slight mound where the earth had been freshly turned. It was warmer there because the trees were young and had no shade to cast.

We emptied the rusting water from metal urns in which flowers from last holidays were dried stalks of water from metal urns in which flowers from last holidays were rinsed and filled these together with the glass jars eventually to that tap releasing clear, cool water.

Beside expensive monuments of marble lay the almost shy markers of bachelors and paupers. Upon these, too, the least and most neglected, were the blooms of blood red or snow white. My mother had a preference for the ones that shunning roses, because of deep-seated superstition at the corners would scratch the dead.

She would fuss with the flowers, breathing a stem here, turning a bud in another direction. She was quite particular about her arranging. She, who so disorganized when it came to ordinary chores. I remember that once she had the Japanese characters on one headstone redone three times until it finally suited her.

Our little journey continued up a slope above the road, known as the Japanese cemetery. And here again the ritual repeated. As she trod around the headstones, careful not to step across a grave, occasionally she softly murmured a name as one does upon first introduction.

So far and long had the dead been gone that she couldn't remember every one. In a voice of astonishment, sometimes she explained, "So this is where he is.

Men of honor and women of virtue shared the same ground with the most despicable types, liars and cheats, even people who had died owing us money. When one such debtor's marker was pointed out to her, she seemed almost pleased, saying, "But look at the splendid flower in mind that a dozen or so other funds that she was the chairperson and en- tire committee of them. As she came under the convenient category of "monkey business," a term she used to legitimate most of her personal philanthropies.

She knew when she died children wouldn't continue it. In fact, she always used to say, "Do everything for me now while I am living. That's all I want."

It was a vow she gave or she made when I was of age. I think I kept that commitment and frequently it was a source of sorrow and anger to me. I thought it cruel that she, who was so generous in other ways, did not have the means to consider that proposition. To prove her sincerity she would say, "I don't expect you at my grave."

I think she had a private joke on me because she knew that she wouldn't be there.

The Hosokawas of History

Denver, Colo.

You can blame Sammy Iwata for this column. Sammy, who is a she and lives in Tokyo, sent me a clipping from the Asahi Evening News of a series that Koichi Shiba is doing on Japanese history. This particularly event had to do with that beautiful Lady Osuna Hosokawa, wife of Hosokawa Tadaki, a powerful feudal lord. Sammy suggested that in view of the interest stirred up by Rosita, I might be interested in reading something about somebody who could be a distant ancestor.

Well, chances that there was a feudal lord and a beautiful lady far back in this branch of the Hosokawa clan range between zero and impossible. So far as I have been able to find out, my grandfather Hosokawa, great-grandfather and maybe great-great-grandfather were just poor but usually honest rice-growing peasants.

Be that as it may, Shiba tells us that Lady Hosokawa's lot was not a happy one. Her husband was away for long periods as a wayward father. Akechi Mitsuhide treacherously killed his lord, the Shogun Oda Nobunaga. Seeking some sort of solace, she came under the influence of Portuguese missionaries and eventually decided to be baptized.

Because the church was under suspicion, Lady Hosokawa suggested something that smacked of a European opera plot. She said she would hide in a large box used to store bedding, and the container would be smuggled to her father so she could be baptized.

The priest, Father Gregorio Cepedes had a safer idea. He authorized Maria Kyohara, Lady Hosokawa's attendant, to contact a Catholic, to perform the baptism in the Hosokawa castle. Lady Hosokawa was given the Christian name of Maria. All this happened in 1587 when she was 24 years old.

In 1589, while her husband was off fighting again, a rival warlord attempted to capture her. Under ordinary circumstances the lady Hosokawa would have committed suicide to save her honor. But since the Catholic religion prohibits taking one's life, she had an attendant topos her head with a samurai sword. So much for Donna Gracia Hosokawa.

Shiba's account made me curious enough to look up a book, The Samurai, a military history by E.R. Turnbull. Listed in the index were three Hosokawas—Katsumoto, Tadaki-oki (Gracia's husband), and Yusai (Tadaki-oki's father). Apparently they were a quarrelsome family, although they had some saving qualities.

In 1336, the first Hosokawa (no first name given) was a leader of the rebel Ashikaga faction which routed the loyalists in the Battle of Minatogawa. Hosokawa headed a force from the island of Shikoku, landing on the beaches to cut off the loyalist retreat, resulting in the defeat of the famous Kusunoki Masashige.

Hosokawa Katsumoto came along more than a century later. He was the good guy in the 10-year-long Onin war that all but destroyed Kyoto between 1467 and 1477. The other side was led by Yamana Sozen, an outrageous sort of fellow given to excessive rages and tantrums.

I was pleased that Author Turnbull describes the Hosokawas with a calm and judicious type whose "administration was able and his followers were content. He maintained above all else, preferring to let others institute in view of the terrible havoc wreaked on Kyoto, neither chieftain could be considered very admirable. It was no minor war, Yamana's army consisting of 80,000 men and Hosokawa's 85,000. It probably served them right that both leaders died before the war was settled.

Hosokawa Tadaki was on the side of the triumphant Tokugawas in the decisive Battle of Sekigahara in 1600. His father, Yusai, seems to be the more interesting personality. Yusai was such a beloved poet and scholar that when his castle was besieged, the enemy carefully neglected to put projectiles into their cannons. The Battle of Sekigahara clinched the power of the Tokugawas for a long time, as they ruled Japan as Shogun for more than a half century until the Meiji Restoration in 1868.

I imagine that for most of this period my branch of the Hosokawa clan kept busy growing rice and staying out of the way of the samurai.

Plain Speaking: Wayne Horiuichi

Aid for A-Bomb Survivors

Washington

In this column I want to bring you up to date on some recent developments concerning legislation to provide compensation to those citizens and permanent residents of the Atomic Bombings of Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

During a recent visit to Washington, D.C., to see Sachi Seko, former Asahi Evening News reporter, examiner for Los Angeles County, and I made several visits to Capitol Hill on behalf of the Committee for Atomic Bomb Survivors. While in the least, the visits were very productive.

Congressman George Danielson of California was chairperson of the subcommittee on administrative law and governmental relations of the Judiciary Committee, agreed to schedule hearings after Dr. Turnbull and I had signed a petition to the congressman. This is indeed significant progress because the previous chairperson of the committee resisted the hearings proposal.

Congressman Ed Roybal of Los Angeles and Norman Mineta of San Jose are co-sponsors of HR 839 that was just recently introduced in the House.

Though no definite time has been set, the hearings should be held shortly after the subcommittee works on the so-called ethics bill.

On the Senate side Senator Mike Gavel (D-Alaska) will also send a "Dear Colleague" letter to reflect the Senate's co-sponsorship for the bill. Contacts by our readers of your senators to co-sponsor the legislation will assist the Committee for Atomic Bomb Survivors in gaining enough support for the Grain bill so that progress can be made on this humanitarian and just legislation.

I will keep you posted on further developments in the Atomic Bomb Survivors legislation.

To become a member of the Committee for Atomic Bomb Survivors and contribute $35 annually, call the Committee for Atomic Bomb Survivors, Japanese American Citizens League, 125 Weller Street, Los Angeles, California 90035, for Individual membership — $25. Organization membership — $50.

From Happy Valley: Sachi Seko

Bouquets for the Living

From Frying Pan: Bill Hosokawa

The Hosokawas of History

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PNW to meet at Hood River

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—The Mid-Columbia JACL hosts the summer session of the Pacific North-West District Council over the June 17-18 weekend, it was announced by Dist. Gov. Edvard Yamamoto of Moses Lake.

The informal Saturday meeting will follow the Mid-Columbia’s graduation tea at the Recreation Cafe on E. 2nd St. at The Dales. National JACL Executive Director Karl Nobuyuki will be the dinner speaker.

The regular Sunday session from 9 a.m. will meet Hood River Inn with adjournment at 5 p.m. Lunch will be $5 with reservations being taken by Mid-Columbia JACL, Mrs. Takahashi, 815 Highway 35, Hood River, Ore. 97830.

Delegates are expected to make their own hotel accommodations at the Hood River Inn (503-386-2380).

Chapter Pulse

- French Camp

Bits of the Asian cultures were offered at the Manteca Community Art Center over the May 14 weekend, it was announced by members of the French Camp JACL Women’s Auxiliary and executive committee of the Manteca Community Art Center.

Paintings by Lillian Chow Lai, doctoral student at University of Pacific and art coordinator for Gov. Brown’s Asian Art exhibit, were on display. She is presently working on an international show in San Francisco.

- San Francisco

An informal show and committee people were:

Flowe arrangement—Kyo Sato, JSC; Fran Reaves, VWare, Linda Dray, Ito, Richard, Ban Ho, Yuji, Gen Inouye, Bill Tomura, Jackie Haggerty, Tom Hall.

Palo Alto—JACR—Harrachi law school majors (Forms at JACL Hq., 6th floor).

July 1—JACR—Harrachi law school majors (Forms at JACL Hq., 6th floor).

July 30—Shinonome—Exhibitions (Forms at JACL Hq., 6th floor).

May 28 (Saturday)

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Southlanders up

for S.F. Olympics

SAN FRANCISCO—Requests for applications have come from Los Angeles Gardena for the San Francisco JACL Jr. Olympics to help make S.F. a track and field meet June 12 at Oakland’s Laney Community College.

Entry forms are due May 27.

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- Idaho Falls

The Idaho Falls Chapter held a combination Honor Graduates and Inagi Dinner at Ada’s Cafe May 18. The show for S.F. Olympics was shown.

Eric Brown, Larry Nakaye, Wade Sato, Geraldine Ogawa, Linda Nakaye, Susan Yamashita and Shizuo Yamada had a show behind their future plans.

Local JACL honored were:

Mrs. Mashe Tanaka, Paul Sato, Mrs. T. Ohno, A. Muraya, Mrs. Miyoshi Oshikubo, Mrs. Taniwak and Mrs. Sue Shimizu.

Chapter members responded enthusiastically the May 14-15 weekend to help give the JACL Hall a good spring clean-up. Work included new paint on the interior walls, reorganizing of shelves and files in the kitchen and office.

- Marin County

The Marin Chapter JACL offers a great variety of ideas for having their rummage/bake sale, such as spots on popular Japanese maples and treasures. All this takes place on Saturday, May 28 from 10 to 4, at the Co-op Shopping Center, along Taylor St., Corte Madera.

- San Mateo

San Mateo JACL is preparing for its annual benefit movie night May 4-7, 7:30 p.m. at the local Buddhist Hall. The program of the two films are "Honorary Society of the Japanese" and "Nipponkai Daisenki.

Kiyo Okita and Joe Wada, co-chairmen, reminded the benefit movie and monte Carlo night of the only two fund-raising events for chapter programs and scholarships.

Chapter held a special meeting May 18 to meet a "local resident," newly appointed executive director Karl Nobuyuki.

Tom Konno and Joyce Bartley of the San Mateo JACL School District met May 17 at the Abbot School with chapter members discussing Japanese Bicultural-cultural programs. At least 30 students will be tutored in the curriculum, it was pointed out.

Chapter has been asked by Mrs. Taniwak, JACR, Japanese language coordinator for the Asian Institute for Franklin Elementary to assist in housing some 40 high school students from Japan this summer (July 23-Aug. 10) who will be studying English at Burlingame High.

Two members of the San Mateo County board of supervisors, chairman John Ward and supervisor Edward Bacciochi, were present at the April 20 meeting to exchange ideas and obtain first-hand information about the JACL. The two were asked to be invited back in three or four months. Ward also apologized the San Mateo JACL proposal for county revenue sharing was overlooked last year. Bacciocco explained a new Human Service Coordinating Council has been organized to improve delivery and avoidance of overlapping services.

There are many job listings at the San Mateo JACL.

Calendar

While the Calendar features JACL events and deadlines, we also welcome non-

JACL groups to notify us of new public events. Non-JACL items are edited—Ed

Los Angeles JACL, 1371 South Hope, 6th floor.

Huntington Park

Pali Gorge—Graduates bake sale, 7:30 a.m., First UMC, 21486 Pali Gorge Rd., San Jose—Tennis bld dinner, SJ State, "YAMAHA" Tennis Invitational, 9 a.m., Backstone Park.

Pico Rivera—Programs, Ella Grove Park, 7:30 p.m.

San Francisco—JACR—Olympic Committee.

June 13 (Monday)

Alameda—Policeruit Gardens, Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Las Vegas—Matsui, 7:30 p.m.

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Sunday, May 28

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San Diego—U PAC dinner, US Grant

PSWDC—Nisei Relays, West 67th St, New York

Chicago—Board meeting.

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Contributions to the NC-WDN Legal Assistance Fund are being accepted at JACL HQ, 1785 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115.
The exhibit was held over the April 29-May 1 weekend. Mrs. Moriguchi, a quieter colorist, has been the volunteer coordinator since its inception in 1974. She has encouraged young artists to exhibit their works with the professional artists.

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TOKYO — With balmy weather prevailing in this country, the early wedding season is on and young couples are tying the knots — they are being hitched left and right.

For weddings, as for Japanese collegiate baseball, the year can be split into two seasons, spring and autumn.

Weddings in Japan have changed since the old days. They are apt to be held under a mixture of foreign and Japanese customs.

I attended a wedding recently with my family on the Emperor's Birthday near the end of April in which a double ceremony was worked into the traditional nuptials.

In addition to the customary samurai-kudō, or exchange of sake cups, the priest at the Buddhist temple over the exchange of wedding rings by the bride and groom, who are both of Japanese girth. Shinto weddings were never like this before.

Wedding receptions, where they are held in the country today, have taken on a serious and dignified tone. The ceremony is a combination of Japanese and foreign convention.

After the guests are seated, the bride and groom invariably make their entrance to the right and d' or strains of "Here comes the bride." A full set of recordings on tape or of "March" is a must for every hotel and wedding hall. There is always a fake wedding cake for the couple to simulate cutting. Last year there was a champagne toast to the newly married.

Along with this is the inevitable long-winded speech by the naka-do or go-between from Japan, which remains a fixture.

The wedding we attended was one of many held at the Taito Ward Hall in Asakusa on the Emperor's Birthday.

A year earlier, the wife and I were at a wedding reception in the classier surrounding of the Palace Hotel, and the set piece at the reception was the wedding cake bit at the reception as in most cases the bride and groom do not make-believe. The guests all get a piece of cake but it is not part of a regular wedding ceremony.

Although love matches are the common pattern, arrangements continued through the naka-do or go-between.

An additional addition is the engagement ring.

The smart thing for a just-married couple is to honeymoon abroad and Hawaii is the choice of Japanese couples in America. Among honeymoon spots in Japan, Okinawa and Okinawa are the most popular.

A new twist is to get married in Hawaii and send notices home.

As each wedding hall reveals that couples in these more affluent times are not planning to spend about $1,600 on honeymoon trips.

Now the most popular omiyage for the couples back home picked up by honeymoon couples is packages of chocolate-covered macadamia nuts. All visitors to Hawaii seem to be aware of this.

DENVER, Colo. — Rocky Mountain News writer Dave Nelson named Nikki college baseball player Gordon Nishimoto a very good baseball player at the University of Denver.

And Gordon was also described as "quiet and well mannered... (He) doesn't seem to care if he is seen. He goes to the plate swinging, not talking..."

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The conference will make recommendations to the Congress and President Carter for elimination of traditional barriers for women in many areas. On the causus:

- Dorema Sibone (306-604-6000), Marilyn Jones, Dangley, Susan nano, Miyumi Tsukawaka of Seattle, April West, Glitch, Elaine Wong

- Akiko Iwata, Registration chairperson, announced a new financial situation has left the DYC with a great deal of paper to work with.

The turn over of JACLers was great last year. The 11th Board of Directors was named on her 18th birthday.

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15,000 view Seiwa-En on opening day

At the Garden dedication

George Sakaguchi (left), St. Louis JACL president and Midwest District Council first vice-governor, greets Japanese Consul General Yasuo Hayashi at the dedication of the St. Louis Japanese Garden.

SPEAKING OUT:

In Jackpot Country

Anna Erik Peterson - St. Louis chapter

During the recent Tri-District Council meeting in Reno, the Pacific Citizen Board was convened. Since the Board's composition is set in rotation, the representative from each district who is appointed by the National President upon the recommendation of the district governor, I found myself in the position of Midwest representative by virtue of having agreed to edit the monthly MDC page. I approached the PC Board and Tri-District meetings with understandable trepidation.

Names. All these people that I was going to meet were just names to me. I read my PC regularly and therefore am able to associate the proper name with the position. Yet, having never had the opportunity to attend a National Convention (they're always held near the West Coast which makes the cost prohibitive to many Midwesterners), I couldn't place too many names with faces. I suddenly became grateful that we were going to have a PC.

My fears were compounded by the fact that I am of Sasebo age and upbringing. Some Nisei have given me the feeling that they had a right to be acknowledged as legitimate spokespersons of the JACL someday—but certainly not for many years. Would these names listen to me if I chose to speak? In fact, could I grasp the significance of certain issues and manage to say something intelligent?

Finally and most important, would I, coming from the Midwest, discover a sharp dividing line between interests, goals, and problems facing the conference attendees and myself? How different were Midwestern JACLers from the rest of the organization?

A few years ago, I saw a cartoon in the New Yorker Magazine. The cartoon depicted a New Yorker's view of the U.S.—with New York City and its environs, Florida, Texas often our only chance to meet and catch up on our bloodlines. Forgive me if I opened my mind, my mind, to visit any JACLers, but I could win a million dollar jackpot. Regrettably, I only won 50 cents.

On the other hand, I did meet many JACLers. Those names suddenly had faces, and the faces were friendly. I relaxed and began to enjoy myself. In informal conversations with attendees, I discovered that chapters shared many common concerns: how to get Sasebo involved in JACL, racial difficulties, member participation in chapter and National-sponsored activities and issues. The "gap" wasn't nearly as wide as I'd imagined it to be.

Also important was the opportunity to meet Karl Nobuyuki, Wayne Horiuchi, Jim Murakami and others. These are the leaders of the JACL, and I was impressed. They were aware of issues in the Midwest and interested.

I also discovered that the Midwest JACL is sometimes regarded as being outspoken and "thorn in the side" of National, but I might as well mention that here get a feeling, whether justified or not, of being "forgotten JACLers." I certainly feel better after attending the meetings, and can only encourage each JACLer to take advantage of opportunities to meet their National representatives and continue to remind them that there's a lot of miles between the East and West Coasts.

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Nearly 15,000 people attended the Missouri Botanical Garden on May 8 to view the Seiwa-En Japanese Garden, and attended the 1977 Japanese Festival Day sponsored by the local JACL. According to Garden administrators, it was likely to be the largest single-day attendance figure in the hundred-year history of the Botanical Garden.

Highlighting the performances were the Taiko Drummers of San Francisco, who drew a standing ovation from the crowds. Exhibits by Beibana International, collections of samurai swords and armor, and bonsai exhibits, and arts and crafts contributed by Festival attendees the chance to view Japanese culture and arts.

The Festival and dedication of Seiwa-En drew national attention and media coverage, and JACLers, in addition to other delegates, came from as far as Chicago and Cleveland to join in the festivities.

Ceremony Purifies

The traditional Japanese Garden in North America was formally dedicated on May 8 amid ceremonies which included a traditional Shinto rite, conducted by Rev. Taichi Tsuchiya, head minister of the

Kokoro Church in Los Angeles, assisted by Yoshitami Hibiayashi and the Rev. Takashi Murakami, both of Nagasaki, Japan.

Japanese Ambassador Fujihiko Togo and Mrs. Kiyoshi Sumiya headed a list of dignitaries who participated in the dedication. Also attending were delegations from St. Louis' Sister City, Suwa, Japan, and Missouri's Sister State, Nagano Prefecture.

In addition to the Shinto ceremony, a sacred dance, "Kumikai," was performed for the occasion by Fujimaki Kansumi of Los Angeles.

Calling the Japanese Garden one of the most important developments in the history of the Botanical Garden, Dr. Peter Raven, its Director, said that visiting it is a unique experience.

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Government
Santa Ana's city human relations commission was reorganized, with Daniel Inouye, among five

Business
Salinas Mayor Henry Hibiino and Monterey businesswoman Wesley Dudgeon were appointed to the board of directors of the Valley National Bank. A local farm wife, Hibiino was elected to the city council in 1971 and has been mayor since 1973, as president, executive chef of the New Otani Hotel in Los Angeles, was named to the internationally famous Academy of Culinary France in the special medal category. June 3, 1977.

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Nikkei experiences in Canada & U.S. compared


Ken Adachi’s “The Enemy That Never Was” is about the experiences of the Japanese Canadian and in more than one case echoes the success and tragedy of the Japanese Americans.

Adachi is careful pointing out the parallels between Canadian and American Japanese. The concentration camp experience, alien exclusion laws, early immigration experiences — or compliance — which enabled the Nisei to accept the outrage of the evacuation and relocation and allowed them to rise above it can, of course, be explained by the traditional values.

The Canadian Nikkei community is smaller than the Japanese American population concentrated in California and Hawaii. Nonetheless, Adachi feels the place of Japanese in Canadian history remains secure: “Nothing, he says, “seems to have stirred the disquiet of those Canadians interested in civil liberties more than the wartime treatment of the Japanese.”

From such an extensive study of the Canadian Nikkei past, one could easily wonder as to the future. From a total of some 20,000 Canadian Japanese, a number of guesses can be hypothesized. One of them is that their Sannen generation has come of age and here the U.S. and Canadian parallels solidify.

Following the war, the Canadian Nikkei stressed assimilation — a desire to “blend in” to the dominant social norms. Nisei in Canada entered secure and status fields, such as medicine, engineering, architecture, law and teaching — a spectacular breakthrough for a minority which had been barred in British Columbia by provincial statutes from several of those occupations,” Adachi notes.

There are now several near-millennaries among the Japanese in Alberta. Another well-known Canadian Nikkei from the area is S. Hayakawa, mentioned in the book, but unlisted in the index. “Although there are institutions like the (Japanese Canadian) Cultural Centre... and individuals who want to emphasize group uniqueness and a sense of connection with the past, the Japanese who have played a role in Canadian history, disproportionate to their numerical size, will likely fade as a distinct linguistic and social minority,” Adachi observes.

In lieu of the absence of traditional Nikkei individual and linguistic characteristics, then, Adachi seems to be proposing individual acceptance according to merit rather than by race. Consequently, the Japanese Canadians are just as concerned as Japanese Americans that the Evacuation experience will not occur again; that civil liberties will be insured.

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CARP, The Combined Asian American Resources Project Inc., the editors of Allieeeee! An Anthology of Asian American Experience pleased to announce the first in a series of works exploring Asian-American history and culture, No-No Boy. In his foreword, Adachi observes: “The book presents an intimate biography of Valentino, his films and his impact on the world, revealing for the first time the closely-guarded mysteries surrounding his life. A 64-page insert of photos is included.”

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