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## 'A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE'

### Tanforan: racetrack is no more

#### San Francisco

In observance of "A Day of Remembrance" Bay Area community Japanese American organizations are banding together Feb. 19 to form a caravan to the site of the Tanforan Assembly Center in San Bruno.

At an initial meeting on Jan. 11 in the Masao Satow Bldg., Carol Hayashino was appointed chairperson of the Tanforan Committee. Tentative plans dis-

cussed were:

(1) assemblage points in San Francisco, Eastbay and Peninsula, (2) printing of posters, leaflets and auto identification, (3) program with noted speakers for a short ceremony at the Tanforan site, and (4) funds to finance the project.

Feb. 19 was the date in 1942 President Franklin Roosevelt issued Executive Order No. 9066, and when in 1976 was the day President Gerald Ford gave "An American Promise" by rescinding the Order. It is hoped by a large

public display the American people will be made conscious of the events in the history of the Japanese Americans leading up to their incarceration without trial or guilt.

The Tanforan racetrack is no more with a shopping center now occupying what was the wartime assembly center area. But there stands a plaque noting ... "In 1942, Tanforan became a temporary as-

sembly center for over 4,000 persons of Japanese ancestry who were to be interned for the duration of World War II". Plaque says Tanforan opened in 1899 and had racing seasons until it burned down in 1964.

Any donation to help defray expenses will be gladly acknowledged. Checks are payable to

Tanforan Committee, 1767 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115.

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**SOME REMEMBER**—San Francisco Bay Area Japanese Americans were assembled at Tanforan Racetrack in the spring-summer of 1942 because of the war. Horse stalls (above scene) were remodeled into living quarters. On Feb. 19, many will observe "A Day of Remembrance" by assembling again at Tanforan (now a Shopping Center) as a reminder of what transpired and express hope that it not be repeated.

## Tight-spending pressure still straps JACL programming

By HARRY HONDA

#### San Francisco

Till 1979 membership funds allow, the JACL administration was cautioned this past week to maintain close watch on current expenditures.

The National JACL Executive Committee (EXECOM), meeting over the Jan. 26-28 weekend here with President Clifford Uyeda presiding, issued the caution to Headquarters staff, nat'l committee chairpersons and youth.

While no figures were released, national treasurer George Kodama said that JACL is currently operating from borrowed funds.

Kodama said programs, though authorized an allocation of funds in the budget, are subject to review for implementation since membership, just starting to come, is inadequate. A youth workshop proposal, for instance, out of the \$42,000 allocated in the budget, was being held up. In the past, such programs were approved early in the biennium because of sufficient JACL reserves.

While most committee reports were presented by EXECOM members as oversight officials, some chairpersons were invited to submit theirs in person. They were:

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## Set Day of Remembrance rites in Little Tokyo

In Los Angeles, the PSW-JACL Redress Committee and Manzanar Committee are co-sponsors of the "Day of Remembrance" program on Monday, Feb. 19, in front of the old Nishi Hongwanji Temple on No. Central Ave., starting at 1 p.m.

Shisei Tsuneishi, an Issei who was in Heart Mountain, Wyo., and Betty Kozasa, a Nisei, will be among the speakers of the day. A presentation by the East-West Players, resolutions from both the city and

county commenting on Japanese American evacuation, a vocal number by Warren Furutani, display of camp life and Japanese folk-dancing, to be taught by Mrs. Grace Harada, are scheduled.

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## Continuation of:

Serialization

## YANKEE SAMURAI

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Another JACL contact ...

Washington JACL Representative Ron Ikejiri (right) continues to make the rounds in the Nation's Capitol—the latest being with the junior senator from California, Sen. S. I. Hayakawa, at his office in the Dirksen Bldg. Principal areas discussed included redress, U.S.-Japan relations and its effects on Japanese Americans, and minority concerns in the U.S.

## Hayakawa named to Senate foreign relations committee

#### Washington

Sen. S. I. Hayakawa (R-Calif.) was selected by the Republican Committee on Committees to serve on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Jan. 18. He will remain on the Senate Agriculture Committee. Here's his statement upon learning of the appointment.

"I am delighted and honored that I have been appointed to serve on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Being born of Japanese parents and brought up in Canada with a strong Brit-

ish education, I have always seen America's foreign affairs problems from a somewhat special perspective.

"I believe the Foreign Relations Committee is one in which I can serve America and California especially well. California's proximity to Mexico and therefore to the problems of Latin America, as well as its position as the gateway to the Orient, gives us a particular sensitivity to events abroad.

"Given the timid and don't-rock-the-boat attitude that pervades the foreign policy establishment in our government, I think a Western voice can add a great deal to the vigor of discussions on our international relations."

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## CENSUS COUNT ON RACIAL INTERMARRIAGE

### Increasing, but only 1% nationally

#### Washington

Interracial marriages of all kinds continue to increase, the Census Bureau said in its report, "Perspectives on American Husbands and Wives", issued Jan. 13. But they still comprise less than 1% of the 48 million married couples in the United States.

Between the 1960 and 1970 censuses, the number of married couples consisting of husbands and wives of different races in-

creased from 148,000 to 310,000 (108%). Corresponding increase between 1970 and 1977 was 36% from 310,000 to 421,000.

Blacks and whites accounted for 125,000 of those marriages, the bureau said, an increase of 60,000 (92%) over the 1970 figure of 65,000. Black women are much less likely to marry outside their race than black men, white women or white men, the report noted.

(Pending receipt of the 1977 report, here is the Japanese picture as noted in the 1970 Census Bureau report, "Marital Status", published in the May 31, 1974, Pacific Citizen.)

As of 1970, there were 591,290 Japanese in the United States. And 276,920 (46%) said they were married at one time or the other. The sampling that followed was based on a 5%

sample.

Of the 276,000 Japanese who were married as of the 1970 Census, 66,000 or 24% were married to non-Japanese. The length of their marriages can be assessed as follows:

When Married	Both-J	Mixed
Pre-1939	53,860	15,994
1940-49	49,680	3,183
1950-59	55,438	17,158
1960-69	52,006	17,675

Of the 66,000 Japanese mixed marriages, Nikkei women outnumbered the men in marrying outside their race, as noted in the next table:

Non-J Spouse	J-Hsb	J-Wife
White	9,872	44,138
Chinese	1,294	2,418
Filipino	608	1,995
Negro	137	1,793
Mexican	517	852
Puerto Rican	110	220
Other Hispanic	480	870
Am Indian	130	235

Over 126,000 (46%) couples lived in the central city, 81,000 (30%) in the ur-

ban fringe and 69,000 (25%) in the rural area. Of the 66,000 Japanese mixed couples, nearly 46,000 (70%) lived in the rural area.

Geographically, Japanese couples were spread out as follows:

Area	Both-J	Mixed
Northeast	12,196	7,823
North Central	10,986	9,515
South	5,066	10,383
West	182,738	38,213

And the geographic picture by mixed marriage only shows:

Area	J-Hsb	J-Wife
Northeast	1,600	6,223
North Central	1,716	7,799
South	1,248	9,135
West	9,012	29,201

The Census Bureau divided the nation in four parts: NORTH-EAST—Nine states north and east of Pennsylvania; NORTH CENTRAL—Twelve states in midwest; SOUTH—Sixteen states from Texas to Delaware; WEST—Thirteen states north to west of New Mexico, Alaska and Hawaii.

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## Mineta named to Smithsonian board

#### Washington

House Speaker Tip O'Neill appointed Rep. Norman Mineta Jan. 18 on the Smithsonian Institution board of regents, a governing body composed of the Vice President, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, three Representatives, three Senators and nine citizen members.



## EXECOM

Continued from Front Page

Henry Sakai, travel; Mikio Uchiyama, constitutional convention; Frank Kasama, Comm for A-bomb Survivors; Ben Takeshita, personnel.

Other committee reports covered were given by:

Frank Iwama, Dr Jim Tsujimura, Floyd Shimomura, Lily Okura, Steve Nakashima, George Kodama, Cathy Hironaka, Dr. Uyeda, Karl Nobuyuki and Staff.

## Building to start at Salt Lake complex

## Salt Lake City

The Multi-Ethnic Center Complex is expected to unfold as construction is scheduled to begin in March for the high rise senior citizens project, to be situated west of Salt Palace.

The Salt Lake City Redevelopment Agency acquired Salt Palace properties in December to be turned over to the Multi-Ethnic Housing Corp. A municipal multi-purpose center is being planned in conjunction with high rise.

Complex has had support from the Chicano, Asian, Black, Greek and other minorities.

## For the Record

Longtime readers will have recognized the inadvertent switching of the pictures of Kumeo Yoshinari and Shigeki Sugiyama by the printers in last week's PC on Page 3. We regret the slip.—Ed.

Sakai said his travel committee is worried that if the APEX program becomes effective over the Pacific, it may wipe the JACL travel program as presently organized with elimination of the Group Affinity-100 fares.

Judge Uchiyama said key issues facing the constitutional convention could be the citizenship requirement, proportional representation and restructure. Shimomura added

## PC seeks update on scholarships

With the 7th annual Pacific Citizen Directory of "Local JACL Scholarships" now scheduled the first week of March, local JACL chapters which administer or offer local programs are invited to submit the following information to the PC (attn.: Sharon Suzuki) by Feb. 20:

(a) Name and address of chapter scholarship chairperson, (b) number and the amount of local awards.

## Satow Fund: Tops \$32,000

## San Francisco

Year-end financial report of the JACL-Mas and Chiz Satow Memorial Fund shows a total of 1,087 have contributed \$32,817.56 toward the gathering of resources and writing of the JACL history. All contributions to this fund are tax-deductible. Send them to: JACL-MSMP, c/o Hiro Akahoshi, Sumitomo Bank of California, 365 Califor-

ed a draft may be ready for consideration at the Tri-District Conference (Fresno Holiday Inn, April 20-22). Washington representative Ron Ikejiri figures the new constitution is setting JACL into the year 2000.

To insure a synchronization of the near-40 committees and sharing of accountability for direction, a communication channel between EX-ECOM and the Committees with the Vice President and National Executive Director in between was defined as administrative policy.

Since HQ does not have a complete list of what each chapter dues are, Shimomura suggested a \$20 initial-year-only membership dues when remitted through Headquarters.

The National Board is slated to meet May 18-20 at San Francisco but some discussion surfaced to meet in conjunction with the Tri-District Conference in Fresno.

nia St., San Francisco, Ca 94104.

## No. 7—November, 1978

\$5-\$75: Nobuo Furuyie, Clarence Miyashiro, Kazumi Watanabe, Toshio Uyeji, Mas Takasumi, K. Yamaguchi, Ailene Hamamoto, Tadashi Sakuma, Martin Natsuhara, Roy Shimaji, Denby Nakashima, Hideo Tanaka, Hiroshi Kanda, Takeshi J. Kawamura, Stanley Nagata, Mas Yoshimoto, George Matsuyama, George Abe, Toshio Hoshide, Irene Nonaka, George J. Ichiyasu, Yasushi Ito, S. Yamato, Jerry Irei, Harry M. Shirachi, Thomas Ikeda, Takao Misaki, Arthur Kaihatsu, Ard Kozono, James S. Konishi, Kiyoshi Higuchi, Roy T. Yamada, George Iwasaki, Samuel Kumagai, Fred T. Kataoka, Hiroshi Shikuma, Benjamin M. Hiraga, Frank A. Endo, Dick S. Fujii, Fred Sakuda, Yoshiaki Eto, Yoshio Fujita.

\$100: Jack Tshura, Tulie Miura, Kumeo Yoshinari  
\$300: Yas Abiko  
\$500: Steve Mayeda  
\$700: Hi Akagi

## No. 8—December, 1978

\$5-\$50—Donald J. Hogan, Nick Takasaka, Masahiro Kasahara, Mitsuji Abe, Lois S. Asahara, Major Frank A. Titus, Eimi Kuramoto, Dr. Himeo Tsumori, Min Takiguchi, Saburo Nakagawa, Izumi Taniguchi, Dr. Tetsuro Fujii, Yaeko Tokuwaga, Janet T. Long, Tomiko Moritoshi, Henry Tada, Henry Uyeda, Dr. Y.F. Fujikawa.

\$100—Yoneo Bepp, Mas Oji.

## Satow Fund Summary—Dec. 31, 1978

As of Oct. '78	1,019	\$29,206.00
No. 7—Nov. '78	48	2,784.45
No. 8—Dec. '78	20	777.11
Total	1,087	\$32,817.56

## Assemblyman Mori chairs budget panel

## Sacramento, Ca.

The State Assembly leadership assigned Assemblyman Floyd Mori (D-Pleasanton) to chair the Ways & Means subcommittee on state administration, which reviews over 500 items in the governor's budget dealing with personnel, Justice Dept. and the Agricultural Labor Relations Board and other state commissions and regulatory boards.

Mori said he welcomed the opportunity to examine the budgets of scores of state agencies and to insure unnecessary programs are eliminated.

## Deaths

Aiko Igasaki, 71, of Montebello, Ca., died Jan. 24 after a prolonged illness. Surviving are h Masao (charter Los Angeles JACL president, 1929), s Masao Jr (Chicago), John, d Jean Katano, 8 gc, br Charles and Tib Kamayatsu.

## PC Directory: 1979 Memberships

Membership fee (after name of chapter) reflects the 1979 rate for Single and Couple. Thousand Club members contribute \$50 and up, but their spouse (x) may enroll at the special rate as shown; otherwise, the Single member rate applies. Student dues (y) do not include PC subscription but such members may subscribe at the JACL rate (\$7). Dues are payable and remitted to the JACL Chapter of the individual's choice. z—Retired sr citizens

As of February 2, 1979

## PACIFIC NORTHWEST

**Columbia Basin (\$22.50-40, y\$7 z\$17.50)**.....Edward M Yamamoto  
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Rt 1 Box 187, Gresham, Or 97030  
**Mid-Columbia (\$?)**.....Ron Yamashita  
3790 Mountain View Dr, Hood River, Ore 97031  
**Portland (\$?)**.....Nobi Azumano  
2802 SE Moreland Lane, Portland, Or 97202  
**Puyallup Valley (\$20-35, y\$5, z\$10)**.....Hana Yoshida  
5402 Pacific Ave, Tacoma, Wa 98404  
**Seattle (\$22.50-40)**.....John Matsumoto  
c/o 316 Maynard Av S, Seattle, Wa 98104  
**Spokane (\$?)**.....Marcelline Terao  
378 E 7th, Spokane, Wa 99202  
**White River Valley (\$?)**.....Hiro Nakai  
917 - 40th Ave S, Auburn, Wa 98002

## PACIFIC SOUTHWEST

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**Carson (\$17.50-35)**.....Nita Baird  
23207 S Marigold Ave, Torrance, Ca 90502  
**Coachella Valley (\$16.50-33)**.....Kaye Musashi  
43-712 Main St, Indio, Ca 92201  
**Downtown L.A. (\$20-40)**.....Glen Pacheco  
c/o Cal 1st Bank, 120 S San Pedro, L.A. 90012  
**East Los Angeles (\$20-40)**.....Michi Obi  
111 St Albans Ave, South Pasadena, Ca 91030  
**Gardena Valley (\$22-40)**.....Dudley Otake  
P O Box 2361, Gardena, Ca 90247  
**Greater Pasadena Area (\$?)**.....Bob Uchida  
852 S Los Robles, Pasadena, Ca 91106  
**Hollywood (\$23-40)**.....Toshiko Ogita  
2017 Ames St, Los Angeles, Ca 90027  
**Imperial Valley (\$20-35)**.....Jaime Kobayashi  
PO Box 456, Westmoreland, Ca 92281  
**Las Vegas (\$10)**.....Mae Fisher  
5954 Lampel, Las Vegas, Nv 89119  
**Long Beach (\$?)**.....Lloyd Inui  
817 Kallin Ave, Long Beach, Ca 90815  
**Marina South (\$20-37.50)**.....c/o George Kodama  
13055-4 Mindanao Way, Marina del Rey, Ca 90291  
**Metro L.A. (\$?)**.....Donna Osugi  
340 S Lafayette Park Pl, Los Angeles, Ca 90026  
**New Age (\$?)**.....  
(See West Los Angeles JACL)  
**North San Diego (\$?)**.....Hiro Honda  
1120 Chestnut Ave, Carlsbad, Ca 92008  
**Orange County (\$22-40)**.....Betty Oka, Karen Kaizuka  
13228 Ferndale Ave, Garden Grove, Ca 92644  
**Pan-Asian (\$20-38)**.....Karen Kishi  
PO Box 189, Monterey Park, Ca 91754  
**Pasadena (\$20-38)**.....Sally C Tsujimoto  
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**Progressive Westside (\$?)**.....Toshiko Yoshida  
5156 Sunlight Pl, Los Angeles, Ca 90016  
**Riverside (\$17.50-35)**.....Doris Higa  
7166 Orchard, Riverside, Ca 92504  
**San Diego (\$17.50-35; y\$5, z\$15)**.....John Dunkle  
PO Box 2548, San Diego, Ca 95112  
**San Gabriel (\$20-35)**.....Fumi Kiyan  
1423 S Sunset Ave, West Covina, Ca 91790  
**San Fernando Valley (\$22-38)**.....Mitzi Kushida  
11641 Porter Valley Dr, Northridge, Ca 91324  
**San Luis Obispo (\$15-30)**.....Ken Kitasako  
906 Fair Oaks Ave, Arroyo Grande, Ca 93420  
**Santa Barbara (\$18-34)**.....Reiko Uyesaka  
1236 E De la Guerra, Santa Barbara, Ca 93103  
**Santa Maria (\$20-35)**.....Sam Iwamoto  
605 E Chapel St, Santa Maria, Ca 93454  
**Selanoco (\$20-37.50)**.....Evelyn Hanki  
12381 Andy St, Cerritos, Ca 90701  
**South Bay (\$20-40)**.....Thomas Shigekuni  
400 Union Bank Tower, Torrance, Ca 90503  
**Venice-Culver (\$23-38)**.....Frances Kitagawa  
1110 Berkeley Dr, Marina del Rey, Ca 90291  
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292 Walnut Dr, Oxnard, Ca 93030  
**West Los Angeles (\$20-38)**.....Steve K Yagi  
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**Wilshire (\$25-40)**.....Alice Nishikawa  
234 S Oxford, Los Angeles, Ca 90004

## INTERMOUNTAIN

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**Idaho Falls (\$?)**.....Gary Koyama  
1385 First St, Idaho Falls, Id 93401  
**Mt Olympus (\$?)**.....Mary Takemori  
170 Pioneer St, Midvale, Ut 84047  
**Pocatello-Blackfoot (\$20-40)**.....Marie Proctor  
1605 Monte Vista Dr, Pocatello, Idaho 83201  
**Salt Lake (\$?)**.....Mark I Tsuyuki  
2754 Hartford St, Salt Lake City, Ut 84106  
**Snake River Valley (\$?)**.....David Mizuta  
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**Wasatch Front North (\$?)**.....Curtis Oda  
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Clearfield, UT 84015

## MOUNTAIN-PLAINS

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**Fort Lupton (\$17.50)**.....Joe Sasaki  
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**Houston (\$?)**.....Harvey M Onishi  
5118 Jackwood, Houston, Tex 77096  
**Mid-Hi (\$?)**.....Lillian Uba  
6200 E 5th Ave, Denver, Col 80220  
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7017 - 4th St NW, Albuquerque, NM 87107  
**Omaha (\$17-34)**.....Mrs Mary Y Smith  
3006 Mason, Omaha, Nb 68105  
**San Luis Valley (\$?)**.....Shirow Enomoto  
P.O. Box 750, Alamosa, Co 81101

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**Berkeley (\$20-35, y\$6)**.....Terry Yamashita  
West Cal Realty, 1700 Solano, Berkeley, Ca 94707  
**Contra Costa (\$21-38, y\$6)**.....John Shinagawa  
3011 Phillips Ct, Richmond, Ca 94806  
**Cortez (\$17.50-35, y\$6)**.....Roger Masuda  
14925 W El Capitan, Delhi, Ca 95315  
**Diablo Valley (\$20-36.50, x\$16.50)**.....Nancy A. Noma  
111 Appalacian Dr, Martinez, Ca 94553  
**Eden Township (\$17-34, y\$5)**.....Ichiro Nishida  
875 Elgin St, San Lorenzo, Ca 94580  
**Florin (\$17.50-35)**.....Catherine Taketa  
1324 - 56th St, Sacramento, Ca 95819  
**Fremont (\$?)**.....Herb Izuno  
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**French Camp (\$18-35)**.....Hideo Morinaka  
612 W Wolfe Rd, French Camp, Ca 94580  
**Gilroy (\$20-40)**.....Lawson Sakai  
PO Box 308, Gilroy, Ca 95020  
**Livingston-Merced (\$20-40)**.....Sherman Kishi  
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**Lodi (\$20-40)**.....Henry Oga  
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**Marin County (\$22-38, y\$5)**.....Sam Shimomura  
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**Marysville (\$18.50-37)**.....Ray Kyono  
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**Monterey Peninsula (\$24-40)**.....Pet Nakasako  
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**Oakland (\$19.50-25)**.....Sam Okimoto  
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**Placer County (\$?)**.....Frank Hironaka  
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**Reno (\$17.50-34)**.....Mrs Kiks Wada  
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**Sacramento (\$22-40, y\$15)**.....Percy Masaki  
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**Salinas Valley (\$?)**.....Henry Kuramoto  
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**San Jose (\$20-28)**.....Sharon Kuwabara  
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**San Mateo (\$22-40, y\$5)**.....Grayce Kato  
1636 Celeste Ave, San Mateo, Ca 94402  
**Sequoia (\$?)**.....Adrian Itaya  
786 Sunshine Dr, Los Altos, Ca 94022  
**Solano County (\$20-35)**.....Leo Hosoda  
1760 Marshall Rd, Vacaville, Ca 95688  
**Sonoma Count (\$25-50, x\$20, y\$5)**.....Frank Oda  
1615 W Third St, Santa Rosa, Ca 95401  
**Stockton (\$19-37)**.....May & Teddy Saiki  
1928 S Grant St, Stockton, Ca 95206  
**Tri-Valley (\$20-35)**.....Mrs Sally Morimoto  
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**West Valley (\$20-35, y\$16.50)**.....Jane Miyamoto  
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## CENTRAL CALIFORNIA

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**Delano (\$18-36)**.....Mas Takaki  
1618 Belmont St, Delano, Ca 93215  
**Fowler (\$18-35)**.....George Miyasaki  
2859 E Adams Ave, Fresno, Ca 93725  
**Fresno (\$19-36)**.....Sally Slocum  
348 N Echo, Fresno, Ca 93701  
**Parlier (\$18-35)**.....Mrs Ito Okamura  
11630 E Manning, Selma, Ca 93662  
**Reedley (\$16.50-33)**.....George Ikuta  
1170 N East Ave, Reedley, Ca 93654  
**Sanger (\$18-33)**.....Kelly Ishimoto  
4188 S Bethel, Del Rey, Ca 93616  
**Selma (\$20-40)**.....Roy Misaki  
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**Tulare County (\$18.50-38)**.....Maude Ishida  
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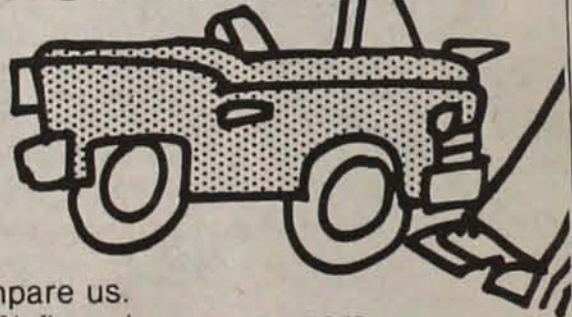
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## EASTERN

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# first friday feature

## Moving Day, 1918

By Mary Fujii Henshall

● Mary Fujii Henshall responded to an open invitation in 1971 for local Issei stories and submitted the saga of Henry Fujii—her father, who was to become a Boise Valley pioneer and Japanese community leader. That was the year the Holiday Issue featured a variety of Issei stories ... Here's a more intimate look of a single event that transpired over 60 years ago.

Twice in my life I moved to Nampa, Idaho. The first time was in 1918. The second time was fifty years later in 1968. Those two moves tell a tale of contrasts between yesterday and yesterday.

For the '68 move from Arizona, my fingers walked a yellow page and stopped at Mayflower. Right off, my 18-year-old daughter Michiko and I encountered a hardship all Pilgrims must face—deciding what to take and how to dispose of what junk not to take. We started three piles: take, give-away, throw-away. When I tossed a faded baby quilt on the give-away pile, she picked it up with a look of outraged tragedy in her eyes.

"Mother, you can't give away my favorite quilt!"

Once these aching decisions were made, everything from bird cage to piano was turned over to the strong men of Mayflower. I loaded my station wagon with some life necessities that couldn't be entrusted to Mayflower, like 17 houseplants and a gallon mayonnaise jar of fancy guppies. Michiko embarked in her Toyota with such valuables as her violin and BB the cat, and we began a 1,000-mile sightseeing tour north to our new home.

If the Speedwell and Mayflower had anxious moments staying together, so did we. The National Parks and wide open spaces were easy, but traffic lights in strange cities are timed, so help me, to separate cars trying to stay together.

When we arrived in Nampa, there were our things, transported as if by magic carpet. The Pilgrims never had it so good.

Neither did my family just fifty years before.

For that move, my father, Henry Fujii, a young pioneer in Emmett, Idaho since 1907 first sold his Model T and bought a new Ford truck for \$500. Not a whole truck, mind you, but just what was called a running gear. It looked like a skeleton with a complete head. The head was a sharp four-cylinder engine under a shiny, black hood. There was a plate glass windshield but no cab to protect us from sun, dust, wind, or rain and snow. The rest was the skeleton; a live, moving skeleton.

With hammer and saw in hand and a mouthful of nails, Papa built a wooden truck bed with sideboards to keep our worldly goods from falling off. He made a wooden seat and nailed on either side an apple box for Ida, five, and Howard, three. I was the baby, and Mama would carry me all the way, seated on the homemade seat. Innersprings? No such thing! Only flat zabuton.

My parents had been farming with the Hashitanis. It was a congenial partnership, for both young couples had been reared with the courteous togetherness and gentle manners of Japan. They had managed this in a little farm house with a lean-to here and an add-on there with no electricity, no running water, laundry by hand, 16-hour workday and all.

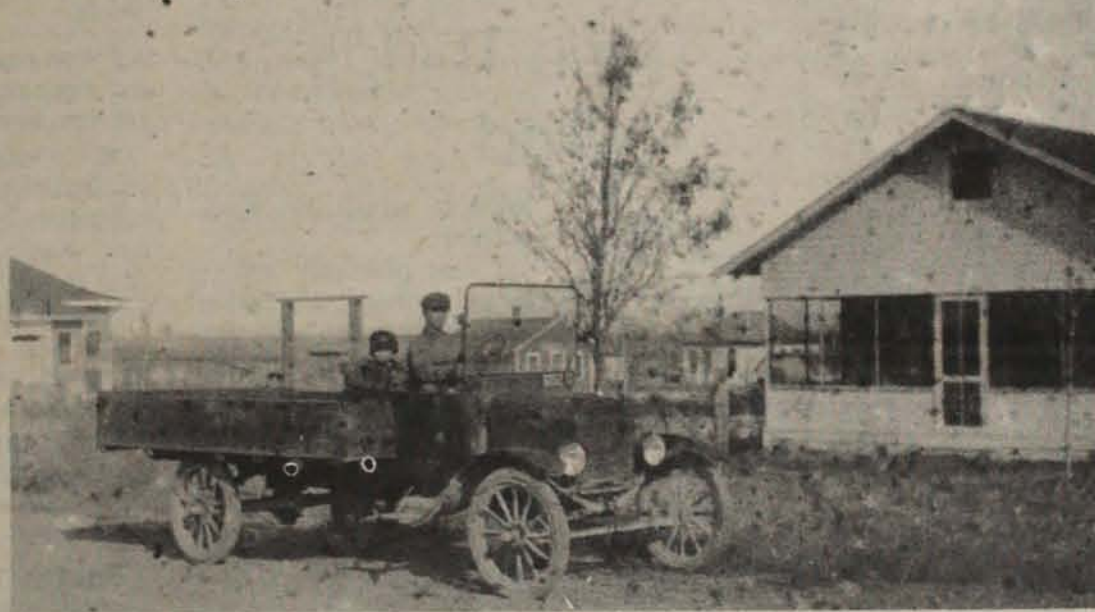
But the harmony under this little roof suffered as one blessed event after another took place. In just four and a half years there were three wee Fujiis scampering about amidst three lively Hashitani boys. Somehow we'd arrived in pairs so each child had a fighting partner in the other family.

In total defeat, they decided to end the partnerships—all of them—and the Fujiis would move to a new farm 42 miles away. The problem was now to divide

disappointed "Aahs."

We six tots, the innocent cause of all this, must have been playing underfoot, and as squabbles erupted, I'm wondering if our parents entertained thoughts of dividing us—Jan Ken Po!

Our half-share of lock, stock and barrel was carried out along with personal belongings like Papa's big black camera and box of plate glass negatives, the homemade baby bed, a box of Christmas ornaments. There were small items like two glass kerosene lamps which are now a lovely purple, a railroad lantern that still hangs in Papa's garage, a cast iron frying pan my mother still uses, water buckets, a few books, a Bible. There were heavier things like the tall kitchen cupboard, a one-horse plow, the three-horse plow, two hand cultivators, a potato planter,



IN the truck that made the move is writer Henshall's sister Ida and Roy Abe, a family friend. Henshall's father took the photo.

the household and farm items owned in common, from butter churn to house plows. There was no give-away pile to worry about. No houseplants, not guppies!

With youthful enthusiasm they agreed to divide things by means of a childhood game called Jan Ken Po. It's still an inarguable way for two people to make a decision or settle a disagreement. All you need is one hand each.

With fingers of one hand clasped into a fist, two people say Jan Ken Po. On "Po," each displays one of three hand positions. An open palm means paper. Two fingers are scissors which can cut the paper, thus winning. A fist is a stone that can break the scissors. If paper and stone appear, paper wins; it can wrap up a stone.

They selected two articles of like value, and the winner chose the one he wanted.

Jan Ken Po! Rocking chairs to the Fujiis. Hai!

Jan Ken Po! Hashitanis kept the round, oak kitchen table. Oh, such a nice table.

Jan Ken Po! Sewing machine to the Hashitanis—Mama wanted a new one anyway. And so it went, chairs, churn, cream separator, hand cultivators, hand plow, everything. The entire process was a comedy of suspense, delight and

pitchforks.

Half of the things were loaded onto the new Ford truck, the rest onto a team-drawn farm wagon with a wide bed, called a hayrack.

Moving day was in November when fall was bowing out to winter. Wagon and truck did not try to keep together like station wagon and Toyota in '68. My Uncle Suye, after a few hours of sleep, hit the trail by moonlight at 3:00 A.M. with team and wagon and with Kuro, the reluctant black cow in tow. In the morning, after last minute packing of beds and nighties, we climbed onto the loaded truck, the Fujii version of the Grapes of Wrath. An excited tot was bundled into each apple box, and the baby—me—was warmly wrapped for there was no cab to protect us from the November chill.

Papa checked the front tires. The wheels had wooden spokes like wagon wheels, but they boasted the wonder of air-filled tubes that cushioned riders against bumps but got back at them by going flat at the slightest provocation. The rear tires were tubeless—solid rubber.

The next step was the arm-breaking job of cranking the trunk. I don't know whether the word cranky is supposed to describe the automobile or the man, but it is an appropriate idea either way.

In 1918 there were two road surfaces. If the weather was fair, you traveled the bumps and ruts in a cloud of dust. If it was unfair, you had mud and puddles to squish through. Luckily it was fair that day, for getting stuck meant a team of horses to pull us out, and the team and wagon were far ahead.

The 42 miles from Emmett to Nampa were through rolling hills across a sagebrush desert. The road trespassed through territory claimed by wildlife like skunks, prairie dogs, badgers, coyotes and many jackrabbits. If a golden eagle had been soaring with an updraft, his scanning eyes would have done a double take to see a speeding jackrabbit with a truck moving behind like a tortoise. We must have looked lost and lonely in the vast horizon-to-horizon landscape, a little Ford truck chugging along, stirring up a small storm of dust as it gradually gained on the wagon jolting along behind the plodding horses. In that wide sweep of sagebrush desert the chugging and bumping were the only sounds louder than the rustle of sage in the breeze.

At lunchtime, when the truck finally caught up with the wagon, Papa lifted the children down from their apple boxes for a happy romp, and Mama opened up the lunch of rice balls she had prepared. May and Belle, the horses, and Kuro the cow munched their lunch of hay, then sleepily rested their dusty feet. The three adults talked about what a long and tiring drive 42 miles is, then back to wagon, wooden truck seat and apple boxes. This time the truck took the lead, and the wagon was left rattling and creaking behind. After all, no cow, not even a strong-willed bovine like Kuro, can keep up with a new Ford bouncing the bumps at a speed of twenty miles per hour.

**As the chilly November night fell, we were a half-mile from our destination, stuck in a mudhole.**

As the chilly November night fell, we were a half-mile from our destination, stuck in a mudhole. A friendly new neighbor hitched up a team of horses and pulled us free.

Mama was cold and exhausted, and a lonely forsaken feeling came over her as we entered the empty, dark house. We waited in a shivery huddle while Papa searched for and unpacked a kerosene lamp. When he struck a match, lit the lamp and set it in the middle of the wooden plank floor, shadows danced grotesquely across the bare walls.

There were some leftover rice balls for the hungry kids, then quilts were hauled in and rolled out for us on the floor. As we slept my parents took on the urgent necessities, like struggling to unload and assemble a heavy wood stove and its black chimney pipes. My mother made her way down the lane and across the road in the dark to pump a bucket of water.

Back on the trail, my uncle continued by starlight. Around midnight, three miles short of journey's end, Kuro, ghostly white with dust, reached the end

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## DOWN TO EARTH: Karl Nobuyuki



### Off the Ground

San Francisco

There's no question that JACL's REDRESS campaign has gotten off the ground.

A great deal of public exposure has been given to the issue and much credit should be given to the REDRESS chair John Ta-teishi as well as our national president, Dr. Clifford Uyeda. As John has said in his earlier column, we "have moved on" to phase II.

Without wishing to be redundant, I think that it is important to reaffirm the fact that many JACLers are getting into the act. Numerous television interviews are taking place in local communities, creating positive public exposure to the REDRESS issue, as well as national exposure via UPI and AP. Of particular importance is that many individuals in the local communities, such as Curtis Ota from Wasatch Front North chapter in Utah, have gotten involved with their local TV station to present the Japanese American case for REDRESS.

While it is true there is opposition along with endorsement, most of us will agree that we expected this. And what seemed to be most clear in the opposition is that racial hatred and lack of understanding or agreement with our U.S. Constitution is at the crux of the controversy.

It is for that reason that we must, through our JACL chapters, join in the educational campaign and inform the American public, out of our concern as American citizens, why we believe the Supreme Court decisions on the Japanese American cases—Korematsu, Hirabayashi and Yasui—were wrong. It is important for us to emphasize that these ruling have made it perfectly legal for government to suspend guaranteed freedoms solely on the basis of ancestry and that we as JACLers believe that revocation of seven of the ten articles of the Bill of Rights on the basis of race should not remain as an active and viable principle of the administration of the government in this country. It is paramount that we inform our local communities, our peers and colleagues of the fact that JACL is extremely interested in revoking the legal basis of the Supreme Court's rulings on the three Japanese American cases through the Congress of the United States.

Along the same line, I believe we as JACLers must also come to grips with the error of our initial push in phase II of our campaign. This of course is in reference to allowing the issue of \$25,000 to sidetrack our perspective in pursuing fair and equal treatment for all Americans.

Yes, I'd be the first one to admit that the thrusting of the \$25,000 figure before the American people was wrong. At the same time, I must also admit that it did help the REDRESS campaign draw public attention. In the long run we will all have to come to grips with the basic underlying principles of REDRESS:

"That our government should not be allowed to suspend constitutional guarantees on the basis of race."

All of us are going to have to think of ways to help the REDRESS program continue on its course. We can't leave it up to the chairman and the committee to come up with all the answers. It is imperative for us to consider ways to begin to educate our local communities of the value and significance of REDRESS and principal concern that we have as an American people. The danger is clear that other Americans may be victims of a similar type action by government because of the legal precedent (authorization) given by the Supreme Court ruling on the Japanese American cases.

One parting comment on the \$25,000 amount that has been discussed: I think that it is important for all of us to remember that this is only one of many proposals that is presently being considered by the REDRESS Commit-

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# Comment, letters, features

## Are our civil rights being eroded?

To many Japanese Americans, any discussion of civil rights is something which is not relevant to one's everyday existence.

The "have to make it" syndrome due to the relative successes of the Japanese Americans in the economic areas provides sufficient security or immunity for most Japanese Americans, to such a degree that coping with any form of discrimination, whether it be employment, housing, business, or racial, becomes bearable.

There is an inherent danger in allowing ourselves to be lax and nonchalant about our social and economic security.

When one looks at the history of American racism, the greatest and most insidious times have occurred during times of war or economic instability. Today inflation is in double-digit figures. For most Japanese Americans making a living and providing for the family becomes the primary concern. Thus any concern for civil rights becomes secondary or forgotten altogether. Within such circumstances lies the dangers. The possibilities for the erosion of civil rights is ripe.

The Japanese Americans of all the minority groups in the American society should be concerned and be leading the battle to insure that the President, the Congress and other governmental leaders are aware that we are

watching to insure that fight against inflation does not overshadow the primary and foremost concern of all Americans ... civil rights. The Japanese Americans during WW2 placed their trust in the American government to protect their human and civil rights. The internment camp is evidence of the lack of trust which the government had for its own citizens.

The President in his State of the Union address signaled the first steps toward his "austerity" program, and the responsibility of all Americans to shoulder and help with the fight against inflation. As Japanese Americans we share in that responsibility. However, as Japanese Americans, we must refuse to allow our civil rights to be eroded by economic policies, particularly when our civil rights were won through the sacrifices, individually and collectively, by the Issei and Nisei.

If one were to imagine for a moment that a man lost all indicia of wealth, was stripped of all possessions and was forced to stand before a group of people, what does that man possess? It is clear that man should have certain human rights and civil rights! But does that person truly have same?

How many of us can be like the imaginary man? Could we at this point in our life say that our civil rights are insured?—Ron K Ikejiri.

have been involved on this issue.

I was recently asked for my help on this matter as my brother is a pastor of a church where Kawakita's immediate relative is a member. I have written to Mr. Kawakita indicating that at this point I am only interested in a "haka-mairi" on humanitarian grounds and will have it placed on the EXECOM agenda, provided he will agree to dealing with this as a separate issue.

Finally, the "hara-kiri" instinct within JACL: I am involved in a number of community organizations, besides JACL, but I am firmly convinced, albeit reluctantly, that much of our problems in communications and adversary po-

sitions within JACL stem from the organizational structure of JACL ... the two year terms for national officers and district boards, the one year terms for Chapter officers, the terribly deficient compensation for national staff which is one reason for staff turnover, and the inability of elected persons within JACL ... and some staff ... to understand the role and functions of their duties and relationships.

The structure of United Way/Los Angeles is remarkably similar to JACL, but despite its bureaucracy cracy and inability to match its proclaimed aspirations with reality ... at least United Way of Los Angeles has a healthy understanding of the role of volunteers as related to its staff.

BY THE BOARD: Paul Tsuneishi



### Three Things in Mind

Los Angeles

Status report on the Un-United Way situation in Los Angeles:

I have received two letters criticizing my stand on the United Way issue in Los Angeles: one from out of state and one from a Long Beach politician aspiring to the State seat vacated by Deukmejian. I have written to both of these JAs, explaining my position: United Way in Los Angeles is unable to differentiate between Asian-Americans and other minorities ... and I am not unmindful of the fact that I am relatively ignorant of the status of Asian-Americans outside of the greater Los Angeles area.

Indeed, I do know that here in southern California, where we had three J-A agencies funded by the forerunner of United Way (Community Chest) — three J-A organizations were funded by Community Chest 53 years ago! and that Shonien was a charter member in 1925!, we have none today.

Two years ago, the Japanese Community Pioneer Center asked for funding from United Way of Los Angeles. I urged the Board (I am the Board Treasurer) to apply, even though as a United Way volunteer, I knew that there had been a freeze on funding for new agencies for some years. This past year, we applied again, but I was in the fortunate position of having an elective office within JACL also, and last summer notified some folks in United Way that a

boycott would be forthcoming.

I was promptly invited to a luncheon, and asked Kei Kokubun, who has been an activist on the United Way issue for some ten years, to go with me. I do believe that this was the turning point, and I fully expect United Way to fund an Asian/Pacific agency this year.

I have asked Ron Wakabayashi and Craig Shimabukuro, co-chairs of our Ethnic Concerns Committee, to take the leadership in the United Way struggle. At this point, we are firmly committed to go beyond the initial funding of an Asian/Pacific agency, and deal with the larger issue ... a most complicated, sophisticated situation involving challenging United Way of Los Angeles to make a policy decision opening the doors to new agencies ... the moratorium on not funding new agencies must be broken by July 1, 1980. We (JACL-PSWDC and JCPC) (Japanese Community Pioneer Center) are firmly committed to this. The July 1, 1980 date is my personal goal.

**Update on Tomoya Kawakita:** There have been a number of recent developments on Kawakita's desire to (1) come to the United States for a "haka-mairi" (visit to his parents' gravesite) and (2) have a Presidential pardon so his conviction on treason charges will be set aside.

A number of JACLers including Frank Chuman, Clifford Uyeda, and others

### From Nobuyuki Nakajima Higher Education

A need for programs for young Japanese Americans has been mentioned often in PC. In this regard I would like to discuss the higher education. A study of JAs shows that 88 per cent of Sansei have gone beyond high school (PC Dec. 15, 78). Whereas this figure may appear very high, I have two concerns: (1) it does not say that the 88 per cent have obtained the degree nor (2) what was the matter with the remaining 12 per cent of Sansei.

Why don't some Sansei go to university? I can't imagine it is because of a lack of intelligence. There are a number of universities which accept high school graduates having normal intelligence. Is it because of a lack of motivation? If so, there is a real problem.

There are many reasons why one should have a higher education, and I mention some which I consider most important.

(1) "College age" is one of the most meaningful periods of one's life, when a rapid maturing determines the future course of life. An exposure to the academic atmosphere makes a great deal difference in one's future.

(2) Higher education changes one's perspective of people and the world.

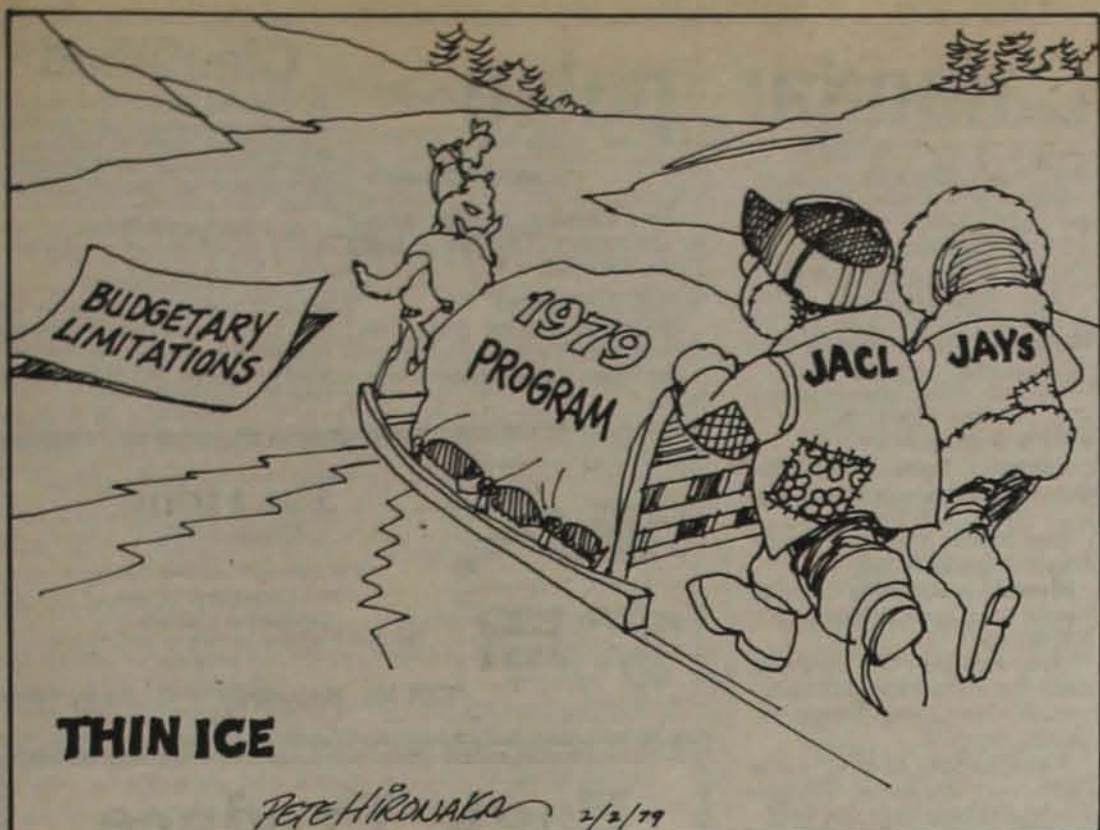
(3) Higher education enables one to communicate in depth with people of the more varied backgrounds and from wider parts of the world.

(4) An undergraduate education paves the way for professional training in law, medicine, engineering, science and others.

(5) Above all, the most important is the self-satisfaction.

The "Nobuyuki Nakajima" name has been at home in the PC Letterbox and it will continue to remain on this page, even though we have him joining the PC corps of contributors starting this issue. —Ed.





EAST WIND: Bill Marutani



## Why Fight It?

country, but you can't take the country out of the boy.

NOW, IT ISN'T that I'm a complete cultural, uh ... slob. Some years ago, when I first saw Michaelangelo's "Pieta", its delicate, haunting beauty absolutely overwhelmed me. And I savor the "shibui"-ness of Japanese art: I never tire of it. But when I look upon abstract art, I can't help it: I keep thinking to myself that someone is pulling my leg. And when I see the price tag on abstracts, I conclude they're not only pulling my leg but also my pocketbook. They'd have a better chance with my leg.

BUT GETTING BACK to that other Sunday. Since all these cocktail-wielding folks appeared to be stand-

ing a certain distance from each painting, and exchanging seemingly knowledgeable comments, I decided I wasn't going to be left out. Country boy or no. So I stood, studying intently, following the lines, the shades, placing myself in the artist's shoes and frame of mind, and when I thought I seized a glimmer of something, it blanked out.

I HAVEN'T GIVEN up all hope that I'm beyond redemption, but at the same time neither am I sure that I'll be spending an awful lot of time ... redeeming. I think I'll have to correct that: I am sure that time will not be spent redeeming. Shucks, why try to be something I'm not. I'll just enjoy myself. As is.



WASHINGTON WRAP-UP: Ronald Ikejiri

## The First 180 Days: An Offer to Share

departmental agencies.

During the first 180 days, I was pleased to find the high regard that JACL enjoyed with members on the Hill, based primarily on the hard work and personal trust which the first Washington Representative established during his 30-plus years in Washington.

Taking on the responsibilities of the Washington Office was made especially manageable due to efforts of the interim Washington Representative, Harry Takagi, who through his law-related work in Washington and his even-handed manner was able to maintain JACL support and presence on three major bills. The passage of the civil service internment credit bill and the Asian Pacific Heritage Week resolution is evidence of Harry Takagi's ability to

work closely with members of Congress, the legislative committees and other Asian American groups for the benefit of JACL during his tenure as Washington representative.

The efforts of JACL and the Washington office during the 95th Session Congress were helped by the continued cooperation and support by the Japanese Americans in Congress, specifically Sen. Inouye, Sen. Matsunaga and Congressman Mineta. Without their support, the successes of the 95th Congress which the Japanese American community enjoyed would not have become law.

As President Carter embarked on his New Foundation and austerity, the Washington Office will be undertaking a legislative agenda which will include

the introduction of a redress bill, reintroduction of the medical payments for atomic bomb survivors, and legislation which will designate all the internment camps as national parks.

The Washington Office will also be engaging in weekly meetings with the Executive branch of the government so that JACL can be kept abreast of the internal policy decisions which ultimately affect Japanese Americans. Hopefully, with regular contact with members of the White House staff, the Japanese Americans and Asian Americans may be better prepared to act swiftly on matters of national importance.

Since the latter part of 1978, the Washington Office has met regularly with representatives of national Asian American groups,

key congressional personnel, and Federal departmental directors during monthly meetings to review and assess the national status of Asian Americans as perceived from Washington. Sharing the ideas and thoughts will prove to be invaluable in providing the combined support and cooperation needed by all Asian Americans to insure our interests are properly represented in national politics and policies.

During May 4-11, the JACL will sponsor at the national, state and local chapter level the Asian Pacific American Heritage Week. At the present time, the national JACL staff is planning for the participation and involvement of all Japanese Americans and Asian Americans in cele-

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

## A Helping Hand

Denver, Colo.

Some readers of this column with long memories may recall one published in this space last spring, May 26 to be exact. It was titled, only half accurately, "Adopted & Abandoned."

It was about a Japanese girl who came into my office seeking help in finding her birth certificate, which she said she needed to apply for a driver's license. Something about her prompted me to ask some questions, and she told a pathetic story.

She had been born in Japan, possibly Tokyo, she said, and had been placed in an orphanage at a very young age. An American serviceman and his wife adopted the child and brought her to the United States. After some years the couple was divorced. The girl stayed with her foster father who remarried, but she didn't get along with him or his new wife. At age 19 the girl left home. Now she was 23, had lost contact with her family, had no papers or identification aside from the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service "green card," and didn't know where to turn. She thought her adopted father had some papers relating to her status, but where to find him?

The girl told me she had worked briefly in a massage parlor but quit when she discovered what the boss wanted her to do. She was employed currently as a sort of housekeeper. She looked Japanese but spoke only English. She wanted to apply for American citizenship but in the absence of proper papers, didn't know how to go about it.

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After the column was published, a number of readers, one from as far away as Hawaii, responded. Several suggested that inasmuch as the girl had her green card, all she needed to do was go to the Immigration and Naturalization Service and ask for the information that was provided when she was registered.

Good advice. However, I had made some inquiries of my own based on what little detail she had provided, and purely by chance located her stepfather. He was living in Denver but had moved and his telephone number hadn't been listed. I called the girl and put her in touch with him.

Happy ending to the story? Not quite.

A few weeks ago the stepfather telephoned me. "I have bad news," he said. "My daughter is dead."

He told me he and the girl had re-established contact. She lived in an apartment, but less than a month earlier they had coffee together. She told him, he said, that some man was harassing her. The stepfather said he told her to notify the police, or get in touch with him if she had trouble. She seemed to be in good spirits when they parted. That, he said, was the last time he saw his adopted daughter.

Then one day the police called. They said the girl had been found hanged in the basement of her apartment. They called it a suicide.

I asked the father to let me make a copy of the death certificate so the proper Japanese authorities could be notified. He said he would bring it in, but so far he hasn't.

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An experience like this provokes some soul-searching. What unbearable misery had caused this young woman to take her life? When she came for help, I had located her family for her. Should I have done more? Could anyone have done more to help her? I don't know.

But she leaves a haunting question. Are there others like her—Japanese youngsters adopted by people who for many reasons have become alienated from the children, divorced Japanese war brides cast out on their own and unwilling or unable to go home, people with problems too complex to cope with and searching for help?

And if there are, and there must be many, what can we do to help them?



## CHIAROSCURO:

## Politics: a Matter of Heritage

By GEORGENISHIMOTO  
(Cleveland JACL)

"Bank on Hank" was highly successful slogan in 1972 at the National JACL Convention in Washington, D.C. that elected Cleveland Chapter's Henry Tanaka to be the National JACL President.

At a recent informal dinner party, one of Hank's past campaign managers was making a point: "We ought to become more politically active and take advantage of our Asian ethnicity," he said, and then added, "I'll bet I could get Hank Tanaka elected Mayor of Cleveland!"

That was a mind-boggling thought that had never occurred to me only because my political perspective was parochially limited.

The speaker pressed his point: "Hank's the right age, with full credentials, and political know-how. He

could win as a non-partisan candidate over a group of weak and divided partisan candidates". Then he concluded "even if he lost, we would win."

I wondered later how many Asians were active politically in greater Cleveland; how many of us had thought about the possibility of an Asian American Mayor for Cleveland. And I wondered how many would be willing to use their know-how and personal contacts for such a campaign. I recognized, for me, the most important motivating factor would be COMMITMENT.

We'll have to find a new slogan, of course; maybe something a bit more dignified like:

VOTE FOR MAYOR  
HENRY TANAKA  
A Man of Destiny

Is there a part for us all to play in shaping the destiny of Cleveland? Or will we

continue to remain Nobodies victimized by a poor, ineffectual government? Is there to be a heritage we can leave for our children that we ought to be building today?

IDC to meet  
at Salt Lake

Salt Lake City

Intermountain District Council will have its first quarterly session of the year on Saturday, Feb. 24, starting at 1 p.m. at the Prudential Bldg., 3300 S. State St., it was announced by IDC Gov. John Tameno.

Mt. Olympus JACL will host of the session. For local arrangements, call Doug Matsumori, chapter president.

● Eden Township  
KOTO CONCERT  
SLATED FEB. 4

The Eden Township JACL will sponsor the recital by the Nishida Koto Ensemble from Shizuoka on Sunday Feb. 4, 7:30 p.m. at the Eden Japanese Community Center, 710 Elgin St., San Lorenzo. The ensemble is under the direction of Kyoko Nishida, a graduate of Tokyo University Music Dept. Both classical and modern music will be presented.

A potluck supper will precede the concert. A \$2.50 donation will be charged to help defray expenses. Tickets may be obtained from Aki Hasegawa or Tosh Nakashima, co-chairmen, or at the door.

## Calendar, pulse

## ● FEB. 2 (Friday)

Tri-Valley—Koto Ensemble concert.

Reno—Inst dnr, Pioneer Inn, 7pm; Dr Clifford Uyeda, spkr.  
\*Los Angeles—Westn Adult Buddhist Lg conf (2da), Hampa Hongwanji; Sat dnr-dance, New Otani Hotel.

\*Fresno—Nisei Farmers Lg annl mtg, Sheraton Hotel, 7pm.

## ● FEB. 3 (Saturday)

Contra Costa—Inst dnr, Berkeley Marina Marriott Hotel, 7:30pm; Yori Wada, spkr.

San Mateo—Inst dnr, Black Angus Restaurant, 7pm.

Riverside—Inst dnr, CSC-San Bernardino, 7pm; Dr Harry H L Kitano, spkr.

\*Los Angeles—City AAEmpl Assn dnr, Golden Palace Restaurant, 6:30pm; Judge Robert Takasugi, honoree.

\*Washington—APAFEC Lunar New Year reception, Rayburn House Off Bldg Gold Rm, 8pm.

Selanoco—Inst dnr, Twin Dragon Restaurant, Anaheim, 7:30pm; Dr Hiroo Kanemori, spkr.

French Camp—30th anny dnr, Comm Hall, 5:30pm.

Fremont—Fun Nite-potluck, So Alam City Buddhist Church, 6pm.

## ● FEB. 4 (Sunday)

Cleveland—Inst dnr, Tokyo Garden, Fairview Park, 6:30pm; Dr Toaru Ishiyama, spkr.

Eden Township—Koto Ensemble concert, Eden JCC.

NC-WNDC—Qtrly sess: Gilroy JACL hosts.

● FEB. 5 (Monday)  
NC-WNDC—Cult Herit comm dnr, Blue Dolphin, S Leandro, 7:30pm.

Marin County—Bd mtg, Bank of Marin, Larkspur, 7:30 pm.

## ● FEB. 7 (Wednesday)

\*San Francisco—Manzanar Proj workshop, Sato Bldg, 7:30pm.

● FEB. 10 (Saturday)

\*Riverside—International Festival, UCR, 8pm.

East Los Angeles—Inst dnr, Steven's Steak Hse, City of Commerce, 7pm.

Marin County—Potluck social, Buddhist Church, Mill Valley, 6pm.

\*San Francisco—Prof Gardeners Fed dnr, Grosvenor Inn, So San Francisco.

Sacramento—Auxy luncheon, Megumi's, 12n.

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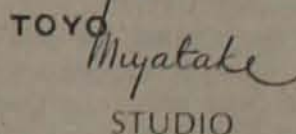


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tee. In the next few months, the committee will address the hardline issue as to which plan will be proposed first to the Congress, hopefully in the mid-year. As we clearly stated before the National Council at the Salt Lake City convention, it is more than likely that regardless of which proposal is submitted to Congress, it will undergo several drafts, rewrites and amendments. Let's not lose sight of that.

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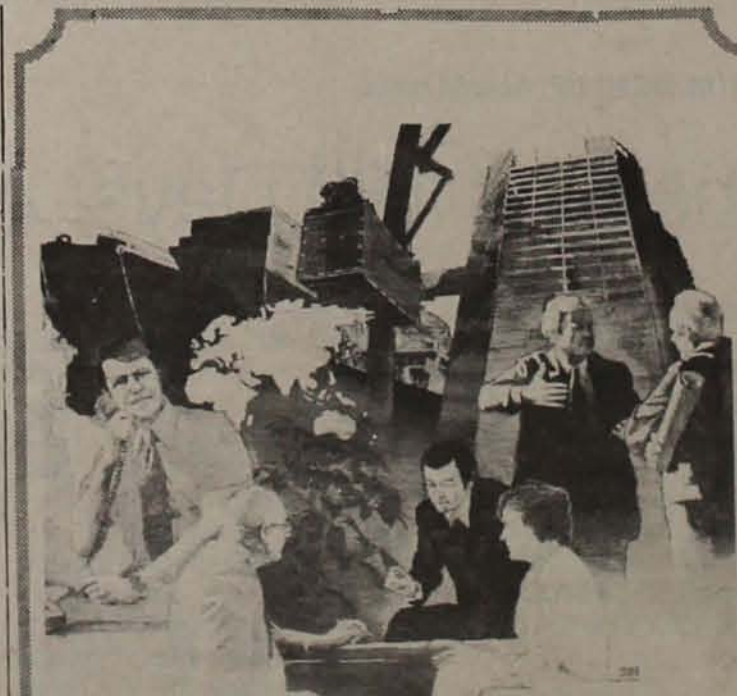
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## ● Marysville

### NOBUYUKI ADDRESSES INSTALLATION

Those who were unable to attend the Marysville JACL installation dinner Jan. 13 missed the opportunity to meet and hear Karl Nobuyuki, national executive director, speak and expand on the topic of Redress.

Mayor Grady Lamon of Marysville installed new chapter president Roy Hatamiya and the cabinet and board members.

Frank Nakamura, 15 E. 15th St., Marysville, is gathering the names and addresses of former Tule Lake camp residents for the JACL monument dedication May 27-28. Pilgrimage by chartered bus or train is being planned.

George Nakagawa and Ray Kyono, membership co-chair ask for the immediate renewals of membership so that the chapter directory can be updated as soon as possible.

## ● East Los Angeles

### JUDGE TAKASUGI TO INSTALL OFFICERS

Federal Judge Robert Takasugi will install the 1979 officers of the East Los Angeles JACL at the installation dinner set for Saturday, Feb. 10, 7 p.m., at Stevens Steak House, City of Commerce. Attorney Doug Masuda is the new president, succeeding Dr. Robert Obi.

Evening will also honor local scholarship recipients. Mas Dobashi will be emcee. The Rev. Yoshinori Fujiwara of the Nichiren Church will give invocation. Reservations should be made with Mable Yoshizaki (263-8469).

## ● Monterey Peninsula

### HOKOYAMA TALKS ON HIS 100 DAYS

Monterey Peninsula JACL installed its 1979 officers at the Outrigger Restaurant on Jan. 20 with new assistant national director J.D. Hokoyama as guest speaker. He spoke

on his First 100 Days at National Headquarters.

Jack Nishida was re-elected president for 1979. Marina Mayor Robert Ouye administered the oath of office. Ted Durein was emcee.

The chapter's new retirement study committee, co-chaired by Clifford and Nancy Nakajima, met Jan. 13 at the JACL Hall with 42 members present. Further meetings are being planned in view of the high interest.

## ● Oakland

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE NOW UNDERWAY

Oakland JACL has been alive and well this past year. Schedule of fees for 1979 was announced at \$19.50 single and \$25 per married couple. Sam Okimoto is the new membership chairman, 280 Lee St., Oakland 94610.

Those enrolled in Blue Shield should remit dues immediately for 1979.

## ● Orange County

### CHAPTER PREXY AT LAST—A 40-YEAR VIGIL

Veteran JACLer Ken Hayashi will be installed as president of the Orange County JACL at their annual installation dinner-dance on Feb. 17, 7:30 p.m., at the Saddleback Inn in Norwalk. Hayashi, a pre-WW2 Tacoman, served the Tacoma JACL chapter as vice pres. in 1940. He was a vice pres. of the New York JACL chapter in the late 1940's and a vice pres. of the Southwest L.A. chapter in 1960. George Kodama, National JACL treasurer, will be installing officer.

Installation dinner chairman Mike Ishikawa announced that Robert Matsui, newly-elected congressman from the 3rd Congressional district will be guest speaker. Matsui is making his first speaking engagement before a Southern California gathering since his election. Nobu McCarthy, film, stage and TV actress will be the mistress of ceremonies. An added attraction will be the Nisei Week Festival Queen and her court who will be the hostesses for the evening. The program will also include Disco dancing.

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## ● Sacramento

### A SAN DIEGAN TO BE INSTALLED

David Takashima will become president of the Sacramento JACL during the annual installation dinner-dance scheduled on Saturday, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m., at the Red Lion Motor Inn.

Takashima is a consultant with the Joint Legislative Committee to Oversee the Agricultural Labor Relations Board. He formerly served as an intern to Assemblyman S. Floyd Mori at the State Capitol. He is a graduate of the Univ. of San Diego Law School. A native of San Diego, he is married to the former Jo Anne Yano of Reedley.

## ● Santa Barbara

### REP. LAGOMARSINO TO BE SPEAKER

Rep. Robert Lagomarsino will be the keynote speaker at the Santa Barbara JACL installation dinner Feb. 19, 7 p.m., at Montecito Country Club, it was announced by chapter chairman Mike Hide. Res-

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**SAN FRANCISCO JACL** scholarship in the amount of \$500 is presented to a Lowell High school graduate, now a pre-dental student at UC Berkeley. In the picture are (from left) Steve Teraoka, scholarship committee co-chair with Jan Yanehiro; parents of the recipient, the Howard Ito, awardee Rodney Ito, a 3.89 GPA scholar and 13th in his class; and Mike Ito, chapter president.

  
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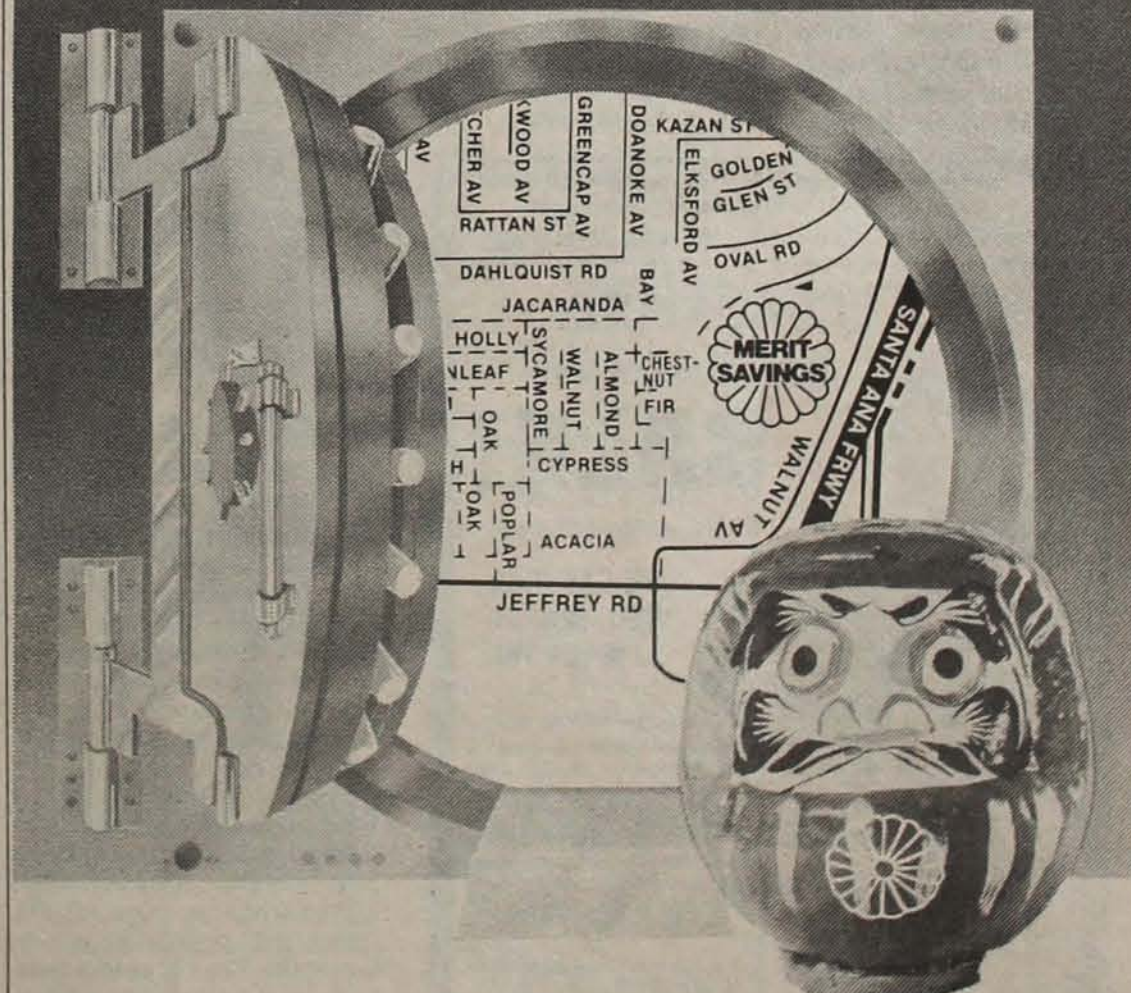
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## Japan decorates Issei master teaching ikebana for 57 years

by MITSU Y. CARL  
Washington

Fifty-seven continuous years of teaching flower arrangement to students of both the West and East Coasts of America culminated in the awarding of the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 6th Class, to Mrs. Matsu Ito Fujikado, 80, of Alexandria, Va. She traveled to Japan with her daughter, Mrs. Katsuko Lee, to receive the medal Nov. 9 at a special ceremony at the Foreign Affairs Ministry in Tokyo.

On Jan. 30, Mrs. Fumihiko Togo, the wife of the Ambassador, hosted a tea-reception at the Embassy in honor of Mrs. Fujikado.

Mrs. Fujikado, an Issei, is believed to be the first Japanese American to receive the award for long years of devotion to ikebana and her use of ikebana as a means of fostering understanding between the East and the West.

A group of 13 people from around the world—of which Mrs. Fujikado was the only woman—was granted a special audience with the Emperor at the Imperial Palace. In a short speech to the honorees, he thanked the "persons of cultural merit" for their decades of dedication creating good will, and for disseminating the cultural traditions of Japan in their respective countries.

Mrs. Fujikado, a former Seattle resident, known professionally as Kosui, holds the Iemoto Ikkyu rank of the Ohara School, the highest rank attainable, and is the senior mas-



Mrs. Matsu Fujikado  
of Washington, D.C.

ter outside Japan.

She is called upon regularly to provide major flower arrangements for state functions of the Japanese Embassy—which included that of the visit of the Emperor and Empress of Japan in 1975.

At the request of successive Japanese Ambassadors' wives, she has been teaching ikebana to Embassy staff members. She also conducts other private classes.

She was founding president of the Washington D.C. Ohara Chapter, appointed to the position by the headmaster Houn Ohara of Tokyo and Kobe.

Mrs. Fujikado was a student under the present Headmaster's father, Kun Ohara.

Mrs. Fujikado has been living with her daughter's family in Alexandria since her move here from Seattle in 1964 following the death of her husband.

She was a teacher at the pre-war Japanese Language School in Seattle. #

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#### JACLers help pick Japan sister city

Fremont, Ca.

Fremont City Council accepted the local JACL Board recommendation that Sanda, Hyogo-ken, become Fremont's sister city in Japan. A delegation from Japan is expected to come in February to complete the year-long negotiations.

Sanda is situated in the mountains about 40 minutes from either Kobe or Osaka by surface transportation. Population is near 85,000, mostly in retirement or recreation. The old castle town is also known for raising Matsuzaka beef cattle and the Arima Spa. #

#### Concert held for Chol Soo Lee defense

Los Angeles

The Chol Soo Lee Defense Committee considered the fund-raising concert held Dec. 29 at the Embassy Auditorium a success with 600 present, according to Warren Furutani (381-3069),

who summarized the program as follows:

Dance by Nobuko Miyamoto, one-act play on life and predicament of Chol Soo Lee, Piano artistry of Benny Yee, guitarist and song-writer Chris Iijima and songs by Nobuko Miyamoto and Atomic Nancy. #

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by Joseph Harrington

## CHAPTER 1

Continued from Last Week

THAT first Sunday of December was an unmitigated disaster. Despite frequent warnings, the Army and Navy in Hawaii were literally caught with their pants down. Except on board those ships with martinets for commanders, no reveille was held that day. Peacetime "late hammocks" prevailed, Navy men rising when they liked, and few crewmen were stirring about when Japanese planes attacked Battleship Row. Bombs and bullets came crashing through the canvas awnings, a peacetime indulgence in warm climes. In ships truly cleared for action, these would have been earlier stowed so that guns might elevate and traverse. No writer has earlier commented on this. Nor on the fact that, in those days, the Navy paid its people on the 5th and 20th. Adm. Chuichi Nagumo's carriers hit Pearl on payday weekend, the twice-monthly occasion for sailors' getting bent out of shape. Officers of all services had partied well the night before, and Iwilei District whorehouses did their usual bustling Saturday night business. So did the taverns on Waikiki Beach. The author, stationed at Pacific Fleet headquarters in 1956, was assigned to do an anniversary story on attack survivors then stationed at Pearl Harbor. He quickly learned that not all had been "just heading for church," or "coming out of the YMCA," as earlier versions had it.

Reaction against the 159,000 Japanese Americans in Hawaii was a bit less paranoid than against the 127,000 on the mainland. It had to be. Many Nisei had been working undercover for the FBI and military intelligence for years. Cecil Coggins, a Navy doctor who was actually a counterespionage specialist, had more than 100 Nisei volunteers, unpaid, under him. Code-named *Orange Group*, they identified many dozens of potentially-dangerous aliens, who were scooped up within hours of the first bomb's falling. As it did for the European struggle, Hawaii supplied a host of anxiously-loyal Nisei to serve in the Pacific war. They recall December 7 vividly.

Warren Adachi lived a bit west of Pearl Harbor itself. Exploding bombs woke him. He responded with friends to emergency calls on the radio for help. But Adachi, friends, and the truck they took to evacuate Navy wounded, were turned away from the base at gunpoint.

It was drilled into Herbert Yanamura that a man mustn't marry until he could properly support a wife. He was therefore trained in domestic tasks in case he, like his father, might have to live any length of time brideless. Herb was ironing the

family laundry at Kona, on Hawaii, while his Dad was out picking coffee for which that area is so famous. He heard, "This is no maneuver. This is the real McCoy!" when radio announcer Webley Edwards screamed it into a microphone.

Explosions wrecked a store a few blocks from Sam Takamura's house in downtown Honolulu. Until the Navy admitted its own defective ammunition did the damage, Sam thought Japanese pilots had deliberately attacked unarmed civilians.

Up until the attack, Makoto Sakamoto's morning was cheerful. Sunday work, like Saturday work, meant overtime pay helping construct a new building for the Navy, alongside the drydocked battleship *Pennsylvania*. The steelworker dived for cover as bombs fell. When he came back to work the next day, Maxie was suddenly marched off the base at bayonet point with 31 other slant-eyed constructionmen.

Gulstan Enomoto, in Wailuku, Maui, had an appointment to sell a local policeman some insurance. When he arrived at the station, a radio was blaring, "This is war! This is war!" The elder Enomoto was nowhere around. Nor was his massive radio, and his wife wouldn't talk. It took time to unravel the puzzle, but on the panic-stricken mainland, Japanese Americans known to own shortwave transmitters were getting jailed. At the same time, on Maui, one Japanese-Scottish-Hawaiian-American was being begged to enlist, so the Navy could have his radio set!

The Navy had a small airstrip at Puunene, and its equipment wouldn't transmit. The airfield commander wanted to enlist David Enomoto and his equipment, so Pearl Harbor could be raised. David pointed out that the Navy would never honor enlistment of someone with Japanese blood, but



T/3 Robert Shiraga and Sgt. Tatsuo Tanaka transcribe shortwave radio messages.

he did help Navy men load up his giant home-built radio set and transport it to the field. For the rest of the war, while holding his job with the Maui Railroad, David secretly maintained his own and other equipment for the Navy, in his free time and without pay. It took the Navy Department 25 years to say thanks officially.

Fumio Kido heard explosions at nearby Hickam Field, then saw the *hino maru*, the red ball that identified planes overhead as Japanese. Kido joined other teenagers in a pidgin chant of, "Oh, them dumb bug-gahs! Now they get it!"

Military police barreled into the middle of Tom Masui's baseball game to get help. Tom and 20 other kids

hopped onto an Army truck, panicking their parents for three days. Tom then went home. He'd been riding back and forth between mid-Island and Schofield Barracks and Kapa Hospital in downtown Honolulu, sleeping when and where he could. The kids had been taking cots, beds, blankets, mattresses and medical supplies to where they were needed.

Inside Pearl Harbor, on the shore of Aiea Bay, the family of Harold Onishi lived in a small fishing village. His parents, his brother Hatsumi, and Hatsumi's wife and son all saw the battleship *Arizona* blow up, a half-mile from their front door. When steel rained down, the Onishis decided to give up their front-row seats. All six piled into the 1937 Plymouth they jointly owned and chug-chugged up the slope of Koolau Range, away from the water, amid a swarm of other refugees.

At Crissey Field, on the mainland, Isao Kusuda grew increasingly glum. This stupid war probably meant he wouldn't get the leave he'd been promised when school was over. And he'd be sure to get frozen in service, too. Rumors flew as fast inside the Presidio of San Francisco as elsewhere.

Weckerling tried to reassure his charges, telling them he'd had some trouble in an earlier war because of German ancestry, but that things would turn out as well for them as they had for him. Pvt. Kazuo Kozaki wasn't buying it. A Kibei, he got John Aiso outside the hangar and addressed him with the

formal title of respect Japanese give all teachers. "Sensei," Kozaki pleaded, "why don't we run away now, while we have a chance?" He was sure Kibei would be shot in retaliation for the Pearl Harbor attack.

Aiso wasn't sure what to say. He'd just dashed downtown himself to wire his fiancée in Los Angeles he was O.K. but sweated his way back to the Presidio on a trolley car while a hysterical female passenger kept screaming, "Kill him! He's a Jap! Kill him!" All Aiso could do was share his own anguished experiences at Brown, Harvard, and elsewhere. "We'll have to be patient," he told Kozaki. "Up to now, there has always been some Caucasian around when I've had trouble, to step in and insist on fair play."

Kozaki subsided. Fear left him. He became the first Nisei to win the Silver Star.

The rest of Weckerling's men also calmed down and returned to their studies, which were accelerated, while the colonel tried to maintain an island of calm in a hysterical military sea. It wasn't easy. General DeWitt, his fears fed by anti-Japanese elements in northern California, exhibited an increasing suspicion and fear of everything Oriental. Panic began to rule the day. Kai Rasmussen was suddenly yanked out of MIS and sent to a coastal artillery unit when rumors poured in of Japanese submarines and aircraft carriers offshore. The 4th Army automatically became Western Defense Command at war's outbreak,

and DeWitt wanted the Japanese-speaking Weckerling as his staff intelligence officer. Some screaming telephone conversations took place, and Rasmussen's rapid return was arranged. The Danish immigrant directed the language training program thereafter. It earned him a Legion of Merit.

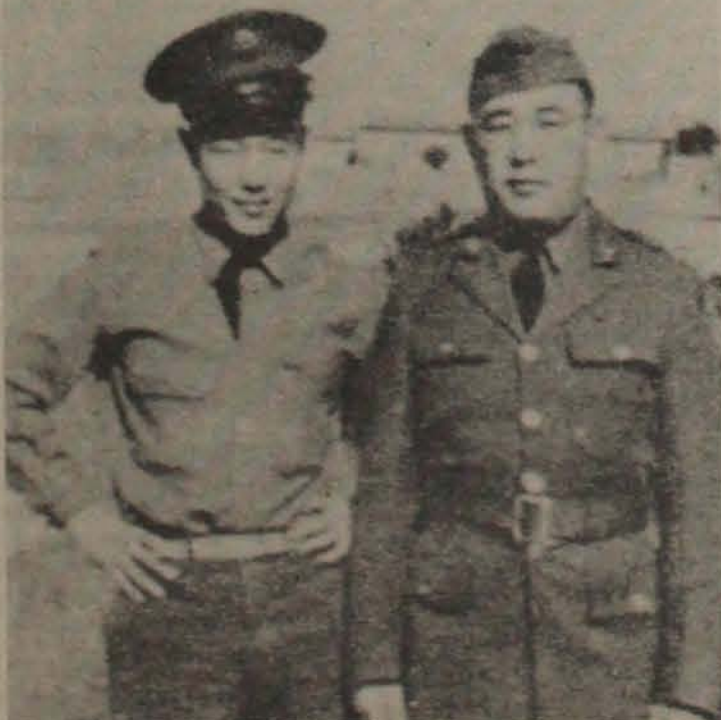
Anxiety bred problems, the War Department suddenly proclaiming no Nisei could be shipped overseas. There went the entire reason for language training. So—more angry telephone calls, more cursing, more sending of what the military calls "nastygrams." The order was rescinded.

Earl Warren, the attorney general of California, planned to run for the governor's office. He fell into ranks on the side of the angels, if the State's white supremacists might be called that. Along with the Native Sons and Daughters of the Golden West and the Hearst newspapers, Warren began urging that all persons of Japanese ancestry be ordered inland, away from the coast. Some Issei and Nisei could read the handwriting on the wall and began a mass voluntary move eastward. This grew until General DeWitt, although he favored evacuation, had to order the activity stopped because of disruptions it was causing. Things weren't getting done the "Army way," and DeWitt couldn't handle that.

Language students at the Presidio, who still liked to enjoy delicious food at Chinatown restaurants when off-duty, began to feel conspicuous in a sea of white faces as other AJAs began staying in their homes for safety. They were cautioned to pair up, and stay in uniform whenever leaving the Presidio. To sustain themselves, Nisei language students drew upon the Japanese teachings that immigrant parents insisted they absorb. They knew that a man sometimes had to "sleep on firewood and lick gall." In early 1942, the thought helped, but only a little.

Time passed. Not all students did, when the pace of the course was doubled. At April's end, 39 Nisei and two Caucasians celebrated their graduation with a festive dinner in Chinatown. A 40th Nisei did not graduate with them. Kei Kiyoshi Sakamoto was pulled out of school early and sent away on a secret mission, the first Nisei into the South Pacific from the mainland. Arthur Komori was already there from Corregidor. And Yoshikazu Yamada from Mindanao. The latter, a graduate student in chemistry at the Univ. of Michigan when drafted, had been evacuated from the Philippines on a stretcher after being snatched up for the language work.

Sgt. Yoshio Hotta led Sam Sugimoto, Masami Mayeda, Hideo Suyehiro and William



Presidio pioneers Bill Hirashima and David Kato were in the vanguard of what later became more than 75,000 Americans trained in 50 languages.

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Unidentified graduates of Camp Savane classes.

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Nishikawa north to the Aleutians and the least-heralded theater of war in May.

Sgt. MacNagata took Masaru Ariyasu, Iwao Kawashiri, Yoshio Noritake, Shigeru Yamashita and Isao Kusuda along with him to New Caledonia. There they would join the newly formed Americal Division, which rushed to that island before the Japanese could take it and shut off Australia from America.

Two Caucasians who already knew some Japanese, and had taken the course mostly for brush-up purposes (and perhaps others described by Sheldon Covell later in this story), led teams out. John Burden, a doctor from the island of Maui, had the Kubo brothers, Tadao and Takashi, but he didn't know that until he met them on board ship. E. David Swift, an immi-

gration official called to active duty from the Reserve, led eight men to Australia. They were William Hirashima, Gary Kadani, Steve Yamamoto, Kazuo Kawaguchi, Paul Kuyama, Fred Nishitsuji, Hiromi Oyama and George Taketa. The Taketa family was gathered up, allowed to take only what they could carry in their arms, and shipped to a concentration camp not long after he reached the land Down Under.

Hideo Tsuyuki came down with jaundice and was hospitalized. He later led a team to Australia, arriving in early 1943. James Fujimura, Kazuo Kozaki, Masanori Minamoto, Tateshi Miyasaki and David Kato would leave the mainland before him. Eleven other graduates, official plans for them changed, would remain in the States.

The war news was continuously bad throughout the course of study at the Presidio, America and her friends

everywhere humiliated by Japan. In San Francisco, even Kai Rasmussen's proud grin faded. New and different problems cropped up. Like John Aiso's having to be discharged. Then he had to be rehired as a civilian. It would have been easier to give John a commission commensurate with his post but, according to directives, he was too old to qualify for the rank considered meet. So, civilian it had to be. Many officers would be coming to study Japanese, and the pompous niceties of military tradition had to be observed. It wouldn't do to let them feel in any way inferior to a Private, even one with a Harvard education.

Nor could the job be done any longer at the Presidio. Earl Warren, the Hearst papers, and others urging Japanese-American evacuation from the West Coast finally got their way. President Roosevelt signed an order that let Gen. DeWitt round up and ship east anyone with Japanese blood—including infants! The blackest blot on America's escutcheon began to blossom. Student

linguists later to face death on Guadalcanal and New Guinea were no longer safe on San Francisco's streets.

## CHAPTER 2

Americans of Japanese ancestry evoked deep affection or deep mistrust in the first four decades of this century, dependent upon the life situation of any Caucasian encountering one. Whites of accomplishment—ministers, physicians, and men of other disciplines—took AJA's in stride. But persons still struggling for a place in the sun—notably politicians or business failures—looked askance at these striving, energetic people. Issei ("first generation of Japanese in America") and their children, the Nisei ("second generation of Japanese in America"), made unsure Caucasians feel more unsure.

True, AJA's did display several admirable qualities. Like love of children, respect for elders, capacity for uncomplaining hard work, reverence for scholarship, and a grim enthusiasm for anything red-white-and-blue. But they did exhibit certain behavioral oddities. They ate lots of fish and rice,

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## MOVING DAY

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of her rope and refused to plod another step. With rope stretched tight, she stood her ground. My uncle had already milked her. Now he pulled and he pushed and he pleaded. He lectured her about the cows that had walked the Oregon Trail. But Kuro was

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ervations by Feb. 7 were requested to be made with Reiko (962-2534) or Jane (967-2526).

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bull-headed cow and her feet hurt. My weary but sympathetic uncle said, "Uncle". He tied her to a tree and urged the horses on down the dark trail.

In the morning he returned on horseback, and there she was condescending now to do the last leg of her long walk, bringing with her the milk for our breakfast.

This should have been the end of our move, but two days later the horses were missing from their new barn. Several anxious days later, a letter from Hashitani told us what we'd hoped—the horses had performed their own incredible journey and were back on their old stomping grounds in Emmett.

So Pap, with his friend George Yamamoto, drove back to Emmett. Since Belle and May were plodding farm horses, not Pony Expressers, Yamamoto came home by moonlight, riding one and leading the other, singing a Japanese song like an American cowboy.

When the barn door was securely latched, our 1918 move was ended.

I wonder how my grandchildren will move fifty years from now.

### Nat'l JACL credit union declares 7%

**Salt Lake City**  
The National JACL Credit Union board of directors declared a 7% per annum dividend for the 1978 fourth quarter and paid a 2% interest refund on loans current as of Dec. 21, it was announced by Ichiro Doi, treasurer.

The annual credit union dinner meeting will be held on Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Prudential Bldg., at 33rd and State South. Two seats on the board of directors will be open for nomination. Any member interested in running for office or wishing to nominate has until Feb. 19 to notify Al Kubota, nominating committee chairman, through the Credit Union Office, PO Box 1721, Salt Lake City, Ut 84110.

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**Long Beach, Ca.**  
Short stories, essays and poetry are being accepted for the second issue of "Echoes from Gold Mountain, an Asian American Journal," until March 15.

The material must be related to the Asian/Pacific American experience; be double-spaced, typewritten, 15 pages maximum; and be accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope if return of material is desired.

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for instance. Sitting on the floor. With wooden sticks, yet. Many didn't celebrate Christmas, but went all out for New Year's. Strange lot.

And how about those slanted eyes? A fellow never really could tell which way a Jap (they were rarely called Japanese) was looking. Better keep an eye on them, just in case. Thus did ignorance produce suspicion, which gave birth to fear. The fourth generation of these sick emotions—senseless hating—logically followed.

This confused the Issei.

They worked hard, kept spotless homes, and sent well-scrubbed, properly-mannered children to school. Why, then, did the *hakujin* still treat them like foreigners? Whites were puzzling people. Had they no culture? All Japan knew that a *yoshi* let himself be adopted into a family that wanted its line carried on. He surrendered himself to his adoptive family, becoming a permanent member of its household. They, the Issei, had chosen to become *yoshi* to America. That meant auto-

matically giving the new country their full love and loyalty. Forever. It was the Japanese way. Even *Tennosan*, the Emperor, knew that. How could these "round-eyes" not understand?

The round-eyes didn't, and Nisei paid the price. Encouraged, even harassed, by immigrant parents to be good Americans, Nisei tried. In a continual outpouring of love, Issei compounded the problem. Scraping together pennies, then dollars, Issei established

Japanese schools, making children attend these after coming home from public ones. They felt that two centuries of American culture were O.K., but adding 26 Japanese ones wouldn't hurt anything.

From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Nisei learned in public schools that a group of portly gentlemen with be-ribboned hair were their "forefathers." From 3 p.m. on weekdays and on Saturday mornings, they bowed to their *sensei*, who were quick to knuckle the knobs of those who forgot for a moment the glorious sacrifice of the 47 *ronin*, the "master-less samurai" who avenged their lord's treacherous death.

Japanese studies precluded other extracurricular activity. It was a rare Nisei who played high school sports, or debated, or had time for the dramatic society. In desperation, trying to get along, Nisei let things Japanese slide out of their lives whenever given a choice. It wasn't easy, trying to observe two sets of traditions and live in two cultures. Guilt beset some Nisei. Inferiority complexes infected others. Psychologists, professional and amateur, later had a field day with this dichotomy.

What it meant to Kai Rasmussen was that damned few Nisei knew much Japanese!

Three problems pressed the Dane while Japanese troops were taking Hong Kong, Manila, Singapore and Rangoon. His course was cut to six months, requiring instructors to cram craniums at a double clip. This reduced the time period available for identifying and bringing in new students for the next class. Too, he had to get his operation out of San Francisco, to some place where Nisei might apply themselves to arduous study without being distracted by sneers of "Dirty Jap!"

Rasmussen soon pinpointed Minnesota as the geographic area with the best record of racial amity. Though only 51 AJA's lived in Minnesota at the time of the 1940 census, he figured the Gopher State could absorb more without strain. After consultation with Gov. Harold E. Stassen, he obtained for Army use 132 acres near Ft. Snelling, southwest of Minneapolis, called Camp Savage after the tiny contiguous town there.

Until Nisei made the place famous for patriotic effort, Savage had been noted as the home of Dan Patch, the internationally-famous trotting horse. Earlier, Camp Savage had been part of the Civilian Conservation Corps, and after that a shelter for



Kai Rasmussen's first view of Camp Savage in 1942 was this flower bed. Aware that many of his men no longer had a place to live,

he had it dug out before the June, 1942, class of MISLS students arrived.

indigent males. One of Rasmussen's first sights at Camp Savage was a flower bed. It moved him deeply. He knew the families of many of his students, present and future, would spend the war in concentration camps. So it was especially ironic that the bed's flowers spelled out "Homeless Men's Camp." Nearly all mainland Nisei who studied at Savage knew no other home.

Of the Presidio grads, Jack Ohashi and Yoshio Miyaoi were assigned to handle Savage's supply problems. Also kept back from overseas assignment, to teach, were Arthur Kaneko, James Matsumura, Gene Uratsu, Thomas Sakamoto, Joe Y. Masuda, Ichiro Nishida, Moroi Nishida, Ryoichi Shinoda, and James Tanizawa.

On Feb. 19, 1942, Franklin Roosevelt signed the infamous Executive Order 9066. Gen. Dewitt began herding AJA's into assembly centers, for allocating to concentration camps. Someone in Washington must have realized how stupid this looked, when DeWitt's own headquarters was training Japanese Americans. Language training was then shifted to the direct purview of the War Department. Meanwhile, much had happened in the 15 weeks since war broke out.

sea to shining sea, America was infuriated into unity, something it had not been able to achieve via peaceful means.

As mentioned, Hawaii's AJA population suffered less right after Dec. 7 than did AJA's along America's west coast.

Hawaii's Japanese could not be pushed around, as those on the mainland were. Locking up 159,534 men, women and children couldn't even be considered. Japanese were needed for the labor force. Thousands of Japanese were already busy, strengthening Hawaii's defenses, and more were needed for construction yet to start. So, except for declaring martial law, setting a curfew, and restricting the movements of certain aliens it was not thought necessary to pick up, officials generally left Hawaii's Japanese civilians alone.

It was a different story for Japanese in the military. What would the uniformed AJA's do?

A lot of people wondered. Pvt. Torao Migita might have told them, but he died for his country on Dec. 7, trying to reach his duty station.

They could have asked Sgt. David Akui, of the 298th Infantry Regiment. On Dec. 8 he captured the first prisoner of war, when Ens. Kazuo Sakamaki swam ashore

ers of many were holed. Most Nisei were, in fact, off duty and away from the post on the morning of Dec. 7, another clue to how lax things were on Oahu.

Among those free that weekend were Kazuo Yamane, Masami Tahira, Seian Hokama, Richard Omori, Kenneth Harano, and Goichi Shimanuki. So were Ben Yamamoto, Richard Ishimoto, and Sadao Toyama, the last trying to recover from a whopping party he'd attended the night before. All obeyed promptly a radio command to return to their posts, but all had great difficulty getting back to Schofield. The road between Pearl Harbor and the mid-island Army post was jammed with vehicles of all kinds, rushing back and forth to help the Navy with its dead and wounded. When Richard Ishimoto's bus passed through the Hickam Field area, a hysterical MP kept jabbing a rifle toward him. The over-wrought soldier wanted to shoot Ishimoto because "the Japs blew up my buddy!"

Among the handful of men on duty at Schofield that morning were Hoichi Kubo and Edwin Kawahara. Kubo was a medical technician, made one because he took some college chemistry courses and had inoculated a few pigs on Maui. He was enroute to early chow, a privilege of dispensary staffers, when he saw planes coming through Kolohe Pass from the island's north side, but he paid no attention.

Kubo then heard explosions from the direction of Pearl Harbor but thought them "more blasts from that construction going on over there." He didn't know he was at war until haggard messengers rushed in and demanded "all the plasma you guys got!"

Kawahara was the "intelligence Corporal for the 1st Battalion headquarters of the 298th. I saw the planes on my way back across the road from the latrine, where I'd been brushing my teeth. I ran to sound the alarm, but someone beat me to it. Then I began calling up my superiors on the telephone," he said.

Not one could be found that dreadful morning. "No one answered his phone," said Kawahara.

"Not the CO, the exec, the S-1, S-2, S-3, or S-4. I tried all the company commanders.

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## YANKEE SAMURAI

(Japanese Americans in the Pacific War)

by Joseph Harrington



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### On Dec. 10, rifles were taken away from all Nisei soldiers at Schofield's tent city ...

Near panic reigned a while in coastal cities, east and west, once Americans realized how inadequate their armed forces really were and became aware that they were not going to "lick those little yellow bastards in about three weeks!" The battleships Arizona, Oklahoma, California and West Virginia didn't look half so imposing in Pearl Harbor's mud as they had at Pathe newsreels. A host of senior officers were yanked out of commanding billets and stashed where, if they couldn't do good, they at least could do no harm.

Early panic became rage on Dec. 8, after Roosevelt crossed out "history" to substitute "infamy" in a speech he prepared for Congress, a piece of purple prose that still helps hate well up. From

from a midget submarine he'd abandoned.

The Hawaii National Guard had been federalized 15 months earlier. Nisei volunteers and draftees then swelled its ranks, until 1,300 or so were serving in the 298th and 299th Regiments. The latter were scattered through the outer islands. Had the Nagumo Force followed its air attack with an invasion of Maui, Kauai, or Hawaii, troops there to stop them were mostly Nisei.

The 298th was at Schofield Barracks, later made familiar to the American public via the movie "From Here To Eternity". In a Tent City there, 350 Nisei inductees were undergoing recruit training. None were wounded by strafing that took place, although the footlock-



## HARRINGTON

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No luck there, either. Just then, in walked Lt. Robert Louis Stevenson, a deputy company commander."

Kawahara told the young man, "You are senior officer present, sir," and Stevenson went directly to the office safe. "He took out the M-94 cipher and the division field codes," Kawahara recalled "and told me, 'Edwin, guard these with your life!'" Throughout his life to that point, the insurance salesman had felt the weight of Caucasian suspicion. Nearly four decades later he still regarded the incident as the most exhilarating experience of his life. "It was magnificent," he said, "to be the recipient of such total trust."

Richard Mirutsugu was one of Schofield's soldiers who reacted. With another man he heaved a machine gun onto a truck and drove off, his assignment to defend Honolulu. "Pearl Harbor was a shambles when we passed it," he said.

Thomas "Kewpie" Tsubota was on duty at Bellows Field, detached from Schofield. "I thought the Rising Sun insignia was camouflage for war games," he said, "when the planes made a pass without firing. But when they came back and opened up on us, I realized they were real zeroes!"

The Nagumo Force was racing back toward Japan before Tsutomu Yamada, of the 299th, knew it had attacked Pearl Harbor. He was off duty, fishing on Maui. Herb Miyasaki was at home on the island of Hawaii. Reporting in, he was sent to Kohala airport to act as a weatherman. On the same island, Fusao Uchiyama came in from protecting Hilo's power station against sabotage. He'd been standing watches there for two weeks. Like Miyasaki, he was shocked. "What were those guys doing over there?" he demanded. The 299th had been fully alerted. Uchiyama couldn't under-

## Tuttle to handle Greene's book

## San Francisco

Author Vaughn Greene this past week revealed Charles E. Tuttle Co. is taking over publication of "Astronauts of Ancient Japan" (PC Jan. 19) and will list at \$7.50. Copies currently available at Merlin Engine Works, Box 169, Millbrae, Ca. 94030, are \$5.50.

stand why the 298th wasn't. He helped set up one of his unit's two 75mm field pieces facing the entrance to Hilo's harbor to stop the Japanese fleet if it came. He then went to beach defense with the crew of a 37mm anti-tank gun. "The only ammo we had for it was tracer," he said. Uchiyama's gun would have made a bright show, but it couldn't do any damage.

**NAVY** Secretary Frank Knox, who flew from Washington to see what had happened, must have been briefed by some pretty paranoid people. Eight days after the attack he was telling a press conference, "I think the most effective fifth column work of the entire war was done in Hawaii, with the possible exception of Norway."

The "token" Republican on a Democratic cabinet, Knox was a newspaperman who must have seen too many movies about newspapermen. All FBI checks were to

things Sgts. Richard Sakakida and Arthur Komori had been doing for eight months in Manila.

Men of the 298th, wondering what might happen next, started deploying to previously-assigned dispositions along Oahu's north, windward coast. Sadao Toyama might have had more to wonder about than some other Nisei. His father, Tetsuo, had for 30 years been publishing *Jitsugo Hawaii* ("Industrial Hawaii"), a Japanese-language publication. FBI agents carried him off before noon of Dec. 7. Sadao would not see his father again for 10 months and then in a Louisiana prison camp.

Kai Rasmussen probably didn't even hear for some time about the Dec. 10 incident, when rifles were taken from all Nisei soldiers at Schofield's tent city, and they awoke next morning to find themselves ringed by machine guns. The incident still had a bad taste in Nisei mouths 36 years later. So did the visits of Caucasian officers to the 27-mile defense

line, "chasing prisoners. We'd run them over from Ord," he said, "to do landscape work." Off-post and off-duty when the attack began, Terry headed home. There he found his mother, brother and stepfather "destroying the Emperor's picture and everything else Japanese, for fear they'd be charged with disloyalty."

Mike Sakamoto, George Kayano, Ronald Chagami and Satsuke Tanakatsubo were among the many Nisei at Camp Roberts, Calif., whose weapons were taken away.

No one took guns away from Walter Tanaka, Roy Uyebara, George Ichikawa or Joe Yoshiwara at Ft. Ord. Joe helped guard the fort's water supply that night, and Walt developed a monstrous callus from hand-loading machine gun belts when the machine loader broke down. The four, with Shigeo Yasutake, Tetsuo Hayashida and a lot of other Nisei, were sent off to guard the shoreline north of Golden Gate Bridge, but that didn't last long. Nisei were pulled off it. Their faces terrified the civilians they had to challenge at night.

Dye Ogata, Calvin Morimatsu, Richard K. Hayashi and Shigeo Ito were at Ft. Lewis, Wash. There confusion ran rampant. Some Nisei had their guns confiscated, some didn't. Robert Yoshioka did. He was then sent to help guard the mouth of the Columbia River but assured, "You'll get your rifle back if there's an attack." Had Lord Cornwallis' redcoats marched through Ft. Lewis, playing "The World Turned Upside Down," no Nisei would have been surprised. Some were on one side of a road, confined to barracks, while others were on the other side, getting porcessed out of the Army and given the draft classification 4-F, for "undesirable." Nisei were being kicked out of the Army at other posts, too, in spite of some having records any Old Soldier would have been proud of. Most officers who tried to speak for Nisei soldiers were told to shut up.

Someone in Washington finally wielded a big broom,

sweeping all Nisei GI's inland from the U.S. west coast. Many were put on a roster none had ever heard of before, something called the DEML ("Detached Enlisted Man's List"). This appeared to be some kind of military limbo in which soldiers were allowed to

sweep streets, cut grass and haul garbage, but not get promotions for which they had been scheduled. Insult was added to injury when these menial tasks were performed under supervision of armed Caucasian soldiers.

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## Col. Wilhelm Anderson was asked how he could sleep "where these Japs can slit your throat?"

show AJA's innocent of any sabotage in Hawaii. Clearly, Knox had let emotion override intellect. There was only one "legitimate" spy in Hawaii, Takeo Yoshikawa, who operated out of his country's consulate under a cover title, the same device Amerians and others used worldwide. Two other spies arrived in November to collect Yoshikawa's information and collect some themselves. They were Suguru Suzuki and Toshihide Maejima. They posed as merchant seamen, the same

line some 800 soldiers of the 298th hoped to hold on Oahu's north shore. The officers kept asking Col. Wilhelm Anderson, CO of the regiment, how he could sleep "where these Japs can slit your throat?" While the Japanese-fluent Rasmussen was urging some Nisei soldiers to give their all, other Caucasians were insulting the men he'd later need.

Kan Tagami was to be among the latter. On Dec. 7, he was a member of the Presidio's garrison force, assigned from the 7th Infantry Division at Ft. Ord. Three nights after the attack, Tagami pulled sentry duty on Fisherman's Wharf, guarding a small motor pool the Army had there. During the wee hours he encountered and challenged a drunk, who streaked off into the night screaming, "The Japs have landed! The Japs have landed!" Tagami's weapons were later confiscated, and he was shipped inland, as were thousands of other Nisei. His family was rounded up, forced to live in Santa Anita racetrack's horse stalls for weeks, then shipped to a Poston, Ariz. concentration camp.

Terry Takahashi, also from Ft. Ord, was at another Presidio, the one in Monter-

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## Los Angeles

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## Los Angeles

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Agents in the early days worked through two insurance firms; today the association members represent an average of 20 companies, newly-named secretary George Morey pointed out.

## TULE LAKE INTERNEE FAMILY REGISTRY

Data is to be compiled as a directory for placement in a time capsule by the JACL Tule Lake Historical Plaque Dedication Committee in the Tule Lake Plaque Monument at ceremonies to be held May 27, 1979. Committee would also appreciate the help of other persons or groups to collect data for this project.

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