Hayakawa vows to filibuster when Redress bill up

Washington In an interview with ABC Newsman Joe Templeton, Sen. S.I. Hayakawa, who has come out strongly against JACL's redress program, said he will give his word in more detail reasons for his opposition.

The transcripted interview, which took place Jan. 26 in Hayakawa's office, was sent out as a press release. In it, the Nihon senator from California said that there is "not a damn chance in the world" that Redress legislation could go through, and that he will "filibuster it against it personally for 100 years if I have to."

In San Francisco, JACL president Clifford Uyeda said, "I can't see how any American can argue against, or filibuster, constitutional rights and guarantees and expect to win." The transcription follows:

Templeton (Q): Sen. Hayakawa, just what is your position on the push for legislation to give redress to Japanese-Americans who were held in prison camps in the United States during the Second World War?

Hayakawa (A): Well, in a very important sense... they weren't in prison camps, they were relocation centers. There was nothing prison-like about them, except that they were confined. But they couldn't get out during the day and they were encouraged to get out. Not only that, the WRA, the War Relocation Authority, which was one of the very humane and intelligent agencies that the Government every put together, went all over the nation east of the Rockies to hire jobs and schools for Japanese-Americans and place them as fast as possible, despite the prejudice against the Japanese during wartime. And so as a result of this, many young Japanese got a far better education than they ever would have got. They got to Swarthmore, they got to An­

ioch, Oberlin, University of Chicago, Temple University, Mt. Holyoke, and so on. And also in the 1950's the loss of the Japanese-Americans during the war were compensated—not sufficiently. That is, if you lost $10,000, you probably got back about $1500. Nevertheless, at the time the Japanese signed documents when they re­ceived their checks they didn't ask for no more compensation for wartime losses. And those documents will hold up in court.

That is why I am opposed to any more payment at all, other than the document and the reparation.

Q: Well, there's some very, very important reasons. In the first place, the Japanese-Americans are not a disadvantaged minority group. Secondly, your income for the nation as a whole was $9,598. The American median income

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New foreign farm holdings in U.S. cited 'significant'

Washington Foreigners are buying up American farm land with devotion, according to a report during the 18-month period surveyed by the Senate Agricultural Committee, which purchased enough to cover Rhode Island (1,214 sq. miles).

The UPI report Jan. 17 noted foreigners had purchased 1,291 sq. miles, quoting Sen. Herman Talmadge (D-Ga.), chairman of the committee, who said that was a "significant amount by any standards."

The committee's survey of farm purchases across the nation during the 18 months ending June 30, 1978, totaled $26,543 million—2.5% of all farm land sold. It was the first national look at foreign investment in U.S. farms.

The U.S. Dept. of Agriculture is in the process of calculating total ownership under PL 95­460, the 1978 law requiring registration of foreign­owned farm land.

The Senate report did not break down the nationality of foreign owners. Highest percentage of foreign sales was in Vermont.

Census report on U.S. marriages


Continuation of:

YANKlE SAMURAI

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Where 20% of all farmland sold went to foreigners. Other big sales were made in Oregon, Texas, Georgia, Louisiana and Arkansas.

Meanwhile, Sen. George McGovern (D.S.D.) introduced SB 194, The Agricultural Foreign Investment Control Act of 1979, to prohibit land being acquired by a foreign investor to be larger than a family-sized farm, interest to only one farm or to held minority share of the land ownership.

Fresno County's supervisor...

Oakland, Ca.

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L.A. to host nat'l JAS meet

Los Angeles Japan America Society's seventh annual national conference will be held Feb. 20-22 at the Biltmore Hotel. Japanese Ambassador Fur­

hiko Togo heads the list of dis­

tinguished speakers and will address the Japanese American Society of Southern California 70th anniversary banquet on Feb. 20.

Koyo News Service chair­

man Shintaro Fujishima key­

otes the opening session Feb. 20. David Rockefeller of Chase Manhattan will speak at the Feb. 22 luncheon. For complete schedule, call Mrs. Kay Shiodc (629-3400).

San Jose Japantown gears for Nikkei Matsuri April 1

San Jose, Ca.

San Jose Japantown, 5th and Jackson Sts., will be transformed in the style of its Japanese-American cultural festival—the 2nd an­nual Nikkei Matsuri—on Saturday, April 1, from 9 a.m. till 4 p.m.

Artists and artisans will display their works and a varied array of American and Japanese food will be featured, according to the Nikkei Matsuri Committee, and the night-time "Dancing On the Streets" Continuous entertainment also is planned.

Parties interested in partic­

ipating in the craft and art display should call Tower to observe Canada-Japan tie

Toronto, Can.

The CN Tower here will salute the 50th anniversary of diplomatic relations between Japan and Canada during the month of May (May 1-31). Some 200,000 visitors are expected to view the Japanese cultural and trade items to be on display.

Q, Well, why is it... the figure I understand they're talking about is $3 billion, what are they, apparently. Why are you opposed to anymore payment at all, other than the document and the reparation.

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Judge orders new trial for Chol Soo Lee.

Sacramento, Calif.

Sacramento Superior Court Judge Lawrence Karlton has granted Chol Soo Lee a new trial in the 1973 San Francisco Chinatown slaying of Yip Yoe Tak, a garment figure.

Lee says he never committed the crime. Now, he has served five years of a life sentence, and is on trial in Stockton for a 1971 prison-yard slaying of inmate Morrison Needham. On that charge, he maintains self-defense.

Karlton based his ruling on Jan. 22 on the prosecution's failure to provide material evidence to Lee's attorney Hamilton Hintz that could have altered the outcome of the 1974 trial.

Chol Soo Lee's defense committee, which raised nearly $40,000, was ecstatic, according to K.W. Lee and Stanley L. Kung, two Sacramento Union writers who have been investigating the case the past two years.

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Washington

The Hawaii congressional delegation expressed "deep concern" in a joint statement Jan. 26 over the effect of the Bush administra­ tion's China policy on the future relations between the U.S. and Taiwan. The delegation issued the statement because of many letters from residents and the strong historic ties between the two countries.

Senators Inouye and Brown join in expressing their support for the Taiwanese people.

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Nakatsuka joined the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii 11 years ago and has also served as a counselor in the Washington, D.C. office. A U.S. Senate staff member for 15 years, he was formerly legislative, executive and staff assistant, and served on the Senate Post Office and Civil Service Committee for the late Senator Henry L. Ford.

Nakatsuka served as press secretary for two governors, Samuel W. King and William F. Quinn. He was later the interim director of the Department of Social Services in the Quinn administration.

From 1939 to 1952 he was a reporter and assistant editor of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin.

1978 Holiday issue of JACL Stip End State.

Chinatown slaying of Yip Yoe Tak.

Sacramento, Calif.

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The state's prisons for male felons now hold 19,018 prisoners, including about 50,000 double-celled," at San Quentin, Deuel Vocational Institution at Tracy, and California Institution for Men, Chino. (Double-celling is putting two persons in a cell designed for only one.)

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**INTERVIEW**

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Keone Young as the Avocado Kid

"Avocado Kid" mixes metaphors with a will

By KATS KUNTSUGI

Los Angeles

At first you don't know whether to laugh or cry. The music is engaging as well as touching, but the costumes are out of Kabuki, the music is homey Silk Slop. The lyrics are clever, but the metaphors and references come at you from left field, the 50-yard line and the net, to mix a few. You feel as though you've dropped in the middle of the Wonderland without a map or a bow and arrow to guide you. Are you supposed to laugh at the hairy Bigfoot, cary at the plight of Tochan and Kachan—a couple somewhat past their childbearing years who are still longing for a kid—smile fondly at Sakurai's sweet declaration of love or leer appreciatively at the Map's lusty sexuality of Jinya Wolf and the Bandelles?

It doesn't really matter. But, oh, would a few more characters plus our hero, the Avocado Kid, have entered the musical through the heroic Philip Ken Gotanda currently on the East West Players' boards. We'll be living in a world for a good time that you're not anything, "Author, Author!"

Gotanda, late of the Huntington School of Law, has exiled himself to unashamedly consider himself a pervert. But while he might seem to be more than the law, the law's loss is Show Biz's gain. We have a surfeit of lawyers in the Here.

Having wrote the book and the lyrics and composed the music, Gotanda also plays the guitar among the quartet of able musicians who accent and accompany the show. Shades of Onor Welles! In "Avocado Kid," the Avocado Kid applied his anti-narcissistic imagination to the Japanese fairy tale, "Momotaro," adding his own riotous touches to the simple story of a boy born out of a giant peach, who grows up to conquer the red and green monsters on Ongushima with his retnue of a dog, a monkey and a pheasant.

He starts out with To­chan and Kachan, who are the usual good-hearted country yokels (true to Japanese form, they want a boy) and are one day blessed by the goats with a son who bursts forth from a giant avocado amid flashes of lightning and rolls of thunder. Shades of Naruki!

The Avocado Kid, as he is called, grows up into a well-meaning booh with an identity crisis. Just in the nick of time (to save the story), Jagaimo the bandit appears as the villain, shades of E.T., shades of the Sex Pistol's "Winter Wine".

It's all great fun, aided and abetted by some very talented people—Clyce Kusatsu, who continues to hone his fine sense of comedic timing to perfection, as the wry Tochan; Julie Inouye, who sings beautifully and acts believably as Sakura; David Hirokane, who projects an understated menace as Ja­ga­imo; Maso Pepe, who is able to impart personal­ity to a tree; and the same Pepe, as well as El­len Walumakatu and Karen Hulte as the incomparable Bandelles.

The Bandelles are also due to the musicians, who in addition to Gotanda are Glen Laurenc­ Chinn on bass, Bob Stor­ ven on drums, Alan Furuta on flute and sax­ophone, and Scott Nagatani on piano.

The East West Players is located at 4424 Santa Monica Blvd. For time of performance and ticket information, call 660-0366.
It was a time for reflection. It was a time for assessment. It was a time for rejoicing in the new acquaintances made. Speeding through the night sky toward San Francisco, the twenty-four hours in Minneapolis passed in review.

It was my first return to the north Midwest winter since before World War II. I brought along a sheepskin jacket, just as cold as always, and was fortunate to have a clear day the winter sky over Minneapolis is not deep blue, and the giant evergreens are missing among the ice of hannah.

It is not to recall the war years. Their roots, however, are on the West Coast. Their influence and recognition and respect for the communities still recollect the past. It is not to recall the wrong done to the Japanese Americans against the conviction, but to keep after the past. The year 1944 was the period to protect Issei alien's rights, was not our error, and we made our assist for the Chapter Pulse story.

Hiroto Plan

A. $1200 less for every year under the age of 21 at time of incarceration (Careful, proofreader. Do not change spelling to correctamente)
B. $1200 more for every year forced to attend school in hydrogen chloride. The aroma waiting nightly from the open sewer took care of that.
C. An amended fine would be assessed against anyone proven to be a participant in any riot or strike.
D. $120 bonus for every day bravestepst paradigm (select one) enough to have volunteered for "outside work" -1: Topping sauer beets; 2. Delousing; 3. Any Utah cannyery (where German POWs received better treatment).

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Be Helpful

One of the helpful ways to remember dates is to add the day of the week. This week, for example, was not our error for the Chapter Pulse story appearing Jan. 26 announcing West Valley JACL to be innovative with a dinner on Monday night, a speaker and a dance. We happened to sit next to Steve Nakashima, charter member of the West Valley JACL, at the EXECOM meeting on Saturday. And he related the shocking scramble our press had to make for the Chapter Pulse story.

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For the benefit of "Round Eyes" and/or Sansei/Yonsei who asks, "Why shouldn't be difficult to explain why to the Washington solons.

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Five from Nobuyuki Nakajima

Editor:

High Education II

Following up soon, may I make a few observations on the December 1944 conference held by Dr. Cliford Uyeda at Gardena, unfortunately, and not in the presence of time and effort to his cause. I don't intend to impede his advance, but I feel that perhaps some means should be found to put retractions from the first party. The aggressor has paid already to millions to us. A tri-

bunal of international law would be a reasonable way to redress the wrongs of the Japanese Americans on trial for the injustices that were suffered by the Japanese Americans. Isn't there an international "Firecracker" law that might be expedient, or to find our best legal minds like those of John Also and John Maenohara and Mike Masaoka figure out a case? Japan with its great trade surpluses might be persuaded.

Mike Horii

Whence and Wherefore

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Redpro: Pro and Con

Editor:

I am troubled by John Ta­

ni's opposition to reparations. How does he feel about German repa-

rations? Is he aware that China's America for support for such re-

parations? All his argu-

ments could be used here as well.

Reparation is not a prob-

lem for the German con-

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citizen and alien alike, was a

vast majority of our Con-

stitution. Reparations are the penal for the crime. How can one con-

stitute and the rule of law

if one does not also believe in repressing such a massive violation?

The possibility for a recur-

rence of forced detention is not a threat to China's America was quite fear-

ful that they would become victorious over the Japanese community, right

into the seventies. (See John Wang's Op-Ed article in the San Francisco Commonwealth Club.

The problem is that we have an agreement that reparation is for the “re-

lief” of that constitutional crime. Without reparations, the precedent remains a threat to any powerless minor-

ity. As a Christian, it pains me to argue against forgive-

ness. But I don't buy it. I think the Japanese government simply said, "Please forgive me" if there was no much order in the land of vi-

olators of the law had only to own that. And it is presumptuous of one person to attempt to speak for an entire community in issuing forgiveness to the U.S. government.

The act of reparations for West Germany to Israel is a step in the right direction, but the denial by America would seriously erode our character.

William HoHr

Chicago, Ill.
Pork n' Beans a la Japonaise

This is a previously told (by yours truly) story of those who, by a thousand and one chances, happen to have read it somewhere else. I borrowed it without quoting sources.

And if you catch me deviating from the first version, I ask them please to allow that it is story, even if a factual one, must be molded on the memory of the moment—fiction in another word. After a lapse of more than 30 years, one's memory is not too trustworthy.

For about a year immediately before the war, I worked in the New York office of a semi-governmental commercial agency of Osaka, Mr. Y., the office's boss, took a kindly interest in me probably because we shared a common experience: he went to the New York University before War II, working his way, more recently I had worked my way through another university, though less prestigious, I often invited to his home, and while our conversations were not always on intellectual topics, we would discuss triviais on the same intellectual plane.

One evening, we were lounging in the living room of his Washington Heights apartment when Mrs. Y. brought in a tray of matchi gushi, in those days and in New York a rare delicacy and my favorite dessert. Mr. Y. with a glass of post-prandial brandy in his hand, reached over with the other and picked one and proceeded to eat it. I was flabbergasted.

In the Japanese code of letters

Short Notes

Editor's Note: Please make the following correction: The membership rate for couples in the San Jose Chapter is $12. The PC had the couple rate listed at $38.00 which is incorrect.

San Jose JACL

FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

Christmas Coupons

Denver, Colo.
Last Christmas, I made matters difficult as usual for my kin by insisting that I had all the material goods necessary to make me presentable and keep me happy, and all I wanted was a little peace and quiet. There is no surer way to upset the family members who feel compelled at that time of year to invade shopping centers with credit cards at the ready.

Eventually they became convinced that I had learned my lesson and wanted only socks, shirts, socks, gloves, scarves or other merchandise, so my daughters, Susan and Christie Harveson, reverted to an idea that seemed to have worked very well at the time of their mother's birthday, and which I may have mentioned in this space.

They thought up and gave me coupons for various services which I could claim at my convenience. They are ingenious enough to make me want to show them off at once with you. Here is what the coupons said:

Coupons for Sunday Brunch—Good for one adult and one guest. Takes the place of Mr. Y.'s Hashery. You may choose from pancakes, waffles, hash and eggs, creamed beef or French toast. Brunch served 10 a.m. to noon. Reservations mandatory. Expires 12/1979.

Apple Pie—Good for one apple pie. Please order one day in advance. Pick up at Boatright's bakery. Good through 12/1979.

Homemade Soup—This entitles the bearer to two portions of homemade soup. Vegetable is house specialty. Please bring own pot when picking up. Expires 12/1979.

Kegs—Coupon entitles the bearer to one dozen fresh brown eggs. These may be picked up at Boatright's mini-farm in Lakewood. Remember fermented eggs are high in protein, low in cholesterol.

BUTADOKU: Phil Jordan

While the issue might not have the emotional impact of a "Save the Whales" campaign, Japanese Americans should be concerned about allegations of Japanese industrial espionage in "Silicon Valley.

This Valley! A $1-billion dollar semiconductor industry, which actually ranges far from the Santa Clara Valley in which it is centered.

Soons inside seven don't seem speaking for attraction, but they are seeing what they suspect is massive spying by their Japanese rivals.

Why won't they air their suspicions publicly? Because, they point out, they have to do business with many of the same firms they suspect are doing the spying. At times, because they cannot keep up with the growing demand for their products, they take up the slack by overseas, i.e., Japanese, purchases.

In such cases, they believe they are buying, in effect, the results of their own research; the prices are competitive because the producers have the research done for them—for free—by the American firms.

Not all Japanese firms are suspect. One source made a point of saying that Sony, for instance, is "completely above board."

But other Japanese firms are suspected of being more interested in industrial espionage than in business with American semiconductor manufacturers. Industry Americans feel that the Japanese companies are not only taking the research and development lead, but see their Japanese rivals coming on fast, and the stakes are high—world leadership in the field of computers and related electronic products.

Much of the "spying," of course, is finished and accepted reading published reports, seeing what can be seen on tours of American plants. This last opportunity to see what can be seen may soon end—Japanese plants are not usually so hospitable to the opposition.

But some in the American industry suspect the semiconductor samurai of...—through scrap heaps to see what can be learned...

Bronco Box Lunch—Good for two box lunches at Denver Broncos home games. Bronco Box, available only at place of order. Good through 1979 regular season. Coupon will be stamped at pick-up.

Night Out—This entitles your spouse to a free dinner and three hours of companionship while you attend the sporting event of your choice guilt-free.

Fresh Vegetables—This entitles the bearer to two pickings of fresh vegetables at the site of Harveson's mini-farm. Special arrangement may be made for advance to vegetables to be planted. Good through 1979 growing season.

Weekender—This coupon will provide you with two charming companions for an outing at City Park Zoo or museum. Sloans' Lake may be substituted, companions will provide own state bread for feeding ducks and geese. No expiration date.

You think I won't cash in my coupons? Of course I will. Christie can whip up a fine breakfast and Susan's apple pies are just as good as her mother's.

My favorite coupon? Well, I suppose it is the last one, giving me an "opportunity" to take Christie's youngsters, Matt and Jon, for a Saturday afternoon outing. The kids like these outings, but their mother enjoys them even more, so everyone is happy.

The American government, I suppose impressively, Matt has lost a front tooth, is working on a couple of others, and is learning to read and print.

And Jon, the clone of his pre-school class, has become quite observant. The other day when someone suggested that he looked much like his grandfather, Jon solemnly said—This coupon will provide you with two charming companions for an outing at City Park Zoo or museum. Sloans' Lake may be substituted, companions will provide own state bread for feeding ducks and geese. No expiration date.

"I don't look like Grandpa! I don't wear glasses and I don't have fur growing out of my ears."

'Silicon Valley' San Francisco

Sacramento—Setting up American subsidiaries in one state, which then set up "American-owned" subsidiaries in another state, and so on, is...—Setting up American subsidiaries in one state, which then set up "American-owned" subsidiaries in another state, and so on, is...—

Hiring between jobs Americans as "consultants" at high fees to assist "researchers" in the front operation...—Hiring between-jobs Americans as "consultants" at high fees to assist "researchers" in the front operations...

Offering "moonlighting" jobs to Americans already employed full time in sensitive positions...—Offering "moonlighting" jobs to Americans already employed full time in sensitive positions...

And planting their spies in American firms...—And planting their spies in American firms...

It could be worse—if any of the suspect Japanese firms are taking the direct route, simply offering attractive cash payments for usable information, this hasn't come to light. That could be, though, because such efforts have been successful.

Bad as the situation is, though, not all of the semiconductor industry is Japanese for American competitors. The American government, industry sources say, is making a bad situation even worse.

Our federal government sees its relationship with industry, and all American industry—as an adversary one. More, it forecloses American firms from placing any secret or sensitive conductors, to keep at arm's length from others in the same field.

Japanese rivals, on the other hand, are able to cooperate in the well-known spirit of "Japan, Inc." They also have the active support of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry in their overseas operations.

Although no heavy reliance is placed on foreign investment, Americans in Silicon Valley believe it will be a long time before their Japanese rivals are in a position to take over.

However far American firms may be ahead of the Japanese competition, many Japanese firms are taking them.

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Curt L. "Cortez" won the first prize. It was announced. Local merchants contributed the prizes. Other winning catches were by: Keiichi Yamaguchi, 27-5; General Sugimoto, 21-10; Ernest Yoshida, 26-14; Tofu Sugita, 24-1; and Larry Takahara, 15-Letter Yamaguchi, 34-4.

**Dayton**

WOK TALK AND THE 'GEISHA'

Dayton JACL's general meetings, chaired by program vice president Vicky Miksell, came first of the month.

Last week (Feb. 4), program featured Benjamin Meng of Peking Inn Restaurant demonstrating the use of a wok (known in Mandarin as gwo, wok is Cantonese— one of several dialects that Meng speaks). Also invited were members of the Chinese American League, headed by Andrew Lai.

For Mar. 2, the full-length Kenji Mizoguchi classic, "The Geisha," was shown at the NCR Education Center at 7 p.m. Children under 12 get in free, others will be expected to donate a dollar.

Meanwhile, Lily Yamashiki (433-2996) who has taken over as telephone committee chairman is updating the lists. L. Frank Tanji, chapter treasurer, is chairing the chapter's participation in the International Festival to be held over the Memorial Day holidays at Convention Center.

It is one of the chapter's main fund-raisers. Yuki Mikesell, daughter of the Bob Miksell, was awarded a $200 scholarship to attend the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans, now underway in Washington, D.C.

Chapter is also sponsor of Japanese language evening classes on Monday for beginners and Thursday for advanced, starting Feb. 5, at Kettering Adult School. Teruko Pace (299-2501) is instructor.

**Hooiser**

INSTALL 11-MEMBER BOARD OF MANAGERS

Hooiser JACL installed its 11-member board of managers with Mrs. Shirley Nakatsuka as presi­dent at a Chinese dinner held Dec. 3 at Chinese Vil­lage in Speedway. George Umemura, the charter president, conducted the installation while William Alexander, the second president, was emcee. Out-going president Dr. George Harasuno pre­sented the chapter PCYA award to Anita Everts.

Special treat was chapter treasurer Frank Chase's shakuhachi rendi­tories with the JACL's Redress efforts is the fact that, as an organization, JACL doesn't represent the entire voice of the Japa­nese American community.

In his column a few months ago, National President Clifford Uyeda pointed out that our membership, as representative of the Japa­nese American mainland population, is more substantial than some other civil rights organizations whose credi­bility is not questioned in terms of numbers.

Accordingly, then, we can say quite confidently that JACL's views on Redress reflect a substantial and repre­sentative voice of the Japanese American community.

But why do we even need to say this at all?

When the issue is just one, it is morally right, culturally relevant. If anything, the questioning of our numerical representation only diverts the issue into irrelevancies.

Historically, the majority (if not all) of the great causes which have changed the direction of the thinking of society have been the results of a small group of people, beginning a group which maintained an uncompromising belief in the principles for which they fought. Witness, for example, the roots of the American Revolution and the anti-slavery movement, and in our own times, the civil rights and anti-Vietnam movements. In other words, it is the moral issue and not necessarily a majority con­sent which is JACL's concern.

The point is, let's not get caught up in irrelevant argu­ments. The principle underlying the Redress issue is a moral one, and it is this essential fact which we are attempting to convey to the American public.

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Magnetism is TDK's job

Los Angeles

When Junun Mizoe, a Japanese businessman in Beverly Hills, Calif., says he doesn't want certain people to buy his product, the statement may seem strange until other details are known.

Mizoe was referring to people who might misunderstand claims for his company's products and buy it believing it. People who might misunderstand claims for TDK Electronics tapes, it is still puzzling.

For Mizoe's parent company, which has branched into the manufacture and sale of magnetic necklaces. Since 1976, TDK Magnetics Corp. (a subsidiary of TDK Electronics) has sold over three million "Empaloe" necklaces in Japan. The government has approved the sale of the necklaces in Japan, where it is believed wearers find blood circulation improved and muscular stiffness in the shoulder area lessened.

However, marketing the product in the United States is a whole different ballgame, TDK has found, and requires different methods than those used at home. "TDK is complying with Food and Drug Administration regulations as much as it can," says Mizoe, noting that they are careful not to make any references to the necklaces having therapeutic values in the advertising copy, which is now permitted by FDA approval.

"Sometimes we inadvertently mislead people," Mizoe says. "But we believe the necklace is a "good luck charm." Those are the people Mizoe does not want buying his product.

Research is now being carried out in universities in Europe and the U.S. to scientifically prove the merit of the necklaces, and TDK expects to have results in a year or so. In Japanese tests, 87% to 88% of subjects wearing the necklaces found it beneficial, many saying they slept well. Japanese doctors believe it works on the autonomic system, says Mizoe. In the U.S., the "double-blind" test is being used, with both magnetic necklaces and placebo necklaces made to look the same.

The Empaloe necklaces TDK sells look like jewelry items, except they contain nine to 11 cylinders of rare earth cobalt, developed by the Naval Aeronautics and Space Administration of the U.S. And if the magnetic fields of necklaces really do have positive effects on health, TDK's Empaloe is the most powerful magnetic necklace commercially available.

Three Nikkei named comm. gt. majors

Washington

A Reserve Component Selection Board last month re­cruited 161 Army National Guard and Army Reservists for appointment as command sergeant major (CSM), the highest enlisted rank obtainable in the U.S. Army. Among them were three Nikkei:

George M. Kihno (of Davis, Calif.); Atushi Kizaki and Lester K. Nakasone. Kihno is headquarters sergeant with the 93rd Division (Training), 36th regiment, 2nd Bn.

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TAPES & NECKLACES

JACL seeks bids for office supplies

Los Angeles

JACL—Pacific Southwest Regional Office is seeking sealed bids for the direct purchase and continuous stocking of the following items: General office supplies and materials, office furniture and equipment, mass mailing and printing of a variety of materials, photocopies and mimeograph material.

Bids must include a concise description of items ordered, price list, available terms, delivery dates, service and repair agreements. Name, address and phone number of bidder is required. Catalogs welcome.

Closing date is Feb. 26, 1979. 5 p.m. Phone call will not be accepted. Mail or deliver bids to John Yamagata, Regional Director, JACL Regional Office, 125 N. Central Ave., Los Angeles, Ca 90012.

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West L.A. JACL's 1978 Heritage Week for California

Los Angeles

Community groups and agencies planning an event during the first Asian-Pacific Cultural Heritage Week recently met, with President Carter for May 1-10, 1979, are invited to have their program listed in a calendar now being prepared and co-sponsored by the Pacific Southwest JACL Office.

Calendar Week application forms should be turned in by March 1, 1979, according to Wayne Shi-makubo (626-4471) of the JACL Office. Forms are obtainable from PSW Regional JACL Office, 125 N. Central Ave., Los Angeles, Ca 90012.

In Sacramento, Assemblymen Floyd Mori and Paul Baranishi, the Asian delegation at the State Legislature, this past week urged Governor Brown to join President Carter in proclaiming the first Asian-Pacific American Heritage Week for California.
YANKEE SAMURAI:
Secret role of Nisei in America's Pacific victory
by Joseph Harrington

CHAPTER 2
(Continued from Last Week)

RASMUSSEN'S curriculum had been cut back from 12 to six months and then still further for the 14 selective Nisei entering the first class at Camp Savage. They got only 90 days training, but they could get into the Pacific as quickly as possible. Leading their detachment out was Arthur Katsuyoshi Ushiro, who changed his name to Castle. Also with the class were three Canadians, John Anderton, Barton Lloyd and Harold Moss.

Anderton was a noteworthy personage, the only prewar Caucasian graduate of Kinmen Gaku (Golden Gate Institute) Japanese-language school of San Francisco. With a cover job as an editor, Anderton was an American army adjutant when he was arrested for desertion and for being a spy. Instead of being court-martialed, he was put in solitary for four months, then shipped back to America where he was convicted of desertion.

He was forever tripping up his language, for instance, when he once said, "I am a Nisei," where he meant, "I am not." He learned Japanese while a teenager, then went to Japan to learn more about his heritage. He was, in fact, descended on his mother's side from the leading family in the town of Ueda.

The very long, thin life__ of Australia—of Australia, England, America and the Netherlands. Japan changed her mind about an invasion of Australia, deciding instead to isolate her. Taking Port Moresby, on the south shore of New Guinea, a base that could cover northern Australia, was to be the first move. This, followed by capture of New Caledonia, Samoa and the Fiji Islands, would isolate Australia from the east. On March 10, Gen. Douglas MacArthur was told to get out of the Philippines (the second time he was so ordered) and set up a new command in Australia, the only place from which a counterattack against Japan could come. MacArthur obeyed and left the next day, just as a newly-arriving American force landed in New Caledonia. Once that happened, Japan had second thoughts about the Fijis and Samoa. The very long, very thin lifetime to Australia now had a chance of being maintained.

Only a handful of Nisei were actually working in military intelligence by this time, although the war was nine months old. Things were taking a lot of time to get squared away. Arthur Komori and Richard Sakakida had retreated from Batan to Corregidor on orders, Richard interpreting for Gen. Jonathan Wainwright at the last. Japan was in control of the Philippines, Burma, Singapore, Malay, Indonesia, and the Bismarks (New Britain, New Ireland).

With Komori and Sakakida on Batan and Corregidor was a helper they certainly never expected to have, in the person of Clarence Yamagata. He was a Nisei who had been working for the Japanese consulate in Manila. Many Niseis, in the thirties, were offered jobs with Japanese industry and government. All were college graduates, found that a sheepskin in the hands of a man with an Oriental face was practically worthless.)

Yamagata was first impressed by U.S. Army authorities, then freed and pressed into service as an interpreter, working under the same man who controlled Komori and Sakakida. This was Maj. N.W. Raynond, a murkily figuring, who was an American undergraduate who ascended the far East for some 30 years before death came to him as a POW.

April found the two Hawaiian sergeants being ordered to leave Corregidor for Australia, where linguists were in extremely short supply. On the 13th, a patched-up trainer that had earlier crashed landed lifted from Kindley Field, the Rock's tiny airstrip. On board were a pilot, Komori, and a Chinese officer who was Philippine representative for China. Kakida had given his place to the Nisei attorney.

"I was able to brush up on flying," said Komori, who took the controls while the Iolo, Panay Island, was plotted. "Peggy" Gunn, a nearly-legend in the Army Air Corps, picked them up there in a B-25 bomber and flew to Del Monte, Mindanao, to top off his tanks. After taking aboard as many $5-gallon drums of aviation gas as he could, Gunn beat off officers trying to pull rank and retreat, taking only the four men from Corregidor when he flew away. Seventeen hours later the B-25 set down in Australia, completing the longest flight an aircraft of its type had made. In 1977, Komori was still convinced he'd been on the "test hop" that proved a B-25 could be flown great distances.

He was certain his flight had been accurate preparation for the raid B-25's made on Japan from the aircraft carrier Hornet a few days later and that Gunn "proved" it could be done.

Sakakida, who insisted Yamagata be given his seat because he didn't feel very sure of someone who worked for the Japanese diplomatic service, someone whose Japanese-national wife had been shipped home to Japan just before the war started, stayed behind on Corregidor to surrender and carry out secret specific orders he'd been given. He didn't need to worry about a thing, Yamagata was reassigned to the Japanese Army in the Pacific.
HARRINGTON

1948 with the rank of Major and had a Legion of Merit for work he'd done during the war. The author feels that Yamagata could have steered the Japanese war effort differently if Sakakida had been available to him. The war was indeed fought to a different ends.

CHAPTER 3

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When the 100th Infantry Battalion, an all-Nisei unit, was deployed to the Philippines in January 1942, it was told that Nisei had left Hawaii expressly to train for Europe. Not true. No official plan existed, in June of 1942, for forming an all-Nisei outfit for Europe. Every American

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The two decades prior to the Pearl Harbor attack were the most painful ones for Issei. America had truly dashed their hopes. What would it do to their children’s? Issei who’d achieved some material success returned to Japan but few met happiness there. They themselves were aliens in their own homeland. Other Issei, despairing of ever achieving material success, rejected Japan but few met further success. You are advised to stay in your guesthouse, he’d been ordered. Picky he was. He’d be a Japanese, he’d be accepted, he’d be given a chance to serve. He’d been told, “he’d been ordered, ‘he’d be given a chance to serve. Picky he was.”

The Japanese Maple— even in the Japanese version of over 250 Japanese Maple cultivars. Indeed, this book has been praised as the authoritative book on the Japanese Maple—even in Japan, no doubt. In Japan were. While he was studying there, he’d seen little of Japan Town in that city until his father died, and in fact

to get at America’s enemies. Most had to operate under a cloud of suspicion even when their intentions were totally open, obvious and honest. This cloud did not dissipate until long after victory was won. Many Nisei resented it. Some still do.

Among Caucasians who started in the first Camp Savage class was Sheldon Covell. “We were told,” he said, “that our principal mission was to learn sufficient Japanese so that we could be sure the Nisei were translating, interpreting and reporting accurately, and not deceiving our intelligence people with false information.” Covell hastened to add that he found such activity on the part of Nisei during his service, “but that is what we were trained to detect.”

Lachlan Sinclair, a classmate of Covell’s, suggested to the author that he not tell his parents that all Nisei were liars. He pleaded that, just as Americans served on both sides of our Civil War, there were Nisei on both sides in the 1941-45 war. “To gloss over this fact,” wrote Sinclair, “is unfair to the ‘Yankee Samurai’ in your story who chose solidarity with America in the face of ridicule, scorn and hatred from those denouncing Japan as the winner.” Sinclair was privy to top secrets and should know what he was talking about. So should John Anderton, who “encountered more suspicious instance while working with 700-800 Nisei in Australia.” Anderton handled the situation by ordering the man to a forward unit, along with an instruction to “have him die in combat if anything suspicious turns up. Nothing did. The man survived the war. Anderton decided that he might have been wrong and kept the man’s name secret to his grave.

Nori every Nisei step smarterly from the front rank, salute, and offer to lay down his life.” Tetsuo Hayashida refused selection to the original class of 22 because he was being quite content in a medical battalion. Menial work at Camp Walters, Texas, where he and hundreds of other Nisei had been shanghaied from their regular units, was humiliating. Hayashida was ordered, not asked, to take language training at Savage. So was Kazuhiko Yamada, known better as “Rocky.” He’d been ordered from Ft. Custer, Mich. Hiro Tanabe got orders too, from Ft. Riley, Kan., where he’d been cleaning latrines. Tanabe scrubbed human excrement from Camp Savage toilet bowls, too, the derelicts who were the previous residents having declined to use the toilet bowls.

George Hayashida’s family voluntarily moved from Los Angeles to Colorado. He found Camp Savage depressing. So did Arthur Castle, who slept in a warehouse on arrival, then stuffed mattresses so he and others would have something to sleep on. Terry Takahashi felt he’d been come into by Joseph K. Dickey, an officer assistant of Reagan’s. Terry’s stepfather died while living in a horse stall at Tanforan race track. Dickey painted a rosy picture, he said, “saying it would be like going to West Point. I got the impression it was part of an elite program and that all graduates would get commissions.

Takahashi had to be persuaded to accept language school, but he knew he wasn’t really qualified. “My Japanese,” he said, “was awful! Only George Tsukuchi spoke better than I did!” Tsukuchi came from Cheyenne, and there were few Japanese to converse with in Wyoming, while Terry had grown up in a “non-Japanese” section of San Francisco. He’d seen little of Japan Town in that city until his father died, and in fact

through high school and college had pronounced his name with every “a” harshly. They usually get a soft voicing by AYAs.

Dye Ogata probably had less reason than anyone for coming to Savage. His father, Rinzo Ogata, had served the United States on the railroad faithfully, without promotion, for 20 years. Then, the Pearl Harbor attack began. Rinzo was handed a terse note that read, “Your service in the United States is hereby terminated, and further notice you are advised to stay in your guesthouse, he’d been ordered. Picky he was. He’d be a Japanese, he’d be accepted. Picky he was.”

The Japanese who’d been inducted into military service were now the only Japanese to converse with other Japanese. Everyone else had been sent to Wyoming, with the exception of the small group of Nisei in Seattle. They were Nisei, like him, they were Nisei, he was. He’d been told, “he’d been ordered, ‘he’d be given a chance to serve. Picky he was.”

The AVOCADO KID or Zen in the Art of Guacamole by Tom Uyeda in center of crater, Bill Ishida at edge, give idea of shell’s destruction.

Dye Ogata got the Purple Heart after digging himself out of bunker where enemy shell hit. Tom Uyeda in center of crater. Bill Ishida at edge, give idea of shell’s destruction.

Momi, Beautiful JAPANESE MAPLES (Timber Press, $39.50 cloth) details more than 555, Forest Grove, Ore. 97116 by the world’s leading authority J. D. Vertrees, is breathtaking and beautiful as the subject being covered in definitive fashion. Japanese maples (momi) known as some colors ranging from pale pink and white to purple and the greens and reds are evident in every season, each one more breathtaking and beautiful than the last. This program and that

Kabuki’s open Terrace Theater

Edward C. Kennedy Center’s 500-seat Terrace Theater was opened Jan. 29 with an opening night gala of the Grand Kabuki. Most of the theater’s schedule is booked solid through May, according to Roger Stevens, chairman of Kennedy Center. The $3 million theater was Japan’s gift to the United States, as part of the bicentennial of the Bicentennial. Recent Time Magazine cover story by Letters Johnson was the designer.

This most watched for their chance to escape back to America. The result was some weird educational and maturation patterns.

Hiroshi Tanabe completed a business high school course in Kobe. When he was able to get back to the U.S., he had to re-commence his education at Grade 9 level. Jiro Matsuura, another Kibi, was 24 by the time he finished public high school. Henry Gohe suffer less than most, “because my brother and I tried to act as Japanese as possible in school. That spared us a lot.”

Joe Akivarna, Ben Kawahara, Frank Fuchia, Hardy Kubo, Hughes Tsunesi, Grant Hirabayashi and Kazuo Yamane also survived a varied gamut of emotions and experiences as Kibe. Some knew what it was to become a “schoolboy,” a special employment in California under which a returning youngster hired out for room and board. He performed every task as a Caucasian family asked of him, while he completed his American education. In 1942, these men and many others began applying their Japan-acquired educations against the land where they’d observed them.

Despite the tons of glowing prose written about Japanese Americans and their 1941-45 experiences, not all were reverent, thrifty, clean and obedient. Nor were all chafing at the bit, just racing

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gard me as Public Enemy #1. But don't forget that I speak for probably—no one has made a statistical survey—a majority of Japanese Americans.

Q: As you think, get back to the detention centers—was this the right way to handle the Japanese at that time?

A: Well, it seems to me, look, the Nikkei were waging the war in the Pacific; they'velobbed Singapore; they'velobbed the American Air Force in the Philippines. No one knew at the time when the Japanese would attack

continued from Mike’s rifle at Camp Roberts after war broke out. Reliving his hurt 36 years later, Mike said, “If it had any bullets in it, it could have turned down Capt. Dickey at Ft. Sill, his third refusal in a year. I must have thought, ‘Why should I volunteer, after the way I’ve been treating the Japs’? So I cartoiled anyway and retailed the only way he could, by souring down the president.”

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kamoto was not popular with John Osso and Kai Rasmussen, but that’s how he got him just fine.

Joe Yoshida upgraded, but it wasn’t easy. While at Camp Wolters, he saw Caucasian girls who talked to him as to “vagabonds” and “beggars.” Things only got better when a representative of the Inspector-General, the Army’s “ombudsman,” came out from Washington to look into things. At Savage, he scrubbed floors and white-washed walls, all the while listening to threats of what might happen to his family if he did not apply himself to his studies.

So there was danger to the Japanese themselves if they stayed there.

Q: So you’re saying it was for their own sake, as much as anything else, that they were put in these detention camps.

A: So there is a fear of sabotage, as well as their safety. I’ve interviewed Japanese Americans who’ve said, my, it was a relief to us to get out of Los Angeles, to get out of San Francisco, and get to a safe, reliable refuge, like a camp. Because they’d already started throwing bricks through windows of their grocery store; people would go past Japanese farms and destroy the gourd just for the hell of it.

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They were superb. That word correctly describes it. superb. They took their casualties. They showed rare courage and tremendous fighting spirit. Not much can be said of the performance of the 442nd (Japanese-American Regimental Combat Team), the most famous and highly decorated Japanese-American unit in World War II. It was formed in 1941 and served in Italy, France, and Germany. It consisted of 10,000 men and was commanded by Major General Tetsujiro Hara. The 442nd was known as the " Fighting 100th." It was made up of Nisei (second generation Japanese migrants) who volunteered to fight for the United States in order to prove their loyalty to the country they had been born and raised in. The unit was composed of soldiers from all over the country, including California, Oregon, Washington, and Hawaii. The 442nd was trained in camp, and its members were highly motivated to fight for their country. The unit was deployed to Italy in 1943, where it saw action in the European Theater of Operations, fighting against Nazi Germany. The 442nd was renowned for its bravery and discipline, and it earned numerous medals and awards for its service. It was the most decorated unit of the American Army during World War II, with over 6,000 citations and awards. The unit was decommissioned in 1946, and today, the 442nd is remembered as a symbol of courage and resilience. The story of the 442nd is a testament to the bravery and sacrifice of the Nisei who served in World War II. It is a story of how a group of young men, determined to prove their loyalty to their country, became some of the most decorated soldiers in American history.