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Americans charge reverse bias against Japanese firms in U.S.

NEW YORK—Many Americans working for Japanese companies in the United States are complaining that the path to promotions is blocked because they are not Japanese citizens, observes reporter Nathaniel Nash in the New York Times May 31.

The unhappy employees are charging reverse discrimination. Employment agencies have joined in the complaint, according to Nash, though they note Sony is the exception.

Hiroshi Tsuwano, personnel and general affairs manager for Sumitomo Shoji America Inc., American subsidiary for Japan's fifth largest trading company which does almost \$3 billion a year in business with the U.S., told Nash, "It isn't that we are against promoting Americans. We just have not been able to find enough

that are qualified that want to work with us."

Peter Gay, president of Taft Employment, countered, "We just wouldn't send a person to a Japanese company who is looking for a high promotion. I would be doing him a disservice."

But, reminds Nash, the phenomenon of a company giving preference to its own nationals abroad is hardly uncommon. In the post-World War II era when U.S. firms flocked overseas, the standard practice was to have U.S. nationals running the show. Only in recent times has this changed because of heightened local sensitivities and to the higher cost of maintaining Americans abroad, Nash continued.

Employee grievances have led to several lawsuits with more reportedly to come.

Leading case was filed in Houston in 1975 by three Caucasian men alleging violation of Title 7 of the 1964 Civil Rights Act prohibiting discrimination in employment against C. Itoh & Co., Ltd., of Japan. The complaint alleges American employees of C. Itoh have less opportunity for promotion to management positions, that the Japanese nationals receive higher wages, more frequent bonuses and better fringe benefits.

In a similar complaint, 11 secretaries have filed a class action against Sumitomo, charging advancement beyond secretarial or clerical is closed to them because they are female and American.

Nash was told that the U.S.-Japan mutual trade treaty of 1948 permits each country to send such specialized personnel as ac-

countants, technicians and managers. "We need a Japanese staff to carry out business here," claimed corporate secretary Sadao Nishitomi for C. Itoh in an interview, because over 75% of the business is with Japan "and to do effective business, you need a special knowledge of the country, the people, the society and the language".

Nishitomi also noted parent Tokyo companies regularly send their middle level executives to America for four or five years as part of their career development. They need the extra compensation to move and "if we did not offer these things, we would not be able to get our Japanese staff to come over," Nishitomi commented.

Ryo Nishiura, executive vice president of Nissho-

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Judge Marutani polls 90,000 votes

PHILADELPHIA—William M. Marutani, Judge, Court of Common Pleas of the First Judicial District of Philadelphia, who ran for a full ten-year term for the same position led in the primary election here May 17.

Gov. Milton J. Shapp had appointed Judge Marutani to the bench two years ago to fill a vacant position.

Marutani ran on the Democratic ticket, endorsed by his party and Philadelphia Bar Assn. Though listed last among 11 contenders, Marutani scored a stunning victory for the party nomination, coming in first with 90,188 votes. Some candidates had cross-filed with

both parties but Marutani ran only on the Democratic ticket.

According to Marutani's supporters, politics is unpredictable, such as Philadelphia's recent election when the District Attorney and Controller who had declared against Mayor Rizzo who won by big margins against party-endorsed candidates. The "Friends of Judge Marutani" will have to continue its work for the fall election.

The Asian American community of Greater Philadelphia organized a campaign committee, "Friends of Judge Marutani", under the leadership of Priscilla Chung. The committee was composed of representatives from the Chinese, Indian, Japanese, Korean and Filipino communities. Betty

Endo is secretary and with her husband, Sim, took care of mailing campaign and fund raising materials to the Eastern area Japanese Americans. Dr. Warren Watanabe was treasurer.

Dr. Tom Tamaki headed the fund raising among Philadelphia area Japanese community. Fund raising from the other supporters in the Eastern states was coordinated by Mike Masaoka, Kaz Oshiki and Grayce Uye-hara. Other campaigners were:

Miko and Dr. Herbert Horikawa, Sumi Kobayashi, Louise Maehara, June Arima Schumann, Hiroshi Uye-hara and Dr. Mary I. Watanabe.

Television appearances to give Marutani increased visibility were arranged but it was mainly the candidate's indefatigable drive to visit the numerous wards to



JUDGE BILL MARUTANI

meet the committee people and workers which accounted in large part to the victory, his campaigners said.

PC Office at interim site

On Monday this week, the Pacific Citizen office was relocated from the Sun Bldg. to Rooms 305-308, 355 E. 1st St., Los Angeles 90012. Telephone number is unchanged.

The four rooms now provide separate quarters for circulation, production, editorial departments and general office.

The Pacific Citizen expects to operate at this interim location until a permanent move to the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, which is scheduled for occupancy in late 1978.

Inouye bill to aid Filipino veterans

WASHINGTON—Sen. Daniel Inouye urged the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee to approve his legislation (SB 129) to recognize certain Filipino WW2 veterans whose names were stricken from official U.S. Army records in 1948.

As many as 125,000 Filipino veterans may "have wrongfully been denied recognition and veteran benefits to which they would otherwise have been entitled", the Hawaii Democrat said.

Census questionnaire questioned

SAN DIEGO, Calif. — The Chinese and Japanese have been tabulated separately by the U.S. Census since they first emigrated. By the 1970 Census, Filipino, Korean and Hawaiian had been added.

All this is disappearing under the questionnaire proposed for the 1980 Census as persons with such ethnic backgrounds are to be singly classified as "Asian or Pacific Islander".

The latest group to express grave concern of Pacific Islanders and Asians being "melted in one big pot" is the Union of Pan Asian Communities of San Diego County, Inc., which celebrated its fifth anniversary last month.

UPAC feels, according to Virginia Hom Fung writing in their newsletter "Pan Asian",

(1) Development of respective pan-Asian communities would be affected adversely as census data is used to evaluate, assess and plan for nearly every impor-

tant social program in the U.S.

Earl Warren memoirs: 'it was wrong'

WASHINGTON — Chief Justice Earl Warren's autobiography, "The Memoirs of Earl Warren", just published by Doubleday, contains a confession of wrongdoing in the role he played as California attorney general in 1942 leading to the internment of Japanese Americans.

"Whenever I thought of the innocent little children ... I was conscience-stricken. It was wrong to act so impulsively, without positive evidence of disloyalty."

The quotes appeared in a Washington Post (May 29) review of the book by W.H. Harbaugh, professor of history at the Univ. of Virginia, who noted Warren was not at ease with his role in the "displacement of Japanese Americans during World War II, though he first recommended that they be removed from the coast rather than interned".

Thus ends the lone ranger campaign the late Edison Uno had waged to secure a public retraction of statements made against loyal Nisei Americans.

After Chief Justice Warren died in July, 1974, Uno then said "It was unfortunate Mr. Warren did not (live) to retract or apologize for his influential role in the Evacuation as it remains a dark blemish on his career as a great civil libertarian."

In late 1974, however, Uno

recalled his one meeting in 1973 with the Chief Justice after dogging him with letters seeking a public retraction after Warren had retired from the bench in 1969.

Warren acknowledged Uno's personal interest to have expunged the public statements on Evacuation, which Uno had held were "damaging and inflammatory".

"While he recognized my sincere motives to enhance his impeccable record by removing one misdeed that clouded his superb record of public service, he told me that I would not have to wait too long before my wishes would materialize," Uno said in remarks before the No. Calif. ACLU Bill of Rights Day program, honoring him and Raymond Okamura for their efforts to repeal Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950.

Uno later understood the autobiography would include an admission of the mistake.

Harbaugh found the book "highly selective ... like most autobiographies". The narrative is only "moderately sustaining", the prose "unpolished" and it ignores some important matters, glides others and dwells too long on minor concerns.

Nevertheless Harbaugh does justice to the man, who

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JACL office being moved June 10 to old Nishi Bldg.

LOS ANGELES — The Sun Bldg. was being vacated this week as tenants were moved by the Community Redevelopment Agency to either the old Nishi Hongwanji Bldg. at First and Central or to the old Japanese Union Church on N. San Pedro St.

It paves the way for CRA, which owns the Sun Bldg., to fulfill its contractual obligations with East West Development Corp. of conveying the beleaguered parcel of land by July 31.

JACL and Pacific Citizen representatives met last week (May 31) with CRA of-

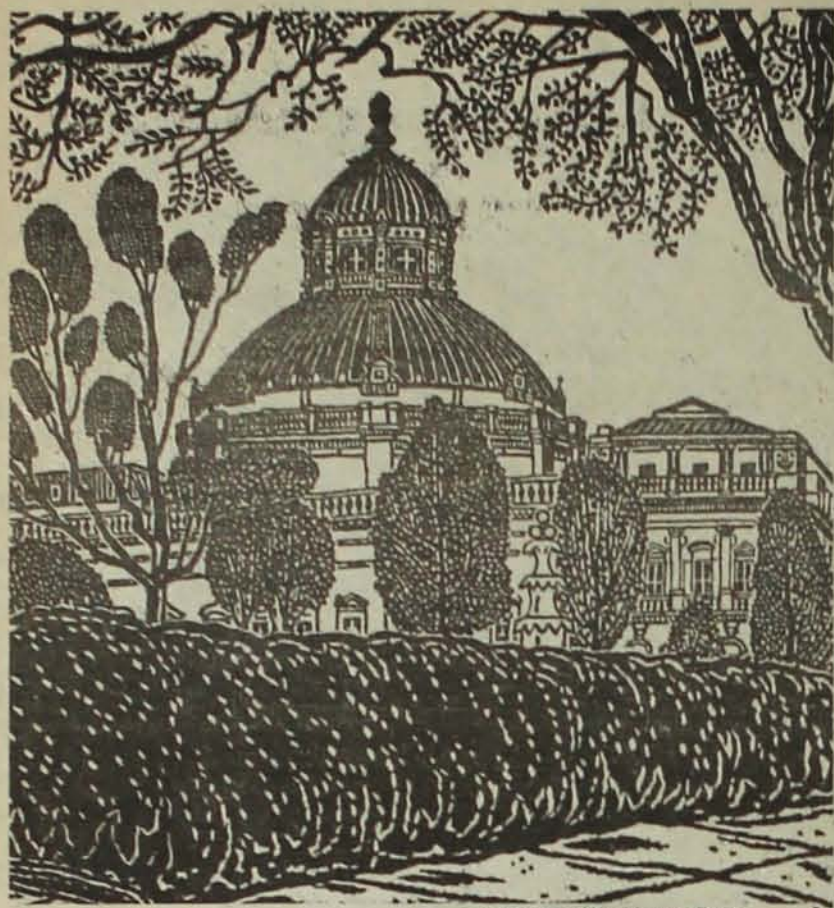
ficials to discuss the issues surrounding the temporary relocation.

National JACL executive director Karl Nobuyuki said agreement was reached to have the JACL regional office and the Pacific Citizen relocated this week with several conditions to be met. CRA has agreed to modify its rental agreement to assure tenancy at the interim site until a permanent move to the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center is made. The matter

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An expatriate woodcut artist decorated by Emperor of Japan



Cut courtesy: Washington Post

Woodcut scene by Hiratsuka

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)
WASHINGTON — For the first time in recent memory, the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 3rd Class, was conferred by the Emperor of Japan upon an expatriate Japanese artist, Un'ichi Hiratsuka, in ceremonies held May 27 at the official residence of Japanese Ambassador Fumihiko Togo.

Hiratsuka is 81, his techniques are much older. The forgotten Japanese who 1,000 years ago printed for

the temples tiny images of Buddha established the traditions that Un'ichi Hiratsuka has extended and enlarged.

He still carves into wood, employing the same chisels he has used for half a century, and he prints by hand. The ukiyo-e artists, whose woodcuts so impressed De-gas and Cassatt, were attracted by bright colors, but Hiratsuka prefers the old austerities of deep black and bright white.

His methods are antique, but his images are not. Often in his prints one sees the banks of the Potomac, the monuments, the Mall, the Library of Congress, landmarks of this city, which has been his home since 1962.

The ukiyo-e printers were seen as second-class; as artisans, not artists, Hiratsuka is famous for diminishing that prejudice. It took three men to make a ukiyo-e print, the designer, the carver and

the printer. Hiratsuka does it all himself.

The Japanese, to Westerners, seem somehow schizophrenic, equally attracted to the old and to the new. The old techniques were dying when the young Hiratsuka patiently revived them. The Emperor has honored him because he helped make woodblock printing a contemporary art.

The Order of the Sacred Treasure is given in six classes. A supreme court judge might get the first, a university president the second. When the Emperor's birthday honors were announced on April 29, Un'ichi Hiratsuka was the only artist, and the sole emigrant to be given the third class.

"Such an honor is, well, rare," said an ambassadorial aide.

Goblets of champagne were poured, many bows were bowed. Franz Bader of the Bader Gallery, Hiratsuka's dealer, and Tom Lawton of the Freer Gallery of Art, were present for the

ceremony. So were the artist's wife, Teruno, and his daughter, Keiko Hiratsuka Moore. The father's words were translated by the daughter. "I owe this honor," said Un'ichi Hiratsuka, "to those around the world who, by cherishing my prints, have encouraged me to try to improve my art."

Hiratsuka was commissioned by the Washington, D.C. JACL chapter to woodblock the United States Capitol, which was presented at the Congressional Dinner feature of the 1972 National JACL Convention, to congressmen and senators who had been helpful to JACL's

legislative program over years.

When the Emperor and Empress of Japan visited Washington, Hiratsuka was commissioned by the Japan America Society of Washington to woodblock the Lincoln Memorial to commemorate his visit to that hallowed place in 1975. According to Imperial Household tradition, only one print of the Lincoln Memorial was printed and the woodblock was destroyed. Also, according to the Imperial Household, there are only two "busts" of Americans in the Imperial Palace, one of Abraham Lincoln and the other of Luther Burbank.



Woodcut artist Un'ichi Hiratsuka

CENSUS

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anians, Japanese, Koreans, Laotians, Malaysians, Filipinos, Samoans, Thais, and Vietnamese have widely diverse demographic and socio-economic patterns. Each has distinct linguistic and programmatic needs, UPAC added.

Lack of a detailed population characteristics would disadvantage Asians or Pacific Islanders, UPAC stressed. It expected members to urge for revision of Item 4 by writing to their congressmen and to:

Robert Hagan, Acting Director
U.S. Bureau of Census,
Commerce Dept.
Washington, D.C. 20233

The census bureau should be requested to drop "Asian or Pacific Islanders" and provide a distinct listing of racial groups to include:

Burmese, Cambodian, Chinese, Guamanian, Indonesian, Japanese, Korean, Laotian, Malaysian, Filipino, Samoan, Thai, Vietnamese, etc.

"Now is the time to voice your concern before the official 1980 Census data

New club in Ohio

CINCINNATI—Older Nisei and issei residents here have formed a new club, the Pioneers, to exchange ideas and information on retirement and for fellowship. Those interested may call Fred Morioka (563-6718).

Deaths

Dr. George Akira Ishiura, 67, of Vancouver, B.C., dentist, died May 16. He was co-founder of the Japanese Canadian Citizens Assn. in British Columbia and active with the Canada Japan Society.

cards are finalized," Fung said.

Prior to the 1960 census, there was a move by the American Civil Liberties Union to eliminate all questions regarding race from the questionnaire on grounds they might be invasions of privacy and not material to gathering of government data. But on reconsideration, many ACLU members felt such data was absolutely essential to gov-

ernment and private programs seeking to eliminate racial discrimination in all areas of American life—housing, employment, education, etc.

The Japanese American Citizens League, since the question was raised, held racial questions in the census were meaningful and that individuals should be made to respond. There had been reported instances of Nisei refusing to check "Japanese".

Pioneer L.A. Issei medic dies

LOS ANGELES — Memorial services were held June 8 at the Central Japanese Seventh-Day Adventist Church in Boyle Heights for Dr. H. James Hara, 87, who died at his home in Yucaipa May 28.

A native of Okayama, he came to the U.S. in 1905 and attended Walla Walla College and received his medical degree in 1918 from the College of Medical Evangelists (now Loma Linda University). After several years of general practice in Moneta (Gardena), he entered the Univ. of Pennsylvania in 1926 to specialize in otolaryngology and eventually was conferred a doctor of science degree in 1934.

He had married Dr. Margaret Farr in 1921. She passed away Jan. 9, 1969.

During WW2, he worked at Hinsdale (Ill.) Sanatorium and Hospital. He re-

turned to Los Angeles and practiced until his retirement in 1973. He then remarried and moved to Yucaipa with his wife Fanny M. Spillman.

Dr. Hara was also active in cultural and civic circles, a longtime supporter of JACL, Japan America Society and the Rotary Club. He was naturalized a U.S. citizen in 1953, a co-founder of

the Japanese SDA Church in 1918, and decorated by the Japanese government in 1965 with the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 4th class. He was the Loma Linda alumnus of the year in 1956, recipient of the Americanism medal in 1958 from the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Paul Harris Rotary Award in 1972.

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Calif. First Bank ads

SAN FRANCISCO—California First Bank has retained Ogilvy & Mather to develop a new \$3-million advertising campaign for the bank effective July 1, it was announced by David Sutton, bank v.p. and director of marketing. O&M is the fifth largest ad agency in America.

County park head

SALINAS, Calif.—Tom "Lefty" Miyayaga was elected chairman of the Monterey County parks commission for the coming year at the May 7 meeting held at San Antonio Lake in the southern part of the county.

Home & Garden Show

LOS ANGELES—Ikebana guest artists will join Muriel Merrell, Home & Garden Show coordinator on flower arrangements, at the L.A. Convention Center June 11-19. Styles for use in California homes will be demonstrated on the closing day at 2 p.m.

Liberty Ball July 3

LOS ANGELES—The Thursday Nites present their second annual Liberty Ball on July 3, 9 p.m., at the Mayflower Ballroom, 234 Hindrey Ave., Inglewood, with Tak Shindo's 16-piece band. For details, call Mary Kato (262-4085). Admission is \$6 per person.

Wine-tasting yields \$2,400

LOS ANGELES—Mrs. Chieko Inouye, president of the West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary, announced the sixth annual Wine Tasting party held at the Yamato Restaurant recently netted \$2,400 and \$1,200 each was donated to the American Cancer Society and the March of Dimes.

Umeya breaks ground for new million dollar sembei factory

LOS ANGELES — Around the corner from their present locale a block south of Little Tokyo, Umeya Rice Cake Co. ceremoniously broke ground last week (June 1) for a new \$1-million factory, scheduled for completion in the spring of 1978. It will be situated on Crocker St. between 4th and 5th.

Umeya, which now distributes its fortune cookies, rice crackers (sembei) and tea cakes throughout the U.S., Hawaii, Australia and other parts of the world, needs additional production capacity, explained Takeshi Hamano, manager.

Umeya was started in 1923 by his father, Yasuo Hamano, on Weller St. in Little Tokyo. During the war years, he continued business in Denver and returned in 1948. In 1967, he was decorated by the Japanese Government with the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 5th degree, for his leadership in community affairs. He was responsible for establishing the Long Beach-Yokkaichi Sister City program and spear-headed

Ideas from community sought for Little Tokyo redevelopment update

LOS ANGELES — Now that Little Tokyo Towers, Union Church and Higashi Hongwanji are completed, the New Otani Hotel set to open in September and Japanese Village Plaza and the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center beginning construction, how will the rest of Little Tokyo be developed?

To help answer that question, the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee (LTCDAC) at its regular monthly meeting May 26 voted to ask Community Redevelopment Agency planners to update the master plan for Little Tokyo and furnish a variety of options to the community for the future development of Little Tokyo, with first priority going to provisions for needed parking space.

And to make sure that ideas from the community are part of the master plan update, LTCDAC organized a Planning Task Force which will meet every Monday night, starting June 13, 7:30 p.m., on the fourth floor of the Merit Savings and Loan Association Building. Task force meetings are open to everyone. Discussions will

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of JACL being able to obtain liability insurance at the interim site is to be worked out, Nobuyuki said.

CRA officials were pleased at the constructive manner, in which the JACL-PC relocation issue was handled.

The L.A. fire commission, in a related matter, vote in a related matter, voted June 2 not to block CRA plans to demolish the Sun Bldg. after reviewing their staff and inspection reports.

be conducted in both Japanese and English.

Other actions taken at the LTCDAC meeting included support for merchants in the Weller St. triangle, who wished to relocate into the first buildings to be built in the Japanese Village Plaza specialty shopping center together at about the same time in order to keep disruption of business at a minimum. LTCDAC asked CRA to complete the mall adjacent to those buildings before tenants were moved in.

Hiro Saisho, proprietor of Magic Radio, one of the Weller St. shops, pointed out that without the mall, merchants fronting away from Second St. would be at a disadvantage.

David Hyun, developer of Japanese Village Plaza, was questioned about his minimum rent versus percentage of gross business rent structure and explained that rents will be negotiated between each tenant and the Japanese Village management, but that 6 per cent of gross business was the going rate for most shopping centers.

Michael Oh, CRA Little Tokyo Project manager, explained that Weller St. merchants going into Building "D," now being constructed by the CRA in the Japanese Village Plaza adjacent to the 321 Building on Second St., will only pay 10 cents per square foot in rent as a gen-

Tak Shindo's band coming back big

LOS ANGELES—Tak Shindo, jazz instructor at Cal State-L.A., has reactivated his orchestra with accent on the music of the Big Band era—the 1930s through 1950s. It makes its debut at the Nisei Week Coronation Ball Aug. 20 at the Bonaventure.

A 16-piece orchestra with vocalist, its repertoire will include Japanese hits which Shindo has arranged.

eral rule, or 6 per cent of gross, if that figure is higher.

He added that renovations in the old Nishi Hongwanji Building are expected to be completed this month, at which time Sun Building tenants who signed for temporary relocation into the building can begin moving in.

Action on the Japanese American Citizens League, which has refused to move from the Sun Building, is now up to the courts, he said.

JACCC structural changes revealed

LOS ANGELES—Structural changes proposed by JACCC general contractors RST Construction Co./SyArt Concrete Co. will delay start of construction on the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center by about a month but will save \$160,000 in building costs in the long run, it was announced this past week by Tosh Terasawa, chairman of the Building Committee.

The change will also save about two months' construction time, Terasawa explained. Construction now is slated to start early in August, with completion scheduled for October, 1978.

Hosokawa elected consular vice-dean

DENVER, Colo.—Bill Hosokawa, honorary consul general of Japan in Colorado, was elected vice-dean of the Consular Corps of Colorado at the group's annual meeting May 24.

Representing 24 nations, virtually all are honorary consuls. They are prominent residents who have been appointed to watch the interests of citizens of represented countries. Hosokawa was appointed October, 1974.

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EDITORIALS:**School Segregation**

Testimony that many Anglo teachers in the Los Angeles public schools do not handle minority students effectively because their college training is 20 or 25 years behind them and that they have done little to improve their human relations skills since then was cited as the major reason for partial desegregation efforts rather than a more extensive approach. Making this claim in court was the Los Angeles Board of Education president, Dr. Julian Nava, professor at Cal State-Northridge.

He told Superior Court Judge Paul Egly, who has been hearing the presentation for school integration now for three months, the average age of teachers in the school system is 47. They were trained before teacher colleges paid much attention to the special skills required to teach some minority youngsters.

Because new teachers are unable to get their first jobs in predominantly Anglo schools, minority schools have served as training grounds—but with declining enrollment, Dr. Nava pointed out the board has been unable to hire many of the better-trained younger teachers. He also revealed some minority parents prefer to keep their children in neighborhood schools even though segregated and "not be exposed to these poorly trained teachers" in the Anglo schools.

When asked by the judge how he came to these conclusions, Nava (a Mexican American) replied they came in part from his experience teaching Southwest history to classes made up entirely of teachers. Virtually all recognized their gross lack of knowledge in this area and of the skills they didn't possess in dealing with Mexican American students. While not intending any harm, such an attitude predisposes them to be less demanding of minorities, Nava said. By that assessment, the Asian American appears at the other end of the learning spectrum—another indication that Asian Americans are not minority educationally.

While no one quarrels with the need to assure quality education for all, the method to achieve that goal has been in the smokehouse since racial segregation in schools was declared invalid. Since schools are supposed to be in the business of education, one might now suggest "educational" segregation as the lock which has strangled the issue of quality education.

The Over-55 Employee

To relieve the problem of unemployment in Japan brought on by the practice to retire employees at age 55, a law was passed that firms as of October, 1976, must account for 6% or more of its personnel to be over age 55. A recent Japanese Ministry of Labor survey indicated many of the firms have not achieved that goal. Bigger the company, the lower the rate of over-55 employees. Thirty percent of the firms don't have a single worker over age 55.

The Japanese government, over the past decade, has urged companies to extend retirement age to age 60. Since the oil crisis, the situation has not improved. Unions want retirement extension fixed by law but the government insists both labor and management first get together and discuss the problem.

The survey has stirred public interest in the problem of retirement age as the population of the middle-aged (51-60) in Japan keeps increasing while the count of those in their 20s decreases. What makes the problem acute is that a person over 55 does not regard himself as old and because personal anxieties impel a willingness to continue in gainful employment.

Finally, what makes this survey relevant for Japanese Americans is the realization that many of our Issei were about 55 when they restarted their livelihoods after coming out from internment camps in 1945. What our Issei have developed in the subsequent years economically and for the community cannot be minimized. The companies in Japan ought not waste that kind of willingness there.

Comments, letters & features**Students in Japan**

Editor:

Was most interested in "Students in Japan Grow Up Ignorant of World War II Era" (PC, Mar. 25). The fact of the matter is that each country produces its own version of history and I consider the article to be basically correct as to the events leading up to the Pearl Harbor attack.

Admiral Yamamoto, who had attended Harvard University, and other knowledgeable people in Japan knew that the war was futile and that they could never defeat "the awakening giant".

Surely anyone connected with the waterfront in the late Thirties and reading the daily newspapers concerning the economic boycott on oil and strategic metals had to realize the difficulty being imposed on Japan.

This is also borne out in such books as *The Final Secrets of Pearl Harbor* by Rear Admiral Theobald and Wedemeyer Reports, a best seller in 1959. These books and others including magazine and periodic newspaper articles are hard to dispute.

But first let me tell you of my own experience about November 1, 1941, as the chief officer of an American freighter at Cebu, Philippine Islands when we were ordered out of the harbor because the authorities thought an attack was imminent from Japan. Other merchant vessels in the area received the same warning.

We departed some five or six days later from Legaspi in full blackout by way of Torres Strait, Australia; some 2,000 miles out of our way and for the first time had to stop at Pearl Harbor for fuel oil.

We arrived in Los Angeles on Dec. 6 and the next day the newspapers

were screaming about "A Sneak Attack". Arriving from Seattle that same day my wife remembers me saying that it was not a sneak, but a direct invitation or inveigled attack for the purpose of galvanizing our country into action and getting us into war in Europe in order to save England.

After all, President Roosevelt while running for the unprecedented third term in 1940 told us that, "None of our boys would fight on foreign soil". This was our isolationist philosophy and just exactly what we wanted to hear until, of course, the undeclared war on Pearl Harbor.

But was it actually unannounced? If one checks up on the books previously mentioned and even the news accounts of the day we find that the Japanese emissaries, Nomura and Kurosu arriving in Washington D.C. three days before Pearl Harbor had definite instructions from their government to avoid going to war at all costs.

Unfortunately they could not, or at least were prevented from seeing President Roosevelt, or cabinet secretaries Hull and Stimson.

So the attack, despite our foreknowledge became history. According to Wedemeyer the Japanese code through one means or another became our property in early January 1941.

To think that General Short and Admiral Kimmel should be scapegoats is preposterous. To their dying days both of these officers insisted on a court martial.

Unfortunately the history of any war requires an incident based on economics. That or religion seems to be the basis for hostile action. World War II was no different from the others preceding it.

In the Spanish-American War, it was, Remember the Maine. In World War I it was the sinking of the Lusitania. History regards both with questionable motives not to mention the more recent conflicts.

GUNNER OLSBORG

Seattle

Wendy Yoshimura

Editor:

Has Nobuyuki Nakajima (PC, May 20) forgotten James Oda's letter (PC Feb. 11) which stated that a great many Japanese Americans unselfishly contributed to Wendy's defense funds? While the Nisei for the most part have remained silent, their actions do not indicate rejection.

To me their silence is similar to Iva's silence about her prison life. Her silence speaks more eloquently than mere words.

Wendy's lawyers are fully capable, of seeking to it that she receives justice. It is part of human evolution to err. Whether Wendy profits from this one error is strictly up to her.

HASHIME SAITO

San Jose.

WARREN

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was chief justice between 1953-1969.

Neither Warren, the son of a Norwegian immigrant railroad worker (the ancestral name was Varran), nor the Court he presided over created the revolution. The moral and other forces that compelled a ruling on school segregation had been gathering strength since before World War II; the shifting of population that made most state legislatures outrageously unrepresentative had been accelerating for half a century; the quickening of conscience that called for the extension of Constitution-ordained rights to criminals and radicals had been taking place since the McCarthy era. Eventually, accommodations would have been made, but it is hardly likely that they would have been so far reaching had the California governor not joined the court.

East Wind: Bill Marutani**On looking back at class reunions**

Philadelphia

PERHAPS NOT UNLIKE many of you, this writer is at that time of life when the urge to attend class reunions finally takes hold. After passage of several decades, many things have changed: the campus buildings, the terrain of campus itself, and of course one's classmates. There is a mixture of nostalgia and sadness to these events. Looking back, I find, always combines a mixture of sadness, disappointments, surprise, nostalgia.

A FEW YEARS ago when Vicki and I traipsed about Japan, on a couple of occasions I departed from a scheduled tour to go on my own, to revisit places where I had been stationed as a member of the "shin-chugun". Many places that I had expectantly looked forward to seeing were gone, replaced by weeds; and some

buildings that existed at other places were vacant, one at a precarious angle, about to collapse. It was disappointing. And sad. In the midst of seeking to recapture those years of yore, I ended up feeling old.

I CAN ONLY advise those of you who may likewise be inclined to revisit and recapture: don't. Instead recall the nostalgia of those days in the secure safety and comfort of your memories.

THERE WAS ONE happy note, however, for Vicki and me. We visited in Kyoto the place where we first met and even found a friend who knew both of us then.

BUT GETTING BACK to class reunions. Another "don't" is: don't take your spouse along, unless he or she is prepared to be practically an outsider while you

El Pimentero: Frank Fukazawa**Affluent Arabians**

Jidda, Saudi Arabia

Gone are the Bedouins speeding across the red-white sand dunes on their camels as recounted by Sir Lawrence in his "Wisdom of Seven Pillars". With a multi-billion dollar reserve today, Saudi Arabia today has the capacity to do anything and this desert nation is doing it—constructing and constructing; buying and buying.

Such are the immediate impressions of this wandering PC correspondent after a week's stay at this seaport town facing the Red Sea. Other observations in capsule form would be:

- With a population of 700,000, Jidda is on the verge of exploding. Ships wait at sea a month before docking to unload their cargo. But cement, which is the priority item, is unloaded at sea by helicopters.

- Sudden affluence among individuals means big fancy autos are in big demand. Gasoline costs 15¢ a gallon. Their only worry is maintenance.

- Famous brand perfumes and 18-karat gold watches (\$3,000) are sold almost everywhere. In fact, the world's largest perfume shop is situated here in Jidda, fixed up like an elegant jewelry establishment at Place de Vendome with thousands of vials on display, all gorgeous and breath-taking.

- The marketplace (Souk) here is packed with thousands of shoppers hustling among the hundreds of stores. Everyone is carrying something which has been purchased—Sony radios, electric fans, textile, cigarettes by the carton. This tremendous purchasing power is unimaginable for an outsider who has come from a heavily-taxed country in recession.

- Saudi Arabia has no income tax, no sales tax, no corporate taxes.

- Four out of five cars in Jidda show evidence of having been in a collision. The traffic is just as chaotic as can be seen in Tokyo, Paris or Rome—only in Jidda the thousands of cars are honking their horns every five seconds. It was deafening and nerve-racking the first three days. Forty years ago, the British explorer Philby was scoffed at in court when he predicted the automobiles would replace the camels in Arabia. That has become a reality but he didn't foresee Jidda being the noisiest city in the world with honking horns.

Desert Yields

Through centuries of extreme hardship in the desert, it has cultivated the Arabians with a liberating sense of pride, courage, honesty and patience. The mutual sense of assistance and hospitality and the spiritual guidance of the Islamic religion are obvious.

But the nomadic life is giving way to lavish modernity. Changes in lifestyle brought on by sudden affluence could demoralize any human being. But the hope is that this phenomenon never occurs for the Arabians have something which we have lost. □

and your classmates babble about past days, engage in conversations that start out with "Remember when..." or "Whatever happened to...?" I saw a couple of spouses at my college reunion who stood glumly by while their mates unconsciously engaged in animated chatter with former classmates.

Yearbooks appear at those occasions, and clusters of classmates huddle over the yearbooks, going over them page-by-page, taking inventory of each page. While the non-classmate spouse idly stands by, smoking or looking out the window.

NO DOUBT NISEI readers who have attended class reunions—other than all-Nisei reunions—have had similar experiences such as mine. That is the one when your hakuji classmates ex-

claim that you haven't changed one whit from the days you were at college. I had several reactions and thoughts on that to myself: "Boy, I wish that were so." Or "He/she must have forgotten what a tender-looking greenhorn I was then!"

I MUST SAY, however, that there are indeed among Nisei, some who just do not appear to age. Even to my Nisei eyes. Just goes to show what chazuke-n-koko along with some fishheads can do to preserve eternal youth for them. For me it's a bit late. Quite too late. □

"A man is not learned because he talks much; he who is patient, free from hate and fear, he is called the learned."

—Dharmapada

From the Frying Pan: Bill Hosokawa

Eight Times as Much

Denver, Colo.

One recent Saturday noon Alice and I stopped at one of those little Oriental restaurants now proliferating in Denver and each of us ordered a bowl of pork noodles. We wanted only a light lunch, but it was lighter than we had expected.

The price for pork noodles was \$1.85, and for that kind of money we rather expected to see a huge mound of noodles swimming in a large *domburi* bowl of soup with generous slices of pork as a garnish.

As it turned out, the bowl wasn't much larger than a standard rice bowl, and the portion of noodles was somewhat short of generous. There were two thin slices of pork which were hardly more than shavings, plus two equally anemic slices of *kamaboko*, which of course is steamed fish cake. Including the tax, this less than sumptuous repast set us back close to \$2 apiece.

I grumbled a bit but there was nothing I could do, so I began to reminisce. Back in Seattle during the Depression, you could get a big healthy bowl of noodles for 25 cents. At the Gyokko Ken, which was a walk-up Chinese restaurant run by a Japanese couple on Main street, they'd even toss in half a hard-boiled egg with the noodles for that price.

I can't remember for sure, but I think Mrs. Yagi at the Rose Cafe further down Main street also served noodles in addition to a big bowl of *tendon*, a couple of pieces of shrimp tempura on a big bowl of rice. Either dish was 25 cents, there was no sales tax, and nobody expected a tip.

If a bowl of noodles back around 1935 was 25 cents, and approximately the same kind of noodles, ignoring the drop in quality, is \$2 today, that means the price has gone up eight times.

As I recall, I was making about \$10 per week back in 1935. If my income had climbed by the same factor of eight, I

should be making \$80 per week today. Obviously I make a little more than \$80 a week these days, even after taxes, so perhaps I really don't have too much reason to complain about \$2 noodles. In fact, I suppose it can be argued that I am substantially better off now in the relationship of the cost of a bowl of noodles to total income, so I really should be quite pleased with the state of my personal economy.

Still, it is something of a shock to have to pay 35 cents for what used to be a nickel ice cream cone, 35 cents for what used to be a three-tokens-for-a-quarter bus ride, and somewhere around 60 cents for what used to be 18-cents-a-gallon gasoline.

During the time I was commuting from home to college on the other side of town, I was privileged to drive my own car. It was a Chevrolet, and I had purchased it for \$65. To help pay for gas, oil and upkeep, I usually transported four fellow students from the neighborhood. They paid a nickel apiece for each one-way ride. That represented an income of 20 cents going and 20 cents returning, if we all happened to be coming home at the same time which wasn't often. That income helped substantially in keeping the car running. What's 20 cents today? It costs that much to make one call from a coin telephone in Denver, and in most cities around the country that's the price of a newspaper.

We were talking about this the other evening and Hatch Kita reminded me that the first legislated minimum wage was 25 cents an hour. I couldn't remember that, maybe because in the places where I worked they seemed to be able to get away with paying less than the legal minimum.

Hatch also pointed out the legal minimum today is \$2.65 per hour, which makes it about 10½ times what it used to be. By this standard, if a bowl of noodles costs only eight times as much as it used to, we're ahead of the game. But don't count on me to stop grumbling. □

Plain Speaking: Wayne Horiuchi

Three Key 'Carter People'

In the past several weeks, I had the privilege of attending and participating in some meetings here in Washington, D.C., with high-level officials that have a great deal of significance to JACLers. I thought I might share some of the issues which were aired:

1. May 20—Meeting with Secretary of HEW Joseph Califano. The executive committee of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights met with Secretary Califano to discuss civil rights issues. Though most of the meeting dealt with the issues of transportation for desegregation, discrimination in employment and housing, and rights to the handicapped, of significance to JACLers was the fact that he was committed to support in conjunction with the Justice Department the Univ. of California Regents in the so-called reverse discrimination case involving Allan Bakke.

May 25—Meeting with Special Assistant to the President, Midge Costanza. An ad hoc group of Asian Americans representing various organizations met with Midge Costanza to discuss Asian immigration and the lack of representation in the Carter Administration of Asian Americans.

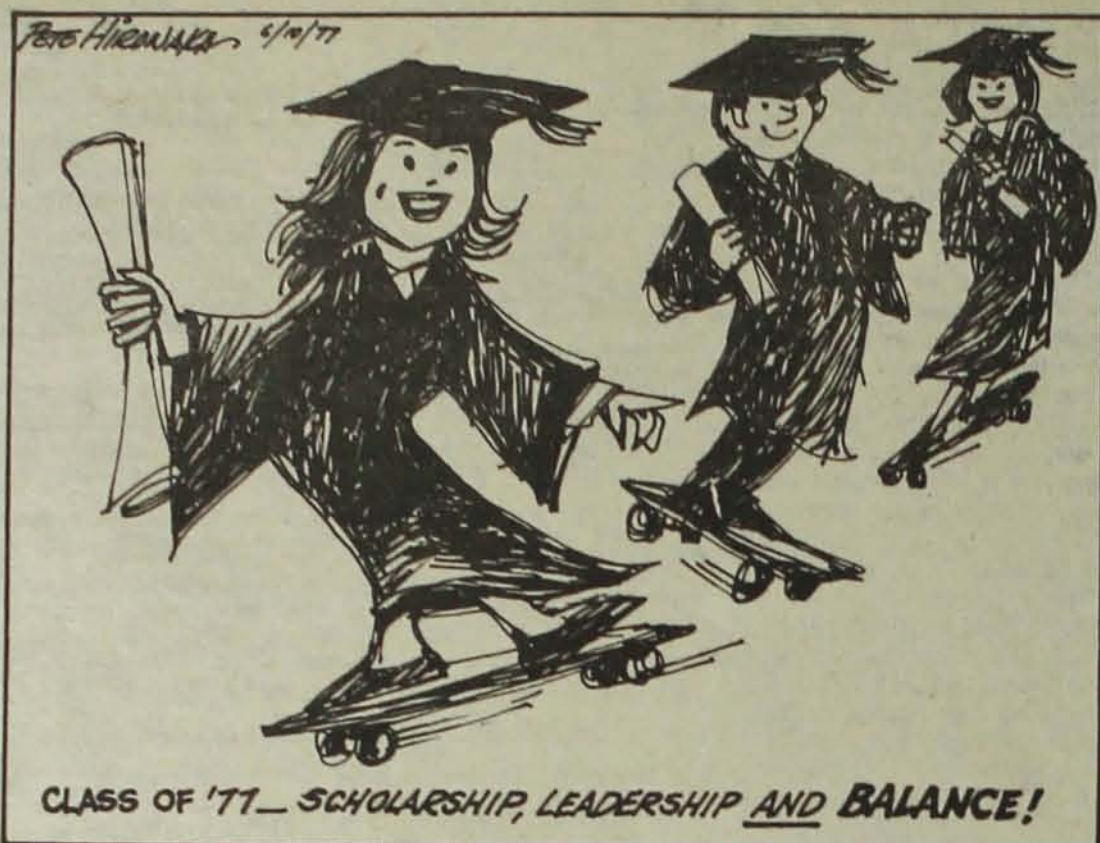
What became of signal importance in our discussion was Ms. Costanza's commitment to do everything possible to detail an Asian American who is already in the fed-

eral bureaucracy to her own personal staff in the Office of Public Liaison. If this becomes a reality, the first Asian American in a professional level in the White House will be appointed from the Carter administration.

3. May 31—Meeting with Leonel J. Castillo, commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Another ad hoc group of Asian Americans representing various organizations met with Commissioner Castillo and proposed to him that an advisory committee on Asian immigration for the IN&S be established. Though he could not promise that an advisory committee could be established with Asian Americans, he did indicate that the IN&S was considering reconstituting the Hispanic advisory committee into a multi-ethnic advisory committee where Asian Americans would be represented in proportion to the amount of immigration business that is conducted with Asian immigrants.

In addition, the Commissioner agreed to meet on a regular basis with us in an informal procedure.

All in all, these several weeks have been very productive. I will keep you abreast on other matters of progress. □



From Happy Valley: Sachi Seko

A Car for Graduation

Salt Lake City

I was so excited about my husband's departure for Hawaii that I wanted to take him out a day early to the airport. After almost twenty-six years of marriage, I am entitled to such sentimental feelings about his leaving.

We are both at mid-life and some changes have occurred, are happening. I certainly didn't marry him for his looks or his brains or his money. The latter he didn't have anyway. I did marry him because he was a highly principled man. Sometimes they are the best husbands, but they also make life difficult. So I count on his occasional traveling to unwind.

Some Nisei clowns claim that they have mellowed as they aged. Those clowns don't realize they were basically made of marshmallow, or other soft, squishy ingredients. A man of real convictions hardens as he ages.

People are like trees, if there is any value to them. They assume interesting bumps and bends. It is true that some tree trunks are astonishingly hollow. I keep testing for this by periodically tapping my husband's head. No signs of hollowness yet, although there is definite density in certain areas.

JOB BIAS

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Iwai American Corp., subsidiary of Japan's sixth largest trading company, has announced a management training program for Americans bent on rising in Japanese companies by having them spend several years in Japan. "The period of an all-Japanese staff in America is coming to an end," he predicted. □

Ern is a man who abides by a rigid set of rules. His smile is misleading. A man can smile and still have principles. Sometimes more than the silent type. What passes for strength in silence is often a masking for stupidity.

Our son's adolescence provided an opportunity for Ern to test the strength of his parental convictions. First there was the matter of a car. It used to be customary among Nisei parents to bestow a brand new vehicle upon a son or daughter's graduation from high school.

It was a middle-class status symbol. Maybe to compensate for our own frugal childhoods, or as a symbol of love, Nisei parents have had a tendency to deny their progeny nothing. And sometimes these gestures of extravagance have exceeded the capacity of our immediate financial assets.

The car was a symbol to the Sansei, a generation which grew upon wheels. It was a security blanket and status, too. How quickly the young can attach themselves to such fast depreciating articles of metal and rubber.

Being a modern parent and one young enough to remember his own brief infatuation with cars, I thought Ern would go along with most fathers and sons about cars. And besides, ours was an only child.

But the principle of modesty was more important than having a child happy with a motorized toy. Ern recoils from ostentation. The puritan work ethic is ingrained too deeply, although I sometimes think he takes free license with this. What other husband has his wife, toiling in the yard, scratched and encrusted

with dirt and points to this with pride?

Where other men inflate what little they have, Ern has made a virtue out of poverty. The danger with virtues is that they contain their own kind of arrogance.

From the time our son was old enough to turn the steering wheel in some imaginative ride, it was impressed upon him that he couldn't expect a car from his folks.

"You can earn your own," his father said. "You'll appreciate it more."

From the time he was 16 and licensed to drive, our son considered getting a job to start saving for his car. But his father had a few rules about that, too.

"Don't you dare use any of my business connections to get a job. In fact, don't even ask anyone the family knows."

Well, this is a mighty small town when you eliminate those connections. So Alan never did work until he reached the university.

It occurs to me that Alan didn't suffer for lack of transportation. He simply confiscated my car. I was wondering where it went the last eight years. I drove it a couple of miles to the store last night and was surprised that I remembered how to drive. I used to drive making only right turns, wearing the tires out unevenly. But last night I decided to live dangerously and even negotiated an extra left turn.

I detest driving so I haven't missed the car. The important thing is that Ern was able to abide by the principles of not buying Alan a car. And how many Nisei parents can match that for principle? Since June is the month of graduations and new cars, I offer this personal experience on how we coped with the situation. □

Seabrook to host EDC

SEABROOK, N.J. — The Eastern JACL District Council will meet on Saturday, June 18, at the Upper Deerfield Township Municipal Hall on State Route 77 with the Seabrook chapter as hosts.

Delegates from the four member chapters will learn of plans for the joint Eastern-Midwest District Convention being hosted by Washington, D.C. JACL over the July 28-30 weekend at the Twin Bridges Marriott Hotel. Key Kobayashi and Grace Uyehara will present the reports.

Also on the agenda are reports concerning:

National news, Kaz Horiuchi; Washington Office, Wayne Horiuchi; JAYS, George Mitchell; public relations, Ruby Schaar; reparations, Mike Masaoka; nominations, Charles Nagao; EDC program, Vernon Ichisaka; East Coast History Project, Mary Watanabe.

EDC Gov. Hiroshi Uyehara will call the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and adjourn by 4:30 p.m. Evening will be shared with the Seabrook JACL, which is holding its annual installation dinner-dance at Centerton Country Club. Wayne Horiuchi will be guest speaker.

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calendar

While the Calendar features JACL events and deadlines, we now welcome non-JACL groups to notify us of their public events. Non-JACL items are italicized.—Ed.

JACL DEADLINES

July 1—JACL-Hayashi Law scholarship. (Forms at N.Y. JACL, 50 W. 67th St., New York 10023.)

July 30—Student Aid applications. (Forms at JACL Hq., reg'l offices.)

June 10 (Friday)

Orange County—Dnr mtg, Jolly Roger Inn, Anaheim, 7:30 p.m.; slide lecture with Tomoo Ogita, "Ancient Japanese Art".

June 10-12

Los Angeles—Maryknoll School Carnival, 222 S Hewitt.

June 11 (Saturday)

Mid-Columbia—Graduates dnr, Recreation Cafe, The Dalles, 7 p.m.; Karl Nobuyuki, spkr. Livingston-Merced—Outing, Sea Cliff State Beach, 10 a.m.

June 11-12

PNWDC—2d Qtrly sess, Mid-Columbia JACL hosts: informal mtg after Graduates dnr; Sun. Hood River Inn, 9 a.m. Eden Township—Benefit bazaar, EJCC, noon-10 p.m.

Los Angeles—Bonsai exhibit, Nishi Hongwanji.

June 12 (Sunday)

Puyallup Valley—Graduates banq Poodie Dog restaurant, Fife. San Jose—Tennis dbl tourn, SJ State, Town & Cntry, Independence HS, Backesto Park.

Sacramento—Comm picnic, Elk Grove Park, 11 a.m. San Francisco—JACL Olympic, Laney College, Oakland.

June 13 (Monday)

West Los Angeles—Dnr mtg, Moulton Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.; Ysidro Reyes, spkr; History of West L.A. Alameda—Mtg, Buena Vista Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m. Las Vegas—Mtg, Osaka Restaurant, 8 p.m.

June 14 (Tuesday)

Stockton—Mtg, Cal 1st Bank, 8 p.m. Sequoia—Bd mtg, Palo Alto Issei Hall, 7:30 p.m.

June 15 (Wednesday)

Sacramento—ASEA inst dnr, Sacramento Inn, 7 p.m.; Nathaniel Colley, spkr.

June 18 (Saturday)

EDC—Qtrly sess, Seabrook JACL hosts, Upper Deerfield Twnshp Hall, 10:30 a.m. Seabrook—Inst/graduate dnr, Centerton Golf Club, 7 p.m.; Wayne Horiuchi, spkr. San Mateo—JYO potluck dnr, Bayside School, 6 p.m.

Join the JACL



Toyo Miyatake Studios

Susan Takei (left) is crowned Miss East L.A. JACL by the last year's titlist Elaine Kataoka.

Miss East L.A. JACL chosen

LOS ANGELES — Susan Etsuko Takei was chosen Miss East Los Angeles JACL at the Emerald Ball held May 29 at the Miramar Hotel in Santa Monica.

The 18-year-old daughter of the Tosh Takeis of Alhambra stands 5 ft-6 (168cm) and weighs 120 lb. (54.4kg). She is on the Dean's List at UCLA.

Susan will represent the East Los Angeles area in the 1977 Nisei Week Japanese Festival queen contest.

On her court were Lynn Mye Katano, 18; Patricia Ann Kurata, 18; and Karen Miyeko Tokunaga, 23.

chapter pulse

1977 Membership

The Mar. 31 report on national JACL membership indicates 17,226 members (57.8% of the 1976 total of 29,775). Comparable figures for the same period last year were 19,530 (67.5% of the 1975 total of 28,915).

THE TOP TEN As of Mar. 31, 1977

S Jose ... 1,108 S Mateo ... 501
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West L.A. ... 1,057 C Costa ... 430
Sac'to ... 669 Chicago ... 421
East L.A. ... 511 Mont P ... 403

Berkeley

Berkeley JACL will sponsor a benefit dance June 25, 8:30 p.m. at El Cerrito Community Center, 7007 Moers Lane, El Cerrito. Tickets are \$5 per person and proceeds go toward the chapter youth activities. Don Lewis and his band will provide the music.

Cincinnati

The Cincinnati JACL "undo kai" (picnic) will be held Aug. 7 at the Maple Ridge Lodge in Mt. Airy Forest. Masako and Balther Van Dierendonck are in charge.

Besides many games, prizes, food and friends, there will be a white elephant sale at the picnic.

The chapter, in coordination with the Japanese Language School of Greater Cincinnati, celebrated Children's Day May 7 at Mt. Auburn Presbyterian Church.

Elaine Nishioka, chairperson, was assisted by:

Masato Nishioka, Betsy Sato, Ben C. Yamaguchi, Yuko Okano, Monica and Julia Ibarra, Chikako Massey and Leah Staubach.

Tim Patterson, son of the Cliff Pattersons, was the chapter's first representative to the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans earlier this year. In thanking the chapter for sponsorship, he related the week included sightseeing and visits with his congressmen, Rep. Thomas Luken and Sen. John Glenn, chats with Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall, Paul Chretien of the CIA, Liberian Ambassador to the U.S. Francis A. W. Dennis and Adm. Harold E. Shear, vice chief of naval operations.

During the week, his group witnessed the White House welcome of James Callaghan, prime minister of Great Britain. "The things I learned and the experience will help be in bettering life today," Tim said. "I hope I will put the knowledge I have received to good use in bettering JACL."

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Cleveland

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When the chapter board was questioned why all graduates this year are to receive a \$25 bond, the reasoning was thus:

"In these days of drop-outs, drugs, etc., on the teenage scene, we wanted some way to express our appreciation of the students who have seen fit to complete their studies and avoid these other distractions. With this intention in mind, the Board has seen fit to reward all the graduates for their perseverance in obtaining their diplomas through these savings bonds."

At the Issei Day celebration at Euclid Square Mall May 15, Blanche and Harold Sasahara were honored for their contribution to the cultural life of the Nikkei and northeastern Ohio. The Sasaharas are also moving to Pittsburgh where Harold will teach Ikebana at the Univ. of Pittsburgh adult education division.

Mary Sadatani and Yoshiko Baker were in charge of program, which included the Sho-jo-ji Dancers and a dance by young Vietnamese women. The finale was a presentation of popular Japanese songs rendered by the Euclid Villa Issei led by Rev. Ogui. May Ichida was in charge of arrangements. Others on the committee included:

Tak Kunimoto, Tom Nakao, Alice Nakao, Miyako Ishiyama, Tomo Sonoda and Tomio Sonoda.

Contra Costa

Contra Costa JACL scholarship chairman Howard Yamamoto announced recipients of awards have been made to:

Chapter Award—Joan Aoki, Kennedy High, daughter of the Yas Aoki; Issei Memorial—Vincent Tajima, Kennedy High, son of Mrs. Sachiko Tajima; President's Award—

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Treasurer Tom Kawaguchi has been succeeded by Fred Okamoto, it was announced by William Nakata-

ni, president. Two years ago Kawaguchi spearheaded the chapter's Southwest Asian Refugee Resettlement program and the Nisei retirement program this past year. He has accepted a

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similar job of comptroller with the Pasadena redevelopment agency. Dan Uesugi will be liaison for the Southeast Asian program, while John Shinagawa will chair the Nisei retirement program.

● Fremont

Despite inclement weather, Fremont JACL hosted 75 members and friends at its annual picnic May 22 at Central Park. Besides the games, potluck dinner and refreshments, door prizes were won by all present.

Ted Sato, general chairman, was assisted by:

Yoko Young, Sachiko Miller, food; Oscar Sakamoto, Keith Yagi, games; Jan Kaneko, Carole Yamaguchi, Phyllis Yagi, Yoko Young, rsvtns.

● Livingston-Merced

Livingston-Merced JACLers take off June 11 for Sea Cliff State Beach near Aptos (about a 2½-hr. drive) for an outing where graduates will be honored guests. One family, the George Yagis, will camp overnight to ensure picnic tables at the crack of dawn, according to outing chairman Tom Nakashima. Helping him are:

Kimi Nishi, Caroline Nakashima, food; Fred Kishi, games; Kay Yorba, prizes.

● Sacramento

The Sacramento Japanese community picnic will be held on Sunday, June 12, at spacious Elk Grove Park. Grounds open at 11 a.m. The event will again be coordinated by the Sacramento JACL.

The picnic committee chaired by Stan Tanaka has

ASEA installation

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The Asian State Employees Assn. will install president Dean Lan and his cabinet at their second installation dinner dance June 15 at the Sacramento Inn.

scheduled a full day's program: races, volleyball, Little League Baseball, hole-in-one, and free bingo for the Issei.

The entire Japanese community and friends can pack their "obento" and join in a day of fun and leisure. As in the past years, free soda pop will be provided.

● West Los Angeles

West Los Angeles JACL and Auxiliary board members will hear about the history of West Los Angeles from a fourth-generation Californian, Ysidro Reyes, at a dinner meeting June 13, 6:30 p.m., at Moulting Restaurant West, 11620 Wilshire Blvd.

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JACL youth director job applications due June 20

SAN FRANCISCO — Applications are being accepted for the position of the permanent JACL National Youth Director, it was announced by Karl K. Nobuyuki, JACL National Executive Director.

Application and resumes should be sent to JACL National Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115 by June 20, 1977.

The National Youth Director's main responsibilities are to plan, implement, and/or coordinate youth programs including Japanese American Youth (JAYS), Cultural Heritage Fellowships, Presidential Classroom for Young Americans, Scholarship and Student Aid. The person will coordinate general administration for these programs and provide technical assistance.

Qualifications for the position are:

1—A knowledge of the diverse life styles, perspectives and characteristics of Asian Americans, specifically Japanese American youth, particularly as affected by local environment.

2—A knowledge of general office and organizational administrative procedures.

3—A bachelor's degree from an accredited college in behavioral, social science, or related fields is preferred and desired.

4—A valid driver's license to operate a motor vehicle is required.

Commenting on the position, Nobuyuki said, "The task of the National Youth Director will not be an easy one. He will be responsible for the development of an aggressive national youth program that will be responsive to the Asian American youths, particularly those of Japanese American ancestry."

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Interested persons should write or call JACL National Headquarters for an application, complete job description, and further information.

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U.S.-Japan teacher exchange initiated

LIVERMORE, Calif. — Nine local-area educators will visit Japan this summer under joint sponsorship of the Livermore Valley Unified School District and Japanese American Cultural Exchange Program, it was announced by Samuel Cohen, JACEX co-director.

Participants will live with families in Japan to experience everyday life with their hosts as well as visit culturally-rich areas of Kyoto-Nara, Mt. Fuji and Livermore's new sister city of Yotsukaido (Chiba-ken).

Those who are able to make their homes available for a return visit of Japanese educators next year were eligible for this year's exchange, Cohen explained.



DIANE NAGASAKA

One of five \$1,100 Ruth G. White scholarships given to medical students in California was given to Diane Nagasaka, a UC-Riverside Phi Beta Kappa graduate now in her second year at UCLA School of Medicine. She is the daughter of the late Jack and Joanne Nagasaka of Redlands. She also won a \$1,000 Calif. Teachers Assn.

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Press Row

Bill Hosokawa, 62, was named editor of the editorial page of the Denver Post May 27, succeeding Robert Patridge, who was appointed managing editor. Hosokawa joined the Post in 1946 and had been associate editor since 1962. His journalistic career began in 1933 with the Japanese American Courier in Seattle.

Judith Haynes, assistant news editor for the Cleveland Plain Dealer, received honorable mention in the human rights category for her lengthy article, "Cleveland's Japanese Americans" (reprinted in the 1976 PC Holiday Issue), in the Clarion Awards competition sponsored by Women in Communications, Inc.

Organization

At the Watsonville Rotary Club's 50th anniversary celebration May 21, Mitsuteru Nakashima was presented the Paul Harris Fellowship gold medallion, the organization's top membership award. A nurseryman who joined 15 years ago, he led club efforts annually to raise funds for international studies. His son Douglas is also active with the club. Other Nisei include Bill Mine, Frank Sakata and John Kurimoto. Harrie Taka was awarded Life Member status Mar. 15 by the Kiwanis club of Uptown Riverside, Calif. Harrie has served as Kiwanis club president in Des Moines, Iowa in 1961; a member for 23 years, 15 of them with perfect attendance. A polio victim since 12, he has not walked since.

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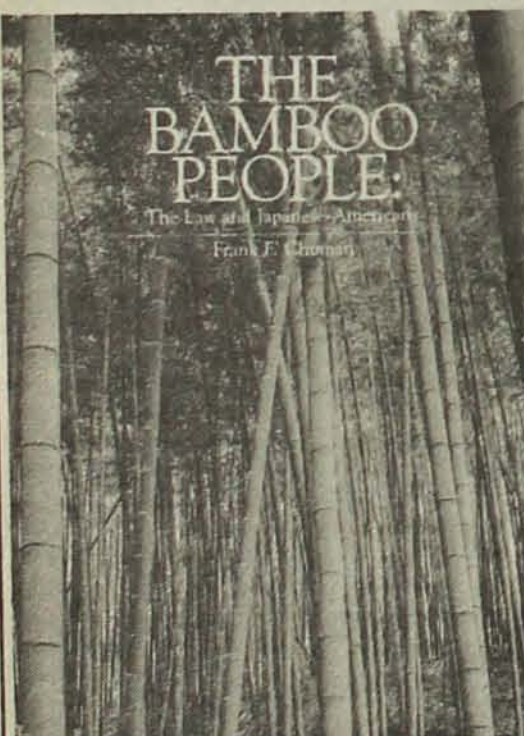
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