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By RAYMOND UNO
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Having two scholars in one household, both teaching on the college level, must have its trying moments, but these must be more than offset by the challenge of living in the world of academia. Drs. Nadine and Don Hata certainly provide the recipe for a perfect husband and wife team for their numerous and sundry activities.

One-Two Punch

Don and my sister came after me at the airport and I, unwittingly, having become accustomed to Jeff Matsui's impeccable service, waited at the waiting area and found my sister, running around the front parking area looking for me, after realizing enough time had elapsed, and still no sister.

Don had asked me to join him as a participant in a special continuing program called "In Search of Identity: The Japanese in America," at the California State College, Dominguez Hills. My topic was "Prejudice, Politics and the Japanese Americans." My remarks were prefatory to lively discussion period in an almost three hour long, very few quarters given to me, dialogue between speaker and audience, which, incidentally, was mixed racially, old and young, JACL and non-JACL, men and women.

The necessity of engaging in politics on any level, the commitment of JACL to really become involved in solving social problems, the current docility of Japanese Americans and the indifference of JACL to other minorities, particularly supporting their causes, had me suffering under some anguished moments because I feel and understand and know what the audience was asking, but was unable to clearly guarantee the temper, mood and outcome of the tumultuous inner upheaval the Japanese American community is currently experiencing. We have made some tremendous strides, but whether the pace is adequate to meet the demanding needs is questionable.

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At the invitation of Gardena City Councilman Ken Nakaoka, we were invited for some coffee which turned to be a meal. We had a good talk on politics and prospects for Nisei and Sansei. As we were about to leave, we were told the meal was on the house. Ken stated it was because of the presence of a celebrity, the national president of JACL, but I more suspect it was because of the political muscle who were present in the form of Ken and several other Gardena politicians.

Don and Nadine were gracious enough to drive me to Dr. Dave and Barbara Miura's that evening or I should say morning. Dave and I were still talking past four A.M. when I started to weaken. We talked about past and current policies and programs and the need to keep JACL vital and relevant. The fact that younger people are coming into JACL was promising, but we still have skeletons in our closet we must remove.

After breakfast, Barbara chauffered me to the JACL regional office where I met with Jeff Matsui; Bob Suzuki, chairman, Education Committee; Robert Nakamura, chairman, Visual Communications Committee; and Alan Nishio, director, UCLA Asian Studies Center. We discussed the need to make a determined effort to declassify wartime Evacuation material and procedures necessary to do this. We further discussed the current status of the Japanese History Project and its short and long term influence on all research relating to Japanese Americans throughout the United States. Harry Honda provided us with insight into many problems.

Jeff Matsui took me back to the Miuras, but, his navigational apparatus was slightly off center. We missed our turn and had to back track. Dave and Barbara were kind enough to drive me down to Ports O'Call Restaurant in San Pedro for the Gardena Valley Installation.

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Gardena Valley has some real go-getters in its Chapter. To start off with, they have a one-two punch in their two-term President Helen Kawagoe and her husband, Tak. Helen has got to be the most energetic, aggressive and attractive president that JACL has. Through her diplomacy, persistence and tenacity, she gets done what has to be done. Behind every successful woman there is a man and Tak has taken his share of the responsibility in good stride, even to the extent of learning to cook and do the household chores while Helen is knocking on doors selling JACL to Gardena JA's. Helen and Tak are doing a bang-up job for Gardena and all JACL is lucky we have them.

Bruce Kaji did a superb job as the MC. In his well modulated voice, keen sense of humore and sophisticated manner, he was the perfect gentleman. Al Hatate, National Treasurer, installed the officers and Mas Hironaka, District Governor, presented the awards. PSW keeps its na-

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NORMAN MINETA ENTERS SAN JOSE MAYORALTY RACE

Vice-Mayor First To Announce for April 13 Elections

SAN JOSE—Vice Mayor Norman Mineta will seek election as mayor of San Jose in the April 13 election.

He is the first major candidate in the up-for-grabs mayoralty race, said Marcie Rasmussen of the San Jose Mercury in her account of the Mineta news conference held Jan. 8.

Mayor Ron James announced last month he would not seek re-election to the post.

Mineta, 43, a San Jose native, who would be the nation's first Nisei mayor of a large, ranking city if he wins, said it is time for citizens to awake from a "paralysis of will" and get involved in solving community problems.

"Our city will not move unless it is given a solid push," he told newsmen, "That solid push on the part of the citizen here is involvement."

Seeks Involvement

"I wish to provide leadership not because I necessarily feel I have all the answers but because I want to seek involvement of the community in tackling the problems facing us."

Chances are that Mineta won't be the only city councilman vying for the chance to succeed Mayor James, Miss Rasmussen said.

Councilwoman Virginia Shaffer and other councilmen were expected to join the race.

Utility tax opponents Cullen B. Morgan and Thomas L. Fulkner, who singled out Mineta for criticism in his announcement of candidacy, have also said they are running for mayor.

City Revenue Issue

Mineta, who defends the city's need for the revenue from the controversial tax, said he believes the issue will affect the race "but I don't believe this is going to be a one-issue campaign."

Mineta said the city's top problem is its financial pinch and added that he believes the $1.40 charter-set property tax limit for city government is "maybe totally unrealistic" and should be examined. . .

He said residents need to weigh what they want against what they are willing to pay because in today's economic bad times "there's no recession in the demand for city services."

The mayor's office plus the council seats now held by Mrs. Shaffer and Joe Colla will be on the spring ballot, along with an initiative effort to repeal the 7½ per cent utility tax.

Reasons for Entering

Mineta said "much consideration" went into his decision to run because "being mayor of the fourth largest

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DR. YOSHIYE TOGASAKI:

Health Care in Camps Recalled

(Active Contra Costa JACLer, Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki relates her experiences as a physician at Manzanar and Tule Lake WRA camps in the December issue of California Health, publication of the Calif. State Dept. of Public Health. The vignette comprised one of 10 chapters highlighting the 100-year history of public health in California.—Ed)

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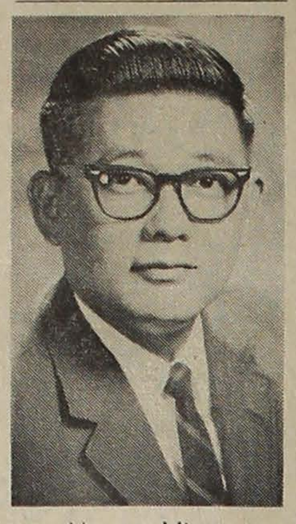
Shortly after Pearl Harbor 110,000 Japanese Americans were taken from their homes, farms, and businesses on the West Coast and interned in 10 camps scattered throughout the inland areas. Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki (MD, '35, Hopkins; MPH, Harvard), now chief of public health medical services and deputy health offices, Contra Costa County, served in two California camps: Manzanar and Tule Lake.



Norman Mineta

"Nearly all of the doctors and nurses providing health care in the camps were Japanese Americans, most of them well-trained and in active practice up to the moment they were interned," she said. "Medical care for all camps was administered by Caucasians. Tule Lake's director was 72, a former West Virginia public health officer who had not been in clinical practice for 20 years. He tried to run a tight shop, and dictate how young doctors should practice, mainly what they would *not* be allowed to do.

Practice Restricted

"One surgeon from Fresno was used to keeping up in his profession by attending rounds at Stanford and San Francisco. Now, of course, he couldn't. The medical director required him (and all the other physicians) to get his permission before performing even a simple appendectomy. This didn't work. Several attempts to 'discipline' him for this and to punish others for similar infractions, eventually culminated in the director being tarred and feathered by the camp's inmates.

"There was nothing to do in the camps, except for the few lucky ones in housekeeping, gardening, and the clinic. A 12-year-old boy who was mentally confused walked past the barbed wire into a field. An army guard told him to halt; he didn't. The guard shot and killed him. Incidents of this kind heightened the tension, and eventually a riot resulted.

"There hadn't been many doctors in rural areas where the camps were now located," Dr. Togasaki continued. "Now, with the war on, there were even less. We were allowed to treat and care for the camp administrative staffs who were Caucasian, and mostly people we had known before our internment. But much as we would have liked it, until near the war's end we were prohibited from giving medical care to residents of th ecountryside, except in dire emergencies.

Emergencies

"Most of our supplies came from military stocks. Naturally, they didn't have the drugs we needed for women in labor, or for their post partum care. We had our friends 'outside' however: oficially the Public Health Service provided equipment for our hospital, the State Department of Public Health and other contacts in Los Angeles got us vaccines for whooping cough, diphtheria, tetanus. There was plenty of TB among the adults. We wanted to skin-test the children as a preventive measure. The medical director of the War Relocation Authority tried to stop this because (he said) if we found new TB cases there was no place to put the patients! We continued to defy him and treated the cases we found. It wasn't a happy situation.

"The average pay for all internees was $12 a month. Professionals were given $19 a month. The Navy-issue clothing looked somewhat ridiculous on small-framed Orientals. When we were released, before demobilization started, there were jobs for nearly everyone, even though retraining was necessary. We who were single were given railroad fare to our chosen destination, and that was all. Families got their fare and a $100 'stake.' Some of the deep southern states invited our medical people to come there and work. None of our family went, for obvious reasons, although three of us sisters were doctors and a fourth a nurse. Near the war's end I wanted to join the pediatrics staff at Bellevue Hospital in New York, but New York was out of bounds for us. So I bought a ticket to Chicago, and then went on to Bellevue anyway."

—California Health

Japan consulate's So. Calif. census jumps to 9,200

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese Consulate General here revealed a total of 9,232 Japanese nationals reside in Southern California, Arizona and New Mexico, following a voluntary census conducted Oct. 1 last year. It compares with a total of 6,173 for a similar poll taken in 1960.

Of the 1970 total, 6,878 are permanent U.S. residents. There were 5,166 households, comprised of 3,367 adult males; 4,331 adult females; and 1,534 children.

The breakdown by areas:

Japanese Nationals	1970	1960
Los Angeles	7,979	4,529
Orange	528	268
San Diego	371	286
Santa Barbara	90	204
Ventura	101	503
San Luis Obispo	7	158
Imperial	6	25
San Bernardino	51	10
Riverside	64	97
ARIZONA	30	43
NEW MEXICO	5	5
TEXAS, El Paso		45
	9,232	6,173

Decreases in Santa Barbara, Ventura and San Luis Obispo counties from 1960 has been ascribed to the drop of the number of young Japanese farm workers then employed in the northern counties.

MORE JAPANOLOGISTS NEEDED IN U.S. AS JAPAN INFLUENCE RISES

NEW YORK—U.S. studies on Japan are quite inadequate, and if the situation is left unremedied, Japanology in the United States will face the biggest crisis in the 1970s, leading American Japanologists warned in a recent report.

The Japanologists said that unless financial aid is given by the U.S. Government and other institutions, the 1970s will see a decline in Japanology in the U.S. in contrast to Japan's growing importance in the international arena, and warned of an irretrievable loss.

The 370-page report, covering the present studies on Japan in the U.S., deplored that while about 2,000 kinds of literature in English are translated into Japanese a year ago, only about 25 pieces of literature in Japanese are translated into English.

Nikkei Students

There were only 4,324 students in the U.S. learning Japanese across as of 1968, which was one-tenth of the number of students learning Russian and one-100th of those studying French, the report said.

Moreover, 60 per cent of American students specializing in Japanese are centered in the states of Hawaii and California, and the majority of these are students of Japanese ancestry.

The report said that there is no student specializing in Japanese in the 23 states in the south and mid-west.

The report, which has been complied by a joint committee of the American Council of Learned Societies and the Social Science Research Council after two years of work since 1968, is the first of its kind. More than 400 American Japanologists, including Edwin O. Reischauer, professor at Harvard University and former Ambassador to Japan, joined in preparing the report.

Role of Japan

The report said that the history of Japan is not less important than the history of Britain, France or Germany, and pointed out that Buddhism, one of the great religions in the world, in particular Zen, was introduced to the Western world through Japan.

Recaling that the dramatic rise of Japan in modern times made an important impact on the U.S., it called for more studies on Japan in the U.S.

For the U.S., the report said, relations with Japan are as important as those with any other country, and that there is need to step up studies on Japan, especially in view of the sharp growth of the Japanese national strength in the past 20 years and the resultant increase in Japan's influence in the world.

135 Schools

As a matter of fact, the report said, Japan is more important to the U.S. than Britain, France and Germany in the economic field, and the nation is expected to become the most important to the U.S. politically, scientifically and culturally in the years to come.

Of 1,500 universities and colleges in the U.S., Japanologists are only at 135 schools, the report said. Only 61 schools have systematic courses on Japanology, and of the number, only 11 are open for post graduate studies.

As a result, less than one per cent of the total college students in the U.S. have a chance to learn anything com-

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CHICANOS MARCH THRU LITTLE TOKYO'S 1ST ST.

LOS ANGELES — Shouting "Chicano power," close to 1,000 Mexican Americans marched through Little Tokyo Jan. 9 from Hollenbeck Park, down E. 1st St., to Parker Center, police headquarters.

Sponsored by the Chicano Moratorium Committee, which charged police harrassment since the August riot in East Los Angeles, the march ended in a window-smashing sortee down Spring St. and Broadway when dispersed.

Roy Hoshizaki, proprietor of Crown Card & Gift Shop on 1st and Spring, reported a demonstrator used a trash can to break the plate glass window in front of his shop. Merchandise from the window display was also looted.

United Way offers $20,000 to JACS

LOS ANGELES — Japanese American Community Services called an executive steering committee meeting for Jan. 18 to discuss whether or not to accept the $20,000 funded to the organization by United Way.

Funds fell short of the $64,000 requested as "seed money" for three projects to meet community needs, combatting drug abuse, establishing a child care center and continuing the center for the aged.

Though the United Way announced on Jan. 5 its urban affairs committee was granting $46,923 to four agencies, JACS, Venice Boys Club, Saugus Boys Club and the Greater Compton YMCA, JACS office coordinator Linda Iwataki said official notification had not yet been received when the decision was made last week to call its steering committee meeting.

"In view of our original stand of 'all or nothing,' we must decide whether to accept this token amount because of our critical needs or to rejtct it and ask the community to boycott or continue boycotting their funds earmarked for United Way," she explained.

Donate to JACL National Scholarship Foundation

JACL bowlers all set for 25th meet in Salt Lake City

By JOHN TOMITA

Salt Lake City

Remember the first National JACL Tournament? It all started in Salt Lake City 25 years ago at the old Salt Lake Temple Alley. Maki Kaizumi was the Tournament Chairman and was ably assisted by Doc Jun Kurumada, Hito Okada—National JACL President at that time, Doug Muir house proprietor (he is presently the owner of Fairmont Bowl) and others.

The first tournament started as an expansion of the annual Intermountain Nisei Tournament. The National JACL which was then headquartered in Salt Lake assumed sponsorship and coordination, especially with view to eliminate the "whites only" restrictive membership in National Bowling organizations.

Since the first tournament, Salt Lake has hosted the following Tournaments: 1948—Bill Honda, Chairman; 1949 and 1956—Choppy Umemoto, Chairman; 1962—Wat Misaka, Chairman; 1971—Gene Sato, Tournament Director.

This "Silver Anniversary" National JACL Bowling Tournament will be held at Ritz Classic Bowl, 2266 S. State St., from Mar. 1-6. Ken Takeno, manager, promises that the alleys will be in great shape.

The deadline for submitting entries is Sunday, Jan. 24. For any information, please contact Wat Misaka, Scheduling Coordinator, 228 E. 2450 South, Bountiful, Utah 84010, phone (801) 295-9624.

At the last Tournament in Denver, one team from Japan participated and enjoyed it, so this year the team number has increased to seven. Hawaii is also sending five teams. A great Tournament is anticipated.

ASIAN WORKERS SEEK DAY OFF - JAN. 27 - CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR

SAN FRANCISCO—The Asian City Employees have petitioned Mayor Joseph Alioto for a day off with pay for those Asian employees who would observe Jan. 27, the Chinese lunar New Year's Day as a religious holiday.

The petition recalled that the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in February, 1968, recommended such action and had met with the mayor though no definite decision was rendered.

It was understood that city employees of the Jewish faith are granted Rosh Hoshana and Yom Kippur as "days off with pay." Similarly, Jewish pupils are excused from public schools. "We feel that the Asian employees should be granted the same privilege for their religious holiday annually," the petition added.

It was signed by:

Chester Chew, Eugene Louis, Stanley Lim, Nobusuke Fukuda, Frank Yee, Loni Chin and Tong Sam.

For Chinese Americans, it is a day of reverence and dignity. The lunar New Year's day is also celebrated by Americans of Korean and Vietnamese ancestries.

The Chinese are celebrating year 4669, symbolized by the Boar, the 12th house of the Oriental zodiac. The Boar, it is said, possesses great strength and insures inner strength of character, which is reflected by courtesy and breeding. Tradition has it that a child born in this year will possess a driving ambition that will lead to spiritual and material success. Young married couples will find the building or constructing of a new household a very successful venture.

College-educated women urged to put into practice what they have learned

Dr. Ruth Watanabe

ROCHESTER, N.Y.—Music is the most important of Dr. Ruth Watanabe's many interests. But this year as president of the Rochester Branch, American Assn. of University Women (AAUW), she is challenging college-educated women to broaden their scope of activities with emphasis on volunteer work.

"We are swinging into a period where we can put into practice some of the things we have learned," she recently told the Times-Union women's editor Ruth B. Chamberlain.

"There is no more sure way to come to grips with problems — civic, educational or economic — than to become actively involved," she declared in noting the study projects of the state ASUW convention this year deal with ecology and conservation.

AAUW Objectives

"I believe that each member should become involved if we are to grapple successfully with the world's ills. Actually, this fits well into the real meaning of the AAUW."

The AAUW, founded in 1882, is comprised of women who hold baccalaureate or higher degrees on the AAUW list of qualified institutions and concerned with the recognition of women as responsible citizens and for the elimination of discrimination on the basis of race, religion or sex.

Dr. Watanabe is head of the Sibley Music Library of the Eastman School of Music, the largest college music library in the country. She heads a staff of 18 adults and up to 50 student helpers who handle more than 350,000 items, books, scores, tapes, recordings, microflims and old manuscripts.

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Chicago JACL credit union accounts federally insured up to $20,000 now

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

CHICAGO—The participation by the Chicago JACL Federal Credit Union in the newly enacted share insurance program guaranteed by the Federal Government was announced this week by President Dudley Yatabe, who noted that this credit union is among the first in the natoon to be granted such participation.

All share accounts are now federally insured up to $20,000, another step forward in making the Chicago JACL Federal Credit Union a full-fledged member of the financial community.

Lincoln Shimidzu, chairman of the annual meeting of shareholders scheduled for Jan. 29 at Como Inn, urges all members to make their reservations by June 27 with Mrs. Esther Hagiwara, Midwest Regional Office secretary and assistant treasurer of the credit union.

Her many friends will be happy to know that, following an extended leave of absence, Esther returned to the JACL office on Jan. 18 on a part-time basis.

The annual meeting of shareholders will feature a prime rib dinner at $2 per person as well as entertainment following the business portion of the meeting.

City planner denies bias in civil service promotion list

LOS ANGELES — Calvin Hamilton, director of the city planning department, expressed shock and amazement last week at the charges leveled by the Japanese American Citizens League concerning city planning associate James M. Yohinaga.

"There's no basis for allegations of racial discrimination," Hamilton insisted in his reply to Jeffrey Matsui, associate National JACL director, who feared a civil service promotional list for city planner showing the top three candidates as Japanese Americans might expire.

"I am proud of the openness of our employment practices which prevail throughout the department," Hamilton added.

No Vacancy

The city planning director said there has not been a vacancy for city planner, the position for which Yoshinaga had passed number one—not for senior city planner as JACL had been informed.

Five city planners have been appointed from the present list, Hamilton revealed, two of whom being Oriental, one a Negro and two Caucasians. Yoshinaga had been considered each time an appointment was made and each time in the judgment of the responsible supervisors involved in the selection process and Hamilton himself, the best candidate of three available was chosen.

It was pointed out the vacancy for senior city planner exists and it has been covered by an interim appointment of a planning assistant while a list is in the process of being established. "We will have a vacant city planner position when this senior planner position is filled from the list now being prepared," Hamilton explained, "which will be available some time in March."

One Vacancy

There has not been a vacancy for city planner since Oct. 6, 1969, Hamilton noted. The senior city planner position has been vacant since Feb. 27, 1970.

It was Hamilton's contention that it was poor personnel policy to place an additional city planner into the department while the senior planner position was unfilled.

The city planner list, which contains the names of three Japanese Americans on top, is to expire Jan. 24, 1971 but the Personnel Department has properly announced a new examination, Hamilton said. The department has approximately 25 city planning associates who will be eligible to take this examination.

"If what may be the only position to be filled during the life of the new list were filled before the new city planner examination is held, these 25 candidates would be inequitably treated," Hamilton said.

It is technically possible to request special authority to employee a city planner in lieu of a senior city planner, Hamilton admitted, but it did not seem a wise choice then in February, 1970, or now.

The city planning department currently has 239 employees: 25 Oriental, 20 Spanish-surnamed, 37 Negro, 157 Caucasian.

PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:

WEST L.A. AUXILIARY COOKBOOK EARNS $23,000 FOR MANY CHARITIES

LOS ANGELES — One of the most popular cookbooks hereabouts has been the East-West Flavors cookbook, published by the West Los Angeles JACL Women's Auxiliary. It not only has enabled Nisei and Sansei cooks to turn out Japanese dishes "like Mama used to make," but has enabled the generous ladies of the auxiliary to benefit a large number of good causes to the tune of $23,000.

As stated in the foreword of the East-West Flavors Cookbook, the original impetus for a book came from a popular program of the auxiliary, the oft-repeated "favorite recipe exchange night."

It revealed the culinary talents of the members and became a source for a multitude of tasty recipes. The Oriental recipes were particularly appealing, since vague proportions were converted into exact measurements, with the success of duplicating Japanese and Chinese dishes greatly enhanced.

Since the auxiliary is a service-oriented group, the members felt that such a book would be an excellent means of raising funds for various projects.

Started in 1965

The cookbook committee co-chaired by Satsuki Uyeno and Taye Isono and assisted by Mrs. Chieko Inouye, recipes; Mrs. Ronald Yoshida, woodcuts; Mrs. George Tanaka, calligraphy; Mrs. Robert Watanabe and Mrs. Frank Kishi, finances; and Donald Chipperfield, adviser, undertook this program in 1965.

"East-West Flavors Cookbook" was first offered for sale in the spring of 1966, and the overwhelming success of the book has been a source of constant amazement and satisfaction to this group of 28 women.

At the present time, 18,000 books have been printed and are still being at sold ($4 or $4.50 postpaid).

The Beneficiaries

In 1966, the auxiliary contributed $5,820 to:

International Orphans, Inc., WLA Schalarship Fund, WLA JACL Newsletter and Youth Activity Fund, National Jr. JACL, International Student Center at UCLA, International Institute, Novelles, San Diego JACL, and the Christmas Cheer Fund.

In 1967, $3,375 was given to:

Japanese Institute of Sawtelle, WLA Seventh Day Adventist Church, WLA Buddhist Church, WLA Holiness Church, Sawtelle Baptist Church, WLA Community Methodist Church, PSWDC High School Art Scholarship Fund, Cadette Girl Scouts, WLA Girls' Softball Team, WLA YMCA, WLA Scholarship Fund, and the Issei Appreciation program.

In 1968, a total of $8,110 was given to:

DAWN (WLA Youth Drug Abuse Program), Los Angeles Times Summer Camp, International Institute, PSWDC Jr. JACL Head Start Program, International Orphans, International Student Center (UCLA), WLA Buddhist Church, WLA Methodist Church, WLA Seventh Day Adventist Church, WLA Holiness Church, Sawtelle So. Baptist Church, Martin Luther King Fund, Oriental Community Survey, Keiro Home, and WLA JACL Scholarship Fund.

A total of $1,410 was donated in 1969 to:

WLA YMCA, WLA Scholarship Fund, Progressive Westside (Camarillo Christmas Party), Venice Campfire, Girls, and WLA JACL Newsletter.

During the past year, the auxiliary has contributed $4,485 to:

Project Hope, JACS, Yellow Brotherhood, Brotherhood of Artists, WLA JACL Scholarship Fund, Los Angeles Indian Center, Yamada and Okubo Fund, Venice Campfire Girls, American Cancer Association (in a memorial to Joe Grant Masaoka), A.L. Wirin Fund, Mike Masaoka Fund, and JACL Furniture Fund.

In the meantime, the favorite recipe exchanges have been going on, and with a sequel to the first volume planned.

Those who have enjoyed the first book are urged to submit their favorites to Mrs. Chieko Inouye, 11740 Tennessee, Los Angeles 90064.

San Diego radio station regrets use of racist humor in tire commercial

San Diego

The inadvertent use of the word, "Chinaman," by a local radio station in a tire commercial was regretted after the **San Diego JACL** complained on behalf of some of its members.

Incident occurred Dec. 18 when a Radio KFMB staff announcer attempted racist humor to sell Michelin tires. He said he had always thought Michelin was what a "Chinaman" called the state north of Wisconsin.

"We as an organization feel that this is just another example of the type of racism that Asian Americans have had to face over the last 100 years at the hands of unthinking individuals," declared Don H. Estes, past president. "We feel that terms like 'Chinaman, Jap, Nigger' and words of that genre do not belong on the public air."

Station manager Dave Newton replied he was in complete agreement and declared, "This remark is an example of the sort of institutional racism that is deeply ingrained even in the semantics of white culture."

Newton added that announcer was entirely unaware of the remark and had intended no harm and assured the station is making every attempt to head off incidents of this kind. He thanked the chapter "for the sensitive and sensible way" in which the problem was approached.

The JACL letter also offered to meet with the radio management and staff to help them understand the perspective of the Asian American. KFMB said it would seek such counsel for its public affairs programming.

Washington Newsletter

by Mike Masaoka

92nd Congress Convenes

Demands that the Congress reform its rules and conduct in order to become more effective in dealing with the momentous problems of the times is nothing new. But, as this First Session of the 92nd Congress convened on January 21, with the President slated to deliver his annual State of the Union message on the following night (January 22), the urgency of the demand has never been greater.

Though politicians will naturally disagree with the results and the impact of the final days of the Second Session of the past 91st Congress, which adjourned less than a day before it was constitutionally required to do so sine die, most Capitol Hill observers will agree that the image of the Legislative Branch is tarnished to say the least.

Even most lawmakers seem to agree with that assessment, as political pundits write of the possible demise of the Congress as an effective and meaningful force in modern government.

Accordingly, as the new session began, there were many suggestions for congressional reform.

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The most concentrated attack seems to be on the so-called seniority system which enables those who have been able to survive the longest in the House and the Senate to become chairmen of the various standing committees without regard to their ability, expertise, knowledge, sensitivity, etc.

Thus, if tradition holds, Southerners will hold the chairmanships of ten of the 16 legislative committees of the Senate, with two being held by border state Senators and four by those from the rest of the country. Every one of the Big Five Committees is to be chaired by a Southerner if the old tradition is continued—Appropriations, Richard Russell of Georgia; Armed Services, John Stennis of Mississippi; Finance, Russell Long of Louisiana; Foreign Relations, J. W. Fulbright of Arkansas; and Judiciary, James Eastland of Mississippi. Of the four committee chairmanships held by Senators from outside the South and Border State areas, two are from Washington State—Warren Magnuson of the Commerce Committee and Henry Jackson of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee.

In the House, if the customary practice is followed, of the 18 legislative committees, eight will be chaired by Southerners, eight also by those from the combined areas of the north, the midwest, and the west, and two by border state representatives. The Big Three Committees in the House are chaired by Southerners—Ways and Means, Wilbur Mills of Arkansas; Appropriations, George Mahon of Texas; and Rules, William Colmer of Mississippi. For the first time in decades, two Californians will hold chairmanships—Chet Holifield of Los Angeles, the Government Operations Committee, and George Miller of Alameda, the Science and Astronautics Committee.

JACL is among those advocating a change in the method by which committee chairmen are elected. A proposal which JACL can support would provide that the Majority Caucus, in this case the Democratic Caucus, would elect the chairman from the three senior majority members of each committee. In this way, the chairman would be responsible to the party for the discharge of his duties, rather than to his own committee which he dominates almost dictatorially in most cases as at present. But, almost any break with tradition, not a rule or a law as many may have believed, in the election of committee chairmen will be welcomed by JACL.

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In the Senate, JACL continues to back the proposal to modify Rule XXII so that perhaps three-fifths, and not two-thirds as at present, of the Senators present and voting may invoke cloture and force a showdown vote on the merits.

In the final weeks of the last session, Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield commented that on a particular day there were at least seven filibusters either in progress or threatened as a means of frustrating votes on legislation which small minorities of lawmakers opposed. Several efforts to invoke cloture were attempted, but none succeeded.

In the House, JACL would support, as it has done in the past, a revision of the rules to require the Rules Committee to clear any bill reported by a legislative committee within 21 days after it was presented to the Committee for clearance for floor consideration and a vote.

Since JACL recognizes that both chambers are reluctant to modify its rules or upset its traditions, JACL would welcome almost any revision of the rules and traditions that will bring about a more effective and responsive Congress.

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In keeping with its tradition, however, the Washington JACL Office lists the legislative objectives which it seeks in the new Congress that has just convened.

1—Repeal of Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, the so-called emergency detention and concentration camp authorization law.

2—Further liberalization and humanization of the immigration and naturalization laws, particularly for those born in the Western Hemisphere and for those fleeing political or other persecution.

3—Greater recognition of the need for ethnic, cultural, and Asian-American studies, schools, arts, exhibitions, etc.

4—Enactment of laws prohibiting the stereotyping, demeaning, and degrading of Japanese Americans, Asian Americans, and others in motion pictures, in radio and television broadcasts, in the theater, etc.

5—General civil rights and equality legislation which are intended to improve the quality of life and opportunities fo rall Americans in general, and particularly for Asian Americans.

6—Securing adequate funding and sensitive administration of all civil rights and equality programs and projects.

7—Opposition to any discriminatory, unfair, racist, prejudicial, repressive, demeaning, degrading, or other bill that may be introduced for one reason or another.

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NEWS CAPSULES

Press Row

Amerasia, a quarterly magazine dealing with problems relevant to Asian Americans, is being edited by **Lowell Chun-Hoon** of Honolulu. The 1967 Punahou graduate, who is currently a senior at Yale, began preparations for the magazine in May. Publisher is **Don Nakanishi,** of Los Angeles, who is a senior in political science at Yale.

Boise magazine editor **Anita Jo Nishioka,** daughter of the Bill Nishiokas of Caldwell, was named Idaho's outstanding young woman of the year. Editor of "Pulse", a publication of Boise Cascade Corp., the 1967 Idaho State University graduate has been writing professionally since she entered college, serving as campus correspondent for the Idaho Free Press, news editor with the Meridian Times and writer-secretary for J.R. Simplot Co. and editor of the ISU campus paper. She also served the JACL Intermountain District Council as publicist, belongs to the National Federation of Presswomen and the Idaho Press Assn. Over 100 other candidates were vying for the 1970 title.

Government

On the Seattle Housing Authority staff for 20 years, **William Y. Nishimura,** 47, took over Jan. 1 as executive director. A past commander of the Seattle Nisei Veterans Committee, he was in charge of finance and accounts for the Authority the past three years. He started in 1950 as a cashier after graduating from Gonzaga in 1947 and service overseas in military intelligence.

The Los Angeles City Council on Jan. 7 rejected plans for a helicopter launching pad atop the West Los Angeles police building and police did not press its request after a citizens' group, headed by the **Rev. Kenneth Ashitomi,** objected to the facility in the densely populated neighborhood on the basis of noise and the safety factor. The West Los Angeles Community Protective Association was lauded by Councilman **Marvin Braude** for its role in articulating the widespread objection from the residents in the area and was urged to continue their work for community betterment.

School Front

The Los Angeles City Board of Education at their first regular Board meeting announced the members of the Clergy Advisory Committee to assist the Board and to new superintendent-elect Dr. William J. Johnston. **Rev. Shoko Masunaga,** vice-rinban of the Hompa Hongwanji, will represent the Los Angeles Buddhist Coordinating Council of Churches on the committee.

Speaking Jan. 13 before the Univ. of Hawaii interim session series on university government, **Dr. S. I. Hayakawa** of San Francisco State says the "university is entitled to the same protections as a bowling alley or an airport and when they are attacked, we call in the police." On the same subject of police on campus, **Dr. Robben Fleming** of the Univ. of Michigan says, "I'm prepared to accept a certain amount of problems rather than use the police; but I would never agree that the campus is a sanctuary. But both agreed that the President's Commission on Campus Unrest was justified in criticizing the over-reaction of police and national guardsmen at Kent State and Jackson State.

Book

Two paperbacks by Bantam Books, Inc. illustrate aspects of the Pearl Harbor attack. "The Broken Seal", by **Ladislas Farago,** ($1.25) tells the story of America's cryptographers; they broke the Japanese code and so foretold the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, which would have been no surprise had their warning been heeded. The paperback has a postscript to the hard cover edition, entitled "New Lights on the Pearl Harbor Attack," which contains new evidence that U.S. Naval Intelligence in Honolulu had ample warning that a Japanese attack fleet was en route but failed to act on the information. "Day of Infamy", by **Walter Lord** (95 cents), is a standard work that recreates the Pearl Harbor attack.

Time-Life Books has published "Mother Goose," containing some 260 verses and poems, with illustrations by **Gyo Fujikawa,** New York free lance artist who is also remembered for designing two U.S. commemorative stamps: the 1960 U.S.-Japan Treaty Centennial and the 1966 Beautiful America depicting the cherry blossoms and the Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C.

Travel

Korean Airlines of Seoul requested U.S. permission to begin a new cargo service from Korea through Japan and Hawaii to Los Angeles. With no objections submitted during the Jan. 14 hearing before the Civil Aeronautics Board in Washington, White House approval is expected. Passenger service is also planned to start at a later date.

Inflight movies and seven channels of music, ranging from traditional Japanese to classical and jazz, are now part of the **JAL** 747 "Garden Jet" flights between Los Angeles-Honolulu-Tokyo.

INSURANCE AGENTS—Harry Fujita, longtime agency manager with Cal-Western in Los Angeles, has returned to selling, this time with the Woods Agency of Massachusetts Mutual. The onetime Downtown L.A. JACL president is welcomed by Robert Woods, general agent.

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Organizations

Dr. Kenji Yaguchi, active Snake River Valley JACLer, was installed as master of the Acacia Masonic Lodge 118, AF&AM.

The Mid-Columbia (Ore.) Boy Scout district has chosen **Byron Harada,** Eagle Scout son of the Heter Haradas, as its representative to the World Scout Jamboree in Osaka this August. The 16-year-old junior of Hood River High has also been selected to attend the National Junior Leadership Training program. Two other scouts from the district are planning to accompany Byron, including **Ken Tamura,** son of the George Tamuras of Parkdale.

Little Tokyo attorney **Kenji Ito** was elected president of the So. Calif. Japanese Chamber of Commerce. He previously served two years in 1957-58 and succeeds **Takito Yamaguma.**

Churches

Carnegie Ouye, past president of the Sacramento JACL has been elected Moderator of the Sacramento Presbytery, which includes 39 churches with a membership of 18,000, in Northern California. He will be installed at the next meeting at the Bidwell Memorial Presbyterian Church in Chico on Jan. 30.

First quarter of the Buddhism course taught by the **Rev. Hogen Fujimoto** of the Buddhist Churches of America, San Francisco, at the San Quentin state prison was successfully concluded with 47 inmates enrolled. The class opened with 27 initially. The second quarter will commence Feb. 12.

Mrs. Takako Fujimura of Los Angeles, active with the First United Presbyterian Church as women's association program chairman and in district work, was named honorary member of the Board of National Missions, United Presbyterian Church in the USA. Her husband, Yoshiyuki, is communications engineer with the Dept. of Water and Power. They have two children, the son in Vietnam and daughter a premed student at UCLA.

Crime

John Linley Frazier, 24-year-old Santa Cruz mechanic accused of mass murder of Dr. Victor Ohta and four others, was treated for superficial, self-inflicted wounds, according to Santa Cruz sheriff detective Lt. Marvin Gangloff, who said Frazier fas found in his cell with his left arm cut above the wrist with a razor blade. He is scheduled to go on trial Jan. 25.

Toronto police charged a Japanese Canadian, **Wayne R. Yanagisawa,** 25, for allegedly robbing $2,100 from the Bank of Nova Scotia branch at Danforth and Greenwood St. on Dec. 14. Unable to hail two passing taxis, he tried to escape on foot and when trying to scale a fence, it collapsed and two officers in pursuit arrested him. A squad of police rushed into the area to recover all the stolen cash. Yanagisawa is also charged with the Nov. 13 holdup of the Bank of Montreal where $1,380 was taken.

Entertainment

Universal - International is now casting for a new TV-pilot Charlie Chan series. Ross Martin has the lead role, which will portray the venerable Honolulu detective in a slightly older mold. **Virginia Lee,** who played Mei Li in "The Hawaiians", will be daughter Doreen, singer-actor **Rocky Gunn** who has been appearing at Korea House on Cahuenga is the No. 2 son and **Soon Taik Oh,** familiar to East-West Player cast as Okada for another TV-pilot, "McCormack," starring Carrie Snodgrass of "Diary of a Mad Housewife" fame.

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Business

Sam Nakagama of New York City, vice-president and economist for the Argus Research Corp., in a recent tally by Business Week magazine, had his 1970 performance ranked first among 10 widely circulated economic forecasts.

Five Sacramento Nisei life insurance agents were recipients of the National Quality Award in recognition of quality life underwriting service to the public as evidenced by an excellent record of maintaining in force and extending the benefits of life insurance. Recipients were **William M. Matsumoto,** 15 years, West Coast Life; **George S. Hirakawa,** CLU, 13 years, New York Life; **T. George Kato,** 8 years, West Coast Life; **William Y. Kashiwagi,** 10 years, Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States; and **Takeshi Saigo,** 2 years, Mutual Benefit. Matsumoto also qualified for the Health Insurance Quality Award.

Yoshinori Kita has been named general manager of Suehiro Restaurant in San Francisco's Japan Center. He previously managed the Asuka Restaurant at Expo '70 in Osaka. A veteran of more than ten years in the business, he previously managed restaurants in the city of Osaka, Kyoto, and Hiroshima, and is a recognized authority on both Japanese and Chinese cuisine. Born in Nara, Kita attended Keio University before becoming a restaurateur.

Politics

Ben Fujita, East Los Angeles businessman, was elected 1971 president of the Japanese American Republicans, succeeding **Soichi Fukui.** The group will honor the new officers Jan. 24, 7 p.m., at the new Imperial Dragon Restaurant in Little Tokyo with **"Mo" Marumoto** of the White House staff as main speaker. The evening will also honor recent White House appointees:

Katsuma Mukaeda, technical committee on education; **Steven J. Doi,** governmental and non-governmental activities; **Henry Kanegae,** public opinion; **Tsutomu Uchida,** income; **Dr. Sammy Lee,** physical fitness and sports; **Yosh Uchida,** physical fitness and sports; **Dr. Megumi Shinoda,** health; **John Maeno,** housing; **Dr. Jean Shinoda Bolen,** government; **Bob Takeuchi,** planning board, White House Conference on Aging; **Henry Yamaga,** adviser to the Small Business Administration regional director.

The Volunteer Committee for **Hiroshi Kanno** for Alderman, care of Dewey Cedarblade, 2805A S. Michigan Ave., Chicago 60616, will acknowledge contributions to Kanno's campaign, which comes to its climax on election day, Feb. 23. The Seattle-born Nisei is the first Japanese American to run for city council in Chicago.

Military

Capt. Dennis H. Yaenoyama, 30, a helicopter pilot, was among the four U.S. soldiers killed in a crash on Kimpo peninsula, 25 miles west of Seoul on Jan. 13. He is survived by widow Jayne of Cotuit, Mass., and father, Lt. Col. Hidekazu Yaenoyama, serving with the 137th Medical Detachment in South Vietnam.

Deaths

Dr. Donald G. Takahashi, 33, conducting corneal research at Boston University Hospital, was found dead at the Cambridge YMCA where he was residing on Jan. 11. An autopsy was being held to determine the cause of death. He was the son of Mrs. Yoshie Takahashi of Sacramento, who lost her husband, Dr. George, on Dec. 20.

Mrs. Michiko Sekiya, 46, of Salt Lake City and Mt. Olympus JACLer, died Nov. 24 after a long illness. Surviving are h Harry, s Ronald, p Seisuke and Nakako, br Selichi (Chicago) and Shigeru.

George J. Sugihara, 49, prominent rose grower-shipper and active Contra Costa JACLer, died suddenly Jan. 4. A native of Richmond, he is survived by his w Fumiko, d Edna, m Teru, br John, Gilbert, sis Yuriko Yokota, Fumiko Wada. He was chapter president in 1957.

D. Takashi Uchida, 86, of Oakland and Issei leader of the Sycamore Congregational Church, died Jan. 8.

Medicine

Calif. Gov. Reagan has appointed **Dr. Donald K. Wake** of Upland to the advisory board of Pacific State Hospital and **Dr. Kazuo Orimoto** of Stockton to the advisory board of Stockton State Hospital. The advisory board replaces the trustee board under reorganization as provided in the 1969 Mental Health Act with members serving as liaison with the community and legislature and advising the state mental hygiene department and hospital director. Wake is a Republican while Orimoto is a Democrat.

Sports

Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) asked Postmaster General Winton M. Blount to support the request of the National Bowling Council for a commemorative stamp to be issued on the occasion of the Seventh World Bowling Tournament, the Olympics of bowling, to be held in Milwaukee, Aug. 20-28, 1971. The issuance of a commemorative stamp at the beginning of the bowling tournament would lend prestige to bowling — a wholesome family sport enjoyed by millions of Americans, Matsunaga said.

Flowers-Garden

The $20,000 experiment of the **Ken and Kay Maekawa,** Seattle chrysanthemum growers, under artificial light in their greenhouses for the winter crop was recently featured in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. The plants are grown under normal conditions until the last three weeks of their cycle. "The added quality has won acclaim from both growers and consumers," the article stated.

Awards

Joe Mukai of Spokane was awarded the Silver Beaver from the Inland Empire Council of Boy Scouts of America. He worked with Troop and Pack 312 and was selected neighborhood commissioner in 1965. A carpenter by trade, he helped construct several pieces for the junior leader scout training program.

Fine Arts

Ancient Indonesian sculpture will comprise the last major exhibition the Los Angeles County Museum of Art will stage this year from December, according to **George Kuwayama,** curator of Oriental Art at the museum. Pieces on Art and Technology first shown at Expo '70 comprise the first major exhibit opening May 11.

Sister Cities

Monterey Park last month dedicated its torii gate to Sequoia Park as part of its Nachikatsuura Sister City project with **Mas Miyakoda,** chairman of the sister city board, presiding. The **Rev. Taichi Tsuyuki** of Konko-kyo, Los Angeles, conducted the purification ritual dedicating the shrine gate.

Local Scene

San Francisco

Formed last October by concerned students at Oakland High is the **Asian Student Alliance** to fill the need for an Asian student voice in school and community affairs. With the **East Bay Chinese Youth Council,** a tutoring and counseling program conducted by college volunteers to aid foreign-born students in the areas of reading, scholarship information and draft counseling has been inaugurated. Ron Gee, founding president, said Asian Americans "more or less fit into society but they ignore the foreign-born . . . Whatever happens, it affects both groups. We can be heard only if we are united. If all Asians, Chinese, Japanese, Koreans, Filipinos, would join together in a common group for a common goal, the ASA can be and will be a moving force within the school," Gee explained.

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Los Angeles

The **Los Angeles Sangha** of Hompa Hongwanji, 815 E. First St., presents a lecture by Warren Furutani, JACL Coordinator — Community Involvement, on Saturday, Jan. 30, 7:30 p.m. His topic will be "Why be Involved?"

A question and answer period will follow.

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Our efforts to squeeze in as much of the Asian American community news will be acknowledged in "Local Scene." We ask that items be received early enough to be timely if time is a factor.—Ed.

Federal summer jobs

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From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

REQUIEM TO A SERVICE STATION—They came the other day, unhooked the pumps from the gasoline storage tanks hidden underground, and took them away to wherever it is they take old gas pumps. It was the final emasculating act that changed George Kuramoto's Texaco service station to just another little brick shell awaiting the demolition crews under contract to the Urban Renewal people.

The service station stood at the corner of 20th and Lawrence streets. It was a decaying area even before World War II. That's probably the reason the handful of Issei in pre-war Denver were able to concentrate their businesses here, and why the evacuees also settled there when they sought refuge from the West Coasts hysteria and the boredom of camp life.

After the evacuees arrived the service station quickly became one of the landmarks of Denver's crummy Nippon Town. Even with ration cards, one had to buy gas, right? And if you couldn't buy a new car, you needed expert help from a mechanic to keep the old one running. So you went to the gas station. At first George was just one of the fellows running the place. The others went back to California, or some other place, and George remained as the proprietor. He remembered the humid heat of Walnut Grove, near Sacramento, where he used to live, and the dead-end economic opportunity there and decided Denver was a better place to bring up his family.

So he stayed, and as the community dwindled, the gas station became a sort of greasy, cluttered community center. You left the car there to be gassed while you walked a half block to shop at the Granada Fish Market, or at Pacific Mercantile, or walked across the street for a bite to eat. You stopped by for the latest gossip, and you left packages for a friend to pick up. You knew they would be dropping in, sooner or later.

For the Methodist ministers like Paul Hagiya and Jonathan Fujita, whose base of operations was on the other side of town, George's gas station served as a second office. If you couldn't find the preachers at the church, you telephoned the gas station and left word because if they weren't there at the moment they were likely to drop by later in the day to pick up any messages.

Over the years George's place won a place in the community that was far more important than just a service station to get gas, a lube job, a tuneup or a set of tires. The loafers hung out there, sitting in the shade in summer and huddling around the heater in winter. The young bucks would come by in their hopped up cars and use the hose to wash the dust off spotless finishes, or borrow the jack to change the tires. The fishermen came by to get a tank of gas and find out where the trout were biting. The mushroom hunters got the latest word about moisture conditions in the mountains.

In season Nisei farmers with big trucks of melons from Rocky Ford and lettuce from the San Luis Valley and truck crops from up north would stop in, too, on their way to or from market. This was where you could get the latest news about weddings and funerals and word about job openings and new businesses and people moving into town or back to California, and youngsters who got drafted, and who'd been in the hospital, and a lot of other incidental intelligence. In other words, the gas station was a kind of general store for all the folks of the community where one picked up news along with the gasoline.

Well, the Urban Renewal people have big ideas for renovating the area. But to build fine new structures, it is necessary to demolish the old ones. One by one the crummy, rickety, outmoded old buildings have been knocked to the ground and their unsightly remains trucked away. George Kuramoto's gas station, the physical shell, will be leveled shortly to make way for a handsome complex planned by the Buddhist Church. And the corner will never be the same again.

Chuman heads pilot project to test Boy Scout drug-abuse prevention plan

LOS ANGELES—New and positive approaches to drug abuse prevention will be tested in this area by the Boy Scouts of America with the launching of a pilot project — one of four in the nation.

"Operation Reach" was developed nationally to supplement the traditional physical and mental fitness program of the national youth organization and will involve locally only 23,000 members of the Los Angeles Area Council.

Frank Chuman, Los Angeles attorney and council advancement chairman was named to head the program in Los Angeles.

Training for the promising new program was held at Scouting's national office in North Brunswick, N.J., in November.

Evaluation Due

The pilot project will continue for several months to be followed by an evaluation of boys and young men, acceptability of concepts and materials, and the experience of youth in reaching their friends, Chuman said.

There will be meetings in each Boy Scout troop and Explorer post for parents, all leaders, and all unit members to give reliable information about drugs and drug abuse.

"The most important fact to recognize about drug abuse is that it is a symptom of other underlying problems," Chuman explained. "Scouting's efforts to prevent drug abuse aim at the conditions that cause it.

"Scouting accepts the fact that it is unrealistic to assume that unit leaders can become experts on drug abuse. It is realistic, however, to assume that Scouting can enlarge their understanding of the drug problem and give reliable information about drugs that they can communicate to others. Unit leaders play a key role because they are dedicated to help youths attain their full potential as young citizens in keeping with the ongoing purposes of the Boy Scouts of America."

Chuman pointed out that Scouting does not expect to solve the drug-abuse problem, but it can apply the resources of its many members to make a real contribution toward the ultimate solution within the methods of the organization.

The council leaders who attended the national training are now training other volunteers in this area who will meet with Scoutmasters and Explorer Advisers in preparation for unit meetings.

Chuman explained that a symbol for the plan has been designed that boys and young men will wear as a means of committing themselves and exciting the interest of other young people. There is also an attractive card which will state the "Reach" goals and which may be given by unit members to others who express interest.

"We recognize fully that the Boy Scouts of America cannot hope to end the problem of drug abuse, but we believe the organization has an obligation to make its contribution toward eliminating a problem which could ultimately prevent many from attaining their full potential," Chuman said.

Following the unit meetings for elected unit leaders, parents, and all unit members, each unit will schedule monthly discussions about "Operation Reach" and plan special unit activities.

Law school openings

LOS ANGELES —The Asian American legal education program at Loyola University School of Law here, 1440 W. 9th St., announced up to 18 positions are available to qualified Asian Americans for the September, 1971, term. Applications must be completed and submitted by Feb. 1. Financial aid is available.

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U.S. SUPREME COURT

18-year-olds may vote in federal election; state elections untouched

Washington

In one of its most important decisions in years, the U.S. Supreme Court on Dec. 21 upheld the 18-year-old vote for presidential and congressional elections. At the same time, the court ruled Congress has no authority to lower the voting age for state and municipal elections. It was a decision which JACL hailed.

On each issue, the vote was 5 to 4, with Justice Hugo L. Black casting the pivotal votes. He sided with Congress on the federal elections but left it up to the states to set age limitations in their own elections.

"Acting under its broad authority to create and maintain a national government," said Black, "Congress unquestionably has power under the Constitution to regulate federal elections."

But he added:

"No function is more essential to the separate and independent existence of the states and their governments than the power to determine within the limits of the Constitution the qualifications of their own voters for state, county and municipal offices and the nature of their own machinery for filling local public offices."

In the same far-reaching decision on the voting laws, the court unanimously upheld a nationwide ban on literacy tests for voting and sustained, by a vote of 8 to 1, its ban on state residency requirements for presidential elections.

Varied Views on Impact

Assessment of the impact of the historic ruling varied, with some experts predicting it would make little difference and others seeing big benefits for liberal candidates. More than 10 million young persons will be eligible to vote in the 1972 presidential election.

President Nixon, who expressed constitutional doubts when he signed the law in June that called for lowering of the voting age, said he "welcomes" the Supreme Court action.

In Congress, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.), who was a leading sponsor of enfranchising the 18-to-20-year-olds, said he believed it "extremely likely" that the states would reduce their individual voting age requirements to bring uniformity to all elections. To speed this result, Kennedy said, he intends to sponsor a constitutional amendment lowering the voting age in all elections to 18.

Justices voting to uphold the Voting Rights Act amendments to lower the voting age in state and local elections were William J. Brennan Jr., William O. Douglas, Byron R. White and Thurgood Marshall.

Chief Justice Warren E. Burger and Justice Harry A. Blackmun, Mr. Nixon's two appointees to the court, joined Justices John Marshall Harlan and Potter Stewart in contending that Congress had overstepped its authority.

Stewart's opinion, supported by Burger and Blackmun, emphasized the court was not called upon "to evaluate or appraise the wisdom of abolishing literacy tests, or altering state residency requirements, or reducing the voting age to 18."

"Whatever we may think as citizens," read Stewart's opinion, "our single duty as judges is to determine whether legislation before us was within the constitutional power of Congress to enact."

The opinions of Stewart and Black were among five delivered by the court on the voting rights issue, covering 184 printed pages. The court then recessed until Jan. 11.

In its practical effect, the decision on the voting age will mean that those states which cling to their rights will have to establish dual machinery to operate when federal and state elections coincide.

Three states already permit 18-year-olds to vote—Alaska, Georgia and Kentucky. In recent elections, voters in 10 states refused to lower the voting age while those in five other states dropped it to 19 or 20.

In California, the high court ruling was expected to resurrect a campaign not only to lower the voting age but to declare men and women adults at the age of 18.

Under the plan, authored by Assemblyman John V. Briggs (R-Fullerton) and defeated in the Senate this year, the age of majority would be lowered to 18, giving those of that age the right to vote, marry, and be tried and sentenced as an adult for any crimes they might commit.

Briggs says he plans to reintroduce the measure and now believes it will pass. And he will not be alone in attempting to change the law: Sen. George Moscone (D-San Francisco) and Assemblyman John J. Miller (D-Berkeley) both announced plans to introduce legislation to lower the California voting age to 18.

Gov. Reagan has been cool to the idea of giving 18-year-olds the vote, but he would have no voice in the matter: The law setting the voting age at 21 is part of the State Constitution and can be changed only by a vote of the people.

Four States Appeal

The court acted in four cases involving Oregon, Texas, Arizona and Idaho.

The provision lowering the voting age to 18 in national elections became operative Jan. 1.

Oregon and Texas asked the court to declare the law an unconstitutional invasion of the right of states to set voter qualifications.

The Nixon administration opposed passage of the measure on constitutional grounds but was required to defend it under challenge in the high court.

The Justice Department had also asked that sections on residency rules to ban literacy tests be upheld.

UBC acquires Expo '70 Pavilion for library

TOKYO—The Univ. of British Columbia will rebuild the Expo '70 Sanyo Pavilion on the Vancouver campus in its Japanese garden to house its 40,000 books on Japan.

All expenses for the library, including $1½-million in construction costs, will be met by public donations. Japanese residents and Vancouver businessmen will help in the fund-raising. The Japanese garden was constructed 10 years in memory of Dr. Inazo Nitobe, educator and onetime deputy secretary general of the League of Nations, who died in 1933 at a Victoria (B. C.) hospital.

Mineta –

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city in California is an awesome responsibility and is not to be taken lightly."

He said the considerations that led James to decline a race for re-election—including the long hours and low mayoralty pay of $7,200 a year—were matters that figured into his decision also.

Mineta as a child was relocated in a detention camp in 1942 along with all other Nisei and Japanese residing on the West Coast.

After World War II ended, the Mineta family returned to San Jose, and Mineta has said the help offered them by San Joseans during that period was one reason he entered public service.

Appointed in 1967

Appointed to the council in 1967, Mineta was elected to another term in 1969.

He is a former member of the San Jose human relations commission and the housing authority.

An insurance man, Mineta has served on a variety of council committees and city boards and represented San Jose on the regional Assn. of Bay Area Governments.

His commitment for civic improvement was recognized by JACL when it accorded him the 1967-68 Nisei of the Biennium honors. He also was San Jose JACL chapter president for two years, 1959 and 1960.

Long active in local Democratic politics, Mineta is a graduate of San Jose High School where he was student body president soon after World War II and the University of California at Berkeley.

He served two years as an army intelligence officer and is a major in the army reserves.

Mineta and his wife, May, who accompanied him at his news conference, live at 5098 Joseph Lane. They have two sons, David and Stuart, seven months.

Japanologists –

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prehensive about Japan.

The report said that there is need to increase the present force of 500 Japanologists in the U.S. at least by 10 times in the 1970s.

If courses on Japanology are to be set up at junior colleges, twice the number, or 10,000 teachers, are needed, and 20,000 are required if education about Japan is to be extended to high schools.

The report said that the fact that the number specializing in Japanese is limited is mainly the result of the difficulty of the language.

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ASIAN CENTER PLANNERS—Meeting to discuss plans for an Asian Community Service program for Los Angeles County are (seated, from left) Mas Fukai, member of the County Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Commission; Kay Kokubun, representing the Japanese community; K. F. Cho, representing the Korean community; (standing, from left) Bernardo Buenaflor, Jr., representing the Filipino community; Supervisor Kenneth Hahn; and Paul Louie, representing the Chinese community. Also taking part but not shown is Tony Fa'alogo of the Samoan community. Plans, which were adopted by the Board of Supervisors at the request of Hahn, call for a community center "staffed with bilingual persons." The center will advise Asian-Americans on drug abuse, immigration, legal aid, welfare and other problems.

L.A. county service center for 250,000 Asian Americans planned

LOS ANGELES — Plans will be put into effect to open an Asian Community Service Center for the Asian-Americans of Los Angeles County, according to Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

Acting after a request by Mas Fukai, member of the County Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Commission, and other members of an Ad Hoc Committee of the Asian community, Hahn instructed County Chief Administrative Officer Arthur G. Will to begin plans for the program.

"A community center staffed with bilingual persons is badly needed," Hahn said.

"Existing personnel from the 70,000 employees within Los Angeles County will be used to man the center. We will find persons who can speak the languages."

Location of the center will be announced shortly.

There are 250,000 Asian-Americans in Los Angeles County — 100,000 Japanese, 50,000 Chinese, 45,000 Filipinos, 25,000 Koreans, 25,000 Samoans and 5,000 Indochinese.

The center will advise Asian-Americans on drug abuse, immigration, legal aid, welfare and other problems.

Furutani to address Buddhist convention

STOCKTON — Western Adult Buddhist League will hold its 23rd annual conference Feb. 5-7 at the Buddhist Church here with Mrs. Mabel Okubo as chairman and Tad Akaba, Yosh Itaya and Tets Kato as co-chairmen.

Warren Furutani, national JACL coordinator for community involvement, will be among the convention speakers. Delegates represent some 27 chapters within California and Arizona with Ray Takata of Sacramento presiding at the business sessions. Theme is "Compassion" with focus on many of the "now" social problems.

Buddhist school teachers

FRESNO — The Federation of Western Buddhist Sunday School Teachers conference will be held here Mar. 13-14 at the Hacienda Motel, according to Kenji Osaki, president of the host Central California BSST League.

In Los Angeles, the Southern District is meeting Jan. 23 at the Nishi Betsuin with Mrs. Mickey Nagamoto in charge.

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Puyallup Valley JACL prexy named conservationist

PUYALLUP — To become Conservation Farmer of the Year requires vision beyond the desire to grow a good cash crop. It takes responsibility, good citizenship and ability to care for not only one's immediate personal success but the quality of land for posterity.

Winners this past year were Mr. and Mrs. Yosh Tanabe, both natives of Puyallup Valley, and their three children. Tanabe is JACL chapter president; his wife Fumi is corresponding secretary. They and two close runners-up: Orville Vog, an Eatonville dairyman, and Ben Yoshida, a neighbor of the Tanabes, and also active JACLer here, were honored by the local Jaycees last November.

Truck farming has changed since Yosh was a boy growing up on the same land he farms today near the foot of Milton hill. Instead of the many kinds of truck crops as were grown by his father, Kinroku Tanabe, Yosh has confined his farming to lettuce, celery and some romaine in recent years.

More Efficient

"Keeping to fewer crops makes for efficiency," Yosh explained. "If one plants several kinds of crops, each of their soil requirements is different and it takes more machinery to cultivate and harvest."

Yosh's parents began farming here in 1920. Yosh went to schools in Fife, including the Japanese school at Firwood. His wife is a member of the Sasaki family that farmed at Orting. The couple have three children: Cheryl, 19, dietetics major at Univ. of Washington; Rickey, 13, and Crystal, 7.

39TH INAUGURAL—Taking advantage of National JACL Director Mas Satow's presence at the IDC Fourth Quarter District meeting last November, he was called upon to swear in the 1971 officers of the Salt Lake JACL Chapter. From left: Sam Watanuki, Mary Sasaki (Aux.), Aiko Morishita (Aux.), Koko Sutow (Aux.), Ben Aoyagi (President), Carl Inoway, Sego Matsumiya, Gene Sato, June Morishita, Al Kubota, Tats Misaka and Yuji Okumura. Other board members are George Kimura, ex-officio, Harry Tsutsui and Sam Arishita.—PC Photo by Terashima Studio

CHAPTER PULSE

Nat'l President Uno to speak at San Jose

By PHIL MATSUMURA

SAN JOSE—Richard K. Tanaka, Jr., architect and member of American Institute of Architects, will be installed as the 1971 president of San Jose JACL chapter at the installation dinner to be held Saturday, Jan. 30, 7:30 p.m., at the Mediterranean Center of Hyatt House, First and Bayshore.

His supporting cabinet consists of:

Mike Honda, vice-pres. (program and actiivties) Ken Maruyama, vice-pres. (Budget and finance) Grant Shimizu, vice-pres. (civic affairs) Carol Ishikawa, recording secretary, Sharon Uyeda corresponding secretary, Tad Sekigahama, treasurer, Karl Kinaga, official delegate and James N. Ono, ex-official, past president.

The evening's program will feature National JACL President Raymond Uno of Salt Lake City. He is also scheduled for a luncheon meeting with local JACL Board members. A press conference is being arranged prior to the dinner.

Reservation with deadline of Jan. 24, can be made with: Richard Tanaka, 251-6371, Mike Honda 287-3469, Grant Shimizu 253-5174; Henry Uyeda 258-4268.

Community role for women topic for Seattle

Seattle Councilwoman Phyllis Lamphere will be guest speaker at the **Seattle JACL** installation dinner Jan. 23 at Mercer Island's Royal Fork Restaurant, starting at 7:30 p.m. Dinner chairman Judy Motoyama said the speaker will talk on "Women's Involvement in the Community." She was a systems analyst for IBM in New York after graduating from Barnard College, then married Seattle Psychologist, Dr. Arthur V. Lamphere, raised a family of three daughters and spent the past 13 years in civic work, including chairing the King County Easter Seal campaign in 1968. Dinner is $4 per plate.

Dr. Minoru Masuda, president, will be installed. A research associate professor of psychiatry at the Univ. of Washington School of Medicine, he has been active with Central Area school board reorganization, ethnic studies, chaired the 1968 Japanese Cultural Festival and chaired the JACL Issei Centennial banquet.

The chapter will continue to meet on the third Wednesdays of the month at the Seattle JACL Office.

Henry Tanaka to address St. Louis 25th Inaugural

The **St. Louis JACL** chapter will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary at the annual inaugural dinner on Jan. 30, at Musial and Biggies Restaurant, 5130 Oakland, St. Louis. The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will feature National JACL President-Elect Henry Tanaka as guest speaker. MDC Governor Mas Yamaskai will do the installation honors.

Others expected to be in attendance are MDC Youth Commissioner Darryl Sakada and MDC Youth Chairman Kathy Kadowaki.

The Camera Club has prepared movies and slides, which are sure to provide an evening of nostalgia. Past presidents of the chapter will be honored. Chairman Bob Hattori has promised an enjoyable evening for all; congenial Bob Mitori will be master of ceremonies for the affair, which will cost $10 for seniors and $5 for juniors. Reservations for a steak dinner may be made with:

Dave Shimamoto, 423-5332; Lois Miyasaka, 781-1397; or Ann Hattori, 781-0078.

East L.A. elects Mable Yoshizaki to 4th term

Mrs. Mable Yoshizaki, who served three terms as chapter president in the early 1960s, was elected again to head the **East Los Angeles JACL**, succeeding two-termer Walter Tatsuno. The chapter will install its officers at a dinner-dance scheduled Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Montebello Country Club.

Jerry Irei re-elected Contra Costa president

The Rev. Roy Sano, chaplain at Mills College spoke on "Why Asian Studies?" at the annual **Contra Costa JACL** installation dinner, Jan. 16, 1971 at the Holiday Inn.

Shig Sugiyama, Northern California-Western Nevada District Governor, installed the new officers and executive board members, headed by re-elected President Jerry Irei. Ko Ijichi and Kaz Ide were dinner co-chairmen.

Masy Tashima to head Cleveland board again

Over 100 attended the annual **Cleveland JACL and Jr. JACL** installation dinner Dec. 5 at the Astorhurst Restaurant. MDC Gov. Mas Yamasaki of Dayton installed Masy Tashima as chapter chairman while MDYC Chairman Kathy Kadowaki of Cleveland swore in Scott Furukawa as Jr. JACL president.

Slides taken by John Ochi of the Issei Night program were shown. Henry Tanaka was presented the past-president's pin and also honored as JACL's first national president-elect. The Cleveland JACL is blessed with having two of its members on the National JACL Board in Tanaka and Miss Kadowaki.

Also cited were other former chapter presidents who were present:

Howard Tashima, Frank Shiba, William Sadataki, Robert Fujita, Dr. Toaru Ishiyama, Joe Kadowaki, Toshi Kadowaki, Ken Asamoto, May Ichida.

Mrs. Sadie Yamane was toastmistress. Mrs. May Ichida gave the invocation while Brigadier A. Ichida closed with benediction.

Venice-Culver to mount anti-drug use campaign

Venice-Culver JACL will install Mrs. Betty Yumori as 1971 chapter president at its annual installation dinner-dance Jan. 23, 6 p.m., at International Hotel. City Council woman Pat Russell will be featured speaker. Al Hatate, national JACL treasurer, will be installing officer. As part of the chapter program for 1971, Mrs. Yumori announced an extensive drug abuse education program featuring former addicts, probation officers, social workers, physicians and psychiatrists.

French Camp to install at New Year party

Mats Murata was chosen president for a second term of French Camp JACL. The new cabinet will be installed Jan. 23, at the New Year party to be held at the Japanese Community Hall commencing from 6 p.m.

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U-NO Bar —

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tional officers busy and makes them earn their "prestige."

Tom Shigekuni made some telling points about the apathy of the Japanese community in the Valley. A proposal to support a memorial for an Arkansas WRA camp received little or no response from local Japanese American residents. Tom's wife, Ruth, recalled her Utah days and is a good friend of the Imai girls of Salt Lake.

Jo Ann Uyemura, 1970 Nisei Week Queen, is as personable as she is attractive. Sitting next to her and chatting with her during the dinner was a most welcome relief from the more cumbersome JACL duties. My physical pains went away after watching Seiyu Inamine give his Karate exhibition; especially after he cracked the cinder block with his head.

Aki Ohno, Betty Yumori and Mary Yusa were on hand to encourage me to keep plugging for good, old JACL. The women of JACL are not often publicized, but we have plenty of good, hardworking ones. Toy Kanegae and Virginia Tominaga are among these. George and Toy Kanegae, Virginia and I have now seen each other for a number of weekends. It's almost like homecoming.

Echo Goto and Toshi Yamamoto are two more very prominent women whom I have recently had the honor and pleasure of meeting. In any race to get anywhere, if any man should slow down to catch his breath, these ladies will leave them far behind. Echo is prominent as a civic leader, among other things. Toshi is one of the powers of the Japanese American politicians in the Republican Party. She realizes the necessity of Japanese Americans becoming involved in politics; primarily for survival of our influence and how we will be accepted as well as treated by other politicians.

Harry Nakamura, incoming Orange County JACL president, raised many questions regarding JACL and its programming. He has good ideas which he is going to try to implement this year. If attitude has anything to do with success, Harry shouldn't have any trouble at all.

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Ken Nakaoka drove me back to my sister's in Gardena. In fact, he sold the home to my sister, Yuki and Hank Tomomatsu. We talked about politics and business all the way back. Ken has loads of experience that JACL must tap.

Two gifts I shall treasure were the Gardena Valley JACL jacket which is white and green and beautifully designed, and which was given to me at the installation, and the other was the Charles Krug wine Don and Nadine asked I take home and try. Believe me, that was the smoothest wine my wife and I and others we shared it with ever tasted.

My neighbors in Salt Lake and jogging partner, Dr. John and Marilyn Perzik moved to Long Beach and I had a chance to chit chat with them as they gave me a lift to the airport. No one will believe it, but we jogged up to ten miles every day when he was in Salt Lake. The only reason I consented to jog was we jogged in the cemetery and I had some assurance, he being a medical doctor, he would do what he could to save my life if I collapsed and if he couldn't, he would just bury me with no fanfare.

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I spent the following weekend in Salt Lake at the Intermountain District Council meeting. This session was the fun session and we did have fun. A report has already been made in the PC so I

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National President

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Schedule and fares for:

Group I: Lv Chicago Oct. 2 return Oct. 25, $395 r.t. See Dr Frank Sakamoto, 4603 N. Sheridan Rd., Chicago 60640; (312) 561-222.

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N.B.: Flight costs do not include the International Whing Ding Oct. 22 at the Keizo Plaza Hotel, Tokyo, as previously announced.

CALENDAR

Jan. 22 (Friday)
Selanoco—Gen Mtg.

Jan. 23 (Saturday)
French Camp—Installation and New Year party, FC Hall, 6 p.m.
Venice-Culver — Installation dnr, International Hotel, L.A. International Airport, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee—Inaugural dnr, International Institute.
Alameda—Installation dnr, Red Lamp Restaurant.
Riverside—Installation dnr, Rusty Lantern Restaurant, Beaumont, 6 p.m.; Warren Furutani, spkr.
Seattle—Installation dnr, Royal Fork Restaurant, Mercer Island.
Salt Lake City—Nat'l JACL Credit Union annual mtg, Prudential Terrace, dnr fr 7 p.m.

Jan. 24 (Sunday)
Entry deadline for 1971 Nat'l. JACL Bowling Tournament at Salt Lake City Mar. 1-6.

Jan. 28 (Thursday)
Sacramento—Gen Mtg, Nisei War Memorial Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 29 (Friday)
Chicago—JACL Credit Union annual mtg, Como Inn.

Jan. 30 (Saturday)
D.C.—25th annual Inaugural dnr-dance, Sphinx Club, 13th & K St. NW, 7 p.m.; William Marumoto, spkr.
St. Louis—Inaugural dnr, Musial & Biggies Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.; Henry Tanaka, spkr.
San Jose—Installation dnr, Mediterranean Rm, Hyatt House, 6:30 p.m.; Raymond Uno, spkr.

Jan. 31 (Sunday)
Gresham-Troutdale—JACL bazaar, GT Hall.

Feb. 5 (Friday)
Selanoco—Comm mtg, Norwalk Pub Lib, 12350 Imperial Hwy, 7:30 p.m.; "Asian Studies", Dr. Robert Suzuki, spkr.

Feb. 6 (Saturday)
East Los Angeles—Installation dnr dance, Montebello Country Club
Twin Cities—Installation dnr.
Sacramento—Installation dnr.

Feb. 7 (Sunday)
NC-WNDC—Qtrly Session, Placer County JACL hosts.

Feb. 13—14
NC-WNDYC—1st Qtrly, Sacramento Jr. JACL hosts; Sat. at City College, dnr at Del Prado; Sun. at Valley High Hotel, 11 a.m.

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ON BECOMING AN EX-OFFICIO

Wife's comment most rewarding to two-term Salt Lake JACL president

(What "new blood" within a chapter can promise is indicated in the final President's Message published last month in the Salt Lake JACL Newsletter, one of the best-edited and better-looking chapter papers we have seen this past year.—Ed.)

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By GEORGE KIMURA

Salt Lake City

Having been elected to the high office of JACL Chapter President in 1969 and 1970 has been one of the highlights of my life. I can truthfully say that when I stepped into this office, I was completely unknowledgeable on the inside workings of the organization. I wasn't even sure that I could conduct a meeting and hold everyone's attention because I was more or less an outsider.

With this insecurity and apprehension prevailing upon me, my "adopted son," Raymond Uno, and faithful Tats Misaka, offered me their unlimited knowledge and wise counseling. Other very learned and longtime JACLers like Ich Doi, George Yoshimoto, Alice Kasai, Tomoko Yano and Sam Watanuki briefed me on the how, what, where and why of JACL.

At this stage it was utter confusion and chaos, but the membership gave me a Board of Directors that was the hardest working group anyone could ever have. They wanted to work and accomplish things. It was through the untiring effort of my dedicated, conscientious Board of Directors that I was able to do the job that was expected of me. To them, I am forever grateful.

To the membership who have faithfully supported me during my tenure with financial assistance, participation, and extreme loyalty — the true spirit of dedication— I want to extend my heartfelt thanks. Without you, these two years would not have been possible.

Being the President of Salt Lake Chapter has been far more rewarding to me than the little I was able to contribute to the chapter. My hakujin wife, has stated to me that it is because of the opportunity we have had to work in the JACL she feels that she has been accepted as one of us. My wife has always said, "To be a Nihonjin is a great honor." To me, this is the greatest satisfaction that can be achieved.

As I take the back seat as ex-officio of JACL, it leaves me with a bit of nostalgia — the fun we have had together as a group—the headaches—the toils—the anticipation—but to see the end result come about is the gratification that each of us receives for effort put forth. Yes, the time has come for me to reminisce with pleasant and unforgetable memories.

To the incoming President, Ben Aoyagi, and his charming wife, Amy, I extend my felicitations. I know that his Board of Directors will serve him faithfully as they have for me.

At this time, let me say that without the help of my wife, who worked behind the scenes, and my daughter, Kathy, who showed great interest and devotion, I would not have bben able to accomplish my job.

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Honolulu Scene

The **current bus strike** has resulted in delays, confusion and irritation among the thousands of Japanese tourists here for the post New Year holidays, according to **Carl Wright**, a local news reporter. **Shinichi Nishikata**, pres. of Visitors Service of Hawaii, said, "I can't blame the Japanese for being upset. After all, Hawaii spent lots of money for a booth at Expo 70, inviting the Japanese people to come here. Now that they are here, they find the buses on strike."

Honolulu's new **1971 telephone directory** has more than the 1970 edition. There are 907 Wong listings in the old book but only 905 Wongs listed in Hawaiian Telephone's 1971 edition. But the surname which appears most frequently in the book is that of the Lees. There are 1,183 listings compared with 1,144 last year. The Wongs remain in second place. Other leading names include, in order, those of the Youngs, Chuns and Changs. Here's the top 10: **Lees** (1,183), **Wongs** (905), **Youngs** (672), **Chungs** (671), **Changs** (660) **Smiths** (613), **Chings** (601), **Nakamuras** (560), **Lums** (545) and **Johnsons** (434).

Hawaii Today

The **Bishop Estate** is taking a renewed interest in its **koa forests** as a source of lumber. A market for koa has been established in the last couple of years, fetching prices far above what had been anticipated. Koa is the most valuable common native timber species in Hawaii and grows nowhere else in the world.

Project Aloha Japan ended its pioneer effort Jan. 5 after treating 350 Japanese visitors to Hawaiian hospitality during the holidays. Sponsors of the program said that they were encouraged by the initial response and may try again next year.

In Hawaii **55 degrees** is considered "extremely cold," so much so that it makes the front page of a newspaper as a lead item. The coldest it's ever been in Honolulu in January is 52 degrees, set on Jan. 20, 1969. But that's warm—by Mainland standards, that is. After spending last year in California, I must conclude that Islanders have it made as far as the weather is concerned. I wore either a sweater or a coat every day of the 1969-70 winter in California, but this year I've worn an aloha shirt practically every day to work. **Mt. Haleakala** on Maui was "snowed in" between Jan. 6 and 8. At one time 10 men were stranded in cars or trucks on the park highway. The snow covered the 10,000 foot summit down to below the 8,000 foot level and was reported to be four feet deep, with 8-foot drifts on the road above 9,000 feet.

Some **53,000 aliens** reportedly are living in Hawaii. They must submit address cards in January to the office of Immigration and Naturalization Service. The law applies to aliens awaiting naturalization, aliens in Hawaii temporarily, alien children under 14 and aliens under custodial care.

Univ. of Hawaii

Univ. of Hawaii students must have a greater role in the university's power structure, or there will be no hope for consensus governance sought by U.H. president Harlan Cleveland. This is according to **Linda Luke**, Associated Students president, who spoke at the opening session of a seven-day conference on "Power and Responsibility in a University Community," which is a feature of the university's second annual interim session. Students, she said, "should assert their right to be heard on the question of who is a competent instructor. They should have a right to help determine the fate of good and bad instructors, for doesn't the university exist primarily to serve students?" she asked.

Harlan Cleveland, pres. of Univ. of Hawaii, envisions a residential college of 3,000 or more students for the island of Kauai. Such a college, he says, will benefit the entire Kauai community and attract others to Kauai. Cleveland told Kauai residents recently he expects the current **Kauai Community College** enrollment of 627 to increase to 1,500 to 2,000 students within five years, with an ultimate planning top of perhaps 3,000 students.

The **Rev. Larry Jones** has been rehired as a lecturer in the honors program of the Univ. of Hawaii by its board of regents. Also rehired were professors **Ben Norris, Oliver M. Lee, Helge Mansson** and **Thomas Gladwin.** Gladwin, however, is no longer with the university. Earlier a faculty senate hearing had said Jones and the other men should not be suspended or fired for their role in an anti-ROTC sit-in April 23-29. The committee did recommend, however, that actions of the five cited faculty members "be censured as an unacceptable type of protest" in the case of two of the three charges brought against the five. The committee did not define "censure."

Univ. of Hawaii regents have approved a policy statement which calls for **Kapiolani Community College** to develop at its present site, behind McKinley High School. The KCC faculty and student senates promptly presented the regents with resolutions expressing their gratitude. The U.H. hopes to obtain part of Ft. Ruger for the proposed **East Honolulu Community College,** which is scheduled to open in 1972.

The Univ. of Hawaii's new physical science building has been named the **Kenichi Watanabe Hall.** Watanabe was a senior professor of physics when he died in Aug., 1969. He had been a U.H. faculty member for 21 years. Watanabe was a pioneer in vacuum ultraviolet spectroscopy in the study of the upper atmosphere through the use of rockets.

Mayor's Office

Big Island Mayor Shunichi Kimura has nominated **Sister Helen Agnes**, a nun, to the Big Island's police commission. She is a member of the St. Joseph School faculty. Another distaff commissioner, **Mrs. Sueko Kimura**, has submitted her resignation, and the term of **Morris K. Ota** expired in Dec. Kimura has submited other names for various boards, as follows: **Roy Replogle**, pension board; **Clarence Waipa**, board of ethics; **Mack Okura, Melvin E. Smith** and **William de Mattos**, water commission; **Ed C. Watt**, planning commission; **Peter Hauanio**, civil service commission; and **Alexander W. Morriss**, board of appeals.

According to Mayor Frank Fasi's office of information and complaint, **dead animals top the list.** A report shows the office received 1,298 complaints, 881 inquiries and four suggestions. The most frequent complaints concerned dead animals; 230 were filed during the 13-week period. Road maintenance ran a distant second, with 75 complaints. Other items bugging citizens most were refuse collection, cesspool service, noise, maintenance of drains, ditches and streams, zoning violations, street lights out, damaged sidewalks and lost property boundary pins, in that order. Those **four suggestions** were: 1) The mayor shouldn't waste money on buying Diamond Head land; 2) proposed an additional clerk for the licensing division; 3) and 4) "Don't allow that peace festival."

At City Hall

Hawaii Council chairman **Ikuo Hisaoka** of North Kohala surrendered the gavel to councilman **Herbert T. Matayoshi** of Hilo. Hisaoka will take over the chair of the finance committee. The switch will be made in accordance with an agreement which broke a deadlock in the first organization caucus of the majority Democrats two years ago. Hisaoka and Matayoshi both sought the chairmanship, and they exactly split the six Democrats on the council.

Police Force

Police offer John W. Peiper, Jr. of Waianae received the Outstanding Police Officer of the Quarter award Dec. 15 from the Leeward Oahu Jaycees. He was recognized for aiding a heart attack victim, **Alfred Castro**, of Hookele Place, Waianae.

Deaths

The Rev. Kimiko Kay Sumida, 47, of the Hilo Hongwanji ministerial staff, died Jan. 3 of a heart attack. She is survived by Katsuki, her husband, who is a Big Island policeman . . . **Mrs. Tomi Nakamura,** 102, died Jan. 3 at Maui Memorial Hospital. She was believed to be Maui's oldest Japan-born resident. Her brother died at the age of 101 and her sister at 99 . . . **Miss Agnes Baldwin Alexander,** pioneer of the Baha'i World Faith in Hawaii and Japan, died in Honolulu Jan. 1. She was 95.

Mrs. Matilda P. Merseberg Heath, a high Hawaiian chiefess, died New Year's Day in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was 77 . . . **Dr. Wilfred H. Kurashige,** 59, of 2466 Manoa Rd., died Jan. 5 at his home. The island physician was born in Holualoa, Kona, on the Big Island. His wife, Daisy, is among the survivors.

Takeshi Nakayama, 42, of 2401-E Pauoa Rd., an RCA employee, was electrocuted Dec. 12 when a 11½-foot metal pole he was using to knock wi apples from a tree hooked on to an electric powerline. A wi apple is an exotic local fruit that is a relative of the mango. The accident occurred while Nakayama was on a branch 20 feet up a tree in his yard.

Dr. Zenko Matayoshi, a retired Hilo physician, died Dec. 10 at Hilo Hospital. He was 78. Dr. Matayoshi wrote a paper on "a statistical study of causes of death among Japanese residents of the Island of Hawaii,' which pinpointed heart ailments as the main cause of death among Japanese residents of Hawaii, and that such disease resulting from hardening of the arteries was much more prevalent among Islanders of Japanese ancestry than Japanese citizens. Matayoshi was the father of **Dr. James Matayoshi** and Big Island councilman **Herbert T. Matayoshi.**

Women—

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Born in Los Angeles and after graduating from Roosevelt High School, she entered USC at the age of 15, received her degree in piano and English literature with highest honors.

It was while she was interned at Amache, Colo., relocation center that Dr. Howard Hanson, then head of the Eastman School of Music, invited her in 1942 to come here to work on her doctorate in musicology. In 1949 she won an AAUW research fellowship for doctoral and postdoctoral study. She has been head of the library since 1948.

She writes the program notes for Rochester Philharmonic concerts, has authored "The Art of Symphonic Listening," written five books on Italian madrigals, three volumes of piano music in the Scribner's Library of Music and holds membership in various civic, women, honor and professional societies, has been in the AAUW for the past 20 years, including its state board and currently on the national committee to select the American Research fellow.

"More people should take advantage of the unlimited opportunities here in the East," she declared. Dr. Watanabe lives at 300 Melville St.

Uno—

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won't elaborate here, but I am grateful to the IDC and local chapter for their kindness in recognizing my election to the presidency at the banquet. Harriet and George Kimura just keep plugging along. I am really indebted to them.

Ron Yokota, Governor, Frank and Sadie Yoshimura (Frank's Vice Governor), Saige and June Aramaki (Saige is Treasurer), Jack Ogami, National Recognitions Committee Chairman, and old time JACLers like past national president Hito Okada and Aiko, Ich Doi, Kay Terashima, George and Jane Sakashita, Shake Ushio, Yukus Inouye and many others were on hand to hear our National 1000 Club Chairman, Tad Hirota give a hardhitting talk for 1000 club membership and the Japan Tour. Tad seemed to enjoy renewing old acquaintances. National Director Mas Satow makes Salt Lake his second home and probably has more fun when in Salt Lake than any one I know.

Yuji Okamura took his initiation to be MC and now will be called on more often now that he knows what has to be done. Tats and Jeannette Misaka, Jimi and Barbara Mitsunaga are real staunch JACL supporters and are among the few "younger" JACL people who really give to the Organization.

My wife, Yo, made one of her rare appearance with me. Someone mentioned to her that she should be happy I was home for the weekend. She answered by saying,

"Let's put it this way, Ray is in town."

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Enomoto—

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ticular philosophy, shaped by my experiences—much of it in JACL. I seek no political identification for JACL, just as I believe that the two party system is essential in America. I feel that all political persuasions must have a piece of the JACL action.

However, I do seek, as always, a JACL aware of crucial issues, sensitive to injustice, opposed to arrogance, actively in the forefront of necessary social action. If I feel that, at any point in time, one political party appears more attuned to the need for communications and understanding, then I feel the responsibility to say so.

Perhaps, we need more of this kind of frank talk in JACL.

Kunitsugu —

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"It is no longer sufficient to turn out service-level professionals," Yamamoto and Mrs. Chan advocate. "Traditional goals must be re-evaluated. Asian Americans never will participate fully in the democratic functions without adequately trained, vocally articulate and aggressive leadership."

Bravo!

The key words are "vocally articulate and aggressive leadership." Unless we have Asian Americans with the poise, the background, the nerve and aggressiveness to make their way into the top echelons of government, business and other areas in which key decisions about society as a whole are made, we will forever be in the position of a good and faithful servant waiting, hat in hand, for a pat on the back.

Let's encourage Sansei to engage in public speaking, debates, running for school offices, majoring in political science, philosophy, public administration, broadcasting, filmmaking, reporting, etc.

They should become known as the *Salient* Americans, not the *Silent* Americans.

—Kashu Mainichi

Dean Asami rolls 300 in Eastbay NBA Classic

ALBANY—The East Bay NBA 910 Classic, which only last month produced a perfect 300 game by Gus Sato, started off the new year with another 300 game by Dean Asami on Jan. 6.

Asami, son of leading Nisei woman bowler, Mrs. Nobu Asami, carries the highest average in the league at 206. He started with a 195 game, roared up to 226 in the second game and then smashed every ball in the pocket to mark up his perfect 300 in the third and final game. He finished with a 720 series.

Asami is in line to receive a 300 pin from the National JACL at its forthcoming national Nisei bowling tournament at Salt Lake City.

Issei centenarian

GARDENA — Miyazo Fujisawa, 100, was honored Jan. 10 by the Gardena Valley Gardeners at its new headquarters, Western Ave. and 154th St. He hails from Hiroshima, farmed in Imperial Valley before the war and his son Mike is past president of the So. Calif. Gardeners Federation.

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

New Novel on 47 Ronin

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THE 47 RONIN STORY, by John Allyn, 240 pp., Charles E. Tuttle Co., $3.95.

In Edo in April 1701, the ruler of Japan, the Shogun, assigned his master of ceremonies, Yoshinaka Kira, to teach three provincial lords the etiquette appropriate to their duties in the palace. Two of the lords expressed their appreciation with expensive gifts; the third, Naganori Asano, gave only a token.

Kira responded to the slight by harassing and taunting Asano. On April 21, when Kira insulted him in the audience hall of the Shogun's palace, Asano drew his dirk and attacked. Bystanders intervened; though wounded, Kira escaped with his life.

As punishment for the offense, the Shogun ordered Asano to commit seppuku and confiscated his estate. By this order, the Shogun set in motion events that would serve as a favorite theme for Japanese writers even through today.

Asano's chief retainer, Yoshio Oishi, peacefully surrendered his lord's castle; he and the other retainers dispersed, becoming *ronin* or masterless samurai. But their meek mien was a mask to allay the fears of the enemy and to avoid embarrassing the Asano family; their samurai creed demanded vengeance.

Oishi and his henchmen took elaborate measures to demonstrate to the world that they lacked means and will to seek retribution. The stratagem succeeded; the vigilance of the Kira faction relaxed.

On the night of Jan. 30, 1703, Oishi, with 46 other *ronin* who had remained steadfast to the cause, forced his way into the enemy mansion and struck off Kira's head. Sticking the head on a pike, they marched to the grave of Asano and reverently offered up the grisly symbol of their devotion.

Then they reported their offense to the authorities. The Shogun ordered them to disembowel themselves; they complied.

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This dramatic demonstration of samurai loyalty to the death caught the public sympathy. Poems and essays on the vendetta began to appear. Of 47 plays written on the theme, the greatest is said to be *Chushingura* (Treasury of Loyal Retainers) by Izumo Takeda, written in 1748, and produced in 11 acts.

Today this incident has become the theme of many movies. In one, *Gendai Chushingura* (The Modern Chishingura), the perennially popular theme has even been adapted to the circumstances of the present; Oishi, played by Hisaya Morishige, vindicates the honor of the founder of his business against its violator, Kira, played by Eijiro Tono.

Now comes John Allyn with an account of the incident cast in the form of a novel. So much has been done on the theme that criticizing a new rendition puts the critic in the category of a Shakespeare devotee who compares a new Hamlet with other versions he has seen. But Mr. Allyn's version has a unique characteristic: it is not a translation, but an English language novel directed at a Western audience. From this vantage point, therefore, it should be judged.

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Having been reared in a creed of every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost, and in which vengeance is a discreditable motive in contemporary literature, the average Western reader will have difficulty identifying with the **ronin** bent on achieving the bliss of dying for their departed master. It would take more than the few references in the text to Confucian principles to enable the reader to share the emotions of the participants.

For lack of the appropriate information, the reader may conclude the **ronin** are responding to stimuli unknown to humans and so find their actions unconvincing or even incredible. To counter this weakness in the story, the author should have artfully introduced material that would have persuaded the reader to the viewpoint of the dedicated **ronin.**

Though he was obligated to substantiate the motivation of the **ronin,** the author should have been more cautious about discussing their intentions. He would have heightened suspense by permitting dialogue and action to tell the story, with the dialogue revealing clues rather than ultimate purpose.

Nevertheless, he has constructed a readable tale. By reading between the lines, one can learn much about the nation that reveres the qualities exemplified by the **ronin.**

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ON THE MEND

Those who have been praying for George Inagaki, who successfully underwent open heart surgery Jan. 14 at UCLA Medical Center, will be happy to learn he is now on the slow road to recovery under intensive care and who knows, he may be joining the JACL 1000 Club charter flight to Japan in October. He was told by his doctors that after the operation they would be making him cough and that there would be pain. "My face may show pain, doc, but I'll be laughing on the inside," he assured them. That's about the most typical Inagaki line we've heard in a long time . . . Another prominent JACLer who is on the mend is Henry Kanegae, home from the hospital after a harrowing hop in his airplane that crashed on takeoff the day after Christmas. His flights up and down of late—ceiling zero or no—are spent on the dentist's chair, checking out those stitches and loose teeth . . . And to close this sick report, we might report Raymond Uno—in town to address the Orange County JACL installation last weekend—had just gotten over a one-day virus during the week. The bug which has been hitting Salt Lakers since the holidays must have known he was due in Southern Cal and wanted to make sure to catch him before he got away.

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TIME FOR A TONIC

Before a Nikkei audience present last week to honor Katsuma Mukaeda and Saburo Muraoka, genro of the Japanese communities of Los Angeles and San Diego respectively, was a Hakujin elder who had lived the majority of his life in Japan. He represented the Blaisdell Institute at Claremont College, which promotes the study of world cultures, and to which Mr. Mukaeda has long been associated.

Mr. Woodard told of a man who approached a scholar with this question: Which would you use, "yahari" or "yappari"? After a thoughtful pause, the scholar replied: "Yahari, yappari ga iidessho." That's a tonic which would lose its punch were it to be translated, I'm afraid, but even if one didn't understand Japanese the laughter was infectious.

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ON THE HEALTH BEAT

The California State Dept. of Health celebrated its centennial (1870-1970) which its monthly publication for December attractively commemorated with a Centennial Issue. Among the ten chapters depicting some of the people, their life styles, hopes and frustrations are two titled, "Chinatowns" and "The Japanese and World War II". Both chapters treat the subject matter as a good doctor would—with understanding and feeling.

"Early community medical and hospitalization services for the sick and indigent were organized by the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association for the Chinese were not admitted to San Francisco's County Hospital. Most Chinese . . . clung to the old-world herbal remedies and folk medicine and refused to leave home when seriously ill," the article noted. In 1925, Chinatown built its own hospital. Today, they are campaigning for a new community hospital and OEO has funded a new health plan to care for its needy. "Since the very inception of California, the Chinese have been an integral part of the culture."

But most expressive of their plight are the historic photos of Chinatown, the slave girls, peddlers, opium den and a scene where authorities are gathered to burn opium pipes.

Personal vignettes relating to the Evacuation and internment camps have been stuff the Pacific Citizen has long sought and specialized. California Health's chapter on the Japanese fits this category. Only a physician, it appears, could tell this aggravative story as dispassionately. The vignette of Dr. Yoshiye Togasaki, now deputy health officer at Contra Costa County, is reprinted elsewhere in this issue. We believe it's the first time a physician has publicly told it like it was in a WRA camp, though descriptions of camp medical facilities have been published heretofore.

The California State Dept. of Health, with its Centennial Issue, may spur qualified students to consider medicine, woo retired nurses to active service, and recruit persons for jobs in health care. Write for it (it's free) by sending the request to California Health, 2151 Berkeley Way, Berkeley 97404.

In this connection, we were pleased a Sansei medical student won the JACL-Dr. Mutsumi Nobe memorial graduate scholarship. Perhaps the award hereafter should be reserved for medical students for the challenge of having the general public face the growing shortage of physicians and improved delivery of health care must be undertaken now.

And Asian Americans should also be especially proud with rest of the world this week of the triumphant discovery by Dr. C. H. Li and Dr. Donald Yamashiro of synthesizing the immensely complex hormone known as GH, which causes and controls the growth of all human bodies. While many in JACL are concerned about the failures in human society and genuinely strive to correct them, we can also learn by recognizing the successes when they appear. To paraphrase what the state public health director Dr. Saylor said, we need the successes which loom as beacon lights to illuminate the pathway to the future and to avoid the pitfalls of failure. Let us learn the lessons of experience which it teaches before we take a step into the uncharted future.

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Sansei not quiet, louder than Nisei, dubbed 'salient'

By KATS KUNITSUGU

Los Angeles

Events of the past two or three years seem to point to the fact that in contrast to their parents, who are apparently going to be stuck with the epithet, "quiet American," the Sansei generation is out to become known as anything but.

Antonym for the word "quiet" may suggest that the Sansei may be described as "noisy," "vociferous," "vehement,"

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"conspicuous," "arrant," "visible," or whatever, but the connotations of the above words are not quite right . . . perhaps the aptest description would be "salient", defined by Webster as "projecting outwardly, noticeable."

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We got to reflecting about Sansei traits — or what we would hope Sansei traits to be —when we received an envelope full of releases from the Southern California Asian American Studies Central regarding their upcoming open community meeting (the second, actually) to discuss the formation of an Asian American Education Commission, similar to and on par with the Black Education Committee to the Los Angeles Board of Education.

Among the releases was a condensation of a paper by Eric Yamamoto of USC's Asian American Studies Center and Karen Ito Chan of the ad hoc committee for an Asian American Education Commission.

Yamamoto and Mrs. Chan point out that many Asian Americans hope their children will become professional people, "mainly because it is an occupation area that is both well-respected and financially secure . . . Few are encouraged to develop occupational aspirations of creative leadership where a high degree of personal ego risk is involved; positions such as politicians, social worker or educational innovator.

To avoid being snubbed on the basis of racial stereotype rather than on professional qualifications (how much education and experience you have may have less to do than the slant of your eyes and the color of your skin when you run for public office) the Asian American goes into professions of personal autonomy and stability, such as, dentistry, pharmacy, teaching and engineering, Yamamoto and Mrs. Chan indicate.

That is a point for Nisei parents to ponder. The great majority of Nisei were born in the mid-20s and went through two traumatic experiences in their lives — the Great Depression and the Evacuation of World War II. No matter how enlightened we like to think we are, the specter of being poor and of being rejects of society haunts our innermost thoughts. Subtly and not so subtly, we try to influence our children into "safe" and financially rewarding careers.

But wou won't ever see the sun if you keep your head inside the shell.

Asian kids, who do well academically, are urged by teachers and friends to run for student body offices and they often are successful. Children, on the whole, are fairer than their parents in racial matters. And the Asian student, with an eye toward enrollment in college, knows that a record of extra-curricular activitie will enhacne his chances of being accepted in the better schools.

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But what happens at this point—the last couple of years in high school?

The students have to think about what they are going tho major in in college. Only a few are blessed with certainty in knowing what they want to be. The majority are open to suggestions, and believe it or not, parents do exert a great influence here, in spite of the Generation Gap.

We take a kid who has been making full use of the opportunities open to him in elementary, junior and senior high school and begin to enclose his horizons. Politics? Forget it, all politicians are crooks, we say out loud, but silently we are saying, "With your straight black hair, slanted eyes and yellow skin, chances are you won't get elected. Why risk your ego?" Communications? Newspaper reporters make peanuts, and besides, your Uncle Taro can give you a job in his import-export company. Social work? You want to spend your life trying to help lazy-good-for-nothing (insert pet racial epithet here) and losers who are not going to make it? Minister? Heaven forbid!

We'll even try to discourage the white middle class-oriented Sansei who wants to take business ad and go into a big corporation. You want to butt your head against a stone wall? That's for kids who've had money in their family for 17 generations and go to Gstaad for the winter.

"Through the years, the Asian American has been systematically channeled into the service positions, the traditional 'place' for minorities. First as gardeners, laundrymen and cooks; now with better education, Asian Americans have changed only the titles to pharmacists, engineers and teachers . . .

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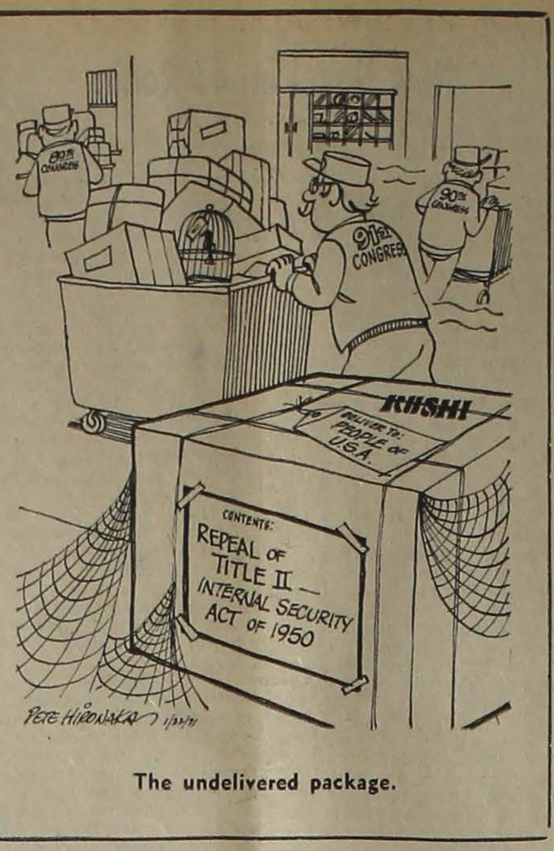

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By the Board

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FOR EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITIES

Fresno

In a series of "rap" sessions with the young people in Central California, it was revealed that one of the major complaints was that Japanese Americans are no longer considered a "minority" in applications for student loans, scholarships and admissions to professional schools.

From the point of view of our young, this was rank discrimination because preference was given to the Blacks and the Chicanos as minorities, and the Orientals were automatically scratched from the eligible lists. Their plaint is that they are not "white," that they are a racial minority, and that they should be given the same consideration as the Blacks and the Chicanos.

From an idealistic point of view, we should be pleased that this is the situation — that we have all worked so hard for the cause of the Blacks and the Chicanos that they are given this preference, even though it means that Japanese Americans are, in the process, subjected to this new discrimination.

This situation has come about, not only because of the concentrated efforts put forth for the "majority" minorities, but also because of the efforts exerted by the Blacks for the Blacks, and the Chicanos for the Chicanos—efforts made even more effective because of the largeness of these minorities, and because politicians are always aware of the voting potential of any group.

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The smaller minorities, such as the Japanese, have cast their lot with the larger minorities on the theory that any discrimination against any minority is discrimination against all minorities. Now that the discrimination in certain areas of opportunity seems to be against the "minority" minorities such as the Japanese and the Chinese, idealistically there should be a wave of support from the "majority" minorities.

Practically, the Blacks are concerned, understandably, primarily with their own problems; and the Chicanos with theirs. Practically, the Japanese American group, at this stage of the game, when Japanese students are being denied equal opportunities with other ethnic minorities; when, in actuality, they are in competition with other students, Black, Chicano and White, for student loans, scholarships and admissions to professional schools; and when, in actuality, there are many Japanese Americans who need financial aid to continue with their education; our efforts should be concentrated on aiding our own young people obtain this equality of opportunity, and forget, for the time being, any extensive efforts on our part to aid the other minorities.

JACL President Ray Uno made the point at the CCDC Convention that when Blacks or Chicanos are promoted ahead of Japanese because of the overwhelming public concern for these larger minorities, once the Black or Chicano becomes a head of a department, his natural tendency is to give preference to members of his own ethnic group. This makes it all the more important that this very small minority among the minorities, the Japanese selfishly if you will, now confine its efforts in the civil rights field primarily to the promotion of the welfare of its own group.

Idealistic, no—practical, yes.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Letters to the Editor are subject to condensation. Each must be signed and addressed, though withheld from print upon request.

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Civil Service Bias

Editor:

It's funny how you can nod to and "know" someone for years but still not have any idea of what's being done to him until you read about it in a newspaper. Many a person doesn't want to recite that he's being victimized. What I have read and been informed regarding James Yoshinaga of the L.A. City Planning Department (PC, Jan. 15) is nothing short of disgraceful and —what is worse—it may be legal and defendable, should some skunk wants to.

If bypassing Jim Yoshinaga as they have in that department is legal according to existing civil service rules, then the rules are an insult to the ideology of merit and they ought to be changed, so that this sort of shenanigan can't be pulled on anybody else again. It seems to me to be a flagrant example of hankypanky. I'm a Yorty administrative secretary in the same building and will support Jim all the way.

TARO KAWAKAMI
1000 Club Life Member
South San Gabriel

25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Jan. 26, 1946

Navy Sec. Knox report on Hawaii sabotage disclosed, false rumors of "fifth column" activity in Hawaii stifled opposition to West Coast evacuation . . . Hawaiian Nisei do not present barrier to statehood of territory, Congressional committee finds . . . National JACL asks passage of permanent FEPC act by Congress . . . Walnut Grove farm worker (Kanejiro Fujinaga) shot while pruning tree . . . Immigration dept. asked by JACL and ACLU to reconsider deportation of aliens with hardship cases . . . Movement pressing for Issei naturalization starts: Issei organize Civil Rights Defense Union in Northern California.

Emergency relief to indigent evacuees returning to Los Angeles County assured, $65,000 allocated to cover 916 cases . . . GIs threatened sitdown when Army brass tried to rule Nisei officer (Capt. Hideo Kato of Ogden) out of Fifth Ave. parade . . . Nisei GI specialists handled 2 million enemy documents during war, says Maj. Gen. Willoughby, G-2 chief for Gen. MacArthur . . . Nisei USO in Washington, D.C., is a year old.

Passing of Issei pioneer enkindles editor's memory

(Editor Frank F. Orr of the Watsonville Register-Pajaronian pays tribute to the late Bunkichi Torigoe, 86, who passed away Dec. 14 after living in Watsonville for 67 years as a jeweler and sporting goods store owner. Mr. Orr won the Pulitzer Prize gold medal for public service in 1956 and is a staunch supporter of all minority groups for which the Watsonville JACL has recognized with its certificate of merit.—Ed.)

By FRANK ORR

Watsonville

They're having funeral services tonight (Dec. 18) for

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Ben Torigoe, a fine gentleman who honored us with his presence in Watsonville since 1903, except for the time the government took him away. And therein lies a tale.

Mr. Torigoe was, as I said, a fine gentleman; he leaves his wife, two sons who are doctors, two daughters, 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, a substantial family to mourn him.

Until he retired, he was known for considerable skill at fixing clocks and watches. But years before that, he was known as the proprietor of a sporting goods store down on Main Street, and it was that occupation which brought him to the gimlet-eyed attention of certain zealous federal agents.

Most of us who grew up in these parts could never share the suspicions that those of Japanese ancestry among us were fifth columnists or that sort of thing. Taki and Yoshida were sort of an extra set of parents when I was little, and their son and the Hama boys were early playmates, along with other of different national derivations.

So most of us didn't pay a lot of attention later on when the Hearst press — in the time of the "Yellow Peril" — drew fearsome pictures about how Japanese truck gardeners had our Navy bases surrounded, and how Japanese fishermen had high-powered radios and naval uniforms secreted in their boats. As far as I know it never turned out to be true.

On Dec. 7, 1941

But even those who knew and respected the Issei and Nisei were a bit jumpy, along with the rest of the country, after the Japanese struck at Pearl Harbor. The "extra" published by The Register-Pajaronian on the afternoon of Dec. 7, 1941, contained an editorial suggesting that everyone keep his head.

News wasn't easy to come by in those early days of the war, and rumors spread rapidly. Watsonville had blackouts, in the mistaken belief the Emperor's fleet was just off Palm Beach; and there were stories that Mr. So-and-So had been taken away by the FBI.

And so it was that, having asked a lot of questions, I was invited to observe a top-secret raid to see how the security of my country was being protected.

Matt Graves, the police chief, and Sgt. Farrell Simpson were along as a courtesy, but this was a federal show. Three hard-eyed, silent government agent — FBI, I gathered—led us down to Ben Torigoe's store.

Mr. Torigoe was frightened, but maintained his courtesy and dignity, and invited us in. The federal agents took careful inventory of certain items in the store. They found an old sword (the kind we called Samurai, whether they were or not), an antique pistol, a few .22 caliber rifles and shotguns, and ammunition.

Raid on 'Arsenal'

On the face of it, this was very serious. Mr. Torigoe was an "enemy alien;" that is, his native country was at war with our country, and he had to be an alien because we wouldn't let Japanese-born people become citizens in those days. And he was in possession of weapons.

As to what happened after that, I'm not clear — this was, after all, nearly 30 years ago. Whether they took Mr. Torigoe away then or later, along with all the rest, is uncertain in my mind.

I do remember going back to the office and writing a full account of the raid on this "arsenal" for The Register-Pajaronian. I'm not going to look it up in the files because I might have sounded a bit more excited in print than I felt, and I'm not a bit proud of the way my country treated these people in World War II.

But I do remember the "raid," and I remember puzzling over a question as I walked back to the newspaper office:

"What would you expect to find in a sporting goods store?" I asked myself. "Groceries?"

Jerry Enomoto

Perspectives

REFLECTIONS FROM ISLA VISTA — I just finished reading a copy of a speech given by Louis B. Lundborg, Chairman of the Board of the Bank of America before the Seattle Rotary Club on June 17, 1970. It was at once another refutation of the careless and emotional assumption that over 30 establishment identified, people are by nature apathetic, unfeeling and vindictive, and that all leaders of industry are hostile to today's activist youth. After all how much more of an establishment symbol can you be than to be the head man of the Bank of America.

Let's look at some excerpts from this talk — entitled "The Lessons of Isla Vista".

"While destruction may have been committed by a violent few, and may have been lead by even fewer, the underlying feelings that gave rise to the violence are much more persuasive" . . . "We are facing a real, honest-to-God disenchantment—not just a passing, momentary flare-up, that will go away" . . . "Having once been aroused by the war, having felt trapped into it by their elders, and impatient and frustrated in all their attempts to make themselves heard, these young people have begun to question everything their elders were doing, and to question everything about the society their elders have created".

Of particular significance to me—"I am not afraid the left wing radicals will win. I am only afraid of how they will be defeated. The natural sequel to left-wing radical rebellion is right wing reaction and repression. History shows only too plainly that repression doesn't repress only the bad guys; it ends by controlling and repressing everyone—particularly everyone who disagrees with the party in power" . . . "There is need, in this period of tension, to use a soft voice—a collective soft voice. We were promised that from certain high places and we were promised a national effort to bring us closer together again. Instead, we have been hearing too many angry words, too much name-calling that can only be inflammatory. There are times when anger is productive; but just as you don't throw gasoline in a fire, we should not be inflaming our national tensions with verbal gasoline" . . . "Sometimes I could weep for the young who have condoned violence in the name of liberal goals, because I know that they and their causes will be the first casualties if the violent trend were to continue to its ultimate end. I have tried to persuade those I could reach, of something that I think we all should try to remember: **that there can be no true civilization without liberty, there can be no liberty without order—and there can be no order without justice.** (Boldfacing mine)

Mr. Lundborg concludes with the following . . . "We have two choices as to which way we can go. We can divide into camps and shoot it out; or we can try to find common grounds so that we can grow together again. One course is easy, but is blind; the other course is hard, and slow, but is the path of wisdom. One course leaves all the thinking to someone else; the other requires deep, painful thought in a never-ending search for answers. One course will bring bloodshed, destruction and ultimate crushing of freedom — the crushing of the human spirit; the other course can bring peace and with it, a hope for the rekindling of the American Dream. The hour is late; there isn't much time. But the choice is still ours."

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ET CETERA — Although I don't know JACLer David White of Riverside I would guess that his comments (PC Jan. 8) reflect the irritation of more than a few members. My brief response here is without enmity, and I hope it will not be misread. While I was JACL President I exercised considerable restraint (believe it or not) both in my public speech and in my writings because, regardless of disclaimers, JACLers invariably cannot separate the man from his office. I am now a "senior statesman", perhaps of "organizational eminence" as Mr. White puts it, but no longer do I need to "enryo" as much.

It is true that my prominence in JACL places me in a position where I can write a column. It is also true that the PC is not an ordinary paper. It is precisely these reasons that prompt me to write like I feel, so that I can communicate to JACLers my par-

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On Second Thought

Warren Furutani

Revealing & Alarming

There was an incident recently in the community involving a 13-year-old girl and her junior high school. It has proven to be quite alarming and revealing because of what it relates to.

First, it relates to the fact that this teenager is involved in the drug culture. (She and her friends drop reds). Second, she was picked up at school and brought down to the police department. This was in reference to two of her friends who passed out because of an overdose in school. Third, she is now subject to be expelled from not just that particular school but from the whole school system.

Now, what is alarming is the fact that junior high schools are being affected by drugs. Some people might blame it on the teenage girl (a bad influence), but this would neglect the real problem. No, not the parents, but the society as a whole which is drug-oriented (i.e., aspirin, tranquilizers, pep pills, cold pills, etc.), encompassed by the pressures of today, insensitivity toward others, apathy, etc.

(At this point, may I suggest that all chapters present a drug abuse class to their membership. For more info, call or write me at the So. Calif. JACL Office.)

What is revealing is the negative and reactionary way in which the school is handling the problem. They are treating this 13-year-old girl as if she was a hardened criminal. And if this continues, the only recourse for her is to fulfill that prophecy. Irrespective of whether she is guilty or not, is this how you should treat problems—by shipping them out or ignoring them? Also, the school administration must be very naive to think that expelling this one girl is going to stop drug abuse in their school.

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The reason I am writing this article is to impress upon everyone the serious nature of the problems of drugs and also that dealing with it in a negative way is not the answer. We must not blame those who have fallen prey to drugs. We must seek out where the true problem lies. No more easy solutions or turning of the other cheek. Let us seek out the root of the problem of drugs and possible the root of all the problems of our society.