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Issei on welfare shaken by 'illegal alien' rule change

LOS ANGELES — As of Jan. 1, the State Dept. of Social Welfare ordered "illegal aliens" be dropped from the welfare roll. The emergency directive was circulated in Manual Letter 155 dated Jan. 6.

A week later, the full impact of that directive was felt in Asian and Mexican American communities when it was announced an "illegal alien" was one who would be unable to establish legal entry into the United States. The state letter stipulated public assistance would be restricted to persons "with intent to reside" as a prerequisite.

The decision affects those aliens on a temporary visa or student visa as well as those unable to establish permanent residency supported by Immigration and Naturalization Service documents.

Recipients Notified

The third week, each welfare recipient received notice of the changes in rules. Unable to read and understand the letter, Issei either approach their friends or community organizations in Little Tokyo. So that by the end of the month, confusion, fear and hardship among the Issei needy began to mount.

They were called to the attention of the social service sections of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce, Japanese American Community Services and JACL community involvement staff.

One family wanted a Japanese passport which had been loaned to the Japanese American Research Project at UCLA years ago returned immediately in order to help establish permanent residency of an Issei welfare recipient.

1954 List Sought

Another family asked the JACL whether it still had a list of Issei who were naturalized en masse at the Hollywood Bowl in 1954 since the recipient, now senile, was unable to locate or produce the naturalization papers. JACL has none on file.

Many Issei, unable to read English, sought assistance of the JASC-AI and JCC to have their letters from the County Dept. of Public Social Services translated, only to be informed that unless a "green" alien registration card, a "pink" alien registry book issued prior to Evacuation in 1942 or some written evidence. from the Immigration and Naturalization Service verifying legal entry into the U.S. was brought to a designated office before a specific deadline (within two or three days), their aid would be terminated.

It was a relief to many Issei to see welfare checks for the month of January arrive several days later. But the problem remains, as one JACS-AI worker stressed.

Plight of Needy

Many of the Issei are in their 70s and 80s, without families and totally dependent upon welfare assistance and social security for survival, the JACS-AI worker added.

The local I&NS office has been busier than usual servicing applications for "green" alien registration cards (Form I-151) and requests for a search of immigration or naturalization records.

Those Issei who have lost or are unable to locate their Japanese passports (many issued 40 or 50 years ago) have a tedious procedure to establish permanent residency, it was described by a JASC-AI worker.

Documentation must be secured of having lived in the United States for each year since 1948. They may be letters suitably postmarked, bill of sale or an invoice showing a date, rent receipts, etc. Even search of hotel registers have been conducted, though in some instances the hotel has been razed and records unattainable. For the JASC-AI social service staff this past few weeks, it has been long, grueling 16-20 hour day to assist needy Issei.

'Green' Card Application

The application for "green" alien registration cards calls for the exact date of arrival in the U.S., the name of the vessel or port—or if these cannot be recalled, it suggests family ir friends who accompanied them be consulted. These lacking, then facts as can be best remembered would suffice. In most instances, the application must be accompanied by a $10 fee—in some cases, a fourth of the monthly public assistance check. Two passport-style photographs taken within 30 days of the application must also be included.

Naturalized Issei who apply for naturalization records are subject to a $3 fee with their application for a search of record.

While it may take up to a month to duplicate government documents, the county letter did not explain that a recipient could ask for an extension of time to establish his "intent to reside." This was ascertained this past week after JASC-AI and JCC social services checked with the county welfare department and the deadline for presenting documentation was extended to March 1.

Supervisors Ignore Issue

A contingent of 30 Asian Americans and 50 Mexican Americans as well as representations from the black and white communities, was present at the regular meeting of the County Board of Supervisors last week (Feb. 2) to discuss the issue but it was in vain.

"They talked about how good steaks taste in Antelope Valley or something, but they couldn't listen to us," one JASC-AI worker said bitterly. "The board of supervisors doesn't care about people—especially economically oppressed people who don't have any money."

Both the Asian and Mexican communities were prepared with documented accounts of how welfare recipients in their respective communities had suffered as a result of the new "illegal alien" directive.

One Suicide Noted

One senior citizen in the Mexican community has committed suicide and another had a heart attack while being told by his social worker of the new ruling. An Issei woman was so upset and frightened that she had to visit her physician twice because of increase in her blood pressure.

By noon the board had adjourned after listening to Sheriff Pitchess discuss the East L.A. demonstration and violence that followed, the Mayor of Lancaster opposing a bed-tax increase and discussing the dinners served at various restaurants.

At the previous week's session, the county supervisors called for immediate changes in welfare administration, which could oust up to 5,000 social workers from the county payroll. The supervisors are asking Sacramento and Washington for a switch of aged, disabled and blind recipients to a computerized income maintenance system—similar to social security without detailed social worker services.

New Proposal

Meantime, Ellis Murphy, director of the county welfare department (DPSS), told the JASC-AI that a proposal will be presented in the current state legislature to eliminate all aliens from welfare assistance.

Both the JACS and JCC also openly wondered why Los Angeles was the only county pursuing such drastic measures. The county is currently reviewing its entire caseload of approximately 880,000.

Murphy admitted that many hardship would result, especially in those cases involving those in nursing homes with no immediate relatives and little remembrance of their past personal history. Social workers now have till March 1 to help to resolve individual problems and explore local resources to prevent hardship, Murphy explained.

Cuban Refugees Exempt

The state directive exempts Cuban refugees, but many foreign born welfare recipients who have been living here for years, paying taxes, very often working for the lowest wages are affected, declared one union official. "We do not want these foreign born recipients to be deprived of necessary public assistance in order to meet budget deficits. It is our contention that the State Dept. of Social Welfare be responsible for attacking budget deficits in other ways than to deprive certain needy groups of necessary assistance," the union official added.

Discussing the fact that Issei are not being given a fair chance to conform to the newly instituted regulations demanding proof of legal entry, JACS-AI called an emergency community meeting this week (Feb. 9) at the Union Church.

U-NO Bar

Following is the text of the speech, abridged by Raymond Uno for publication this week, delivered Jan. 30 at the San Jose JACL Installation Dinner.

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By RAYMOND UNO
National JACL President

Eating such a delicious meal reminds me of a story entitled "Her Cup Runneth Over":

A lawyer was cross-examining the defendant.

"After you poisoned the coffee, your husband sat at the table and sipped it. Didn't you feel the slightest pity for him?"

"Yes," she answered. "There was just one moment when I sort of felt sorry for him."

"When was that?" the lawyer wanted to know.

"When he asked for his second cup."

Fortunately for me, there will be no second term as JACL president, so people will not have to feel sorry for me.

Secretary's Hopes

I had an attractive, young, single girl as secretary while back. I have run into her several times recently and inquired about her marital status. She tells me she is still looking. I told her I would try to help her find an eligible bachelor, but informed her he may not have money. She said money isn't everything to me, but I would like a man who is tall, dark and has-some.

Likewise, JACL, money isn't everything, but we would like to have some.

(Hereafter, a brief explanation of the JACL structure and committee system was explained. A short commentary on the following areas of emphasis was given: community involvement, civil rights, Asian American experience, Asian American studies, political awareness and workshops, youth and aged. The following new ventures were touched on: brain bank, political arm, financial arm, business arm, public and private funding, leadership training for staff and members, and the use of consultants.)

A salesman stopped at a small town hotel and had difficulty getting a room. He was about to leave when the clerk stopped him and said, "I think I may be able to put you up. There are two beds up in room 22 and one is occupied by a woman. But there's a screen around her bed and she's sleeping soundly. Just go to your bed quietly and everything will be all right.

His offer was quickly accepted. About twenty minutes later the salesman returned greatly excited.

"Good heavens," he cried. "The woman in that other bed is dead."

"I know that," said the clerk. "But how the devil did you find out?"

Awkward Situations

Sometimes, unwittingly, or otherwise, we get ourselves into some very embarrassing or awkward situations. For young people, you can say, this is the story of their lives. At least that has been my experience ever since I can remember.

Whatever endeavor you undertake let your opponent know he has been in a battle, and, even if you lose, he will respect you. We as individuals and an organization should operate under this principle.

I now abhor physical combat of any type unless it involves some skill in a sport. I especially detest war and wish we could eliminate it forever. However, of the non-physical combat, I enjoy fighting for just causes. I guess it has been the transformation of internalizing the barbarian in myself and channelling my animal behavior into more constructive objectives. This, I suppose, is called becoming civilized.

As a Teenager

When I was 14, during the summer, I worked thinning beets and in the canneries. When I was 15, I worked as a gandy dancer on the railroad in an extra gang in Nevada. When I was 16, I worked on a section gang on the railroad. When I was 15, I volunteered for the army and was turned down when they went to my house to check on my background, and found out my real age from my mother's employer. I tried volunteering for the service on by 17th birthday, but my school would not let me graduate early and I needed my high school diploma to get in the Language School at Presidio. I finally made it right after my graduation and served four years, one year an involuntary extension because of the Korean War.

These years reinforced the rebel inside of me. From the time I was 14, I had to live away from home because of economics, and, fortunately, was put up by a family friend, but lived a very spoiled and self imposed undisciplined life thereafter, except for my service time. However, everything I did and everywhere I went, I was the youngest, the smallest, and lowest ranking. Thus, I always, at least in my mind, ended up doing most of the dirty work or had the lowest priority in getting things. Of course, again, I got into my share of troubles and some quite serious.

Need for Education

The one thing my mother wanted me to do was get some education. That was the

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Rebel on the Inside: JACL President on the Outside

JACL EDUCATION COMMITTEE HIRES HIRANO DIRECTOR

To Serve as JACL Link with Asian American Studies Centers

LOS ANGELES—Bob Suzuki, chairman of the JACL's National Education Committee, announced the appointment of Ronald M. Hirano, 27, as its National Director of Education. Hirano will act as staff to the Committee and bear prime responsibility for the implementation of its programs.

"The hiring represents a direct link between the JACL education program and the Asian American Studies Centers. Ron will also act as staff coordinator for Asian American Studies Central in addition to being Director of Education," Suzuki said.

Asian American Studies Central is a consortium of Asian American Studies centers in the Southern California area. The group is seeking to establish contacts with other centers across the country.

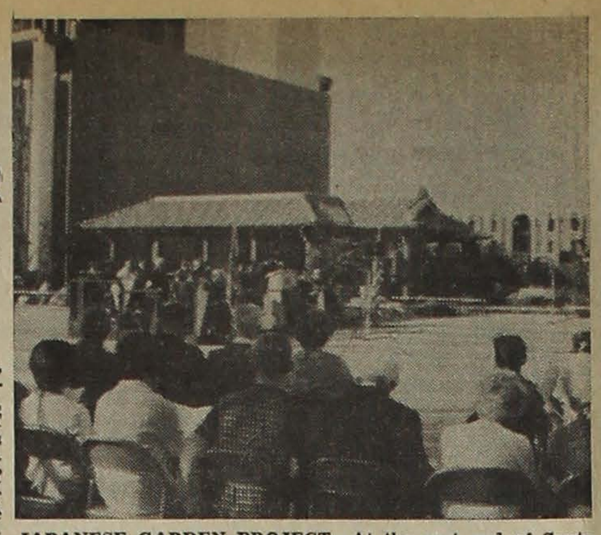
Immediate Objectives

In order to make as large an impact as possible, one of the initial tasks of the new Director and the Education Committee will be the establishment of a National JACL Education Commission to promote the development of Asian American studies, and a general re-examination of the American educational systef.

"I think that a coalition of Asian American Studies centers, JACL and concerned community people working together can make a significant contribution by providing the impetus for the inclusion of our hitory and culture in existing social science curriculum," Hirano stated. "This type of program seeks to improve education by making it more reflective of our multicultural society."

In addition to his involvement with JACL and Studies Central, Hirano also teaches a course in the Ethnic Studies program at the University of Southern California. He was formerly the Assistant Director of the USC Center for Social Action, and a 1970 graduate of the Master's program there in public administration.

Hirano is a UC Berkeley graduate in economics (1967) and taught at McClymonds High, Oakland, as an assistant for a year before returning to Los Angeles to become project coordinator with the municipal public works department with its bureau of right way and land.



JAPANESE GARDEN PROJECT—At the east end of Santa Ana's new Civic Center Complex is the new $50,000 Japanese Garden and pavilion, which was dedicated last November. The garden was built through efforts of the Japanese American Community Services of Orange County, Hitoshi Nitta, president, as a tribute to Issei pioneers.

PULSE ON THE CHAPTERS:

CHANGES STILL BRIGHT TO SQUASH REMAINING BARRIERS AGAINST NISEI

SAN JOSE — Not all of society's doors are open to the Japanese American today, but they will be for the younger generation if the efforts of a Salt Lake City attorney are successful.

Raymond S. Uno, 39-year-old national president of the Japanese American Citizens League, is optimistic of their chances to knock down the few remaining barriers.

"For the Japanese American the future is bright," Uno declared. "We can really start making contributions to American society in ways that will be original. Contributions we were unable to make before," he told the Mercury-News.

Installation Keynoter

Uno was keynote speaker last week (Jan. 30) at the annual installation dinner of the San Jose JACL. Architect Richard Tanaka was installed as the San Jose chapter president.

In an interview, Uno said the JACL is gradually broadening its scope to include youth and education today. Founded in 1930, the JACL originally waged a fight against discriminatory laws.

"Although as a group, we (Japanese Americans) have achieved a certain level of acceptance in the community, not all the doors are open," he said. "We want to open them for our youth."

Discrimination against Japanese Americans is not as intense now as it was in the past, Uno remarked.

Minority — Identity

"We are in a peculiar position. We're pretty well accepted, but we're identified as minorities. And since we have gone through the problems of the minorities, we feel a kinship with other minorities," said Uno.

"A lot of our youth are concerned with other minorities and social problems. We should help the young people if they're involved because they're doing something we should be doing," he said.

Uno admitted there is a generation polarization within the JACL, but he said he wants the young people to stay in the organization.

Japanese Americans have overcome employment barriers still raised against other minorities, he said, but promotions are still a problem.

"We have to change our image of a good technician but a poor supervisor," he said.

On Mineta Campaign

However, the public is beginning to judge people on their merit, rather than stereotyping them, Uno said when asked to comment on San Jose Vice Mayor Norman Mineta's election in 1969.

Mineta is now a candidate for mayor, and if elected would be the first Japanese American to hold the office in a major American city.

"We're trying to encouragte Japanese Americans to get into the political fabric of our society," he explained, but emphasized the JACL is a non-partisan organization.

Elected to a two-year term as national president last summer, Uno considers himself a middle of the road officer in the JACL. "I'm supposed to be a liberal in the group," he said.

But the liberals consider him a moderate, and the older members think of him as a liberal, he explained.

Uno served two terms as president of the Salt Lake City chapter. Two years ago, he lost election to the Utah State Senate by only 147 votes.

—Mercury-News

Installation

East L.A.-Duprees swear in 1971 officers

East Los Angeles JACL and its youth chapter, **Duprees,** installed Mrs. Mable Yoshizaki and Wayne Nagao as their respective presidents Feb. 6 at the Montebello Country Club.

Installing officers Henry Kanegae, past national JACL v.p., and Victor Shibata, Jr. JACL administrator, conducted separate ceremonies.

The JACL sapphire pin was conferred upon Ritsuko Kawakami, while the silver pin was given to Mrs. Michi Obi, Ken Kato and Dr. George Wada. Walter Tatsuno, who served two years, was presented the President's pin.

Judy Seguchi and Linda Saruwatari entertained with songs. Rev. David Unoura recited the invocation and benediction. Mas Dobashi was emcee.

Though no main speaker

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1000 CLUB CHARTER FLIGHT:

Second Flight from Chicago Set

Chicago

A second charter flight originating from Chicago on Oct. 3 was announced by the National A Thousand Whings committee. This charter flight will return on Oct. 26. Agreement was concluded with World Airways, a licensed supplemental air carrier based in Oakland, to handle the additional charter flight to Japan. The extra flight was scheduled due to the enthusiastic response and interest from the MDC and EDC chapters.

This flight will stopover in Seattle to and from for the participants from the Pacific Northwest area. 1000 Club members from the following chapters have signed up for the flights:

Chicago, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Dayton, Detroit, Milwaukee, Twin Cities, New York, St. Louis, Seabrook, N.J., and Washington, D.C.

A complete list of tour covering the full 22-day tour and others of 10, 17 and 19 days in length, a special Golfers' option tour of 7 days are also available.

Applications and deposits are being accepted by the Chicago group, according to co-chairmen Dr. Joe Nakayama and Dr. Frank Sakamoto. Others who are serving on the national committee are:

Mas Nakagawa, Tak Ochiai, May Nakano, Sat Takemoto and George Wakiji.

Pre-Flight Parties

"Night in Tokyo" pre-flight 1000 Club parties are also being scheduled to promote the charter at Milwaukee on Feb. 20 (call Ed Jonokuchi, OR 2-5544 for details), at Chicago on Feb. 28 (call Dr. Frank Sakamoto, 561-5105) and at Cincinnati (though no date has been scheduled).

The international whing ding in Tokyo on Oct. 22 will be held at the Keio Plaza, 47 stories high and the world's tallest hotel. Tad Hirota, national 1000 Club chairman, is arranging for the appearance of some of Japan's biggest names in entertainment.

Spark seeks to avoid Santa Barbara oil spill

WASHINGTON — Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) today cosponsored legislation designed to end oil drilling operations on federally-owned lands in the Santa Barbara Channel, by establishing an ecological preserve in the Channel.

Need for Asian American commission to advise L.A. school board stressed

LOS ANGELES—"Gross omissions" of Asian American participation in American history in established school textbooks and the need for a regular educational body to promote Asian American educational needs were two of several main points discussed by Asian American educational leaders on a recent television panel show.

Appearing on "Minority Report," KCOP's (Channel 13) weekly show devoted to minority problems, Ronald Hirano, director of Asian American Studies Central; Robert Suzuki, Ph.D., engineering professor at USC; Stanford Mu, Belmont High School mathematics teacher, and Lawrence Yee, Belmont student and recent U.S. entrant from China, discussed the many educational barriers within the Los Angeles City Schools for Asian American students.

Citing the lack of incorporated material on Asian and Asian American history in regular school texts, Hirano emphasized the need for community action.

"There is usually only a few brief lines about the 300 years of Asian contact with and contributions to American history—if any at all. And all too often, those few lines are misrepresentative," Hirano said.

Mu called for "a regular body in the form of an Asian American Education Commission to promote community needs" to the L.A. City Board of Education.

All four members of the panel stressed the importance of the formation of such a Commission. Based along the lines of the black and Chicano commissions (both formed in early 1970), the Asian American Commission was described by Suzuki as an advisory board, backed by the community, which would develop specialized programs designed for the unique and differential problems of the Asian American student.

Interested Asian Americans attended the third open community meetings, Feb. 7, at the Gardena Veterans' Hall to complete the proposal and submit it to the City Board of Education by the end of February.

Two previous meetings have already been held: one in the Crenshaw area and one in Chinatown.

10,973 Japanese citizens counted on U.S. east coast

NEW YORK—A total of 10,973 Japanese nationals are living in the Eastern Seaboard states, according to the census taken by the New York office of the Japanese consulate general. The figures are based on replies to inquiries received by Oct. 1, 1970.

The tally represents 4,297 families (6,051 male; 4,922 female) and 1,406 families are permanent residents, the remainder transient.

Vast majority (7,032) of the Japanese on the east coast are employed by banks, business firms and manufacturers. A total of 96 are employees of newspapers, radio and TV stations; 300 are in retail merchandising: 1,505 are students or teachers.

The east coast summary except for the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area:

BY STATES-TERRITORIES

New York	8,458	N. H.	12
Conn.	153	N. J.	997
Del.	38	Penn.	520
Maine	15	R. I.	42
Mass.	683	Vermont	18
Puerto R.	35	Virgin Is.	2

New York City—6,761

Manhattan	1,296	Queens	4,138
Bronx	1,079	Brooklyn	111
		Staten Is.	87

EXTEND SIGN-UP TIME ON PSW-JACL CPS PLAN

LOS ANGELES — Governor Mas Hironaka of the PSWDC announced that the open enrollment period for the Blue Shield Health Plan has been extended to March 31, 1971 for PSW JACLers.

JACLers enrolled into the JACL Blue Shield Health Plan between Jan. 1 and Mar. 31, will be covered starting April 1, 1971. Information about the Blue Shield Health Plan and enrollment cards can be obtained from the local chapter presidents, or from the JACL Office in Los Angeles.

The PSW JACLers who had enrolled by sending in their checks and enrollment cards before Jan. 1, were covered by the plan from Jan. 1, 1971.

Nisei designer wins $1,000 for county sign

SEATTLE — Graphic designer Mits Katayama unveiled recently the new King County insignia — a crown inside two concentric circles — which he created for the King County Arts Commission.

Katayama was paid $1,000 for his design. The insignia will be issued on county vehicles, letterheads, forms, seals, flags and signs.

Ray Uno to address Detroit JACL inaugural

The **Detroit JACL** will celebrate its 25th anniversary at the annual installation dinner-dance at Mauna Loa Restaurant, 3077 W. Grand Blvd., on Saturday, Feb. 27.

Highlighting the evening will be National President Raymond Uno as guest speaker. Other dignitaries to be present are:

MDC Governor Mas Yamasaki, Detroit City Council President Mel Ravitz, MDYC Chairman Kathy Kadowaki and the Rev. Paul Hiyama.

To add further meaning to the occasion, special effort has been extended to have present and together all past presidents of the Detroit Chapter.

The Detroit Jr. JACL also recognizing the importance of this occasion has extended invitations to MDYC chapters. A gathering of youths from midwest chapters is anticipated, according to Jr. JACL President Gerry Shimoura.

The dinner dance is under the co-chairmenship of Elaine Akagi, Kathy Shimamura, and Walter Miyao. Assisting are:

Bill Shimamura, finance; JoAnn Shimamura, Gerry Shimoura, Jim Shimoura, program; Art Morey, gen. arr.; Miyo O'Neill, guests; Shirley Shimamura, decorations; Faye Doi, reserv.; Toshi Shimoura, pub.

Attorney acquitted of sham marriage charges

LOS ANGELES — Attorney Hiram W. Kwan was acquitted last week (Feb. 2) of charges that he arranged sham marriages between Chinese aliens and American women citizens.

Kwan, 46, who practices at 1011 N. Broadway, was charged in a seven-count indictment with conspiring and arranging such marriages so that the aliens could become permanent residents, although the couples were strangers and never lived together.

High school riot over drug abuse averted by YB

LOS ANGELES — A campus riot between Oriental and black students at Dorsey High was averted last week because of the quick and effective efforts of the Yellow Brotherhood.

An Oriental student was arrested Feb. 2 for possession of drugs he had purchased from a black student pusher who was not arrested because he had no drugs on his person at the time.

Tension was apparent as over half of the Oriental students at Dorsey was reported absent by the end of the week as word of trouble brewing circulated.

YB members, its advisers and consultants met after school for three days with black students to help form their own group similar to Yellow Brotherhood, which has been effective in stopping Oriental "pill pushers" at Dorsey and other schools, according to Police Officer Kenji Arai, a YB adviser. The black students agreed to police their own group on selling drugs.

Dorsey school officials and students were quickly told the problem was not racial but stemmed over drug abuse by YB members and their black friends from Watts.

Victor Shibata, Jr. JACL administrator and YB consultant reviewed the Dorsey situation in his remarks at the East Los Angeles JACL installation and noted all was not quiet either on the eastside campuses as Orientals were being individually harrassed by the Chicanos.

The Chicano sees the Oriental as part of the Anglo clan, he explained.

13 Orientals now with FBI as agents

WASHINGTON—In a reversal of policy, the Justice Department has revealed the Federal Bureau of Investigation has 108 minority members among its force of some 7,900 agents — 13 of them being Asian.

Attorney General John Mitchell, in a letter to the St. Paul (Minn.) Dispatch, disclosed the ethnic breakdown of special agents with the FBI after syndicated Negro columnist Carl Rowan reported he was refused minority employment figures.

Mitchell's letter added that there were 51 Negroes, 41 Spanish Americans, and 3 American Indians as special agents. Of the 18,592 employees including special agents, 53 are Orientals, Mitchell noted.

DILLON MYER'S BOOK TO BE PUBLISHED MAR. 15

TUCSON, Ariz. — The Univ. of Arizona Press announced Dillon S. Myer's memoirs as director of War Relocation Authority, "Uprooted Americans", will be released on March 15.

The UofA Press in 1969 published "Impounded People", one of the final WRA reports co-authored by Spicer, Hansen, Luomala and Opler in 1946, and embellished with photographs, bibliography and index.

Santa Anita-born Nisei author of new book: 'American in Disguise'

TOKYO—A Japanese American, born while his parents were being interned in World War II, says the United States is deeply racist but he prefers it to Japan.

In a book titled "American in Disguise," Daniel I. Okimoto also sees the possibility that Chinese in the United States may face internment in the same way that Japanese did after Pearl Harbor.

"Yesterday's enemy was Japan," he writes. "Tomorrow's could be Communist China. In such an eventuality, what would be the fate of Chinese citizens in America?

"Although another internment seems unlikely, an ominous note has been recently struck in J. Edgar Hoover's warning that the Chinese-American community could represent a fertile breeding ground for agents of Communist China."

To Be Out Mar. 31

The book will be published Mar. 31 by Weatherhill-Walker, Tokyo-New York. James A. Michener has written the forward.

Okimoto was born in 1942 at the Santa Anita race track. His Christian missionary parents were awaiting dispatch to an internment camp along with thousands of other Japanese and Americans of Japanese descent.

Now a doctoral candidate at the Univ. of Michigan, he attended Princeton (BA, 1965) and Harvard (MA, 1967) and in 1968 the Univ. of Tokyo.

Okimoto is 28. He spent his early years in what he calls San Diego's "Negro ghetto." The family later settled in Pasadena where he finished high school.

Comment on Japan

In Japan, he asserts, "strong undercurrents or irrationalism, and outright anti-rationalism, flow beneath a good deal of contemporary thinking."

He found much to admire in his mother country, but says: "Having been brought up in America, where informality and individuality are emphasized, I find Japan far too restrictive, group-oriented and coercive."

WASHINGTON NEWSLETTER:

Bills in Congress

Washington

The 92nd Congress has been in session for a little more than two weeks but it hasn't been extremely productive. Of course, no one expects Congress to get down to business right away, except for the ritual of introducing literally thousands of bills. The House has done very well in that area. It now has about 3,600 bills, about 280 House Joint Resolutions, 125 House Concurrent Resolutions and about 200 House Resolutions. Of the 3,600 bills, at least a thousand of them are so-called "private bills" which benefit individuals and very often pertain to immigration problems.

On the Senate side, only about 600 bills and 30 resolutions have been introduced. The Senate side is usually more conservative about creating an avalanche of bills, but then there are only 100 Senators against more than 400 Representatives. Each Congressman usually likes to introduce a bill so that he may talk about "his" bill to his constituents back home.

Although the number of bills and resolutions introduced seem large, the number is in keeping with historical trend. The 61st Congress (1909-10), however, was an exception. Congressmen introduced 44,363 bills and resolutions in both Houses. Later Congresses showed some restraint. The 86th Congress (1957-59) had 18,261; the 87th—18,376; the 88th—17,479; 89th—24,003; and 90th—26,460. The 91st Congress managed to introduce 7,487 measures during the second session alone and for both sessions there were about 20,000 House bills, 4,600 Senate bills, and at least 2,000 resolutions of various kinds for a total of close to 27,000 measures.

Needless to say, many of the measures are similar and are introduced only because a Congressman wants his name on a bill. Identical and similar bills are referred to the same committee but they are lumped together and referred by one number and the names of the more prestigious members who introduced it when hearings are held. For instance, last year's infamous trade bill, often called the "Mill's bill" was introduced by more than a hundred Representatives but only a few senior members of the Ways and Means Committee, which handled the bill, had their names listed.

The measures range in subject matter. One bill calls for the renaming of the Washington National Airport to Dwight D. Eisenhower airport, and several call for investigations into the activities of Supreme Court Justice William Douglas. Many bills pertain to adjustments in Social Security and income tax laws. Quite a few deal with immigration and naturalization. Environmental and pollution matters are two other popular subjects. Some bills may be of specific interest to minority nationality groups. Representatives Edward R. Roybal (D-Calif.), James C. Corman (D-Calif.) and William F. Ryan (D-N.Y.) have sponsored bills calling for special appropriations to train teachers for bilingual education.

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In the area of Title II, Rep. Roybal and Rep. John E. Moss (D-Calif.) have introduced bills (HR 2543 and HR 2607) identical to the Matsunaga bill calling for an end to detention camps. Rep. Charles Gubser (R-Calif.) has introduced a bill (HR 782) calling for repeal of Title II.

So far, a total of 18 Representatives have introduced House Resolutions (H. Res. 34, 38, 41, 53, 56, 71, 72, 78, 85, 86, 87, 96, 108, 129, 153, 179) to abolish the House Committee on Internal Security and transfer its duties to the Judiciary Committee. The sponsors are Philip Burton (D-Calif.) Parren J. Mitchell (D-Md.), Thomas M. Rees (D-Calif.), Mrs. Bella Abzub (D-N.Y.), Frank Annunzio (D.Ill.), Charles C. Diggs, Jr. (D-Mich.), John G. Dow (N-N.Y.), William D. Ford (D-Mich.), Michael Harrington (D-Mass.), Augustus F. Hawkins (D-Calif.), Henry J. Heltoski (D-N.Y.), Edward I. Koch (D-N.Y.), Abner J. Mikva (D-Ill.), Bertram L. Podell (D-N.Y.), Ogden R. Reid (R-N.Y.), Seymour Halpern (R-N.Y.), Robert F. Drinan (D-Mass.) and James H. Scheuer (D-N.Y.)

In the area of voting rights for 18-year-olds, there are several bills, three of which are Senate Joint Resolution 7 introduced by Senator Jennings Randolph (D-Va.) and a large number of cosponsors, House Joint Resolutions 15 by Rep. Bill Alexander (D-Ark.) and 91 by Rep. William Green (D-Pa.) and a number of other Representatives. In the area of equal rights for men and women, there are several measures, including Senate Joint Resolution 8 and 9 and House Joint Resolution 90.

Just what will happen to any of these bills is hard to determine this early in the session. Some of the bills are sure to be taken up for consideration and probably will stir up controversy. Other bills may be put aside quietly or never be taken up for consideration.

One thing is for certain, however, only a small percentage of the bills introduced in Congress will be enacted. Between 1789 and 1968, nearly one million measures were introduced but only about 82,000 were enacted or about 8.3 per cent. That doesn't seem like a high ratio but considering the large number of identical and improbable bills that are introduced, eight per cent may not be very low. But statistics do not tell the whole story. Over the years, even during the past two years of the 91st Congress many worthwhile bills died. JACL members need not be reminded of what happened to the effort to repeal Title II and women's lib advocates need not be told to recall that equal rights for women were not granted by the last Congress.

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CITY BUDGET FOR WASHINGTON, D.C.

Blacks in Washington, D.C. have not been in the minority for some time but the recent census shows that the D.C. population is now 71 per cent Black. That is an increase of almost twenty per cent in ten years. In the 1960 census, the Black population was 54 per cent. In the suburbs, the Black population is up about two per cent from 6.4 to 7.9 per cent.

Any minority group that accounted for 71 per cent of a city's population probably would be able to control its destiny in most areas but in Washington, population numbers have nothing to do with what happens in the city. Although Congress has authorized a non-voting delegate to sit in the House of Representatives, Washington, D.C. residents won't have much say in the affairs of the city. (The non-voting delegate will be able to sit in the House chamber and serve in committees but will not be able to vote).

Just why things don't happen too quickly in Washington become somewhat evident when the tedious process necessary to get approval for the city's budget is examined. To get approval for the 1972 budget, the mayor submits his proposed budget to the City Council. The Council reviews the budget and approves increases in the property tax, if necessary. The budget goes to the Office of Management and Budget at the White House for review. It then goes to the House and Senate District subcommittees where hearings are held. The subcommittee and full House Appropriations committee report out a budget bill which goes to the House for approval. That bill then goes to the Senate Appropriations subcommittee and the full committee for approval and floor action.

Next, a revenue bill emerges from the House District Committee. The House acts on the bill, passes it on to the Senate District Committee which then asks for Senate passage. If there are differences in the House and Senate versions in both the budget and revenue bills, two separate conference committees settle the differences. After that the House and Senate pass the final versions of both bills and send them to the White House. The President then signs the D.C. revenue and appropriations acts.

If Congress moved at the same rate as its normal leisurely rate, the D.C. budget could have a long wait. Little wonder then that Washington D.C. residents 71 per cent of whom are Black, are often frustrated, unhappy, and resentful. By AL YAMADA

NEWS CAPSULES

Government

Attorney **Frank Kasama**, past Fremont JACL president, was appointed by Fremont Mayor Gene Rhodes to the human relations commission. Kasama previously served on the NC-WNDC executive board . . . The mayor also appointed **Yosh Fujiwara**, an accountant and director of the California Jr. Chamber of Commerce, as one of five Fremont residents to a blue-ribbon committee to find out what's wrong between police and the press and determine what the city can do about it.

Military

The 442nd Veterans Assn. of Southern California installed **Hiro Takusawa** (Co. F) at its 11th annual dinner Jan. 23 at Man Jen Low, and honored its longtime patron, **Col. George B. Morse**, Ret., 79, of Pasadena who helped organize the veteran group. Morse became interested in the Nisei during WW2 while stationed at Ft. Riley, Kan. Takusawa succeeds **Sterling Suga** (Co. E).

Col. Spady A. Koyama of Spokane has retired from military service that spans 27 years, over half of those years spent overseas including a tour in Vietnam as a staff officer in General Westmoreland's headquarters. During WW2, he participated in the historic invasion of Leyte as a combat interrogator and was wounded by a bomb shrapnel that had lodged in his right lung wall. While on the Army Intelligence School faculty at Fort Holabird, Md., he was promoted to his present permanent rank in 1968. He is married to the former Frances Yamauchi of Pasco, Wash., and they have three sons and a daughter. Their eldest, David, is an ex-infantry officer who returned from Vietnam and is now studying at Univ. of Washington; Steven is a high school teacher in Baltimore; Linda is a WSU freshman; and John is a 7th grader.

Major Dennis Hidenobu Uyenoyama, 29, formerly of Hawaii, was buried with full military honors Jan. 22 at San Francisco National Cemetery. Executive officer of the 239th Aviation Co. (Assault Helicopter) in Korea, he was killed in a helicopter crash while on a military mission. A 1963 graduate of the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va., he won letters in baseball and was awarded the Distinguished Military Honors. He served in Korea (1963-64), in Vietnam (1966-67) where he won a Bronze Star with a V-device, in Heidelberg (1967-69) and was in Korea on his second tour at the time of his death. Survivors include Jayne, d Catherine, p Lt. Col. and Mrs. Hidekazu (Ft. Riley), sis June (San Francisco), Mrs. Gerald Okamura (Gardena), b Pfc. Delta (Camp Pendleton) and gm Shige Nakamura (Kurtistown, Hawaii). (This corrects news capsule appearing Jan. 22.—Ed.)

Politics

Echo Goto, charter member of the Americans of Japanese Ancestry Republicans, was elected to the County Republican central committee representing the 53rd Assembly District, Los Angeles. She will serve as an officer in various district caucuses: as v.p. in the 53rd Assembly district, treas., 29th state senate district; and sec., 21st Congressional district. The active Gardena Valley JACLer is active with the Cosmopolitan Voters Republican Club, being recently installed as 3rd v.p. She, along with **Mrs. Sachio Takata** and **Mrs. George Yamamoto** of Los Angeles, were awarded a gold elephant pin from the county GOP central committee for their participation on the No. Calif. air-lift program.

Chicago independent candidate **Hiroshi Kanno** for the 2d Ward aldermanic post continued to receive organizational and individual endorsements as the campaign stepped into its final weeks. The endorsers include:

Independent Voters of Illinois, Independent Political Organization Conference on Chicago Government: Warren Bacon, A. A. Sammy Rayner, Rev. Calvin Morris, Al Raby, Leon Despres, William Cousins, Rev. Canon Don

Crime

Newport Beach narcotics officers seized 1,000 pounds of marijuana on Sunday, Jan. 24, and arrested six persons, including **Tadashi T. Nakatsuka**, 29, of Huntington Beach, following a three month investigation that began after a raid made in Modjeska Canyon last October resulted in the arrest of 45 people.

Awards

U.S. District Judge Gus J. Solomon, 64, of Portland was honored by the Realtors of Portland as their "First Citizen" for 1970, one of the oldest and most prestigious honors in the Northwest, for his broad role of community participation and his dedication to the removal of class and social barriers to all people. In 1942, then an attorney out several years from Stanford Law School, he opposed the internment of Japanese Americans on the ground that loyalty cannot be determined by religion, color or place of origin. His personal confrontation came when, during WW2, he appeared with his wife at an early morning market (at 4 a.m.) to protest the boycott of Nisei-grown produce and intervened for them with labor and farm groups. He also helped organize the civic group to aid returning evacuees.

Dr. Henry M. Ema of St. Louis, Mo., was presented the Silver Beaver Award for over-30 years of participation and leadership in scouting. He has been scoutmaster of Troop 62, active in district training programs and four of his sons have been awarded Eagle Badges. A lieut.-colonel in the U.S. Air Force reserves, he has also assisted the St. Louis Dental Clinic.

Mrs. May Kasahara of Portland, a clerk in the Public Welfare Division in Multnomah County, was named state employe of the year at a banquet Jan. 16. The selection is made annually by the 16,800-member Oregon State Employes Association. A native of Japan, Mrs. Kasahara has worked with the welfare agency 18 years and supervises audit clerks and nursing home payment clerks.

Shoichiro Honda, founder of the Honda Motor Co. of Japan, will be awarded the National YMCA Prize in Washington, D.C., in recognition of his contribution of 10,000 motor bikes to the "Y".

Book

A condensed version of "Nisei: the Quiet Americans" by **Bill Hosokawa**, associate editor of the Denver Post, appeared in the "Pacific Community," a Jiji Press quarterly. It appeared as an 11-page article entitled "The Cherishing of Liberty: the American Nisei." The quarterly carries articles touching on political, economic and social questions of the Pacific community.

Business

Bank of Tokyo of California has promoted two California Nisei, **Kojiro Iwasaki** and **Joseph Kubokawa**, both of San Francisco, as vice-presidents. Iwasaki joined the bank in 1955 while Kubokawa served on the original staff when the bank opened in 1953 . . . The Sumitomo Bank of California has promoted four to vice presidencies: **Ryuichi Kimura**, senior v.p., San Jose; **Shinzo Kusumoto**, international banking division, San Francisco; **Katsuyoshi Naito**, bank treasurer, San Francisco; and **Tomimasa Nakano**, operations, San Francisco. All served with the parent bank in Japan before being assigned to California.

Hiroshima-based **Toyo Kogyo Co.** announced plans to established a new sales firm in Los Angeles, the "Mazda Motors of America", to service the six western states of California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, Colorado and New Mexico. Toyo, already based in Seattle, manufactures the rotary-engine automobile.

Entertainment

James "Butch" Kasahara, active JACLer in Southern California, backed by an all-Hawaiian trio and hula dancers, opened a two-weeks engagement Feb. 10 singing and entertaining at the Islander at 385 N. La Cienega in Beverly Hills.

Hawaii Studios, Inc. must go on trial to determine whether it may continue being the site of a movie sound stage for the "Hawaii Five-O" series. The state supreme court on Jan. 20 reversed a decision by **Circuit Judge Yasutaka Fukushima**, who dismissed a protest by persons living near the Diamond Head studio. Associate Justice **Bert Kobayashi**, who wrote the high court's 4 to 1 decision, said the studio's industrial use within the residential neighborhood "immediately and directly affects each homeowner."

Fine Arts

The Japan Art Society of America has been organized in San Francisco with **Archbishop Nitten Ishida** of the Nichiren Church as president and **Prof. Chiura Obata**, UC Berkeley professor - emeritus of art, as honorary president. The group is planning an exhibit during the 1971 Cherry Blossom Festival in April.

Tad Miyashita, 48, Maui-born artist, is back home after being away from the Islands for 28 years. Miyashita, a native of Pukolii, Maui, exhibited his collages during the month. He has worked in collage since 1953.

Press Row

Four Asian American journalism majors—two Japanese and two Chinese—occupy top editorial positions on the San Francisco State College newspaper Phoenix for the fall semester: **Jon Funabiki**, managing editor; **Sandy Lee**, asst. m.e.; **Boku Kodama**, city editor; and **Lavine Lee**, asst. copy editor.

Stan Souza has been reelected president of the Hawaii Newspaper Guild. Also reelected were **Mel Sakai**, v.p.; **Aileen Lee**, sec.; and **Bill Gee**, treas. . . . The Honolulu Star-Bulletin on Jan. 25 purchased two Huntington (W. Va. newspapers. S-B also owns the morning newspaper on Guam and the Dickinson (N.D.) Press.

Mainichi Shimbun, Tokyo, has published "Battlefield", a book of photographs of the Vietnam war taken by the late Pulitzer Prize winning photographer **Kyoichi Sawada** of UPI. It contains 94 pictures, ten in color, and among them the prize-winning shot taken in 1966.

Redevelopment

George Umezawa, Cal-State L.A. graduate last year in political science and director of the Asian American tutoral project, succeeds Jim Matsuoka as community information specialist with the Little Tokyo project office.

Matsuoka has returned to his studies at Cal-State L.A.

Danny Nakatsu, in charge of the San Francisco Nihonmachi Community Development Project, has resigned (Jan. 29) to become international division vice-president for Botsford Ketchum Inc. in Tokyo. He leaves in March. Previously Nakatsu served with Japan Air Lines as its advertising manager for the Americas.

Deaths

Jotaro Tamura, 86, pioneer Utah farmer and member of the Mt. Olympus JACL, died of natural causes Jan. 23. He came to the U.S. in 1906. Surviving are three sons and five daughters: George, Ken, Ben (all of Caldwell, Idaho), Alice Kuwahara, Salt Lake City; Amie Hoki, McAllen, Tex.; Kathy Miyasako, Homedale, Idaho; Ruby Endo, Layton; and Tomiko Hisatake, Draper.

Renew Your Membership

JERRY ENOMOTO EXPLAINS FAMILY VISITING PROGRAM AT SOLEDAD

SOLEDAD — Soledad Prison officials have approved a family visiting program outside prison walls for qualified inmates.

The new program begins Feb. 14, St. Valentine's Day, according to Jerry Enomoto, deputy superintendent of the prison.

Two remodeled apartments inside the 912-acre compound, but outside the walls, have been set aside for minimum security prisoners for visits with their wives and families.

Enomoto said the program will mark the first time in California men will leave a concrete-secure prison for visits with loved ones.

He said initially some 200 inmates in the 1,500-man prison will be eligible for the 48-hour visits in the cottages.

"We are emphasizing that this is a family visiting plan," Enomoto said, "not just conjugal. The prisoner might visit with parents or other relatives."

At Soledad, prisoners are classified in graduated order from minimum security to maximum security. Those classified as minimum security do not require "eyeball supervision," Enomoto said.

A comparable program has been successful in minimum security Tehachapi prison in Kern County.

Incentive

"The staff studied that program and others like it in the nation and decided we would try it here," Enomoto said. If it's successful, authorities will increase the number of apartments.

Enomoto said the family visit plan is only part of a quiet effort to make life more bearable for Soledad inmates.

"We are always bringing in people from outside for rap sessions and we are working on getting frequent, quality entertainment as well."

There also has been a telephone installed so that minimum security prisoners can make collect phone calls to relatives, he said.

"We hope the programs for the minimum security prisoners will be an incentive to inmates to earn that classification," Enomoto said.

Local Scene

Los Angeles

Questions of Asian identity in America and how Asians feel about changes in society and environment will be explored at the **American Generation Conference** Feb. 12-13 at the UCLA Grand Ballroom in the Student Union.

Program opens Friday, 7:30 p.m. with the film, "Battle of Algiers", and presentation of guerrilla theater. Discussions and workshops follow on Saturday from 11 a.m.

Chicago

Japanese American Service Committee, with a 1971 budget of $288,655, expect to meet the bulk ($203,000) of its budget from the Issei Workshop Center. Membership is expected to net $23,000 and a goal of $25,000 has been set, according to Lincoln Shimidzu, JASC board chairman. Special events and contributions from the community will also help meet the budget, he added.

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From the Frying Pan

Denver, Colo.

OUTWARD APPEARANCES—You probably saw the story in the newspapers a few weeks ago. A student, self-admittedly on the squarish side, donned a long-haired wig and stuck some phoney whiskers on his clean-shaven face and walked about town doing a variety of things. He discovered almost immediately, he wrote in a paper about his experiences, that the public's attitude was different. Although he was the same person that he was before he disguised himself as a hippie or whatever it is they call the nonconformists these days, he was treated with hostility purely on the basis of his appearance.

There is a poignant lesson to be found here for those of us whose appearance is different from that of the Anglo-Saxon majority. We have been discriminated against in the past, most notably in the World War II Evacuation, because we did not look like the majority. Discrimination on the basis of appearance still exists for us today, although on a vastly lesser scale. What business, then, do we have judging others on the basis of their appearance, regardless of whether that difference is outlandishly long hair or skin color, grotesque costumes or facial contours?

In our hour of anguish we pleaded and demanded to be judged as individuals. Most of the long-hairs do not seem to be either the pleading or demanding types, but certainly they deserve no less from us than that we sought for ourselves.

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AMONG OUR OWN—I suppose the tradition of gala New Year parties will continue to thrive as long as their are Issei among us. The dwindling number of Issei here in Denver joined the resources of their three organizations—the Japanese Association, Hokka-jin Kai (Northern California People's Association) and the Hiroshima Kenjin Kai—to hold a New Year's party on the last day of January. (Some of the old-timers were going around saying "Happy New Year" even though the next day would be the first of February, and somehow the greeting seemed not inappropriate since they hadn't seen each other since the new year dawned.)

These parties are happy affairs with plenty of Chinese chow to be stowed away, and a lot of home-talent entertainment. It doesn't take much persuasion to get the old folks up before the microphone to perform, and one gathers that they've been practicing for the event for some considerable time in advance. And, unlikely as it may seem at first glance, there is connection between the New Year party entertainment and the matter referred to up above in the first section of this column—namely, that you cannot, and should not, judge on the basis of appearance alone. Let me explain.

The Issei, even after all these years, are by and large a humble looking lot. The men wear their best suits which look like they were first bought 20 years ago. They probably didn't fit too well in the first place and time hasn't helped much. The ladies, bless them, favor house dresses and the thought of being stylish would probably frighten them half to death. They are to put it kindly, not a physically impressive people, and one knows that their occupations are far from prestigious.

Yet they have culture, dignity and pride. An old gentleman who puts on khaki britches and a sweat-stained jacket and mows other people's lawns for a living can stand before a crowd and sing a classical number. Another old-timer who makes a living by operating a third-rate hotel composes poetry to fit special occasions and recites heroic ballads. An elderly lady who has struggled to make ends meet most of her life sings a beautiful classical folk song. In the eyes of the world, particularly the Caucasian world, these humble little people are, perhaps, looked upon as strange foreigners who never really learned to speak English. But if they could look below the surface they would find pride, yes, and culture and dignity.

AREA CODE 206: Joe Hamanaka

Plain American Japanese

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Seattle

We make our bread working with a right-on staff of ad guys and gals. Madison Avenue, Northwest. A little "inaka" up here, but they're swingers — owners of bright, broad ties and striped loud shirts. And mini skirts.

They take me at face-value —as a Japanese. Not really sure whether I was born here or there. They don't care. And care less whether my label is Issei, Nisei or Sansei.

I mean, as one Hakujin says: "Who cares. One, two, three, four . . . we (Caucasians) do not say first generation, second, third, etc., label ourselves like the Japanese do.

"Unless one is looking for numerical data, why classify? Group. Perhaps, divide. Is it necessary? I can't tell the difference. Don't you create wider generation gap?"

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It is raining outside, which is not unusual for Seattle. And business is lousy. So the conversation goes on. He sits in my office and we talk. I'm Japanese and he's German, both born here.

By the time the fifth and six generation Japanese are with us, we'll all be plain Japanese. Or, American Japanese.

Hate to be known as Gosei (Itsusei, fifth generation), or Rokusei (Musei sixth), or Shichisei (Nanasei, seventh) — they just don't sound right.

And consider Yonsei (Shisei, (fourth) which with the "shi" sound is death—"shi". And that's about time we and the community press stopped labeling ourselves. Gone by Gosei-time.

Meanwhile the confusion will get worse. New waves of immigrants. Now they're Issei (first generation) again. And more and more Japanese Nationals. Mixed marriages, too, will rid us of our generation labels.

Talking to this guy at the office, Issei, Nisei, Sansei, or Kibei, when the national emergency came, we were all Japanese. Wonder if the Chinese use labels like the Japanese here?

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We work with words and pictures in the business—putting them together.

Most interesting are the double words—alliteration. Picture words like chop-chop, bang-bang, ga-ga, go-go, ding-ding.

We have proper nouns too: Walla Walla, the city; Kala-kala, the ferry boat; Lawe-Lawe, the Honolulu street; mahi-mahi and lomi-lomi and muu-muu and kau-kau. Interesting. Then there's Zsa Zsa.

The Japanese really go for such descriptive words. They're in the dictionary, which, incidentally, would make nice Christmas gifts for Sansei in search of his cultural heritage. So . . .

Take the "B" words. So many — betsu-betsu (separate), biku-biku (tremble), bata-bata (clatter), bisha-bisha (wet), bara-bara (scatter), bo-bo (shaggy), botsu-botsu (slowly) . . .

Bera-bera (talk) beta-beta (soaked), biri-biri (torn), basha-basha (splash), byu-byu (blow), ban-ban (bang), bun-bun (scold), bura-bura (stroll) . . .

Now, some "K" words: kira-kira (shine), kachi-kachi (tick), kata-kata (rattle), koto-koto (work) koro-koro (roll), kusha-kusha (bothered), kon-kon (cough), kotsu-kotsu (knock) . . . nice sounds, ne?

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And a quick survey of the Japanese-English dictionary shows that there are more Japanese words beginning with "K" than any other. "S" comes second. Shortest supply are the "Z" words.

On second thought, a set of J-E and E-J dictionaries could could be nice, "different" kind of gift for Nisei families.

Yare-yare (tired). Owari (end).

Expo '70 moon rocks

WASHINGTON — Almost 14 million persons filed past the moon rock display in the U.S. Pavilion at Expo '70 last year at Osaka, the U.S. space agency reported. Some 12 million persons viewed moon samples while on display in all 50 states, the agency added.

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE OK'S RESOLUTION AGAINST ELKS

SEATTLE—A petition of the Asian Coalition for Equality for the Seattle City Council to adopt a resolution to support efforts to combat racial discrimination in social clubs was approved Jan. 19 by the city council committee on the judiciary and personnel.

The resolution was based on an earlier proposal introduced by Philip Hayasaka, director of the Dept. of Human Rights. Addressing the committee at its public hearing, Hayasaka said the city council "must take a public stand on this issue to provide leadership to the general citizenry toward recognition of the aggravation and injustice suffered by non-white citizens".

A substantial number of Elks as well as representatives of the city's Civil Service League voiced strong objections to the resolution, based primarily on their "right to freedom of association".

John Raftis, a high-ranking national Elks official, contended the resolution was outside the scope of council business. He said he is confident the Elks would sooner or later drop its non-white membership rule but that they would change from within.

Councilman George Cooley, who voted in favor of the resolution, added he would have preferred the council petition the state legislature to change liquor regulations to prevent racially restrictive clubs from benefitting from the liquor discount.

The resolution declares the Council's disapproval of such clauses where they 'have no relevancy to the legitimate purposes of such organizations" and pledges the Council "will not aid or sanction in any way such fraternal and social organizations and hereby discourages its members and staff from assisting or using the facilities of any such organization".

The resolution was referred to the full council for consideration.

Berkeley Elks seek change of white membership rule

BERKELEY — Berkeley Elks Lodge 1002 has been considering a resolution which, if approved, would put the local group on record as asking its grand lodge to remove its racial exclusion clause from membership requirements.

The local and national lodges have been criticized by the local and National JACL for the national racial exclusion clause.

First reading of the resolution, asking the word "white" to be removed as a membership requisite, was made two weeks ago. A second reading and vote was scheduled for the regular lodge meeting of Feb. 10.

The Berkeley ramifications to the controversy include the fact that the Interclub Service Council, an umbrella of Berkeley civic clubs, themselves including members of all racial groups, meets at the local Elks club.

Text of Resolution

The projected local Elks club resolution reads:

"Whereas, the statutes of the grand lodge presently include the word 'white' as an express required qualification for Elk membership, and, therefore, must be included in the by-laws and in the membership application form; and

"Whereas, on this date the Berkeley Lodge 1002 has, by vote of its membership after due notice to the membership, taken the position that the word 'white' must be dropped as a membership qualification from the first sentence of section 144 of the grand lodge statutes, and section 4, article VII of the constitution:

"Now, therefore, the Berkeley Lodge of Elks 1002 hereby requests the grand lodge to take all necessary legal steps at its next annual meeting to eliminate the word 'white' from the grand lodge statute, first sentence section 144, and section 4, article VII of the constitution."

Hayward Elks come under city human relations eye

HAYWARD — The Hayward Human Relations Commission, at its last meeting Jan. 28, continued its efforts to bring pressure on the Hayward Elks Lodge for its national policy of excluding nonwhites from membership.

The Elks issue arose during a recent Pledge of Allegiance furor in which the city council ordered all city boards and commissions to open their sessions with a salute to the Flag.

The issue erupted when four of the human relations commissioners voted against reciting the Pledge of Allegiance at their meetings on the grounds that it has become an empty ritual.

VENICE NIKKEI NEAR $250,000 FOR CENTER

LOS ANGELES — Latest reports shows the Venice Japanese community center goal of $250,000 is only $40,000 shy—an accomplishment that required about a year, thanks to the hard work and dedication of the community and some generous support, Dr. Mitsuo Inouye, building committee chairman explained.

Construction is scheduled to get underway this spring at the community center at 12448 Braddock.

Nisei health official quits AID job in 'Nam

VISALIA — After three years in Vietnam, Ernest Takahashi, 41, resigned his civilian AID job as a form of protest against both U.S. civilian and military programs—though he believes in President Nixon's troop withdrawal policy and the need to help the Vietnamese help themselves.

Takahashi took a leave of absence from his Tulare County public health job to work for the Agency for International Development in 1967 as a health advisor in Region II, covering 12 central provinces in South Vietnam. He was on his second two-year hitch when he resigned last summer.

What discouraged him the most was the callous fabricating of reports in rear-echelon U.S. military quarters recommending themselves and their friends for medals of heroism.

Ethnic studies on its way

BERKELEY — "When a people are denied knowledge or history of themselves, they are like a people who do not exist."

This is the opening line of the report of the Asian task force—a group of 30 students, parents and school people who have worked since last summer to add to the Berkeley Unified School District's curriculum the realities, past and present, of the Asian peoples.

"The Berkeley perspective has been that Asians had no problems. They were just invisible," stated Astor Mizuhara, coordinator of the district's newly created Asian studies program.

Complained to Board

Last year parent spokesmen for the Asian community in Berkeley complained to the board of education that stereotyping and stigmatizing was reinforced by a curriculum that did not accurately reflect the contributions and culture of this group in American and California history. Money was voted to create the task force.

Their work is bringing about these changes.

New classroom materials reflect the culture, history, life-style and contribution of Asians. Such books as "Chinese Kites," "Willy Wong: American," "The Rice Bowl Pet" and "Mr. Chu" are now in K-3 classrooms.

For secondary students there is a set of photographs from the National Archives of Japanese internment camps during World War II.

Truer Picture Gained

Task force members went into the non-tourist section of Chinatown in San Francisco and photographed life as it is there. They wrote chronicles to go with the pictures and the end product will place the Asian of today in perspective with his past and his role in this society.

For a two-week block of time to start with, secondary students have daily instruction in Asian history and culture. The students make the selection of what they want to concentrate on.

At Berkeley High, Linda Wing is teaching two seminars of about 60 students each. Focus is on self-identity and awareness of the effects of stereotyping and limited expectations.

One teacher has been hired to work in the primary grades with emigres from Asia. She teaches English as a second language and is primarily concentrating now in Washington and Longfellow schools.

A separate course of Asian studies is being created for Berkeley high school.

Many Attend Retreat

A two-day retreat with the theme of "self-identity and Asian awareness" was held, with students doing all the arranging and fund-raising.

About 50 youths attended and numerous school staff members and parents. The retreat generated growth of a leadership group which will work with others on attitudes and awareness of the past.

It is planned that next summer 100 teachers will go on retreat to learn more about the kind of stereotyping that limits the options of Asian youths.

Mizuhara cites an example of the need for such a retreat. "One teacher described to me a pupil who was 'quiet and withdrawn because of his cultural background as an Asian.' It turns out he was educationally handicapped."

Well-Behaved Stereotype

He continues: "If youths are expected to sit quietly, be well behaved and unnoticeable, have good penmanship and be disinterested in social involvement, then there's a stereotyping that says to them: 'You are not worth attention'."

A further description in the task force report of Asians is: "Our history has been denied by the white society. As a result, our identity and self-worth as Asian Americans has been minimized, degraded and molded to conform with the dictates of the dominant society."

Asian administrators sought for college

SEATTLE—The Oriental Student Union has called for immediate hiring of Asian administrators at the Seattle Central Community College, according to Alan Sugiyama, OSU chairman and member of the Seattle JACL board.

OSU members met last month with the college board of trustees and campus presidents. In a follow-up meeting Oct. 29, OSU delegates walked out as no board members were present except for three campus presidents and their assistants.

It was OSU's contention that with 425 Asian Americans on the Seattle central community college campus, it warranted the hiring of an Asian administrator. "The board did not seem to understand our reasons for confronting them with this request," according to Sugiyama. "Their response appeared negative, except for Mrs. Vi Mar, as they related the difficulty in finding qualified personnel or that Asian response was 'not very good'."

OSU members countered by pointing out the college president was recruited from St. Louis as was the president of Seattle North Community College. "Why wasn't an aggressive recruiting campaign of this type done for Asians?" the OSU continued.

Minority affairs director George S. Iwasaki at Seattle North Community College, cited specific examples of systematic exclusion of Asians from administrative posts. But these incidents occurred four years ago, board chairman Arthur Siegal clarified, "we're a different board now and we have changed."

But Siegal was unable to document this change when asked by OSU and the initial meeting was reduced to a "verbal game", Sugiyama reported.

Nisei-operated firm leads in berry shipping

SAN JOSE — Naturipe Berry Growers shipped 2.5 million creates of fresh berries and other products and froze 15 million pounds of berries in 1970 to lead berry packers and shippers in California, according to Tad Tomita, president and general manager, who disclosed the figures at the firm's annual meeting Jan. 25.

Despite a decline in acreage since 1957, Naturipe growers have adjusted to increase their share of the total crop in the state. Tomita also noted the challenges met last year, including the increase of Mexican berries now affecting both fresh and frozen berry prices.

New policeman

BERKELEY — Ronald K. Kihara, 22, a 1966 Berkeley High graduate, completed police trainee qualifications and has joined the department as a patrolman. He is the son of the Ted Kiharas.

Minority students top 50 per cent in L.A. city schools

LOS ANGELES — Minority children for the first time outnumber the Caucasian children in the Los Angeles Unified School District, according to the district's fifth annual racial and ethnic survey based upon a head count in all 566 elementary and secondary schools last fall.

The 1970 tally found 3.4 pct. of the 638,319 children to be Oriental.

Since 1966, the district has been required by both state and federal regulations to break down its fall enrollment into ethnic categories. The Chinese, Japanese and Korean are counted together in one of the four "nonwhite" categories. In the "white" category, that is divided by "Spanish surnamed" and "other white."

The "other white" category comprised 56.1 pct. in the first count taken in 1966. Since then, the percentages steadily declined, to 51.6 in 1969 and 49.9 pct. last fall.

In the same five-year span, the proportion of Negro children increased from 21.4 to 24.1 pct. Spanish-surnamed children registered a greater growth proportionately from 18.6 to 21.8 pct.

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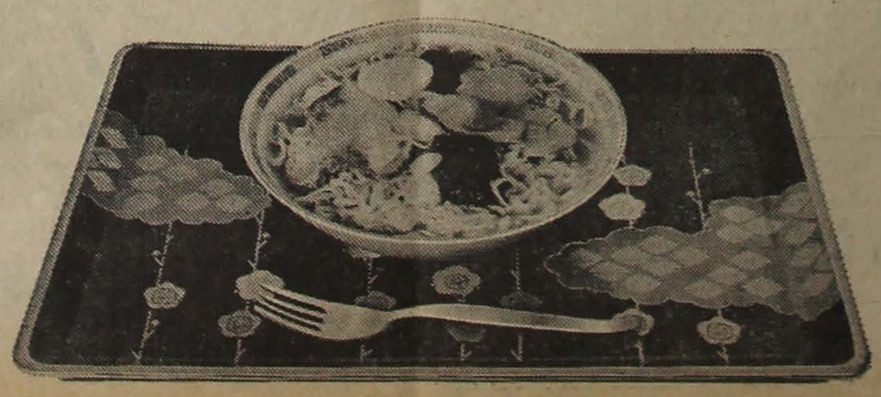

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New Charlie Chan

By GEORGE TAKEI
National Chairman
JACL Cultural Heritage Committee

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Los Angeles

Universal Studios, together with the National Broadcasting Co., has recently started work on a film for television based on a revival of the old character of Charlie Chan. Their plan is to use the film as a pilot project hopefully to sell the idea as a series.

The studio explains that this version is an updating of the character and the situations for contemporary audiences.

Charlie Chan now speaks without dropping the article in his speech and the comic, eye-rolling black character has been dropped altogether. Yet, the one crucial decision of their casting of the venerable detective makes this project a throwback to the '30s and brings into question the validity of the whole attempt at contemporarization.

We are again faced with the prospect of a Caucasian actor (Ross Martin) in make-up portraying an Asian. They dropped the black character because of their purported concern for the sensitivities of the black community but by their casting decision on the major character, the Asian sleuth, they exhibit complete obliviousness to the very basic concept of ethnic dignity and minority sensitivities.

Could it be that the studio's "concern for the minority community" is based primarily on census figures?

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The Asian community has for too long been presented with the often patronizing, frequently distasteful and always unbelievable spectacle of adhesive tape Orientals on the stage, films and television. Must another generation, growing up on television, be subjected to this?

And subtly implicit in this spectacle is the inference that we are still second class — that when a major role presents itself we are incapable of fulfilling its requirements as fully as a Caucasian impersonating us could.

This is patently untrue and Universal knows it.

They know of, in fact "tested", several Asian actors of talent and considerable experience who could invest the character with truth, dignity and the kind of humanity heretofore unrealized in the character.

Universal claims they "tested" these actors, but the highly unfavorable and questionable circumstances of the appraisal of their talents make the effort appear to be only a token gesture. The actors were given their scripts, a very involved and lengthy one, only 24 hours before the test and, at that, a large portion of that time was taken up with wardrobe and make-up calls.

After the "tests," they were judged lacking in "magnetism," "presence" and "charisma"! The studio did add that this was in their "opinion".

How are these actors to demonstrate these highly subjective qualities under such adverse circumstances? And I, in my "opinion", feel a couple of the actors tested would make "magnetic", "charismatic" Charlie Chans of great "presence".

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Television is today probably the most potent molder of images and attitudes. It can contribute greatly to positive identity building and a generally healthy multi-racial climate. The effects of the negative can be equally pervasive.

We must respond firmly and vigorously to this issue and there is an aspect of TV of which we can avail ourselves for this purpose.

Television is very sensitive to public opinion. It is very much affected by the sponsors who buy advertising time who, in turn, are vulnerable to the consumers who buy their products.

A massive letter writing campaign to the studio and NBC at this time could prove most productive. May I urge everyone to write, personally and organizationally, and express your feelings on this matter. The addresses are:

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was billed, the remarks by Shibata who spoke on the drug problem at Dorsey High that nearly erupted into a riot between Oriental and black students was received as such. He also explained the Sansei identity crisis, urged continued support of youth and Jr. JACL and warned of Chicano-Oriental problems in east-side schools.

CHP inspector speaks at San Benito inaugural

By DENNIS NISHITA

Inspector Aubrey K. Majors of the California Highway Patrol spoke on "Law and Order" at the annual **San Benito County JACL** installation dinner Jan. 29 at Paine's restaurant in Hollister. Tony Boch, the new president, and his cabinet members were sworn into office by Superior Judge Edward L. Brady.

Sheriff John Lucchetti presented the chapter's perch fishing derby plaque to Shoso Nakamoto. County Treasurer Ann Baccala presented the past president's pin to Benny Yamaoka. Kay Kamimoto was emcee.

Santa Maria Valley set for Feb. 13 installation

After installation of new officers for the **Santa Maria Valley JACL**, the rest of the evening will be a social affair. The banquet will be held on Saturday, Feb. 13, 8 p.m., at Commercial Hotel, Guadalupe. A Valentine theme will be carried out for decorations.

Installing the new officers will be Mas Hironaka, district governor. He will be accompanied by Jeffrey Matsui, associate National JACL director. Peter Uyehara, computer analyst, will head the local chapter.

Auxiliary

Issei Appreciation Project workshop planned by WLA

Workshop for the Issei Appreciation Project will commence Feb. 22 when **West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary** members meet at the home of Mrs. Mitsu Sonoda.

Project involves making neckties, tote bags, decorative pillows, jacket, pearl necklace and jewelry to be presented to the Issei, according to workshop committeemen, Toy Kanegai, Aiko Takeshita and Miye Yoshida. Members have been reminded to bring a flower loom, yarn and felt to the meeting.

At the initial business meeting Jan. 18, Auxiliary president Marian Susuki announced the calendar for the year, which will feature many events such as Favorite Recipe Night, a wine tasting party, speakers, Cancer Drive, Christmas workshop and the Issei project.

February Events

Progressive Westside to hear Shinya Ono

Shinya Ono, Japan-born graduate from Columbia who taught four years in New York's Chinatown, will be guest speaker at the **Progressive Westside JACL** general meeting Feb. 16, 8 p.m., at Senshin Buddhist Church.

The chapter is planning general meetings each month where business will kept to a minimum and feature a program of interest.

Ono is remembered as one of the Weathermen who participated in the Chicago Days of Rage (Oct. 8-11, 1969), then arrested and beaten by the police and spent five months at the Cook County jail. While awaiting trial, he quit the Weathermen to help organize the I Wor Kuen in New York City's Chinatown.

San Jose JACL and YJAs to air drug abuse problem

What parents and the community can do to help reduce the mounting drug abuse problem will be discussed at a symposium co-sponsored by the **San Jose JACL** and YJAs on Friday, Feb. 19, 8-10:30 p.m., at the San Jose Buddhist Gym.

Police Sgt. Don Trujillo of the narcotics bureau and Richard Robbins, Leigh High School director of student services, who have been involved in drug education projects will speak.

Parent-child relationship topic for discussion

To seek better ways to be more effective parents, Los Angeles County probation department director Renzo Enkoji of Whittier will informally discuss parent-child relationships with **Selanoco JACL** members Feb. 19 and Mar. 19, 7:30-10 p.m., at the Karasawa residence (947-1146).

West L.A. rockhounds get Nagoya Sister-City rocks

Specimens of display rock, petrified wood and spheres representing the exchange gift from the Nagoya Rock Appreciation Club were distributed recently to **West Los Angeles JACL** earth science members and will be featured in the third biennial earth science show to be held Oct. 16-17 at the new Westside YMCA, now under construction at Sawtelle and La Grange.

Last spring, officials of the Nagoya Rock Club visited Los Angeles on a Sister City project and presented Mayor Sam Yorty with a picture of Fujiyama made from multi-colored rocks of Japan. The chapter also received 50 rocks and fossils at the time. Now the earth science section is collecting gem rocks, mineral and fossils of the Western Hemisphere as an exchange gift.

Meanwhile, the section chairman Takeo Susuki who spent three summers on geological studies of Vancouver Island for the UCLA geology dept. spoke of his explorations to the club this month and the Feb. 21 field trip at Calico for petrified insects and silver Onyx also provides the family with an opportunity to visit the ghost town there.

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last thing I wanted or needed and ended up going into the service. The four years in the service convinced me that I had to get some education, regardless of what kind, in order to protect myself from being exploited.

Thus, I was determined to go home and go to college and spent the next eleven years working myself through college. Armed with my credentials after graduation, I really got to know what the outside world was like. Since that time, and even now, I have been fighting my battles, mostly with the establishment and, ironically, most of the time, working for the establishment.

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Periodically, I reflect on my past and wonder why, when I was a teenager, I did the work I did, when many of my white friends worked in town, in the offices or for big firms and so forth. I now reflect on when I was going to college and wonder why I had a menial clerk's job, and ended up doing manual labor most of the time. After getting out of school and looking for employment, I have often wondered why I had a hard time getting work here and there.

Low Man on Totem Pole

Even now, I look around and look back and see the establishment and power structure of the community and see how hard it is to get certain types of jobs. Why? Motsly because of my color, my experience, my background and my lack of real influence and knowing the right people. In some respects, I can turn certain keys, and, to that extent, I am a little better off than many people. But what worries and concerns me is what about the less fortunate and less sophisticated people, mostly minorities, among whom are Japanese Americans.

Fighting the establishment, whether it be city hall or JACL, requires stamina and some know-how, but most of all, it requires knowing your opposition.

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There were two golfers who went fishing and unfortunately ended up following two female golfers. These women were slicing to the left, and then to the right and just playing a horribly slow and tedious game. After about the sixth hole, one of the golfers decided to ask if he and his partner could not be given the courtesy of passing the two women golfers. As he approached the two women, he immediately recognized one as his wife and the other as his mistress and so he turned tail and returned to his partner and informed him of his quandry, whereupon his partner gallantly volunteered to undertake the task of asking the women. As he approached the women, he recognized them, one being his wife and the other his mistress. He quickly turned tail and returned to his partner and commented, "Small world, isn't it!"

When we become competitors for jobs, we soon find it is a small world; that is, if you can't find a job, or, if you have contacts, you know key people who can help immeasurably in lining you up for work. By and large, many employment opportunities turn out to be more "who you know" and "not what you know." Yes, it really turns out to be a small world.

'Rebel Inside'

Almost everything I have done, I have learned the hard way, by experience, particularly because I had to cut my own path, fresh and alone. But I learned. Being a rebel inside and working within the system makes you feel sometimes that you are being skinned alive.

When it comes to work, whether public or private, the uninitiated finds out it is all of game of politics. The unwary can come out rather brutally scarred, particularly if you're trying to get ahead. Example, the Noguchi case in Los Angeles. We have many others which have never surfaced. We will have many others that may or may not surface.

It is my desire, and my efforts will be so directed, to eliminate discriminatory barriers which I have seen, still see, and, will continue to see, if we as a people, and JACL as an organization, does not, with every available resource, combat immediately. We must do this not only for ourselves, but for everyone who is denied an equal opportunity to better himself in this country, regardless of race, color or creed.

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As a lawyer, I handle many divorce cases, the so-called bread and butter cases for lawyers. Many husbands ask me, "What shall I tell my wife about what I do." I very directly inform them, "tell your wife everything you think she will find out."

Communications Gap

Young people, as many parents know, do the same thing. They tell their parents everything they think the parents will find out. For some reason, they have become very uncommunicative about some very important things. Perhaps, we bring this upon ourselves because we are too harsh or we do not listen attentively or seriously enough. We often forget, young people want our attention; our undivided attention. Too often we are too busy or disturbed by their behavior, and, overreact, by their revelations or lack thereof.

Everywhere I have gone, I have found among the Japanese Americans a serious and widening communication gap between parent and child. We forget we are living in the space age, the atomic age, the age of atomation, the age of unprecedented leisure time and prosperity. Things are really moving fast and if we don't move as fast, we get left far behind. Too many of us parents have not taken the time to keep up or catch up. Our outlook and interests are still back in the '40s and '50s. We haven't been in the '60s, and the '70s are going to be like living in a strange new world.

Science and technology have made our world inextricably complicated. We cannot hold back progress and expect to solve the problems that have been mushrooming geometrically while the means to develop the mechanism to cope with the problems have been multiplying arithmetically.

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A man was found starving in the middle of a resort town. He had forgotten his credit card. Our society will be surrounded by affluence but will eventually starve because we forgot or neglected our youth whose wants and needs are different from ours. The same thing will happen to JACL if we do not open doors for our youth. We must open doors for them so they may open their own doors. Yes, the process may be painful. I expect to be kicked in the teeth from some of our ventures, but the fact we reached out when the youth needed our help will mean far more to me than rejecting them and preventing them from doing and learning, albeit it may be the hard way for them and for us.

Kind of Discipline

It is a simple but undemocratic way to be a dictatorial parent or leader and make everyone walk a straight and narrow line. We can stifle creativity, originality, and the confluence of differing ideas and opinions and create a society of followers who will be peaceful and docile.

Furthermore, these people may be happy and content to be cared for and protected. But we will have destroyed that which permits us to challenge and conquer the mysteries of life, the mysteries of this world and the mysteries of this universe. The genius of man will be shackled by human chains in human prisons.

Yes, it will certainly be a sad day when we become fearful of our own children and our youth. Yet, this day seems to be here. Even in our own organization, there are signs of polarity created by this very fear. One of our principle challenge during this biennium is to prevent the polarity and bring rational, mature and realistic understanding between the young and the old, the militant and the status quo, those of differing political philosophy, economic status and educational background.

There is no question in my mind that the establishment, be it the United States government or JACL, can crush into oblivion the dissidents and militants, but it will have to be ruthlessly and uncharitably perpetrated. It will destroy the attempt of many fine and humane minds who are trying to make our society more responsive to human needs and not economic needs. It will curtail the activities of many sincere and dedicated people who are trying to blunt the knife of the institutions which are dehumanizing our society and cutting a wide swath of discontent by creating islands of poor, disenfranchized, disadvantaged, discouraged and dejected citizens.

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I have hope; a great deal of hope. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow once said, "When the ebb is the lowest, the tide turns." Ladies and gentlemen, the tide is turning. I see it and feel it. Not only in our nation but in our organization.

Days of Yore

Those people and organizations who rise to turn the clock back to the more peaceful and quiet days of our past generations will find the horse and buggy is good entertainment for Disneyland, but the rockets that are exploring our universe demand a different breed of people. Vacationing in Disneyland and setting foot on the moon are two entirely different experiences. People with Disneyland mentalities are going to have to literally build Disneyland communities and live like children in a world of fantasy and escape.

In my opinion, and it is my fervent wish, that the days of yore are just that. It will never again fit into style and mold of our society of today and tomorrow; JACL likewise.

Instead of wasting our energy fighting among ourselves, we should join hands to solve the seemingly insolvable problems that confront mankind. Our changing social structure is one of those massive challenges. It will take every conceivable human resource to make breakthroughs in our life style, but as long as we have human beings inhabiting this earth, we will be confronted by the seemingly insolvable problems and as long as we have human beings on this earth, we will, eventually solve these problems.

JACL as a Means

What really makes life worth living is we can use our intelligence to create, to build and to live our life in an interesting and productive manner. JACL is a tool we can use to mutually help people of Japanese ancestry contribute their unique and varied talents toward solving the mysteries of life. As yet, we have not done this as imaginatively as we are capable of doing. I feel, sincerely, our biggest triumphs are yet to come. They are yet to come because we are on the threshold of some very exciting times for our society as well as JACL.

I often poke fun at many institutions, organizations and at society in general. I do so not to harm, but to point out what I think are injustices or wrongs which need changes for the better. Jonathan Swift, one of the finest satirists who lived, wrote in much the same vein. In closing I would like to quote him:

Yet malice never was his aim;
He lash'd the vice but spar'd the name.
No individual could resent,
Where thousands equally were meant.
His satire points at no defect
But what all mortals may correct;
For he abhorr'd that senseless tribe
Who call it humor when they gibe.

Thank you for inviting me to share this evening with you and for your kind attention, and patience.

California's Health

BERKELEY — "California's Health" expressed its apologies to its Chinese-American employees in the State Dept. of Public Health in the January, 1971, issue for the insensitive presentation of San Francisco's Old Chinatown photographs in the Centennial Issue.

CALENDAR

Feb. 13 (Friday)
Santa Maria Valley—Installation Dnr, Commercial Hotel, Guadalupe, 8 p.m.

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.

Feb. 14 (Saturday)
Stockton—Installation dnr, Johnny Hom's, 6:30 p.m.; Judge Bill Dozier, spkr.

Feb. 16 (Tuesday)
Prog. Westside—Gen Mtg, Senshin Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.; Shinya Ono, spkr.

Feb. 18 (Thursday)
Reedley—Dnr Mtg, Dinuba Chop Suey, 7 p.m.; James Herrick, spkr.

Feb. 19 (Friday)
Selanoco—Discussion: Parent-Child Relations, Karasawa res., 7:30 p.m.; Renzo Enkoji, spkr.
San Jose—YJA-JACL drug symposium, Buddhist gym, 8-10:30 p.m.

Feb. 20 (Saturday)
Milwaukee—1000 Club "Night in Tokyo" pre-flight party.
West Valley—Installation dnr, Plateau 7 Restaurant, San Jose, 7 p.m.; Bill Hosokawa, spkr.

Feb. 20—21
IDC—Qtrly Sess, Pocatello JACL hosts; Ponderosa Inn, Burley.

Feb. 21 (Sunday)
PNWDC—CPS health plan info mtg, Epworth Methodist Church, Portland, 2 p.m.; Haruo Ishimaru, spkr.
West Los Angeles—Earth Sci field trip, Calico.
Bay Area Community—Gen Mtg, San Francisco Fed S & L Bldg., Berkeley, 1:30 p.m.

Feb. 22 (Monday)
Berkeley—Bd Mtg, American S&L, 1870 Solano, 7:30 p.m.
West Los Angeles—Auxy Mtg-Issei Project Workshop, Sonoda residence.

Feb. 27 (Saturday)
Detroit—25th annual installation dnr; Mauna Loa Restaurant, 7 p.m.; Raymond Uno, spkr.

Feb. 28 (Sunday)
PSWDC—1st Qtrly Session: San Gabriel Valley JACL hosts, Holiday Inn, West Covina, 9 a.m.
Chicago—"Night in Tokyo" pre-flight party.

Mar. 1—6
National JACL Bowling Tournament, Salt Lake JACL hosts 25th annual, Ritz Classic Lanes.

Mar. 5 (Friday)
Prog. Westside—June Mtn ski trip, lv Sumitomo Bank (Crenshaw), 6:30 p.m.

Mar. 9 (Tuesday)
Prog. Westside—Bd Mtg, Senshin Buddhist Church, 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 13 (Saturday)
Prog. Westside—Installation luau.

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RAYMOND S. UNO
National President

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Aloha from Hawaii

by Richard Gima

Hawaii Today

Honolulu

City workmen have begun posting **pollution signs** along Ala Moana Stream that make entering the waters punishable by a fine up to $500 and a jail sentence of up to one year. The signs are the first pollution notices to prohibit entry. Signs also have gone up along Manoa Streams.

Hawaii State will need 35,000 **moderate income housing** within the next five years if it is to meet its needs, according to **Yoshio Yanagawa**, executive director of the Hawaii Housing Authority. Yanagawa notes that another problem area is housing for the elderly, which is not helped by the fact that there is a low turnover of between six and 10 annually. "At the moment there are 1,500 elderly people waiting to get into one of the state's 800 units," Yanagawa said. He added that statewide there are now 4,000 people on the waiting list for low income housing.

Business Ticker

Sen. Hiram L. Fong has resigned as president of Finance Factors, Ltd. and named **Clifford Yee**, executive v.p., to succeed him. He also will relinquish the presidency of each of the other members of the Finance Factors family of companies. He will, however, continue as chairman of the board of directors of each of these companies.

A large deposit of **manganese** worth billions of dollars has been discovered in the Kauai Channel by **Maury Morgenstein**, assistant in geophysics at the Hawaii Institute of Geophysics, Univ. of Hawaii. "This constitutes an economically important reserve which is relatively easy to get at," Morgenstein said. "If mined it could be very important to Hawaii's economy."

The **Hawaii Government Employees Assn.** has announced its plan to merge with the AFL-CIO's 500,000-member American Federation of State, County & Employees. The rival **United Public Workers** is also considering merger with the AFSCME. The HGEA has about 20,000 members and the UPW has more than 8,000. **David K. Trask, Jr.**, executive director of the HGEA, said he urged the HGEA's state board to affiliate with the AFSCME "because it is the largest and only government employee-oriented union."

Takashi (Bolo) Shirakata, until recently v.p. and cashier in charge of operations for Central Pacific Bank, has joined Hawaii Thrift & Loan as executive v.p. in charge of operations. Shirakata is a veteran of 30 years in the Honolulu banking industry. He began his banking career in 1938 as a bookkeeper with the Sumitomo Bank and, in 1941, joined Bank of Hawaii as an operations analyst.

United Air Lines has announced two moves affecting its Hawaii services. One is a reduction in the number of flights and the other is a request to the Civil Aeronautics Board for a $10 hike in coach and economy fares. All of the changes, if approved, would become effective Mar. 1.

Governor's Office

Myron B. Thompson, 46, Gov. John A. Burns' administrative director for the last three years, was sworn in as director of the Dept. of Social Services and Housing. **William G. Among**, 60, who directed the social services agency for the past eight years, was sworn in as head of the Hawaiian Homes Commission. Both cabinet posts pay $30,000 a year.

At State Capitol

State House Republicans have unveiled a $13.7 million anti-crime package calling for the creation of a Dept. of Corrective Services and a State Crime Task Force. Among other things, Republicans plan to introduce a bill calling for the elimination of the three-year residency requirement for state employment to permit recruitment of qualified out-of-state applicants.

Congressional Score

Rep. Spark M. Matsunaga has urged that there be no cut in educational television facilities. A cut, Matsunaga said, may hurt Hawaii's ETV program. In a letter to the Health, Education and Welfare secretary, Elliot Richardson, Matsunaga said he was "deeply concerned over reports that reductions are being planned."

Univ. of Hawaii

The Waikiki Improvement Assn. has requested a **conduct code for students** living in Waikiki hotels leased by the Univ. of Hawaii. Univ. officials, however, do not appear receptive to the ideas. Many complaints about students who live at the university-leased Royal Prince Hotel have been received.

Dr. Fujio Matsuda, director of the state dept. of transportation since 1963, may become the vice president for planning and facilities at the Univ. of Hawaii. Indications are, however, that Matsuda will not move to the university post until the close of the current session of the state legislature. The planning vice presidency would be a new position in the university administration. As state transportation dept. director, Matsuda gets $30,250 a year. Salaries of the university's four current vice presidents range from $31,116 to $35,000 a year.

Medical Notes

Contributions from more than 12,000 donors have pushed the **Kuakini Hospital** Building Fund Campaign $17,000 above its $1.5 million goal, **Harry M. Tagawa**, president of the hospital's board of directors, has announced.

Dr. Allan K. Izumi has announced his association with the Straub Clinic at 888 South King St. in Honolulu. His practice is limited to dermatology . . . **Frank S. Akamine**, MD, FACA, formerly of Honolulu, has opened his office at 10727 White Oak Ave., Granada Hills, Calif. His practice is limited to general, theoracic and cardiovascular surgery.

Dr. Pete H. Nishimura is the new president of the Hawaii Dental Assn. He is also pres. of the Hawaii State board of dental examiners . . . State Sen. **Nadao Yoshinaga**, 51, released from the Queen's Medical Center where he had been hospitalized following a heart attack Oct. 3, the day of the primary election, was present at opening day ceremonies at the State Capitol.

Sen. **Yoshinaga** says he will not be so active in the legislature as he has been for the last 16 years, but he will take part in the crucial decisions of the senate. Yoshinaga's recovery from the heart attack was complicated by low pressure and a subsequent attack of appendicities.

Political Scene

Thomas P. Gill, former lt. governor of Hawaii, expects little leadership in the next four years from the **John A. Burns** administration. He describes it as intellectually sterile. Gill, who lost to Burns in the recent gubernatorial race, says he intends to practice law. He shares office space with former state **Sen. Vincent H. Yano**, his Democratic running mate, who also lost in the primary.

Herbert T. Matayoshi became head of the Big Island county council on Jan. 13. The council, he said, will have to stop reacting to situations and give more attention to initiation of orderly change. Matayoshi has succeeded **Ikuo Hisaoka** as chairman.

Traffic Fatality

Clarence K. Okami, 33, a journeyman plumber, became Oahu's fifth traffic fatality this year on Jan. 8 when his car hit a guardrail on the new H-1 Freeway section in Halawa. He lived at 94-209-D Kenola Place, Waipahu.

Courtroom

State Atty. Gen. **Bertram T. Kambara** told high school students that an anti-war sit-in which deprives an administrator of the use of his office is illegal under precedents set by federal courts. He said civil rights sit-ins in segregated restaurants in the South were aimed at testing discriminatory practices which are illegal under the Constitution. Therefore the courts declared those sit-ins to be legitimate expressions of dissent, he said.

Edward K. Onishi was found guilty Jan. 14 of carrying a deadly weapon. Onishi, you will recall, abducted his former wife and then led police on a wild, two-day chase around Honolulu in June, 1970. Circuit Judge Thomas S. Ogata has sentenced Onishi, 28, to one year in jail. The sentence will be served concurrently with a 10-year prison term Onishi received last Nov. for unlawful possession of narcotics.

John F. Orso, 39, has sued the City for $135,000 plus special damages to be set by a jury. He was arrested and then released after the City dropped a first degree murder charge against him. Orso was arrested in the Chinatown slaying of **Francis L. Burke** last Oct. He was held without bail from Oct. 28 to Nov. 11, when charges were dropped.

Some 407 persons have filed voluntary **bankruptcy proceedings** in federal court here in 1970. This is 61 more than in 1969, but it's not a record high. The 1967 bankruptcy total was 425 filings. "The total was entirely expected," said **William A. Cobb**, referee in bankruptcy. "We are running along at the usual pace, about an average of one filing every day." Cobb noted that the state's bankruptcy filings are keeping a steady pace with the filings on the national level, both in business filings and personal filings.

Sports Scene

Jyun Hirota, former Univ. of Hawaii football and baseball star, has been named farm team manager of the Kintetsu Buffaloes, a professional Japanese major league team. Hirota has been a stock broker with Waltson and Co. He was a catcher with the Tokyo Yomiuri Giants for five years.

Nelson Yoshioka, head basketball coach at Kaimuki High School, has resigned his post to enter the administrative intern program. He hopes some day to become the principal of a city high school. And in order to become one, he must go through the intern program. **Peter Kim** will succeed Yoshioka as coach.

Kauai Mayor **Antone Vidinha** announced Jan. 14 the football field in the new Kauai **sports stadium complex** in Lihue is expected to be ready for use Aug. 24. On that date the Kwansei High School of Japan will meet Kauai High School in a football game at the new stadium. But, Vidinha said, fans at the game will have to stand up or sit on the grass for facilities would not be ready by then.

Les Keiter, a nationally known sportscaster with radio and TV experience in San Francisco, New York and Philadelphia, has been picked as the new "voice" of the Hawaii Islanders baseball team. He left the Islands in 1950 and worked for KYA in San Francisco, was the "voice" of the Giants, Rangers and Knicks on WINS in New York for 10 years and was with WFIL-TV in Philadelphia for seven years before resigning to return to Hawaii.

BOOK REVIEW: Allan Beekman

Novel of Bestial Wartime Manila

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BUT FOR THE LOVERS, by Wilfrido D. Nolledo; New York: E. P. Dutton & Co., 316 pp., $7.95.

A traditional view of writing assumes a writer with a message he wishes to convey as clearly and forcefully as possible. In preparation for the transmission of the message, he has striven to master the technique of his craft, and he uses all his skill to avoid verbiage that might obscure his meaning.

In the present novel, however, the author pursues a course opposed to the traditional; he proceeds away from clarity towards obscurity. With no gain in originality, he renders his prose unidiomatic. In the ostensible pursuit of obscurity, he has a long passage in which lines in italics alternate with lines of standard type; the reader may choose either type to follow, but the passage will be coherent only if he follows that single type throughout.

In addition, though the novel is directed at the English-speaking public, the text is sprinkled with words from other languages, such as Latin and Japanese. There are long passages in Spanish, Tagalog, and Ilocano. None of these foreign words or passages are translated.

Through the murky text and dialogue loom shadowy figures, ghostlike voices whine and howl in the semi-darkness. Around these apparitions, he has shaped the semblance of a story, laced with bawdy and macabre humor.

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Scene is the Philippines under Japanese occupation. While working for the return of the Americans, the Filipinos go about their daily lives. But they are indignant with collaborators.

They stone one such, suspected of harlotry with the enemy, gouging out the eyes. The victim is then revealed to be a man.

A decrepit Spanish clown behaves in a more humanitarian spirit towards a Filipina waif. She is also loved and befriended by Amoran, a half-wit scavenger. She brings out an idealistic streak in Major Shigura, chief of the Kempeitai at Fort Santiago.

At the Fort, life is more rugged. The Japanese guards throw a naked female corpse to the sex-starved American prisoners, laughing uproariously at the result.

In his own pleasures, the Major shows more refinement and decorum. Corporal Ito, the *haiku* poet, surprises the Major interrogating an uncooperative guerrilla emissary. The guerilla "wouldn't talk; the Major hacked off its tongue with an heirloom dagger; wouldn't tremble; the Major skillfully amputated its fingers; wouldn't listen; the Major slashed off its ears . . . whispered to a headless ear . . . kept caressing handless fingers . . . fondling five fingers, mouthing sweet nothings into an ear."

Discovering he has been observed in his pleasure, the Major is understandably discomfited. Ito pays with his life for the discourtesy of interrupting.

In general, however, the characters seem unmotivated, less inhuman than unhuman. And since they are so far removed from recognizable human behavior, the reader will have difficulty identifying with them, sympathizing with them, hating them, or avoiding being indifferent to them.

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The author's turgid prose obscures the picture. Descriptions of bestiality fail to shock. Immersed in the multilingual text, the reader feels he is hip-deep in lukewarm water, walking against a current, every step an effort.

The author was born in Manila, Jan. 19, 1933. He was granted a Fulbright-Hays scholarship to the Univ. of Iowa Writers Workshop in 1966. Since, he has taught at the University and worked as fiction editor on the Iowa Review.

According to biographical information on the flyleaf, he "has received numerous awards in his native country for his poetry, essays, plays and novels." The present novel shows glimmers of talent, but if the promise is to be realized he must execute an abrupt about-face and learn to write clear English unimbellished by foreign languages.

Furutani—

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It takes place this weekend (Feb. 12-13) at the UCLA Grand Ballroom. The Friday program starts at 7:30 p.m. and it will consist of a multi-media presentation (guerrilla theater, light show, films, slides) which will dwell on topics ranging from identity to politics. Saturday's program will start at 11 a.m. with discussion, then two sessions of comprehensive workshops. That evening two Sansei composers and performers from New York City will entertain and move the audience with their rousing music. Then several other Sansei will perform poetry readings and other tasteful arts with a grand finale of two to three rock bands playing for the dance.

'Heavy One'

This conference is going to be what people call a "heavy one". It's going to be heavy because it's going to deal with topics and issues which many people are afraid to confront. I hope the JACL membership has the curiosity and the courage to attend this conference. I'm sure everyone will be able to relate to it. Either positively or negatively. That's up to you.

The Spartan Beat — Mas Manbo

879 Series Bowled

TOKYO — Japanese bowlers have been rolling up some eye-opening scores in recent months. But the amazing performance on the lanes the other Sunday by Nobuyuki Katagiri, a young pro, beats everything.

Katagiri, 24, set a new Japan record for a three-game series with a whopping 879—just seven pins away from the all-time U.S. mark of 886, registered by Allie Brandt way back in 1939.

The old mark for Japan for a three-game series was 821, turned in by Tamisuke Yasutake, a well known professional.

Katagiri was competing in a monthly East Japan pro bowling tournament, held at the Sagami-Yokohama Bowl on Jan. 31 with 41 other bowlers when he made Japanese bowling history.

279-300-300

In his first game in elimination play, Katagiri had strikes all the way, except for a spare in the seventh frame, and wound up with 279. He then proceeded to roll two perfect games in a row, thus stringing together an unbelievable 29 strikes from the eighth frame of the first game on.

Two other Japanese bowlers scored 300 games during the tournament, raising to 42 the total for perfectos scored by pro bowlers in Japan so far.

Katagiri led the way into the five-man finals with 2220 for nine games, averaging just short of 246.

However, he didn't win the meet. In the championship one-game match, he bowed to Kenji Nagayama, third-place finisher in the eliminations, 259-244.

Katagiri reportedly was in the U.S. for three months last year, scoring a perfect game during the period. In Japan, he has rolled three 300 games so far.

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Canadian Puck Stars

Mel and Herb Wakabayashi are Canadians but they are playing for Japan in the Sapporo international winter sports meet this month.

Japanese officials decided to have the two Japanese Canadian puck stars of the Seibu Railway Co. team play for Japan after a dismal showing by the All-Japan squad—minus the Wakabayashis — against West Germany in January.

The Japan All-Star sextet, in four match against the visiting West Germans, failed to win even once. The Germans also whipped the Oji Paper Co. team of the Japan Hockey League.

All-America Ranking

The only team to beat the West Germans in their six-game-tour of Japan was Seibu Railway which handed the visitors a 5-1 shellacking at the Sapporo Olympic rink. The Wakabayashi boys — the hottest brother act in Japanese sports today—scored two goals apiece for Seibu.

The Wakabayashi brothers, both of whom were All-America hockey players while attending U.S. colleges, helped Seibu win its first Japan Hockey League championship this season with an 11-1 record.

Herb had the second highest point total in the five-team loop with 29 (19 goals and 10 assists) and Mel was third with 26 (12 goals and 14 assists).

With the two Wakabayashis, Seibu also captured the national hockey tournament for the second time.

First Import

Mel, Japan's first imported hockey player, has performed for Seibu for four seasons and his younger brother Herb for two. Besides playing, Mel has been asked to lend a hand in coaching Japan's sextet.

Herb, it seems, has taken steps to become a Japanese citizen. So in the future, he may be playing for Japan in real meets, like world championships and the Olympics, instead of dress rehearsal like the Sapporo international winter sports meet.

Chicagoan bowls second 300 game

CHICAGO — Pitching 11 strikes in the 1-3 pocket with a Brooklyn strike in the seventh frame, Angel Ikenaga rolled a perfect 300 game Jan. 25 in the North End Traveling League at Ridge Bowl. Ikenaga followed with 242 and 187 games to help the Pick Hotels with his 729 series.

This was his second 300 in his bowling mareer.

Padres to host Lotte Orions in three games

SAN DIEGO—The San Diego Padres will play the Lotte Orions, Japan Pacific League champs, in three Cactus League games this spring, March 6, 7, 20, at Desert Sun Stadium in Yuma, Ariz.

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ISSEI WELFARE ISSUE

What was once the JACL-PC office down the hall was reopened this past year as a social service outpost in Little Tokyo. For a while, business was so slow (maybe it was a communications gap) that it nearly closed down, but the need to keep an office open for the Japanese-speaking residents in need of public services without having to endure being shunted around the myriad of civic offices for help was still valid and it kept its doors open.

This past fortnight, its staff (the Rev. Kogi Sayama of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce welfare section; Karen Chomori, Carol Hatanaka and Glen Hiranuma of the Japanese American Services Committee-Asian Involvement) are reliving the hectic weeks weathered by JACL when the government said all Japanese would be evacuated from the west coast.

There is a steady ring of the telephone. People are waiting to be helped. Extra supply of reading matter and government forms are neatly piled on a table. The lights are burning all night practically to clear away paper work.

Now that the State Dept. of Social Welfare is under a fiscal gun to make its ends meet—what with the record-breaking number of people making applications for welfare due to unprecedented unemployment—a cut had to be made and it appears that the least politically potent segment, the so-called "illegal" alien, was the first to be stricken. Only those aliens who can show "intent to reside" would continue to get welfare checks.

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Retired people we didn't know who counted upon public welfare to supplement their social security have come forward asking for assistance. Most of them have little Social Security at that since their checks don't compare with other people in their 70s and 80s. The Issei were interned during the most productive years of their lives. How much social security can be gained from a $16 or $19 job in a WRA camps?

We have seen fear and confusion on their faces. We have heard anxiety over the phone. We also detected a spirit to see this crisis through—the stuff that sets apart the Issei pioneer historically from the rest of the Japanese American generations.

The Issei who came to America over a half century ago were harrassed by alien land laws, a hostile press and xenophobic nativists. Farm and labor interests effected a law that excluded Japanese immigration between 1924 and 1952. They sustained their citizen-born children to face up to anti-Japanese discrimination through the 1930s and 1940s.

The aged Issei still with us—especially those who have escaped being honored because of their anonymity in the past—cannot be forgotten and neglected. That they turn to younger Japanese Americans for help is a manifestation of trust that is truly—to use the modern adjective—"beautiful".

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JACL was called upon some 20 years ago to have the state legislature amend the welfare code to include the needy Issei alien then. It may be called upon again this year to see that this section stays intact for there seems to be a determined push to lop off all aliens from the welfare roll in the name of reducing taxes.

If it is in the public interest to administer welfare to the needy, the recipient's color, race or place of national origin should not be determining factors. His needs ought to be recognized. In his "Perspectives" column, Jerry Enomoto last week expressed it best: "We live in a culture which operates on the notion of public responsibility to care for the blind, aged, dependent and crippled children, etc. As long as we don't reject that culture, we cannot reject its accompanying demands for responsible compassion."

If the state decides to eliminate all needy Issei aliens from the welfare roll, it only hastens what the young people are saying, "The Japanese senior citizens will inevitably pass away—a direct result of insensitivity, inhumanity and genocide . . . Those administrators in any way responsible for the creation and implementation of such a murderous intent must be questioned. Their disregard for human existence cannot be tolerated.

"If the ultimate goal is for a more humanistic society where concern for one another is of primary importance, then the bettering of services to the people should be stressed rather than its elimination."

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SHOULD WE GO BACK?

A couple of thoughtful readers wonder and suggest we change our format from standard to tabloid or even magazine because it would be easier to handle (to which we concur), easier to keep on file (especially our bound copies), and perhaps have more body (in this case, 12 pages instead of six).

The PC had been a tabloid from the outset—except for three issues just prior to Evacuation. Then in 1960, the change was made to standard to take up 12% additional space per page.

We're seriously considering going back to tabloid, because by incorporating six columns per tabloid page instead of five as in previous years, there would be no loss of column-inches (168 inches per 8-column standard page), though the columns will be slightly narrower than as of now. We have dummied a sample 12-pager with variations. People are welcome to look it over and comment.

We were really concerned about binding a 6-column tabloid since it offers very little space. But since we only bind ten copies a year, perhaps we were overly concerned. Any changes in format would be effective either the first week of July or January when volume numbers advance.

So to Mrs. Sumi Guilday of Sacramento JACL, Roy Rohn Jr. of Washington, D.C. JACL and others—thanks for wondering and suggesting.

Chicano pressure against Nisei in education bared

By KATS KUNITSUGU
English Editor, Kashu Mainichi

Los Angeles

Pete Ortiz, as might be surmised from his surname, is a Mexican American. As might be surmised from the meticulously correct pronunciation he gives to all Spanish words, he is fiercely proud of his background. (At KCET the other night, I merely winced when the staff man pronounced "hara kiri" as "harry carey," but George Takei quickly corrected him.)

Ortiz is also a profoundly troubled man. He is an administrator in the Los Angeles school system, who got the Reading Task Force off and running before he went on to head another compensatory program. The Reading Task Force resulted from the dismay of black and brown parents who found as a result of citywide reading tests that 85 schools in Los Angeles, almost all of them with a predominantly minority racial composition in the student body, averaged less than 10 points in reading ability in a scale that went all the way up to 100. The national norm was around 60.

The Mexican American Education Commission, of which Ortiz is a member, pressured the superintendent of schools to come up with a program which would help upgrade the reading abilities of black and brown children. Ortiz helped to establish a pilot program involving 22 schools, most of them in predominantly Mexican American East Los Angeles.

Bilingual Material

Based on bilingual material developed at the University of Nebraska, the reading program is set up to instill cultural pride in Chicano children as well as to help their mastery of the English language.

The nature of the program is such that a fluent knowledge of the Spanish language as well as the cultural background of Mexican Americans is considered a prime requirement for the Reading Task Force coordinators who are appointed from among the teachers at each of the aforementioned 22 schools by the principal.

Ortiz was troubled when he found out that of the 22 school coordinators appointed, not one was of Mexican ancestry.

Lorena St. School

As a starter, he went to Lorena St. School and interviewed its principal, Paul Yokota. The coordinator at Lorena St. is Mrs. Reiko Kasama, who has been teaching there 13 years.

Ortiz says Yokota (the first Nisei grade school principal in the L.A. city school system) had not consulted any of the Mexican American teachers at Lorena before assigning Mrs. Kasama as coordinator.

But counters Yokota, three Mexican Americans on the faculty were considered. One teacher told him she was satisfied to stay teaching her class. Another indicated she didn't want the job because she had just finished similar task and the third also showed no interest back in November when the appointment was made.

Apparently the third teacher is also a "militant" whom Yokota feels cannot work well with other teachers who will be involved in the program.

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Jan. 14 Meeting

Ortiz discussed the situation with John Lingle, Zone B assistant superintendent, who promptly called a meeting of principals to air the matter. The meeting was held Jan. 14 in Lingle's office, and I attended with Mrs. Micki Nakagiri, who is a member of the Reading Task Force. Five principals were present (Yokota could not attend because he was in San Diego) as well as two members of the Mexican American Education Commission.

The principals who attended all agreed with Ortiz that certainly the special reading program was necessary and they explained by pointing out that they could not find qualified Mexican American teachers for the appointment. They were simply too inexperienced or just not around, which may be so when you consider that of 25,000 teachers in the L.A. school system, only three per cent have Spanish surnames.

Recruitment 'Poor'

Mrs. Raquel Galan, an articulate and apparently deeply committed member of the Mexican American Education Commission, minced no words in expressing her disbelief of the effort made by the principals to secure Mexican American coordinators. She charged that four of the six coordinators in Zone B were not originally from the schools where they are assigned—they were "imported."

"If you could go to the trouble of getting a teacher from another school to come as coordinator, you should not have had too much trouble finding a Mexican American to fill the position," she told the principals.

The principals countered by complaining that no list of qualified Mexican American teachers was made available to them, although this might easily have been done from IBM cards that teachers fill out every year, listing additional skills such as fluency in a language other than English.

MAEC Objectives

One principal also closely questioned Mrs. Galan, asking her what the MAEC wanted—Mexican Americans as coordinators or the best qualified teacher, regardless of ethnic background, as coordinator. Both Mrs. Galan and Ortiz were quick to point out that they would not make being Mexican American the only criterion for appointment, but it was clear that they placed more value on ethnic background than on teaching ability. The principals opted for the reverse, since they would be ultimately responsible for hte success or failure of the program in their schools.

Since the coordinators have been appointed and had gone through special training already for their task, the principals appeared to feel that they will stick by their choices and wait to evaluate the program in a year before they make any changes.

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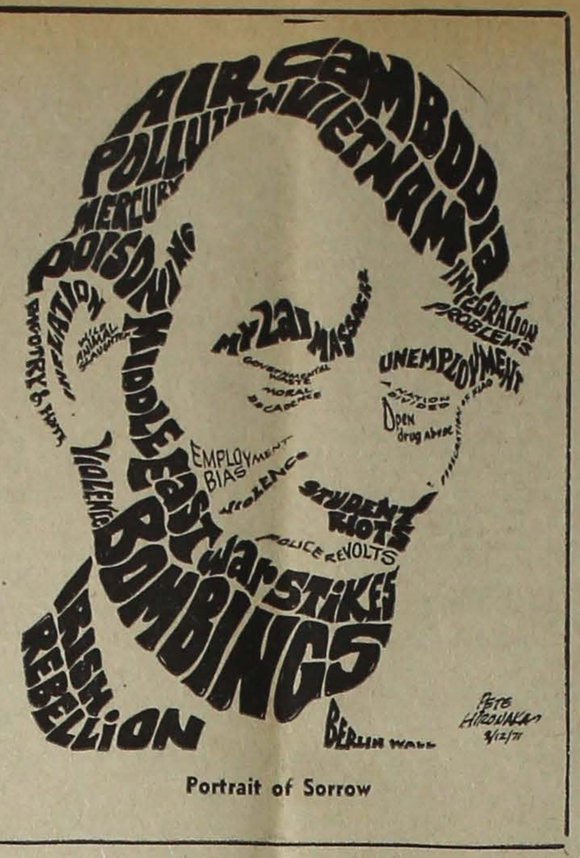
The problem here, it seems to me, is one of time. Decades of ingrained WASP attitudes that looked down on any deviation from WASP norms — English spoken with an accent, a more unabashed emotional reaction to things, a more relaxed attitude toward the work ethic—have succeeded in steering Mexicans away from the teaching profession.

'Qualified Teachers

The times they are a-changin', as Bob Dylan sings, but qualified teachers are not made overnight. Until the Mexican Americans can catch up, there will be room for semantic games in which "qualified" can be interpreted by the Chicanos as primarily being Mexican American, while the Anglo Establishment can, with more righteousness than necessary, interpret the same word in a way which will keep the power to make decisions in its hands a little longer.

We just hope the children don't suffer for it.



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'Untold Story'

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Dear Mr. Fukuda:

Your letter of Jan. 19, 1971, reacting to my reply to a circular letter of Bishop Kenryu T. Tsuji, Buddhist Church of America, is most appreciated.

Before proceeding, I believe I should tell you that I was a bit astonished to see my response to Bishop Tsuji printed in the Jan. 15, 1971 issue of the Pacific Citizen. I was further dismayed to learn that this same copy appeared in the Dec. 24, 1970 issue of the Nichi Bei Times. I wish to assure you that I did not share a copy of my letter to Bishop Tsuji with the Pacific Citizen or the Nichi Bei Times. It is not my practice to carry on correspondence in the pages of the newspaper. My letter was intended to be a personal letter to Bishop Tsuji.

Although it is dismaying and distressing to be told that my education and environment has left me "insensitive, prejudiced, ignorant and with the traits of the Ugly Japanese American", and, further, that there is doubt that I can "Objectively represent the ethnically oriented people of Hawaii", I, not being an expert in the ethnology of the Japanese American, am in no position to disagree with your assessment of my character. It is equally sad to learn that I am "a victim of this education where self-hate, the rejection and degradation of (my) native culture and heritage is taught."

I quite agree with the authors of the book "Japanese Americans — The Untold Story" that education plays an important role in our development. It is distressing to realize that several generations of Japanese Americans have become victims of this type of education. However, it is reassuring to realize that not all of us have become victims of this self-hate educational system.

For the past dozen years, I have been a regular reader of the Pacific Citizen. Throughout these years, I have noted that many books concerning Japanese Americans, authored by "Haku-Jin" writers, have been reviewed in the columns of the Pacific Citizen. However, I do not recall any of these "Haku-Jin" authored books receiving the critical and lengthy going over that two books have recently received in the pages of the Pacific Citizen. I refer to the outstanding book by Bill Hosokawa: "NISEI — The Quiet Americans", and more recently: "Japanese Americans—The Untold Story". These books, like all books, have imperfections, but I, for one, cannot doubt the sincerity of the authors. I believe that it was an honest attempt on the part of the authors to present an honest appraisal of Japanese Americans.

I have no reason to doubt your expertise in concluding that a great many of us are victims of an educational system that taught "self-hate." However, I do sincerely hope that this tragedy not be compounded by "self-destruction." I believe it is entirely proper for you and members of your organization to criticize the literary efforts of those who authored "Japanese Americans — The Untold Story." However, in addition to cruelly criticizing these authors, I most respectfully suggest that these authors, or others with literary talent, be encouraged to come forth with a book that can be approved for use in the fifth and sixth grades of the California Public School system. You and your friends have effectively killed the sale and distribution of "Japanese Americans—The Untold Story." Unless you feel that ethnic studies should not be encouraged in grade school classes, I do hope that you will initiate a movement to encourage others to take up this project. I sincerely believe that it is a meritorious project.

If Nikkei authors are to be continually subjected to cruel critiques and venomous attacks from the Nikkei community, only a few may find the courage to author books concerning Japanese Americans. This would be tragic.

In the many years I have had the privilege of serving the people of Hawaii in various legislative assemblies, I have received thousands upon thousands of letters from my constituents and others. Some have been harsh and critical. Seldom have I received letters as bitter as yours. I sincerely hope that my involvement in this book controversy has not resulted in outright hatred of me.

I believe all of the major religions of the world teach the following: "Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You." I seem to recall having heard the phrase "Sokuin No Jo" in my early studies of Buddhism, which I believe in similar in thought to the Judeo-Christian's "Golden Rule."

I regret very much that a prior commitment will not permit me to lisen to your panel discussion on "Japanese Americans—The Untold Story" on February 12th in San Francisco.

I hope that someday I may have the opportunity to meet with you.

Until then,

Much Aloha

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More comments on 'separate arm' for JACL sought

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The 1970 National Convention established a committee to study the feasibility of a JACL separate arm organization to act on political and social issues.

Since then, the nucleus committee here has tried to establish some basic groundwork through correspondence. The inquiries brought many varied responses. The following is a summary of some of those responses.

SPECIAL REPORT

Some believe that this new separate arm would be very similar to the ADC (Anti-Discrimination Committee) established in 1946.

ADC Plan

The ADC was established under the JACL to carry out specific legislation concerning discrimination. It was necessary to establish a separate arm organization because of the nature of the political activity the ADC would be involved in.

The ADC was and the new separate JACL arm is being established for the purpose of political involvement, but there is a difference. The ADC was involved only in legislation that was approved by the National JACL at that time. However this new separate arm would not act upon only approved political and social legislation established by policy at conventions, but would act independently and immediately on political and social issues as they arise.

There is a question concerning the financial status of this separate arm. The ADC was able to support itself because of the successful nation-wide campaign for funds. But unlike the ADC this new separate arm will not have any single campaign. Its diversity may cause much controversy which may lead to financial difficulty. This question of financing must be solved.

Relationship

Also there is a problem in establishing the separate arm's relationship to the JACL as a while. Will using this separate arm as an action-oriented organization force the main body of the JACL into hibernation? Is this a "cop-out"? That is, will the parent organization become less involved in political and social issues? This in turn, may cause action-oriented leaders to divert their services to the separate arm.

If this separate arm is established, who will comprise its membership? Some feel that this organization should be composed of yellow brothers throughout the country.

The questions concerning purpose, direction, funds, and membership still need further investigation.

The JACL Separate Arm Study Committee would appreciate comments. Please forward them to:

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East Wind

'ABE-KOBE'—My Japanese lawyer friend from Tokyo expressed a number of negative reactions to the American scene, stating that from what he had seen his admiration for Americans had soured considerably and that he had very little respect for "kokujins" who impressed him as being lackadaisical. He was a young lawyer visiting our home with his charming wife and, as usual, I had a difficult time trying to articulate answers in "nihongo" on a very difficult and deep issue.

Nevertheless, without apologies for what are admittedly deplorable prejudices in our society, I sought to provide some perspective to our American social order (resorting to a "jiten" as needed, which was often). I then directed the after-dinner conversation to the Tokyo scene as I saw it first-hand two summers ago.

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VICE VERSA—Japan, I suggested, was not without its racial and class prejudices, that indeed it was a peculiar type in that the "haiseki" or "kubetsu" was **within** a common racial strain, namely Oriental. Thus, Chinese and to a greater degree, Koreans, both of whom are racially indistinguishable within the Japanese populace were subject to racial discrimination. Or, more accurately, nationality discrimination.

And even this was not entirely accurate because many of these "Chinese" and "Koreans" were born, educated and lived in Japan, many of whom adopted "nihonmei" and easily passed as "Nippon-jin".

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VICE—Even within Nippon-jins, there was the artificial—but nonetheless very real in terms of its impact—classification of "eta" or "burakumin", those who were economically subjugated.

My friend replied that while much of this may have been true of the mores of the "older generation", that insofar as his new generation of Japanese was concerned these old standards no longer had relevance or application. But as the discussion wore on, pressing beyond this mere conclusionary statement, it appeared that it was not quite so simple as my lawyer friend had proposed.

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NON-VIOLENT PROTEST—I mentioned to him a hunger strike that I had witnessed near the Ginza those two summers ago where a representation of Koreans residing in Japan were protesting a bill then pending in the Diet. It seems that this proposed bill would have required Koreans-resident-in-Japan (actually, all permanent residents of Japan) to elect, within a specified time, either to adopt Japanese nationality or, in the alternative, return to the land of their national origin, i.e. Korea. I fell into a discussion (again with my "somatsu no nihongo") with several of the leaders of this hunger strike, the leaders being particularly intrigued by an American of Japanese ancestry.

The youthful leader, a Japanese university-educated and articulate spokesman, wearing those rubber-made Korean footwear with upturned toes, explained that he had been born, educated in raised in Japan; that for many years he was ashamed of being a Korean and had adopted a "nihon-mei", hiding his Korean parentage.

But now he rightfully felt pride in his Korean background, yet at the same time Japan was the only country he knew and he felt a great affinity for the land of his birth. Thus, he felt that to comply with the then pending legislation of renouncing his Korean ancestry in order to remain in Japan was unreasonable, and neither did he wish to leave the land of his birth, the only country he knew. As I recall reading one of the posters, there were 60-mahn Koreans residing in Japan, the largest single "foreign" population.

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A FAMILIAR TUNE—During this discussion with the Koreans, a number of Japanese were leaning their heads into the group and several of them spoke up. As I listened to the views of the Japanese, I was suddenly struck by the similarity of the "arguments" posed, to some of those which I had heard so often in the United States by racists. The similarity was so compelling that I found myself arguing back to these Japanese, seeking to get them to understand the predicament that a minority person often finds himself.

My lawyer guest in our living room explained that 'unfortunately" Koreans comprised a disproportionate quota of the crime figures in Japan; that while he, himself, could perhaps point to various social, repressive factors responsible for such statistics, nevertheless the crime statistics were a fact. When I raised a question as to whether or not a "well-behaved" and educated Chinese or Korean could hope to ascend the corporate ladder in Japan, my lawyer friend frankly expressed some doubts, immediately pointing out that the "reason" for this was that a Japanese businessman was wary of promoting a "gaijin" to a position of responsibility when there always "lurked the danger" that such person might suddenly decide to depart for his homeland. Thus, it was not a matter of prejudice, he concluded.

At this I wryly commented that no one who practices discrimination will admit to such. There's always a "reason".

On Second Thought

Warren Furutani

Some Posters

There have been many famous walls in history. For example: the Walls of Jericho, the Great Wall of China. Well, recently another wall has become rather famous (or should I say infamous). This wall happens to be the one that surrounds my office.

On these walls rest many posters and other assorted things (like a Coney Island pennant, calendar and pictures). Apparently these posters and things are the cause of some turmoil in the organization.

The two most controversial ones are (1) a poster dealing with Huelga (Strike) and Cesar Chavez, and (2) a calendar from Red China.

Because it had been decided at the 1968 biennial convention that JACL would not take a position on the Cesar Chavez issue, the Huelga poster has been removed. And because it was last year's the Red Chinese calendar also has been removed.

Red China Issue

Relative to that point, I would like to add that people should not be so afraid of China. It is becoming recognized by other countries (Chile, Canada, etc.) and in about five years Japan and the U.S. will be forced to open their eyes and view China as a part of the world.

Other posters such as Eldridge Cleaver, Angela Davis, a poem by Ho Chi Minh, a number of Indian chiefs, one of Che Guevara, Cuba and a print about the U.S.-Japan security pact grace the walls of my office.

In explaining why I have these posters, I must first explain, and very frankly, that these individuals are ones that I highly respect. They have displayed the utmost courage in the worst possible situation. They are leaders of people and are loved and honored throughout the world.

Don't Fully Agree

I must admit that I don't completely agree with their philosophies and ideas. I realize that how they interpret things is different from myself because they are in a different situation and environment, but nevertheless there are many things that I have learned by reading about these people.

People have to understand that times have changed. The world and everything on it has changed. In accordance to this, so have the heroes and heroines of the youth. George Washington and Honest Abe are no longer relevent. Cowboys and soldiers have had to move off their pedestals of admiration to make way for the hip-talking, dynamic young political leaders and long-haired prophets who communicate their message with the high-pitch note of an electric guitar. What might seem strange today may very well be what's happening five years from now.

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CONFERENCE—People are talking about change and what's happening today. Different points of view, new ideas—all of these make this point of time in history a very controversial and exciting one.

JACL's new community involvement program has been working with other brothers and sisters on a conference, called the "Amerasian Generation: Identity and Change in America".

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25 Years Ago

In the Pacific Citizen, Feb. 16, 1946

President Truman pays high tribute to Nisei soldiers in message to National JACL Convention . . . JACL to hold convention at Denver . . . Rep. George Miller (D-Calif.), proposes Attorney General's power to stay deportation in hardship cases be extended to alien Japanese . . . 442nd ex-GIs in Hawaii form veterans group . . . Report nearly 8,000 Japanese repatriated through Seattle since November, 1945 . . . WRA amazed by splendid reception given evacuees returning to Portland-Hood River region.

Calif. Supreme Court to hear Oyama case testing alien land law . . . Japanese American residents of Cleveland present food to aid families of CIO strikers . . . Canadian supreme court hears arguments on deportation of Japanese nationals and certain Canadian Nisei; Council for Canadian Unity seeks equal rights for Canadian Nisei . . . Tule Lake inmates employed by camp administrative staff as cooks, nursemaids, mechanics on $19 a month being exploited, charges No. Calif. ACLU director.