

## Apologies immediate over use of epithet

### San Francisco

Macys California senior vice president A. V. Aguiar, in apologizing recently to a JACL protest of "Jungle Jap" labels still appearing on new summer fashions from Kenzo, said the offensive tags have been removed and substituted with "Kenzo".

Aguiar recalled a similar protest last year and had relayed the comments to Kenzo, asking not to ship merchandise with the inappropriate label.

Noteworthy is the immediacy of Macys action. The protest letter from George

Kondo, NC-WNDC regional director, was dated June 27. A response followed from Aguiar the same day.

In Chicago, Ellen Okamura protested the use of "fat Jap" in a gardening announcement appearing in "Health Crusader", the point being that the Japanese diet is not as harmful as the diet in America. Four days later, the magazine publisher in Yorktown, Tex., apologized, "The last thing we want to do is to cause prejudice or incur displeasure. It is our object to serve, not to alienate."

## Filipina wins EEO plea, lands job with New York I&NS office

### New York

Loida Nicholas-Lewis, honor graduate in law from the Univ. of the Philippines and fluent in three languages, was sworn in as General Attorney for the Immigration and Naturalization Service here June 8—setting more than one precedent, according to the New York Nichibei.

It was a breakthrough not only for Asian Americans and for feminists but for those who have faced frustrations of job discrimination for reasons of color and sex.

Her case began three years ago when she first applied for the position. Her complaint

was accepted Feb. 12, 1976, six months after it was filed. Investigations and hearings by the Federal Employees Appeals Commission ended in a recommendation that she be placed with the New York I&NS office with retroactive pay to the date on which she would have begun work had she been given the job. The Justice Department's complaint adjudication officer affirmed the recommendation.

Investigation had disclosed there was no basis for the I&NS claim that she did not meet the citizenship require-

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## 'Yellow Peril'™ voluntarily abandoned

Special to The Pacific Citizen

### Washington

Telecommunications Publications Inc. which had been granted rights to "Yellow Peril" by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office over heavy protest from Asian American groups, disclosed July 6 it was voluntarily abandoning the trademark.

The Washington JACL Office was informed by David Nikaido, former D.C. JACL president and an attorney specializing in patent law, that sufficient historic documentation had been collected and presented to the Telecommunications Publication, as requested, giving the firm sufficient reason to abandon the trademark.

Papers have been filed by Telecommunications Publication with the U.S. Patent Office to abandon the trademark rights.

Nikaido added.

Three groups were in the forefront of the protest—Sen. Daniel Inouye's office, Organization of Chinese Americans and the JACL. Nikaido's first action after the initial protest was to secure a 90-day extension of time to file the opposition data. The due date was July 18.

Telecommunications Publishing was granted trademark rights on March 20, 1979. Protests, if any, had to be filed within 30 days. JACL had filed a complaint, pointing out to the Commissioner of Patent and Trademark that the term was racist in concept and anti-Asian (PC Apr 6, 1979).

The JACL Eastern District Council previously succeeded in having Telecommunications Publishing denied trademark rights to "Yellow Peril", the Commissioner was informed.

## Squibb still wants 'Opium'

### New York

Two steps in response to the protest against Yves St. Laurent's perfume, "Opium", have been taken, according to Alan Paston, Squibb Corp. vice president.

The company's social responsibility committee got the offensive ads modified and hired a marketing research firm to find how the public perceives the name, "opium". Both actions are to be completed within 90 days.

The Organization of Chinese Americans spokesman James Tso told the New York Times that Squibb missed the whole point:

"It's really ridiculous for them to think that they can advertise the word Opium without it being drug related. And when they say Opium and Orient, people naturally associate that with China; there's no way they can avoid offending the Chinese."

## Sen. Inouye raps colleague's description of Evacuation

### Honolulu

Addressing the 1979 Nisei Veterans Reunion here the last week of June at the Sheraton Waikiki, Senator Daniel Inouye spoke (June 26) on redress for Japanese American internees because "our friends (of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team) who gave their lives on the battlefields of Italy and France would not forgive me if I remained silent."

Inouye was taking exception to Sen. S. I. Hayakawa, who regarded the WW2 internment of Japanese Americans as "the best thing that could have happened to them" and who indicated opposition to legislation that might provide redress.

The friend Inouye had

reference to was his Easy Company buddy, Sgt. Masa Sakamoto, who was in charge of the machine gun squad. A Californian who had finished public schools and before Dec. 7 was a student in college, Sakamoto had been evacuated like other West Coast Japanese on 48-hour notice. In the winter of 1944, Sakamoto was awarded the Purple Heart posthumously.

Inouye recalled, "Death was commonplace in our regiment, but Sgt. Sakamoto's death was unique. Almost at the moment he died, a group of patriotic, devoted vigilante citizens of California burned down his house."

"On behalf of Sgt. Sakamoto, I am obligated to inform my distinguished friend, the

junior senator from California, that he is wrong."

Differing from Hayakawa's description that the WW2 internment camps were "understandable" and benefitted Japanese Americans by helping them to integrate into American society, Inouye recalled his own visit to Rohwer, Ark., as a 442nd trainee.

"When we entered the compound, we were greeted by the residents, if you can call them that," Inouye said.

"These were people who looked just like us but who, for national security, had been forcibly uprooted from their homes, farms and stores."

"I felt a mixture of shock and anger. They were living in quarters that were unfit for animals. They were clean only because they kept themselves clean."

"These were the potential enemies of our country—crying babies and old folks."

Inouye recalled the early days of basic training for the 442nd combat team in Mississippi when the men divided themselves into two distinct and antagonistic groups—Mainlanders and Hawaiians. "For incredible reasons," Inouye said, "due primarily to differences in speech patterns, outward appearances and dietary habits, the two groups spent as much time in fighting as in close order drill."

"The morale of the men was noticeably low. Accordingly, our officers spent much time arranging special programs and giving lec-

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## Asians eligible for SBA 8-A

### Washington

Certain groups of Asian/Pacific Americans were found to be socially disadvantaged and eligible for the U.S. Small Business Administration Section 8-A program, SBA Administrator A. Vernon Weaver announced July 6.

The action is expected to increase opportunity for members of these groups to win federal and private contracts, Weaver said.

The group determined to be socially disadvantaged include U.S. citizens whose origins are from Japan, China, the Philippines, Vietnam, Korea, Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Trust Territory of the Pacific, Northern Marianas, Laos, Cambodia and Taiwan.

Through the 8-A program, SBA acts as prime contractor with the purchasing offices of other federal departments and agencies, channels contracts for goods and services to businesses owned by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. Also under the 8-A program, firms owned by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals are eligible to take part in the sub-contracting program which requires major federal contractors to utilize small and minority business subcontractors.

While the Asian/Pacific Americans have now been determined to be socially and economically disadvantaged, representatives of those

groups—still must establish, of other eligible minority groups—still must establish, case by case, that they are also economically disadvantaged.

Last October, Congress amended the 8-A program, established under PL 95-507, to provide that 8-A business development assistance was to be provided for socially and economically disadvantaged individuals and groups, including but not limited to "black Americans, Hispanic Americans, native Americans and other minorities". Authority to designate other minorities as eligible for the program was delegated to SBA officially under con-

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Asian American contractors visit Washington to seek recruitment help for road construction from Federal Highway Administration. Standing beside a census map designating Asians inside America are (from left) Ed Morris, FHWA; Robert H. Yamashita, executive director, Tacoma (Wa.) Community House; Michael Chi, Arlington, Va.; and John Yoshino, FHWA's equal opportunity specialist. Chi works with Pennsylvania Dept. of Transportation.

## Yoshimura denied probation, clemency up to Gov. Brown

### By LEE RUTTLE Oakland, Ca.

Wendy Yoshimura was denied probation last week (July 3) and only the Governor can intervene by granting clemency. Meanwhile, she is expected to surrender July 17 at the Calif. Institution for Women at Frontera.

Yoshimura, free on \$50,000 bail since her conviction on weapons charges in January

1977, faced the sentencing after being unsuccessful in appealing the conviction, claiming six grounds for reversal. Last June 15, the state supreme court denied the appeal without comment.

Alameda County Superior Judge Martin Pulich, who was urged in an open letter appearing as a half-page ad in the Oakland Tribune July 2 "to reduce her sentence to

probation, leaving her free to continue the exemplary life she has led since her release on bail in 1975" and co-signed by nearly 100 people, lectured on the Harold Tanner Case and other precedents regarding the history of probation. In Judge Pulich's estimation, the history appeared all negative. And then said:

"I do not have the power to grant her probation." He ad-

mitted, however, "She is not the same person that came into this courtroom after she was first apprehended in 1975" and "I am very much impressed with the community support and her exemplary behavior." Pulich acknowledged receiving over 250 letters attesting to her character and contributions made to the Japanese American community. And sum-

marizing his statement, Pulich declared, "Only the governor has the power to grant clemency."

The judge explained under the old law, the prescribed sentence for the crime of which she stands convicted is from 1 to 15 years. Under the new law, it needs to be determined by a clemency board. Meanwhile, Yoshimura was told to report at the women's

prison on July 17.

Prosecutor Jeffrey Horner opposed this much clemency and wanted to have her taken into custody immediately. The judge however ruled she be allowed to surrender herself July 17.

Assisting Wendy Yoshimura were her counselors, James Larson and Garrick Lew at the trial level, and

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# Carter invited Matsunaga on Japan trip as 'interpreter'

By BARRY SAIKI  
(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

## Tokyo

Once again, Senator Spark Matsunaga spared some of his time on June 26 for a sit-down, informal dinner with about 20 resident Nisei at the Sanno Hotel in Tokyo. The genial senator and his charming wife Helene were the only members from the legislative circle to accompany President Jimmy Carter to Japan and Korea.

During the two-hour dinner, the junior senator from Hawaii (now in his 14th year), who is also the deputy party whip, made a number of interesting comments.

In answer to why he had been invited, he said that President Carter had asked him after the SALT II briefing if he spoke Japanese. Upon his affirmative answer, the President jestingly suggested that Spark join his summit party to Japan as an interpreter. A short while later, the Matsunagas received an official invitation.

Matsunaga added that his Japanese was hardly professional and that it could be classified as the Kumamoto and Hiroshima dialects of the Meiji period, as spoken by his parents.

He thought that his presence in the entourage was

## San Jose to fete Yoshio Ando, 81

San Jose, Ca.

Hawaii-born Yoshio Ando, 81, recently received the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 5th Class, from the Japanese government for his promotion of U.S.-Japan friendship and especially the international farm training program. A community testimonial sponsored by the Buddhist Church and the Hiroshima Nikkei Jinkai will be held on Thursday, Aug. 9, at the San Jose Hyatt House.

Ando is the first Nisei pioneer in Santa Clara Valley to be decorated by Japan, whereas previous honorees have been Issei. Following his father's footsteps, he raises vegetable plants and devised a unique cultivation method so that farmers can produce celery and lettuce faster, earlier and better.

Tickets at \$13 per person may be obtained at:

Buddhist Church, Wesley Florists (Westside), San Jose To-fu, Onishi Florists (Japantown), Morgan Hill Sunday School.

## Deaths

Toru Matsumoto, 65, of Tokyo died June 30 of a heart ailment. President of an English language school, he taught English conversation over NHK Radio between 1951-1973. He wrote and studied prewar in Los Angeles after graduating from Meiji Gakuin University in 1935.

most appropriate, from the standpoint of improving further the excellent U.S.-Japan relations. His appearance in Korea will also show that the U.S. democracy does provide her citizens of Asiatic descent with equal opportunities.

After arriving on Air Force One on June 24, with President Carter and about 30 members of his suite, the senator and his wife were interviewed on TV the following day. They also participated in the official functions from June 24 to 27, including a dinner hosted by Their Im-

perial Highnesses the Emperor and Empress, the meetings with Prime Minister Ohira and Cabinet level officials and the one-day visit to Shimoda, where Commodore Matthew Perry first brought his black ships to Japan to open U.S.-Japan discourse in 1853.

Asked to describe his role in the summit party, Matsunaga said that in essence he was in Japan for window dressing, that State Department often likes to show that the U.S. Senate is "not all white".

Matsunaga said that he had

previously travelled as a guest on Air Force One with past Presidents Kennedy, Johnson and Ford. He did not receive an invitation from President Nixon.

His Washington duties require a staff of 26, which indicates the huge flow of work and activities that all conscientious senators must deal with. He keeps abreast of all pertinent information through a competent staff, including three university professors.

Touching on energy, the main agenda subject for the Tokyo Summit, he stated that

his membership on the Senate Energy Committee has made him fully cognizant of the grave energy situation. He said that greater efforts need to be made on the development of alternate sources for petroleum, that nuclear energy should not be expanded until a completely safe disposal system for the growing nuclear waste can be found and that gasohol and technological efficiency in

generating power from water sources can fill some of the interim needs.

He visualizes that the future energy needs can be met by solar energy in view of recent advances in research, especially in Hawaii and California, where the abundant sunshine can move pollution-free vehicles without the use of gas.

## Tatsuno signs with Japan semi-pros

Tokyo

Univ. of Hawaii pitcher Derek Tatsuno last week spurned the San Diego Padres' reported bonus of more than \$100,000 to sign with the Prince Hotel, a farm team for the Seibu Lions.

Tatsuno must play three years in the industrial league before gaining eligibility to move up.

His coach, Lee Murakami, explained the pitcher's decision was influenced by his treatment as a virtual hero in Japan, where he had been competing for the U.S. collegiate all-stars. The U.S. won the series against the Japanese college all-stars 4 to 3.

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## washington

**Rights of children** should not be viewed too broadly, the Supreme Court stated in two cases ruled (June 20). It was held that federal courts in Georgia and Pennsylvania had erred in requiring hearings prior to the commitment of minors to institutions for the mentally ill or retarded. In a 5-4 vote, it also overturned a California decision throwing out a murder confession by a juvenile who had been denied the right to consult his probation officer before being questioned by police.

**Census Bureau's** latest report (June 18), "Social and Economic Status of the Black population in the U.S., a Historical View 1790-1978", shows fulfillment of the American dream to be erratic for the estimated 25,000,000 blacks. In most cases, blacks lag behind their white counterparts and have little opportunity of catching up in economic hard times, the bureau said and which black America already knew.

**The U.S. joined** the Soviet Union, Canada, Japan and Australia in refusing to sign the Convention on Migratory Species of Wild Animals after two weeks of negotiations in Bonn. Treaty would protect the habitat of endangered species in their territory. Inclusion of fish species in the agreement was a major stumbling block for non-signers.

## YOSHIMURA

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deputy state public defender Dennis Riordan at the appellate levels.

As spectators filed out, leaders of Wendy Yoshimura's support group made immediate plans to petition Governor Brown for clemency. A letter-writing campaign will be instituted immediately. A cavalcade of supporters to plead the case in Sacramento before the Governor was also to be planned.

"Our community needs Wendy's contribution, not to

**To encourage oil** companies to put their profits back into exploration and research rather than corporate expansion and controlling the energy business, Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Cal.) is a co-sponsor the Energy Antimonopoly Act of 1979, which amends the Clayton Antitrust Act. "This bill will help restore public faith in the oil industry," the Sacramento congressman said.

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## the world

**Gov. George Ariyoshi** heads the U.S. delegation to ceremonies July 12 marking the birth of a new Pacific nation, Kiribati, (Gilbert Islands), about 2,000 miles south of Hawaii and at one time a part of the British protectorate of Gilbert and Ellis Islands. Canton Island (a U.S.-controlled island) will be a part of the new nation. Ellis Islands became independent in 1976 and are now the nation of Tuvalu.

**In Tel Aviv,** Japanese terrorist Kozo Okamoto is serving a life sentence for his part in the 1972 Tel Aviv airport massacre where 26 people in the crowd were killed. Israeli investigators in mid-June found him to be "mentally deranged". Japanese officials in Israel, meanwhile, have found nothing unusual in Okamoto's behavior in recent visits, suggesting he may have been alarmed by the visit of an all-Israeli group.

be protected from them," the open letter declared. "It needs to encourage her to continue her present life, not to disrupt it by sealing her behind bars, forcing her to begin again in the future. Wendy was born behind barbed wire, Manzanar, a concentration camp in which thousands of loyal Americans of Japanese descent were herded. One senseless prison term is enough. Please leave Wendy with us." Dr. Clifford Uyeda was among the names appearing in the advertising.

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## the south

**The NAACP,** at its 70th annual convention in Louisville, Ky., voted to strip its name from its longtime civil rights ally, the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, which was separated in 1957 for federal tax purposes, though it has been operating for 40 years. Few are aware of the distinction. As a result, donations intended for one often went to the other, which, apparently, is the essence of the dispute.

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# 'Japan Inc.' firms eye So. Calif. as attractive U.S. investment

## Los Angeles

If you had doubts that "Japan, Inc." plans to make Southern California their staging area for investment and other economic activity in this country, forget them.

The Southland's high real estate appreciation rate, relative to Japan, high foreign currency reserve and encouragement from the Japanese government have made the Los Angeles area the most attractive locale for foreign Japanese to lay down their bucks. The large Japanese American population of the area has also made investment in Southern California attractive to Japanese investors.

The scope of Japan involvement in the local real estate investment scene was detailed in a revealing article in the L.A. Times July 1.

Mitsui Fudosan U.S.A., Inc., which recently purchased the high rise Crocker Bank headquarters downtown for \$79 million, is the largest Japanese investor in L.A. It is also the largest real estate investment firm in Japan. MF is reported to be seeking more office buildings in L.A. and other cities.

## Kawai Corp. donates piano to JACCC

### Los Angeles

A concert grand piano and \$5,000 were donated recently by Shigeru Kawai, president of Kawai Musical Instruments Mfg. Co., and Kawai America Corp., to the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center. Piano, retail valued at \$17,000, will be presented when the theater is completed.

Local Japanese Business Assn. members have contributed \$278,500 to date.

Mitsubishi International Corp. and its local subsidiaries presently hold a 50 per cent share in the Bonaventure Hotel, a share valued in excess of \$50 million. Mitsubishi, the Times reported, is

## california

Sumitomo Bank of California is seeking a new Los Angeles branch office near N. Broadway and Alpine St. in the new Chinatown district. Application for offices in La Palma (Orange County) and Blossom Valley in south San Jose have been approved by the State Banking Dept.

Soko Hardware moved into its new building July 1 in San Francisco's Japantown at Post and Buchanan Mall with an open house party. The Ashizawa family reportedly spent about \$600,000 to construct the new building which also houses Sumitomo Bank's Japantown branch.

Oakland Public Library's Asian Community branch at 125-14th St. shows free films on Asian culture Saturdays between noon and 2 p.m. during July.

Fresno's new Yaohan Supermarket at the corner of Kern and E, opened June 29. The enterprise is a Japanese subsidiary, first of its kind in Central California.

## reunions

The Tomikichi Manaka family of Monterey, Ca., is having its first family reunion July 14 at the Outrigger's Restaurant on Cannery Row. The nine children, now living throughout the state from Walnut Creek to San Diego, 32 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren are gathering.

## Now a citizen, Annapolis-bound

### Riverside, Ca.

Tomoko Ishikawa, the 18-year-old Arlington High School graduate, was enroute this past week to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, having gained her U.S. citizenship July 3 in a most expeditious manner—with help from Congressman George E. Brown's district representative John Longville.

To enroll in the Academy, citizenship is required. Ishikawa, born in Japan, received her appointment before she became a citizen.

now in escrow for the purchase of a yet unnamed Southland oil refinery.

Fujita Corp. U.S.A. is now putting the final touches on its \$20 million Torrance Industrial Plaza. Fujita already owns the Sheraton Miramar in Santa Monica—another \$20 million holding.

Kajima International and its East West Development Co. own the \$30-million New Otani Hotel and are now at work on an \$8.5-million shopping center in Little Tokyo. They also own the \$12-million Kajima Building at First and San Pedro Sts., in the heart of L.A.'s Japantown.

Not to be left out, Mitsui & Co. U.S.A. is developing a \$10-million industrial park in Carlsbad (near San Diego) due for completion in 1983.

The largest shopping center owned by Japanese interests is Ricoh Development of Calif. Inc.'s \$8-million Pacific Square in Gardena. Ricoh also recently purchased 14

acres of prime Irvine Industrial Complex (IIC) land for a cool \$3 million.

Many Japanese firms are now establishing plants in the United States as a way to circumventing potential U.S. trade barriers. Moreover, it has become cost-efficient for Japanese firms to manufacture products in the U.S., paying U.S. taxes and hiring local labor, rather than shipping finished products from Japan as labor costs between the two nations are now comparable.

Other Japanese firms getting in on the L.A. property investment market are Kyowa America Corp., \$1.4-million parcel in ICC; Sanyo Foods Co., \$900,000 for a 8.9-acre parcel in Irvine; Daiwa House of Calif., \$2 million for an office building at 7th and Spring Sts.; Noritsu America Corp., \$885,000 for the lease of 82,000 square foot industrial building; and Shuwa Investment Corp., \$10 million

for a 50-acre single-family and condominium project (in negotiation).

Many Japanese investors are said to have their eyes on hotels, motels and condominiums around the site of the proposed 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles (Hollywood Park, which has been seeking a bigger spread for its racetrack, is also reported to be looking at the Coliseum area where the 1932 Olympics were held.)

In all, about 400 Japanese companies have invested in Los Angeles and Orange counties since 1970 and from 2,000 to 3,000 Japanese indi-

viduals have purchased houses and office buildings here since 1975. Tadao Uchida, editor of the U.S.-Japan Business News reported.

However, the true extent of Japanese investment in Southern California may be a carefully guarded secret. Japanese corporations have shown a reluctance to release information about all their investments in the United States. Reportedly, brokers are sworn to secrecy and if they give out any information, they are blacklisted by Japanese investors.

—Rafu Shimpo

## 2nd youth acquitted in Nishizaki case

### Los Angeles

Robert E. "Top Cat" Gilmore, 17, was found innocent recently (June 18) of charges stemming from the killing of Henry Nishizaki in the yard of his Crenshaw area home July 8, 1978.

The verdict was a disappointment to Seinan Senior Citizens Center because of crimes committed against the

elderly there.

Gilmore and his companion, Frankie D. Meeks (who was previously acquitted despite an alleged confession that was shown to be involuntary), had been charged of robbery and murder. However, Gilmore was found guilty of second degree burglary for breaking into another house in March, 1978.

## Nisei Week ball in L.A. Aug. 11

### Los Angeles

The 39th annual Nisei Week coronation ball, sponsored by the Japanese American Optimist Club, will be held on Saturday, Aug. 11, at the Biltmore Bowl, featuring the big band sounds of Tom-

my King's orchestra and former Hit Parade star Andy Russell.

Tickets are \$25 per person. Tables for ten may be reserved by calling the Nisei Week office (687-7193) or Kiyomaru Maruyama (624-6087).

## UCLA alumni push for endowed chair

### Los Angeles

UCLA alumni and friends of Japanese ancestry have initiated a campaign to raise \$250,000 to establish the first Endowed Chair in Japanese American Studies.

To be administered by the Asian American Studies Center, 3232 Campbell Hall, UCLA, Los Angeles, Ca 90024, two grants have been acknowledged to support the campaign: (1) \$50,000 from UCLA Foundation, (2) \$50,000

as a challenge grant from the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission whereby the Commission will match one dollar for every three that UCLA alumni raise.

Frances Kitagawa of West Alumni Center was designated project director. Contributions may be sent to: UCLA/Chair for Japanese American Studies, c/o Frances Kitagawa, West Alumni Center, 405 Hilgard Ave., Los Angeles, Ca 90024; 825-3901 ext 253.



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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER: Clifford Uyeda



## Hawaiian Dilemma

San Francisco

Is JACL membership in Hawaii possible? We have received inquiries. The National Associate Membership, meaning no chapter affiliation, is available to them now, but they have no representation in the national body. An associate member cannot vote, cannot hold office.

A chapter in Hawaii can solve this dilemma, but it also creates another problem. In Hawaii, isolated 2,500 miles from the mainland, Japanese Americans censuswise and politically are not a minority. They are one of the dominant ethnic groups.

Many feel that Japanese Americans organizing among themselves in Hawaii becomes a definite threat to other minorities on the islands, that it smacks of racial provincialism. It gives the impression that AJA's in Hawaii care only about themselves. This is both undesirable and contrary to JACL goal.

By placing emphasis on the national scale, JACL can become a beneficial force in Hawaii. Japanese Americans are only two-tenth of one per cent nationally. All the Asians combined comes to less than 2% nationally. Therefore, on a national scale we are truly a minority among minorities.

JACL chapters in Hawaii can have a tremendous impact on the national organization. Our perspectives will be broadened. New blood will invigorate us. Our goal is to secure justice and equal opportunities not only for Americans of Japanese ancestry but for all Americans. Being Asian we are particularly sensitive to Asian problems and goals.

Recently we had the JACL National Board meet in San Francisco. Representatives from the Eastern District traveled 3,000 miles. Hawaii is closer. It would be great to have Hawaii in as another JACL District. #



## REDRESS PHASE 2: John Tateishi

## Chapter Poll

San Francisco

BY THE TIME this column gets into print, the poll of the National Council on the redress issue will have been completed, and results of the poll will dictate the direction of our redress legislation.

For the past two issues of the PC, this column has purposely rested, not wishing to get involved in a separate campaign to win votes supporting the Redress Committee decision to go with the Commission-approach. Its position had been explained and I did not feel it necessary to hustle votes.

We have stood by this decision because we feel that, in the long run, it is the best course of action for achieving the goals which we seek. As I have mentioned before, it was a decision which was carefully considered by each member of the Redress Committee.

There was no question in the majority view of the committee that the Commission-approach adhered to the SLC mandate, a view which has been substantiated by Frank Iwama, national legal counsel, and by Lori Inagaki, staff attorney at JACL Headquarters. There is no uncertainty at all on my part that we are in line with the SLC guideline.

IT WAS I WHO requested National President Clifford Uyeda to conduct the poll of the chapters, not because of any doubts, but because the final decision on an issue as important as this must ultimately rest with the membership. But beyond this, as chairman of the Redress Committee, I am unwilling to subject the individual Redress Committee members to possible criticism later for what I feel to be a courageous decision. In this regard, I felt the poll was essential, so that we could know—without a behind-the-scenes campaign—whether the chapters support the commission-approach.

Whatever the results of the poll are, the Redress Committee will follow them. If our recommendation for the commission-approach is approved, we will move ahead to introduce our legislation as early as possible. If it's for direct appropriations, we shall rewrite our bill to reflect specifically the wording of the SLC guideline. Whatever the results, the committee will live by them as I hope we all will. #

## 35 years ago

JULY 8, 1944

June 26—Famed 100th Infantry Bn. incorporated into 442nd Combat Team, says Fifth Army dispatch from Rome; first official word of all-Nisei infantry unit arriving in Italy from U.S.

June 28—Maj. Gen. Bonesteel assumes command of Western Defense Command at San Francisco, mum of evacuee question.

June 29—Vancouver, B.C. mayor seeks suppression of New Canadian, Japanese Canadian weekly at Kaslo, B.C., or internment of its publisher.

June 30—California Assn. of County Supervisors urges deportation of Nisei "irrespective of U.S. birth" to Japan.

June 30—U.S. District Judge Symes, Denver, convicts 11 evacuees from Amache to prison

## Thoughts about Japan

Editor:

It is indeed a great pleasure to read in the PC about the thoughts of your writers and about the activities of the Japanese Americans in the U.S.A.

As the founder and chairman of the Joint U.S.-Japan Trade Study Group in Japan, I am very interested in knowing in detail thoughts of Americans of Japanese ancestry as it relates to Japan and its culture.

I encourage readers to write directly to me about any subject related to Japan and the Japanese Americans. Reference is made to Bill Marutani's column, as an example, in the June 22 PC.

We are now in the process of producing a 16mm sound movie, in English, to identify and analyze the basic difference between the Japanese and American verbal and non-verbal cultural communication process. Any ideas your readers may have about such a film are most welcome.

Our four committees, Product Program Committee, Generic Program Committee, Trade Promotion Program Committee, and the Communications Program Committee, are eager to learn about your readers comments and suggestions regarding the past, current and future relationship between Japan and the U.S.

In August, Professor Eleanor Jordan (faculty member of Cornell University in the Division of Modern Languages), author of several highly regarded books on the Japanese language—Yale Linguistic Series, and I will sponsor a series of workshop/seminars in Japan. We will focus our attention on the Japanese verbal, non-verbal cultural communication, and the importance of understanding the "role playing" aspect international and intercultural communications.

Thank you for whatever you and your readers can do to assist our projects.

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(Yamashita was a panelist discussing international relations at the JACL national convention in Salt Lake City last year and again at the JACL tri-district conference in Fresno this year.)

## Sen. Hayakawa

Editor:

Here is a copy of a letter sent to Senator S. I. Hayakawa in response to his charge that the Redress Committee seeking to gain just compensation for the World War II internment of Japanese Americans "trivializes the massacre of those millions of Jews" in their use of such words as "Days of Remembrance" and "concentration camps."

WALTER WEGLYN  
New York

(Excerpt)

To Senator Hayakawa:

So now you want to pit Jews against Japanese Americans. What next?

Have you no heart, no compassion at all for the once-interned Nikkei who went through the hell of FDR's concentration camps? But come to think of it, how would you know since you were sitting in the comfort of wartime Chicago-based ivory

(10 to 18 mos.) for draft evasion.

June 30—California Exclusion Assn. fails to obtain necessary 179,000 signatures to place initiative measure on November ballot to permanently ban Nisei ownership of land and boats.

July 3—Tule Lake segregation center Issei leader, Yazo Hitomi, 44, of Sacramento, found stabbed to death; was general manager of camp co-ops.

July 3—President Roosevelt signs bill to permit denaturalization of citizens at Tule Lake Camp; up to 1,000 expected to renounce citizenship for expatriation to Japan.

July 8—100th Infantry Nisei officer (Shigeru Tsubota) objects to use of "Japbanks" for Nisei GIs.

tower. Do you realize that you are employing tactics shockingly reminiscent of those who pandered to masses of "Jap-haters," which helped to bring about those camps of concentration? Yes, concentration camps, barbed wire fencing, guard towers and all, on howling wasteland areas in this land of "liberty and justice for all"! Your belaboring the semantic "accuracy" of calling them "relocation centers" is pure sophistry.

Why do you do this? Are you so desperate for publicity? For votes? For white acceptance? We see through your crass opportunism.

As a Jew who suffered the savagery that Hitlerian demagoguery brought about, I deplore what you are doing. You are using the suffering of Japanese Americans to further your own monomaniacal ends.

Walter M. Weglyn

## 'Yankee Samurai'

Editor:

I am hoping to incorporate the phrase, "Yankee Samurai", into

the title of my next book on the 100th and 442nd and would appreciate receiving any suggestions. It is possible that Yankee Samurai is how all Nisei veterans will be known eventually since it connotes pride in two cultures and does not conflict with either.

I take no credit for coining the phrase. That goes to Shigeo Kihara of Monterey, Ca., who selected it from many dozens of possible titles in 1977, when I began the book.

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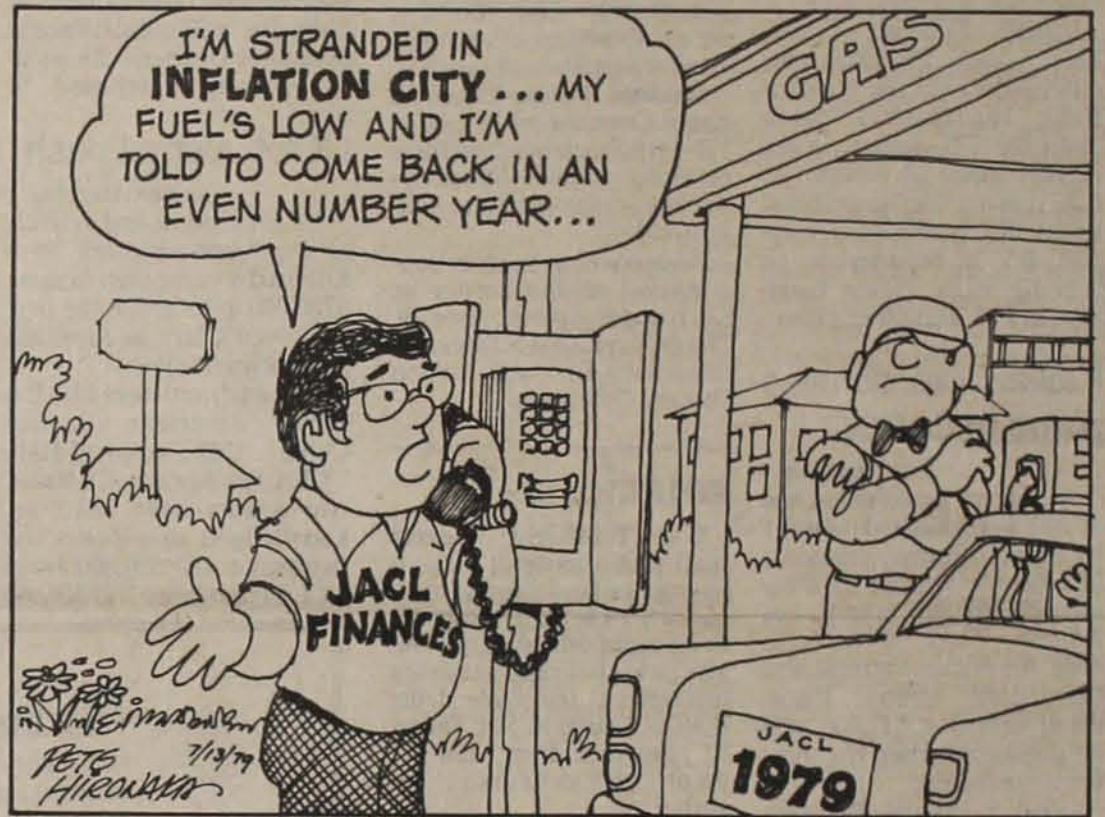
## YE EDITOR'S DESK: Harry Honda

## Centenarian's Creed

Willie Funakoshi's dad, John Ryosuke, celebrated his 100th birthday here this past weekend with nearly 300 friends and family members from near and far. A festive occasion full of psalms of praise and thanksgiving for such a gracious life, the three-hour dinner program (unbelievably as long as JACL Convention dinner) culminated with the honoree responding with a firm voice. By comparison, Willie's voice quavered noticeably with emotion in thanking everyone's presence.

The centenarian acknowledged his longevity to his strong faith in God, a love of doing things to make other people happy and keeping an unceasing curiosity in things new. Farming, gardening and growing flowers would qualify here as these were his lifework besides his family of six children, 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Let this be our record of finally attending a centenarian's birthday party. Thank you, Funakoshi-san.



FROM HAPPY VALLEY: Sachi Seko

## Picking on a Picnic

Salt Lake City

We went to our first summer picnic last week. Picnics can be an abominable form of social activity when the temperature hovers near 100 degrees. My husband likes to pretend that he, too, disdains them. Maybe his adult self does, but the child in him always wins out. As years pass, the child grows larger and stronger.

Picnics are designed to be family affairs, so the four of us piled into the car. After driving a distance, I asked Ern if he had his driver's license. He answered huffily that he had it. And then, fumbling around with his pocket, decided he didn't. Our son offered to drive, which was a sensible suggestion and immediately rejected.

Instead, Ern took the nearest unfamiliar road home. A van full of youths passed us, yelling some unintelligible phrases. I wondered what all the commotion was about. Or son, who is always quick to enlighten me, said they were either protesting Ern's slow driving or his occupation of both lanes of the road.

As we neared our house, Nicholas started crying. He was primed for the promised picnic and had been looking forward to it all week. The abrupt

return was a sign of renegeing, so by the time we pulled into our driveway, he was in the throes of a temper tantrum. The proffered pacifier of his favorite biscuit was pitched out the window. In between his sniffling, I could hear funny noises. My son informed me it was only Nicholas trying to dig a hiding hole in the car seat.

Before we started out again with Ern's driver's license and wallet safely in pocket, I suggested he check the picnic route map. This was met with the curt retort that he knew the way. Maybe he did, before the detours he caused for himself by getting into wrong lanes. Around and around we drove, sometimes being yelled at by other drivers. It was getting so we recognized certain houses and cars, and even some of the people working in their yards. The trip should have taken under 20 minutes, but it took us an hour to reach the site. By the time we met the other guests, they were almost finished with dinner. I had a headache, my son had lost his appetite and the dog had an urgent need to potty.

There was one consoling thought. Since our son is an adult, I would not have to join the horde of anxious moth-

ers, whose eyes are constantly fastened on quickly disappearing children. Although Nicholas is only 14 months old, I was confident he would be no problem. I counted on his behavior to be the envy of all other mothers.

But something snapped in that baby brain. All those lovely manners disappeared under the stress of heat and excitement. I was appalled when he reached over and helped himself to a piece of chicken, behavior becoming only to animals. It was also his first exposure to so many children. As he was swept in the tide of tiny bodies, I found myself asking, "Has anyone seen Nicholas?" All the other mothers, younger and newly experienced, advised me to relax. "He's probably with the other kids," they said. And soon I heard his low laugh mingling with shrill children's voices.

The drive home was mercifully brief. Later that night, I said, "No more picnics for this family." My husband, who was watching the news on television, said, "You may be right. With the gas shortage, by next year there won't be any picnics." Imagine, being rescued from picnics by something like a gas shortage. #



FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

## 'Giving Up the Gun'

Denver, Colo.

In the year 1543, a small Chinese cargo ship called at Tanegashima, a tiny island 20 miles off the south coast of Kyushu, Japan's southernmost island. Aboard were three Portuguese, the first Europeans to set eyes on Japan and also the owners of two harquebuses (a primitive type of gun fired by matchlocks) and ammunition. Lord Tokitaka saw one of the Portuguese shoot a duck with the gun and immediately became fascinated by it.

(One of the Portuguese is recorded in Japanese history as Kirishitamoto and is believed to have been Christopher da Mota.)

Lord Tokitaka eventually bought the guns for what was then a fantastically high price, then turned them over to his swordsmiths with orders to make copies. Within a decade gunsmiths all over Japan were turning out harquebuses and quickly adding improvements that made them more efficient weapons than any in use in Europe.

This story is told in a slim and readable new book, "Giving Up the Gun," by Noel Perrin (David R. Godine, Publisher, \$8.95). Perrin is a professor of English at Dartmouth College. He undertook the research (with the help of several Japanese scholars) and wrote the book during a year as a Guggenheim Foundation fellow.

The title comes from Perrin's finding that the Japanese, after becoming very adept at the manufacture and use of firearms, voluntarily gave them up and went back to fighting with swords, spears and bows and arrows. By the time Commodore Matthew Calbraith Perry showed up in Japan with his warships in 1853, firearms were virtually unknown.

What caused the Japanese to reject the guns? Perrin suggests there were a number of reasons, but perhaps the most persuasive is the finding that war with weapons in the hands of common people who could kill armored samurai at a distance simply wasn't much fun. War in Japan of this period essentially was a collection of personal hand-to-hand battles, with each

meeting preceded by elaborate ritual, and combat was a test of skills. Any clod could point and fire a gun; it required a samurai with great skill and training to fight with a sword. And so the Japanese warriors gradually rejected technology and went back to traditional armaments.

Perrin cites this historical precedent in asking whether the world today would be able to put aside plutonium. The Japanese experience, he says, proves "that human beings are less the passive victims of their own knowledge and skills than most men in the West suppose." Progress, whatever it is, isn't an inexorable force beyond human control, but it is something we can guide, direct, or even stop and forget.

Equally interesting are some of Perrin's observations and findings about medieval Japan, which most persons believed to be backward in comparison to Europe. During the 16th Century, Perrin says, Japan was a prosperous nation with 25 million people compared to 16 million in France, 7 million in Spain, 4½ million in England and maybe a million in what was to become the United States. Japan in 1543 was believed to have had a higher literacy rate than any European country, interest in the arts ran high, and European visitors were looked down upon because they ate with their fingers rather than with chopsticks. Early visitors also were surprised to see the Japanese used soft paper with which to blow their noses; most Englishmen at the time were using their sleeves. Japanese swordmakers, Perrin reported, reached a degree of skill never achieved by European smiths.

Perrin's findings also give us an idea of what a wrenching experience it was for Japan, after the restoration of Emperor Meiji in 1868, to eliminate the samurai. He numbers the Japanese warrior class in 1597 at nearly 2 million—just under 8 percent of the population. In Britain about the same time, there were 30,000 warriors, about six-tenths of one percent, and "in no European country did the warrior class much exceed one percent."

Since Japanese samurai were romantic but unproductive members of society, you can imagine the load placed on farmers, craftsmen and tradesmen to support them.

### CHIAROSCURO:

## The Yonsei Spirit

By DAVID TAKASHIMA  
(Sacramento JACL)

I had the pleasure of attending the 7th annual Scholarship Dinner sponsored by the Sumitomo Bank to honor the recipients and their parents of the scholarships given by the various Japanese community donors.

In watching these "best and the brightest" of our local high schools, I reflected back 13 years to the time of my graduation. In the late '60s, there was concern about the "generation gap" in the Japanese American community. Issei and Nisei openly worried about the long-hair Sansei generation. They were concerned about the Sansei's ability to maintain the energetic drive and aspira-

tion which enabled them to establish themselves in California.

Yet, as it turned out, the Sansei have "carried on" in the community. There exists an ever-increasing passion to trace Asian American history. The majority of our JACL's board did not experience the implementation of

E.O. 9066. The new spirit of the Sansei can be seen in different forms—Asian Community Center, Walerga Oral History Project, Tule Lake Pilgrimage and Tanoshimi Kai (to assist the aging).

So it may be with this Yonsei generation, that it will find its way to express and interpret the Japanese American spirit. We must be willing to be understanding, because they might express their spirit in forms alien to

our (Sansei) thinking. JACL and other community organizations must encourage the full participation of the youth. The development of organizational skills will insure the viability of our community organizations and the Yonsei generation.

### Berkeley Nikkei alumnae list due

San Francisco

A very good list of Japanese women alumnae of UC Berkeley has been assembled, but it needs a vigorous update of those who have been graduated since 1946. Individuals

should write to or call:

Kiku Funabiki, 263-16th Ave, San Francisco 94115, (415) 668-4660; Michi Onuma, 2156 Bush St, San Francisco 94115, 346-1278 or Takako Endo, 146 Aurelia Way, San Leandro, Ca 94578, 357-3657.

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### SBA

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gressional established criteria.

On May 20, SBA received a request from JACL and other groups of Asian and Pacific Americans for inclusion in the 8-A program. The groups also supplied SBA with supporting data. A subsequent notice and a request for comments was published in the Federal Register on May 30.

Weaver said, "As a result of this notice, additional comments were received in favor of the designation of the groups as socially disadvantaged. SBA did not receive any comments in opposition."

Weaver added that "the data and information received by SBA was evaluated and found to be sufficient". Data are available for inspection at:

The Office of the Associated Administrator for Minority Small Business and Capital Ownership Development, 1441 L St. NW, Washington, DC 20416.



## CCDC preparing for district confab

Fresno, Ca.

The Central California District Council, at its May 9 meeting, stepped up its preparations for the annual district convention here in November. Several well-known figures were being recommended as keynote speakers.

Gov. Stanley Nagata also appointed district representatives to the following national committees:

Tom Shimasaki, nominations; Dr. James Nagatani, ethnic concerns; Frank Osaki, employment discrimination.

Mrs. Yoshino Hasegawa, Fresno County librarian, said donations of Japanese books or monetary gifts to build up its Japanese section would be appreciated. #

## Nat'l JACL C.U. declares 7%

Salt Lake City

National JACL Credit Union declared 7 percent dividend for the second quarter of 1979. This is the third consecutive quarter high returns have been paid to members' share accounts.

Louise Oshita, wife of the late Al Oshita, treasurer-manager of the JACL Credit Union, was appointed to the Supervisory Committee, replacing Alyce Shiba. Other Committee members are Mas Akiyama and Mary Umemoto. #

## PNW regional office moving to Seattle

Seattle, Wa.

Seattle is another step closer to re-establishing a JACL regional office here as the Pacific Northwest District Council, at its recent session, approved the relocation from its present locale at Portland by June 30.

Mich Matsudaira, Seattle JACL president, has formed a transition committee and said space should be available by September. JACL had a regional office here in 1945-46. In 1973, the regional office was reopened in Portland to work with both Intermountain and Pacific Northwest districts. In 1976, the office only served the PNWDC.

## calendar

- **JULY 14 (Saturday)**  
**Contra Costa**—Summer benefit dance.  
**French Camp**—JACL bazaar, Community Hall, 4pm.  
**\*San Jose**—Obon Festival, Buddhist Church.  
**Hoosier**—Picnic, Province Park, 11am.  
**New Age**—Disco Dance, Man Jen Low, New Chinatown, L.A.  
**\*Oxnard**—Obon Festival, Buddhist Church, 3-10pm.
- **July 15 (Sunday)**  
**Reno**—Potluck picnic, Bowers Mansion, 11am.  
**\*Cleveland**—Bon Odori, Buddhist Church.  
**\*Seabrook**—Obon (2da), Buddhist Church.
- **JULY 19 (Thursday)**  
**Twin Cities**—Midwest-East DYC conference, Twin Cities JAYS host (4da), Bethel College, St Paul.
- **JULY 20 (Friday)**  
**\*Monterey**—SFCJAS Asilomar III (3da).
- **JULY 21 (Saturday)**  
**\*Los Angeles**—SCYPC luau, Seicho-no-Ie, Gardena.  
**\*San Francisco**—Nihonmachi Streetfair (2da).
- **JULY 22 (Sunday)**  
**NC-WNDC**—Invit swim meet, Gunn High, Palo Alto.
- **JULY 28 (Saturday)**  
**\*Los Angeles**—Poston IHS re-

chapter pulse

## diablo valley

As the recipient of the NC-WNDC "Small Chapter of the Year" award and a \$100 prize, Diablo Valley JACL continues its activities with board meetings and chapter activities. Upcoming were the regular monthly board meeting on the second Wednesday nights at the PG&E Bldg., tennis July 14, 8-11 a.m. at Larkey Park, Walnut Creek, and the flea market July 15, 10 a.m. at the parking lot at Caven Way and Monument Blvd. near a Kawasaki sign.

Bill Suzuki (685-2784) is in charge of the tennis for beginners or advanced. Joe Shitara (685-1364) is in charge of the flea market.

Hannah Yasuda was in charge of the first chapter picnic June 10 at Blue Rock Springs, with about 60 attending including 10-15 teenagers and a few younger. Games and prizes were handled by Tom Shimizu.

Chapter board voted 10-2 in favor of the redress commission route. A recent coffee klatch hosted by N. Doi and N. Hisatomi attended by 17 people resulted in six new members. Chapter noted at its June 13 board meeting that its membership of 170 consisted of 104 households (61%).

chapter pulse

## french camp

On June 8, the French Camp JACL awarded a \$200 prize for outstanding scholastic achievement by a high school graduate to Michael Hayashi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoshi Hayashi, long-time French Camp JACLers. He was graduated from Manteca East Union High.

Lisa Thomsen was awarded \$100 as runner-up. She is also a graduate from the Manteca East Union High School. Albert Pagnucci is the scholarship chairman.

The annual French Camp JACL bazaar will be held on Saturday, July 14, from 4 p.m. at the local community hall under the co-chairmanship of Hideo Morinaka and John Fujiki.

As the main fund-raiser, entire membership is participating in either booth con-

struction, preparing and serving chicken teriyaki and beef kabob combination, other food items, refreshments as well as running game booths and bingo. On the committees are:

Fin: Tosh Hotta, Bob Tomina-ga, Shig Hisatomi, Hats Nonaka; Donation: Tom Natsuhara; sec: Earline Takahashi; Bingo: Bob Ota, Hiro Shinmoto, Yosh Itaya, Lawrence Nakano, George Komure; Drinks: Mike Hoover, Henry Long, Peter Dalben, Joe Takeshita, Rub Isozaki, Yone Hisatomi; Chicken Teriyaki/Beef Kabob: Frank Kosugi, Haruo Nii, Jimmie Nishida, Albert Pagnucci, Yutaka Ito, Tom Foundation; Nickel Pitch: Roy Yonemoto, Tak Hamamoto; Glassware Pitch: Atsuko Isozaki, Bernice Nishida; Duck Pond: Yae Kane-ko, Nancy Eto; Pop-the-Balloon: Terry Hotta, Barbara Hayashi-no; Baseball Pitch: Doug Ota, Ron Hamamoto, Harry Yonemoto;

Food Co-ch: Fumi Asano, Nancy Natsuhara; Tacos: Angie Long, Alma Dalben; Sno-Cone: Tomi Takahashi, Miyuki Kanemoto; Corn: Sumi Yonemoto, Dorothy Ota, Theresa Montalbo, Mario Hayashi; Cake/Needle Work: Katherine Pagnucci, Toyo Foundation; Sushi: Katie Komure, Takahashi, Florence Shiromizu; Udon: Chiyono Ueda, Tomiko Kosugi, Irene Nakano, Shizue Nii.

chapter pulse

## new york

Because of the importance of the vote being asked by the Redress Committee, New York JACL members, rather than board officers, were polled, it was announced by Ruby Schaar, chapter president.

Out of 174 ballots mailed, 54 were returned. Thirty favored the commission-approach, 21 voted no, three abstained.

chapter pulse

## orange county

Orange County JACL will join forces with a number of Nikkei clubs of the area, including Selanoco JACL, at the International Food Festival Aug. 31, Sept. 1-2, in the city of Orange.

Proceeds from the Orange County JACL participation will go toward community youth program, it was announced by Jim Okazaki, chapter chairman. Russell Yamaga will chair the chapter's entertainment committee in connection with the three-day fair.

Chapter also announced Hunter Doi has resigned as secretary, a post he served while a student at Chapman College. He has since graduated and is planning to continue his education elsewhere.

chapter pulse

## south bay



Janice Sakamoto

Janice Reiko Sakamoto, daughter of Emiko and Shingo Sakamoto of Torrance, will be introduced July 15 as South Bay JACL's candidate for Nisei Week queen. A recent graduate of El Camino College, she will continue in business administration at CSU-Long Beach in the fall and plans to enter fashion merchandising. She is 5 ft. 4, 109 lbs, and an assistant leader in Girl Scouting.

The chapter reception for Janice will be held at the Torrance Sumitomo Bank lobby, 2-4 p.m.

The chapter nominated three candidates for National JACL scholarships:

Wendy Nakayama, Gardena High, 4.0 gpa; Jane Maki, North Torrance High, 3.95 gpa; and Betty Morimoto, North Torrance High, 3.95 gpa.

## Las Vegas cellist-conductor introduces Unicorn ensemble

Las Vegas, Nv.

Masatoshi Mitsumoto, a Japan-born cellist who has studied under the late Gregor Piatigorsky and is a part-time instructor at the Univ. of Nevada Las Vegas music department, introduced his Unicorn Players of Nevada String Orchestra at the Charleston Heights chamber music series here May 20.

The premier concert was part of the May-June-July programs celebrating the opening of the new art and

cultural center at 800 So. Brush St.

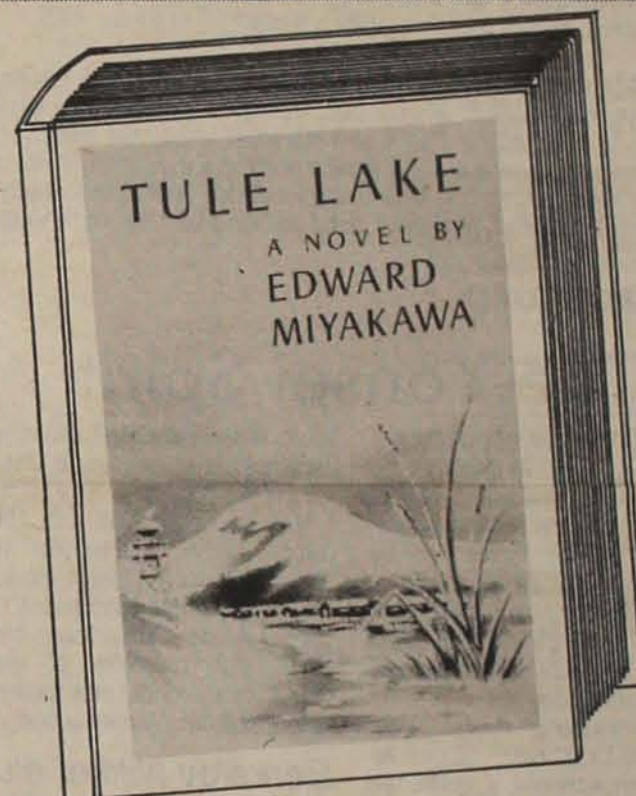
A graduate of the Art University in Tokyo, he studied the cello at the Paris Conservatory, 1959-62, and conducting at the Nice Summer Academy under Hans Swarowsky. He became director of the UNLV Junior Conservatory String Ensemble in 1972 and has conducted the Japanese Philharmonic Junior Orchestra in Los Angeles and the Tateshina Music Festival in Japan in 1976. #

## Douko Kai formed to view videotapes

Cleveland, Ohio

Popular 16-mm Japanese films and TV programs on videotapes are featured by the newly-formed Douko Kai, co-sponsored by the local JACL and Buddhist Church, every second Saturday and the following Sunday at the church.

First showings were held May 12-13 on equipment borrowed by the Rev. Koshin Ogui, club chairperson. A membership drive to purchase some \$1,500 in equipment is underway. The club program will also feature lectures, seminars, book exchanges and tours.



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The judge said racial discrimination was a factor in passage of the initiative this past fall and added the initiative was "overly inclusive" because it banned school board assignments and permitted only court-ordered busing.

The Justice Dept. said the Voorhees ruling would have national impact. The state attorney general predicted the ruling would be reversed on appeal.

### Radio documentary on Nikkei planned

San Francisco

Western Public Radio here is producing an hour-long documentary, "The Japanese Americans: Four Generations of Assimilation", to be aired on National Public Radio's 220-station network and the Assn. of California Public Radio Stations.

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## Bookshelf

### Tokyo Rose

A scholarly treatment of the WW2 legend, TOKYO ROSE: Orphan of the Pacific, (New York, San Francisco: Kodansha International, \$12.95) is provided by the author, Masayo Duus, who wrote the story for the Japanese. What we have is an English translation by her husband, Peter Duus, now a professor of modern Japanese history and director of the Center for East Asian Studies at Stanford. The fascinating account flows steadily and if you didn't know the legend, it is captivating and haunting. The historic photographs of Iva Toguri during her trial make this book special in our library of Nisei history—especially two which show her smiling: one seated with her husband, Felipe d'Aquino, and another with her late father, Jun Toguri. —H.H.

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Guest of honor James Clavell, author of "Shogun", will present the first \$1,000 award for the best short story reflective of Japanese experiences in America. The \$500 Sen. S.I. Hayakawa scholarship for the most outstanding Nikkei high school student in the state is

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tures to bring the men together.

"Despite the three decades that have passed, the American government has yet to consider the long-lasting effects of this wrongful action," Inouye said. "It has yet to adequately compensate for lost or stolen property or for the pain and suffering of the 120,000 internees."

(The Washington JACL Office has forwarded the text of Sen. Inouye's speech, which will be reprinted as a "Guest Speaker" feature in an upcoming issue—Ed.)

## Bilingual L.A. school to open

Torrance, Ca.

International Bilingual School is scheduled to open this fall for the estimated 2,000 Japanese children here with their parents from Japan, who seek a day school where courses are taught in their native tongue.

The former Parkway School near Redondo Beach has been rented from the city of Torrance, according to Tadao Hara, coordinator, Institute for International Bilingual Education, which will operate the private school. A call is out for experienced American and Japanese teachers in order to comply with standards of both State of California and the Japan Ministry of Education.

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## Nisei Plastics golf charity announced

Oakland, Ca.

Nisei Plastics of Oakland's 1979 invitational charity golf tournament will be held Monday, Aug. 20, noon at Round Hill Country Club in Alamo. East Bay Issei Housing Project has been named recipient.

Shig Futagaki and Roy Matsuda of Nisei Plastics explained they had long sought ways of expressing their concern for the Issei, "when it suddenly occurred to us to turn our hobby into an event benefiting the Issei."

Entry fee (tax-deductible) is \$125 covering green fee, lunch, dinner, cart and tee prizes, according to Yosh Sugiyama, tourney chairman, (415) 834-5280.

Response has been overwhelming, according to Sugiyama, as invitations for the first 144 will be out in mid-July. Those who miss this year are invited to be listed for the 1980 tournament.

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ment as Filipinos are exempt from this prerequisite. While the I&NS asserted there were no vacancies between the time she had applied (April 23, 1975) and the time the complaint was accepted (Feb. 12, 1976), in fact 11 applicants were selected by I&NS between Dec. 5, 1975 and Feb. 20, 1976.

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## Hibakusha travel awardees named

### San Francisco

Three U.S. journalists were announced as 1979 recipients of the Hibakusha Travel Grant, covering a 30-day visit of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, round trip air and interpreter services from mid-July. They are:

Rodney Barker, Denver, writing a book on Hiroshima Maidens; Roger Case, Livingston (Mont.) Enterprise; and John Spragens, Corsicana (Tex.) Daily Sun.

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## health & medicine

**Dr. Akira Tajiri** of Fresno and Reedley, Calif., will speak on bifocal contact lens in Nagoya, Japan as a guest of Toyo Contact Lens Co., world's largest contact lens manufacturer. **Dr. Takashi Onodera** of the National Institute of Health, is one of a team of researchers who have discovered that a virus is responsible for juvenile-onset diabetes, which may lead to a vaccine to prevent this serious, insulin-dependent form of the disease.

## honors & awards

Outstanding Older Americans Awards were presented by Hawaii Gov. George Ariyoshi to **Kenji Goto**, Honolulu; **Matsuo Yagi** and **Shizue Suyama** of Maui; and **Fujino Takeuchi** of Hawaii Island.

**Masayuki Doi**, president of Shingon Shu Mission in Koloa on Kauai, received an award from the Historical Hawaii Foundation for the preservation and maintenance of the picturesque mission, built in a plantation camp in 1907, moved to another camp in 1919, and finally to Koloa in 1956.

**Emi Somekawa** of Puyallup, Wa., was honored with a Distinguished Citizens Award by the Tacoma Urban League May 11, for "continuous contribution in the field of community services to ethnic minority and majority citizens in Tacoma and Pierce County." She is presently serving as secretary of the Asian American Alliance, a trustee of the Ft. Steilacoom Community College, a member of the Washington State Nurses Association, and coordinator of a nutrition program for elderly Japanese, and active in JACL for many years.

**Rumio Sato** of Sendai, Japan, a second-year graduate student at Cal Arts School of Art and Design, won second prize (\$150) in the black and white category of Los Angeles Times' Home Magazine photography contest. Sato's picture, chosen from 12,000 entries, is one of a child sleeping in a hammock in Yucatan, Mexico.

## politics/elections

Boosters of **Rep. Norman Mineta** now see 1982 as the year he

may go for a higher office, perhaps the U.S. Senate seat now held by Republican **SL Hayakawa**, San Jose Mercury News political editor Dale Lane noted June 14. Rumors saying Mineta had been a Republican target for 1980 were discounted by Calif. GOP Caucus chairman Rep. John Rousselot, who explained they were looking for over-confident or lazy Democrats who neglect the home base. Mineta works too hard for his district, according to Rousselot. Longtime Placer County JACLer **Assemblyman Eugene Chapple** (R) is mentioned as a 1980 challenger to Rep. Harold (Biz) Johnson (D-Roseville, Ca.) in Congress.

**Hiro Nishimura** of Mercer Island, Wa., was elected to represent his district as a state precinct committeeman (D). He is a past commander of the Nisei Veterans Committee, a past Seattle JACL board member and active with the Seattle Buddhist Church.

**Assemblyman Paul Bannai** received a "Birthday Salute" at the Gung Hay Restaurant in Gardena, Calif. June 28. Bannai's birthday is actually the 4th of July.

## sports

**Nancy Kiyota**, 1978 graduate of Ft. Lupton (Colo.) High School, was chosen member of the Air Force Academy women's gymnastic team. She is the daughter of the Willie Kiyotas.

An Oakland native, **Alice Eguchi**, is a member of the Alameda Tigers, a women's weightlifting club meeting at the Alameda NAS gym. She is 42, weighs 102 (though she won the women's 114-lb. powerlift state championship last year) and teaches karate at the NAS. She started lifting weights nine years ago. The team hopes they can compete in the Olympics by the 1984 games in Los Angeles.

**Hayward Nishioka**, a former U.S.-Pan American Games gold medalist in judo, of Los Angeles is the new athletic director at Los Angeles City College. As coach, his wrestling and judo teams at LACC won national titles in 1978 and 1979, conference judo championship in 1979. "The job will be a challenging one in light of recent trends toward cutbacks, accountability and social

pressures," said Nishioka. **Vanne Akagi**, 14, won the women's singles title of the Hawaii Sectional Tennis Champion-

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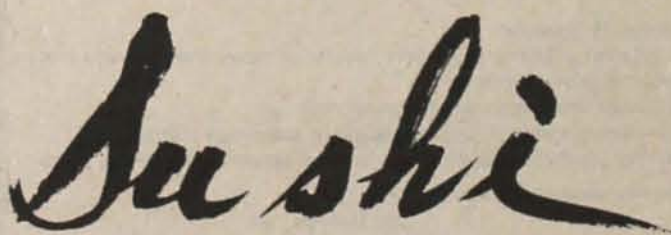
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