School board refusing to reinstate Nisei

apparent difference in educational philosophies has triggered the local school board's refusal to reinstate Dr. Miyoshi Ikeda as principal of Calipatria High School and concerned residents, including JACL leaders, are up in arms.

Ikeda's dismissal has become clouded with contradicting allegations and emotion in spite of the fact it did not come unexpectedly. As early as Jan. 26, in a letter from Dr. Eddie Ikard, superintendent of the Calipatria Unified School District, the principal was notified of a

pending dismissal. The action was officially taken by the CUSD board during a Feb. 9 executive session, which Ikeda said was called at a "complete surprise" and which Ikard said had ample advanced warning.

Ikeda supporters have regarded the board's decision as a "firing". Ikard, on the other hand, said the principal was not being "let go," but was being "reassigned to another teaching position within the district.

Whatever the official terminology, public opinion has swarmed in on Ikeda's

Paul Tsuneishi, JACL PS-WDC governor, has pledged the district's full support and Imperial Valley JACLers Pro Nimura and Fred Kido have spoken to community leaders on Ikeda's behalf.

Residents, at a community meeting Feb. 15, decided to circulate petitions in an effort to convene a meeting with the board on or before Feb. 28.

Events leading to Ikeda's dismissal have apparently been the direct result of a communication problem between Ikeda and Ikard, who represents the school board's position.

Calipatria mayor Romual-

CALIPATRIA, Calif. - An was a difference in teaching philosophy between the two administrators and that Ikard felt Ikeda lacked control over the students. Two incidents in particular have drawn Ikard's attention.

One involved a student who was reportedly jumped in the school's bathroom. Another occurred about a month ago at a school dance when a boy suffered stab wounds after a scuffle with students from neighboring Niland, Medina said.

Ikeda, as well, admitted there had been philosophical differences, however said Ikard was "over reacting" to the two incidents.

'The school is the calmest in the valley," Ikeda said. "Kids will fight. A local sheriff's deputy told him (Ikard) he was being idealistic, that there was no way you can watch the kids every hour." Ikeda went on to say that Ikard has even admitted that Calipatria is a "model school."

'Ikard told me, 'Niel, you are still the best administrator in the valley, but you have to run this school like a reform school and I don't think you can'. I asked him, 'What do you want me to do, shoot the kids?"

Then, Ikeda said Ikard professed a need to keep the Mexican students "in their place." Later, according to Ikeda, "Ikard said he was referring to all minorities and not just Mexicans, but to me it makes no difference.

'He is obsessed and paranoid and he's over reacting," Ikeda added.

Ikard denied over reacting, saying the incidents occurring on the campus required "action" and were "serious." "A lot of it is caused by the community, I know. But when things happen on the school, the school has to take care of it.

"I agree with people that Dr. Ikeda is a popular per-

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do Medina surmised there Takatori brothers at West Point Academy

RIVERSIDE, Calif.—There are two Takatoris studying and training together at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point: Frederick Bill, 20, a sophomore, and Eric Frank, 19, a freshman. They are the sons of Frank and Ida Takatori, formerly from Idaho, and Riverside residents for the past 20 years.

Both West Pointers were congressional appointees, Fred being nominated by Rep. George Brown, and Eric being nominated by Sen. John Tunney. The Takatoris are graduates of John Norris High School, where both starred in football and tennis. Frederick was class valedictorian and captain of his football team.

"We're really proud of their accomplishments," the elder Takatori told the Pacific Citizen. "They competed with the best of them to win the appointment. There was no break nor pull to see them through." (They are believed to be the first Japanese American brothers at a service academy together. In the 1950s, Glenn Matsumoto of Bakersfield, Calif., was graduated from West Point in 1954 and the following year his younger brother, Robert, succeeded him as a plebe—the first time that had happened at the Point.)

Frank Takatori, agricultural specialist and an asparagus authority with Univ. of California at Riverside, indicated he plans to take both the paternal and maternal grandparents, the Takatoris of Idaho and Nukidas of Oakland, to visit their grandsons this year at West Point.

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JACL-MASAO W. SATOW MEMORIAL PROJECT

'The JACL Story' to be published

SANTA ROSA, Calif. - Researching and writing what may be described as The JACL Story will be the main purpose of the JACL Masao W. Satow Memorial Project, National President James Murakami of the Japanese American Citizens League, announced this past week.

Bill Hosokawa of Denver, Colo., will be the Editor-inMasaoka of Washington, D.C., was named chairman of the Satow Memorial Project and of its executive committee.

Murakami recalled that one of Satow's "pet ideas" for the more than 25 years he served as National Director was the publication of such a volume, often

was needed not only for Japanese Americans but for all people of goodwill in order that they might better understand the inspired epic of a nationality organization that accomplished so much good for one of the smallest and least understood minorities in the country in such a short time against the greatest wartime persecution in the nation's annals with so little in the way of member-

support. To Satow, the JACL was the miracle story of democracy in action," Murakami said.

ship, finances, and general

The National President de-

clared that no Nisei was more qualified by personal involvement, professional concern, and participatory experience to research and write The JACL Story than Bill Hosokawa, editor of the editorial page of the Denver Post, and author of "Nisei" (1969), which has become known as the "popular" history of the Japanese in

> America. As for chairman Masaoka,

Chief of the Project. Mike claiming that such a history Murakami noted that Satow and Masaoka had teamed together as JACL's top professionals for more than a quarter of a century during most of Satow's years as the or-ganization's National Director, with Masaoka serving as its Washington Representa-

"Mike probably knew Mas better and more intimately than any other JACLer," the Santa Rosan stated. "Together they were the JACL dur-ings its post-World War II period when so much in the way of corrective and remedial legislation and litigation was achieved.'

Explaining there was no specific goal for the fund campaign, Murakami emphasized that whatever monies are left over after the publication of the book would be used for other research, such as securing thus far confidential information from government and personal archives regarding various aspects of the Evacuation decision, etc.

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Mile-Hi CL rids slur from Rocky Mtn. News listing

(Special to the Pacific Citizen) DENVER, Colo.-Minoru Yasui and the Mile-HI JACL have struck a small, but substantial, victory in the fight for racial dignity.

An observant member of the chapter noticed the Rocky Mountain News-a major local paper-used "JapFd" in its stock listing for Japan

The chapter, naturally, protested and Yasui quickly sent off letters to editors of the paper. The Feb. 5 communique was quickly channeled through the right sources and by Feb. 10, the abbreviation was changed to "JpnFd"

Tony Ripley, News managing editor, explained the paper used the stock listings from UPI in New York. The press association used the derogatory abbreviation while the AP uses "JapanF".

Ripley's assistant Bob Burns phoned the UPI office and reported the association was "chagrined" to learn they had been publishing the abbreviation which carries emotional overtones for Japanese Americans.

Both Ripley and Burns expressed apologies to the

chapter for the error. And Yasui and Mile-Hi feel

a deed well accomplished. "I am personally gratified to note that UPI was good on their promise, and I note the

correction in the columns of the Rocky Mountain News,' Yasui wrote to Ripley. "We are particularly grateful to you, and to Bob Burns, for taking the time to correct this relatively minor matter, but which did require some attention."

Asian Americans meet in White House

WASHINGTON-A promise that every effort would be made to improve the ties between the Carter Administration and Asian Americans resulted from the first meeting of the Asian-Pacific American Affairs Unit (APAAU) of Democratic National Committee and White House officials.

JACL Executive Director Karl Nobuyuki was among those present at the Jan. 30 meeting with Hamilton Jordan, Carter's political assistant, and John C. White, Democratic National Committee (DNC) chairman and

former assistant secretary of the U.S. Dept. of Agricul-

The APAAU, headed by Joji Konoshima, was established by Carter within the DNC as a communication link between the administration and Asian-Pacific Americans. The APAAU relays problems to the party to meet the common goals of both the Democratic party and Asian communities.

Both Jordan and White admitted the administration has not done enough for Asians and thanked the group for its assistance in sensitizing the White House to the needs and concerns of the people.

Konoshima and Esther G. Kee, national coordinator of Asian American Affairs unit of the DNC, will work with Jordan to see that the intentions of the meeting are car-

Others attending the session were:

Norman Lau Kee, Jiann J. Houng and Edward Lee, New York; Jun Mori, David Woo, Los Angeles; David Nikaido, Ray Murakami, Washington D.C.; Manoranjan Dutta, John Young, New Jersey; Noboru Yamakoshi, Tom Chan, Chicago; Corazon V. Tiglao, Virginia; and John Golden, U.S. deputy treasurer

Gov. Brown marks EO 9066 'repeal' SACRAMENTO, Calif.-Gov.

Brown celebrated the first anniversary of the "repeal" of Executive Order 9066 with a contingent of JACLers at his office this week (Feb. 21).

It was Feb. 19 last year when then President Ford terminated authority conferred by EO 9066, the WW2 presidential proclamation authorizing the Evacuation.

Among those present were: Karl Nobuyuki, Frank Iwama, Nat'l JACL; Charles Kubokawa, George Kondo, NC-WNDC: Don Ito, Percy & Gladys Masaki, Tom Okubo, Ruth Shimomura, Henry Taketa, Sacramento

Nobuyuki credited Shig Kaneshiro, New York JACLer vacation over the holidays in Gardena who suggested it to Assemblyman Paul Bannai, for having the commemora-



A historic White House meeting between Asian American leaders and President Carter's political assistant Hamilton Jordan and Democratic National Committee chairman John White took place in the Roosevelt Room on Jan. 30, coincidentally FDR's birthday. Identifiable are Jun

Mori and David Woo (at left) of Los Angeles; John Young of New Jersey, Dr. Ray Murakami of Washington, D.C.; Karl Nobuyuki of San Francisco and Noby Yamakoshi of Chicago (at far end of table); Esther Kee of New York, Joji Konoshima, APAAU/DNC director.

Nobuyuki recites major issues facing Nat'l JACL

By HARRY HONDA

San Bernardino, Calif. "This will be a critical year for JACL as it meets for its 25th biennial national convention this summer in Salt Lake City," declared Karl Nobuyuki, guest speaker, at the Riverside JACL installation dinner Feb. 11 at the Cal State San Bernardino Commons.

The National JACL executive director, who will have completed his first year at the post on May 1, covered a variety of major issues facing the organization, such as: a need to have a legislative bill for reparation in the congressional hopper next year, making the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission aware of the Japanese American talent and interests, aid for atomic bomb survivors, youth services and retirement planning.

Nobuyuki also reminded Japanese Americans still face racial discrimination, mentioning the incident of the Carter transition team questioning the loyalty of Nisei in the event of another U.S.-Japan conflict.

It was a stimulating recita-

zation as it strides toward its 50th anniversary in 1980.

Equally enlightening were the mini-profiles of each member of the board rendered by toastmaster Jimmy Urata, as they stepped forward before being sworn into office by regional director Glen Isomoto. New president Carl Bristol, for instance, is an elementary school teacher in nearby Colton who had met his Nisei wife, Mabel, about four years ago. Mabel was chapter president two years ago.

Urata's personalizing the remainder of the dinner crowd had both inspiring and humorous elements. Frank and Ida Takatori were introduced as parents of two sons now at West Point. One who shall go nameless here admitted his recreation was s-e-x. Mrs. Nancy Takano was a onetime high school homecoming queen. Dr. Gen Ogata hails from Montana and speaks Nihongo with a twang. Bob Meltzer, the artist, was a heavyweight weight lifter while in Hawaii. Another (the name was missed) was a hula dancer.



Michi Weglyn, author of Years of Infamy, and New York JACLer Ruby Schaar appeared on the Dec. 7 show of Good Morning America with host David Hartman. Both women recalled Pearl Harbor Day-Weglyn remembering the particular sadness of having to leave her animals behind when being sent away to camp.

Vocational rehabilitation for handicapped persons offered

GARDENA, Calif. - Vocational training and counseling for individuals with physical, mental or emotional disabilities is available from the California Dept. of Rehabilitation, spokesman Dennis Kobata announced.

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ence of a physical or mental disability; existence of a substantial handicap to employment and a reasonable expectation that vocational rehabilitation services may render the individual fit to engage in gainful employment.

More information can be obtained by contacting Kobata at 1141 W. Redondo Beach, Suite 104, Gardena, or by calling 538-3262 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Breakfast fundraiser

GARDENA, Calif.—The Committee to re-elect Assemblyman Paul Bannai will host a continental breakfast Sunday, Feb. 26 at the Nisei VFW Hall, 1964 W. 162nd St. here between 10

Chapman backed Nisei in '42

NEW YORK-A senior official in the Dept. of Interior for 20 years, Oscar L. Chapman, 81, died in Washington Feb. 8 after a long illness. He was Secretary of the Interior under President Truman (1949-53).

'One of the untold stories about the Japanese relocation has now been buried with the death of Hon. Chapman," Kay Sugahara of New York told the Pacific Citizen.

Chapman, who represented Sugahara's firm, Fairfield-Maxwell Ltd., in Washington, often recalled the WW2 period with the prewar Los Angeles JACL leader.

Sugahara recalled Chapman telling him he believed in the loyalty and integrity of the Nisei during the early days of WW2 when a big dispute between the Interior Dept. and the Pentagon arose over the safety of releasing Japanese Americans from assembly centers.

Chapman went on to enlist the support of Eleanor San Francisco.

Roosevelt in opposing Gen. DeWitt, then accepted the responsibility to arrange the release program. "He is one of the unsung heroes to whom Nisei owe a great debt of gratitude," Sugahara de-

Chapman was friendly with a Nisei couple in Denver who, to his mind, were the prototype of all Nisei, according to Sugahara. It was that reason he took what was then a big risk regarding Nisei loyalty to the United States in 1942, Sugahara believed.

Beaths

Chapman, Oscar L., 81, of Washington, D.C., died Feb. 8. A prewar attorney in Denver, who served in the Interior Dept. under Roosevelt and Truman, he opposed Gen. DeWitt's evacuation program, was Secretary of Interior (1949-53) and then resigned to form his law firm.

Yoshihashi, Dr. Takehiko 65,3f Washington, D.C., died Feb. 14. An educator and former dean at the American University's School of International Service, he was active in JACL, and 1949 chapter president in

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New chapter ready to go in Solano

FAIRFIELD, Calif. Though enough persons turned out for the initial organizational meeting of a new JACL chapter being formed in Solano County, a second meeting was scheduled this week (Feb. 23) at Studio C, Fairfield Civic Center, according to George Kondo, NC-WN regional di-

Coordinators for the first meeting were Dr. Yosh Shitanishi, his wife Clara and members of the Japanese Womens Club. Neighboring representatives, chapter Ted Morodomi and Joe Shitanishi, from Diablo Valley JACL: Dr. Harry Hatasaka, past district governor; and Frank Iwama of Sacramento, national JACL legal counsel, were present to encourage establishment of the new chapter.

The first meeting was held

The area was previously represented in the pre-Evac-

For the Record

The Margaret Takatori Fund stands at \$15,131.55 (instead of \$3,547.25 as reported in the Feb. 10 PC), according to Mas Hironaka of San Diego, who apologized for the incomplete report. Other major contributors include the Kagoshima Clubs in Southern California and numerous individuals.

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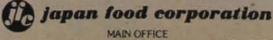
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Capt. Ellison Onizuka

HONOLULU - There was one person who could only mumble through all the congratulations after Sansei

Comparing new cars

Force captain, was selected as the nation's first oriental astronaut last month.

His wife, Lorna-as luck would have it-had her wisdom teeth removed a day before the big announcement. Though it most likely pained her to say it, she was "real pleased" with the news.

Onizuka's mother, Mitsue, also expressed happiness. The child of immigrant sugar workers from Japan, Mrs. Onizuka for the past 45 years has run the M. Onizuka Store on Keopu on the Big Island.

Her husband died 10 years ago. Of her son's accomplishments, she said, "I feel so grateful."

Onizuka, a test engineer at Edwards AFB in California, will join 34 other newly chosen astronauts in Houston this July.

'Even as a little boy, I've always been interested in aircraft and the peace program," he said. "I feel very, very happy.

Doris Wong, Carolyn Lee, Lorrie Na-kamura, Robin Watanabe, Ann La Salle, all of Los Angeles; Janet Lyun, Gardena, and Geraldine Oi, Mission people Hills ... Three Asian American educators were among 35 named to new administrative posts in the L.A. Unified School District. Jeanne Yamamoto was named assistant principal of Stoner Avenue School in Culver City; May Arakaki, assistant princi-

• The Arts

Hiroyuki Minamino, a UCI music student, will give a guitar concert Sunday, March 12, at the Fine Arts Village Concert Hall. Concert is sponsored by UCI School of Fine Arts ... Canadian artist Aiko Suzuki has been appointed by the Toronto Metro Library Board to design and create a \$36,000 sculpture in white nylon for the lobby of the new \$30-million Metro central reference library. The sculpture, named Lyra, will be suspended from the library ceiling over a pool of water and ripple with any air current in the lobby. She said it will be meditative, subtle and dynamic and will assume strength with time and never become just an object.

Akira Kikukawa, director of the Japanese Philharmonic Orchestra of Los Angeles since 1961, was awarded a PhD in music from Pacific Western University, in Encino. Kikukawa, 45, was born in Osaka and graduated from the Tokyo University of Arts with an "Ataka Prize", given to the best students of the year. He performed at many concerts in Japan before coming to the U.S. in 1960.

Business

Gayle W. Higaki was promoted to loan officer of Bank of America at its A.P. Giannini office in San Mateo. He joined the bank in 1974 as assistant operations officer at a San Francisco branch then became assistant regional training officer for the San Francisco north coast sector ... John Yoshino civil rights specialist with the Federal Highway Administration in Washington, recently addressed a group of state and federal compliance officers in San Diego. With his agency's special programs division, he has the promotion of Asian American highway construction activity among his responsibilities.

Kazuaki (Jim) Matsudaira, of San Francisco, a member of Crocker Bank's international banking staff since 1963, was named vice president. He works on the Japan desk in Crocker's Asia-Pacific area administration, in charge of correspondent banking relationships and works as a marketing officer and liaison with Japanese banks and trading companies. He and his wife Renko live in

Education

Seven Asian American students were among 126 persons receiving diplomas when the School of Nursing at the L.A. County-USC Medical center graduated its 88th class. They are

pal at Ford Blvd. Elementary and Shirley Woo was assigned as the new

principal of Reed Junior High School

in North Hollywood.

Steven Joshua Toshiald Doi, the National JACL Building Fund Co-Chairman and former San Francisco JACL president, was named to San Francisco State University's Presidents Advisory Board by Dr. Paul Romberg, the school's chief execu-tive. The board provides the university with community contact and policy suggestions. Doi. 49, is president of Marvel Enterprises and is a meniber of the Nichols Law Corp. A native of Loomis, Calif., he is also an advisory board member of the Sumitomo Bank of California and current ly a director of the Nisei Voters

Dr. Shaw Yorizane, Jr., of Reedley has opened his optometric office near the CSU Fresno campus, following completion of studies and residency at the So. Calif. College of Optometry.

Honors

Julie Matsushita, of Santa Ana High School, received one of Santa Ana DAR chapter's Good Citizenship . Hope G. Nakamura, a student at Westchester High in Los Angeles, was selected as one of the nation's outstanding students in the William Randolph Hearst Founda-tion's annual U.S. Senate Youth Pro-

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Yin/Yang and Community

As many young Japanese Americans turn away from the community and seek new life styles in the dominant American community, they should be reminded of the principle of Yin/Yang.

Yin/Yang is the Chinese Taoist principle of balance in nature and is signified by the circle, equally divided by a curved line into a dark and light half. In each half of the circle is a small circle of the opposite color. This opposite color balances the dominant color. Balance is the key to the Yin/Yang principle.

Many younger Japanese Americans ask for the purpose and need of the community, I suggest the community is a balance to the dominant American community. It is not inevitable that Japanese Americans disintegrate into the mass society as many have forecasted. Rather, we should nourish the community which was and continues to be the source of our

The uniqueness of being Japanese American gave us our will to survive and a sense of pride in a society designed for the descendents of Europeans. If the principle of Yin/Yang is true, then the community serves as our counter balance to the dominant society. It maintains our conscience, reality, and truth of our place in American society.

We need a place to reveal our true feelings and selves, safe from the realities of the society in which we live. While the dominant society always seeks to define us, we need the community to define ourselves.-Miles Hamada

Tutankhamun's Treasures

Among the glitter of gold that invests the Treasures of Tutankhamun now attracting thousands to the Los Angeles County Museum of Art is a lonely silver piece—the Pomegranate Vase—not more than six or seven inches high and engraved with bands of flowers and leaves. The seedy fruit, introduced from western Asia (or the Middle East of today) about two centuries earlier, was a highly prized delicacy to Egyptians. The exhibit notes add that silver was a substance which had to be imported by Egypt.

Of the 55 pieces on view, unfolding the



Photo by Toyo Miyatake Studio The silver Pomegranate Vase in foreground Above is a delicately-carved ivory head-rest.

glorious artistry of the ancient kingdom on the Nile, this little vase has an Asian essence about it. The Japanese expression, "shibui", might well apply. It was our excuse for covering the exhibit.

There is another obvious "Japanese" aspect—the lotus blossom so profuse in Buddhist and Japanese symbolism being very visible in a number of objects. It appears holding a finely carved wooden head that you see when entering the exhibit and in the translucent chalice carved from alabaster. Yet we place quotation marks on "Japanese" because the lotus blossom is Egyptian in origin.

King Tut reigned during the XVIII Dynasty (1570-1293 BC), one of the most significant from an artistic sense in world history. During this millenium, China's bronze age flourished and writing was introduced. The outstanding Stonehenge (c. 1550 BC) came up about this time in England. Jomon pottery of Japan from this period also survive. It heightens appreciation to understand the state of the arts elsewhere.

In the semi-darkness of three rooms at the county museum with artifacts laid out in the order as they were found in 1922, the magic is that King Tut's Treasures are dazzling, and makes one forget it's 1978 while stepping back some 3,000 years.

FROM HAPPY VALLEY: Sachi Seko

The Camp Rabble Rousers

I had never heard a person going mad before. The sustained screams, both human and inhuman, could be heard through the entire block at Gila. All activity ceased. People hovered near their barrack doorways. It was a hot day but I remember shivering.

No one attempted to stifle the sound. Perhaps because we heard our own voices in the screams. In that terrible anguish was contained the tension and dissention that permeated the camp during the administering of the loyalty questionnaire.

It contradicted the patience and compliance that characterized the orderly exodus. I often refer to it as the time of our unmasking, for there, in the unstable barometer of emotions, was agonized human reaction to rejection and repression.

Even prior to the Evacuation, there had been opposition to JACL's position of accommodation and acquiescence. The elected JACL theory was that there was no alternative but to cooperate with the government.

Some opposed this philosophy from the beginning. They carried their quarrel with them into camps. The force of their frustration and anger reached its apex when JACL leaders returned to camps to announce that Selective Service had been reinstated for Nisei.

Undoubtedly, the Nisei soldier, through his valor and sacrifice, played a tremendous role in the public acceptance of all Japanese Americans. It was the supreme expression of loyalty and patriotism.

Shake Ushio writes (PC 1/27) of the "raw courage" required of JACL leaders, who after securing Selective

Service reinstatement, had to return to camps, "to face the hostilities and beatings of the unthinking rabble rousers.'

Coming almost 35 years after the loyalty questionnaire and in view of our more recent national trauma over Vietnam, I consider the statement insensitive.

One of the least discussed and researched sections of the Evacuation history is the role of resisters and dissenters. The Sansei, in particular, have been curious about this relatively unpublicized portion of our history.

Weren't there any resisters, they ask. The documented material is scant, suggesting that perhaps a conscious or unconscious effort has been made to conceal or minimize information that can be damaging to a cultivated public image.

Every survivor of the camps knows there were resisters. Their true identity is lost under other names which have been applied to them, like "disloyals", and "un-Americans". To this can be added, "unthinking rabble rousers".

Having shared a common tragedy and having endured collectively the consequences of a dissenting segment, speaks of a grudging and small spirit.

Undoubtedly some were trouble makers. Most were not. In pursuit of unity, we are intolerant of people whose ways of expression differ from ours. Mr. Ushio refers to them as "unthinking".

I can remember no individual who was "unthinking" during that crucial period. The questionnaire was the most significant part of the concentration camp experience. Its impact was probably even more devastating to the psyche than the physical Evacuation.

I think an indiscriminate probe will prove that never before nor after have we felt so strongly about citizenship and country. Penned into eprived of property and rights, to some the loval questionnaire was the ultimate humiliation.

Some evacuees found it intolerable to submit to this insult. Among them were many Kibei, another much maligned part of our community. They were often suspected of being pro-Japan. Some were for legitimate and personal reasons.

But most of them were American at heart. It was James Baldwin, the black writer, who said that his real sense of being an American was reached when he was an exile in France.

Those who protested were generally no less devoted to country than those who volunteered. Consistent with the American tradition, they felt strongly that equal responsibilities meant equal rights. As free men, they were willing to bear arms for country.

In their individual ways, Gordon Hirabayashi, Fred Korematsu and Mitsuye Endo were also dissenters. The solitary masterpiece of Nisei literature happens to be John Okada's "No-No-Boy".

Mr. Ushio refers to the "raw courage" displayed by JACL leaders during that period. But courage was not theirs alone. Those who defied the draft faced imprisonment and ostracism.

Since JACL and WRA thinking was fairly congruent, the administration was friendly to JACL leaders. Sometimes the punishment meted to dissidents of WRA policy was extreme and inhumane.

It required courage to withstand the consequences of resistance. The resisters had no access to authorities who could and did call in troops to quell disturbances. I think most of us were painfully reminded of this portion of our own history as we observed black Americans beaten down by those in power as they began their march across the South for civil rights.

But I can also appreciate Ushio's sentiments about those who vented their anger against the advocates of Selective Service. He was probably one who volunteered. Both my husband and brother, in their time, have faithfully responded to their nation's call in Europe and Africa.

As a young girl I watched classmates, mere boys, leave from behind barbed wire fences to prove their loyalty. One of the first casualties from Gila was my friend from a childhood long ago. I still remember him as racing on the sand along the sea, knowing he sleeps in foreign soil.

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EAST WIND: William Marutani



Philadelphia The other week, this writer was honored to be invited to participate in Philadelphia Chinese community's celebration of the New Year 4,676-the Year of the Horse. Out in full force from the Chinese community were colorful floats, beauty queens, the Chinese youth drum and bugle corps, the resonating boom of drums and the shatter of clashing cymbals. And of Firemen's Band provided the marching tempo, and also visible were members of the Leon Lee Chinese American Legion Post #774 in their smart,

dark-blue Legion caps.

The Year of the Horse: 4,676

somehow also the chill in the sunny Sunday afternoon air.

When you stop to think about it, that's a lot of years: some 4,676 of them. As one figures it out, that's almost 2,700 years B.C. I have no idea what my ancestors were doing 'way back then; probably clad in animal skins, running bare feet through some forest, chasing a wild boar with a firehardening wooden spear. Primitive.

No way you can disprove that because, as I understand it, there's no recorded history (or at least a reliable one) to fix what the Yamato ancestors were doing in those days. Just a bunch of grunting clans constantly battling one another, perhaps hurling rocks at each other. Contentious.

fireworks seemed to dispel nese early developed a high- one of them being the horse. ly advanced and civilization. They had harnessed the silkworm for exotic brocades, utilizing the principle of infraction for spectacles (not Benjamin Franklin, as we are led to believe), discovered the explosive power of saltpeter for joyous occasions (which 'civilization" then employed to kill), and many other sophisticated accomplishments-which the remaining world was yet to "dis-

All the while my ancestors were yet trying to catch that boar in the hills of what later (much later) came to be called Hiroshima-ken.

We honor the Horse because it was one of the twelve animals that responded to Buddha's call for uplifting the low level of mankind. To Buddha's call,

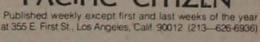
The din of ever-bursting On the other hand, the Chi-twelve animals showed up, And Buddha honored them in the order of arrival, giving each animal a year of its

And since this year of 1978 is the Year of the Horse, figuring without a calculator, the previous years would be: 1966, 1954, 1942, 1930 and 1918-and so on.

Those of you born in those years are supposed to have the following characteristics: entertaining, hardworking, good judgment ("horse sense"), conservative, practical, but a bit selfcentered, hot-headed at times and sometimes tactless. (Sorry about that; but you can't win 'em all.) They are good in verbal combat and are perfectionists.

Neither my wife nor I was born in the Year of the Horse. Alas.

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

More Comments Received

This will just open up old wounds and new hostility. (Female, 25, No. Calif.)

§ Why become beggars. Leave enough alone. You certainly will use up the reservoir of good will. (Detroit)

§ Reparation will only serve to dig up bitterness which should have been forgiven. It will only increase hatred rather than hurt the conscience ... I'm grateful to be living here.

(Female, 47, Seattle) § We do not want to go through the antagonism

just to bring about constitutional rights for all Americans and the 'principle involved." (Female, 59, San Francisco)

letters

The Woman's Side

In the Jan. 27 PC Letterbox, I noted response to an MDC Comment (Dec. 16, "Women in JACL")

While I can appreciate some of the confusion and stresses that the women's movement has caused, I must take exception to certain statements made by Mr. Odoi in his response.

Most women I know don't have any more "aptitude or willingness" than man, when it comes to cleaning a toilet bowl or cooking breakfast for three hungry children at 6 a.m. Women are good at these jobs, for the same reason that they're good secretaries and clerks. They've had a lot of practice and, until recently, little change to do anything else.

Secondly, while it is true that most men are still the breadwinners for their families, a surprising number of families are now headed by wornen. The 1977 Bureau of Labor Statistics reveal that over 20% of the working women between the ages of 34 and 54 are "heads of households." With divorce rates spiralling, this percentage is expected to increase Meanwhile, the median income for women is only 62% of that for men (and has been 62% for the past 10

To seriously consider that juvenile delinquency, drug abuse, and inflation are caused by women working is to negate the influences of society, the school systems, peer pressure, and the sharp rise in cost of materials and products. Why don't we blame the problems on unions or the buying power of the 14-year-old if we're looking for an "out"? A mother can't ensure that her children will 'turn out all right" if she stays at home or works.

We're an organization that supports minority rights. Shouldn't that mean race, color, creed and sex? ANNA ERIKO PETERSON

PART 14

9 People today, both young and old, do not realize this can happen or has happened in the U.S. This step is long overdue.

(Midwest)

I cannot forgive what the government did to us. (Cincinnati)

The Japanese have been too passive and goodygoody and got us nowhere. (Female, 54, No. Calif.)

The important point on evacuation now is to keep the fact alive in our country's conscience and text books—not to seek financial reparations. (Midwest)

I will remove my JACL membership if you ask for reparation.

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Who among us did not lose family or friends? But did we not also know other men who paid the price of their convictions? Some were the gentlest people. Have we forgotten their sorrow in being forced to make such a choice? It commanded all their courage.

I do not think it is within our judgment to determine who possessed the most courage among us. Or to decide who was most American. What can be agreed upon is that all of us were equally victims of a grave in-

Maybe some will never yield or change persuasions of a time and place past. But in private conversations, some who volunteered now say that perhaps the real heroes were those who resisted. History may yet be sympathetic to this. Others say, that were the experi-

sufficient. (Male, 54, San Mateo, Calif.) ¶ I am highly insulted by

§ A statement of apology by

Congress is more than

your monetary demands. I have not heard any Issei or Nisei who had been victims complaining and ask for (Chicago) reparations.

I thank you for your hard work that benefits all of us that are the "do nothings." (Midwest)

It's so degrading for all the Issei and Nisei that helped better the U.S. (French Camp, Calif.)

5 This matter should be pursued vigorously because of the principle involved (Male, 52, Sacramento)

If it happened once, it will (Midwest) happen again.

9 Please hurry it up. (Male, 63)

¶ We are coming under. attack again and I'm concerned. This time it is due to Japan's economic rather than military might. (Male, 29)

ence to be repeated today, they would resist.

I respect Mr. Ushio's right to his opinions. I offer my observations in the American tradition of open and direct disagreement. His remarks were contained in an article unanimous decision, preluding the 1978 National JACL convention.

It was an article written with great hope for the future. He suggested a new generosity of spirit. But his comments regarding "unthinking rabble rousers", reopens an old wound, belittles many Japanese Americans. It is inconsistent with his desire that we "not look back with recrimination and bitterness at the traumas of yesterday ...

An organization so proudly dedicated to the welfare of all Japanese Americans has yet to show understanding or appreciation for those who fought and paid for American convictions in differing ways. They, too, are entitled to the human dignity that we profess to be the right of every individual.

Denver, Colo.

Fellow we know, who

acquired strong male

chauvinistic charac-

fore returning to the United States, is accustomed to having his Japanese wife prepare a rather elaborate breakfast for him each morning. If he wants to eat his supper in the morning right after he awakens, of course that's his privilege. However, this makes it necessary for his wife to get up earlier than she likes and begin cooking.

teristics during a long stay in Japan be-

The other day our friend told his wife he was leaving early on a ski outing and didn't want to bother with breakfast. She was happily anticipating sleeping in for a change, but unfortunately it didn't work out that way. Rousting her out of her nice warm bed at the crack of dawn, he demanded that she perform her morning duty by heating up some water and brewing him a cup of tea which, of course, is a ritual any low grade moron can perform adequately.

Telling us about this episode later, our friend's wife described her husband as an "iji no warui hito" which at the moment sounded like a remarkably apt word for describing his callous action. Later, trying to pin down its precise meaning, I dusted off the old family Kenkyusha's Japanese-English dictionary and began a search for iji no warui hito. I couldn't find it. The closest word was ijiwaru, a noun meaning cross temper. Thus an ijiwaru individual was described as "a cross-grained person, a crosspatch, a dog in the manger, a crab, a bear, ill-tempered." Further reading of the various forms of ijiwaru showed it referred to perverseness, malice, spite and cantankerousness.

Well, I would hesitate to attach such words to my friend because ordinarily he is an amiable, pleasant, mild-mannered fellow. However, none of the English words like spiteful or nasty seemed to fit the mental picture produced by the Japanese iji no warui hito which described the

situation very adequately.

lapanese Semantics

What all this adds up to, I guess, is that while English is a very adequate language, there are some words in other tongues that offer nuances, color and shades of meaning unavailable in ours and therefore are more appropriate for specific situations. Japanese seems to be one of

Despite its antiquity, the Japanese language is dynamic in the sense that it is changing rapidly. The speech the Issei learned in their youth 60 and 70 years ago in many respects is archaic by contemporary usage. In fact, slang is being adopted so rapidly that the Japanese themselves are bewildered by changes that have taken place even during a year's trip overseas.

James Abrams in a recent Kyodo News dispatch gives us some amusing examples. He tells us, for instance, that the word "jaws," from the movie, has come to mean "impossible" among college students. The Japanese word for "shark" is fuka and fuka also means "impossible," so it was just another step to get around to saying "That's jaws," meaning "that can't

Another example is the adoption of the ending "-less," as in "hopeless," in the Japanese language in combination with Japanese words to express a negative quality. (What complicates this one is the Japanese way of pronouncing "less" as "resu.") Thus the expression "spiritless" becomes konjo-resu.

Incidentally, readers who lost no time in scolding me for using the expression "Japlish" some time ago-presumably "Jap" is a no-no in any context whatevermay now take pen in hand to excoriate James Abrams for a similar transgression. He characterizes "Japlish" as "the Japanese proclivity for barbarizing English words and phrases into what often turns up to be completely different things in Japanese."

Ah, well, live and learn.

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Announcement of the formal campaign for contributions to the JACL Masao W. Satow Memorial Project is forthcoming.

Serving on the Satow Memorial Project Executive

CALIPATRIA Continued from Front Page

son. He's done a remarkable job. But the board is not in a position to change-it was a

said.

"In my opinion, Dr. Ikeda has not been as firm in student discipline as he could have been. There's been a difficulty in communication with the superintendent and trustees and the superintendent must carry out the

wishes of the board." As for the minority question, Ikard admitted he was concerned with all the groups on campus. "It is a fact that there is a group of minorities on campus who intimidate the students," be said, "and it's not right."

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35 Years Ago

Feb. 25, 1943

Feb. 16—Stiff prison sentences are imposed on five Poston evacuees who confessed to the brutal beating of JACL president Saburo Kido Jan. 31. Feb. 20-The U.S. District Court of Appeals, San Francisco, the Native Sons of the Golden West case, upholds the right of Japanese Ameri-

cans to vote.
Feb. 22—Twenty-seven evacuees from Tule Lake are reported in Jail-14 in Alturas, Calif. and 13 in Klamath Falls, Ore. FBI declines to comment on case, no charges are announced.

Feb. 25—Story about the alleged beating of Furni Miyuki, a domestic employed in Des Moines, is refuted by Des Moines YWCA officials.

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Monterey Peninsula inaugural ...



Fred Matsuyama pholy

Congressman Leon Panetta (center) congratulates Jack Nishida, 1978 Monterey Peninsula JACL president at recent installation dinner while Royal Manaka (left), outgoing president, looks content.

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Summer fellowships to Japan

SAN FRANCISCO - Applications are now available for the 1978 JAL, JACL, JTBI Cultural Heritage Fellowships to Japan. Again, four young people will be given the unique opportunity to study and travel in the country of their ancestors, Rich Okabe, JACL youth director, said this past week.

The all-expense paid fellowships consist of round trip air fare to Tokyo, tuition, room and board at Sophia University, and two weeks of independent travel

in Japan. The University's Summer Session in Asian Studies begins July 14 and continues for six weeks. It is a special program designed for non-Japanese speaking students and includes courses in Japanese culture, history, language and government and also covers field trips to various temples, historic sites, and theatre perform-

The fellowships are open to all persons of Japanese ancestry between the ages of 18 and 26. This differs from past years in which only JACL members were allowed to apply. Additional requirements include:

1-Must turn 18 by July 1, 1978.

2-Must not have traveled or lived in Japan for any period longer than two weeks since entrance to high

school. 3-Must be available for public speaking engagements while in and upon return from Japan.

4—Must provide written articles while in and upon return from Japan.

Selection of the fellowship recipients will be based entirely upon the written applications. A preliminary screening committee will select 10 finalists for further review. The final judging committee will make its determination in June.

The judging criteria is not based on scholarship or academic achievement. The key factor is a strong desire and motivation to study in Japan. Applicants are requested to submit essays on their goals for their summer and how they intend to use the experience upon returning to the U.S.

Completed applications must be postmarked no later than April 15, in order to be considered. Applications may be obtained from all JACL chapters, Regional Offices or National Headquarters. Any inquiries regarding the program should be directed to:

Rich Okabe, National Youth Director, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco Monterey Peninsula

A fine turnout of 150 were present at the Monterey Peninsula JACL installation dinner held Jan. 28 at Rancho Canada in Carmel Valley to hear Rep. Leon Panetta (D-Calif.) as guest speaker and to see Jack Nishida installed as 1978 president.

Among the chapter recognitions presented, the JACL silver pin was awarded to Tak Yokota for over 10 years of dedicated service to the chapter; the chapter citizenship award to Paul Tekawa, and the JACL Creed plaque to Jack Ninomiya.

New Mexico

Perry Mori, professor of accounting at the Univ. of New Mexico, will be guest speaker at the New Mexico JACL meeting Mar. 1, 7:30 p.m., at the Albuquerque Federal Savings and Loan community room, 8321 Menaul Blvd. NE, it was announced by chapter president Ron Shibata.

Sequoia

Program for the Sequoia JACL installation Feb. 24, 7 p.m. at Sakura Gardens. Mountain View, has been changed.

San Mateo County Supervisor Ed Bacciocco will be guest speaker, David Tatsuno's film on Topaz will be shown and a 7-piece band will play for the dance to follow. Karl Nobuyuki, the announced speaker, will not be present, due to unforeseen circumstances. A hobby-art show will display local tal-

For dinner-dance tickets, \$8.75 each, call:

Ann Okamura, 366-8042; Sally Na-kai, 323-0352; Miho Yamane, 961-8127; or Carol Fujii, 732-5656.

Tulare County

Tulare County's next general meeting will be held Monday, Feb 27, 7 p.m. at the Visalia Buddhist Church Annex. Spring program and March 4-5- Reno tour will be discussed.

West Valley

The West Valley JACL in the San Jose area held its annual installation banquet at the Pinehurst Inn on Jan. 21. Karl Nobuyuki, national executive director, was guest speaker.

The 1978 Board is headed by Helyn Uchiyama, presi-

West Valley JACL dance classes resume on Wednesdays, starting Mar. 1, 7:30 p.m. with Nadine and Tom Yamamoto as instructors. The group will meet at El Paseo Community Center

Nobuyuki named to ethnic group confab

IRVINE, Calif.-"California's New Majority: The Emerging Ethnic Groups," will be the topic of a one-day conference to be held Feb. 25 at UC Irvine.

Sponsored by state Lt. Gov. Mervyn M. Dymally, the Council on Intergroup Relations and UCI Public Affairs Center, the conference will study projections which indicate that by 1990 over half the state's population will be comprised of minorities. For information, call (714) 833-5461.

Karl Nobuyuki, National JACL executive director, has been appointed by Dymally to the Council of Intergroup Relations.

RIVERSIDE

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School teacher May Kanatani was a Nisei strandee in Japan during WW2.

For outstanding service to the chapter and community the Riverside JACL certificate of appreciation, teaturing the artwork of the late Masao Satow was awarded to Mrs. Martha Iseda, Tony Inaba, Sumi Harada and Mable Bristol.

San Bernardino Mayor W. R. "Bob" Holcomb, in his welcoming remarks, hoped a JACL chapter bearing his city's name might appear

one day.

twice a month on Wednesdays, starting off as a beginner's class. Fee is \$1 per person per class.

A square dance potluck so-

cial will be held Feb. 25, 6:30 p.m., at El Paseo Community Center. The telephone committee will coordinate the Oriental potluck dinner.

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Calendar

• FEB. 24 (Friday)

Sequoia—Inst dnr-dance, Sakura Garden, Mountain View, 7 p.m., Cty Sup Edw Bacciocco, spkr; film on

"Topaz" by Dave Tatsuno.

*Los Angeles—JARS candidate night, Sir Michael's Restaurant, City of Commerce, 7:30 p.m.

*Los Angeles—Evening with Rep. Norman Mineta, Biltmore Hotel Gold

Room, 5:30-8 p.m.
*El Cerrito—Retirement planning, Sycamore Church

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• FEB. 25 (Sunday)
Nat'l JACL — Annual credit union
dnr-dance, Little America Motel, Salt
Lake City, 7 p.m.
IDC—Qtrly session, Salt Lake JACL
hosts, Little America Motel, 1 p.m.
San Mateo—Inst dnr-dance, Peninsula Social Hall, 6:30 p.m.; Karl Nobusula Social Hall, 6:30 p.m.; Karl Nobu-yuki, spkr.; George Takahashi's band.

West Valley—Potluck social El Pa-seo Comm Ctr, 6:30 p.m.
*Lindsay—Sister City dnr, Lindsay High, 6:30 p.m.

High, 6:30 p.m.

*Los Angeles—SCYPCC theater party, East West, 8 p.m.

*Fresno—NSC birthday party, Betsuin Annex, 12:30 p.m.

• FEB. 26 (Sunday)

CCDC—Nisei Retirement conference, Fresno Buddhist Church Annex 8:30 a.m. 4 p.m., Prof. Harry Kitano, UCLA, spkr.

Fresno—Dance class, Betsuin Annex, 7:30 p.m.; M.M. John Ryska, instr.

• FEB. 27 (Monday)
Tulare County—Mtg, Visalia Buddhist Church, 7 p.m. *Fresno-Amerasia Week at CSU-

• MAR. 1 (Wednesday) New Mexico—Income tax night, Al-buquerque Fed S&L, 8321 Menaul NE, 7:30 p.m.; Perry Mori, spkr. *Long Beach—Japanese cult experi-ence, Stearns Pk, 8 p.m.; Rev, Mishi-

west Valley—Dance class, El Pa-seo Comm Ctr. 7:30 p.m.; Tom & Na-dine Yamamoto, instr.

• MAR. 3 (Friday)

*Monterey Park—Sage Single Mingles mtg, Sage United Methodist Church, 7:30 p.m.; Dr. Marion Fuku-da, spkr, "Single's Feelings".

MAR. 4 (Saturday)
NCDYC—Spring Qtrly, Eden AAYs
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Tulare County-Reno fun tour (2 days).

Marin County—Mtg, Marin Buddhist Church, Mill Valley; Dr Clifford Uyeda, spkr, "Reparation".

MAR. 6 (Monday)
 Denver—JANBA bowling tournament (all wk), Celebrity Lanes.

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AFFIRMATIVE ACTION ENVIRONMENT ON THE WSU CAMPUS

A. PC statement:

Beasley, however, denied the allegation of an unhealthy affirmative action environment on the WSU campus. "The complaints are coming from Spokane mostly ..." "I don't understand what's going on, why they are so hostile. This comes as a complete surprise and shock to us. We are sort of mystified," He stands by WSU's credibility and affirmative action policies

JACL Response

The 4-year struggle for the establishment of an Asian American Studies Center, the denial of the Asian American Scholar's position, the lengthy inquiry conducted by the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs, and the following quotes from news articles, memoranda, letters, etc., we believe, speak for themselves. If Dr. Beasley is surprised, shocked, and mystified, then he is the only one that is.

The JACL had learned from: (1) A news article dated, March 13, 1974, Daily Evergreen

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(The campus newspaper), "Minorities respond to Jacklin's claims." (The letter to the editor was written by the Asian American, Chicano, and Native American Affirmative Action Steering Committees.)

... the Native American, Chicano, and Asian American communities wish to comment on this article (March 1, 1974, "Affirmative Action Under Fire," Daily Evergreen) in which Ms. Jacklin, Director of Affirmative Action, implies that the Affirmative Action Office has been responsive to the needs of our communities. In keeping with the central administrations method of dealing with minority needs, concerns, and requests, it was again obvious in this interview with Ms. Jacklin that there were numerous distortions and misrepresentations. Seemingly deliberate attempts were also made to avoid dealing with basic issues.

"Communication ties were severed between these groups and the Affirmative Action Office because of blatant insensitivity on the part of the director.' (JACL comment-the Black community representatives had also withdrawn its support as well. It should also be remembered that Executive Vice President Beasley is in charge of the Affirmative Action Office and WSU's AA efforts.

(2) A news article dated, February 26, 1975. Daily Evergreen, "Minorities express frustration," by Joel Pease.

'Editor's note: Two teams from the Office of Civil Rights in Seattle are in Pullman evaluating student services to make sure they are complying with federal civil rights laws.

"The Affirmative Action program at WSU was established according to its guidelines, "to rectify the effects of past discrimination," but after a year and a half of operation, minorities are still expressing frustration and disappointment with the University's hiring practices.

(3) A news article dated, March 1975, Daily Evergreen, "Minorities upset with Beasley."

"On Wednesday, Feb. 26, in an article on Affirmative Action, the Evergreen quoted you as stating, 'The qualification problem can be overlooked in Native American Programs, Black Studies, and Chicano Studies ... But when the chemistry department, for example, is looking for a chemist they are not willing to make a sacrifice for minorities in terms of qualifications.

"We the undersigned Black faculty of WSU, feel this statement reflects a negative attitude on your part toward minority studies programs and that it is a special slur against the academic qualifications of the individuals who presently teach in the above programs. This statement is not only insensitive, undiplomatic, and unsophisticated, it is insulting to an established academic program and every minority professor at this Uni-

(The open letter was signed by 13 Black professors.)

(4) A letter dated, October 5, 1977, from a minority faculty member.

"With regard to the Affirmative Action Council, all minority groups have either withdrawn or boycotted the Affirmative Council." (JACL Comment-we understand that the council is in the process of being reconstituted, whether this has been done is un-

known to us.) (AA Office) is essentially a statistical gathering office to protect the University by assuring that it meets the minimal legal requirements of affirmative action. This office serves primarily the administration of the University."

"The blame for the poor performance should not be totally directed at the ineptness of the directors of the Affirmative Action Office, but probably resides primarily with the high administrative officials ...

AN INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT OF THE STATUS OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION AT WASHINGTON STATE UNI-Oct. 21, 1977. "This report was initiated at the request of Regent Dr. D. Chakravarti, and was subsequently sanctioned by all members of the Board of Regents and the President of the University, Dr. Terrell. This re-port, therefore, is directed to the Board of Regents through the Office of the President.

"Minorities expressed their concern to me that the deans and department chairmen appear too uninformed, uninterested. and even antagonistic to affirmative action." (p. 4)

"Minorities at Washington State University see the Affirmative Action Office as meeting only the minimal legal requirements and feel that there is a disregard for the intent of the law "

V. RECRUITMENT OF ASIAN AMERICAN STUDENTS

A. PC statement by Beas-

ley: Maybe there was this need among Asian Americans, but we were not made aware of it. We are willing to recruit Asians, if someone wants to beat the drums among Asian communities about WSU," he said.

JACL Response

Three years ago, an Assistant Director of Admissions requested monies for the recruitment of Asian Americans. Request was denied, according to the Assistant Director, by Dr. Beasley's office. This was confirmed by telephone on Nov. 1, 1977, by the JACL.

The JACL also has learned from:

(1) A memorandum dated June 2, 1977, to Stan Berry, Di-rector of Admissions, regarding recruitment by the University of Washington of Asian Americans in Spokane, suggesting the same.

One other point the JACL would like to make is that the responsibility for recruitment does not lie with the minority communities, but with the University.

VI. RELAYING CORRECT INFORMATION

PC statement by Beasley: Beasley said he has "tried my best" to relay the correct information regarding the entire situation.

JACL Response

Dr. Beasley has never sent any information voluntarily, despite oral commitment on Nov. 6, 1977, to furnish the JACL with any information relevant to their inquiry and when asked for information, has not fully complied. Information regarding amount of monies allocated to the 3 minority studies programs was requested as early as Oct. 18, 1977 and again on Nov. 6, 1977 and more recently in a letter dated, Dec. 27, 1977, sent by our attorney in which additional information was also requested. Since a deadline was set at the last request, the matter has been turned over to the Washington State Attorney General's Office for action.

The JACL has also learned from:

A letter dated Oct. 5, 1977,

from a WSU minority faculty member

"There have been a series of complaints by the directors of the various minority groups in not having access to statistical data of the Affirmative Action Office, particularly if it reflects poorly on the University.

VII. ASIAN AMERICANS NOT ATTRACTED TO WSU

A. PC statement by Beasley: Beasley said charges that the University has failed to attract Asian Americans are "patently false." "I do not believe Asian Americans are discriminated against ... most of them are on tenure track."

JACL Response

No allegations were made by the JACL in the HEW administrative complaint or the news release that most Asian Americans were not tenured. We requested this information on Nov. 6, 1977 and again on Dec. 27, 1977, and WSU still has failed to release the data. If the information is so favorable to WSU, why hasn't it been released to the JACL?

It is difficult to believe that WSU would be attractive to Asian American faculty considering its failure to support the Asian American Studies Center and

Pacific Citizen-7 Friday, Feb. 24, 1978 Scholar, the attitude of many

deans and department heads regarding affirmative action, and the dissatisfaction that many minority faculty have regarding the sensitivity of the central administration on their needs and problems as has been indicated previously in news articles, letters, memoranda, and other documents.

Furthermore, the JACL has learned from:

(1) A letter dated, March 23, 1976, written by Dr. Beasley to the Executive Director of the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs. (It was conveyed to Dr. Beasley at this meeting that the climate for Asian Americans at Washington State University in past years and presently was nothing to be proud of ...)

"I was surprised at some of the elements that issued from our conversations and I propose to follow up on them, particularly those allegations that Washington State University has not been a comfortable place for Asian Americans as students or facul-

VIII. THE ANTHONY WONG CASE

Mr. Wong presently has an independent cause of action pending with Equal Employment Opportunity Center, therefore JACL is not at liberty to comment on the matter at this time.

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NEW YORK-Any day now, U.S. Attorney David Trager will decide whether to set aside the conviction of Kenneth Chin.

After the U.S. Supreme Court refused last month to hear the case of Elizabeth Young and Kenneth Chin, the Young/Chin Legal Aid Committee resolved to continue fighting until the couple are exonerated.

In light of the Solicitor General's recommendation of acquittal for Ken, because of insufficient evidence to spiring to illegally transport and receive a firearm, his lawyer has requested Attornev Trager to agree to set aside the conviction.

The Young/Chin Legal Aid Committee, 199 Lafayette St., New York City 10012, urged mailgrams of support be sent to U.S. Attorney Trager, Eastern District of New York, 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11201, with a confirmation copy to the legal aid com-

pc's people

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gram. Nakamura and 101 other high school students spent a week in Washington interning in Senate offices and received a \$1,500 Hearst scholarship ... Achievement of aca-demic excellence was awarded for the winter semester at Reedley College to Joni Kawakami, Laurie Nagata and Denise Tsuji for perfect grades. Dean's list students include Lisa Hatakeda, Frank Ikuta, Carolyn Mizuno, Doris Takayama, Joanne Tsuji, Diane Yamamoto and Lisa Yamashiro.

John Hotta, an El Cerrito High School student, was a recipient of the DAR Good Citizenship Award, Toison de Oro chapter ... A \$4,000 grant for study in the food marketing management program at the USC School of Business Administration has been awarded to Glen Nakao, an operations manager of Refrigerated Foods in Los Angeles. Scholarships are offered to part-time and full-time em-ployees of retail or wholesale food distributors who are eligible for membership in several food associations. Nakao plans to study for his

Milestones

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a Guinness world record after driving a Toyota Corolla 2,760 miles on one 62-gallon tank of gas. The men left Lynchburg Jan. 25 and drove to Riverside, Calif. four days later. They were met by officials at Riverside International Raceway and drove the parade lap of the NASCAR Winston Western 500 there. The Guinness record of 1,900 miles was broken near El Paso, Tex. on the third day of their journey. The previous record was set in 1961 by two Englishmen who drove from Oxford to Moscow on 62 gallons of gas.

Organizations

Joanne Kumamoto, of Los Angeles, was chosen for a Coro Foundation leadership training program aimed at women over 30. As an intern in the pioneer group, Mrs. Kumamoto will work in fields related to government, business, unions, community organizations and either radio, television or newspapers. She works as a staff member for the City Volunteer Corps in Mayor Bradley's office. . . . Mutsuo Higashi, Rosemead, received the Silver Beaver from the Boy Scouts of America, Los Angeles Area

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named vice president of the Baca County Republican Women's Club.

The Rev. Ron Takemoto, a Sansei priest and graduate student at Stanford University, addressed annual Anjali winter retreat at Dillon, Colo., last month. His father is the Rev. Art Takemoto who serves with the Buddhist temple in Orange County, Calif. ... Watsonville's Fred Nitta was honored by the Western Adult Buddhist League for his long service in supporting Buddhist youth activities. Nitta, who has attended every Young Buddhist Assn. meeting since the early 1930s, was honored Feb. 4 in San Jose.

Sports

Jerry Ashida, a quarterback for the Crowley County High School Chargers in Ordway, Colo., was named to the Santa Fe League All Conference Team. Jerry, a junior, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lucky Ashida ... Dean Akiyama, who played in the secondary for East High's football team last fall, was named to the second team of the all-Denver prep league defense. A versatile athlete, Akiyama last spring was named to the all-Denver prep baseball second team for his play at second base. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mas Akiyama.

ASIA'S

Kerry Shimizu, a senior at River Dell (N.J.) Regional High School, was named a first-string back on several all-star soccer teams, including All-League, All-Suburban, All-Bergen County, All-North Jersey, 1st team All-state group 3, and finally to the 3rd team All-state All Groups. Shimizu, a 5-7, 235-lb. halfback, has been visited by numerous college soccer recruiters, including Columbia, Brandeis and Boston College. When named River Dell's most outstanding soccer player for 1977, his coach lauded him as probably the best allaround soccer player the school has had in the last 10 years in terms of technique and tactical understand-

'Giant killer" Maureen (Peanut) Louie of San Francisco captured the \$20,000 Avon Futures tournament in San Carlos recently with a 7-6, 6-2 victory over Ruta Gerulaitis of Kings Point, N.Y. The 17-year-old amateur has ousted top-seeted Ann Kiyomura of San Mateo in the first round and veteran Lesley Hunt in the semi-finals. Louie's \$2,800 prize went to the Women's Tennis Assn. so she could maintain her amateur status.

Ken Maeda, of Japan, was named head coach of the Canadian men's national volleyball team. Maeda coached the national Pakistan team from April 1976 to October 1977. He replaces Bill Neville, who resigned.

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