U.S.-Japan link for 21st Century viewed

HONOLULU—The 21st century will be the century of the Pacific, according to U.S. Ambassador to Japan Mike Mansfield. But before that prediction comes true, Mansfield said, the United States must develop a better understanding of the Asian countries and their needs, Jay Harwell of the Advertiser reported.

The development of that huge basin will depend upon the strength and durability of the Japanese American relationships, which must be based on mutual trust and understanding," said Mansfield, who delivered the commencement address May 13 at the 22nd annual graduation ceremony from the U.S. Army at Manoa.

Mansfield received an honorary doctorate of humanities degree, as did Honolulu businessman Chin Ho and grand master Shudo Nakamura.

Source of Stability

Mansfield: "Our bilateral relationship with Japan is of importance not only to our two nations alone but also as a source of stability for the entire region.

For the U.S. Japan is a vital market, taking more of our goods each year than any other overseas customer...

In 1981, they purchased more than $6.5 billion worth of (agricultural) goods, or 15% of our total agricultural exports.

"More investment dollars are also finding their way from Japan to the U.S. in 1981, through joint ventures directly invested in our country... All of this means more jobs for Americans, improved skills and training.

It also means that some Americans are concerned about Japan's effect on the U.S. economy, Mansfield said, and those people want U.S. trade barriers against Japanese goods. They also demand that Japan reduce its trade barriers for certain American goods.

Some Trade Barriers High

Although, Mansfield said, the Japanese have reduced some trade barriers, the tariffs on goods such as leather and tobacco are still too high.

"Japan has the most to gain from the continuing restrictions in the (free trade) system, and it is in her own best interest to participate in the process of keeping the system healthy by doing her part to see that residual protectionism in her own markets doesn't get an ex-

Nikkie charged with shipping U.S. stolen cars to Japan

LOS ANGELES—The Federal Grand Jury here returned a 20-count indictment May 25 against a Japanese businessman, Koichi Ishihara, on charges of foreign transportation of stolen autos.

An FBI and U.S. Customs Service investigation disclosed that Ishihara allegedly leased a large number of luxury automobiles, defaulted in their payments and had them shipped to Japan for resale.

The vehicles involved include 17 Mercedes Benzes, two Cadillacs, a Rolls Royce and a BMW, with a total value in excess of $750,000. There may be over 100 automobiles involved in the case.

The investigation is facilitated by information received by the Asian Task Force of the L.A. police department from members of the local Japanese community. (The story broke in the Tokyo newspapers May 13.) Operating between 1979 and 1981, Ishihara is thought to have obtained cars from U.S. car leasing firms by such means as fraudulent lease payments. It is believed that he had them transported to Japan if he was not able to do so by the leasing firms.

Ishihara allegedly victimized auto leasing companies throughout the U.S., including lots in New York, New Jersey, Texas and California nearby.

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No bearing on CWRIC finding, say JACL and CWRIC officials

SAN FRANCISCO—Before intemming 120,000 Japanese, alien and citizens alike, in 1941, President Roosevelt and his top advisers may have seen Japanese diplomatic cables boasting the "utilization of ethnic (Japanese) " (our second generation and our resident nationals) for espionage, according to a former U.S. intelligence officer, David Lowman.

National JACL reaction of surprise was immediate to the New York Times story of May 23 by Charles Mohr. Said John Tateishi, national JACL redress director:

"This is the first I've heard of the cables... Just as I think this information has little, if any, bearing upon the injustice of the internment or the research of the U.S. Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians. In fact, it leads me to question even more seriously, some of the government's actions against Americans of Japanese ancestry.

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Prewar civil service worker donates to Chicago redress

CHICAGO—A prewar state civil service worker in San Francisco who is receiving his first payment of $1,250 in July from the State of California as compensation for being dismissed on his account of his race and the evacuation has pledged that same as contribution to the Chicago JACL redress fund, it was announced this past week (May 13) by Jane Kailaitus, president.

"I will pledge this amount to the Chicago JACL since the Japanese American Citizens League has been foremost in the various drives to rectify the injustice of the evacuation," said the donor, Arthur T. Morimatsu, 70, president of the Japanese American Service Committee.

The generous contribution was not only acknowledged by the chapter but it moved the Sansei chapter president to add that she was moved by the "spirt of American humanity in a time of trial and a time of crisis."

Art Mori­mit­su, in which he gave."

His be­lief of JACL on redress has "al­­ways been strong", and this gift is testimony of his confi­dence," Kailaitus commented.

Morimatis hopes this will help the Redress effort and encourage others to remember JACL's campaign in similar fashion.

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It is believed that Amache is the only one without a permanent memorial to the 10 wartime concentration camps detaining persons of Japanese ancestry. Various groups have raised up $20,000 to secure a suitable memorial at the site.

The text suggested from the San, Calif. Amache Historical Society was found to be unacceptable to the city council and what the city council prepared was unacceptable to the California group. Hidaka indicated at the Amache Project meeting here May 23.

The text now under study is succinct, stating a "War Relocation Camp existed in Granada (Gran-e-ya da) from February, 1942, to December, 1945, housing approximately 7,000 to 8,000 Japanese and Japanese Americans; that approximately 180 volunteers served in the U.S. Army (during WW2) and 31 were killed in action.

The only remaining structure at Amache is a small brick church built by inmates a few yards from the grave­yard at the camp's southwest corner.

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SHRINE AT AMACHE—Only remaining structure built by the Japanese Americans before they left the Granada WRA Center in 1945 is this brick building next to the camp cemetery. Inside is a plaque with names and a Japanese inscription, "Here at Amache, we built this town out of nothing." Those who relocated early from Amache are probably seeing this picture for the first time.

Nikkie from 13 nations due at PANA convention

LIMA, Peru — Representatives from 13 countries (Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Canada, Colombia, Chile, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, the host country Peru, United States and Uruguay) will convene here July 14-17 for the second PanAmerican Nikkei Association Convention.

PANA, promoting friendship and service to Nikkei as well as North and South America, held its first convention two years ago in Mexico City. The convention, which was drafted by the U.S. contingent of JACL and JACL, is expected to be raised here. (And Chuck Kubokawa's long awaited presentation will appear in the Pacific Citizen next week, Kubokawa, national JACL v.p., is the voting U.S. delegate on PANA's board)

The official program from Friday evening, July 14, onwards, will consist of a full evening banquet, the presentation of an award to Mr. JACL's Student Exchange program, a trip to the Nikkei's "Shrine at Amache," a one-day trip to the GranadaWRA Center, a day-long tour of Lima and an international conference, as follows:

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Sansei wins PGA title

SUFFOLK, Va.—Lenore Muraoka of Honolulu (who has been often confused by the press and gallery with Los Angeles Sansei golfer Gail Hirata in tournaments) realized a dream by winning the Suffolk Classic. She shot a 70-73-70=214 for a 4-under par 212 in the $54,000 tournament.

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The facts surrounding Vincent Chin's senseless death bring into focus the issue of racism in America today, particularly against Asian Americans. It is an issue that concerns all of us, to think about the reason why Vincent, a Chinese American, was attacked was due to a mistake in his identity. Vincent Chin's attackers thought he was Japanese. In his own words on the court docket, he states, "I counted his white outstanding warrants, Vincent Chin’s killer, Ronald Ebens, was quoted as saying in the bar that fateful night, “It’s because of you father—ers we didn’t kill him.”

The burning hatred and scapegoating of our country’s official problems, against Asians, was totally illustrated. Vincent Chin was attacked and killed because he was an Asian American.

Following is a brief account:

On the evening of June 19, 1982, Vincent Chin, with three friends, went out to celebrate his upcoming birthday. They were a group of four young people having a good time, enjoying a drink and pushing match in a bar, probably not realizing they were being watched. They were a third person for $30 to help find Vincent, and began a chase on foot outside the bar. They blocked the streets of Highland Park, Michigan, and Ebens and Nitz grabbed them. They were so intent on maiming and killing the couple that they shot, striking four times to the head.

Vincent Chin’s dying words on the streets of Highland Park, Michigan, “I’m going to sue you, you son of a bitch.”

Vincent Chin, age 27, died from multiple injuries to his head on June 20. His family and friends were shocked by the brutality and the fragility that week; they了一场 was a result of the disparities of law enforcement at that time. He passed through the millions of security cameras, trying to escape the grasp, how much I've seen with time.

In the pronouncement of the court Judge Thomas Blythe, Ekahi of the general impression is that the facts, the words of warning by its promoters to all Americans, to speak out and let the Detroit Regional Council, ($100), the St. Antoine, Detroit, MI, ($250), the Michigan Civil Rights Commission, ($500), the Wayne County Prosecuting Attorney, ($100), the Wayne County Circuit Court, ($200), and the Detroit Chapter ($100), have already made donations to the cause.

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ACJ and Detroit JACL must have a continuing support to correct the unjust decision in the Detroit Regional Council to seek intervention by the U.S. Justice Department to prosecute the war criminals. If you wish to make a contribution, please mail the contributions and gifts, with a check payable to “American Citizens Justice (ACJ)," St. Antoine, Detroit, MI 48227, to the Detroit Regional Council. If you wish to make a contribution or any other gift to ACJ, please mail it to: a) American Citizens Justice, 37343, Oak Park, MI 48217.

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**Price raised on 'East West Flavors'**

LOS ANGELES.—Due to the cost of publishing, the price of the book "East West Flavors," written by JACL Auxiliary cook book, "East West Flavors," was raised June 1, to $7.00 for Cook Book $1, $2 for Cook Book $2 plus Califor- na state sales tax.

Fashion Show in September is in progress with Toy Kangui and Elu Iwata as co-chair. Fashions from Japan and China will be shown. A trip to Hollywood Bowl is planned for August.

—Stella Kishi (177-18)

**White River Valley hails graduates**

TAOMA, Wash.—White River Chapter JACL honored Gail Tani­naka, Kent-Meridian High, and Garth Hira­naka, Kent-Meridian High; and Frank Arima, Western Washington University at the Jade Palace Restaurant in Tacoma, with Har­per's Magazine. Garth Hiranaka, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hiranaka, received a $100 scholarship.

Karen Sankichi, FSW regional director addressed the graduates and parents, Michiko Maebori and Frank Arima complimented the event.—Edith Watanabe.

**NISEI IN JAPAN: by Barry Sakli**

Origami: the art of making friends

In the world of origami, the cranes are regarded as symbols of long life, fidelity and marriage. The art of paper folding can be found in many decorative designs, from paintings to ceramics. More recently, the custom of making a thousand cranes has developed. When a person dies, it is estimated that all the families bring a thousand cranes to send to the hospital along with their best wishes for a speedy recovery. In the Hiroshima Peace Plaza, one memorial is festooned with thousands of cranes, symbols of peace and good fortune.

The first thousand is said to have been folded by school children in memory of those who died in the atomic bombing of Hiroshima.

World paper-folding is known throughout the world, the art of Origami seems to be of Japanese origin. Assuredly, in the United States and Western Europe, people can fold hats, boots, boxes, boxes and even paper balls; and over the years, I have run into a number of non-Japanese in various countries who can fold the crane. One was an American from Buenos Aires, whom I met in Acapulco, Mexico. Another was a woman in Holland. Both had learned from an Origami book. More recent, I found the napkins of a Bangkok restaurant folded into cranes. These were made by a waitress who had been taught by a Japanese businessman.

My inordinate interest in Origami arose from the fact that unanswerable objects can be made from a square piece of paper, with a bit of manipulation, a smattering of intelligence and a touch of creativity and aesthetic sense. About a dozen years ago, I discovered the usefulness of the cigarette case and I have just the right texture and firmness. The paper, sparrow or crow I folded would retain its shape permanently. I began to save my tinfoils.

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Fresno celebrates 60th anniversary

By RARRY K. HORDON

FRESNO, Ca.—Hailed as the biggest turnout locally of Japa­nese Americans as a sit-down dinner, the Fresno American Loyalty Campaign celebrated its 60th anniversary banquet May 23 at the Hilton Hotel here attracted nearly 380 persons — and three of the four still living charter members of the Nisei organization founded on May 5, 1923, at the Hotel Tanigawa.

Dinner emcee Tony Ichii, recently named judge, welcomed while introducing the honorees where that hotel was. In the audience, the venerable old-time and physician, Kai Tairaa, had started to raise his hands as if to reveal the location but the gesture went undetected as Ichii quickly added, "That place is lost to memory."

(The Oct. 24, 1958, "What will the 60th anniversary of the JACL be like?"

Considering the many issues and how the Pacific Coast JACLs have been moving, it might be interesting to consider the following:

I had made a choice between seven very interesting workshops offered at the Conference. Because of my personal interest, I attended the United States/Japan Relations Sessions I and II.

During the morning session, Floyd Shimomura, Ron Wakahayashi, and Frank Iwama presented an overview of their observations and interpretations of some of the many issues surrounding this topic.

Ron explained the economic power shift from the Atlantic to the Pacific and the increasing position of Japan in the world’s Gross National Product as compared with the decline of the U.S.

Floyd spoke about his contacts with both the Japanese and U.S. governments and his views as to what they meant. He mentioned that the role of the JACL has changed with the times and that its involvement with the U.S./Japan trade relations is another change.

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After listening to the opinions of those in favor of JACL involvement, I was still not moved from my position. Both of my concerns were valid, which I expressed, were not adequately answered at that time.

One of my concerns was that it sounded like the U.S.-Japan Committee of the Valley JACL, which I did not know existed before this year, had made up its mind about visiting Japan two years ago. It was mentioned that the request came from the Japan Chapter of the JACL and that they are making all the arrangements. This visit was approved by the National Council during the March session.

Some of my concerns are:

1. Has the JACL done such a credible job representing Japanese Americans on the national level and the local national level, that the organization can afford, both the staff and funds, to move effectively in another arena?

2. What’s the short-term plan of the U.S.-Japan Committee of the National JACL?

The JACL should work with organizations which have more expertise in this area of the conflict of interest. One such organization is the Japanese Society which has membership that represents both the U.S. and Japanese businesses. They are the experts and the ones who have expertise in international laws. The terms regarding this matter. I believe the JACL should offer its support and, where accepted, work as part of the team rather than attempt to force it. If there has been outreach and no one has accepted, then I think the National Board should consider the "why".

Chiaroscuro:

Question of Priority

("Chiaroscuro"—a romantic Italian word meaning graphic publications to describe the white & black quality of a picture—has long identified the place in PC graphics for Chair President. Much of what appears here have been included in chapter newsletters, though on occasion contributions have been submitted directly. —Editor)

By GREG MARUTANI, San Francisco JACL

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After listening to the opinions of those in favor of JACL involvement, I was still not moved from my position. Both of my concerns were valid, which I expressed, were not adequately answered at that time.

One of my concerns was that it sounded like the U.S.-Japan Committee of the Valley JACL, which I did not know existed before this year, had made up its mind about visiting Japan two years ago. It was mentioned that the request came from the Japan Chapter of the JACL and that they are making all the arrangements. This visit was approved by the National Council during the March session.

Some of my concerns are:

1. Has the JACL done such a credible job representing Japanese Americans on the national level and the local national level, that the organization can afford, both the staff and funds, to move effectively in another arena?

2. What’s the short-term plan of the U.S.-Japan Committee of the National JACL?

The JACL should work with organizations which have more expertise in this area of the conflict of interest. One such organization is the Japanese Society which has membership that represents both the U.S. and Japanese businesses. They are the experts and the ones who have expertise in international laws. The terms regarding this matter. I believe the JACL should offer its support and, where accepted, work as part of the team rather than attempt to force it. If there has been outreach and no one has accepted, then I think the National Board should consider the "why".

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Kei Yoshida is a highly respected artist whose work is featured in exhibits throughout the United States and Japan. His work is well known for its vivid color and bold design. Kei’s Kamon designs have been used in a variety of applications, including the design of corporate logos, packaging, and other products.

Kei Yoshida is a member of the American Association of Decorative Artists and the Japanese American Historical Society. He has received numerous awards for his work, including the Japanese American Historical Society’s Lifetime Achievement Award.

Kei Yoshida’s Kamon Campaign is a unique and creative way to support the JACL and promote Japanese American culture. By participating in the Kamon Campaign, you can help to ensure that future generations will continue to appreciate and enjoy the rich cultural heritage of Japanese Americans.

For more information about the Kamon Campaign and how to participate, please visit the JACL website at www.jacl.org/kamon.
An Ounce of Prevention

During the past few years we have all witnessed an increased number of racist acts committed against members of the Asian American community. For the most part, individuals have had to fight their battles by themselves with occasional assistance from family and friends. On other occasions, ad hoc type groups have been formed to join the battle. JACL has been known to join those groups and be a part of those coalitions.

The other day as I was walking from the parking lot to the office, I saw a "horse" sign of the Kaishi Mami having a cup of coffee at Nancy's Hot Dog Stand (everybody's favorite). I stopped and chatted with him about the JACL, Pacific Citizen, employment discrimination, etc. "Horse" has been known to be a critic of the JACL so that when he said that everyone in the JA community should be a member of the JACL I was almost floored. I think what he was saying was that everyone should help, financially or otherwise, JACL realize its commitment to be an educational, human and civil rights organization on behalf of the JA community. I certainly agree, if that is the interpretation, and that we also need to develop our resources to implement those basic goals.

There is a TV commercial that I often see which shows a mechanic holding an oil filter. The mechanic indicates that a filter replacement then could have avoided a costly engine repair now. In the same manner, a small payment to a human rights organization now, which JACL is supposed to be, might save a cost later.

Citizen, employment discrimination, etc. "Horse" has been known to be a critic of the JACL so that when he said that everyone in the JA community should be a member of the JACL I was almost floored. I think what he was saying was that everyone should help, financially or otherwise, JACL realize its commitment to be an educational, human and civil rights organization on behalf of the JA community. I certainly agree, if that is the interpretation, and that we also need to develop our resources to implement those basic goals.

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Nishiyama visits Chicago

CHICAGO—On May 6 in Chicago, JACL leaders and Sen. Daniel Nishiyama, representative from SONY Corp. Tokyo, met for an informal discussion on U.S.-Japan relations. He was here for a seminar sponsored by the National Science Foundation and Northwestern University.

As a 1962 JACL convention panelist on U.S.-Japan Relations, "I remember Sen as being quite an eloquent speaker," JACL President George Hirasawa said. "I was impressed with his leadership and his commitment to the betterment of the U.S.-Japan relationship."

"Nishiyama offered advice... which showed a human understanding of the current situation and to strengthen an organization to safeguard those given rights and not be caught in a weak position again.

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