Omission of Asians 'glaring oversight' on U.S. list designating minorities

WASHINGTON
Rep. Phillip Burton (D-Cal.) called it a "glaring oversight" dismissing Asian Americans from the proposed Small Business Administration's implementation of PL 95-507 (formerly the Addabbo Bill), which gives preferential treatment to federally designated minorities in awarding government contracts (Apr. 20, 1979).

In his letter to the SBA Administrator, Vernon Weaver, the San Francisco congressman (whose 6th district includes Japan­town) urged that Asian Americans receive the "protection and opportuni­ties under PL 95-507 to which they are entitled.

While Burton noted Asian Americans have con­tributed to the rich his­tory of the United States, the Administration's as­sumption that they are not "socially and economically disadvantaged" as were the other minorities re­flects some of the Admin­istration's lack of insight and "serves as a double­ edged insult".

Burton also reminded Weaver that while Japa­nese Americans were in­carcerated during World War II in "concentration camps" that dis­tinguished themselves fight­ing in the Army's 442nd Combat Team, the most decorated fighting unit of its size in U.S. history.

May 1 was the final day the regulations were to be submitted to the Federal Register for printing.

In Los Angeles, the record of the Asian American Na­tional Business Center (currently inactive due to lack of operational funds) shows that in the six years of operation, it had processed and secured over $10 million in govern­ment contracts to minority firms and obtained over $27 million in govern­ment financing for some 390 firms.

Soichi Fukui, chairman of the AANB board of direc­tors, last week indicated 90% of the firms which were assisted in their financing are succeeding. Most of them are firms owned and operated by businessmen of Japanese, Chinese or Kore­an descent.

Fukui hoped AANB is able to resume its operation because the need to provide management, technical and financial assistance to Asian Americans still exists. He was referring to the Filipinos, new immigrants from Chi­na, Indochina and Korea, Paci­fic Islanders and others who are in small business antici­pating expansion or in the process of starting on their own.

Fukui last year headed a delegation to meet with Ran­dolph Blackwell, director, OMBE; and Vernon Weaver, SBA administrator, in Wash­ington and to cite the admin­istration's insensitivity to Asian American matters. Fukui now reflects: "As Asian Americans don't count since we don't have the votes."

Micki Uchida, now with Equivest (713-448-9803), which is continuing to assist Asian American business­men, said the AANB (382-...
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National Executive Committee

The consensus came after John Tateishi, redress chair, conducted a morning workshop covering the bill strategy and recent events. Tom Shimasaki, Tulare County JACL and CCDC member on the redress committee, moved for a TDC consensus.

Dr. James Nagatani, Delano city councilman, stated his interest in JACL’s redress program was made more positive after attending the workshop. “I understand what’s involved so I’ll go out and push for redress now,” he summarized.

Items

A Lion’s Club Eyemobile offering free test for glaucoma will be stationed May 5, noon to 4 p.m., in Little Tokyo at the 2nd St. side of Japanese Village Plaza.

Community effort to change the present route of the Los Angeles downtown bus to a more central stop in Little Tokyo at 1st and San Pedro was advocated by Rapid Transit District Commissioner George Takeda. He suggested a write-in campaign to Councilman Gilbert Lindsay at City Hall.

Three vacancies exist on the Washington Commission on Asian American Affairs, non-paid positions appointed by the Governor. Nominations with a comprehensive resume and two letters of community/organization support should be submitted by May 16 to the Commission, 1417 Columbia AE-11, Olympia, WA 98504.

Encouraging Vote

We went to the biennial Tri-District Conference at Fresno April 21 knowing that we would meet some opposition with our position. Our conference is held in non-union years, bringing together councils of California, plus delegates from councils of Oregon. We thus represent three-fourths of the entire membership of JACL.

Consequently, if the issue of Redress was raised here or if there was strong opposition to our current legislative approach, we would know that we were in serious trouble.

That, however, was not the case. During his speech that closed the two-day conference, Karl Nohyuki, national executive director, asked for a committee of 10 to go to the delegations on the current legislative approach.

By a resolution of motion presented by Tom Shimasaki, the delegation from the three California district councils unanimously supported the position of the Redress Committee.

It seems that there were two factors which either raised the opposition to the Redress campaign in view of some questions about the issue in the view of others. For some, there was the opposition to our position for money, a major controversy in the Redress issue. For others, it was a matter of confusion or a lack of understanding of the issue.

However, after a thorough discussion of the issue—its background, our legislative approach through a commission—current state of the campaign—opinions were changed.

It was no ground-swell reversal of a decision, but one by one, people came up during the weekend meeting to tell us that they had previously opposed Redress but were now fully behind the effort.

It was gratifying because I realized that once people understand what the issues are and why we’ve chosen the direction we have, they can support the issue and the approach with enthusiasm.

The unanimous endorsement of the three district councils of California, plus that of the Mountain Plains District, is encouraging.

Innowy heads SLC multi-ethnic board

Salt Lake City

A local architect, Carl Inoway, was named chairman of the Multi-Ethnic Housing Board. He was commended as the stalwart in the Multi-Ethnic Housing movement.

Inoway recently went to Denver to tie together the necessary approval by HUD to proceed with plans on the high rise building. Ground-breaking is scheduled for July.

Meanwhile, Jerry Wilkins, Salt Lake campaign chairman, announced the phone-a-thon Fund-Raising Campaign for the Multicultural Senior Citizens Center. The city commissioners have set a deadline of May 15 by which $30,000 must be raised for operating and maintaining the Multi-Cultural Credit Bldg., located next to the Buddhist Church.

Kubota wins in Japan

Hibakusha bills back

Washington

Two bills providing medical assistance to A-bomb survivors who are either U.S. citizens or permanent residents have been reintroduced in the 96th Session. Kanji Kuramoto of the Committee of the A-bomb Survivors was told they were: HR 292—Rep. George Nakanishi (D-CA) and Rep. Edward Roybal (D-Calif.)

The House bill has been reintroduced for the fourth time and has four cosponsors. At the last session, Roybal’s bill had 29 co-sponsors.

Danielson’s bill had been approved in the House Judiciary subcommittee, of which he is a member.

The Japanese government decided to send a medical team to interview A-bomb survivors in the Seattle-Portland area May 26-27, according to the Seattle JACL.

Chinese Americans protest 'Opium'

New York

A coalition sensitive to Chinese American concerns met May 4 as the deadline for Yves Saint Laurent, Charles of the Ritz and the Squibb Corp. to change the name of Opium, one of the best-selling perfumes, to Enchantment or Jewel of the Orient.

Nothing less than a public apology and a change of name will satisfy, insisted James Tso, chairman of the Organization of Chinese Americans Committee for Equal Opportunity, who added the perfume’s name was “psychological pollution.”

Tso protested, “The use of negative Chinese images to market Opium is not at all unlike the use of negative black images to market a product named Herman or similarly, negative white images to market Vavalum.”

Los Angeles

Los Angeles Asian elderly needs survey underway in Westside L.A.

Asian elderly needs survey will be begun this summer by a group of professionals affiliated with Asian American organizations in Los Angeles.

It will be conducted at several community centers and agencies in the Westside area and will focus on the needs of people over the age of 60.

The survey will gather information on a variety of issues related to the needs of elderly Asian Americans, including healthcare, housing, and transportation.

The results of the survey will be used to inform policy and planning decisions regarding services and programs for elderly Asian Americans in the Westside area.

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Honolulu

But in Hawaii, officials, the minority status requirement of the 8-A program is a sticky subject because there are many ethnic groups here that might be considered "minority." In the sense it is understood on the Mainland (blacks, Hispanics, Asian Americans and American Indians). The federal officials have found it difficult to link a person's background to his socio-economic status.

To get around the situation, the State of Hawaii uses the applicant's personal history, educational background, assets and physical handicaps to determine eligibility.

The final decision is made in Washington, however.

David Horulich, 32, of Honolulu, for instance, remembers that he had to "write a sob story about all the barriers I had to overcome" when he sought his contractor's meddling, management assistance to minority firms, many of which are small businesses.

"It was all true," he continued. "I came from a poor family. My parents were church members. I worked through summer, helped pay my way...

"Ex-Gov. Pat Brown plans senate bid

In Los Angeles

Former Gov. Edmund G. Brown Sr. told UCLA students April 3 that he is planning to run against Republican Sen. S.I. Hayakawa for the U.S. Senate seat vacated by James Newsom in 1982.

"I'm going to run against him for the U.S. Senate seat four years ago," Mr. Brown, who turned 74 on April 21, said.

"Age seems to be no deterrent.

Hayakawa's in his 70s, too. So is (Ronald) Reagan. I've been a state senator and governor, and I'd like to be a U.S. senator," he said.

By CONNIE YOUNG YU

San Francisco

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In 1978 a bill was introduced by California State Senator John F. Foran (then Assemblyman for the 16th District) and signed by the State's Governor, Edmund G. Brown Jr., which initially appropriated $250,000 for the restoration project.

AIIHAC researched the history of the Immigration Station and launched a program to conduct tours of the facilities for schools and community groups. Its ultimate goal is to make the site a national historical monument.

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The inscription on the monument was chosen from among many entries in a San Francisco Chinese community competition sponsored by the Chinese Times newspaper. The final choice was the following from the AIIHAC group. Translated, the couplet reads:

"Leaving their homes and villages, they crossed the ocean. Only to endure confinement in these barracks Conquering frontiers and barriers, they pioneered A new life by the Golden Gate."

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**Redress: Pro and Con**

**Editor:**

I must stand apart from the decision of the National Council on the Japanese American Redress that the organization will not make a redress claim for reparations. I have actively supported the campaign up until this decision. The NCJAC mission statement already states our position on reparations. I am not satisfied with the NCJAC's position at this time. I feel that the majority of the NCJAC members do not have the best interest of redress at heart. I am not sure how to proceed from here.

**PRESIDENT'S CORNER: Clifford Ueda**

Nisei Soldiers

Some of the most vicious backlash against the Redress campaign has been from those who cite the sufferings of the Nisei servicemen during World War II.

Nearly 12% of all Japanese Americans were in U.S. Army uniform during World War II. This is a higher percentage than that of any other ethnic group in America. That is much higher than the national figure, which was less than 8%. To make the national figure equivalent to that of the Japanese Americans, six million more men and women would have had to get into the U.S. armed forces uniform.

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FROM HAPPY VALLEY: Sachi Seko

Springtime in Utah

Salt Lake City:

Spring spins into every small speck of energy, pushing leaves from their winter blankets. Flowers blossom by a profusion of pollen and color. And the dandelion, without any modesty, puts on its yellow, fluffy head.

Someone should ticket spring for traveling at excessive speed. It is like a reckless driver, ignoring all traffic signals and warning signs. Although it may be unfair, I resent the way it barrels along, dragging you in its wake.

This year, I am still in my winter clothes and mood. I was just becoming accustomed to the comfortable warmth of a chair and book. Long nights of dreamily contemplating while watching flames in the fireplace. The secret satisfaction of rising before the sun. The luxury of awakening in the purity of silence.

But no more. Sun sneaks into every small speck of energy, pricks your eyes with sharp needles of light. The crazy rooster, who lives down the street, cannot wait until dawn to test its voice. Below in his room, the dog scatters his toys, expecting the noise to bring you hurtling down the stairs. I hate waking to the cacophony of creatures eager to inhale morning scents and sights. A few hardy souls jog past the house while I have my full breakfast on the counter. Their energy assuages no envy in me. It wears me out.

Winter sloth suited me. I rather liked the rut I made for myself. I would not have cared if spring delayed its arrival. It should have at least dropped a note or telephoned in advance, I complain. But here it is on our doorstep, with a ton of baggage. It means to stay.

Just last year, I didn’t feel this way. My fingers itched at the sight of the first weed in the yard. I sloshed around in boots, working around the snow. Now it’s the only fool in the neighborhood with a full summer’s tan.

When friends gathered at parties, garden talk dominated conversations. The other night, we were invited to our first social event this year. It was a reunion of old friends, some traveling from as far as Dallas and Palm Springs. As always customary, talk got around to gardens. But the general gist had changed. No longer was there a fever about making major changes, experimenting with exotic plants. Instead, everyone agreed that simplicity was the only way to go. These were the same hard-pressed individuals who thrived on competing to create the most beautiful gardens. I asked the most ardent gardener about his change of heart. It’s a matter of adjusting priorities, he said. It becomes an obsession. And yards can make you feel as guilty as your kids. He said, briskly, slapping her hands, as if disposing of a huge problem.

I laughed at her. Oh, come off it. You don’t believe what you’re saying, I told her. She confessed, one more project this year before calling it quits. She proceeded to tell of plans to rip out their entire front yard, bushes, flowers, lawn and all. These would be replaced with clumps of aspen, ground cover and a stone walkway. That wouldn’t sound like a small project to me. Oh, it will take all summer, she said. But imagine how gorgeous it will be.

After dinner, guests at the party moved from group to group. Time for intimate conversations, the nicest part of any evening. Even better when it is with best friends. I told them we had a yard problem. Pungus had destroyed our lower lawn. What fun digs didn’t, the dog had finished off. We were in a quandary about the yard. Should we vacate? Or how would it cover look? In the course of soliciting suggestions, I made a fun discovery. Although at dinner everyone resolved they were against garden drudgery, no one meant it.
Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week

NOTE: Japan Today and Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week events often appeared in multiple venues for both celebrations, so no attempt was made to list them all. Many other events have been listed in the past two PCs.

BOSTON
Call Karen Ann Zien (617) 552-3656.

• Boy's Day, May 5, Bon Odori, "Eisuke Sakakibara, Saitama Takeuchi, Univ. of Denver; Denver Public Library's rare collections, "Art Institute until June 13, Century Room, Plaza Square.

CHICAGO
For more information on Japan Today events, call Steven Crews (312) 732-5565.

• "An Exhibition of Images," avant garde drama by Kobo Abe Theatre Troupe, "Yoshio Oshida, president, Fujix Xerox Co., Etsuko Sakakibara, Saitama Univ., Frank Hisa, Univ. of Colorado-Boulder; John Stoesinger, Colorado School of Mines; Century Room, Plaza Cosmopolitan Hotel.
• May 3, 7-9 p.m., "Japanese Calligraphy" created by Benedict K. Amend, Denver Art Museum.
• May 17, 7-9 p.m., "Japanese Calligraphy," created by Benedict K. Amend, Denver Art Museum.

DENVER
Panel Discussions:
• May 10, 7 p.m., "The Japaneseness of Denver," Terunobu Shirakata, Santa Monica's Sisemore Institute College of Chamber Arts.

• "Abstract Calligraphy," Chicago Calligraphy Center.
• "Tsuba Exhibit, Industrial Design, at the Industrial Center, City College of Chicago, April 18-May 10.


LOS ANGELES
The Asian Businessmen's Asso. first Installation Banquet, "Yasuo Inoue, Los Angeles, CA.

• "Contemporary Japan," May 12-June 3, Downey Museum of Art.
• "Japanese Ceramics Today," on display in the World Trade Center, dates to be announced.

• "Suisoku exhibit, Huntington Library," Los Angeles, May 5, 1-4 p.m., by the San Gabriel Valley Japanese Center.

Demonstrations:
• May 1, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., "Japanese Ceramics," Freer Gallery of Art, Washington, DC.

• "Japanese Lacquer," Freer Gallery of Art, Washington, DC.


• "Three Centuries of Japanese Prints," N.Y. Public Library.


• "Japanese Film series through June 8 (see list under LOS ANGELES)," Japan House, through June 8.

• "Japanese film series (see list under LOS ANGELES)," through June 4.

About the artist
The PC is happy to introduce Meredith Yasui, who did June 11, "Japanese Heritage Week," this year.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Ed Edelman (left) presents a scholarship to a student who is a student, an Asian American and Pacific Islander. He is accompanied by a student and an Asian American and Pacific Islander. She is accompanied by a student and an Asian American and Pacific Islander.

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Tularoy granddaughter, President T. H. O'Neill the Chow Mein Drama movie, $10.

Tularoy LAPD GUESTS: to SPEAK AT GRADE FARE
The Snake River Valley JACL Executive Committee has invited Oo, Yuuki Nakase, the guest speaker. He will present the program at 6:30 pm on May 12.

West Los Angeles: MAY-JUNE JAYC COME HEAVY & LIGHT
West Los Angeles JACL and LACJU, the local council, will meet on Sunday, May 12, at Nora Sherry School auditorium from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. The speaker is Dr. Clifford Uyeda, guest speaker. He will discuss his experiences in the Asian-Pacific American Heritage Week, the chapter will present programs on Japanese language and culture.

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CHAPTER 13
The Navy and Marine Corps made meticulous plans for making the taking of two important islands a success. A full dress presentation was put on to impress media and impress the English. Fire them up.

Talk was cheap. The Navy hadn't done a good job on prior bombardment—again—and the two Jima beaches resembled an abattoir. But then Lady Luck lent a hand. The most successful mass frontal air attack ever perpetrated on the Americans was made possible. A flag got raised on Mt. Suribachi. Two, in fact.

The first was put up by Marine Corps officer. It made sense to raise a flag when the last remnants of the 7th Marines were still scattered on the front line. A combat photographer took pictures of the first flag raising, in which one nearly leatherneck refused to pose. He thought he was smashed much of Hollywood, and he was right. The second picture was of an American flag on front page of the New York Times and other newspapers that subscribed to the Associated Press, whipped up the Yankee Doodle blood in millions. So that's where the idea of stacking-up stood on Iwo Jima.

MINIO Yamagata was within 100 feet of the second flag-raising and thought little of it. Just a bunch of guys paying 10 marines with him. The picture added just the right jingoistic touch. "Uncommon valor was a common virtue," said Yamagata. "when they smacked it I'd like to be there, and our war might be a bit easier than I expected."

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In Japan, an intensive pro­ gram for production of suicide craft was underway, as that nation pitched in for a last ditch struggle. By June, 1,600 U.S. troops trained in the Philippines had been raised and equipped by Japanese. By June 15, 1,600 U.S. troops trained in the Philippines had been raised and equipped by Japanese. The picture added just the right jingoistic touch. "Uncommon valor was a common virtue," said Yamagata. "when they smacked it I'd like to be there, and our war might be a bit easier than I expected."

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West Coast Nisei farmers in 1942, if given a free choice, wanted to remain in California to farm land owned by non-resident aliens.

An said he was "reasonably sure" the committee of Japanese Americans would approve his measure but that he was in no rush for it would not be on the ballot until 1950. Lehman may resubmit the measure amended. If ACA 20 passes, one political observer here thinks it would be the green light to go forward with his agricultural land measure.

The Fresno Democrat last year carried such a bill through the Assembly but it died in the Senate, at last partly because of constitutional problems. Experts testified that prohibiting anyone to own land in California is forbidden by the state constitution as it now exists. Lehman's ACA 20 was an effort to permit the Legislature to forbid ownership of farmland by non-resident aliens.

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An old white sheet, permanent marking pens and some wire and thread is all that's needed to make a Koi Nobori for May 5-June 5, when Japanese celebrate Boy's Day (Tango-no-Sekku). The illlustrated directions are written in simple fashion in MATSU-RI (Hatan International, P.O. Box 2402, San Francisco, CA 94008, S750), co-authored by Nancy Araki and Jane Horn.

To assemble the carp, fold the cloth in half, cut to desired length. Design with pencil and then color with the felt pens so that coloring is inside the open edge but leave the mouth and tail open. Turn the fish right side out; form wire ring for the mouth, turn a finished hem by hand around the wire. Attach an open harness as illustrated in the book and hole.

Here's a picture says it better than a thousand words--which is the rationale behind achievement of this book as a Nisei and grandparent with many filled with happy times—H.H.

COPO installs 7-year veteran

Los Angeles

The California Oriental Peace Forces officers recently installed Michio Kato, a seven-year veteran of the Asian Task Force of the L.A. Police Department, as the 1979 president. Shiro Tomita, another A.P.F. veteran, is immediate past president.

Group is comprised of some 140 Asian police officers, law enforcement personnel, and jurors. The COPO scholarship program aids Asians seeking a legal career after service with a military base. His bid was rejected.

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Federal officials here acknowledge they haven't made a strong effort to publicize the program for fear of the strong response. Civilian and military agencies are permitted, maybe, to bid enough government contracts for minority contractors in Hawaii, Nagakawa said. But the problem is to find enough "viable" contractors—who those have enough business background and motivation to succeed.

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Tri-District coordinating body for JACL state track meet seen

Fresno, Ca.

The second annual State JACL track meet, being held on Saturday, June 3 at Oakanld's Laney College, Oakand, received strong moral support from chapters attending the Tri-District Conference here over the April 26-28 weekend.

John Shinagawa of Contra Costa JACL in presenting a proposal, reported that it was imperative a Tri-District planning committee for the state track meet be made into a permanent all-District body, with representation from all chapters.

In view of the need for volunteers to help at the track meet, support in the form of advertising, equipment, and program host facilities for about 120 participants from San Francisco's JACL chapters and from the Bay Area, was agreed upon for Saturday, June 9.

Funds are also needed to meet expenses, estimated at $3,200. Some of it will come from $5 individual registrations from participants in the South­ west District is raising funds through the gift of service, and a complete list will be sent to "Call of State JACL Track Meet "

Sacramento JACL nets cage trophy

Sacramento

Coach Tosh Matsur 2's high-scoring Sacramento JACL All-Star Team topped the consolation game, San Jose San Jose's 37-11, and San Francisco's San Francisco's 5-1 shots, 10-0.

The popular event takes place at the same oval.

San Francisco prepares for 27th Junior Olympics June 3

San Francisco

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