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Jr. Miss Pageant bars alien aspirants

SEATTLE—Pacific Northwest JACL leaders concede the fight to reinstate a 17-year-old Vietnamese girl of Dayton, Wash. who was denied the Touchet Valley Junior Miss title because she was not an American citizen has most likely been lost.

The state Junior Miss Pageant will be held at Wenatchee Jan. 21-28, and local Jaycees sponsoring the event have not softened their stance since the Oct. 15 local contest, when Phoeng-Ngoc Davis emerged as the Dayton winner.

JACL leaders, however, are still working to eliminate the citizenship requirement for the contest and are hoping to persuade Jaycees statewide the stipulation is unnecessary, said Ed Yamamoto, immediate past governor of the Pacific Northwest District Council, of Columbia Basin JACL.

In letters to the Dayton Jaycees and local newspapers, both Yamamoto and Minoru Masuda, chairman of the PNWDC Committee Against Defamation of Seattle, protested the disqualification of Miss Davis.

Pageant officials did allow her to keep the scholarship she won in the contest, though they disqualified her from the state event. First runner-up Jerri Jackson, 17, of Prescott will participate instead, according to Bob Carlton, Dayton Jaycees president.

"It would seem only right and proper that the pageant rules should be amended to include in their qualifications of pageant candidates the words 'and aliens legally admitted as permanent residents of the United States,'" Yamamoto wrote in a letter to the Spokane Spokesman Review.

"As an emergency measure, we feel that—to the everlasting credit of the Jaycees—they should take whatever steps necessary to change their pageant rules and regulations to reinstate Miss Phoeng-Ngoc Davis to her original title as the current Touchet Valley Junior Miss."

Miss Davis, daughter of Sau-Thi Davis, was born in Vietnam and is a student at Dayton High School.

Under immigration rules, she is not allowed to apply for citizenship until she is 18, Carlton said.

While PNWDC officials commended the Jaycees for "demonstrating its fairness in the selection process" and not denying Miss Davis her scholarship, they cannot understand why the citizenship requirement was not discovered until after the pageant.

"It seems to us that this knowledge could have averted this hurtful and embarrassing predicament," Masuda said in a letter to Carlton.

Both men agreed the case was an unintentional mistake on the Jaycees' part.

JACL HEADQUARTERS BACKS SPOKANE

Wash. State charged with anti-Asian bias

SPOKANE, Wash.—A four year battle over whether an Asian American studies program should be instituted at Washington State University has culminated with charges of discrimination and a complaint being filed against the school by the JACL Spokane Chapter.

The administrative complaint, filed with the U.S. Dept. of Health, Education and Welfare in November, alleges WSU administrators have discriminated against Asian Americans, prompting some to say an unhealthy affirmative action environment has been created on the campus.

"There has been a negative climate at WSU. There are people interested and in support of an Asian American program," Denny Yasuhara, Spokane Ad-Hoc Committee chairman and spokesman, said. "There are Asian staff members coming to meetings who ordinarily would not attend. But this is a can of worms. Most of the Asian staff are not tenured."

The unsuccessful attempts to establish a program at the university came to the Pacific Northwest District Council's attention last September, according to Yasuhara. At that time, lengthy memorandums and various proposals supporting an Asian studies program had already been submitted to WSU officials.

The university, Yasuhara

said, currently maintains other ethnic programs, including black, Chicano and Native American studies.

Efforts to secure an Asian American studies program, however, have been rebuffed, causing the Spokane JACL and entire Pacific Northwest District Council to consolidate their support in pressing the case.

At a PNWDC meeting Dec. 11, chapters unanimously voted to support the Spokane Chapter's efforts. The chapter has also garnered support at the national level, receiving the green light from National Director Karl Nobuyuki.

Still, the chances of seeing a program instituted in the near future are slim. And Yasuhara is not overly optimistic the HEW will step in and investigate the university, although "HEW is one of the better" federal agencies to intervene in such issues.

"It's nothing but pure, unadulterated insensitivity," he said. "Basically, the university has stonewalled us. They think we're a fly-by-night organization. We don't want to make it an emotional issue, though. We get more mileage out of being factual."

The facts are clear—that in 1973, a pharmacology professor submitted a 2½-page memorandum outlining the development of an Asian American Study Center.

Later, a proposal for a National Endowment for the Humanities grant was prepared, with the hope WSU would not have to finance the entire project.

In both cases, the proposals were eventually rejected. But the disapproval of the studies center hit supporters the hardest.

No clear-cut reason was given by the university as to why a program failed to surface. One concluded that the percentage time of the professor who would head the center would be fractionalized too much, leaving him unproductive in the two other areas he was assigned to, documents said.

Finances were another matter, with administrators saying enough money to support secretarial services were unavailable.

In 1976, however, 28 new positions were funded by the university, and not one was designated for an Asian American Scholar position, although backers had received a "firm oral commitment" such a post would be created.

Although disappointed after WSU's failure to assign the position, supporters received continued encouragement, which led to "good faith efforts" by Asian American faculty to develop the scholar post.

The position was again denied in fall 1977, and, according to the complaint, "evi-

dences discriminatory treatment of Asian Americans and a lack of good faith on the part of the WSU administration."

The 11-page complaint said the university has "abdicated its responsibility towards its Asian American students and the communities it should ultimately serve, and in so doing, has violated Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Executive Order 11246."

Complainants go on to allege WSU has failed to provide monies for recruiting Asian students, although \$4,000 is allocated to lure Chicano, black and Native Americans, and similarly has failed to attract Asian American faculty and administrators.

The issues were further complicated when instructor Anthony Wong was denied a reclassification as a Senior Architect, though his credentials exceeded the requirements. When the school's Discriminatory Practices Committee found he had been a victim of race bias, Dr. Wallis Beasley, WSU executive vice president and officer in charge of the Affirmative Action Office, still refused to overturn the decision.

Beasley claimed the matter was an "external" one between Wong and the Higher

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Ill. appellate court overturns Okubo-Yamada

STOCKTON, Calif.—It was a festive Christmas for the Okubo and Yamada families here upon hearing from their Chicago attorneys just before the holidays that the Illinois appellate court had reversed the Cook County trial court decision and ordered the 1975 civil suit against the Hilton Hotel Corp. to be reheard.

The Okubo-Yamada case had alleged a breach of expressed or implied warranty and negligence on Hilton's part in not providing adequate security and accommodations at the hotel and sought to recover for injuries sustained by Carol Ranko Yamada and for the death of Evelyn Okubo.

The news of the appellate court decision filed Dec. 21 came from their attorney Perry M. Berke of the Chicago

law firm of Baskin, Server and Berke. It is "extremely unlikely" the appellate court would grant Hilton Hotel a rehearing at the appellate level nor receive permission to appeal to the Illinois supreme court, Berke added. He said:

"The end result, after all these petitions, is that we are going to be given another opportunity to try this case or settle it before trial."

In Sacramento, national JACL legal counsel Frank A. Iwama commented the good news should boost the JACL Okubo/Yamada Fund drive (see Sept. 16, 1977, PC) to help the Okubo and Yamada families defray legal expenses in the case. No funds raised will be used for attorney fees. (To date about \$3,500 has been raised. —Ed.)

U.S. again to ask race and sex data for jobs

WASHINGTON—With President Carter's approval, the Civil Service Commission once again will require U.S. job seekers to answer questions about sex, race and ethnic background in their job applications, according to the Washington Post.

Federal officials said they did not know precisely when the new information will be required of job candidates, but they expected questions to be on applications for various positions in early 1978.

The government had dropped all race and sex identification from job applications during the 1960s after civil rights groups complained the information was used to discriminate against minorities.

(It is recalled that JACL was aware then that lack of job statistics by race affect-

ed employment opportunities of persons of Japanese ancestry commensurate with their qualifications. The Washington D.C. JACL in 1963 recommended the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights launch a comprehensive study as to the number, occupation levels and progress being made by federal workers of Japanese ancestry.)

Now, however, with the approval of many of the same civil rights groups, the government wants to obtain the information again to help in recruiting of more women and minorities.

Civil rights groups further argue that lack of reliable information about job applicant's race and background hampers official efforts to hire minorities and to monitor their careers under affirmative action.



Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn receives a Japanese "Makoto" scroll from Karl Nobuyuki (left), National JACL executive director. "The calligraphic painting is a Japanese symbol for truth which our organization believes best represents Supervisor Hahn," Nobuyuki said. Joining him was Councilman Mas Fukai of Gardena.

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Education Personnel Board, not an "internal" matter involving the university. Complainants maintain, however, the university has challenged unfavorable Higher Education Personnel Board cases involving Caucasians in court.

To rectify the situation, the JACL has requested the establishment of an Asian American studies center with adequate support staff; funding of Asian American student organizations at an equitable level with other minority groups; funding for recruitment of Asian American students; the reclassification of Wong, and correcting the minority staff imbalances in accordance with Affirmative Action mandates.

University officials, on the other hand, have vigorously denied any allegations of "insensitivity," "lack of

good faith", and "disparate treatment of Asian American students". Though they have met with JACL representatives, WSU administrators contend the university would "abandon its traditional academic analysis and deliberation procedures" if it entered into a legal written agreement with JACL, as the group has requested.

In a letter dated Nov. 12, 1977, Beasley, following a meeting between JACL officials and WSU personnel, stated:

"We want you to know that we will work with JACL, or any group representing Asian Americans in an effort to resolve misunderstandings that may exist.

"But we also want you to know that we will not allow threats of discrimination charges or demands for external investigators to be utilized as devices to undermine established and traditional procedures for determining academic policy at Washington State University."

(Following the November meeting, JACL requested that an Asian studies center be started by fall 1978, with agreements made for an Asian American scholar in a tenure track position to be at WSU no later than the opening of the fall 1978 semester. The letter further stated

that if efforts to procure these requests, and others relating to the program's development, were not met by December, 1977, public pressure would be exerted on the institution."

The Beasley letter continued, "It should be apparent that the logical first step in the process toward establishment of an Asian American Studies program should be the formulation of a proposal for submittal to the appropriate bodies for review. The central administration certainly would not object if Asian American faculty members at the University wish to commence this procedure."

Asian Americans currently are one of the largest minority groups on the WSU campus and Washington itself is comprised of one of the largest Asian populations in the continental United States.

Complainants maintain an Asian American program is vital in educating young students of their people and cultures—particularly in and around the Pullman area, where WSU is located. "The impact on college students not having exposure to ethnic cultures and their contribution at the university level in this geographical area will result in producing future leaders and citizens with the same lack of background, perspective and sensitivity to minority prob-

lems and needs that their mothers and fathers before them have had," it was added.

Yasuhara said he has no idea why the university has hesitated in establishing a program for so long, but guessed, "it relates to the status of all Asian Americans. We're not very aggressive and it's because of our background and their perception of us.

"There is no way they would do this with other minority groups. I guess they

figured they could get by with it. This is the underlying treatment of all Asians. We're getting short-changed."

In San Francisco, Nobuyuki could not pinpoint the university's reasons, but said he feels the recent Bakke brief rendered by the Attorney General which questioned the classification of Asians as minorities had some influence.

"My concern is that

they're hinging their beliefs on the Bakke case. The decision dealt a blow to Asians. This is just part of the backlash. The community, I know, is tired of waiting. "I know the JACL has come on to something big," he continued. "Affirmative action has always been a clear JACL objective and we feel we have to stand behind Spokane. It's a years-old issue and I am glad to see the Pacific Northwest taking action."

1978 JACL scholarship applications available

SAN FRANCISCO—Application forms for the 1978 National JACL scholarship program were distributed this past week, it was announced by Dr. Izumi Taniguchi, scholarship chairman, and Richard Okabe, National Youth Director, to all local JACL and JAYS chapters and to a number of high schools around the country.

Scholarships are open to all persons of Japanese ancestry, JAYS and JACL members and their children who are graduating from high school in June. Four graduate awards were also available. Forms and documents have an April 1 deadline for submission to National JACL Headquarters.

Documents required include:

1—High school transcript, 2—Test scores, and 3—Confidential parents' financial statement.

Awards average \$500, made available from trust accounts and donations, will total over \$10,000 this year.

Last year, 217 high school graduates and 41 graduate applications were received

and screened by six preliminary committees which selected the top 10 within their folio. Final judging trimmed the number to 23 winners.

In Fresno, the local JACL chapter announced two Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe scholarships were established, one for a high school graduate and the other for an upper-level college student. Yatabe founded the chapter in 1923 as the Fresno American Loyalty League.

Asian firefighters workshop slated

LOS ANGELES—Persons interested in becoming firefighters can attend the Asian Firefighter Workshop being held Saturday, Jan. 21 at the Dept. of Water and Power building, 111 N. Hope St. The workshop, sponsored by the city and County Employees Asian American Assn., will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Participants should call 748-8431 or 747-7623.

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JANBA continues to honor the first week of March as the biggest gathering of Nisei bowlers from around the country—a tradition nurtured by National JACL ever since the late 1940s. Despite the break, majority of the JANBA participants are JACL chapter and 1000 Club supporters, according to Shig Sakamoto, tournament publicist in Northern California.

EO 9066 display

SAN FRANCISCO—The widely traveled "Executive Order 9066" exhibit of photographs is back in the San Francisco Bay Area, now on display at the De Young Memorial Museum here through Feb. 20, and at the University Art Museum, Berkeley, to Feb. 13, it was announced by the California Historical Society and the San Francisco Foundation.

Three authors

LOS ANGELES—Three authors will give readings of their works Jan. 13, 2:30 p.m. at UCLA Architecture 1102 with a reception following at the Sunset Recreation Center at 5:30 p.m. They are Maxine Hong Kingston, Honolulu; Hisaye Yamamoto, Los Angeles; and Momoko Iko, Chicago.

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Diablo Valley JACL officer tabbed Oakland's teacher of 1977

Oakland, Calif.
Masaye Nakamura was singled out of more than 3,000 teachers in the Oakland Unified School District as the 1977 "Teacher of the Year."

Nakamura, who teaches English at Frick Junior High School, was described as "intelligent, outstanding and inspiring," by those recommending her for the honor.

The popular teacher's career began in 1949 at Hoover Junior High School where she taught English, art and p.e. In 1953, she left to begin her family, but continued to

spend volunteer hours helping students in reading and math in the Berkeley, Richmond and Oakland school districts. She returned to teaching when her own children entered high school.

Co-workers attest to Nakamura's popularity, saying her students "are excited about going to class and doing their work." She is said to "set an excellent example in both appearance and deportment."

Her special abilities have won her a teaching spot in the humanities component

in a creative team teaching program, Project Goal. Nakamura works with students who tested two grade levels below average in reading scores. Her students have gone on to become Girls' State delegates, student body presidents and high school newspaper editors.

Vice president of the Diablo Valley JACL, Masaye is married to well known Bay Area architect Noboru Nakamura. The couple's daughter, Ann, is a teacher in the Salinas School District and son, John, is a senior at UC Berkeley.

pc's people

● Agriculture

Parlier farmer Harry Kubo, founder of the Nisei Farmers' League, was nominated for a second term as the group's president. Kubo, who became known for his debates with Cesar Chavez over Prop. 13, heads a slate of officers up for election. Other nominees are: George Teraoka, Fowler, 1st vp; Arvid Jensen, Parlier, 2nd vp; Yo Katayama, Sanger Del Rey, 3rd vp; Kaz Ohara, Parlier, treas; and Joe Yokomi, Fowler, sec.

Frank Nishiguchi, a farmer from Box Elder County, Utah, has been elected president of the Utah Farm Bureau Federation. Nishiguchi, 48, operates a 240-acre farm in the northeast county and was a former bureau board member for District 1.

Ronald Yoshimura has been appointed area supervisor for the Sacramento Valley, Mendocino and Lake county districts of the Tri-Valley Growers. A 1970 graduate of Sacramento State College and Yuba Junior College, Yoshimura was most recently employed as district field department manager for a major processor and was headquartered in Merced County.

Hiro Higashi, president of Flower Extensions of Redwood City has been named president of the San Mateo County Fair Board. Higashi has been a board member since 1971 and was

formerly chairman of the board's floriculture and entertainment committees. He served as vice president last year.

● Business

Ben Yabu, assistant manager of California First Bank's San Francisco Main office, has been promoted to assistant vice president. Born in Sacramento and educated in Stockton, Yabu joined the bank in 1966. As

an operations specialist, he served at the Japan Center Mid-Peninsula (now Palo Alto) and San Francisco main offices. In 1976 he was named assistant manager at the main office.

Shoshiro Tsukada has been appointed assistant vice president and general manager of operations and traffic for Japan Air Lines, succeeding Hiroo Hiraoka who returned to the company's home offices in Tokyo.

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An unforgettable Christmas eve: Sansei thwarts robbers at market

Los Angeles

It wasn't the best way to spend a Christmas Eve, Mark Sawasaki will agree.

But at least he survived it and was around to enjoy the remaining holiday festivities.

Sawasaki, a checker at the Safeway market at 17th and Western Ave., and about a dozen other employees helped thwart the illegal intentions of robbers who broke into the market after hours on Dec. 24.

"Yeah, now that I think about it, I guess I was scared," Sawasaki said frankly. Fortunately panic did not set in while the crime was in progress.

The robbers, one armed with a sawed-off shot gun, another with a revolver and a third wearing a ski mask, entered the store through a back door at 8:30 p.m. The market had closed at 7 and workers were in the midst of cleaning up and counting money.

The robbers then rounded up the employees—eight in the front and two in the back. Sawasaki and assistant manager Alfred Palacios were in the office.

The office door was ajar and another employee, Arthur Bankhead, whispered, "Someone's coming!"

Sawasaki rose to check out the market and met one of

Little Tokyo street improvements OK'd

LOS ANGELES—More than a third of a million dollars in public improvements has been awarded the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project as the result of two contracts recently approved by the city's Community Redevelopment Agency.

A \$196,666 contract will provide such improvements as new storm drains and street lighting along First Street, Central Avenue and Second Street, adjacent to and west of Japanese Village Plaza and on the southside of Second St. adjacent to the Bunmeido Building.

Another \$142,000 contract will finance construction of the first phase of the cultural and community center mall, to be located east of San Pedro Street between Second and Azusa. Work will include brick paving and lighting.

the intruders who commanded, "Freeze!"

Overcoming momentary shock, Sawasaki kicked away a door stop and he and Palacios were able to keep the robber out of the store's office. Hurriedly, he dialed the operator and was connected with the Wilshire Division police.

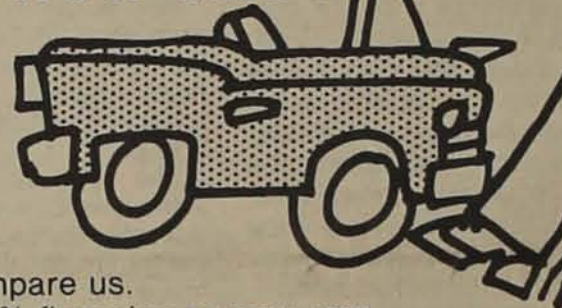
After what seemed like eons on hold, Sawasaki got his message through and police and SWAT units arrived shortly.

After a cautious investigation, SWAT members finally left the store at 3:30 a.m. and let the employees, including Sawasaki, and some 40 customers go home.

Sawasaki, 20-year-old son of Roy and Yoshiko Sawasaki of Monterey Park, is a student at Cal State University, Los Angeles. He has worked four years at the market.

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Comments, letters & features

Will History Repeat?

WITH the mandate of the JACL National Council indicating the JACL must pursue a campaign for reparation, one finds it interesting to uncover the various writings of the times and of the present. In the review of current material, it is interesting to note the high level of racial hysteria that was characteristic of the times prior to, during and immediately following World War II.

It does not take a learned scholar to recognize the glowing errors and paranoia characteristic of the press and of public leaders being unable to distinguish the Japanese American from the Imperialist Japanese forces. "A Jap is a Jap" was a familiar slogan of the times. Hence the incarceration of 110,000 Japanese Americans was an "acceptable" act condoned by the general public and public officials.

Over a quarter century has passed and the Japanese Americans have come a long way since those nightmare years. Many Nikkei have weathered well and while a great many are still struggling to make ends meet, they have much to be proud of. Yet it is often said, and observers will point it out, that "History repeats itself" (when we make the same mistakes). Though not to the same degree in all instances, there are parallels of the present with the past. The current differences between the United States and Japan regarding the balance of trade appears to have touched off "public reaction" which is growing.

For instance, Richard Lawrence touches on many salient points in his satire, "Easy on Trigger Finger Uncle Pudge, 'It All Work Out in End,'" appearing in the World Trade column of the Journal of Commerce (Dec. 12), a national business daily.

Here are excerpts as space permits:

MONCK'S CORNER — "A year that will live in infamy," snorted Uncle Pudge, scanning the headlines in the morning "monocle." "If only Roosevelt and MacArthur were around now..."

Aunt Madge, dozing in the back porch rocker, stirred, "What's ailin' you, anyhow?" she snarled solicitously.

"Those Japs, they're bombing us out of our jobs with an \$8 billion trade surplus this year... Them and their cheap steel, cars and stereos. Shoot."

"Why, I'm surprised," she said. "Ain't they the same folks that used to make them nice red, white and blue new year snappers and little statue of liberties?"

"Yeah, to soften us up," Pudge grunted.

Just then, Madge spotted someone behind the big azalea bush. "Come on out, you're bendin' the hedge," shouted

Pudge, grabbing the shotgun. Arms high, a short, supple figure scrambled forward. "No banzai," he yelled, "no banzai!"

"Why, it's a Jap," said Pudge, incredulous. "Keep your hands up and don't reach for your camera," he cautioned...

"Wait," said Madge, who always had a secret weak spot for orientals. "I'll fetch him some mountain dew."

"Orange juice, American orange juice," the Japanese pleaded. "In Japan forbidden fruit."

"Hey," said Pudge, "who the hell are ya, some kind of defector or something?"

"You hit bolt on head I disillusioned Japanese steelworker. Escape tour bus two weeks ago after I read how we cause you so much problem. I give myself up, as you say in movie. I no want war."

The article speaks well enough for itself, but there are questions that Japanese Americans must also address. The first is immediate: "Are they talking about us, too?" Second: Is their reference to concentration camps in reference to the U.S. concentration camps of World War II? Third: Does the writer, and for that matter, does the press recognize the difference between the Japanese American and the Japanese? Will Japanese Americans again be held responsible for actions beyond their control by "reason of race"? Not intending to be an alarmist, 1978 is expected to bring more articles to the public's attention similar to the one above. It will be an interesting year.—KKN.

On Method of Redress

PART EIGHT

The conflict between individuals vs. trust fund payment does not appear serious. There is no reason why the best of the two methods cannot be combined. Claims could be for both individuals and for a group or organization, just as in the German restitution scheme.

Fund earmarked for individual payment at a specified per capita basis, processed through a Nikkei trust foundation, could well satisfy both sides. Fund earmarked for organizational use can be administered by the same Nikkei trust foundation for educational and cultural purposes by Japanese Americans.

What is an equitable sum of compensation? The purpose is not to put a price tag on freedom or human rights, an impossible and a foolish task. The sum should be sufficient to discourage future abrogation of freedom and human rights in a manner used against Japanese Americans during World War II.

The various proposals submitted have varied considerably in the amount being sought. Would it be wise to ask the Washington, D.C. court to decide on the sum, as it did in the case of 1,200

demonstrators arrested in May 1971?

The concept of per diem payment for time spent in camp has many opponents. Those who braved the hostile world outside the camp earliest would receive the least; those who sat out the war in camps would receive the greatest amount of payment. Among the latter, however, were most Issei who had nowhere to go and with little prospect of jobs on the outside.



The simplest definition for beneficiaries would be to limit compensations only to those evacuated from the Western Defense Command area and detained in camps. But the injustice of abolishing freedom and civil rights to persons of Japanese descendants during World War II extended to many beyond mainland U.S.A. Those from Alaska, Hawaii and South America came under the same injustice at the hands of the United States government. Should they be ignored?

A common view is that being a child in camp had no ill effects. This may be disputable, as will be explained in later presentations. "Camp babies" are reminded of the Evacuation incident throughout their lives whenever their birthplace is asked. They cannot escape the label.

The use of Internal Revenue Service mechanism to finance reparation (Seattle Plan; Shimomura Plan) is an ingenious proposal, but apparently unpopular in Congress because it would set a precedent for other groups to do the same.

Justice does not require unanimity. It would, however, be helpful if Japanese Americans in general and their fellow citizens understood the true motive behind the reparation claim—that the event such as the Evacuation and incarceration of Japanese Americans did happen, that should it happen again it will be costly, that the successful restitution of the tragedy and the mistakes of 1942 will protect future civil liberties for all Americans.

Reparation questionnaire has been circulated by various JACL groups. We will gather them all together and compare their findings in our next presentation. □

Holiday Issue

Editor:

On behalf of the East West Players I should like to thank Pacific Citizen for its generous coverage in the Christmas issue of the opening of our second show in repertory, ONCE UPON IN AMERICA and for the acknowledgement of the immeasurable contribution made to the growth of our theatre by our artistic director Mako, and executive producer Rae Creevey.

However, may we set the record straight... the East West Players, in its 12-year history, has utilized the talents and energies of many people. We are not only as strong as our artistic director and executive producer, but as strong as all of those who work with us and support our goals.

Among the many names not mentioned in your article who should justly receive recognition are Beulah Quo, Yuki Shimoda, Pat Li, Sumi Haru, Clyde Kusatsu, Jimmy Hong, Ernest Hirada, Terry Tam Soon, Soon-Teck Oh, Guy Lee, Jesse Dizon, Bill Shinkai, Ed Sakamoto, Sachiko Penny Lee, Dana Lee, Richard Lee Sung, Nobu McCarthy, Alberto Isaac, Robert Ito, Sheri Emond, Wakako Yamauchi, Frank Chin, Shizuko Hoshi, Momoko Iko, Jon Shirota and many others who have joined our ranks within the last years.

Without these and Mako and Rae Creevey, the East West Players would certainly not be looking forward to its 13th year as the only professional Asian American repertory company in the United States.

NORMAN COHEN, Administrator
East West Players Inc.
Los Angeles.

Editor:

Pat Tashima's interesting and informative article on "Inter-Racial Marriages" in the 1977 Holiday Issue which states: "The first Japanese-Caucasian marriage in the U.S. is believed to have occurred in 1888..." prompted me to look in my files and found there had been such a marriage in New Orleans a year earlier.

Namely, Jokichi Takamine—who later became an outstanding pharmacologist—while attending the 1884 World Industrial Exhibit in that city,

fell in love with Caroline Hitch, daughter of Colonel E.V. Hitch, a Confederate Civil War hero and plantation owner. Takamine had to go back to Japan but returned to New Orleans in 1887, where he married the southern belle with the approval of her father. They moved to New York establishing the Takamine Institute and successfully marketed Take-Diastase, he also was the discoverer of adrenalin, etc. He died in 1922 and is buried in the New York Woodlawn Cemetery.

There are many other Issei, who married Caucasian women, after coming to this country to study, and became known in their particular professions or cultural fields. I would like to mention a few, because each one made contributions to America in his own way.

Kanichi Asakawa in 1896 at age 24, entered New Hampshire Dartmouth College and then went to Yale. Upon graduation in 1902 he taught Oriental History at Yale and married Miriam Cameron Dingwall of New Haven, Connecticut. He wrote numerous books on the history of Japan and China. He died in New Haven in 1948.

Hideyo Noguchi—who later became a world-renowned toxicologist—in 1901 came to Pennsylvania University to study serpent venoms, etc. Later he was appointed first assistant to the director of the New York Rockefeller Institute and married Mary Dodge. He died at age 52 in 1928 in Africa from yellow fever while studying how to conquer it.

Yone Noguchi, poet, in 1893 came to San Francisco at age 19, where his first poetry book "Seen and Unseen" was published in 1896. He spent four years in Oakland with Joaquin Miller, famous American poet, and married a Caucasian woman (Leonie Gilmour—Oct 14/77 PC). Their son born 1904 in Los Angeles is Isamu Noguchi, the world recognized sculptor.

Another poet, Isen Kanno, came from Japan in 1903 and also studied under Joaquin Miller. While there he met Gertrude Boyle, a sculptress, and decided to get married but since California prohibited inter-marriage, they made a hurried trip to Seattle to tie the nuptial knot. (Note: Early 1890 an Issei named Tomie and a Caucasian woman went to San Francisco City Hall to obtain a marriage license which was denied them because "he

is a Mongoloid.")

Kiichi Kaneko, a young Japanese socialist, entered Harvard at the turn of this century. He later moved to New York where he met Josephine Conger of Missouri, a socialist writer; they were married October 1905. In 1907 they moved to Chicago and began publishing a monthly, "The Socialist Woman"—Josephine was editor and Kiichi its managing editor. The magazine was the only national voice of women within the Socialist Party and had 12,000 subscribers at its peak. However, Kiichi's tuberculosis condition worsened and he decided to return to Japan for better treatment in June 1909 but died there the following October.

Also many tragedies resulted from inter-racial romances. The name Shigezo Yoshida comes to mind. For he not only was one of the first Japanese railroad workers in 1884 that was employed by the Oregon Short Line, but also was the first mainland Japanese lynched by an Ogden, Utah, white mob in April of the same year after he killed a white prostitute who had broken her promise to marry him.

Of course, the first known Japanese and non-Japanese marriage is that of Kunisuke Masumizu, one of the 1869 Wakamatsu colonists, who married the daughter of a Blackfoot Indian woman and her Freedman (freed slave) husband. Their descendants live in the Sacramento area.

Although mixed marriages are more common today, their beautiful offspring are everywhere and no doubt many face problems of identity, racism, etc. We should continue further research and dialogue in order to bring more understanding in human relationships.

KARL G. YONEDA

San Francisco
P.S. A slight correction in coverage of our story—Elaine and Tom were taken to the Death Valley Camp, along with about 60 others, after the December 6th Manzanar riot, but they stayed there only till December 19, 1942 when allowed back to San Francisco under a special military pass for Tom.

Military History

Editor:

I know with certainty that each Thursday afternoon my adrenalin will begin to surge, and that my in-

tellect will be stimulated when my PC arrives. While I have wildly disagreed with items from time to time I don't believe that I have ever felt that my intelligence has been insulted. However, T.S. Shiraki's letter of Dec. 9 badly mis-labeled "Military History" has proved the exception.

Let me first say that the question of POW's and their motivations and actions is a far too complex subject—as we discovered in the Korean War—to be dealt with in the simplistic and cavalier manner utilized by Shiraki. However, I'll try to respond to the most glaring of the assumptions appearing in the letter.

1. "Military history has never recorded 85,000 Japanese or German soldiers surrendering."

WRONG—In 1943 over 90,000 German troops (including a Field Marshall and 24 General Officers surrendered to General Rokossovsky. Included in this number were not only SS Regiments, but SS Divisions. In May 1943 British and American forces jointly captured 240,000 Germans and Italians of Army Group Afrika. Of this number 125,000 were German including intact SS units above the size of a regiment.

In 1945 before the Japanese surrender over 100,000 Japanese military personnel surrendered to Soviet military forces, again with many military units intact.

2. "The point is their (SS) loyalty..." Consider the number of SS personnel involved in the plot on Hitler—their commander in chief.

3. "No Japanese marine regiment has ever surrendered."

QUESTIONABLE: First, the WWII Japanese military did not have an organization corresponding to the US Marines. Instead they had Rikuseitai or Special Naval Landing Forces, who were in fact sailors, and commanded by naval officers. These units were never found in regimental strength, but more usually in company or battalion strength.

4. "An American likes to think he is Wild Bill Hickock." That represents such a gross generalization that I won't comment beyond asking if that statement includes Nikkei too?

It's been a long time since I've seen that much factual error in so short a space. I might suggest to T.S. Shiraki that before committing a letter to print that the old Japanese proverb

Ron Yori Shoko be considered.

P.S. If T.S. Shiraki is interested in my sources I'll gladly provide them.
DON ESTES

San Diego

Info, Please

Editor:

I am enrolled in an American Experience I class. The teacher suggested the topic of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. I am experiencing difficulty in finding enough information. Only resources I have are Hosokawa's "Nisei: the Quiet Americans" and a copy of the Congressional Record, detailing the accomplishments of the 442nd, which was sent to me by George Kondo at JACL Headquarters. I am told there are numerous articles in your past issues of the Pacific Citizen.

I know it is impossible to send all the information you have but would appreciate receiving pertinent material. I would be happy to pay any costs involved. Both of my parents are active Contra Costa JACL members for many years...

GAIL TSUJIMOTO

El Cerrito, Calif.

The "standard" reference of the 442nd RCT story is Orville Shirey's "Americans: The Story of the 442nd Combat Team" (1946), published by the Infantry Journal, Washington, D.C., and long out-of-print. It is probably in the home library of a 442nd veteran in your city. ... We can't charge for the photocopy work of the three articles enclosed from our files, especially of someone whose parents

are JACLers, whose support makes JACL and the PC possible.—Ed.

Subscription

(This is a continuing series of letters to the PC concerning subscription service.) Betty F's copy was returned by the Postal Service with the notation, MOVED, LEFT NO FORWARDING ADDRESS.)

Editor:

We have not moved!

BETTY F.

Gardena, Calif.

This is Case "B". The Postal Service has since explained the party had indeed "moved" from Apt. 1 to Apt. 2 (not true numbers) although the street address is the same. The building has no directory of residents. The carrier has since corrected the problem. Label should show the Apt. Number. Therefore the Postal Service said it feels the 25¢ fee (which publishers pay when notified of any change in a mail address) was justified.—Ed.

Short Notes

Editor:

My face is red. I haven't committed seppuku yet! In my review of "Lady is Dying", there is an error of omission.

Kenji Ono was very ably portrayed by Lane Nishikawa, one of the best actors in the play. Nishikawa is a poet-writer.

JOE OYAMA

Berkeley, Calif.



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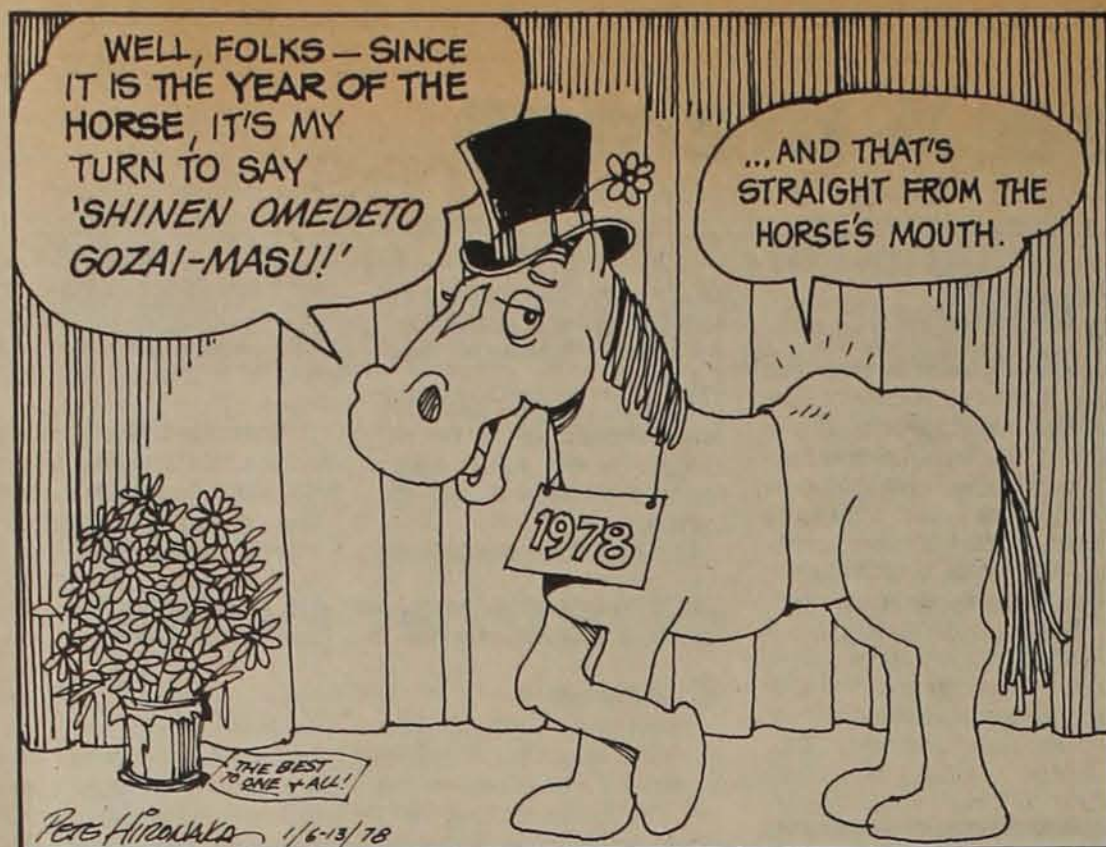
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FROM HAPPY VALLEY: Sachi Seko

And a Happy New Year

Salt Lake City

My sister called me to check the Japanese zodiacal calendar. She wanted to know whether 1978 was her year. It was, since she was born in the year of the horse.

Just into 1978, I feel the change which possesses her. Normally cautious, she is suddenly suffused with confidence that nothing can go wrong in her year.

Overnight, she is laughing at everything, anything. It is a flourish of farewells to aches and pains, to inflation and energy shortage, to low cholesterol diets and yesterday's dirty laundry.

I experienced the same giddy feeling when it was supposed to be my year. It followed a rotten year, truthfully, a whole succession of them. Although I generally scoff at superstition, I resorted to every remembered trick as the eve of my year arrived.

I felt very Japanese as I repeated the rituals of my childhood. Probably because they are associated in my memory with my grandparents, who were purely Japanese. They had no intention or desire to be Americanized.

New Year's was the most important holiday in our household. Sometime before Thanksgiving, salesmen from various specialty stores came to take orders from Grandmother. They often brought samples of the newest items. She tasted them slowly and soberly, spitting some out.

My grandmother was extremely particular about food. She smelled and poked and held things up to the light to check the color before using any ingredient. Fish grabbed by the tail were slapped against the sink to certify freshness.

For days before the holiday, as Grandmother began the preparations, the house had a vinegary, soy sauce smell. The smells intensified as paint and cleaning solution odors combined with it.

We didn't wait for spring to do our cleaning. It was always done in preparation of the new year. Every cupboard and drawer was emptied, scrubbed and lined with new paper or oil cloth. Walls were washed or painted. Screens came down. Bed springs were dragged out into the yard to be hosed.

We children were told to assemble all unnecessary items in our drawers and to deposit them by the outside incinerator. There was considerable controversy over what was necessary or disposable. It depended on whether you were a child or an adult. Children's opinions weren't worth a darn in our family.

Grandfather tended the fire. He ordered, "Bring more to burn." Our offerings never satisfied him. As he poked at the fire with a long, iron rod, he scolded, "More, more. Hurry up."

Too frightened to disobey him, we pumped

our short legs in and out of the house, carrying the past year's trophies and treasures. All that carefully collected junk went up in smoke.

It was part of a spell the adults cast over us. Although we prided ourselves on being an ordinarily civilized and moderately rational family, some of the sense escaped the adult thinking around this time of year.

They talked a lot about omens. It seemed that unless all the past year's business was properly completed, the new year was bound to be doomed. Any debts had to be repaid by that time.

This did not mean only financial obligations. Those were relatively fewer back then since credit buying was generally unpopular among Japanese. So were checking accounts, for many immigrants did not trust banks and transacted much of their commerce in cash.

Favors and gifts received during the year, for which no opportunity had arisen for return, were remembered with New Year gifts. These were often in the form of sacks of rice or tubs of soy sauce. They did little to resolve the obligatory nature of the family, for the receiver was quick to return a similar gift. He did not want to be beholden in the new year either.

Every soiled garment and bedsheet and towel was collected and washed. It was intolerable to sleep on sheets of the previous year. Everyone took a ceremonial bath to wash off last year's grime.

On awakening into that virgin year, we were warned that each act and spoken word was a portent of the whole year. I guess that's why New Year's is remembered as an exceptionally long day. We were so careful that we went around like robots.

For the first meal, sheets of waxed paper were removed from the display of food on the dining table. Grandfather served each of us a small taste of warm sake in thin porcelain cups. Grandmother prepared a cauldron of sweet rice cakes cooked in broth with vegetables and pieces of chicken.

This was followed by the serving of a sampling of each of the two dozen or so varieties of food on the table. We children balked at eating some of the stranger looking objects on the plate.

When we tried to shove them under chicken bones or other convenient camouflage, omens were cast at us. We would suffer poor health, cars would run over us, we would go hungry. To ward off such misfortunes we quickly swallowed the food.

Money was never spent on that first day. To do so would have meant that during the



FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

The Holidays at Home

Denver, Colo.

While the adults were sitting around eating, gabbing and watching New Year's football bowl games on television, the little people were playing their own version of parlor games. One of them, dreamed up by a little rough-and-tumble type, consisted of running full tilt at any convenient kid and bashing him into the wall.

Grandson Jon, who is a pacifist at heart and none too steady on his three-year-old legs under any circumstance, seemed to have been chosen as the most appealing target for the bashing. This could have been predicted since, a short time earlier, he had come up to tell us of a mounting level of hostility between him and the tough kid.

"He called me dummy," Jon said. "I told him shut up. He called me dummy again. I told him shut up again."

And the adults, who assume open warfare can be avoided simply by telling the belligerents to play nicely, did just that. Of course it didn't work, and Jon returned shortly to complain tearfully that he did not enjoy being bashed into the wall.

Jon's father's next move was to pass responsibility for Jon's welfare to his brother Matt, two years older, somewhat stronger physically, but still inclined to be on the shy side when it comes to combat.

"Matt," his father admonished, "can't you take care of your little brother? Don't let that bad boy make Jon cry. Look after him. Now go."

That was when their cousin Patrick, visiting for the holidays from California, demonstrated his mettle and perhaps gave us a hint as to his future in life. "I'll go, too," he volunteered, and we had visions of the three tykes, allied by blood relationship, venturing forth bravely together to join their slender resour-

ces in putting down the common oppressor. But the rest of Patrick's sentence blasted the image: "I'll go, too, and report what happens."

So Patrick was revealed, not as a lion-hearted combatant committed to involvement, but as an observer on the sidelines, like his grandfather who reports what happens while trying to avoid personal bloodshed.

Well, shucks, Patrick, not everyone can be doers and fighters. Some of us must be watchers and reporters, and there's nothing ignoble about that. How else would others know what's going on?

This was a particularly pleasant holiday season since son Pete brought Patrick from the Coast to be with us, joining Christie and her family, and Susan and her spouse who live here in the Denver area. Only Mike of our four youngsters (they really aren't that young any more) couldn't get away. Perhaps we can make it a full family reunion next year.

We had plenty of opportunity to do a lot of sitting around, over-eating, talking and reminiscing. In the regular course of events, we all do a substantial amount of visiting by telephone, but that kind of conversation isn't nearly as satisfying as chewing the fat together in low-key talk.

When the youngsters were at home, most of the dialogue was about housekeeping and other mundane daily matters. But now we can converse about ideas, business, politics, the sorry state of the world and a lot of other things. It also comes as a rewarding surprise that the youngsters remember a great deal about growing up at home and are happy to reminisce about what it was like. When they can recall so many amusing and pleasant things about their childhood, it would seem that not everything Alice and I did in rearing our brood was all that wrong. And finding that out, any parent will tell you, is a very rewarding matter. □

When the grayness left Heart Mountain

Following piece by Bill Hosokawa appeared on Christmas Day in the Denver Post editorial page. It is written to his son, now an associate professor of health education at the Univ. of Missouri. Bill said reader reaction was good. —Ed.

DEAR MIKE: A long time ago, when you were just a toddler, you were a small part of a dramatic Christmas experience. Of course you were too young to remember, but it is worth knowing about, so let me tell you the story now.

It was the Christmas of 1942, just 35 years ago and not a happy time for a world at war. It was a particularly depressing period for your mother and me who, along with you and 10,000 other people, were living in a place called Heart Mountain, Wyo.

This community was made up of row on row of black tarpaper-covered barracks. It was surrounded by barbed wire and guarded by soldiers so we couldn't get out.

We were there because our country, in its infinite ignorance, figured we could not be trusted to be loyal because our forebears had migrated to the United States from Japan. So without bothering to make formal charges the government suspended our constitutional rights and forced 110,000 of us Japanese Americans out of our homes and into 10 concentration camps in the desert West.

Out of our barracks window we could see only gray sand, scudding gray clouds, gray sagebrush that stretched to the gray horizon. Gray wallboard on four walls and ceiling of our cubicle, a floor gray with the desert dust ground into it.

AS CHRISTMAS APPROACHED, we tried to make our lives brighter with little gifts purchased through mail order houses, even a little artificial tree fashioned of odds and ends and draped with cotton snow.

Yet the grayness permeated the air, for we were lonely in the midst of the 10,000. It wasn't longing for any particular friends; it was the hollow, numbing feeling of being outcast, unwanted and forgotten. Outcast from the home communities where we be-

longed, our loyalty suspected by our nation in a war emergency, forgotten by our fellow citizens.

On Christmas Eve we went to the messhall for a party. It was crowded with wide-eyed children and their parents trying to be cheerful, and song-leaders struggling almost frantically to whip up the Christmas spirit. Slowly the crowd warmed up, joining in singing the carols we had learned as children in a happier day.

THEN CAME SANTA CLAUS, riding from messhall to messhall in an olive drab government truck. Clad in an ill-fitting red suit, his whiskers awry, he stomped into our messhall, full of loud cheer.

The younger children, you among them, gaped in pop-eyed amazement. Many of the tots were too young to remember previous Christmases, and here it was a real live Santa Claus with a great bulging sack on his back.

The gifts were passed out, and there was one for everyone from the youngest child to the oldest grandmother. There were books and toys and games, pictures to hang in bleak barracks, wash cloths and toilet soap, trinkets and useful gadgets, all of them poured into the desert camp by the great, generous heart of fellow Americans who had heard of our plight.

Cards from the donors were enclosed with the gifts. They came from the Joneses, the Smiths and the Browns, and common folk whose names indicated they probably came to America with later waves of immigration. The gifts were from Billings, Mont., and Boston, Mass.; from a mountain town in New Mexico and an orphanage where the youngsters had saved pennies to buy presents for little evacuee children like you who had no homes, either.

THE GRAYNESS LEFT the camp that night and never really returned. It wasn't due to the presents alone. But they were

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Calendar, pulse & memos

Five Midwest chapters slate Jan. inaugurals

CHICAGO—Inaugural season is underway in the Midwest. These events provide chapter members with a chance to install new Board members, socialize, and give the members a chance to hear guest speakers talk on a variety of interesting topics.

About 180 Chicago members hosted their 33rd Annual dinner-dance on Dec. 3 at the Case and Cover Restaurant in the American Furniture Exchange. George Wakiji, Acting Director of

Public Affairs, ACTION, Washington, D.C., was guest speaker. His topic was the "Super Minority".

On Dec. 4, the Cincinnati-Dayton Installation was held at the Congress Inn in Cincinnati. Dr. Roger Daniels, Professor of History at the University of Cincinnati and author of numerous books on Japanese Americans including "The Politics of Prejudice", spoke about the "Japanese American Experience", to a crowd of about

100.

The remaining Midwest installation dinners will be held in January.

Milwaukee's inaugural is slated for the Country Garden Restaurant on Jan. 14. Guest speaker, Father Daniel Sharman, will talk about the changes in Japan that he saw during his 25 years of residence there. A Maryknoll Missioner, he recently became a Milwaukee JACL member.

On Jan. 21, St. Louis will

hold its installation dinner at the Sheraton Westport Inn. Joseph deRotaeché, Manager of the World Trade Section of the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Assn., is the tentative speaker. His topic is "U.S.-Japan Trade: Myths and Realities".

Judge Bill Marutani of Philadelphia will be the keynote speaker at the Twin Cities inaugural dinner on Jan. 28 at the Normandy Inn. George Sakaguchi, MDC First VG, will install the of-

ficers, and the evening's entertainment will be provided by Harry Habata of Twin Cities.

Detroit will hold its installation dinner at the Bonnie Brook on the same night. Further details will be forthcoming.

Hoosier chapter has desig-

nated Jan. 29 for its inaugural dinner to be held at the Daruma Restaurant. The program is still in its planning stages.

According to Rev. George Nishimura, Cleveland President, they have not, as yet, finalized the arrangements for their January inaugural.

chapter pulse

● Hollywood

Hollywood JACL is sponsoring Tomoo Ogita's talk on Japanese woodblock prints at Pacificulture-Asia Museum, 46 N. Los Robles Ave., Pasadena, on Friday, Jan. 20, 7:30-9:30 p.m. It will be a gallery tour of the exhibit which includes outstanding examples of Shunsho, Utamaro, Kiyonaga, Hokusai, Hiroshige, Toyokuni and many others.

Ogita is an art historian-lecturer and past Hollywood JACL president. Parking is available on the left side of the museum. France Yokoyama (662-4954), the new chapter president, said special showing to members and friends can be arranged upon reservation. The museum charges \$2 admission.

● Las Vegas

William Endow was elected Las Vegas JACL chapter president. He and his board were installed at the annual dinner-dance Jan. 8 at Royal Inn's Gold Room.

Chapter is now looking toward hosting its first district council meeting next month when the No. Calif.-W. Nevada delegates convene here at the Maxim's on Feb. 10. Special flights from San Francisco are being arranged with Las Vegas packages.

● Livingston-Merced

Many of the 1977 officers were re-elected by Livingston-Merced JACLers but two non-Japanese will be installed as well at the annual dinner Jan. 14, 7 p.m., at Rancho Del Rey Restaurant, Atwater. Caroline Nakashima will continue as president.

National Executive Director Karl Nobuyuki will be guest speaker, it was announced by Leonard Kinoshita, program chairman. Nori Tashima will be toastmaster.

A committee of eight

headed by Fred Hashimoto was instrumental in soliciting greetings for the PC Holiday Issue. Proceeds go toward helping chapter youth representatives attend the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans. Assisting him were:

Betty Minabe, Lena Hamaguchi, Ken Hamaguchi, Leonard Kinoshita, C. and Tom Nakashima and Robert Tanji.

● Lodi

Lodi JACL installed Jim Ishida as 1978 chapter president during its New Year's fun night party Jan. 7 at Hale Park Recreation Center, where a catered Chinese gourmet dinner was served. Mayor Katnich installed the new board and the Swing Tones played for the dance that followed.

Handling membership will be past president Taul Takao, 2115 W. Walnut (368-7940).

Chapter also announced the top three winners of its first annual Lodi JACL striped bass derby held in November. They were:

D. Drewsey, 32 lb., 4 oz.; Taul Takao, 31-6 1/2; and Shig Shimada, 29-8.

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Deadlines

● Japanese American of the Biennium—Nominations by Mar. 31, Nat'l JACL Hq; presentation at Convention, July 22, Salt Lake City.

● Nat'l JACL Scholarships (Freshman/Graduate)—Forms and documents by April 1, Nat'l JACL Hq; announcement in June.

● JACLer of the Biennium—Nominations by May 1, Nat'l JACL Hq; presentation at Convention, July 19, Salt Lake City.

Calendar

● JAN. 13 (Friday)

Reno—Inst dnr.

● JAN. 14 (Saturday)

Livingston-Merced—Inst dnr, Rancho Del Rey restaurant, Atwater, 7 p.m.; Karl Nobuyuki, spkr.

Milwaukee—Inst dnr, Country Gardens restaurant, 6 p.m.; Fr. Daniel Sharman, MM, spkr, "Japan: 1950-1975".

San Francisco—As Amer Bar Assn of Grt Bay Area inst dnr, Claremont Hotel, Berkeley, 7 p.m.; Judge Thomas Tang, U.S. App Ct. spkr.

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whole year we would only spend and not save any. So we wistfully watched our white

friends going to movies.

With all the care exercised on the first day, only good things should have been in store. The bad omens couldn't have had a chance. Maybe the adults took advantage of our inno-

cence and invented some of the omens.

I don't ever remember questioning the certainty with which my childhood New Years were greeted. The feeling that one could control the direction of the future, the magnitude of the optimism.

We waited for our zodiacal years when good fortune was reserved for us. And so in the year which was to be mine, I cleaned, discarded, washed. I paid with cash when-

ever possible, stopped using charge cards. On the first day I went around like a mute, not letting my tongue double-cross me.

For all my preventive measures, it turned out to be a mediocre year. Perhaps the omens have become weaker through neglect. My grandparents may have taken all the secrets of casting spells with them.

I'll have to see how my sister's year of the horse turns out. Maybe she can get the old magic working again.

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Chronology

December, 1976

Dec. 3—Washington Post breaks first story surrounding "Koreagate" bribery scandal.

Dec. 5—Salinas Valley Buddhist Church dedicates Issei pioneer museum at 14 California St.

Dec. 13—Rep. Norman Mineta attends 7th U.S.-Japan Parliamentary Exchange Conference in Tokyo.

Dec. 14—Richard Okabe of Chicago appointed interim National JACL youth director, appointed permanent director Oct. 1, 1977.

Dec. 16—Office of Asian and Pacific American Concerns established in HEW's Office of Education.

Dec. 18—Order of Canada conferred by Governor General to two Nisei: Dr. Masajiro Miyazaki, 75, osteopathic physician, and Dr. David Suzuki, 39, geneticist, both of Vancouver, B.C.

January, 1977

Jan. 2—Calif. Gov. Brown appoints Sen.-elect S.I. Hayakawa to U.S. Senate, thus gaining two-day seniority over other freshman senators, including Hawaii's Spark Matsunaga.

Jan. 4—San Joaquin County Supervisor Richard Yoshikawa elected chairman of supervisory board.

Jan. 9—Historic marker at Topaz WRA campsite found damaged by rifle fire.

Jan. 10—President Ford confers nation's most distinguished recognition, Medal of Freedom, to author James Michener (Philadelphia JACler).

Jan. 11—FCC rules it won't censor anti-racial (Archie Bunker) jokes.

Jan. 14—Pres. Carter names former Rep. Patsy T. Mink of Hawaii, to sub-Cabinet post; Asst. Secretary of State for oceans, international environmental and scientific affairs.

Jan. 18—Japanese American performers from Seabrook N.J., dance at President Carter's Inaugural.

Jan. 19—President Ford pardons Iva Toguri, convicted of wartime treason in 1949—a charge which she steadfastly denied.

Jan. 20—Alameda County jury finds Wendy Yoshimura, 34, guilty on three counts of unlawful possession of machine gun, explosive and substances with intent to make a destructive device; sentenced Mar. 17 by Judge Martin Pulich up to 15 years, but free on \$50,000 bail pending appeal.

February, 1977

Feb. 2—Lodi JACL organized under sponsorship of Stockton chapter.

Feb. 6—Albuquerque JACL reactivated as New Mexico Chapter after 20-year hiatus.

Feb. 17—Confidential memorandum reveals question raised within Carter-Mondale transition team as to Nisei loyalty to U.S. in the event of U.S.-Japan crisis.

Feb. 18—Stained glass window in Colorado State Capitol depicting Issei pioneer Naohi Hokazono dedicated.

Feb. 19—Dr. Harry Kitano speculates Nisei as group will "disappear" by year 2000.

Feb. 26—L.A. County dedicates new library in Gardena in memory of Masao W. Satow, longtime National JACL director.

March, 1977

Mar. 1—U.S. Supreme Court approves use of racial quotas in reapportioning state legislative districts under federal orders to increase voting strengths of nonwhites.

Mar. 5—JACL Headquarters, San Francisco, named Masao S. Satow Bldg.

Mar. 9—Calif. Gov. Brown appoints his third Nikkei judge, Hiroshi Fujisaki of Santa Monica, to Los Angeles Municipal Court.

Mar. 15—Sen. S.I. Hayakawa introduces legislation to keep saccharin on the market; Food & Drug Administration warns artificial sweetener carcinogenic.

Mar. 17—State Parks and Recreation Director Herbert Rhodes approves text (containing controversial "concentration camp") for Tule Lake campsite; L.A. Times calls text "profound distortion", evacuees defend choice of words.

Mar. 18—National JACL Board backs Univ. of California in the Bakke Case.

Mar. 21—Japan Premier Takeo Fukuda and President Carter will talk over major economic problems in Washington.

Mar. 22—Seattle JACL seeks U.S. Commerce Dept. funds to build community center.

Mar. 30—President Carter appoints Sen. Mike Mansfield (D-Mont.) to be U.S. ambassador to Japan; sworn in May 26.

Mar. 30—Washington Gov. Lee commutes life sentence of Anthony K. Takahashi, convicted of first-degree murder in 1967; parole authorized in 1981.

April, 1977

Apr. 1—Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) and 70 co-authors sponsor HR 6412-14 allowing federal civil service retirement credit to Japanese American evacuees.

Apr. 5—Harry Yamamoto re-elected Santa Ana (Calif.) city councilman; Ying Lee Kelly, first Chinese American on Berkeley city council, loses re-election bid by 329 votes.

Apr. 8—U.S. bans whaling inside its 200-mile limit.

Apr. 13—Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) calls for some form of military draft as U.S. armed forces in a "shocking state of combat readiness", according to Senate report.

Apr. 18—Michiko Suwa Gorman, 41, of Los Angeles wins women's title of Boston Patriots Day marathon for second time (first in 1974).

Apr. 19—San Diego County Supervisor Lee Taylor

apologizes for use of "Jap" in discussion about inviting Japanese companies.

Apr. 19—Diablo Valley JACL organized in east Contra Costa county area.

Apr. 22—French Camp (Calif.) postmaster Richard Hayashi retires from office; Ted Murano of Stockton succeeds in December.

Apr. 27—Calif. First Bank opens its new 22-story headquarters in San Francisco.

Apr. 30—Ground broken for \$9 million Little Tokyo community-cultural center complex.

May, 1977

May 1—JACL president Jim Murakami appoints Karl Nobuyuki of Gardena as national JACL executive director.

May 5—Missouri Botanical Garden, St. Louis, opens its Japanese Garden.

May 5—Calif. FEPC is authorized to file complaint against 5 ft.-6 in. height minimum for Los Angeles police.

May 10—Richard Takechi elected to Omaha city council; Chuck Kubokawa misses by 322 votes for seat on Palo Alto city council.

May 15—Ellen Endo resigns as English editor, Rafu Shimpo, to accept TV position with American Broadcasting Co.

May 16—Vandals crush Japanese Sister City gift stone-lantern at Lodi's Micke Grove.

May 20—L.A. Community Redevelopment Agency asks court to evict Pacific Southwest JACL/Pacific Citizen from Sun Bldg. premise; JACL responds to complaint within five days; both parties agree May 31 for move to interim quarters to old Nishi Hongwanji by June 10; move completed June 6.

May 23—San Benito High School paper reports use of "Jap" by history teacher John Buchanan in classroom; called June 2 by school board for explanation after protests from San Benito County JACL, reprimanded June 28.

May 29—Earl Warren's "Memoirs" (Doubleday) confesses his wrong-doing for own role leading to internment of Japanese Americans in 1942.

June, 1977

June 3—Texas Sansei rower Steve Kurachi rescued 360 miles NE of Bermuda, was trying to cross Atlantic Ocean.

June 6—Washington Gov. Lee signs E-1 visa alien tuition law, marks end to four-year effort by Columbia Basin JACL.

June 7—Kiyoshi Matsuo voted Mayor of Foster City, Calif.; Henry Hibino re-elected Mayor of Salinas, Calif.

June 9—First JACL group tour takes off for Europe on 27-day excursion.

June 10—Former Japan Prime Minister Takeo Miki addresses San Francisco Commonwealth Club on "Future of Democracy in Japan" (partial text in July 15 PC).

June 14—San Diego County

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Human Relations Commission objects to summer stage production of "King & I" by Starlight Opera Co. as "racist play".

June 15—Calif. Gov. Brown appoints Yori Wada, 60, San Francisco, to Univ. of Calif. board of regents.

June 18—Japanese Canadian Centennial celebrated at Powell St. Festival, Vancouver, B.C.

June 20—Business Week reveals Kodak official wants "Remember Pearl Harbor" label on film pack; idea criticized by JACL, Kodak issues regrets.

June 28—UC Davis accepts community development work for tenure; Dr. George Kagiwada, thus, promoted associate professor with tenure.

July, 1977

July 1—\$4 million junior high school under construction in Steveston, B.C., in memory of Tomekichi Honma, Canadian Issei naturalized in 1893.

July 9—Two experienced Nisei fishermen, George and Ben Fukuzaki, sail for Guam on governmental research for new tuna fishing grounds.

July 13—U.S. Federal District Court jury at Ann Arbor, Mich., finds two nurses at VA Hospital guilty in poisoning of patients; Filipina Narciso and Leonora Perez both maintain innocence.

July 13—Japan Supreme Court issues first ruling on church-state Article XX, approves municipal contribution for Shinto ground-breaking ritual.

July 18—Daily hot meal program for Issei aging

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August, 1977

Aug. 2—Sacramento area school board president's remark about Buddhism draws protests from both JACL and Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Aug. 3—Sumitomo Bank of Calif. denies charge of job discrimination leveled by black, Hispanic and women groups.

Aug. 4—Congress receives President Carter's message on undocumented aliens.

Aug. 4—HUD exempts Seattle Housing Authority on minority compliance with respect to Asian-dominated facility, International Terrace.

Aug. 8—Dr. James Nagatani sworn in as Delano (Calif.) city councilman to fill vacancy.

Aug. 8—NBC-TV airs Midwest JACL produced five-part series: "Japanese Americans: The Way We Are"; later shown in Washington, Cleveland, New York, Los Angeles.

Aug. 12—Little Tokyo's newest Hotel Otani opens.

Aug. 13—George Knox Roth testimonial dinner held in Little Tokyo Towers.

Aug. 26—Federal judge cites one-year residency law for state jobs "unconstitutional."

Aug. 28—Young People's Christian Conference, San Francisco, marks 50th anniversary.

September, 1977

Sept. 3—Sadaharu Oh, 37, of Yomiuri Giants, hits 755th home run, breaking Hank Aaron's record of 754.

Sept. 4—Sansei Paul Wada among five slain in San Francisco.

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Abe, James Y., 63, Nov 27, Salinas; vice pres, Bud Antle, Inc.; Nisei community leader, Salinas Valley JACL president, 1946-47.

Asano, Aizen, 96, Aug 7, Phoenix; pioneer Issei resident since Arizona territorial days.

Dobana, Fred K., 61, July 10, Stockton; Nisei community leader.

Hara, Dr James H., 87, May 28, Los Angeles; pioneer Issei physician, co-founder of Japanese 7th Day Adventist Church, Los Angeles, in 1918.

Herron, Lt Gen Charles, 100, April 23, Honolulu; West Point graduate, credited with preventing evacuation of Japanese from Hawaii in World War II.

Honda, Yakichi, 94, July 14, Fowler; pioneer Fresno area Issei.

Hong, You Chung, 79, Nov 8, Los Angeles; first Chinese American attorney in California, past grand president of Chinese American Citizens Alliance.

Ino, Kunisaku, 86, Mar 11, San Francisco; art goods dealer.

Ishiwara, Dr George A., 67, May 16, Vancouver BC;

first Canadian Nisei dentist, co-founder, Japanese Canadian Citizens Assn. in British Columbia.

Kamimoto, Tsutae, 54, June 21, San Juan Bautista; San Benito County JACL president, 1964.

Katayama, Art, 56, June 21, Los Angeles; Nisei VFW leader.

Kawaichi, Dr George K., 71, July 15, Long Beach; Los Angeles-born physician.

Kido, Saburo, 74, Apr 4, San Francisco; attorney, co-founder, National JACL; national president (1940-46), newspaper publisher.

Kinoshita, Dr Ryojun, 84, Sept 7, Los Angeles; pathologist, City of Hope; one of the first to link cancer with smoking and chemical food additives.

Kishiyama, Ellen, 62, Dec 25, 1976, Santa Maria; school teacher-writer, Santa Maria Valley JACL president, 1974-76.

Matsuo, Fred T., 62, Mar 24, Honolulu; 100th Infantry Bn veteran known as "Mr. Show Biz of the Pacific" in the 1950s.

Mihara, Tokinobu, 79, July 10, San Francisco; newspaperman, prewar San

Francisco; publisher of books and dictionaries; and bookstore owner, postwar.

Murayama, Ben K., 68, Sept 21, Los Angeles; longtime Little Tokyo businessman.

Narahara, Masaru, 73, Feb 19, West Los Angeles; Alameda JACL president, 1939.

Noda, Jack, 66, Apr 23, Turlock; farmer, community leader, JACL district chairman, national vice-president (1955-56).

Obayashi, Kazu, 58, Sept 13, New York; Seattle-born Nisei community leader; member, N.Y. City Commis-

sion of Human Rights, 1964-69.

Ogasawara, Rev Keichi, 55, June 9, Long Beach; pastor, Grace Presbyterian Church.

Otagiri, James G., 77, Mar 24, San Francisco; board chairman, Otagiri Mercantile Co.

Shibayama, Kamakichi, 84, June 4, Seattle; owner of several Seattle hotels prewar and postwar.

Shiramizu, Harry, 74, May 25, Honolulu; veteran Nisei newspaperman, long associated with Nippu Jiji/Hawaii Times; once edited Jerome (Ark.) WRA camp news-

paper.

Tajima, Rev Kengo, 93, July 26, Pasadena; pioneer Issei clergyman, longtime pastor, Pasadena Presbyterian Church, prewar.

Takamine, Mrs. Mary, 60, Dec 20, 1976, Denver; Nebraska-born church worker.

Tanaka, Kinuyo, 67, Mar 23, Tokyo; top film actress in Japan.

Tsuruoka, Tokutaro, 85, Feb 12, New York; art goods dealer in San Francisco pre-

war, New York postwar.

Uno, Edison T., 47, Dec. 20, 1976; San Francisco State University instructor; community leader.

Ushio, Jim, 61, Apr 26, Salt Lake City; Mt. Olympus JACL president, 1952.

Yatabe, Dr Thomas T., 80, Nov 14, Evanston, Ill.; San Francisco-born dentist co-founder, American Loyalty League, National JACL; first nationally elected JACL president.

CHRONOLOGY

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cisco Chinatown restaurant by unknown assailants; 39th victim since 1969 in Chinatown, according to police.

Sept. 17-18—Nat'l JACL Exec Committee steps up JACL reparation campaign; Nov. survey indicates strong support by membership.

Sept. 27—Ohio Gov. Rhodes' use of "Jap" at press conference draws immediate JACL reaction; public apology issued Oct. 3.

Sept. 30—John Yoshino employment discrimination case settled out-of-court (see Oct. 21 PC), Washington JACL Office learns.

Sept. 30—Washington Gov. Lee appoints Liem Eng Tuai to King County Superior Court.

October, 1977

Oct. 3—San Mateo JACL calls for city help in reducing home burglaries.

Oct. 5—Nat'l JACL membership tops 30,000 plateau for the first time.

Oct. 5—U.S. Attorney General Bell's brief on Bakke case questions right of Asians as "minority"; JACL and other Asian groups petition for clarification.

Oct. 11—Nat'l JACL sued for \$62,000 by Amy Doi, alleging loss of reputation and for libelous statements.

Oct. 16—Watsonville JACL opens new hall.

Oct. 17—Sumitomo Bank of Calif. acquires 19 branches of Bank of California; official merger held Dec. 5.

Oct. 18—Hawaiian Nisei Wally Yonamine, 52, ends 26-year career in Japanese professional baseball, recent years as manager of Nagoya Chunichi Dragons.

Oct. 24—Pat Tashima joins PC editorial staff.

Oct. 28—Green onion pickers in Phoenix-area and Nikkei growers in wage dispute.

Oct. 29—Calif. Dept. of Corrections director Jerry Enomoto apologizes to Chicano group for statements issued by his department, alleging possible illegal connections of prisoners and ex-offenders.

November, 1977

Nov. 4—Salt Lake Nikkei community approves multi-ethnic complex, including senior citizen housing.

Nov. 5—Sierra Club withdraws support of American boycott to save whales.

Nov. 5—Sacramento testimonial honors attorney Henry Taketa for 40 years of community work.

Nov. 6—Rep. Mineta calls for more Nikkei action to

make positive changes in Japan-U.S. Friendship Act implementation; JACL director Nobuyuki calls attention to inadequacies during his mid-summer rounds of districts.

Nov. 8—Judge William Marutani elected judge in Philadelphia court of common pleas; garners over 194,000 votes; Wash. State Rep. Paul Shinoda Jr. loses bid for state senate seat.

Nov. 16—Univ. of Washington medical student of Filipino ancestry dismissed, loses discrimination case for lack of evidence; had charged school his dismissal with race bias.

Nov. 25—Phoenix attorney Thomas Tang sworn in as second Asian American judge on U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals; appointed earlier by President Carter.

Nov. 26—Los Angeles testimonial cites Sansei L.A. Police Lt. James Sakoda, honored by Nat'l VFW as nation's law enforcement man of the year.

December, 1977

Dec. 5—Two Nikkei scientists, Keiichi Itakura and Tadaaki Hirose, at City of Hope center, produce bacterial hormone from man-made genes along with two other scientists; hailed as scientific triumph of first order.

Dec. 9—One Nikkei (James Makoto Otani) among 100 Americans returned from Mexican jails in prisoners exchange.

Dec. 11—Japan-U.S. government leaders meet in Washington on trade issue; dollar drops in yen exchange (\$238 to \$1).

Dec. 15—Arizona Nisei businessman and MIS veteran Kadamoto made honorary consul of Japan for Phoenix.

Dec. 16—Predict most Vietnam refugees will be at work in a few years.

Dec. 24—CBS-TV telecasts Christmas Eve service from San Francisco Pine Japanese Methodist Church.

Dec. 21—Illinois appellate court overturns Chicago jury trial decision against Okubo-Yamada who had sued the Hilton Corp. for damages.

Dec. 28—Calif. Gov. Brown names his fourth and fifth Nikkei judges: Robert Higa, 40, of Whittier; and Kathryn Doi Todd, 35, of Los Angeles—for Los Angeles municipal court.

Dec. 29—So. Calif. JACL regional office moves around the corner to 125 N. Central Ave.

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kyo. Tsukada will direct the airline's functions within the American Region and also assumes responsibilities as JAL's district manager of operations at San Francisco International Airport. A 25-year veteran with JAL, Tsukada has held management posts in sales, customer service and flight operations.

Hiroshi Ohara has been named senior vice president and general manager of the Mitsui & Co. (USA), Inc. Los Angeles office. Ohara, 50, replaces Ryoichi Kubo, who was promoted to general manager of Mitsui's steel departments in Tokyo. Kubo held the L.A. post over three years. A law graduate of Tokyo University in 1948, Ohara is a corporate planning specialist, having worked some 29 years for Mitsui.

Crime

Yah Lee Wange Sun, the former administrator of the Asian Medical Center in Los Angeles, was sentenced to 60 days in county jail and fined \$1,875 for practicing medicine without a license. Sun, who was a licensed physician in Korea but had not been certified in California, reportedly treated patients at the Medical Center and prescribed birth control pills illegally. She was convicted Nov. 7.

Michael Louie, 21, a Chinatown gang leader, was arraigned in Municipal Court in San Francisco on charges of slaying his 18-year-old girl friend, **Kit Mun Louie** (no relation). Louie allegedly shot Miss Louie in the head with a .32 caliber pistol in late August, 1976 because she had become involved in a rival gang. Her body was found wrapped in a rug and

dumped over a cliff near Stinson Beach in Marin County. Police said Louie suffered gunshot wounds in the Sept. 4 shooting at the Golden Dragon Restaurant, where five persons were killed and 11 wounded.

Two young men arrested in connection with the shooting death of **Masao Kimura**, 72, on Nov. 16, were released by officials for lack of evidence. **Maurice Joseph Dejeans**, 18, and **Donald Ray Brown**, 20, were released with no charges filed. Family members found Kimura outside his Fresno home. He was the owner of a Boys Market in West Fresno.

A misdemeanor charge was filed against a Corona man believed to have accidentally shot a Japanese American golfer at a course in Santa Ana canyon. **Rick Ketcham**, 20, faces a charge of firing a weapon in a restricted area of Riverside county. Ketcham was target shooting near the golf course where Gardena businessman **Roji Sakai**, 32, was felled. Sakai underwent surgery at Corona Community Hospital and was reported in satisfactory condition. Ketcham, if found guilty, faces a maximum penalty of six months in jail and a \$500 fine.

Education

Former Merced College trustee **Buddy Iwata** is teaching his first class in conversational Japanese at the local community center in Livingston, Calif. Iwata, who retired from the college board last March, taught Japanese at the U.S. Navy Language School in Boulder, Colo. in 1942 and then joined the U.S. Office of War Information in Denver, where he worked with "Voice of America" in broadcasting in the Pacific.

Travel expert **Kiyoko Ishimoto** is currently presenting a series of lectures on the customs and people of Japan at Chabot College in Hayward. Mrs. Ishimoto, born and raised in Kyoto, came to the U.S. in 1958 and is vice president and general manager

of Specialty Travel Interface, Inc. She is married to well-known photographer **Tatsuo Ishimoto**.

Government

Ted Murano has been selected as the new postmaster of the French Camp Post office, replacing **Richard K. Hayashi** who retired in April. Murano was one of five finalists from the Stockton Sectional Center area who went before the postmaster selection board. He is one of the few Japanese Americans selected for the position of postmaster. Presently, not more than three Japanese American postmasters exist in California. Murano lives in Stockton with his wife, **Bessie**.

Attorney **Jun Mori** will serve as the Los Angeles Harbor Commissioner until June 30, replacing **George Izumi** who resigned in late September. The Japan-educated Mori served as chairman of the Los Angeles-Nagoya Sister City Affiliation and was an interpreter for the labor office of Tokyo-Kanagawa Military Government District. Mori, 47, is married and has a daughter and two sons.

Jeffrey Y. Matsui, 41, has been named as Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley's new executive assistant. Born in Hawaii, Matsui succeeds **Masamori Kojima**, who retired Dec. 27 to enter private business. A former JACL associate national director, Matsui joined the mayor's staff four years ago and lives in San Pedro with his wife **Barbara**, and two sons **Ken** and **Mike**.

Thomas S. Kadomoto, 60, was named an honorary consul of the Japanese Consulate General's Office and will assist persons of Japanese ancestry on matters pertaining to consulate functions. Kadomoto, a longtime Phoenix community leader and WW2 interrogator and translator under Gen. Douglas MacArthur, was sworn in by Consul General **Wataru Miyagawa**. An Arizona consulate representative since October 1963, Kadomoto served in both Phoenix and Glendale where many Issei were assisted in obtaining their American citizenship. His wife, **Kay**, and four children attended the brief ceremony.

Sachiko Koketsu, an employee of the Japan Information Service of the Consulate General of Japan, has resigned her position after six years of service. Mrs. Koketsu will return to Japan to join her husband, a professor at Nagoya University.

Chikamitsu Harada, deputy consul general of the Consulate General of Japan in San Francisco was named consul general in Edmonton, Canada. Harada, a native of Kagoshima-ken, joined the San Francisco staff a year-and-a-half ago. His successor will be Consul **Toshihiro Kojima**.

Health

Dr. Ben Ichinose, a Hillsborough dentist, and **Leo Nakayama**, administrator of Long Beach Community Hospital, were appointed by Sen. S.I. Hayakawa to the Citizens Advisory Committee on Health Issues, one of two units formed by the senator to aid him in legislative functions. The 23-member health issues committee will advise Hayakawa on future health care needs, delivery systems and health care costs.

Honors

Minoru Fujita, a gardener from Rosemead, Calif., is one of nine individuals who will read at the Emper-

or's annual New Year imperial poetry reading party Jan. 12. Fujita, 61, wrote on this year's theme of motherhood and was the only winner outside of Japan. This marks the second time one of Fujita's poems has been selected to be read at the 800-year-old court ceremony held at the Imperial Palace. Fujita also was chosen in 1971.

Politics

Charles Taguchi and **Ron Nishinaka** have filed candidacy for two Reedley City Council spots up for grabs in the March 7 elections. Taguchi, owner of a camera shop, was the first Japanese American to take out nomination papers, while Nishinaka, a landscape horticulture instructor at Reedley College, was the first Nisei to file papers.

Mayor **Tsujio Kato** broke the law when he called a City Hall press conference recently to announce his candidacy for re-election, Ventura County District Attorney **Stanley Trom** said. The conference constituted personal use of public property, an offense that could have earned him a prison sentence of two to four years and removal from office, Trom said. Because Kato was unaware he was breaking the law, no charges were filed.

Sports

Robert Iriye of Strathmore High School in Lindsay, Calif. made All-League offensive guard for the second straight year. **Annette Hirata** and **Kathy Sunamoto** of Reedley High School were chosen for the West Yosemite All-League volleyball team. They were two of eight members chosen for the squad. **Ann Kumata** received the President's Cup Trophy for her overall low score at the Tri-Par Tournament last month at Inglewood Golf Course. Ms. Kumata finished with a 73-17-56. **Yuri Ekina** won the Closest to the Pin honor with a 4'5" and **Annabelle Lee** was the Least Putts winner with 27. The Sportsmanship Award was given to **Ruri Sugimoto**.

Hawaii-born **Wally Yonamine**, who recently resigned as manager of the Chunichi Dragons after five years, has signed a contract to coach young players of the Yomiuri Giants. Yonamine will be returning to the Giants after an 18-year absence. He was the first American of Japanese ancestry to become a professional football player as a member of the San Francisco 49ers, but injured a knee and turned to baseball. From the San Francisco Seals farm club in Salt Lake City, Yonamine joined the Giants in 1952.

Jack Miyamoto, defensive coordinator for the past seven football seasons, has been named head coach at Grossmont College in San Diego. Miyamoto is a graduate of Colorado State College with a master's degree from San Jose State. Before joining the Grossmont staff in 1971, Miyamoto, 36, was an assistant coach at Castro Valley High. The assignment is being appealed by former head coach **Dave Jordan**, who led the school to a state championship in 1974 and posted a 35-31-5 overall record.

Terry Kawashiri was selected the most improved offensive player by the South Pasadena High School football team. Kawashiri and other award winners were honored last month at the annual football banquet in Glendale. Tiger head coach is **Jim Yang**.

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