

Four Nikkei legislators in Washington support JACL redress; air 3 concepts

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Washington

On Feb. 1, five representatives of JACL met with four Nikkei legislators and their aides in the Nation's Capitol to discuss the redress issue. It was a meeting of major importance because of what was discussed that day and will have significant impact on the final structure of the redress bill.

They met in the Senate chamber office of Senator Daniel Inouye, who, along with Senator Spark Matsunaga and Congressmen Norman Mineta and Bob Matsui, discussed redress legislation for over 1½ hours with West Coast delegation of JACLers: Karl Nobuyuki, Ron Ikejiri, Dr. Clifford Uyeda, Ron Mamiya and John Tateishi.

While no singular concept for a redress bill evolved from the meeting, various al-

ternatives and explored feasible methods for a legislative proposal were discussed.

The discussion focused on three primary concepts: (1) an IRS check-off plan, (2) a direct appropriations plan, and (3) the concept of establishing a congressional committee to study the redress question.

"There are obvious advantages and disadvantages with any one of these plans as there would be with any plan, but we now have some direction by which to shape our thinking and to make definite determinations," John Tateishi, chairman of the JACL Redress Committee, declared.

"There were no panaceas offered, but we didn't expect any. But what we had hoped for and what we got was a great deal of concrete feedback and information. One thing is quite clear: the four leg-

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REDRESS BILL ARCHITECTS — Members of the National Committee for Redress (standing) meet with Japanese American members of Congress in Washington. They are (from left): seated—Sen. Spark Matsunaga, Sen. Daniel Inouye, Rep. Robert Matsui and Rep. Norman Mineta; standing—Karl Nobuyuki, JACL executive director; Ron Mamiya, Seattle; Dr.

Clifford Uyeda, nat'l president; Ron Ikejiri, Washington representative; and John Tateishi, redress committee chairman. Redress Committee is seeking some means of revoking the legal basis for the government to imprison an entire group because of race and recognition of injustices inflicted upon Japanese Americans by the U.S. government in 1942.

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OREGONIANS REMEMBER—The "Day of Remembrance" logo, introduced at the Camp Harmony program last November, reappears in Portland Mayor Neil Goldschmidt's office after signing a joint resolution with the City Council condemning the "constitutional and moral violations" of the Evacuation. In the picture (from left) are Dr. Toshi Kuge, Shig Nagae, co-chair Peggy Nagae, the Mayor, Sho Dozono (Portland JACL pres); Kimi Tambara (PNW exec sec); Nobi Azumano, and George Azumano.

Feb. 19: 'A Day of Remembrance'

BY HARRY HONDA

Next Monday is a federal holiday — President's Day is observed on the third Monday of February.

By coincidence, Feb. 19 is *A Day of Remembrance* for Japanese Americans for on that day in 1942 President Roosevelt signed Ex-

ecutive Order 9066 that led to mass upheaval of some 110,000 people from the West Coast for detention without trial of any kind into concentration camps. The charge was that they happened to be of Japanese ancestry, full or partial.

Feb. 19 is also the day in

1976 when President Ford terminated presidential powers of Executive Order 9066, stating in his proclamation, *An American Promise*, that "an honest reckoning must include a recognition of our national mistakes as well as our national achievements ... We now know what we should have known then — not only was that Evacuation wrong, but Japanese Americans were and are loyal Americans."

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To remember, Minoru Yasui, 63, who was the first to test the military curfew imposed against Japanese Americans on the West Coast in 1942, will be speaker at two "Day of Remembrance" programs: first, at Portland Expo Center on Saturday, Feb. 17; and again as keynoter Monday, Feb. 19, at Tanforan Park Shopping Center, San Bruno, Calif.

A native son of Hood River, Ore., Yasui was a graduate in law from the Univ. of Oregon and a lieutenant in the Army Reserves when he submitted himself for arrest, telling the FBI in Portland that he was challenging the curfew law. (Alien Japanese, Japanese Americans, alien Italian and alien German residents in Military Area #1 of the Western Defense Command were to stay in their home between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m.)

(Residents in the Western Defense Command, for

purposes of E.O. 9066, were divided into six classes: (1) alien Japanese, (2) Americans of Japanese lineage, (3) potential saboteurs, spies or fifth-columnists.)

While Federal Judge Alger Fee held the curfew law against citizens unconstitutional, he ruled Yasui was guilty as he became an alien by reason of his prewar employment with the Japanese consulate in Chicago. Yasui had testified he had not renounced his citizenship. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled Yasui was a U.S. citizen but still guilty of violating the curfew law. Yasui today is executive director of the Denver Commission on Community Relations.

There are other public figures who will address the Day of Remembrance programs, including Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley who remembers how his Nisei classmates at Poly High and UCLA were evacuated; and Judge Robert Thornton of the Oregon appellate court, a Portland native who was a Japanese language interpreter in the Army during WW2 and stood up for Nisei during that bleak period of anti-Japanese hysteria.

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Though EO 9066 was directed against Japanese Americans, the words *Japanese* or *Japanese Americans* are not contained in the order for its justifica-

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Famed sculptor Isamu Noguchi visits Little Tokyo

Los Angeles

World-famous sculptor Isamu Noguchi was in Los Angeles last week to receive a doctor of fine arts honorary degree from the Univ. of Southern California during its 1979 mid-year commencement exercises and took the opportunity to look around Little Tokyo and confer with city officials and Little Tokyo community leaders regarding a sculpture for the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center Plaza.

The 72-year-old artist, a native of Los Angeles, also visited Mayor Tom Bradley and presented him with a copy of a tome on his life and works by Sam Hunter which was published recently, receiving in turn a key to the city from the

mayor.

With a bird's eye view of most of Little Tokyo from his suite on the 18th floor of the New Otani Hotel and from enthusiastic walking tours of the area, Noguchi studied the progress of redevelopment in the area. Friends of Little Tokyo Arts, a non-profit group interested in bringing the fine arts to Little Tokyo, had contacted him regarding a proposal they had submitted to the National Endowment for the Arts for a Noguchi sculpture in the JACCC Plaza, and Noguchi responded with keen interest.

Community Redevelopment Agency Administrator Ed Helfeld met several times with Noguchi during his stay and promised to study the sculptor's proposals to extend the Weller Street Mall to the JACCC Center Building, relocating the proposed theater and also rehabilitating the parking structure near Central Avenue on Second Street to house his permanent collection.

"This is a fabulous offer made by Isamu Noguchi, which will not only put Los Angeles and Little Tokyo on the map but will be an invaluable legacy for future generations of Japanese Americans," commented Leslie Hamasaki, FOLTA spokesperson, who was Noguchi's constant escort during his stay.

Noguchi was a guest of FOLTA at a welcome din-



Isamu Noguchi

ner at the New Otani's Thousand Cranes. Among those present were artist Sueo Serisawa and architect Kazumi Adachi, both old friends of the sculptor, and Sebastian "Lefty" Adler, curator of the La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art, who is advising the FOLTA regarding the NEA grant.

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Mineta calls for support of Taiwan

Washington

Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) is co-sponsor of a House resolution calling for continuation of social and economic support with people of Taiwan. HJR 167 was also introduced in the Senate by Sens. Alan Cranston and Edward Kennedy.

While diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China is an important step in U.S. foreign policy and in the interests of world peace, Mineta said also that "we want to serve notice to our allies and to concerned Americans that the U.S. government has no intention of terminating its close relationship with Taiwan."

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Buddhists to convene Feb. 21-25 in Seattle

Seattle

The annual meeting of the Buddhist Churches of America Ministerial Association and the National Council will be held here Feb. 21 through 25. Over 70 ministers, 200 delegates and numerous boosters will assemble at the Seattle Betsuin and Olympic Hotel.

Bishop Kenryu T. Tsuji will officiate at the Opening Service and President Katsumi Tokunaga will chair the three-day meeting.

The main item on the agenda will be a discussion on the continuing education of Jodo Shinshu in the

United States, ministerial training program and the adoption of the proposed budget of \$410,000 for 1979.

The conference banquet on Saturday at the Olympic Hotel will be the social highlight with newly-elected Cong. Robert Matsui as guest speaker. Washington Governor Dixie Lee Ray, Seattle Mayor Charles Royer, Consul General Kenichi Yanagi and Masami Suzuki will be attending.

The conference concludes with a Perpetual Memorial Service honoring the memory of the Issei pioneers. #



Katsumi Tokunaga

Springfield, Ill.

William J. Alley, CLU, president and chairman of the board of directors of the Franklin Life Insurance Co., presented a resolution to Katsumi Tokunaga, general agent of Golden Gate Agency, expressing the company's recognition and appreciation to Tokunaga for his involvement and service as president of the Buddhist Churches of America and his contribution while attending the World Federation of Buddhist Conference in Japan last October. He has been selected into Who's Who in Religion. During the WFB conference, he was asked by the Executive Committee of the World Council of Buddhists to assist in the drafting of its final declaration.

President Alley stated that such resolution signed by all the members of the company's Board of Directors was the first ever in this company's 95-year history.

Calls issued for Census workers

Sacramento, Ca.

Vacancies are now occurring in preparing for the 1980 Census with the Bureau paying special attention to ensure best enumeration possible, particularly in the minority communities, it was pointed out by Ellie Peck, community services specialist (455-4769) with the Census here. A Personal Qualifications Statement (SF-171) will be required to apply.

\$900 tallied to open Tule Lake Plaque fund

San Francisco

The initial report acknowledging contributions for the Tule Lake Plaque dedication indicates, as of Jan. 31, a total of \$905 from 42 contributors as follows:

Tule Lake Plaque—No. 1

A. Under \$10 (Name recorded in Permanent Donor Book)—Frank Fukuda, Salem, Or.

B. \$10 & Over (Copy of Plaque Inscription, Name in Time Capsule + A)—Sentaro Fukuda, Larry Tsuji, Toshio Nomura, Shozo Ishikawa, all of Los Angeles; Kazuo Tamaki, Canoga Park; Yoshio Sakamoto, Carson; Akira Hasegawa, San Lorenzo; Henry Taketa, Sacramento; Hatsuie Aoki, Ken Takahashi, Masami Dobashi, San Francisco; Hideo Togami Onweiler, Albany; Carson JACL; Yeiko Togami, Berkeley.

C. \$25 & Over (5x7 color photo of Tule Lake monument + above items)—Masae Hayama Fujimoto, Victor Takata, Tatsuo R. Inouye, Tetsuo Nakao, all of Los Angeles; Alfred & Mary Tsukamoto, Dick K Yamamoto, Sumio & Kimiko Miyamoto, all of Sacramento; Puyallup Valley JACL; Shinichi Okuhara, Mission Hills;

Kenji Togami, Berkeley; Chiyoko Yamamoto, San Francisco.

D. \$50 & Over (Reproduction of Plaque + above items)—Howard Imazeki, San Francisco; Seiichi Otow, Roseville; Noboru Yanagitani, Los Angeles.

E. \$100 & Over (Paper rubbing of Plaque + above items. Number of rubbings will be limited on first come-first serve basis)—Yoshimi Shibata, Atherton; Iwao Nishita, Campbell; Chie Takeshita, San Francisco.

Former Tule Lakers and friends may send tax-deductible donation to the JACL-Tule Lake Plaque Dedication Committee, c/o Calif First Bank, 1675 Post St., San Francisco, Ca 94115.

Nisei elected director of Farm Credit board

Washington

The Farm Credit Administration announced the election of Takashi Moriuchi, a fruit grower in Moorestown, N.J., to the board of directors of the Farm Credit Board of Springfield, Mass., for a three-year term starting January, 1979. The results:

T Moriuchi 11,402

W Bubar, St Albans, Me. . . 5,589

As such, the Nisei farmer will also serve as a director of the Federal land bank, the Federal intermediate credit bank, and the bank for cooperatives of the district, it was announced by FCA Governor Donald Wilkinson.

Moriuchi, 59, hails from

Livingston, Ca., a graduate of Livingston High and from UC Berkeley in business administration. He farms 386 acres of peaches and 338 acres of apples in New Jersey, where he is also active with:

Jersey Fruit Cooperative Assn., pres.; Medford Leas Retirement Community Board of Trustees, v.p.; National Peach Council; N.J. Agricultural Society; N.J. State Grange; N.J. Farm Bureau; N.J. Horticultural Society; First National Bank of South Jersey, director.

An active Philadelphia JACler who recently established the \$1,000 JACL Scholar Award for the National JACL scholarship program, Moriuchi is also active with the Moorestown Rotary, Society of Friends and a trustee of the International Apple Institute.

The FCA is an independent government agency coordinating and supervising the farm credit system through its 12 regional banks. The Springfield bank services the eight northeastern states.

NEH fellowships

Washington

National Endowment for the Humanities has 1980-81 fellowships in three categories with stipends up to \$20,000 for 12-month tenure. Application material will be available in mid-March from:

Division of Fellowships, Mail Stop 101, NEH, 806-15th St NW, Washington, DC 20015.

"Folk Traditions in Japanese Art" is on display at San Francisco's Asian Art Museum in Golden Gate Park through March 11.

JTBI Japan tour for JACL 'attractive'

San Francisco

A very "attractive" Japan tour for JACLers is being packaged by Japan Travel Bureau International, according to the JACL Travel Committee, which indicated the cost and itinerary are expected to be announced by the end of February.

A 10-day bus tour, visiting places not on the usual run is being planned to keep costs down. Members are urged to start planning now and send in their reservations as the number of JACL flights have been reduced, it was pointed out.

Close to 20 have reserved for the mainland China tour in the fall as of early February. Equally exciting will be JACL's tour to South America this summer. #

Study links tourism with rise in crime

Honolulu

"Tourism and Crime", a Univ. of Hawaii study by three economists, Edwin T. Fujii, James Mak and Edward Nishimura, for the School of Travel Industry Management and the Social Sciences & Linguistics Institute, associates increased tourism with increased violence—particularly robbery and rape—in those areas of Oahu where tourists outnumber local residents or military personnel.

The researchers suggested that those formulating tourism development policies should include the costs of increased crime. #

Hawaiian entertainment will be featured at the fourth annual Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church Hoolaulea on Saturday, Feb. 17, 5:30 p.m. Teriyaki steak and shrimp dinner will be served.

Patty Hearst freed by Carter, paper updates lives of others

Los Angeles

The day (Jan. 29) President Carter signed the commutation of Patricia Hearst's seven-year sentence to being released on a parole-like condition for a year, there was an update of the other people involved in the case by the Los Angeles Times.

Wendy Yoshimura was asked if she regretted her involvement with Miss Hearst. "I don't know what to say ... It's what happened," she told the Times reporter. She is working with the Juice Bar Collective in Berkeley at \$5.25

per hour serving health food sandwiches and teaching water color painting to senior citizens at the San Francisco Japantown Art and Media Workshop on Saturdays.

"Right now, I'm just waiting for the appeal," she explained. Yoshimura was convicted in 1977 of possession of explosives and firearms in connection with a cache of arms found in a Berkeley garage in 1972. She was sentenced to 1-15 years. She remains free on \$50,000 bond.

Patricia Hearst was with Yoshimura when they were arrested on Sept. 18, 1975, in San Francisco. Sen. S. I. Hayakawa was active in efforts to have Miss Hearst freed. #

JACL seen in New England

Boston, Mass.

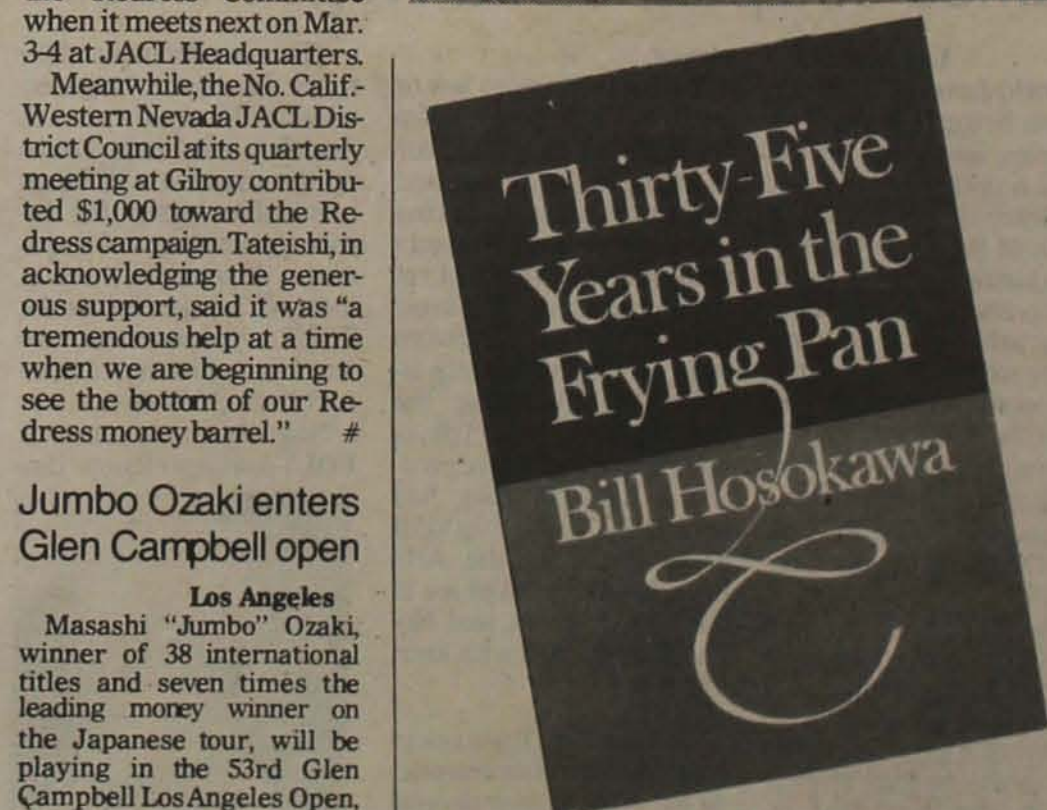
Ron Ikejiri, Washington JACL representative, will speak at the organizational meeting of a new JACL chapter here on Sunday, Feb. 25, 2 p.m., at the Cambridge Friends Meeting House, 5 Longfellow Park. In charge are two Sansei from the West Coast now here: Glen Fukushima (617-661-8443) and Alex Kimura (617-498-2014).

During the late 1940s, the New England JACL was based around Nisei teaching or attending area colleges and universities. It then was deactivated in 1952.

Deaths

Esther B Rhodes, 82, of Philadelphia died Feb. 4 of apparent heart attack. The Quaker instructor to members of the royal family of Japan, she tutored the Crown Prince from November 1950 to March 1957 and also Empress Nagako from January 1954 to February 1960. She is also remembered for her work with Nikkei evacuees during World War II.

Mitsuyo Sakada, 96, of Sacramento died Jan. 29 in a nursing home. She was the mother of the late Randolph Sakada, national JACL president (1950-52). Surviving are s Yoshio, Shigeo (Mich), d Shina Kinaga, Yoshiko Oshima, Kimiko Miyamoto, Sumiko Tsuruta, d-in-law Shizuko Sakada.



Jumbo Ozaki enters Glen Campbell open

Los Angeles

Masashi "Jumbo" Ozaki, winner of 38 international titles and seven times the leading money winner on the Japanese tour, will be playing in the 53rd Glen Campbell Los Angeles Open, Feb. 23-25 at the Riviera Country Club.

He has played in the U.S. Masters, but his appearance in the Los Angeles Open will be the first for him on the West Coast.

Also joining Ozaki at the L.A. Open is Hiroshi, Ishii, an 18-year veteran on the Japanese Tour and winner of the 1978 Bridgestone Tournament at the Sodegaura Country Club in Japan.

Pacific Citizen, 355 E. 1st St., Room 307
Los Angeles, Ca 90012

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Feb. 19 - A Day of Remembrance

1942: Exec. Order 9066 signed



1976: Force of E.O. 9066 ended



Photo from the PC Archives

Los Angeles area Japanese board buses for Manzanar from the Maryknoll School yard in Little Tokyo.

Portland, Ore.

Multnomah County Expo Center, West Hall
(Site of the Portland Assembly Center)

Feb. 17 (Sat) 12:30-6 p.m. — Rowe Sumida, m.c.

12:30—Registration, pick up WCCA number tags.

2:00—Program: Harue Akiyama, Masaki Kinoshita (Issei), Mayor Goldschmidt, Min Yasui, Harue Ninomiya, Dr. George Hara, Judge Robert Thornton, spkrs.; Rev. Waichi Oyanagi, invocation; Dr. Toshi Kuge, plaque dedication; Lawson F. Inada, poem.

3:45—Slide show, exhibit.

4:00—Entertainment: Fujinami-kai, Karla Takasumi, Pat Hokama, David Fujii.

5:00—Reunion potluck supper.

Tanforan, Calif.

Tanforan Park Shopping Center
(Site of the Tanforan Assembly Center)

Feb. 19, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. — Noriko Bridges, m.c.

10:00—Motor caravan starts at Ft. Mason (Laguna and Marina Blvd., San Francisco); proceed via US101 to San Bruno, right on I-380 to El Camino Real exit, right onto El Camino Real to first entrance of Tanforan Park Shopping Center.

12:00-1:30—Program: Ernest Iiyama, Minoru Yasui (keynote), Emily Light, John Tateishi, spkrs.; Rev. Nick Iyoya, invoc.; Janice Mirikitani, poem; Peter Horikoshi, music; Rev. Sanada, benediction.

Walerga (Sacramento)

Interstate 80 and Palm Blvd., Sacramento, Ca.

(Site of the Walerga Assembly Center)

Feb. 19 (Monday), from 12 noon

12:00—Assembly.

A short program, still being planned, will follow. It will include prayers, presentation of

colors, speeches by dignitaries and the former assistant director for the Camp. For information, call Don Ito (916) 366-9683 r.s. 322-9580 office.

Los Angeles, Calif.

Little Tokyo: Front of Old Nishi Hongwanji
119 N. Central Ave., Los Angeles

Feb. 19 (Monday), 1-3 p.m.

1:00—Presentations of City and County resolutions (Mayor Tom Bradley is scheduled to appear). Acceptance by representatives of Nikkei groups: Dr. Kiyoshi Sonoda, Little Tokyo Tower; Ken Nakaoka, Japanese Chamber of Commerce; Paul Tsuneishi, JACL; Miles

Hamada, Rev. Harry Murakami, Rev. R. Masuoka.

2:00—Ten-minute skit: East West Players; Speakers: Shisei Tsuneishi (Issei at Heart Mountain), Betty Kozasa (Nisei at Jerome); vocal number: Warren Furutani; Japanese folk dancing taught by Mrs. Grace Harada.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors has adopted a motion proclaiming Feb. 19 as "A Day of Remembrance" so that all Americans will be reminded that every citizen is guaranteed the full protection under the law and that no one should be removed from his home without due process of law.

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, chairman of the board, was the author of the motion approved Jan. 30.

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Names compiled for Tule Lake capsule

Sacramento, Ca.

Data is beginning to be compiled for the Tule Lake Internee Family Registry to be placed in a time capsule at the Calif. Historical Landmark-JACL plaque dedication at the former campsite on May 27.

Mary Tsukamoto (of 6815 Florin-Perkins Rd., Sacramento, Ca 95828), in charge of the name compilation, says the idea of names of former Tule Lake residents for a time capsule has caught on. The JACL committee seeks the following data:

Family name, the WRA I.D. number, barrack number at Tule, names of each family member, present name and address, and indicate deceased or living.

The JACL Tule Lake Plaque Committee explained that to enhance the commemorative aspect, it needed a current family registry to "dramatize the lives of the Issei, Nisei and Sansei who endured the humiliation, overcame the shame and continued to live creditable and honorable lives since then".

Mrs. Tsukamoto said she was astounded by the number of Franks, Bobs and Bills with the same surnames. Both Japanese and English first names should be listed, she added.

Meanwhile, Wes Doi and Tak Shirasawa, co-chairing the Tule Lake Plaque Dedication fund drive (first report as of January 1979 appears elsewhere in this issue), have appealed to former internee families to help pay for the Tule Lake monument, upon which the historical landmark plaque is to be imbedded, and incidental committee expenses. The goal is \$10,000, it was learned.

Specific donor recognitions are to be made to contributors. For instance, the \$50 contributor receives a reproduction of the plaque, a 5x7-inch photo of the

monument, copy of the inscription and have his/her name placed in the time capsule and the permanent JACL Headquarters donor book. A paper rubbing of the plaque is added for \$100-and-up donors.

Orders are being taken for a Tule Lake Album, which will feature photographs of the dedication program, selected items from the camp newspaper and related evacuation era material. Cost is to be determined, but orders may be placed with the JACL Regional Director George Kondo at San Francisco or Frank Hiyama, plaque dedication chairman, 1117

Swanston Way, Sacramento, Ca 95816.

The committee is also polling chapters to determine transportation needs. Group AMTRAK rates for 15 or more to Klamath Falls, Ore., closest rail stop, and schedule were reported at a recent committee meeting by Paula Mitsunaga.

SCHEDULE—Lv Oakland 9 p.m., arr Klamath Falls 6 a.m.; Lv K-Falls 10:30 p.m., arr Oak 7:40 a.m. (approx 400 mi.). GROUP FARE: \$49 RT (\$37.50 RT from Davis, \$75 from Los Angeles).

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.

Information Helpful for the Directory

1. Family Name, WRA ID Number, Block Number at Tule.
2. Names of each family member that lived at Tule.
3. Present name, address, ZIP.
4. Deceased or Living.

"Those who were residents at Tule shall not remain nameless."

MAIL DATA NOW TO: MARY T. TSUKAMOTO

6815 FLORIN-PERKINS RD.—SACRAMENTO, CA 95828
(916—383-3906) Deadline: Mar. 31, 1979



This bus was part of the caravan recreating the trek to Camp Harmony (the Puyallup Assembly Center now the Western Wash-

ington Fairgrounds) on Nov. 25. It was the first "Day of Remembrance" initiated for JACL's Redress campaign.

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Redress: Pro and Con

Editor:

To paraphrase Alice in Wonderland it is becoming "curiouser and curiouser" as Mr. Hosokawa (PC Sept. 15, Nov. 10 and et al.) continues to reflect on the obstacles confronting the path of Redress and particularly after interviewing Senator Hayakawa.

It is curious that he should use game as a metaphor (? football? Denver O.J.—game plans and all that jazz) to depict the rocky road to the "goal" of Redress. As far as I can see "game plans" are usually thwarted by luck, timing and the way the ball bounces. Or is it the numbers game (according to him 2.55% of congressional bills were passed in 1976)? I can't imagine any future Congress being confronted with

fewer bills than each preceding one.

It is curious that he should think that money cannot compensate for the "injustice and indignity of the Evacuation". The concept of indemnification is certainly not new as the modern Jews recently and painfully discovered. Redress means correction or reformation of something wrong as well as reparation or compensation and I suppose we could ask for memorials or monuments or even a "war chest" to challenge the Supreme Court decisions.

It is curious to read about the effects of "backlash" and he reminds us that now that we have secured middle class nirvana it could jeopardize our future. As a reporter of the human condition he

must be aware that racism is omnipresent and is confronted daily. It is time to lump Redress with whales, balance of trade, sunspots, etc. and put it in the proper perspective.

However, it is not curious to read of Senator Hayakawa's comments and reactions for they were predictable and quixotic. He speculated on the number of "older Niseis who probably thinks as he does and are reluctant to speak out". "I'm one of those speaking out for Redress but who wants to play the guessing game? He recommends Japanese language instructions for high schools and colleges and he should know as a former president such courses do exist. Just imagine he says the "sensation that would be caused by a Black American

fluent in Japanese calling on potential customers in Tokyo". Somehow this smells of racism and I don't want to analyze it.

Finally, it is curious that JACL so often accused of meekness and obsequious positions should now be criticized for its radical stand. Mr. Hosokawa is afraid that should the campaign fail not only will the credibility of JACL be destroyed but itself as a viable organization. For the first time JACL has come to direct confrontation with the injustices of Evacuation—and thus with ourselves. This may be its finest hour and perhaps, according to Mr. Hosokawa, the last hurrah, but what a way to go.

"Whilst redress is delayed wrong subsists". (Butler, 1741)

ELJI SUYAMA, MD
Ellsworth, Me



PRESIDENT'S CORNER: Clifford Uyeda

Korean Americans

One of the joys of the practice of Pediatrics is the establishment of close relationships with the entire family of the patients one treats. One becomes a counselor

to the family.

One such family was the Kim family in San Francisco. Children are now grown and married. Sharing their teenage crises resulted in a strong bond of understanding and trust.

Recently I met Tom Kim, director of the Korean Community Service Center of San Francisco. We had much to reminisce, particularly of the years when he was a junior high school student.

The Korean population of San Francisco approaches 20,000. That is nearly double the Japanese American population here. Many of the Koreans are recent arrivals, and many problems they face are not unlike what our Issei parents went through over half a century ago. Language barrier, culture shock, decent jobs, subtle racism—these are still the major concerns of the new Asian arrivals in America.

There are two powerful allies in their quest to make new homes in America. One is the improving American attitude toward Asian immigrants. The more important is the presence of adult Korean Americans. These eager, capable and dedicated individuals, such as Tom Kim, will assure the fact that these legal permanent residents of the United States, even before becoming U.S. citizens, are fully entitled to the constitutional protections in the Bill of Rights.

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tion was for "the successful prosecution of the war" with the President then delegating the military to designate such areas where "any and all persons may be excluded" and to provide such persons "transportation, food, shelter and other accommodations as may be necessary ... until other arrangements are made".

Then began the Gen. DeWitt promulgation of 108 Civilian Exclusion Orders instructing all persons of Japanese ancestry in a prescribed area to assemble at a given place and date by noon. The Army military police transported them to an assembly (induction) center, such as Portland's Expo Center, Walerga, etc. Evacuees were limited to what they could bring: bedding and liners, toilet articles, extra clothing; cups, bowls, plates and eating utensils; and essential personal effects.

In the meantime, the Japanese in Hawaii were not mass evacuated and during the eight months it took to empty the Pacific Coast states of all persons of Japanese ancestry, the tide of war in the Pacific

had turned: Major Doolittle's men had bombed Tokyo, Yokohama, Kobe and Nagoya in April, the Battle of Midway and the Coral Sea Battle had stopped and crippled the Japanese Navy by June, undermining any potential invasion of the west coast; and MacArthur started his island hopping campaign from Australia in September toward Japan.

People who recognize the Evacuation for what it was (and this is what the Day of Remembrance programs are about) may find the words appearing on the California Historical Landmark plaque mounted in 1973 at Manzanar expressing their hopes best: "May the injustices and humiliation suffered here as a result of hysteria, racism and economic exploitation never emerge again."

Sansei attorney Peggy Nagae, co-chairing the program at Portland, also summarizes what Feb. 19 can mean for Japanese Americans: "To share our experience and historic roots with the community so that such experiences are never repeated in American history. The Day of Remembrance is a day for all Americans."

Editor:

Dr. Clifford Uyeda spoke at TC's installation dinner about Redress, and I must say that he opened my eyes to a lot of previously unthought of aspects. One such aspect was that one out of five Japanese elderly has an income of less than poverty level and that, according to the latest available national statistics, 40% of the males and 63% of the females had incomes less than \$2,000 a year. As he continued on about the pros of redress, I felt myself sink lower into my chair, knowing how I had made my views against individual disbursement known to the JACL community (via the PC). I realize now that I did not know as much as I thought I did!

Something else that impressed me was John Tani's article on the MDC page (PC, Jan. 19). I still agree with him quite strongly about other pathways that Redress can follow. I am glad that Phase II of the campaign is going so well (i.e. the "60 Minutes" program) ...

While I still cling to my view that the main emphasis should be on education rather than monetary restitution, I am more open in my thinking now. I realize that JACL is working hard to pull this

thing through for all of us, and I support it all the way now! GO FOR IT!

MARK ABE
Bloomington, Mn.

Yen or Trade

Editor:

Harvey Everett (PC Jan. 19) intrigues me because he brought out something I did not know. I had presumed that the dollar was the medium of exchange for most of world trade as was the pound before WW2 which led to much of England's financial difficulty ...

Before the Inland Empire Trade Council in Spokane as reported by the Spokesman-Review (Jan. 16, 1979) Kenichi Yanagi, consul general of Japan reported: U.S. sales climbed 26% between January and October last year, but the decline in the dollar's value wiped out the gain. — exports of American airplanes (up 42%), meat (up 62%), and fish (up 108%) led the list. Japan is already the biggest foreign purchaser of U.S. beef. Japan is curbing exports. Agreements to limit sales of cars, steel and ships have been reached. Television exports are down. One firm, Toshiba, has recently halted all U.S. sales. Significant tariff cuts have been made in Japan on industrial, agricultural, forestry and fish products.

Richard Baum, president of Western Wheat Associates said, "The Japanese feel U.S. trade negotiators should recognize the fact that Japan imports 14 million tons of U.S. grain worth some \$4 billion annually."

Those are just samples of news reports, some of which are in obscure journals. I am writing to you so that perhaps someone can write an article rebutting letters such as the one mentioned. Frank Fukazawa's article seemed quite accurate when I read it and such articles (as one appearing in Foreign Affairs, July 1978) confirm his observations. By the way, Foreign Affairs is a very good, informative magazine in my opinion.

JAMES M. WATANABE
Spokane, Wa.

There is no room for unsigned letters here.

Installation Speaker

Editor:

Clifford Uyeda sure endeared himself to our Twin Cities chapter when he addressed our installation dinner ... He impressed me tremendously when we first met in San Francisco last year to develop the Redress proposal for the Convention. That impression was further enhanced Jan. 20 and 21.

After the banquet, he spent a good three hours talking JACL with groups, individuals—anyone who had problems, questions or whatever about Redress, the JACL, just anything. What a guy!

Then on Sunday he met with some 25 JAYS and JACLers for another six hours. He is a walking encyclopedia about Nikkei history and folklore.

... And we were fortunate in getting two of the four TV stations in the Twin Cities to cover his arrival at the airport.

BILL DOI
Minneapolis, Mn.

From Nobuyuki Nakajima

Higher Education III

While insisting that every young Japanese American has a higher education, it is to be admitted that it can be a very expensive venture and except for a very fortunate few, how to finance it must be a prime concern for many families.

Those who are bright enough to earn a scholarship certainly deserve it. But there are some who have good reason (some may have never recovered from the setback of Evacuation) to feel they are underprivileged and who should look for special scholarships.

For instance, a number of relatively small private colleges are trying to recruit minority students, often offering some financial assistance. I keep receiving letters from one of these colleges—even though I don't have any college-age children.

... If some have any reservations about receiving aid, scholarship or otherwise, consider that you can always return it in the future. I came to the U.S. as an exchange student with full scholarship. Some years later, I returned it, even though it was not required. Actually, the college accepted it as my donation to the scholarship fund.

As college education is very demanding on one's time and energy, the work-study program may not be the best choice. However, it depends on the individual. I know a fellow, who carried on full-time study with a full-time job, finishing college in four years with all A's. But, this was an exception. I recommend non-academic job to be kept in minimum, in the weekends and summer vacations.

In no case should one interrupt the college education, because most who drop out never returned to college. Those who did return told me without exception that they regretted the interruption. Eight years after receiving my BS, I went back to graduate school; the transition was painfully difficult. On this I would very happy to share if my advice can be helpful to even one person.

Holiday Issue

Editor:

In the article, "My Family Roots" (HI), the caption under the photograph should have read: "Pictured above are author Oyama's parents (seated) with his older sister, Mary. Standing are Oyama's uncle and grandfather." The caption incorrectly read: "two uncles." (My grandfather just happens to look young).

JOE OYAMA
Berkeley, Ca.

Editor:

One small correction regarding "Matsutake Hiki" (1978 HI): Although I am married to Robert Hayman, I have chosen to retain my maiden name, Barbara Yasui. I realize that my name was mistakenly submitted and that the fault for this error does not lie with you but I would appreciate it if you would bring this to the attention of your readers.

BARBARA YASUI
Fujinomiya, Japan



NISEI IN JAPAN: Barry Saiki

The State of the Union

Tokyo

Upon reading in the Tokyo newspaper the full text of the State of the Union message delivered by President Jimmy Carter, the rose-colored passages seemed out of pace with the realities of the contemporary American society.

In 1978, the United States went through one of the most chaotic economic periods in history as the dollar plunged from its classic low of 1977 to an even lower exchange rate. The confidence in the U.S. dollar was thoroughly shaken throughout the world and its status still remains precarious.

Other nations suffering a similar drop in monetary value would have undergone financial bankruptcy or a political upheaval, but it was the underlying economic strength and the availability of American natural resources that prevented a complete collapse.

With real estate prices rising at a ridiculous rate, a 9 per cent inflation for the year and the continuing erosion of the pension and retirement funds, 1978 has put extraordinary pressures, particularly on the retirees and the lower income families. The temporary relief gained (in California) by Prop. 13 will, within the next few years and after the reassessment of real estate, be lost.

The so-called halving by Carter of the projected deficit to about 25 billion dollars, for a peacetime year, falls considerably short of being an achievement. In effect, our national government continues to lead the way into deficit financing. With such a national philosophy, it is natural that the public has come to accept more consumer credit, even as businesses borrow funds at 11 per cent prime rates.

The old philosophy of leaving something today

for a more secure tomorrow has become to leave until tomorrow what we can secure without payment today. We continue to leave for our posterity, the legacy of paying for our indulgences of today.

Publicly elected officials are more concerned about preserving their positions rather than risking the wrath of their constituents. What is good for the nation is supplanted by what is good for their districts and for themselves. They cater to the lobby groups, ranging from the conservative AMA and agricultural organizations to the powerful labor, minority and other special interest groups.

The result is a perennial pork barrel budget that permits vested interests throughout the United States to gain from Government spending. Why hurt the feelings of today's voters, when the Government IOUs can be passed on to the future generations?

While inflation, which has contributed to the rising interest rates, is a major problem, other problem areas include the cost of government subsidies, the continued waste of energy and the growth of credit financing.

Originally, the agricultural subsidies were designed to help the small, independent farmers, who suffered from the periodic booms and busts. In recent decades, mechanization and consolidations have caused the farm population to drop. The subsidies have gradually become benefits for the large and prosperous farmers.

In spite of widespread knowledge that the import of oil is largely responsible for our huge foreign exchange deficits, no major measure has been taken to reduce energy consumption. For example, a special excise on every barrel of

oil consumed, be it domestic or imported would curtail some consumption and would reduce the national deficit. It may make the public a bit more conscious of the need to conserve energy.

The availability of credit financing, combined with the fear of inflation, has spurred the speculative buying of real estate, notably in California, as individuals are caught up with the fever of profiting therefrom. Why worry about a 40-year, \$100,000 mortgage when one can profit after using the house for four or five years? Such were the feelings in 1928.

If I could keep borrowing more and more money in perpetuity on the basis of my own limited integrity, I may be less critical, but such prospects in my advancing years are dim.



Continued from Last Week

He went into action at once. He soaked the beans in the largest pan he had and cut the mochi, which hadn't completely hardened, into sizable pieces, then went to the hall phone and called his closest friend, inviting him for a surprise treat for the following afternoon.

On the great day, which was a Sunday, he skipped church and started the *zenzai*. When the beans were half done, he realized that he did not have enough sugar. So he turned the fire very low and went out for the sugar and few other items of provision.

Mrs. Menke, getting a whiff of the *azuki* boiling, went into Mr. Y.'s room. When she saw the steam-



FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

Emmerson's Story

Denver, Colo.

Not many Nisei who visited Japan before the war had occasion to call at the United States embassy. This was an American oasis in an alien land, a place to seek help and advice in time of trouble, a link to the homeland. Yet Nisei either felt no need to make contact with the embassy, or were vaguely uneasy about dealing with the bureaucracy of a government that at worst had been hostile and at best insensitive to their peculiar problems.

Both Japanese Americans and their country were the losers for the lack of a closer relationship. The U.S. foreign service undoubtedly would have gained many insights about Japan from the Nisei. The Nisei in turn lost an opportunity to make embassy officials more aware of their presence, and by extension, lost an opportunity to let their government know of their existence. Would the U.S. evacuation decision have been influenced one way or another by more complete information about Nisei in Japan? An interesting question.

One of the young foreign service officers in Japan at this time was John K. Emmerson, a native of Colorado. Emmerson had been sent to Japan in the '30s to learn the language, which he did very well, serving a while in Taiwan and in the consulate general in Osaka. As an aide to Ambassador Joseph Grew in Tokyo, Emmerson witnessed the desperate diplomatic effort to head off war between the United States and Japan. Emmerson was back in Washington when war broke out. Soon he was sent to Peru to help the government watch, and later deport, Peruvians of Japanese origins.

Eventually he was assigned to the China-Burma-India theater as a political officer. He became friends with Hank Goshu and other Nisei linguists in U.S. uniform in that region, became acquainted with the Chinese Communists in Yenan. This latter experience was to be the basis of vicious and unwarranted security investigations during the McCarthy era. Despite being cleared time and again of Communist leanings, the cloud was never

quite dispersed. While Emmerson served his country well in Africa, in Japan under Ambassador Edwin Reischauer, and elsewhere, he was never given an ambassadorship.

Emmerson, now a senior research fellow at Stanford University's Hoover Institution, has just published a book about his experiences (*The Japanese Thread*; Holt, Rinehart and Winston, \$16.95). It is a fascinating tale, especially for those of us who have a special interest in Japanese-American history.

Of the months preceding the outbreak of war, Emmerson writes: "We in the embassy were convinced—and Ambassador Grew remained so to the end—that a Japanese-American war was unnecessary and that enough common points of national interest existed to make mutual accommodation possible—'constructive conciliation,' was his phrase. Yet as observers on the spot, we also watched Japan's progressive enmeshment in a New Order she could not successfully construct, being denied access to raw materials, and suffering frustrations the depth of which the United States was not prepared to understand."

Emmerson reports the absence of a comprehensive Asian policy in Washington during this period, and the powerful influence wielded by a China-trained State Department clique, headed by Stanley Hornbeck, hostile to Japan.

He writes with perception of the way Americans saw the Chinese as admirable, hard-working peasants "while the Japanese, caricatured as buck-toothed and bespectacled, came out as the sneaky, untrustworthy bad guys." Diplomacy failed at both beginning and end of war, Emmerson says. In the spring and summer of 1945 we misjudged Japan's desperate plight and failed to communicate our terms to them; we failed to recognize the importance of guaranteeing preservation of the emperor system (which we ultimately did), and this postponed Japan's surrender until after nuclear bombs were used.

Anyone concerned with past and future U.S.-Japan relations must read John K. Emmerson's story. #

MOSHI MOSHI: by Jin Konomi

Pork 'n Beans a la Japonaise

ing pan, she instinctively lifted the lid and dipped a ladle into it to have a taste. "Ach!" she winced, "*Es hat doch nicht geringsten Geschmack.*"

She looked around to see if Mr. Y. had something to season the beans with. Of course, there was nothing in the bare room. "*Der arme Herr Y.*," she muttered, "*Er kann sich noch nicht einmal Schweinenbauch leisten!*"

After she pondered a little, she smiled to herself. "*Ich werde das fixen.*" She went down to her kitchen, took out a piece of ham and cut up a cupful. Back in Mr. Y.'s room, she threw the ham into the pan, and with a smug expression of a big Campfire Girl who's done her day's good deed,

went back to her apartment.

As Mr. Y. climbed the stairs, he began to sniff the unmistakable smell of ham, but he did not think anything of it. That had happened before. As he approached his room, however, he began to have an uneasy feeling, for he became increasingly certain that the smell emanated from his room. He no longer had any doubt when he lifted the lid of the pan. There, dancing merrily in the bubbling russet soup, was the diced ham.

"Oh, no!" he almost screamed. He knew at once who was responsible for the unspeakable crime. He knew that her motive was kindly, but the sacrilege of it! Who ever put ham in *zenzai*? He could almost kill her.

Trembling with rage, he

scooped out as much of the diced ham as he could and threw it into the wastebasket, purposely to annoy Mrs. Menke. He put in more than the usual amount of sugar to counteract the salty taste, but the damage was done. It was a far cry from the *zenzai* he had dreamed about the night before.

Soon there was a knock on the door, and the friend came in. Hearing the atrocious tale, the friend's face fell. The surprise treat for which he had made the long bus trip was—this!

After laughing hilariously, the friends sat down to the dubious feast of *Pork and Beans a la Japonaise*.

"Believe it or not, said Mr. Y. reminiscently, "we finished the awful mess. Don't ask me how it tasted," he said, screwing up his face as if the taste of it was in his mouth again.

"Never in my life, before or after," said Mr. Y., "was I so disappointed in my life!" #

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MEMO FROM HEADQUARTERS:

DC Legal Counsels

By Lorrie K. Inagaki

A network of JACL District Legal Counsels has been established to deal more effectively with the increasing demand for legal assistance on the local levels, especially in the area of employment discrimination.

Due to limitations in time and finances, the District legal counsels will not be expected to handle all cases brought to their attention. However, the legal counsels will be able to provide preliminary assistance and advice as well as act as a referral service. In certain cases which the District feels are of national concern or beyond their scope, the District may recommend that the National handle the case.

The National Legal Counsel and Staff will also provide support to the Districts if there are any serious problems.

A central file will be kept at National Headquarters. Such a file will insure that the National Headquarters is informed of most cases on the local level and will provide easily accessible information to others.

The legal network will probably be included in the 501(c) (4) separate arm when it is formed. In the future, JACL hopes to develop the network to the level where there are enough funds and staff to take on impact cases.

The following have been appointed by their District to serve as District Legal Counsels:

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917 N. 16th
Boise, Idaho 83702

Mountain-Plains

Vacant

Calendar, pulse,

Las Vegas now in PSW district

San Francisco

The Las Vegas JACL, formerly part of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council, will join the Pacific Southwest District Council, it was announced Jan. 31 by the JACL National Headquarters.

The change was sponsored by several JACL Chapters in the Pacific Southwest District Council. The By-Laws Amendment was sought primarily due to problems of accessibility. There are no major east-west interstate highways between Las Vegas and Northern California except for I-80, which

Contra Costa directory out

Richmond, Ca.

The 1978-79 Contra Costa JACL membership directory has been published and distributed this past month. The directory staff, headed by John Shinagawa, membership vice president, included:

Eiko Sugihara, adv; Hazel Sawyer, proof-reading; Teru Shibata, Emiko Shinagawa, and William Nakatani, typists and assistants.

is often closed during the winter months.

The state of Nevada is now a part of three district councils with the Reno Chapter a member of the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council.

The Las Vegas Chapter was chartered in 1976 and will join the 29 chapters which comprise Pacific Southwest.

WLA Auxiliary adds \$1,000

San Francisco

The new year began with a second \$1,000 individual contribution to the JACL Mas & Chiz Satow Memorial Fund from the West Los Angeles JACL Women's Auxiliary. A year ago fund drive chairman Mike Masaoka launched the campaign with a personal contribution of \$1,000 to the project which will finance the gathering of resources and writing the JACL story.

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Photo by Tar Toyofuku

'EVENING MAGAZINE' ON LIVE—Jan Yanehiro, co-host of the popular San Francisco Bay Area television show, "Evening Magazine", nightly on KPIX, addresses recent San Jose JACL installation dinner. Seated is Dr. Tom Taketa, newly-elected chapter president.

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Calendar

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● FEB. 17 (Saturday)

Portland—Day of Remembrance, Multnomah County Expo Ctr, West Hall, 12n regis, 2-3:30 program, 3:45-4:15 entertainment, 5pm potluck; Rowe Sumida, mc.
New York—Evening on the AINU, Madison Ave Presbyterian Church, 6-8pm, Motoko Spiegel, spkr; dnr follows, Robata's.

San Diego—Gen mtg, Ocean View Congregational Church, 7:30pm; Dr Clifford Uyeda, spkr.

***Union City**—Hawaiian festival, So Alam City Buddhist Ch, 5:30pm.

San Francisco—Inst dnr, Union Sq Holiday Inn, 7pm.

Orange County—Inst dnr-disco, Saddleback Inn, Norwalk, 7:30pm; Rep Bob Matsui, spkr.

● FEB. 18 (Sunday)

CCDC—Tulare County JACL hosts: Qtrly sess, Marco Polo Restaurant, Hwy 198-Linwood, Visalia, noon.

PSWDC—Qtrly sess: Sn Diego JACL hosts, Town & Country Inn, 9:30am.

Contra Costa—Ski party.

● FEB. 19 (Wash'n Birthday)

JACL—Day of Remembrance resolutions.

***Sacramento**—Day of Remembrance program, Walerga campsite, 12noon.

***San Bruno**—Day of Remembrance, Tanforan Shopping Ctr.

***Little Tokyo**—Day of Remembrance, Old Nishi Hongwanji, 119 N Central, L.A., 1pm.

● FEB. 21 (Wednesday)

***Seattle**—Buddhist Churches of America conf, Seattle Betsuin, Olympic Hotel (4 da). Sat banq spkr: Rep Robert Matsui, Olympic Hotel.

West Los Angeles—Kabuki theater party.

● FEB. 23 (Friday)

San Diego—Bd mtg, Buddhist Church, 7:30pm.

● FEB. 24 (Saturday)

Natl JACL—Credit Union annl dnr, Prudential Bldg, Salt Lake City, 7pm.

IDC—Qtrly sess, Mt Olympus JACL hosts: Prudential Bldg, 3300 S State, SLC, 1pm.

Sacramento—Inst dnr, Red Lion Motor Inn.

Detroit—33rd Inst dnr-dance, Raleigh House, Southfield, 7pm; Dr Jitsuo Morikawa, spkr.

Stockton—Inst dnr, Yoneda Restaurant, 7pm; Jerry Enomoto, spkr.

● FEB. 25 (Sunday)

***Boston**—New JACL info mtg, Cambridge Friends Mtg House, 2pm; Ron Ikejiri, spkr.

● MAR. 2 (Friday)

Tulare County—Reno fun tour (2da).

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● San Jose

BACK AT THE SAN JOSE HELM

Veteran JACler Tom Taketa, who was a three-term chapter president in 1962-64 and then general chairman of the highly successful 1968 national convention in San Jose, was elected to lead the chapter for 1979.

Dr. Taketa and his board members were installed recently by NC-WNDC Gov. Ben Takeshita before a turnout of 100 guests and members at Pinehurst Restaurant. Jan Yanehiro, gracious co-host on the nightly KPIX Evening Magazine, was guest speaker. Greetings were extended by city councilwoman Iola Williams (she is the first black council member); county supervisor Dan McCorquodale, and outgoing president Jan Kurahara Jr. Mike Honda was emcee. Judy Kadotani was in charge of general arrangements.—PHIL MATSUMURA

● Las Vegas

CHAPTER DUES STILL \$10 PER FAMILY

Las Vegas JACL president William Endow advised its chapter dues remain at \$10 per individual/family and Mrs. Yoko Arana, 1012 Dumbarton, Las Vegas 89110 is the new membership chairperson. The alternate contact is Mrs. Mae Fisher. (Las Vegas JACL dues are probably the lowest in the organization.)

The chapter held its installation dinner Jan. 13 at the Union Plaza Hotel/Casino.

● Orange County
REP. MATSUI DUE IN SOUTHLAND

Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Calif.), onetime Sacramento city councilman and JACL chapter president, makes his first appearance at a Pacific Southwest JACL district function as

ored during the evening. Three old-time past presidents of the Sacramento Chapter, T. Dean Itano ('55), Toko Fujii ('54), and George Tambara ('53) will be "roasted" as part of the program. Special recognition awards will also be presented. Mrs. Georgette Imura will emcee the dinner program.

Dancing will follow to the big band sounds of the Manhattan Band. Tickets at \$12 per person may be reserved by calling:

Joey Ishihara, 421-8902; Chewy Ito, 451-8655; Frank Oshita, 421-1710; Percy Masaki, 441-2188; and Tom Fujimoto, 428-7877.

Tom Okubo, in charge of general arrangements, is being assisted by:

Tom Fujimoto, banquet; Joey Ishihara, finance; Midori Hiya-ma, scholarship winners; Stan Tanaka, printing; and Frank Yoshimura, band; Women's Auxiliary, decorations.

● Sequoia

KEIRO-KAI DRAWS OVER 300 PEOPLE

The Sequoia JACL's Keiro-kai held Oct. 21 at the Palo Alto Buddhist Church was reported an outstanding success with over 300 people present. More than 160 pioneers over age 70 were honored.

Joe Yamaguchi was emcee. The Rev. Alpha Takagi of the Aldersgate Methodist Church gave the invocation. Mrs. Tamiko Tada gave the closing Gassho as her husband, the Rev. Tada, was in Japan at the

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time. The Rev. John Honda of the Pacific Free Methodist Church gave expressions of appreciation to the pioneers from a Sansei viewpoint.

Kathline McLeary entertained with Arabian dances. Richard Nakani-shi's slide show of early Issei life in San Mateo County (1920-40) concluded the program. Tets Sumida was Keirokai committee chairman.

● Stockton

JERRY ENOMOTO TO SPEAK AT DINNER

Stockton JACL's installation dinner on Sunday, Feb. 25, 5 p.m., at Yoneda Restaurant will feature Jerry Enomoto, director of the Calif. Dept. of Corrections, and former national JACL president.

Longtime JACler George Baba is the 1979 president. Handling reservations are:

George Matsumoto (465-3979), Mary Kusama (464-2701) and Ruby Dobana (957-1801).

Monthly chapter meetings are held on second Tuesday at the California First Bank, 8 p.m.

● San Francisco

INSTALLATION FETE BY UNION SQUARE

The San Francisco JACL annual installation dinner will be held on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Holiday Inn, Union Square in San Francisco. Cocktails will be 6-7 p.m. with dinner and program to follow. Ticket is \$13.00 per person.

Day of Remembrance

Continued from Page 3

"During World War II, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued an executive order which took American citizens of Japanese ancestry from their homes and imprisoned them in detention camps in various parts of the United States," Hahn noted.

"This violation of all the principles of civil liberties, guaranteed in the Constitution to every American citizen, was not in the tradition of the history of America's belief that everyone is entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

The board's action will correlate with the Japanese American Citizen League sponsoring of its first annual "Day of Remembrance" program in Los Angeles County Feb. 19 in front of the old Nishi Hongwanji at 1 p.m.



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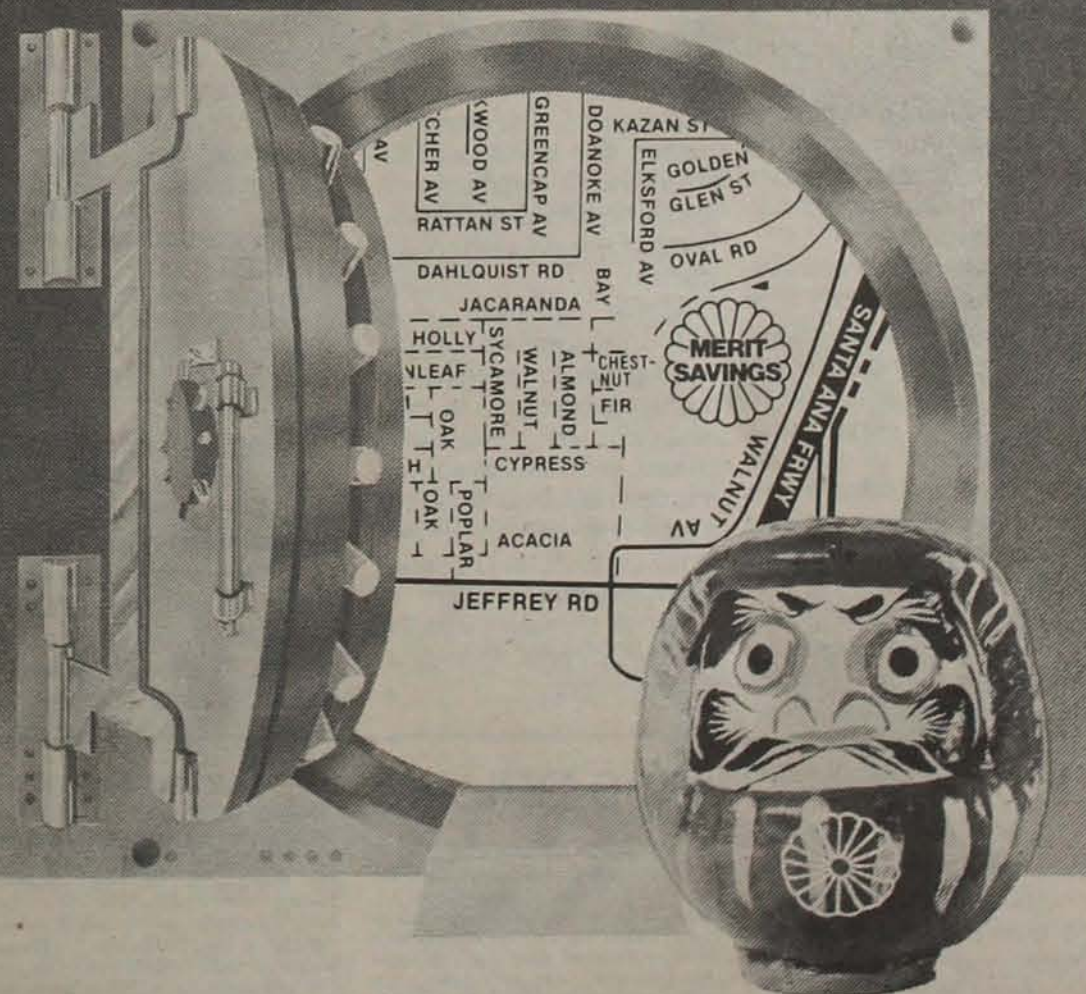
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SPEAKING OUT:

Cleveland and its young Mayor Kucinich

By TOM NAKAO
(Cleveland JACL Board Member)

Dennis Kucinich, the populist Mayor of Cleveland, is really getting national and worldwide attention.

It all started when he was elected Mayor of Cleveland back in November, 1977. Shortly after he was elected, he hired Richard Hongisto as his chief of police. Hongisto was imported from San Francisco where he was known in his field. Hongisto immediately became very popular with the people because he was always doing things that caught the eye of the media and was getting very favorable reviews. Apparently Mayor Kucinich didn't like all the publicity Hongisto was getting and eventually they had some words about Hongisto not obeying the Mayor's order and was fired.

Some of the anti-Kucinich city council members became upset about the whole situation and got enough signatures from the residents of Cleveland to recall the Mayor. However, when the recall election was over, he beat the recall by a very close margin.

George Forbes, a black, is the Council President. He is a very powerful leader within the Cleveland community. He has the advantage over the Mayor in that the vast majority of the councilmen are allied with him.

He definitely wants the power to run the city and Kucinich is just as determined to be the powerhouse.

Because of the personalities involved, the city is in a turmoil because what one proposes the other vetoes. It's like a couple of bullies in a playground, each wanting to exercise control. As a result, the residents are the ones who are getting the short end of the deal.

Two of the major points of contention between the Mayor and the Council have been the tax abatement for big businesses and the municipal light plant.

The Council believes that the City of Cleveland should give tax abatement to businesses to lure new businesses and to retain the ones that are already there. Mayor Kucinich says that the businesses should pay a large share of the taxes to ease the tax burden of the working people. He thinks that the city is run by the powerful business establishments. He is against the big businesses, banks, newspapers, media, etc.

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (CEI) offered to buy the troubled MUNY light plant, which buys power from CEI.

The city also owed a lot of money to CEI. However, the Mayor refused the offer. The Council favored the sale because they felt the plant was outdated and badly in need of repair. Also, the Council has alleged that MUNY lost about \$2.6 million in 1978. They also said that 80 percent of Cleveland subsidizes the 20 percent of Cleveland who used the MUNY system. The other 80 percent use CEI. At present, CEI no

In the beginning, many opinions held that Mayor Kucinich, who at age 31, was going to be a terrific mayor because he was saying things that people wanted to hear. However, at present, many have been turned off because of his hard, abrasive tactics toward the business community.

My opinion is that Cleveland is in a financial mess because Kucinich inherited many of the financial ills and because he is relatively inexperienced and also most of his administrative personnel is young and inexperienced. The other important thing is that he did not have a chance to prove himself because of the uncooperative Council. The apparent reason for the opposition from the Council was his abrasiveness to the much-needed business establishments.

Mayor Kucinich is a very intelligent and articulate person. I'm sure he has higher aspirations in politics, but he must have ruined some of his earlier image. Cleveland will have a mayoral election in November, 1979, and I'm sure the opposition will try to bring in a "sure" winner, but don't count Dennis J. Kucinich out. #

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Almost 400 people from metropolitan Chicago braved snow, sleet and ice on Saturday, Dec. 2, to attend the 34th annual Chicago JACL inaugural dinner-dance and a gala testimonial for Thomas Masuda, 73, and Noboru Honda, 67. The installation locale, Jacques' East Restaurant in the Furniture Mart, was filled with a cross-section of community and business leaders who were introduced

EDYC-MDYC merge

Minneapolis

This biennium is a time for rebuilding in the Midwest District. The Eastern and Midwest Districts have merged. This new alignment includes the following six chapters: Washington, D.C., Twin Cities, Milwaukee, Detroit, East Lansing and Cleveland.

In the last biennium three chapters (Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha) disbanded and one new chapter (East Lansing) was established.

The Midwest District Youth Council intends to reactivate the disbanded chapters and establish new Midwest and Mountain Plains Districts.

The current officers of the MDYC are:

Wade Kojima (Twin Cities), ch; John Ishiyama (Cleveland), prog ch; Ruri Teramura (Milwaukee), mem-treas; Debbie Asaka (Washington, D.C.), sec-hist.

"I believe we will have great success with this board not only because of the experience, but also because we come from four different chapters, MDYC Chairman Kojima declared. "This will be beneficial because when a

chapter experiences a problem there will be someone close by to call upon for assistance."

Upcoming MDYC events are the Spring Workshop in Milwaukee, tentatively scheduled for April 13-15, and the Midwest-Eastern-Intermountain District Conference in the Twin Cities scheduled for July 19-22. For more information about these events or if you have any ideas on youth programs, please write:

Wade Kojima, 8506 Portland Ave, Bloomington, Mn 55420. #

● Detroit

INAUGURAL XXXIII SLATED FOR FEB. 24

Detroit JACL's 33rd annual installation dinner-dance will be held on Saturday, Feb. 24, 7 p.m. at the Raleigh House, Telegraph at 10-Mile Rd., Southfield. The Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, long associated with the American Baptist Home Mission Societies at Valley Forge, Pa., will be keynote speaker.

Tickets for the prime rib of beef dinner are \$20 per person, \$16 per JAY. Dancing follows to the music of the Soft Touch.

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by toastmaster Dudley Yatabe. They were:

Yoshinao Odaka, Japanese Consul General; Toshiro Ogushi, deputy consul general; Junjiro Otsuki, pres., Chicago Tokyo Bank; Koji Takahashi, pres., First Pacific Bank; David Larson, pres., Kobe College Corp.; Mitchell Fulscher, treas., Japan America Society of Chicago; Lillian Kimura, pres., Japanese American Service Committee; Rev. Masaru Nambu, exec dir, JASC; Thomas Schmitz, pres., Uptown Chicago Commission; George Izui, board pres, Buddhist Temple of Chicago; Richard H Yamada, pres., Japanese Mutual Aid Society; Lincoln Shimidzu, pres, Chicago JACL Credit Union, Dixie Ishida, pres, Twenty & Five Investors; Shig Mazawa, pres, Chicago Lakers Golf Club; Masao Matsutani, pres, Eagles Golf Club.

Midwest District Gov. Kimura installed incoming president Hiroshi Tokubo and the board members—half of them Sansei first-timers. Originally from Fowler, Calif., Tokubo is an administrator at Chicago Lying-in Hospital, a resident here for the past five years after having graduated from UCLA and City University of New York, where he earned a master's degree in hospital administration. Tokubo was also editor of the Chicago JACL newsletter the past biennium. He succeeded Chiye Tomihiro, who was cited for her 20-year involvement with the chapter.

Tribute to Masuda (who began his law practice in Seattle in 1929) was narrated by Dixie Ishida, which turned out to be a roast as well as a toast as slides showing the honoree from birth to present day were flashed on the screen. All the roasting could not hide his numerous accomplishments and contributions. While at Poston, he was chairman of the community council for the three camps. His JACL activities included service on:

Endowment Fund, Yatabe Memorial Scholarship Fund, Chicago JACL Credit Union, former trustee of Chicago JACL Reserve Fund.

Other organizations Masuda is affiliated with include: Chicago Boys Club, director; Chicago Tokyo Bank, director; Japanese Consulate General, general counsel; Japanese American Service Committee; Japan America Society; Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Chicago; Mutual Aid Society of Chicago; Uptown Chicago Commission; Japanese Assn. of Chicago; Kobe College Corp.

Tribute for Noboru Honda was narrated by longtime friend Tom Teraji, who emphasized the businessman's involvement in community and church affairs. Born in Florin, Ca., Honda farmed in Marysville, was evacuated to Tule Lake, relocated in 1943 to Des Plaines and began his impressive list of achievements, such as:

JACL—chmn, Yatabe Memorial Scholarship Fund; pres ('46), Chicago JACL; chmn ('49-50), Midwest District Council; chmn, Issei History Fund Drive; chmn, JACL-ADC Fund Drive.

COMMUNITY—Buddhist Temple of Chicago, past board pres.; First Pacific Bank, dir; Heiwa Terrace Fund Drive, chmn; JASC Housing Corp, dir; Japan America Society; Uptown Chicago Commission; Twenty & Five Investors.

The JACL and JASC marked the occasion with each honoree receiving a Japanese scroll, bearing "kansha"—gratitude—executed by calligrapher Y. Matsumoto and inscribed plaques.

It was announced that a one-time \$500 scholarship in honor of Masuda and Honda would be awarded during the chapter scholarship dinner. The funds came from revenue exceeding the evening's expenses.

Both honorees responded and received standing ovations.

On the dinner committee were:

Masaru Funai, Ruth Kumata, Alma Mizuno, Jack Nakagawa, Mas Nakagawa, Tsune Nakagawa, May Nakano, Jean Sakamoto, Toshiko Sakamoto, Sumi Shimizu, Chiye Tomihiro, Kay Yamashita, Kumeo Yoshinari, Carol Yoshino, Ron Yoshino. #

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Secret role of Nisei in America's Pacific victory

by Joseph Harrington

CHAPTER 3

(Continued from Last Week)

ACROSS the Pacific, the two "spies" from Hawaii were not faring too well. Arthur Komori reached Australia, and there wrote an excellent report on how to deal with Japanese POWs. He was, at that moment, the only Nisei in use with any experience at it. The "kindness and understanding" approach was used on the Japanese POWs, as Komori recommended, and it reaped vast intelligence dividends in the war. A bandage, some medicine, a drink of water and a cigarette was all it usually took to get one of Hirohito's subjects talking.

Charles Willoughby, chief of intelligence for MacArthur, had no spot for Komori when he reached Australia. In spite of war, things were still being run "Old Army." There was no provision in the headquarters structure for a sergeant who spoke Japanese. Komori was made a driver.

Komori shrugged, muttered, "*Shikata ga nai*" ("It can't be helped"), as Japanese do when facing the inevitable, and adjusted to idle living. Duties were light, and he got per diem, an extra \$120 per month, over and above his NCO pay. It was heaven. Komori began enjoying it, and in fact soon fell in love.

For Richard Sakakida it was a slightly different story.

About 300 Japanese prisoners were taken on Bataan. Sakakida, wearing his uniform and chevrons, helped interrogate them and became first Nisei in the war to have a direct effect on the fighting because of his language ability. When he translated a captured set of Japanese plans for a landing, American tanks moved up and ambushed the attackers when they arrived.

Sakakida knew it was a disgrace for a Japanese soldier to be captured and became aware that many gave false names for fear their real ones would get back to Japan. But he did have captured personnel rosters and also collected "dogtags" that were sewn into enlisted men's belts. During the first day of interrogation, Sakakida'd pretend to accept whatever was told him, and that night he'd check everything against gathered, proven knowledge. Next day he'd go back, confront POWs with their lies, and charge them with having no honor, no *Yamato damashii*. This usually broke down all resistance. "After that," Sakakida said, "they'd spill their guts." This surprised Caucasian Americans but not Nisei who knew Japan. "Japanese soldiers were indoctrinated to fight to the death," MIS'ers told

the author, "so when they were captured alive, they didn't know what to do about living. And because they were expected to fight until death, they'd had no security training. Hardly any were security conscious at all. To them it was O.K. to talk because one life had ended, and they'd started a new one. It just never occurred to them, at least early in the war, that they might someday return to Japan after being captured."

At command posts, Sakakida watched the number of red pins that denoted enemy lines increase, while blue ones denoting his own decreased. In March he was ordered to Corregidor for the last time and given a code-breaking assignment, work he'd never done before. Still, working with a colonel and a U.S. embassy employee who was a Reservist, Sakakida

Sakakida denied that status, insisting he was a civilian. He repeated the cover story he'd been using for more than a year—that he was a draft-dodging merchant seaman, jumped ship in Manila. "I had no other clothing," he told captors, explaining away the uniform. "I was not allowed to return to my hotel once the war started." He further insisted that the U.S. Army forced him to work as an interpreter against his will, lending him clothing needed.

Captors bought Sakakida's story, but not for long at a time. They tied his arms behind him and strung him up, a rope over a rafter hauled on until his shoulders gave off loud cracking noises as they were dislocated. Sakakida held on, repeating and repeating his story, while at the same time hoping people

YOSHIKAZU Yamada, although not an MIS'er, was doing language work in Australia before any MIS'ers got to do any. An Army medic at Del Monte, a secret air base on a pineapple plantation in the Philippines that B-17's used until the Japanese discovered it, he'd been evacuated to Australia on a stretcher and put to work after hospitalization when it was learned he knew Japanese. Yamada went into the Allied air forces intelligence section, where for a good while he was the only American. All other members were Australian.

Nisei who arrived in Australia with David Swift kind of milled around. They got to Brisbane on June 20 and left two days later to join MacArthur's staff at Melbourne. They were there when the Chiefs of Staff, informed of



Ben Yamamoto and Russell Kono in doorway; (from left) Bill Fujii, Eddie Mitsukado, Dick Oguro and Henry Kimura of Camp Savage's second 1942 class.

had some success with the Japanese four-digit code. He was starting to put it into a book form for others to use when orders came to get off The Rock and head for Australia.

Sakakida insisted on giving his seat to Clarence Yamagata and stayed behind to surrender with Gen. Jonathan Wainwright. He accompanied the general's chief of staff to Bataan when time came to discuss surrender terms and was beaten by a Japanese NCO, eye glasses cutting his face in the melee. Sakakida played no further role, the Japanese insisting that their own man interpret for the proceedings. He returned to Corregidor, got rid of his uniform, and pretended to surrender as a civilian, like he'd been told to do.

In Bilibid Prison, where the 21-year-old Hawaii Japanese got taken, an officer shouted, "You are Sergeant Richard Sakakida, of the United States Army! Two of our men have identified you. You interrogated them, and you were wearing a U.S. Army uniform at the time!"

on Corregidor had burned his Reserve commission recommendation. It was locked in an intelligence office safe on The Rock.

Because Gen. Masaharu Homma, against the wishes of other senior Japanese officers, wanted to keep the Philippines peaceful as possible, Sakakida was not shot. He was kept imprisoned for nine months, several times being charged with new offenses, with the charges always being laid aside. On one occasion Sakakida sat three days before a military tribunal without any trial going on, while they discussed whether or not to just shoot him as a traitor under a law that held all people of Japanese blood to be Japanese citizens, no matter where and when born. Until Feb. 11, 1943, when he was conditionally released (probably because it was a Japanese holiday, the 2,603rd anniversary of ascension to the throne by Jimmu, Japan's first emperor), Sakakida did not know from one second to another whether he was going to live or die.

Japan's intent to isolate Australia, decided to take an island called Guadalcanal, where the enemy had been spotted building an airfield.

The U.S. Navy stayed bitter for many years about how it had been so decisively humbled by the Japanese Navy. It is therefore understandable that Army people in Australia had no idea what to do with the eight Nisei who reported to Melbourne. How could Australians who fled Malaya before the Japanese, or Americans who fled the Philippines before them, trust anyone with Oriental faces? So, for a while, their leader having gotten ill, the Presidio Nisei were idle.

Then someone came up with an idea. The Indies, Malaya and Burma had fallen. Why not train these Orientals from America in Dutch-Malayan, then parachute them behind Japanese lines? Zany as it was, the idea got official approval. And, willing enough to try anything that would demonstrate their loyalty, the eight Nisei went along. The idea of getting \$4 per diem, like Ar-



Walt Minami and Harry Oka on Corregidor.

thur Komori, might also have been some inspiration.

Two other Nisei might have been working at what they'd been trained for, but the Army had goofed. Masanori Minamoto, who'd been sent out early, ended up at Tonga Tabu, where there wasn't any activity at all except for the aircraft carrier Yorktown's pulling in there to lick her wounds after the Coral Sea battle. Minamoto was put to work driving a truck. As for Kei Kiyoshi Sakamoto, another Presidio grad sent out alone, he rode a Navy transport to—of all places—Bora Bora. An islet in French Oceania, not far from Tahiti, so breath-takingly beautiful that it still fulfills the fantasies of anyone dreaming of balmy breezes and lissome lasses, Bora Bora was far from any battle scene. Sakamoto joined up with Task Force Bobcat, the 102nd Infantry Regiment of the Connecticut National Guard and a coastal artillery unit. They protected beautiful Tahitian girls from potential invaders.

Australia was in a state of near-panic when MacArthur arrived. It had only one division, its 1st Armored, plus some militia to protect it. The 8th was lost in the fall of Singapore. The 6th, 7th and 9th were fighting in Africa. Troops in the homeland had been drawn in to defend the industrial centers and food supplies around Brisbane, Melbourne and Sydney. Darwin, her northernmost city, was evacuated on Feb. 20 after an attack by Japanese carrier planes on Feb. 19. Australia was preparing to yield the northern third of her total area to the Japanese before stiffening in defense along a line that ran east to west from Townsville. The 6th and 7th, due home soon, would be deployed in a defensive posture, too.

MacArthur changed all that. On St. Patrick's Day, from Alice Springs in the middle of Australia's great desert, he made his famous "I shall return" statement. Shortly thereafter, he was shocked to learn that he had nothing in Australia to return with. But MacArthur had guts and a flair for the dramatic. The Japanese after the war came to believe he had a common ancestry with them. He did not, but he certainly was full of the *bushido* spirit, having an instinctive feel for "the way of the warrior." With a few words MacArthur eliminated the Townsville Line and ordered every square foot of Australia to be defended. Soon after that, troops began arriving from the Middle East and America. The first needed rest, the second training, before MacArthur could use any of them. Meanwhile, the 1st Armored was sent to the Northern Territory, with orders to hold it.

Language-trained Nisei were to become MacArthur's second secret weapon. He already had one—a code breaking crew like the Navy one at Pearl Harbor. He, like Nimitz, was "reading Tojo's mail" and learned in advance of Japan's plan to take Port Moresby. It didn't take much fighting to recognize that other logical targets were New Caledonia, Samoa and the Fijis, if Australia was to be isolated.

May was a momentous month. Mandalay fell. The British fled Burma for India. The Japanese took Tulagi, a small island near the south end of the Solomons chain, northeast of Australia, and began establishing a sea-plane base there. American carrier pilots took a toll of Japanese ones in the Battle of the Coral Sea. More than 16,000 shells rained down on Corregidor in one day, and

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Okubo-Yamada fund at 40%

San Francisco

Two contributions of \$100 each from Downtown L.A. JACL and William T. Fujioka (East L.A.) were acknowledged by the JACL Okubo-Yamada Fund in its current report of \$513.36 as of Jan. 29 for a grand total of \$9,832.97.

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HARRINGTON

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48 hours later it fell. The final combat of the Philippines took place, and the Japanese had 83,000 more prisoners-of-war.

The 32nd Division, with which many Nisei would serve gallantly, arrived in Australia to join the 41st, and de-ciphering experts at Pearl Harbor broke the Imperial Navy's code. (At least, this month is given officially as the period during which it was broken, a statement the author finds hard to accept.) Initial evacuees also reached Tule Lake, a California concentration camp that was to spell trouble for the War Relocation Authority. Roy Kawashiri and other members of Mac Nagata's team reached New Caledonia. They joined what had now become the Americal Division.

THE Battle of Midway came and went. Chiefs of staff heaved joint sighs of relief. America now had elbow room, and MacArthur had three divisions. He wanted to attack and seize Rabaul, a move he recommended to Washington, along with the wry offer to use 40,000 troops the War Department had told him were available on the U.S. west coast.

The Japanese took Kiska

and Attu in the Aleutians, perhaps as consolation for not having taken Midway. The first V-mail, letters reproduced in miniature after being microfilmed to save weight, went overseas from New York to Europe. Pilot Officer Tadayoshi Koga, flying a Zero in the Aleutians from an aircraft carrier, crash-landed on Akutan Island, broke his neck and died. Koga's plan was spotted a month later, taken back to the U.S. and studied. From this, the Grumman "Hellcat" was designed to be a superior aircraft and would take its toll of her Zeros before the war ended.

While George Takata and Gary Kadani studied Dutch-Malayan in Melburne, their families went to concentration camps. On July 2, the Chiefs of Staff decided the Navy and Marine Corps would invade the Solomons and take Guadalcanal, while MacArthur was given orders to take the remainder of the chain, plus the northeast coast of New Guinea. Tojo's mail had been read again. MacArthur and Nimitz knew that the Japanese planned to take Port Moresby via land, since they had failed to take it by sea. A reconnaissance force was to land at Buna, on the northeast coast, and go over the Owen Stanley Mountains to Moresby. The 37th Division arrived in the Fiji Islands, so

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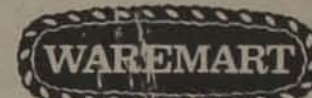
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Japanese general headquarters gave up on plans to take them or New Caledonia. Australia's lifeline was secure, but it could still be threatened from the Solomons.

Despite the setback at Midway, things still really didn't look too bad for Japan. A dent had been made in the defensive arc she had set up from the Aleutians to New Guinea, but behind it was a great network of anchorages and bases, all being strengthened.

All areas between New Guinea and the China Coast were under firm Japanese control. They included the Philippines, Indonesia, Ma-

laya, Burma, Formosa and Hong Kong, plus a host of small islands. The Indian Ocean was a Japanese fish pond, the British having been driven as far back as Madagascar.

In the central Pacific, Japan held the Marshalls, Gilberts and Carolines, and spots seized from the British like the Solomons and Bismarck, Wake, the Marianas, and several island outposts that served the homeland as sentries. Nearer home she held Iwo Jima and Okinawa, two bastions no invader could ignore enroute to the beating heart of the Japanese empire, Tokyo.

So, in spite of losing four

carriers and hundreds of pilots, Japan could feel relatively secure. Backed by her still-mighty Imperial Fleet, the island defense network could entrench and replenish. Top Tokyo strategists knew for sure that once

watched for a chance to defeat the American one in the "decisive battle" both countries had long planned for. Crippling America's sea arm would give U.S. citizens pause. Japan might be able to obtain a negotiated peace,



Unidentified Nisei doing rear echelon duty in India visit the Taj Mahal.

America's industry got geared up, there was no way she could be defeated. American forces could still be stymied, though, while Japan drew what strategic materials she needed from conquered areas to sustain herself, and her navy

one that could leave her dominant in the western Pacific, all she had really hoped to achieve by war. It was never any part of Japan's strategy to achieve victory in the sense—subjugation of one's enemy—that most men think of it.

Both sides knew what had to be done. The Allies had to use Australia as a staging area, sending men and equipment there. The Japanese had to prevent that. So, for a while, all activity focused itself on the southwest Pacific. Japan needed to spread an air umbrella over the eastern approaches to Australia, then control these with surface and submarine forces. The Allies, on the other hand, had to prevent that and keep supply lanes open. For either to win, air su-



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premacry had to be obtained and kept. This issue was to be decided at an island dim, except for Australians and British, to anyone in the world but an order of Catholic missionaries—the Marists. Even their motto matched the island where they served. *Ignoti et quasi occulti* means "hidden and unknown."

The island was Guadalcanal.

Geographic and military details of the Guadalcanal campaign are sketched in the opening paragraphs of Chapter 4. The Southwest Pacific is dotted with islands that Nisei linguists came to know—Bismarcks, the Solomons, New Britain, New Georgia, Vella Lavella, Guadalcanal, Munda—although decades would pass before Americans knew the Nisei were there, too. The enemy had occupied Rabaul, capital of New Britain in January, 1942. Five months later, the Japanese established a seaplane base at Tulagi (600 miles away) and a small garrison on Guadalcanal a

few miles south.

When the U.S. Navy task force of 11,000 landed at Lunga Point on the western end of Guadalcanal on Aug. 7, the Japanese saw that they were outnumbered 20-1 and melted into the jungle. It would be more than six months before we could declare the island secure.

Harrington spins stories about Gen. MacArthur and his Allied command at Brisbane, another about Carlson's Raiders which overwhelmed a Japanese outpost on Makin Island in the central Pacific that was later seen as a "piece of folly" by a retired USMC general because it cost the corps a high price of dead marines at Tarawa, Peleliu, Saipan, Iwojima and Okinawa.

It is September, 1942, as we resume Harrington's serialization.—Editor.

CHAPTER 4

SEPTEMBER found the Aussie attack around Buna-Gona on New Guinea bogged down in mud, and soaked by rain. Japanese, struggling up the Stanleys, entered Isurua, losing most of their officers

and senior NCO's to disease and starvation enroute. Fighting was tough, and carving 20,000 individual steps into the steep trail had been necessary.

That month the War Department was asked to release some Nisei temporarily from concentration camps to work on farms needing harvest help, and permanently if they enrolled in schools well away from the West Coast. A national convention of the American Legion protested this. Selective Service was not far out of phase with what an Alabama governor was to call "the heroes' union". It changed the draft classification of Nisei from 1-A (desirable) to 4-C (ineligible because of "nationality").

Air supremacy in the South Pacific was vital issue; gets settled at Guadalcanal.

No more Nisei could be drafted. While this was happening, Kai Rasmussen's staff frantically beat the bushes for more language students.

The first week of that month featured one bright spot on New Guinea — the Japanese withdrawal by sea of its Milne Bay assault force. This tiny victory had a significance all out of proportion to its tactical value. It gave heart to the Australians. To Americans it meant that Japanese were not invincible. Nowhere until that time had there been a clear-cut victory over Tojo's troops. Japanese troops were dying by the hundreds on Guadalcanal, but the issue was not at all clear there. Milne Bay, on the other hand, was an actual Japanese retreat! It shocked both sides.

On Sept. 7 the special class of 12 men finished their



At Camp Blanding, Fla., (from left) James Taga, Legs Nishiyama, Hiroshi Nakamura and Ralph Saito get jungle training before heading for combat in the Pacific.

could be created. They needed all they could gather. On Sept. 9, a submarine-launched aircraft piloted by Nobuo Fujita flew over Oregon's forest and dropped fire bombs. The West Coast again panicked. Writers did what they could to puff up heroism stories from Guadalcanal, but the facts were that fighting there was not heroic. It was dirty, rotten, and sickening for men of both sides,

few of whom ever got a clear look at their enemy.

Cong. Homer D. Angell helped feed the California panic with a House floor prediction of an all-out Japanese attack on America's west coast. As Angell spoke, 19,000 marines faced 5,000 Japanese on Guadalcanal who were mostly sick and starving. A week later, Fujita again fire-bombed Oregon.

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