



Karl Nobuyuki Photo

A huge 40-foot Japanese "koi nobori" (ceremonial carp) is unfurled on Boy's Day, May 5, from the roof of the Masao Satow Bldg., the National JACL Headquarters. Staff attributes the display to Pete Hironaka's cartoon in the May 5 issue of the Pacific Citizen.

Community Relations group backs redress for evacuees

DENVER, Colo.—The Denver Commission on Community Relations, at its May 10 meeting, urged the Congress to enact legislation "as would provide equitable reparations to the Japanese American community (for) the agonies and sufferings of military internment during World War II".

The resolution for Japanese American Reparations was signed by Syl Morgan Smith, commission chairwoman, and Minoru Yasui, executive director. The 15-member commission, appointed by the Mayor, had unanimously endorsed the position now being put into a legislative proposal by the Japanese American Citizens League.

The resolution recounts the forced removal by the U.S. government of some

110,000 Japanese Americans in 1942 in the name of "military necessity" and being interned in camps surrounded by barbed wire fences, machine gun posts, searchlights and (U.S.) military police without ever having any charges preferred against them, nor any trial or hearing of any kind whatsoever . . . on the basis of national origin".

It continues by describing the estimated losses of \$400,000,000 incurred by the Evacuation, for which some \$30 million was reimbursed upon proof of actual physical losses; deprivation of earnings and disruption of lives and careers; and despite such conditions, over 33,000 Nisei served in the U.S. armed forces during WW2 proving their loyalty to the U.S.

VFW Japan post backs reparation

SAN FRANCISCO — The overseas VFW Post 9723 in Japan is pushing for evacuee reparation and internment credit for retirement for the third time, National JACL Headquarters learned this past week from Alex Yorichi.

Two resolutions are to be

presented to the Pacific Areas VFW department convention this month in Seoul and if approved, forwarded to the August national VFW convention in Dallas. The civil service retirement credit measure has been twice adopted at the national VFW conventions.

Initiative for nonquotas fizzles

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—An initiative which would have prohibited preferential treatment in college admission, public and private employment and in the awarding of public and private contracts on the basis of race, religion, sex, ethnic background or prior servi-

tude of ancestors failed to qualify for the November ballot, it was announced by the Secretary of State's Office May 22.

Former state Sen. Lawrence Walsh of Downey, sponsor of the anti-affirmative action petition, ended his drive without filing any signatures.

1978 JACL CONVENTION

Package deal, hotel rates set

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—Registration and housing forms form the 25th biennial National JACL Convention to be held July 17-22 at Little America Hotel here are now in the hands of chapters.

A \$5 break is given those who pre-register by June 23 with the Convention. The package deal is \$55 before June 23 and \$60 thereafter for four major events: the Masaoka Distinguished Public Service Banquet, Awards Luncheon, Snowbird Special (outing), and Sayonara banquet-ball.

Those planning to stay at the convention headquarters site are expected to sign up for one of the 200 rooms reserved for JACL conventioners at the special rate of \$23 and up single, \$28 and up family double.

Little America asks reservations be placed 30 days in advance and cutoffs of two weeks prior to opening date. Toll free reservations

may be phoned in 800-453-9450 (800-662-5888 in Utah). Double rate includes with no increase up to four or six people as each room has two beds and a sofa-bed.

Convention registration forms are being handled by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yoshimura, 3065 S. 2600 East, Salt Lake City, Utah 84109. Admission rates to individual events are as follows:

(Mon) Tennis tournament \$2; (Wed) Masaoka DPS Banquet \$20; (Thu) Snowbird Special \$12, bus transp \$3; (Fri) Awards Luncheon \$10, 1000 Club Whing Ding \$4 mem, \$7 non-memb; (Sat) Golf tournament \$12, Sayonara Banquet & Ball \$20.

Checks are payable to—1978 JACL National Convention.

All convention workshops scheduled in the afternoon are free, as well as business sessions in the morning. Sightseeing tours from Little America are being planned. Baby sitting service will be available.

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VOTERS TO DECIDE JUNE 6

Asian educators look at Prop. 13

By SHARON SUZUKI
(Staff Writer)

LOS ANGELES—"Show the politicians who's boss!" urges a radio commercial for Proposition 13, the controversial property-tax measure, also known as the Jarvis-Gann Initiative, facing the California electorate next Tuesday.

But "Vote Yes on 8, No on 13" is the message on bumper stickers distributed by the Asian American Educators Assn.

Anti-Proposition 13, Proposition 8 is the stance a majority of leaders in the Asian American educational community are taking. Concern over lowering of the quality of education in the public school system, viewed as the consequence if Proposition 13 is adopted, is the reason given by spokespersons who therefore favor Proposition 13.

"It bothers me that there are not enough people who realize the impact passage of Proposition 13 will have," states Kiyo Fukumoto, president of AAEA. "They think it (Prop. 13) will go away, or not be as bad as they say it will. But it's going to hurt if it passes." He cited some possible effects adopting the Jarvis-Gann Initiative will have on California school districts:

- Increased class size.
- Elimination of summer school.
- A minimum day (4 hrs.) for all students.
- Sharp reduction of adult education courses.
- Athletics and extracurricular activities cutback.
- Termination of all but a very limited staff for bilingual/ESL (English as a Second Language) programs.

The above changes in the schools would be due to budget cuts made because of loss of property tax revenue if Proposition 13 is adopted. The projected budget cuts will take place if no replacement revenues become available.

Bob Kwan, assistant chair-

person of the Asian Committee for the United Teachers of Los Angeles, which is also against Prop. 13, concurs with Fukumoto. "It's going to be disastrous; especially if it hurts the bilingual program," claims Kwan.

Elsie Akita Myers, chairperson of UTLA's Asian Committee, says she doesn't know to what extent the bilingual program would be affected by passage of the Jarvis-Gann initiative.

The Asian-American Education Commission's stand is to stay away from politics, explains its president, Masao Tanino. However, he says,

"Personally, I feel that, not speaking for the rest of the commissioners, if 13 goes through, it will hurt us. The funds will just not be available, and take away programs existing today and those we'd like to start for bettering education for Asian American students and bettering education in general.

"A yes-vote on 13 will definitely not improve the quality of education . . . will, in fact, be very detrimental," Tanino adds.

"Our commission's existence is being threatened by 13," he says. "We're the only avenue, the pipeline between the Asian community and the Board of Education."

Besides affecting pupils, passage of Prop. 13 would also affect the staffing of public schools.

Herb Leong, executive secretary of the Asian American Education Commission, reports that all teachers who worked for 20 years or less received preliminary notice that they will be laid off, should voters approve Proposition 13.

Fukumoto puts the estim-

ated number of teachers that will be laid off at 18,400. Of these, other sources say, roughly 1,000 are Nikkei.

Adoption of Jarvis-Gann would cause "program made over the last few years to improve employment opportunities for Asian-Pacific peoples to be lost," according to Mike Ishikawa, L.A. County Affirmative Action Compliance Officer. "Further underlining the seriousness of these layoffs," he says, "is the curtailment of services provided to residents of Asian-Pacific communities."

Agreeing, Fukumoto believes Proposition 13 would "hurt not only the schools, but many programs and community services funded by the County would be lost".

Other cutbacks were cited by director Betty Kozasa of the Asian American Voluntary Action Center, such as:

- Libraries, museums put on low priority.
- Bookmobile to stop servicing Little Tokyo and Chinatown.
- Subsidies ended for the Music Center, Korean Philharmonic and Japanese Philharmonic.

In an article for the L.A. Times, Donald Lazere, associate professor at Cal State Poly—San Luis Obispo, asks: "Who stands to lose most from the cutbacks and curtailments in public services that passage of the Jarvis-Gann amendment would necessitate?" He answers,

"You guessed it: residents of the inner cities of California. There, schools would be forced to drop special programs; there, social services for the young and old could quickly deteriorate. In fact, impoverished urban pockets would lose not only local property-tax revenues but also federal money pledged as matching funds."

"Worse yet," Lazere concludes, "Jarvis-Gann would send the jobless rate skyrocketing for it is an American custom that the last hired—meaning minorities—are the first fired."

Possible effects of Propositions 13 vs. 8 were noted in a flyer, "Property Tax Reform and Its Possible Effects on the L.A. Unified School District".

Prop. 13—The 1% of assessed valuation limitation for collecting property

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OUCH!

Starting with this issue, the postage cost to mail the Pacific Citizen has increased 27% or approximately \$185 more a week for some 24,500 copies. In round numbers, it's another \$10,000 a year bite to our budget.

An additional 50¢ will be charged for PCs going to foreign countries effective July 1. The rate will be \$4.50 additional to a year's subscription.

—PACIFIC CITIZEN

Controversial Hibakusha photo . . .



Cut courtesy: Asahi Evening News, Tokyo

This photo of a girl with burns all over body was one of five the United Nations Secretariat felt was "too cruel" to put on display and asked it not be shown during the first U.N. Special General Assembly on Disarmament in a month-long exhibit of photographs showing victims of the atom bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Community to honor Rev. Nicholson

LOS ANGELES—The Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Nicholson, retired Quaker missionaries who worked with Japanese Americans in and out of the WW2 camps, will be honored at a community appreciation dinner on Sunday, July 23, 6 p.m., at Golden Palace Restaurant in New Chinatown. Paul Tsuneishi is dinner chairman.

Co-sponsors include the JACL Pacific Southwest District, Japanese Chamber of Commerce, Nisei Veterans Coordinating Council, Japanese American Church Federation, and the Japanese Evangelical Missionary Society. Tickets are \$10.

For the Record

S. 224, the Senate bill providing civil service retirement credit to those who were interned under Exec. Order 9066, was introduced by both Sen. Inouye and Matsunaga.

Hayakawa says he's for Prop. 13

WASHINGTON—Sen. S. I. Hayakawa (R-Calif.) declared he was voting for Prop. 13 (the Jarvis-Gann Initiative) because of being frustrated by the fact that tax cuts, "no matter how wisely designed, simply do not make their way through the legislature."

The "shock treatment" of Prop. 13 is what the government needs to bring about fiscal common sense... "by limiting government income, Prop. 13 will force government to learn to budget—just as individuals and families do."

SCHOOL

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taxes to fund local services... will reduce property taxes by an average of 57% statewide. The proposition does not provide for replacement or any of the "lost" funds.

It is estimated that the budget would be reduced by about \$780 million plus another \$80-100 million in state and federal categorical aid for which the district might no longer qualify.

These figures are based on the premise that the State Legislature will not impose new taxes or release state surplus funds. If the Legislature should impose new taxes, release state surplus funds or act on a combination of the two, the financial outlook would change accordingly.

Prop. 8— Passage, which implements SB 1, would not affect the public educational program by reducing its income, according to the author of SB 1, Sen. Peter Behr. California public elementary and secondary schools already are under a "revenue limit" process.

Funds would be made up the first four or five years by existing and continuing state surplus funds, with no taxes needed during this time, according to Sen. Behr.

Chinatown Fires of 1900

LOS ANGELES—Only Mainland exhibit of the historic photographs of the 1899-1900 Honolulu Chinatown fires to eradicate the bubonic plague will be shown June 7, 7:30 p.m., at Castelar Ave. School in Chinatown.

Perry Post dinner

LOS ANGELES—Commodore Perry Post 525, American Legion, will have its annual installation dinner June 10, 7:30 p.m., at Tai Hong Restaurant, 845 N. Broadway. The post was established in 1935 by Issei veterans of the Spanish-American War and World War I.

Summer student exchange

RESEDA, Calif.—West San Fernando Valley homes are being sought by Pacific American Institute to house Japanese high school exchange students this summer (July 26-Aug. 18). Details are available from program coordinator Doris Scheffler (993-0582).



Jim Miyano (left), deputy to Los Angeles County Supervisor Ed Edelman, accepts commendation scroll on behalf of the Supervisor at opening ceremonies for the Asian/Pacific Counseling and Treatment Center, 3407 W. 6th St., Suite 510, Los Angeles, from Betty Fujiwara, chairperson of the center's advisory committee.

Asian/Pacific mental health clinic in L.A. now in new site

LOS ANGELES—Free mental health care is now available at the Asian/Pacific Counseling and Treatment Center, 3407 West Sixth St., Suite 510, Supervisor Ed Edelman has announced following dedication ceremonies May 17 at the new clinic site.

"I commend the Asian American Mental Health Task Force, whose members worked for two years to study community needs and to plan for a mental health facility with Asian and Pacific Island bilingual and bicultural staff," said Edelman, who secured \$250,000 to operate the outpatient service from Short-Doyle funds which had previously supported the Resthaven Psychiatric Hospital, closed in 1976.

The clinic began providing services in May, 1977, at a temporary location in the LAC-USC Mental Health

Outpatient Clinic and was moved to the new site in February, 1978. Edelman was instrumental in securing a permanent facility at a more central location for Asian community residents.

The clinic is staffed by trained bilingual-bicultural personnel fluent in Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Samoan and Vietnamese.

Shotatsu Koretsune, M.D., is interviewing Japanese on Thursdays for his studies on anthropophobic complaints.

Norwalk reunion

NORWALK, Calif.—A reunion of pre-war Nisei who attended the Norwalk Japanese School and Excelsior High will be held on Sunday, June 4, 4:30 p.m., at the Saddleback Inn here. For reservations, call any of the following after 7 p.m.: Stella Kishi 477-7205, Joe Nawa 921-3856, Peter Ogawa 427-6682, Fumi Saito 533-7158, Jikko Sato 733-4023, or Terry Yamamoto 281-2750.

TOKI & TURA NAKAMURA

Couple die a month apart

NEW YORK—Tura Nakamura, pre-WW2 Seattle radio personality who later

Deaths

Fudenna, Mrs. Hamano, 87, Fremont, Calif., died May 10. She and her late husband Kiichi, who died in 1936, were pioneer strawberry growers in South Alameda County (1912-1942); in 1946 family resumed farming truck crops until the late 1960s when their land became too valuable. The farm land is not the central business district of Fremont and a 50-acre golf complex.

Somekawa, Arthur, of Puyallup, Wash., died May 10. Among the survivors wife Emi, president of both Portland, Puyallup Valley JACL chapters, Pacific Northwest governor and a National JACL committee woman.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to extend my sincere gratitude for the many expressions of sympathy for the loss of my mother, Toki Nakamura.

Eileen Yaeko Popiel
Oakland, New Jersey

Wanted: 1944 JACL Convention Minutes

National Headquarters has furnished us the first 52 pages of the manuscript used to prepare the 1944 National JACL Convention minutes. A complete copy (if it exists) is not on file at Headquarters. But it is our hope that it does exist. If a delegate to that convention has a copy, please send it to us for reproduction.

The PC is in the process of binding its set of Convention minutes between 1942 and 1972.

—Pacific Citizen

Archives source for camp papers

WASHINGTON—Individuals claiming Social Security wage credit for the period of their internment during World War II must obtain a Certificate of Internment from:

General Archives Division
Attn: Janet Hargett
National Archives
Washington, D.C. 20409

As much information as possible should accompany the request, such as SSA number, birthdate, address prior to internment, dates of incarceration and the name of camps.

Japan changes rules in Viets

TOKYO—Vietnamese refugees in Japan may gain the right of permanent residency, the Japanese government announced April 28, if certain conditions are met:

- Spouse, parent or child of a Japanese or of a foreigner who is legally staying in Japan and has been leading a stable life.
- To have an adoptive parent and suitable to become the child's guardian for a long period.
- To be in good health, self-sufficient and able to find a reliable guarantor.

Asia Society debuts magazine

NEW YORK—The first issue of "Asia", published by The Asia Society, was dated May/June and edited by Joan Ogden Freseman, a journalist who covered Indonesia, Singapore and Thailand. Single copy is \$2.50 at Asia, PO Box 379, Ft Lee, NJ 07024.

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR

Asian-Pacific caucus chosen

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Fifteen Asian-Pacific American women were invited to White House ceremonies where the National Commission on the Observance of the International Women's Year presented its official report on last fall's convention to President Carter.

The Asian-Pacific contingent elected Dina Iguchi, of San Jose, and Tin Myiang Thien, of San Diego, to co-chair their IWY Caucus.

Asian-Pacific women selected to the 469-member IWY continuing committee include:

Jane M. Yamashiro, Alaska; Yukie Tokuyama, Calif.; Dr. Hsueh Koh, Conn.; Pauline Tsue, Washington D.C.; Gregoria Baty, Guam; Odetta

Villanueva King, Hawaii; Bok Kim Lim, Ill.; Ming Hus, N.J.; Goldie Chu, Esther G. Kee, Linda J. Lee, N.Y.; Rita Fujiki Elway, Wash.; Seau Scanlon, Samoa; Agnes M. McPhitres, Mich.

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Tule Lake pilgrimage June 3-4

SAN FRANCISCO—A commemorative pilgrimage to Tule Lake is being planned for the June 3-4 weekend by student and community groups in Northern California.

Persons wishing to help plan and participate (over 200 are expected) may write or call:

Tule Lake Committee, 1858 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115 (921-8849; Mon 8-11 p.m., Wed 11 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat 10 a.m.-4 p.m.); Vivian Chikawa, Sacramento (916-442-1353 or 451-7011), or Dave Okita, Davis (578-9046).

U.S. Interior Dept. seeking more business with minorities

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Dept. of the Interior plans to award 10% of its \$1.3 billion spent each year for goods and services to minority and women-owned businesses, according to the Washington JACL Office.

Interim Washington representative Harry I. Takagi, present at a recent briefing with Under Secretary James Joseph, reported an aggressive Interior Dept. plan to encourage minority and women-owned businesses was being pushed as all office elements, major bureaus and compliance serv-

ice have been notified.

A booklet, "How to Do Business with Dept. of Interior", will be out by July. Inquiries, in the meantime, may be directed to:

Charlotte B. Spann, Dept. of Interior, chief, Branch of Minority Procurement, Div. of Procurement and Grants, AMP, Washington, D.C. 20240 (202-343-4907).

The Washington JACL Office will also be available for channeling inquiries.

Many kinds of supplies and equipment, including consultant and professional services, are needed by the Department, which has bureaus with many of its procurement offices in the Western states. Most procurement is competitive. The major bureaus include:

Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Mines, Bureau of Reclamation, Geological Survey, National Park Service, Fish & Wildlife Service.

Mineta releases study

WASHINGTON—A study prepared by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) and released by Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) has concluded that a cut in Social Security payroll taxes would affect inflation more favorably than a similar cut in income taxes.

Report 54,100 foreigners hit by A-bombs

NAGASAKI — More than 54,100 foreigners were affected by the atomic bombing of Nagasaki and Hiroshima 33 years ago, according to a report recently compiled by a group of Nagasaki citizens.

The report is based on data collected in Nagasaki and Hiroshima, from the Ministry of Health and Welfare, from a group of Japanese sufferers from the after-effects of the bombing and from the foreign sufferers themselves.

The report says that about 21,300 foreigners were killed by the two atomic bomb blasts in Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

This is the first report of its kind in the 34 years since the bombs were dropped.

The number of foreigners killed is large in comparison with the 570,000 people killed or harmed in the two atomic bomb blasts. Altogether, about 210,000 people were killed.

Most of the foreign sufferers have never received proper medical treatment, the report says.

The group has requested the Government immediately to establish measures to help them.

Canadians restoring '04 Buddhist church

VANCOUVER, B.C. — What was built in 1904 as the Canada Buddhist Mission in Vancouver's East End is being slowly restored to its original condition by its new owners, Helen and David Storms, who had checked library archives to make sure.

Project has been underway for the past two years and is expected to take another three years, according to David Storms, president of a millwork, fixtures and renovation company. The structure was the Academy of Domestic Arts under Mrs. M. Matsuzaki in 1937. After the Japanese were evacuated inland in 1942, the building began to deteriorate. □

Asian heritage

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Councilman Robert Matsui spoke on the Japanese generation during the Asian Heritage Week assembly at McClatchy High. Martial arts, Japanese dancing and the Chinese Mandarin drum corps were part of the program staged by the Asian Student Union with Robert and Martin Tokunaga in charge. Robert Honda and Randall Ishida were faculty student advisers.

Bilingual education

LOS ANGELES—Greater need for Korean-speaking teachers in the L.A. Unified School District this fall was predicted by the Agape Fellowship Center (332 S. Virgil Ave., 387-7881) as attention was called to a training program this summer at USC.

Centenary UMC

LOS ANGELES—Centenary United Methodist Church, now at 35th and Normandie in the southwest area, plans to be relocated in the Little Tokyo Redevelopment Project area at 3rd and Alameda. Plans to raise funds to purchase the land are being formulated by a committee chaired by Mark Kiguchi.

Hardware bldg. site

SAN FRANCISCO — Construction has started on the corner of Post and Buchanan for Mas Ashizawa's new Soko Hardware Bldg., which will be completed later this year. It will also house the Nihonmachi branch of the Sumitomo Bank of California.

Miss Nikkei hopeful



Hawaii Hochi

A first from Hawaii, Karen Yano, 22, vies in the 1978 Miss Nikkei International contest in Sao Paulo, Brazil, preceding the 70th Japanese Immigration Festival this month. Daughter of the Kenneth Yano of Aiea, she is a senior at the Univ. of Hawaii majoring in fashion merchandising.

Kitano co-director on alcoholism study

LOS ANGELES—Charles Y. Nakamura and Harry H.L. Kitano are among the researchers working with the Alcohol Research Center at UCLA. The center has been funded \$8 million for the next decade, under the direction of Dr. Jolyon "Jolly" West.

Kitano is the co-director and senior social scientist. Nakamura and Linda Beckman, both psychologists, will head the project to develop a formula for estimating the number of alcoholics and alcohol abusers in California in need of services.



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Nipping Bias in the Bud

Combatting racial discrimination can be like fighting and putting out fires. In essence, we are fighting at the symptom level rather than at the cause for most occurrences take place due to prejudice nurtured within the family and ignorance evidenced at educational institutions.

The most formidable years in life, the psychologists tell us, are the first eight years. These years and a few more when children are in grammar school should be the time when the story of Japanese Americans can be most effectively told. To help understand this need, look into the school textbooks and see how much information there is about how the Japanese came to the United States, the kind of work they were in and why, what they have contributed to the growth of this nation. The information, undoubtedly, will be minimal. Japanese Americans usually make "print" in the textbooks where Japan bombs Pearl Harbor—a good cause for the confusion about Japanese Americans and a poor time to account for a segment of America that deserves better.

One encyclopedia, strange as it may seem, fails to describe the Japanese Americans under that title. Instead, description of the "Nisei", heroics of the

442nd Combat Team during World War II are found in the section on Japan. As a matter of fact, Charles Kubokawa, governor of the JACL Northern California-Western Nevada district, says there is more written in this encyclopedia about Chinese Checkers and Chinese Cabbage than on the Nisei—Japanese Americans.

Therefore, the ultimatum upon publishers of textbooks at the grade school level and upon the educational systems throughout the U.S. to remedy the lack of information on the Japanese Americans remains if we wish to stem anti-Japanese racism. While learning about the Nikkei in college has merit, the most effective period would be within the first nine grades when it counts the most. That's when most attend school for some never complete high school. And changing the innermost feelings of dropouts later on in their lives may be too late.

On a positive note, two hard-working JACLers serve on the California Textbook Review Committee—Emi Okano and Janette Arakawa. There are other Nikkei curriculum and instruction specialists who are preparing material to address the void in textbooks. Our thanks go to them for their dedicated efforts. □

Nisei Talent Registry

On May 8, JACL Headquarters was informed of 24 vacancies due to occur June 30 on three advisory committees to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. A May 31 deadline for nominations was set. The letter was forwarded to JACL national officers and district governors within the week (but too late for the Pacific Citizen to mention even for publicity purposes).

JACL was advised the commission "wishes to ensure continued participation of minorities on our advisory committees" and asked for help from Headquarters to identify and to encourage persons with interest in product safety matters to apply.

Had there been a Nisei Talent Registry, which the JACL Eastern District Council has long advocated, Headquarters could have easily encouraged specific individuals to apply. The short lead-time may be a bureaucratic way of operating, whether

federal, state or local. But one of these days—thanks to a compilation of Japanese American "talent", of persons with skills, judgment and yen for public service—we shall not come up empty-handed.

A standard to remember

Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall, the first and only black member of the high court, says progress in civil rights since his college days 40 years ago has been unimpressive. His standard? That the poorest black child in Mississippi would have the same rights as children in the Rockefeller family.

"Of course," the justice said, "it'll never be true. But it's the goal we should strive for." Marshall was speaking at the establishment of the Charles H. Houston Forum of Law and Social Justice at Amherst College. He added the only true gains in civil rights would be made through law. □

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Can It Happen Again?

PART XXVIII
By Clifford I. Uyeda

People, individuals as well as groups, are as selfish today as in the past. Many are becoming cynically self-centered. "I'm for Number One," they proudly proclaim. It is the slogan of the '70s.

Add to this the Western nations' disinterest in the minorities, and we have a situation that cries out for more awareness.

Jewish refugees on board the ocean liner St. Louis roamed the open sea in vain; not one nation would give them sanctuary. They returned to die in Hitler's concentration camp.

In recent years Cambodians have perished by the millions. There is hardly a voice raised in the West or East.

The War Measures Act was used in 1942 to literally disintegrate the Japanese Canadian families. Men were taken from the families to toil in road gangs. Most of them were from the Pacific Coast of British Columbia. These men of

the sea were forcibly landlocked for seven years in interior Canada. The same War Measures Act was used in 1970 to arrest and incarcerate French Canadians.

In the United States' Executive Order 9066 abolished both freedom and justice for Japanese Americans. But 30 years later the greatest majority of the American public hasn't even heard about it. "Did it really happen here in America?" they ask in surprise. "I didn't know anything about it."

Our campaign for redress will bring out the hidden truth for everyone to see. It will make people uncomfortable, including many Nisei who would rather bury the past and never have to think about it. It is too painful to them.

You can't erase history. Full awareness of the past injustices is the best protection against similar injustices in the future—for all Americans. □

JACLU needs help

Editor:

We have been PC subscribers for many years because of our strong feelings about the unconstitutional treatment of 110,000 persons of Japanese ancestry who were uprooted from their West Coast homes and without due process of law, to which all Americans are entitled, were shipped off to barbed-wire enclosed, militarily guarded concentration camps in desolate places.

I took immediate exception and didn't hesitate to say my piece. I remember talking the piece. I remember talking to the political editor Fred Arnold of the Los Angeles Evening Herald. I knew him well as I had been a reporter for that and other papers since I was 20. "It's a goddam constitutional outrage!" I exploded. "You're a goddam traitor to your country," he roared back. And my rebuttal: "... Anybody who doesn't know the U.S. Constitution any better than you deserves a free membership in the Ku Klux Klan, a free pillowcase mask and nightgown."

My point is that I spoke up at once when Exec. Order 9066 was used to round-up our West Coast Japanese. It's always easy to take a stand when a majority goes along with it—as is now the case. This letter is not to brag about my defense of this nation's Japanese Americans, but to arouse them to rush at once to become members of the American Civil Liberties Union, now in deep financial trouble because of the thousands of Jewish members who have dropped out because the ACLU has risen to the defense of a small group of Nazis who want to march in the Chicago suburb of Skokie.

The courts have backed the ACLU, thus far, in its wholly proper stand that the Nazis or any group no matter how offensive and unbearable any of us may regard them have a right guaranteed by the First Amendment to peaceably parade, silly uniforms and all, anywhere in this free-speech country. (A federal appeals court agreed May 22 that three laws barring Nazis from marching in Skokie were unconstitutional, clearing the way for their demonstration June 25.—Ed.)

All of us belong to one minority or another. I'm not a WASP but a WASA (white, Anglo-Saxon, atheist), thoroughly hated by many self-righteous religionists. So I am defending my own rights when I speak up for the Japanese Americans, KKK, Nazis, and religionists.

I think JACL members will be doing themselves a favor to come forward now and sign up with the ACLU as a matter of gratitude and as a major way of making sure there will be no repetition of those concentration camp years.

One final note—and an ironic one: All the major officers in ACLU are Jews, including one who personally lived through Hitler's Holocaust and who truly understands what it means to live under the protection of our Constitution.

ARNOLD B. LARSON
Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Contributions from \$25 and up may be forwarded to the ACLU, 633 S. Shatto Pl., Los Angeles, Ca 90005.—Editor.

Who's cruel?

Editor:

In justice and fair play, let me say that Dr. Sheila Waters, director, POW International, Baltimore, Md., failed (PC Ltrs, May 12) to mention the following facts.

There were numerous cases of the extreme cruelty by the Allied forces on Japanese POWs. Speaking of cruelty on women and children, the massive scale of the Allied (European and Euro-American) attack on Japanese civilians were one of the worst in the history. As a matter of the fact it was not Japanese

attacking Europe and Atlantic; it was a continuation of the western aggression to Asia and Pacific.

Speaking of the relation between China and Japan, there was not a single war for 4,000 years until English and Anglo-Americans appeared on the scene. England had boasted that the sun never set on her Union Jack; the British colonized everywhere on the earth except in China and Japan. History has ample evidence that England manipulated China and Japan to fight each other so that both could be weakened.

Well before WW2, English and Anglo-Americans were well on the way in colonizing China. But, Japan stood in the way. For English and Anglo-Americans, the ones being attacked by them were always cruel savages, regardless whether they were the native Americans or the natives of the Pacific.

NOBUYUKI NAKAJIMA
Scheffield Lake, Ohio

Adoption

Editor:

As members of the JACL we are writing to inquire as to JACL's ability to assist us in locating a Japanese baby girl for adoption.

We have begun the process under which we would be certified in the state of Arizona as adoptive parents, but since our desire is to adopt a Japanese baby, we are obviously restricted as to the appropriate sources for such a child.

We are most hopeful that you might aid us in our search and look forward to any information you might be able to provide.

C & AM
Arizona JACL

JACL does not deal in direct social services but referrals are possible. We have received inquiries of a similar nature in the past and have said, "We don't know." Possibly, this letter will see some answers come our way.—Ed.

Conservation

Editor:

Japan's response to foreign (and also domestic) reactions to the killing of 1,000 dolphins has been of embarrassments and anger. The press was too sensational, they stated. They felt that foreign criticisms were based on misunderstanding.

Japanese writers noted that dolphins were not clubbed to death, as reported. Cutting the carotid artery, they said, killed the animal almost instantly—although this produced a great deal of unpleasant looking blood.

They felt that the objections were sentimental and devoid of any rational criticisms. Many felt that the incident was an expression of international antagonism against Japan's huge economic trade surplus. One senior Kyodo editor stated in frustration: "The United States on the other hand made not the slightest protest to Canada against the undeniably cruel killings of baby seals, who are beaten unconscious and stripped of their skins while still alive."

With world prominence comes increased media exposure and interests. With leadership comes responsibility. Japan cannot retreat into the security of "We are always misunderstood" reasoning. She must be understood by logical reasoning if she is to hold

her place in world distinction and respect.

Japan may feel picked on, and in many instances it is true. But she is wrong about the United States not complaining to Canada concerning the baby harp seals. Many members of the Congress, including Senator Spark Matsunaga, have sent strongly worded statements of protest to Canada.

Americans also strongly protested the killing of dolphins by the U.S. tuna fishermen. The U.S. tuna industry, although at first also embarrassed and angry at the severe criticism, reacted in a responsible manner.

With research on innovative techniques, the U.S. tuna industry has decreased the dolphin kill from 310,000 in 1971 to 24,000 in 1977 (although permitted 68,000 in 1977) to only 3,000 thus far in 1978. That is progress.

The tuna industry's reason for the dolphin kills was as complete and realistic as that of the Iki fishermen. American tuna fishermen were losing millions of dollars by the restrictions imposed by the U.S. government to protect the dolphins.

In both United States and Japan, it would be naive to think the public would quietly accept the explanation that because dolphins compete or interfere with man's profit that they can be ruthlessly eliminated.

World awareness for the sanctity of various lifeforms is increasing. We cannot ignore it and remain a leader of men and nations.

DR. CLIFFORD UYEDA
Chairman, JACL
Whale Issue Committee
San Francisco

About Gardena

Editor:

Possibly you are the only one I can turn to for assistance.

I have a brother in Japan, married with two sons who are contemplating immigrating to the U.S. and settling in the Gardena area. How can we get in touch with someone in Gardena to get more information about the city?

A.J.
San Mateo, Calif.

Two obvious sources for information are: (a) Gardena City Hall, 1700 W. 162nd St., Gardena, Ca. 90247; and (b) Japanese Cultural Institute, 16215 S. Gramercy Pl., Gardena, Ca. 90247.—Editor.

There is no room for
unsigned letters here.

Thinking is the hardest
work there is, which is probably
why so few engage in it.
—Henry Ford.

35 Years Ago IN THE PACIFIC CITIZEN JUNE 3, 1943

May 27—Pacific Coast Japanese Problem Conference at Los Angeles to fight return of evacuees to west coast and to stop leave program.

May 30—U.S. forces reoccupy Attu-Kiska, only American territory occupied by Imperial Japanese forces.

June 1—WRA Director Myers calls Dies Committee charge of spies and saboteurs being released from the relocation centers "irresponsible" and "ignorant"; not one case of disloyalty reported among 12,000 on leave.

June 2—JACL opens Denver regional office.

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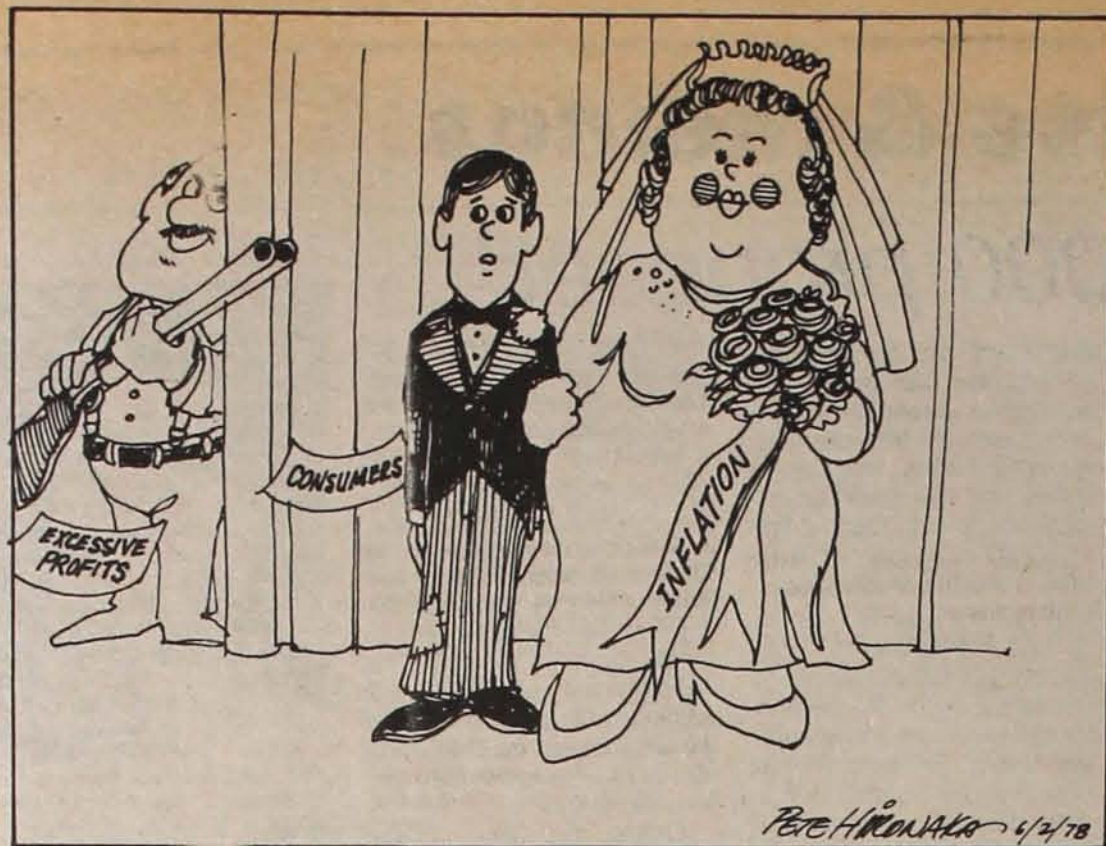
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FROM HAPPY VALLEY: Sachi Seko

A Fan of Edison Uno

Salt Lake City, Utah

The man I wanted to meet won't be here this July when the National JACL convention convenes. We must meet, we agreed in our single exchange of letters. Come to San Francisco, he invited. Come to Salt Lake City, I responded. In that letter, I also wrote, "I read your columns with more than casual interest and I like very much the person who writes them."

I was a fan of Edison Uno. It was kind of nice, having a genuine hero when there are mostly tin gods and dishrag dolls. We were alternating PC contributors for about a year. When his name appeared in this space, it was a signal that my piece would be due the following week. Writing this column isn't the same anymore. I knew it wouldn't be when Edison died.

Maybe it's a sign of wishful thinking, but occasionally I still expect his column to appear. I know others miss him too. It's funny, but a year and a half after his death, I read his name in letters I receive, some from strangers. And in the course of conversations, Edison is frequently mentioned.

Generally, when a JACL leader dies, he is properly eulogized and retired from public comment. We entrust his continued remembrance to the intimate memories of family and close friends.

Some leaders have been associated with particular points of the JACL movement. It is then appropriately noted that an era ends with the death of a leader. In the meditative pause, it is also customary to suggest that the movement must proceed, adjusting to changing times. This is easier said than done.

At least when Edison died, nobody noted the passage of an era. Perhaps his relatively young age of 47 discouraged such an idea. But then, I know much younger individuals, whose immobilized minds are encased in agile bodies.

"Minority of One," his column was called. I liked the wry wit of it. I admired the audacity of its proclamation, of being a minority in a minority. Some of us often feel this way, but few of us dare

to go so public. We worry that others will think less of us. It seems that public opinion often precedes self-respect. It's a shame it has to be this way, that most of us are closet dissenters.

Edison wasn't. He was an original, a maverick. The elders of JACL must have occasionally thought him a pain in the neck. Traditionally our song has been unity. It doesn't matter if the leaders are strong or weak, if their voices are true or false. We are supposed to sing along. But the old songs weren't good enough for Edison. And they were much too slow.

He had a special reason for being in a hurry. He was living on borrowed time. I remember asking his daughter, the day after his death, about his compulsive participation in a demanding and expanding area of activities. Why didn't he slow down? She said he lived with the desire to complete all he could in a limited life. The choice had been his. I remember, too, the distinct pride in his daughter's voice.

When JACL said a campaign to repeal Title II of the 1950 Internal Security Act would be too costly and time consuming, he disagreed. He joined Raymond Okamura, who had initiated an independent movement for repeal. JACL sanctioned and assisted the effort only when success was apparent.

He opposed some of JACL's pet projects. The new headquarters building was one. A man who often wrote of his lack of material accumulation, he deplored the luxury of a new building. Once he mentioned that an abandoned church could be purchased for less money.

As an educator, he realized the increasingly expensive cost of a college education. He noticed that JACL administered scholarships were frequently awarded to those who had already received funds from other sources. Too often, a few were recipients of duplicate grants, while some who needed the assistance were deprived of scholastic opportunity. In a column, he recommended that economic need be a prime consideration in the dispensing of JACL scholarships.

Some said he was aloof

and arrogant. I think two women will disagree. He was a friend to both Wendy Yoshimura and Iva Toguri. Perhaps he understood loneliness better than the rest of us. So often, he was the solitary dissenter. Alone, he pursued an apology from the late Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren. It was one of his defeats. But again in a show of grace and appreciation for the finer qualities of an adversary, Edison attended Earl Warren's memorial rites. The attendance was sparse.

Alone, he called for a mandate on reparations. He despaired at the deliberation, died before its fulfillment. It was part of his lifelong commitment to expose the concentration camp experience. Whether it was a pilgrimage to Manzanar or Tule Lake, the filming of "Farewell to Manzanar", or the traveling exhibit of "Executive Order 9066", Edison was involved.

In the past few days, I have been going through old issues of the PC, reading Edison's articles. It has been quite an experience. All of the pieces are not of the highest literary quality, some obviously written in great haste, to beat a deadline. But they are different from other Nisei observations. They transmit the energy and vision of an activist.

Edison believed that the future belonged to the young. His last piece, printed in the 1976 PC holiday issue that he never saw, anticipated growth in the area of Sansei self-expression. Writers and poets of the future, however talented, will require sources from which to spin their artistry.

Perhaps it would be an appropriate gesture for the JACL friends of Edison to collect and publish his writings. It would not be a gift for him. He deplored posthumous awards, believing recognition should be bestowed on the living. Instead, this would be a gift from the past to the future.

I can imagine our successors turning those pages, long after we are gone, exclaiming over the wonder of it all. There was once an original, a maverick in JACL. And I can hear them saying, "He must have been quite a man." He was. □



FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

JARP-Montero Survey

Denver, Colo.

Anyone concerned about the future of JACL—and there must be a few—its programs, objectives and long-range goals, would do well to study a paper recently made public by Asst. Prof. Darrel Montero of the University of Maryland. It is titled "The Japanese American Community: A Study of Generational Changes in Ethnic Affiliation", and it is an offshoot of the JACL-supported Japanese American Research Project at UCLA.

Montero surveyed 2,304 Nisei and 802 Sansei from all parts of the country, and found, among other things:

—Japanese Americans have the highest median education level among both whites and nonwhites.

—They have a median income which nearly matches that of white Americans.

—They are twice as likely to be employed as professionals than are members of society as a whole.

—Four in ten of older Nisei say one or more of their best friends are non-Japanese. Among younger Nisei, six in ten say their best friends are non-Japanese. Among Sansei who have married non-Japanese, nine of ten say one or more of their two closest friends are non-Japanese.

—The higher the occupational and educational achievement, the more likely that Nisei and Sansei will move out of the ethnic orbit.

—Only one-third of Nisei professionals choose a Japanese American organization as their favorite, compared to eight in ten of service workers.

—Among younger Sansei, seven in ten are marrying non-Japanese.

—Sansei who marry non-Japanese are more likely not to belong to any Japanese American organization. If they do belong, it is not likely to be the organization to

which they devote most of their leisure time.

Montero observes that it is the increasing intermarriage rate "which will have the greatest impact on the form of the Japanese American community." He then asks what this movement away from the Japanese American community suggests—can the ethnic community remain intact?

His answer? Given the dramatically increasing trend of outmarriage among the Sansei, with its concomitant diminution of ethnic ties and affiliation, we are justified in wondering whether a Japanese American ethnic community can be maintained into the next generation—the Yonsei.

This observer's translation: Japanese American society as we know it today—and this would include JACL—is in for drastic change within the next decade.

Montero's study has one serious flaw: much of it is based on surveys made in 1967—more than ten years ago. However, it would seem that the trends he detected have been accelerated. The number of marriages with non-Japanese is increasing and the drift away from the Japanese American community—despite a strong interest in ethnic matters inspired by the Black leadership—is picking up speed.

JACL membership today is somewhere in the 30,000 range—at or near its peak—but the figure is not impressive in view of the total Japanese American population of somewhere around 600,000. Hereafter, if Montero's findings are accurate, the membership is likely to begin dwindling in the absence of heroic measures.

A drop in membership and power will, of necessity, require a serious re-evaluation of long-range programs and goals. Montero does not go into such considerations, but the data and interpretations he has produced should give Nisei and Sansei JACLers a lot to think about as the organization approaches its 50th birthday. □

CALLAHAN'S CORNER: George Inagaki

What memories Utah brings



Marina del Rey, Ca.

With each passing week, PC reminds me that this year's National Convention is approaching but fast. This Convention is one that I really wanted to attend. Nostalgia, more than anything else, I guess, motivated the strong desire because I did spend more than a year in Salt Lake City with National Headquarters during the WW2 era.

Although they were rough years, I was young enough not to let circumstances bother me too much. That's why I had the time to fall in love with not only that part of the country but with the JACLers who lived in the IDC.

More than 35 years have passed but I still remember the names of some of the streams where Hito Okada first taught me the joys of trout fishing—Big Cotton, Little Cotton, Kamas Meadow and others. Many a Saturday afternoons or on some Sundays we'd hop into my Plymouth station wagon and off we went. Hito would

catch his limit and, then, wait till I got mine. Sometimes, it was a long wait for him. Then we would head for his home where his wife would pan-fry those delicious freshly-caught trout for us. Mmmmm, my mouth still waters.

It was at Kamas Meadows one Fall afternoon that I was first introduced to the real autumnal colors of the high country.

I recall that on that particular day, instead of chasing up and down the stream after the elusive trout, as novices generally do, I plunked myself down on a grassy bank, let my feet dangle in the water, and spent the whole day just letting the aesthetic side of me feast on the multi-colored surroundings. Incidentally, I caught more fish that day than at any other time. In later years, when I read about using fish-scents to lure fish, I wondered if my dangling feet in the water had anything to do with the successful fishing of that long-ago day. Anyhow, I shall never forget the Uinta and the Wasatch mountains.

Then there were the wonderful guys of the Intermountain District Council.

The years have faded many names from my memory but how can I ever forget monikers like SHAKE, SUD, EKE, YUKUS, STORMY and old CANNON BALL JOE? With handles like that, their surnames do not require mention here.

Of course, this year's SLC Convention would have meant reunion with Mike Masaoka, Hito Okada and a host of other old friends and, which in itself, was enough to make me attend. However, with the Convention only a few weeks off and me still restricted to home, I guess there is no chance of getting to SLC in time for the big gathering.

Heaven knows I'm more than grateful to have such nostalgic mementos of the IDC country, the Wasatch and the Uinta Ranges, the fishing, and the great gang of JACLers there. Believe me, these pleasant memories are a great solace to this invalid old-timer.

Happy conventioning, all you lucky delegates!!! □

Editor's Note: Inagaki's column is renamed to allow this great story teller further range from "Callahan's Corner" with respect to Nisei activities and personalities. Thirty years ago, he signed off as Callahan in his column appearing in the old JACL Reporter.

Calendar, pulse & memos

JACL budget near \$750,000 proposed

SAN FRANCISCO — A To help it balance the presented to the JACL chapters for adoption in the coming 1979-80 biennium.

The help it balance, the National JACL Executive Committee (EXECOM) and District Governors consented to the National Budget Committee's proposal to raise regular membership dues to \$16, the Thousand Club to \$50 and Corporate to \$1,000.

Expenditures are based upon actual costs experienced by the organization over the past biennium as well as anticipated expenses of increased levels of service, explained national JACL executive director Karl Nobuyuki.

Highlighted in the new budget is a new membership development campaign to broaden the membership base and is being regarded as a major priority.

The budget packet was distributed to the chapters May 19. The national budget committee, chaired by treasurer Ed Moriguchi, had convened May 13-14 at Headquarters. The budget needs approval by the National Council when it meets during the convention July 17-22 at Salt Lake City.

A narrative description of the budget is being prepared.

For about the first two hours of the budget committee session Saturday (May 13) with EXECOM members and district governors participating in the discussions, prospects on how much more JACL could reasonably be expected to raise from the membership and community were aired.

Then the preliminary

summary of the proposed budget was considered. And it was plain to see the preliminary request was too high. Readjustments had to be made and the working subcommittee on the budget held forth all night Saturday and into Sunday morning.

With the amount of income more or less projected, the budget committee reconvened all night Saturday to thrash out the expenses into agreeable portions for all concerned. A number of cuts were made from the original draft with a view toward boosting district funding and establishing a membership renewal campaign fund.

One of the biggest cuts came in the youth program—a 64¢ chop—from \$41,000 to \$15,000. The position of

national youth director will not be filled after Richard Okabe, current director, resigns at the end of June.

National president Jim Murakami credited Paul Isaki, Pacific Northwest governor, an assistant director of the Central Puget Sound Economic Development District in Seattle, "for putting it all together"—staying up all night with rest of the budget committee members and Headquarters staff to produce the budget summary and explanations.

Other members of the budget committee were Kaz Horita, Jim Murakami, and Moriguchi, with Karl Nobuyuki and Miles Hamada of staff. Gov. Mis Kawamoto and PC Board chairperson Al Hatate also assisted.

Relays Queen



—Photo by Toyo Miyatake Studio

Karen Yenoki, 17, representing Pasadena JACL is queen of the annual PSW JACL Nisei Relays, to be run June 4 at West Los Angeles College. The 5 feet 4 inch beauty is the daughter of George and Lily Yenoki and attends Blair High School.

JACL Budget Proposal

Revenue	77-78b	1977a	1978b	1979p	1980p
29,000 Regular		348,000		513,600	549,600
1,900 1000 Club		57,000		80,000	80,000
138 50 Club		5,520			
67 Century Club		5,360		5,600	5,600
13 Corporate		2,600		8,000	8,000
47 Others		2,520		2,500	2,500

Total Dues: 396,300 421,000 421,000 607,200 645,700
b—Budget, a—Actual, p—Proposed

Pacific Citizen	60,000	63,000	63,000	82,000	91,000
Endowment Fund	22,000	31,000	31,000	30,000	30,000
Miscellaneous	14,000	21,000	21,000	21,800	21,800

Total Revenue 492,300 536,000 536,000 743,700 788,500

Expenses

Pacific Citizen	160,000	164,500	163,500	230,000	252,000
Headquarters	120,900	95,000	170,000	183,400	196,000
District Support	85,000	77,000	97,000	111,000	119,000
Gen'l Operations	53,500	54,000	83,500	86,600	93,000
Membership Campaign				60,000	50,500
Washington Off.	41,400	46,000	47,000	49,700	53,000
NYCC/Youth	24,000	13,000	28,500	15,000	16,000
Redress	7,500	1,000	7,500	8,000	9,000

Total Expenses 492,300 459,000 597,000 743,700 788,500

District Funding

Pacific Southwest	22,861	32,139
Midwest	18,411	18,411
Central California	4,599	5,401
Pacific Northwest	2,571	7,429
Intermountain	2,500	2,500
Eastern	3,500	6,500
No. Calif.-W. Nevada	18,249	19,751
Mountain-Plains	1,000	2,000

Total District: 85,000 73,691 97,131 111,000 119,000

Alameda

Alameda JACL's annual golf tournament held April 30 at Galbraith attracted 44 participants with Yosh Sugiyama and Wayne Koike sharing credits for a great job as co-chairmen. The tournament winners were:

Handicap Flight—Tom Nomura 88-19-69; Senior Flight—Bill Takeda 99-32-67; Callaway Flight—Jug Takashita Net 75; Closest to Hole (17th) Archie Uchiyama.

The chapter completed its first Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) class recently and has scheduled a second group to meet the second week of July. Those interested should call chapter president Yas Koike (523-9817).

Downtown L.A.

Downtown L.A. JACL's 16th annual Mother's Day luncheon May 6 at the New Otani attracted some 260 persons to honor Mrs. Maki Mimaki, 95, of Montebello, and Mrs. Sugi Kotake, 76, of Cerritos.

Among civic dignitaries

extending greetings were:

Jeffrey Matsui, L.A. Mayor's Office; Tony Chew, Councilman Lindsay's Office; and Ann Connors, Supervisor Edelman's Office; Ed Matsuda, president, Japanese Chamber of Commerce (who was also a recipient of the JACL Silver Pin for his leadership of the Downtown chapter for over a decade); Misao Hirohata, president of the Japanese Women's Society, co-sponsors of the luncheon; and Japanese Vice Consul Akiko Takahashi.

Representatives from Kumamoto and Fukuoka societies also showered gifts on the two honorees who hail from these prefectures. Frank Hirata was emcee; Glen Pacheco, chapter president, gave the welcome speech; and the Oiwake Band entertained. Rinban Shoki Mohri of the Nishi Hongwanji gave the invocation and benediction.

Eden Township

Eden Township JACL's 15th annual benefit bazaar will be held June 10-11 at the Eden Japanese Community Center, 710 Elgin St. near Ashland, San Lorenzo.

Aki Hasegawa and Tosh Nakashima are co-chairing the gala event for the com-

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Deadlines

June 1—Entries from JACL chapters for Inagaki Prize to JACL Hq; awards announced during Conv.

June 10—Nomin reopened for Japanese American of the Biennium; submit to JACL Hq; presentation July 22, Salt Lake Convention.

June 15—Chapter bids for 1982 National Convention; JACL Hq.

June 15—Chapter Proxy Authorization and Voting Delegate Forms, c/o Credentials Comm at JACL Hq.

June 19—Budget/Conv Agenda from Hq to all JACL chapters (30 days prior to Conv).

June 30—Applic papers for JACL-Hagiwara Student Aid grant, JACL Hq.

July 15—Applic for Tom Hayashi Memorial Law Scholarships, c/o New York JACL, 50 W 67th St, New York, NY 10023.

July 22—Contribs to JACL Okubo-Yamada Fund, JACL Hq.

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26-99—Marin JACL.

Calendar

* A non-JACL event

• JUNE 3 (Saturday)

San Fernando Valley—Scholarship

Awds, JACC, 7:30 p.m.

• San Francisco—Tule Lake Pilgrimage (2 da).

• San Lorenzo—Eden Sr Center 6th

Anny party, Eden JCCC, 11:30 a.m.

Sequoia—Potluck dnr with Judge

Tak Takei, Palo Alto Buddhist

Church, 6 p.m.

• Gardena—Fujimatsuri (2 da),

Gardena Buddhist Church.

• San Francisco—Satsuki Azalea-

Bonsai (2 da), Sakura Rm, Japan

Center, 11 a.m.

Sacramento—Asian St Employee

Assn inst dnr-dance, Wong's Island-

er, 7 p.m.; Rep Norman Mineta, spkr.

• JUNE 4 (Sunday)

NC-WNDC—Pre-Convention mtg,

San Francisco.

PSWDC—Nisei Relays, West Los An-

geles College, 8 a.m.

Fresno—Steak BBQ picnic, Wood-

ward Park, 3-7 p.m.

Puyallup Valley—Grad's banq, Iron-

gate Restaurant, Puyallup, 6 p.m.

San Benito County—Chap picnic,

Bolado Park.

• JUNE 6 (Tuesday)

Chicago—Bd mtg, JACL Office,

• Denver—Comm Scholarship

Awds, Denver Athletic Club.

• Washington—Japan American

Society bazaar, Mt Vernon College.

• JUNE 11 (Sunday)

San Mateo—Keiro kai.

West Los Angeles—Police Apprec

BBQ, Nora Sterry School, 2-5 p.m.

Monterey Peninsula—Comm Pic-

nic, County Fairgrounds.

San Francisco—JACL Olympics,

Laney College, Oakland, 9 a.m.

• San Francisco—Children's Fair,

Comm Stockton School, 10 a.m.

• San Jose—Nisei Sgls Club picnic,

Ed Levine Park, Milpitas.

Fremont—Graduates luncheon,

Rendezvous Restaurant, noon; Karl

Nobuyuki, spkr.

• JUNE 12 (Monday)

Hollywood—Disco hustle lessons,

Cutlip Dance Studio, 8 p.m. (info:

France Yokoyama 662-4954).

• JUNE 13 (Tuesday)

Stockton—Gen mgt, Calif First

Bank, 8 p.m.

• JUNE 17 (Saturday)

EDC—Pre-Conv mtg, Seabrook

JACL hosts.

Seabrook—Inst, grad dnr; Rep

Norman Mineta, spkr.

Livingston-Merced—Grads' out-

ing, Seaciff State Beach.

Monterey Peninsula—Issei-kai

benefit movies, JACL Hall.

• Los Angeles—Dragon Boat races

(2 da), Whittier Narrows, 10 a.m.

• JUNE 18 (Sunday)

Monterey—Language School pic-

nic.

• Monterey—El Estero church pic-

nic.

• JUNE 20 (Tuesday)

San Mateo—Bd mtg, Sturge Pres-

byterian Church, 8 p.m.

• JUNE 23 (Friday)

San Diego—Bd mtg.

Detroit—Far Eastern Festival (3

da).

• JUNE 24 (Saturday)

Philadelphia—New Memb potluck,

Gypsy Lane Condominium comm

room, 2 p.m.

PNWDC—Qtrly sess: Puyallup Val-

ley JACL hosts (ovrnt). Sat—St.

Michael's Church, Sun—Sheraton,

Olympia.

• Gardena—Summer carnival (2

da), JCL, 3 p.m.

Seattle—Mayor's Workshop:

Asian-Police relations, Jeff Rec Ctr.

• JUNE 25 (Sunday)

LODI JACL

James T. Ishida, pres; Fred H. Naga-

ta, vp; Kenneth K. Takeda DDS, treas;

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naka, Tom Tsutsumi, Yoshiye Yama-

uchi, Kathy Yip.

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Moriuchi, Jack Ozawa, June Schu-

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News Column With Notable District Communication

Keeping in Touch

By Chuck Kubokawa, NC-WNDC Governor

Palo Alto, Calif.

The enormous effort by all of the San Benito County chapter members made the May 7 NC-WNDC meeting at their JACL Hall in San Juan Bautista was indeed memorable, friendly and proved as efficient as an aerospace operation.

For such a small Nikkei community to unite their forces to buy a hall for JACL in the 1930s and refurbishing it spells dedication and commitment in very bold letters. (Likewise, the Nikkei in Houston have worked hard to establish a JACL House.)

Conducting our meeting and serving a half-barbecued chicken for lunch to 100 people in the same hall presented no problem — thanks to the know-how of the chapter's general arrangement committee. The huge lunch also provided enough energy for delegates from 27 chapters (including Reno and Las Vegas) to continue business till 6 p.m.

On the Agenda—Matters of both district and national interest loaded the agenda. Foremost was welcoming the new SOLANO COUNTY JACL and introducing Dr. Yoshi Shitanishi, chapter president, and Darryl Kubotsu, delegate. The district thanks Dr. Harry Hatasaka new chapter chairman, and regional director George Kondo for having founded six new chapters in the past 14 months: Marin, Lodi, Las Vegas, Tri-Valley, Diablo Valley, Solano County. Their dedication and efforts continue as another new chapter is in the making.

The chapters were in formed of several important news items and assigned action items:

1—To assure every DC Chapter is in good standing (all dues paid up will impact national council voting rights).

2—Every chapter should file Form 990 with the IRS and provide our national office with a copy.

3—Encourage selling of advertisement space in the PC to help alleviate increasing PC costs.

NC-WNDC plaques to honor scholars

SAN FRANCISCO — Outstanding high school scholastic achievement and participation in extracurricular activities are recognized in the annual Northern California-Western Nevada District Council Scholarships.

Nominations from the NC-WNDC chapters are being solicited until June 10, it was announced by Dr. Harry Hatasaka, chairman of the district scholarship committee.

Since there is no financial reward, financial need is not a requirement for the nomination. Continuing on to college is neither a requirement as well. Recipients will be listed on the District Honor Roll and will receive individual plaques. Recognition is separate from the National JACL or individual chapter scholarship programs.

Contributions to defray cost of individual plaques should be sent to the NC-WNDC JACL Scholarship Fund, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115.

4—Richard Okabe, National Youth Director will be leaving the organization as of June 30, 1978.

5—Requested dates of each chapter board meeting to determine the best time of the month to contact all the chapters. By having these dates, our DC will be able to improve our coordination and communication efforts.

6—Donated \$100 to the Hibakusha Survivors Fund. Kanji Kumamoto and his group are to be commended.

A question passed through my mind, "Couldn't the Japan American Friendship Act be revised to help the Atom Bomb Survivors in some way?" What better way is there for the U.S. to show friendship than by extending our hand of help not only to those survivors living in the U.S., but also in Japan, through an exchange of new methods, information, expertise and drugs to fight the infliction of the survivors.

7—The Okubo Yamada Fund ends its solicitation at the Convention for \$25,000 (not \$10,000 as published in the PC) and only \$7,000 has been collected to date. With rehearsing of the suit scheduled in the near future, additional dollars will be needed.

8—Moved to increase the DC dues from 25¢ to 50¢. All the chapters have been very understanding of the DC needs. Executive Board thanks every DC chapter.

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munity center and chapter programs. Gates open at 5 p.m. Saturday and at noon Sunday.

Recipients of the annual Eden Township JACL scholarships and youth awards and area high school graduates were honored at the Senior Recognition potluck dinner May 20 at the Japanese Community Center. Awardees were:

\$200 JACL—Tammy Sakanashi, Tennyson High, (p) Ken Sakanashi; \$150 JACL—Douglas Yokomizo, Mt. Eden High, (p) Shichiro Yokomizo; Jan Fujimoto, San Leandro High, (p) Hiro Fujimotos; Linda Nakasawa, Tennyson High, (p) Mas Nakasawa; \$100 Mission Market—Terri Matsumoto, Sunset High, (p) Susumu Matsumotos; \$100 Sumitomo Bank—Diane Kurotori, Tennyson High, (p) Harry Kurotori; \$100 Calif. 1st Bank—Scott Ito, Tennyson High, (m) Yone Ito.

Asian American Youth Awards (\$50)—Mary Fukuyama, Hayward High, (p) George Fukuyamas; Robin Takagi, Tennyson High, (m) Susan Takagi.

The Chabot College Scholarship Foundation with Dr. Reed Buffington, president, were judges. All seniors present were also given a pen from the chapter.

Hoosier

Hoosier JACLers will join other ethnic groups help stage the first international festival sponsored by the Greenwood Shopping Center in southside Indianapolis June 2-4.

Walt Nakatsukasa, chairman, indicated the fair will be a testing ground for new items to be featured at the chapter's October Festival. The Minyo dancers will also perform. On the committee are:

Keiko Nolan, bazaar; Betty Bunnell, food; Michiko Selby, Chieko Jacobs, entertainment; Ken Matsumoto, manpower; Stan Yamafuji, signs.

Chapter also announced a June 10 deadline for the "Belle of Louisville" cruise down the Ohio River on July 15. A bus will be chartered with total fare for transportation and the cruise at \$18 per person through Mrs. Doris Maeda (898-6765). The one-day trip includes a lunch stop at Bakery Square.

9—As for National Dues, the consensus preferred a \$4 per year increase for the next two years, totaling to an \$8 increase. The chapters responding with \$0.00, status quo, wanted a clear delineation of where the membership \$'s were going before committing to a vote. Undecided chapters were asked to respond by May 12.

[A complete financial spread sheet of the national budget was requested to be put in the PC, at the National Executive Board meeting on JACL Finances, May 12-14. PC responded by agreeing to publish the spread sheet (see p. 6) and Governor Paul Isaki of PNWDC has agreed to write it up.] Bring this spread sheet to our special DC meeting in San Francisco on June 4, and to the National Biennial Convention in Salt Lake City.

10—NC-WNDC Chapter of the Year award for 1977 went to Sacramento (membership over 300) and Fremont (membership under 300) Chapters. Both received \$100.

11—Ms. Ruby Eaves of the Las Vegas Chapter requested NC-WNDC to transfer their chapter into the PSWDC, because of travel and economic factors. The transfer was approved by the DC, contingent upon the acceptance of PSWDC and the necessary changes in the National

By-Laws. NC-WNDC is sorry to see the Las Vegas Chapter leave our DC but wish them the best of luck for the future.

12—Chapters were reminded that if a chapter is going to host a National Convention, profits will be equally shared between the sponsoring chapter and the National Organization. In the event of a loss, National will absorb the loss.

13—Floyd Shimomura, chairperson, CAD Team, was charged with the task of developing a matrix of discrimination incidents within the NC-WNDC this year.

14—Bud Nakano, co-chairperson for the health plan, will question all DC chapters regarding standardization of health plan eligibility rules. Results will be reported.

15—Loan of a portable video tape recording unit (portapak) for the Biennial Convention was requested. If anyone can borrow two 1/2" tape video camera units, JACL will be able to chronicle the important events of our convention. It will be a very effective way of historically keeping track of important Nikkei issues and events for our future generations (Roots and identity).

Data Sharing—So that other districts may not waste time and energy generating the same kind of resolutions or amendment proposals, the NC-WNDC has approved and will soon inform all chapters that:

1—All 1000 Club Life Members be

of coconut souvenirs—besides their personal luggage.

The group, whose ages ranged from 58 to 83, spent 5 1/2 days on Oahu and 2 1/2 on Maui, with Japanese-speaking guides. The meeting with 200 members of the Hawaii Paradise Club with lavish entertainment and food was overwhelming. The Toshio Tsukimuras of Yuba City celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with the group in Honolulu's La Ronde Restaurant.

San Mateo

At the April 19 meeting chaired by Suzu Kunitani, president, the chapter budget for 1978 at \$5,050 was adopted. Among the major items were support for Iko no Tomo, a senior citizen project; scholarship, office supplies and national convention expenses. A study on alternative living plans for Issei has been referred to committee headed by Tad Masaoka.

West Valley

High school graduates and youngsters signed to run in the San Francisco Jr. Olympics June 11 were honored at the West Valley JACL picnic held May 21 at Lake Vasona Park, Los Gatos. On the picnic committee were:

Art Tanabe, food; Jean Kurasaki, games, prizes; Sally Nakashima, phone.

Anti-Asian bias of scholars aired

CHICAGO—Dr. Tom Taketa of the JACL Committee on Employment Discrimination of Asian Americans attended the panel on "Scholars of Asian Descent and Affirmative Action" during the 1978 annual meeting of the Assn. for Asian Studies in Chicago and expressed JACL's willingness to assist scholars of Asian descent.

In other major events at the convention, Professor Akira Kubota was re-elected chairperson of the Committee on Scholars of Asian Descent of the Assn. for Asian Studies, and Dr. Priscilla Ching-Chung was elected president of the National Organization of Scholars of Asian Descent.

properly recognized.

2—Establish a 1000 Club Emeritus Fellow category (for those over-20-year memberships in the 1000 Club).

3—JACL convene a constitutional convention for a complete revision.

4—JACL be supported in its involvement to have Nikkei in the administration of the Japan-U.S. Friendship Act.

5—JACL membership be open "to any individual residing in the U.S. and supporting the purposes and objectives of JACL".

Our district will meet June 4 to review resolutions of other district councils.

Personals—One of the district's most eligible bache-

lor, Frank Iwama Esq., of Sacramento, was married in April. Wife is the former Mitsuko Archer, famous TV announcer. Frank is also the proud stepfather of a daughter in Stanford and still has his faithful companion white Spitz "Tofu". Can we have a "Dear Jim and Karl" column in the PC for readers who might want to ask some pointed questions of national interest? It should improve the communication link between the membership and leadership.



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Ushijima bares secrets of his success in wholesale produce business

OAKLAND, Calif. — While it's true that some of the best-laid plans occasionally go awry, sometimes it turns out all for the better.

Take George Ushijima, for example.

He wanted to be a lawyer, but his father died when he was only 16. Then came World War II.

Dreams of pursuing law were lost. But he's now worse off today because of it.

Now, at 57, he is president of Growers Produce Co., a wholesale produce firm in Oakland, which last year grossed more than \$27 million.

It started as a postwar

partnership between him and Archie Uchiyama. Both men graduated from Washington Union High School in the Centerville district of what is now Fremont in 1938. They bought out a produce route, had one truck and sold to small grocery stores and restaurants. Their gross sales totaled \$100,000 in their first year, 1948.

Ushijima's experience in produce goes back to childhood, when he helped on his father's Centerville farm and worked in a San Leandro retail produce market.

When the war broke out, he and his mother and two younger brothers were in-

terned at Topaz. He was then drafted into the Army and assigned to the Intelligence Service. After the war, he served as a court interpreter with the War Crimes Commission in the Philippines.

When he was discharged, Ushijima started a small fruit stand on Washington St., near the then busy Housewives Market and "did very well with it." His next move was with Uchiyama into the produce delivery route.

"We never bit off more than we could chew," Ushijima said.

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● Business

Rod Nomura, president of M's Flowers and active in the Kiwanis Club, takes over July as president of the Montebello (Calif.) Chamber of Commerce & Industry. In business here for 20 years and a member of the Las Vegas (Nev.) JACL, he and his wife Keiko have two children.

● Courtroom

Rocky Mountain Jiho notes several Sansei attorneys now practicing in Colorado: Andy Hamano, 25, La Junta; Edward Imatani, Darryl G. Kaneko, John M. Kobayashi, Charles Y. and Carolyn Tanabe, Denver metro area.

● Education

James M. Sugihara is director of research administration and dean of the graduate school at North Dakota State in Fargo. He received his doctorate in chemistry from the Univ. of Utah in 1964. Two other Nikkei on the faculty include Richard Shimabukuro, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture adjunct professor (Univ. of Minnesota, PhD, 1964) and Kiyohisa Okamura, PhD mechanical engineering, Purdue, 1963.

Dr. Gertrude Sugioka Fujii, professor of English at Los Angeles Valley College, was elected president of the English Council of California Two-Year Colleges at its annual meeting. She is a founding member of the group which covers 107 public and private colleges.

Dr. Edward I. Hashimoto, a lifetime Utah resident, received the Univ. of Utah Distinguished Teaching Award. A professor of anatomy, he has been on the Utah faculty since



George Ushijima

is now in the produce market with local buyers. The rest, he said, is brokerage with large chain stores, where merchandise is delivered to their central warehouses and outside customers — from Missouri to Japan.

"We sell by phone to these customers. We never see the merchandise here. We arrange deliveries through shippers we represent and coordinate with truckers."

"This is the only way to get a large volume of business and keep labor costs down," he said.

The days are busy. He's at work by 5:30 a.m. and may

1935 and has won 11 awards for outstanding teaching since 1960. He is a 1932 graduate of Harvard Medical School.

● Organization

William Wong, a commissioner of the Los Angeles Asian American Education Commission, was recently elected president of the Chinese-American Citizens Alliance.

● Politics

Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) registered 100% from the National Women's Political Caucus, a voting record based on 16 issues of interest to women, day care, minimum wage, equal representation, social security, abortion and family planning, during the first 15 months of the 95th Congress. ... Campaigners for Assemblyman Floyd Mori (D-Pleasanton) held a "Happy 39th Birthday" fundraiser May 25 with contributions pegged at \$39 per person. ... Calif. Secretary of State March Fong Eu, first Asian American to be elected to a statewide constitutional office four years ago, is running for a second term. Managing her campaign from Sacramento is her daughter, M. Suyin Fong. ... New York JACLer Moonray Kojima, president of the New York Japanese American Republican Club, was elected first vice president of the GOP state committee Heritage Group Council May 1. Council indicated ethnic groups are switching from their straight Democratic voting pattern, thus rendering the ethnic vote to become a declining factor for the first time.

still be hanging around at 6 p.m. His two brothers, Harry and Jimmy, are also associated in the business. His 21-year-old daughter, Jill, is a secretary for the firm. In all, there are 42 employees. An active member of the

JACL Alameda chapter and Golden Gate Optimist Club, Ushijima says it takes hard work and endurance to learn the trade.

And for him, it appears, all has paid off—long gone are hopes of lawyering. □

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