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Asians 'fastest growing' ethnics in Calif.: 140%

Detailed breakdown of the 1980 U.S. Census in book form that shows the number of Japanese, Chinese, Filipinos, Koreans and other Asian-Pacific Island people will not come for quite some time, though it may be published earlier (if funds are available) and no doubt bigger than the 1970 "subject report" issued in

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July, 1973. This contained 49 tables of statistics on the Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean and Hawaiian populations, cross-classified by social and economic characteristics nation-wide, states and big cities.

Therefore, the Los Angeles Times (April 6), in reviewing the Census Bureau tapes on California for its story on the ethnic make-up of the state, sheds a glimpse of what's to come.

The Times divided the state in seven regions. Here, the PC calculated the 1980 preliminary figures of the counties to show what appears elsewhere in this issue.

There was one standard in the Times study: 23,668,562 people in California officially counted as of April 1, 1980. This is 123,000 above the Preliminary Population count reported last February. No other counts are shown. The other standard was the percentage of the population who were Anglo, Hispanic, Black, Asian or American Indian in the various parts of the state.

CALIFORNIA (Statewide Breakdown):

Anglo	15,857,936	67%
Hispanic	4,497,027	19
Blacks	1,893,485	8
Asians	1,183,428	5
American Indians	236,686	1
	23,668,562	

Some immediate observations from the Times were:

1—San Francisco County has the largest Asian population percentage-wise at 22% (148,313), but Los Angeles has the most population-wise at 448,659 (6% of the near 7½-million in the county.)

2—Since 1970, growth among the five ethnic groups in Los Angeles county is the greatest (140%) for Asians.

3—Marin has the most Anglos percentage-wise at 91%. In Los Angeles county, 53% are Anglo; in the city of L.A., the Anglo percentage dropped to 48% making it a "minority city".

4—Of the 1.8 million blacks in the state, over half (972,000) are in Los Angeles County. Alameda County has the most blacks percentage-wise (18%).

5—Of the 4.5 million Hispanics in the state, nearly half (585,000) are in Los Angeles County (or 60% over the 1970 tally). Imperial County has the most Hispanics percentage-wise (58%) and the lowest Anglo (38%) of any the 58 counties in the state.

NLRB rejects Sanyo claim of racism in pro-union handbills

SAN DIEGO, Ca.—Pro-union handbills with allegedly racist caricatures were distributed by the Communication Workers of America in their recent campaign at one of the Sanyo electronic plants here.

Regional NLRB director Wilfred Johansen, in a March 11 ruling, rejected Sanyo's complaint of racism and unfair labor practices, and certified the union's victory, the Electronic Engineering Times reported this past week (Mar. 30).

Sanyo had charged that one handbill suggesting foot-kissing "is the Japanese way" to advance on the job was demeaning. Johansen, in rejecting the complaint, noted NLRB regulations only bar "appeals which can have no purpose except to inflame the racial feelings of voters in an election. This is not to say that a relevant campaign statement is to be condemned because it may have racial overtones."

While Sanyo officials have not commented, if they pursue an appeal based on the racism issue, Sanyo may make legal history. "I can't recall a case heard in Washington where the employer charged racism," according to an NLRB legal research division spokesman. EET writer Tom Cullen noted both Sanyo and Sharp "have suffered the indignity of having unions win bargaining rights. Both companies have protested the results, which is normal enough in union elections. But in a more unprecedented move, both have alleged anti-Japanese smear tactics by their respective union foes."

PBS rejects 'Hito Hata'

LOS ANGELES—The Public Broadcasting Service has rejected the Visual Communications film, "Hito Hata: Raise the Banner" for nation-wide airing, it was learned earlier this month. A PBS-panel of three persons, after a reviewing session in January, judged the film was "not acceptable for PBS network use."

In a meeting here April 11 by Friends of Visual Communications, Duane Kubo, one of the film directors, explained the reasons given to VC for the rejection involved technical aspects: such as the film being too long to fit a TV broadcasting spot (96 min.) and that some portions were paced too slowly.

Both Kubo and film executive producer Steven Tatsukawa felt that these aspects were "negotiable" since the film could be re-edited and the pace quickened to make it more broadcast-ready.

However, Tatsukawa felt that these technical qualities were not the only reason for the film being turned down. He felt that PBS believes the film would not appeal to a national audience. Yet, the reason for the film, he added, was to give the American public an idea of what the Asian American experience is like. PBS had initially shown interest in the film, he added.

A letter-writing effort and collecting signatures to show support for the film has been initiated. "We'll eventually get this film on nation-wide broadcast through our campaign," Tatsukawa continued. "But it's hard to

JACL reconstitutes nat'l redress committee

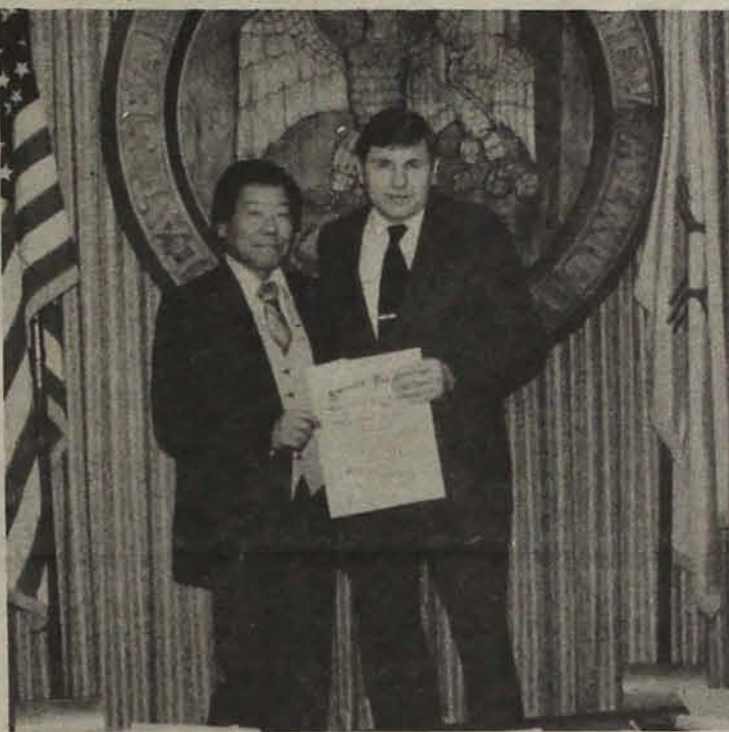
SAN FRANCISCO—Minoru Yasui of Denver, Colo., newly appointed chair (Mar. 10) of the National JACL Redress Committee, announced the appointment of 12 members of the national committee, as of April 6, as follows:

Dr. Clifford Uyeda, associate ch; Dr. George Hara, PNWDC rep; Ben Takeshita, Chuck Kubokawa, NC-WNPDC; Tom Shimasaki, CCDC; Harry Kawahara, PSWDC; John Tameno, IDC; Henry Tanaka, MDC; George Sakaguchi (South); Cherry Tsutsumida, EDC; John Tateishi, staff coord (ex officio).

John Tateishi, now serving as interim staff coordinator of the National JACL Redress effort, resigned Feb. 10 as national chairman of the JACL redress committee, and in so doing, dissolved the then existing national committee.

Yasui was appointed to succeed him by National JACL President, Dr. James Tsujimura, on March 10. After consultations with various JACL district governors, Yasui re-constituted and appointed members to the National JACL Redress Committee.

The major effort of all JACLers, JACL chapters, and indeed all those who are concerned about the abrogation of constitutional rights involved in the Evacuation of persons of Japanese



'COLONEL' IN NEW MEXICO—Jerry Enomoto, past National JACL president who is now a technical adviser to the National Institute of Corrections, holds certificate commissioning him as a colonel, aide-de-camp to the Governor of New Mexico Bruce King (at right), in recognition of his 10-month stay "to turn things around" and put into order New Mexico's department of corrections in wake of the state prison riots of Feb. 2-3, 1980.

New Mexico thanks Enomoto

SANTA FE, N.M.—Jerry Enomoto is back home in California but before leaving here Apr. 1, he was commissioned a "colonel, aide-de-camp" by Governor Bruce King, thanked by the State Legislature "for the numerous contributions made toward the development of a model corrections system" and as technical adviser for the National Institute of Corrections had remarked in a guest column (Mar. 19) in the Santa Fe New Mexican that "a good start is being made to turn things around".

The former director of the Calif. Dept. of Corrections and internationally recognized in his field was assigned by the NIC to solve the problems in New Mexico following the 1980 riots at the state penitentiary where 33 inmates died. He coordinated the development of a long-term corrections master plan. While his assignment ended in January, Gov. King and Corrections Secretary Roger Crist asked the one-time JACL national president to remain through the end of the 1981 Legislature. In commissioning him "colonel", King said it was a small token given to those who have done so much for the state. "You have worked extremely well with my staff and the Corrections Dept. and have earned their admiration as a man who can bring things into focus and point out deficiencies without treading on toes... You virtually held the operation together and put us on the road toward the model system I want to have in New Mexico," the governor said. The legislative resolution of appreciation noted "(Enomoto) will be genuinely missed (and) performed (his duties) in a distinguished and professional fashion..."

The corrections professional, according to Enomoto, is one who regards safer, more humane and programmed institutions as the primary responsibility.

(Switching planes at Los Angeles, Enomoto told the Pacific Citizen he was on his way to Carson City, Nev., on another NIC assignment. He indicated the job to run the corrections systems in Illinois had been offered but decided against it.)

understand why Asian Americans have 'to jump through a hoop' in order to get their programs on the air." Letters urging "Hito Hata" be aired should be addressed to: Wayne Godwin, Sr VP, PBS, 475 L'Enfant Plaza SW, Washington, D.C. 20024. For campaign information, call Visual Communications: (213) 680-4462.

ancestry from the West Coast in 1942, and their subsequent incarceration in desert camps, must be preparations for the hearings to be conducted by the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, which will be held this summer," said Yasui.

Itinerary for Hearings Under Study

In discussing yet undetermined details of such hearings with Joan Z. Bernstein, chairwoman of the Commission, there are some indications that the initial, opening hearing may be held in Washington, D. C., with the full Commission, possibly as early as June, 1981. Thereafter, the Commission may be divided into panels of three Commissioners each, with a limited number of public hearings on the West Coast, and undoubtedly in Chicago.

The Commission is required by statute creating it to conduct hearings in Alaska, to determine the consequences of Executive Order 9066 and subsequent actions of the government, as affecting the Aleuts then living on the Pribiloff Islands. The Alaskan hearings may be deferred until the early part of October, 1981, to assure the Aleuts a full season of hunting, sealing, and fishing.

During the summer of 1981, the Commission will hold hearings in various parts of the United States. There is some discussion of a special consultation on the East Coast, possibly Boston, in regard to constitutional and legal issues involved in the relocation and internment process. Various formats and procedures in conducting hearings may be utilized, from the full, formal hearings procedures in Washington, D.C., to informal staff consultations in outlying areas or even possibly fact-finding conferences or "town meeting" or panel discussion types of hearings.

Although the original bill proposing the Commission specifically named 10 cities across the United States, including Los Angeles, San Francisco, Fresno, Portland, Seattle, Phoenix, Salt Lake City, Denver, Chicago and New York, because of limitations of time and money, there will probably be only three hearings on the West Coast, another in Chicago, and a final hearing in Washington, D.C., according to best informed sources.

Areas and cities which have substantial populations of Japanese Americans who wish to have a hearing held in their localities should immediately make known their wishes to the Commission. Although the Commission offices have not yet been established and a staff director has not yet been selected, representatives of such area might well communicate directly with: Ms. Joan Z. Bernstein, Chairman of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, 1300 Nineteenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

Yasui indicated that copies of such correspondence or of proposed testimony, and lists of potential witnesses (with short biographical data), should be sent to the National JACL Redress Committee, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, Ca. 94115, so coordinated efforts can be made to make the most effective use of resources available.

Redress workshops offer tips for hearing testimony

(Special to the Pacific Citizen)

SEATTLE—Feeling strongly that redress is a concern of the entire Nikkei community, the Seattle JACL redress committee initiated the Community Committee on Redress/Reparations (CCR), comprising 15 organizations, including the Seattle, Lake Washington, White River Valley and Puyallup Valley chapters, and the PNW District office, the Nisei vets, Nikkeijinkai, Nikkei Concerns and several churches.

Cherry Kinoshita and Gordon Hirabayashi chair the Community committee, which meets monthly at different locales.

CCR's current projects are (1) identifying and assisting witnesses for the Commission hearings, (2) holding public forums and workshops, and (3) cooperating with other groups involved in the redress issue.

A CCR survey sent to approximately 3,500 Nikkei households solicited information about camp experiences and attitudes toward redress. The survey will also distribute a Japanese-language version.

To assist potential witnesses, CCR is running a series of workshops on oral and written presentation, two of which were led by Seattle attorney John Chen Beckwith. At a recent session at Keiro Nursing Home, five volunteers read their testimony and answered questions from a mock Commission panel. Seattle Buddhist church donated the use of a camera and video recorder so that tapes could be played back to illustrate points regarding voice tone and body language. The audience of about 45 people then commented on the presentations.

Some points that emerged were:

- 1—It is best to be yourself and to use your natural vocabulary and ways of expressing yourself. Avoid flowery language and rhetoric.
- 2—Do not be intimidated by the Commission—they are there to learn from you. You are the expert on your life and your feelings. On the other hand, treat the Commissioners with respect.
- 3—Be prepared for interruptions, challenging questions, and distractions. Relax and continue your presentation.
- 4—Structure your testimony simply, with a beginning, a middle and an

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Nikkei mayor faces recall

UNION CITY, Ca.—A recall movement against Mayor Tom Kitayama by leaders in the Hispanic community here has resulted in the city council adopting a resolution that calls for a special election Aug. 4.

The leaders of the movement collected enough signatures for the election. They had previously accused Kitayama of using the city's police against picketing workers during a labor dispute at his Union City nursery. The leaders said Kitayama's roles as mayor and businessman constitute a conflict of interest.

The mayor denied the allegations, saying, "I'm just going to have to campaign six months earlier," adding that he had intended to run for re-election next year anyway.

Kitayama first became mayor in 1959, when he was named to the post by city council after he led all successful candidates.

After many re-elections, Kitayama became the city's first elected mayor in March 1974. #

JACL Olympics sign ups underway

SAN FRANCISCO — The JACL Olympics and the JACL state meet will be hosted by the No. Calif.-Western Nevada-Pacific District Council at Hayward's Chabot College, the Olympics on the first Sunday in June and the state championships on the last Sunday, June 28.

Entry blanks are obtainable from Steve Okamoto, 361 Lytton Ave., Suite 203, Palo Alto, Ca. 94301, (415) 328-2350 day or 574-2641 eve.

BAAR requests Redress funds

OAKLAND, Ca.—The Bay Area Attorneys for Redress, which is currently preparing legal and constitutional arguments to present at the coming hearing of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, is now soliciting monetary donations to carry out its program.

Russell Matsumoto, BAAR member, emphasized that none of the contributions will be used as "legal fees" and that he and other attorneys, law students and law firms will continue to volunteer their time and share in the expenses incurred in this undertaking.

However, BAAR needs funds for the considerable expenses incurred in maintaining communication and liaison with other legal researchers in New York, Washington, Seattle, Denver and Los Angeles, including those of the JACL.

BAAR is relying primarily on community support in fundraising efforts so that the attorneys can concentrate on developing legal presentations, according to BAAR chairman Dale Minami.

Donations may be sent to BAAR, c/o Minami, Tomine and Lew, 370 Grand Ave, Oakland, Ca. 94610.

• Awards

Dr. George Nishio, a Chowchilla, Ca. optometrist for the past 30 years, was named "Optometrist of the Year" by his colleagues in the Central California Optometric Society and presented a plaque "for distinguished service" on Mar. 20.

The Northern California Chapter of the ARCS Foundation, Inc. (Achievement Rewards for College Scientists) awarded a scholarship to Derek Obata, an engineering student at UC Berkeley, at their Ninth Annual Scholarship Awards Luncheon on March 5.

Katsumi Tokunaga, agency manager of the Franklin Life Insurance Co., was presented the "Manager of Year" Award for 1980 on Mar. 7. #

deaths

George M. Tsujimoto, 61, of Temple City, Ca., died April 2 at the City of Hope Hospital following an illness. Born in Tracy, Ca., and a WW2 veteran, he was active with the Pasadena JACL and was a PSWDC executive board member. Surviving are w Sally, s Robert, d Vickie and br James.

Tateishi dinner RSVP due April 20

SAN FRANCISCO—The NC-WNPDC testimonial dinner for John Tateishi, erstwhile chairman of the JACL redress committee and now serving as interim staff coordinator on redress, will be held Friday, May 1, 6:30 p.m. at the Jack Tar Hotel. Tickets at \$25 per person or \$250 per table of 10 may be reserved until April 20 through the Tateishi Dinner Committee, JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115. Tickets at the door will be \$30. Those unable to attend may contribute to the John Tateishi Dinner Fund. #

Alleged 'steel dumping' by Japanese co. investigated

SAN FRANCISCO—A previously secret U.S. Customs Service affidavit revealed March 24 that a U.S. subsidiary of a giant Japanese steel manufacturing company allegedly violated U.S. steel pricing laws in a "steel dumping" conspiracy by using a phony "window plant" in Texas.

Named in the affidavit filed in support of a search warrant was Mitsui Bussan Kaisha MBK of Japan and its U.S. subsidiary, Mitsui Co. USA Inc., San Francisco / New York. Junichi Amano of the Mitsui office here insisted the firm is "law abiding" and denied the violation. He also believes the U.S. government made an illegal search of his office Dec. 5 when it seized 500 boxes of Mitsui records.

Customs agent Thomas M. Yasueda filed the affidavit Dec. 2 and he had sought the search warrant to seize Mitsui Co. documents from offices in the two cities.

Yasueda's affidavit alleges Mitsui and various employees have, since Jan. 1979, "engaged in a conspiracy, practice and policy to defraud the United States Customs Service by submitting false documentation to hide the true origin of certain steel products (i.e. wire rope, wire strand, nails, rolled coils, rolled steel sheets) imported by Mitsui into the United States. #

Asian women study seeks Nikkei response

SAN FRANCISCO—The first major study on the education and career goals of Asian American women is currently underway in three school districts and five college campuses of the San Francisco Bay Area.

The survey, funded through the U.S. Dept. of Education and the Women's Educational Equity Act, is asking 800 Asian women students about their educational and career choices.

Survey coordinators are urging Japanese and Korean American coeds at San Francisco City College, CSU Hayward, UC Berkeley and Ohlone College to send their name, address, phone number and major to WEEA Project, c/o ASIAN, Inc., 1610 Bush St., San Francisco 94109. #

Univ. of No. Carolina honors Nisei M.D.

CHAPEL HILL, N.C.—The Univ. of North Carolina honored its Nisei medical department chairman of anesthesiology, Dr. Kenneth Sugioka, a native of Hollister, Ca., by dedicating a library in his name. A graduate of Denver University with medical degrees from Univ. of Iowa and Washington University, St. Louis, Sugioka taught at Iowa, then served with the U.S. Air Force and in 1954 joined UNC where he has been department chair for the past 15 years. He is brother of the late James Sugioka of Indianapolis, Prof. Gertrude Fujii of Valley College and Lillie McCabe, both of Los Angeles. #

• Military

An Oakland army base computer operator, Ernest Yoshio Ikeda, was named Handicapped Employee of the Year by the Army's World-wide Military Traffic Management Command. Ikeda, who has been deaf and mute since birth, compiled an outstanding record for job performance as a computer team leader in spite of his inability to speak or hear. Ikeda's nomination says that he is the "most thorough employee on the

staff" and has never missed a deadline.

• Music

Kent Nagano, asst. conductor of the Oakland Symphony Orchestra, will conduct three concerts during the regular 1981-82 season on Feb. 23, 25 and 27 in 1982. Numbers include "The Flock Descends into the Pentagonal Garden" by Takemitsu, "Trumpet Concerto" by Hummel and Berlioz' "Symphonie Fantastique." #



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Membership dips 16%; new dues may be cause

SAN FRANCISCO — National JACL memberships, as of April 1, was 18,647 — down 16½% from the 22,340 total for the same time last year, according to Emily Ishida, membership secretary at National Headquarters.

While eleven chapters have yet to remit 1981 memberships, there were ten which had already surpassed their 1980 total memberships. They are:

PNWDC—Lake Washington, White River Valley.
NC-WNPDC—Oakland.
CCDC—Fowler, Parlier.
PSWDC—Coachella Valley, North San Diego, South Bay, Ventura County.

MPDC—Arkansas Valley.

New Family Category

At the last convention, a new family category was instituted in face of the increased regular dues (from \$16.50 to \$22.25 or up 35%) —giving the couple membership \$5 off (\$39.50 family or couple dues).

The latest '81 line totals show 8,635 regular members; 7,875 family; 1,872 Fifty Club, 98 Century Club; 10 Silver Corporate, 3 Gold Corporate and 5 Diamond Corporate.

The top ten chapters:

West LA ... 1,066 Chicago ... 598
San Francisco ... 862 Sequoia ... 591
San Jose ... 849 San Diego ... 465
Sacramento ... 791 Contra Costa ... 465
Gardena ... 617 Orange City ... 455

Observers at the Pacific Citizen attributed higher dues to the dip in membership, especially in view of the 35% increase over the \$16.50

• Government

San Francisco Assemblyman Willie L. Brown, Jr., Speaker of the House of the California Legislature, has appointed Karen Sonoda to his staff. Sonoda had formerly served as deputy director of the State Office of Small Business Development and worked for four years on statewide Asian/Pacific American issues with former Assemblyman Floyd Mori.

Edith Tanaka recently joined the 22-member advisory council to San Francisco's Commission on Aging and elected as first vice president of the group earlier last month.

Tanaka is the wife of Frank Y. Tanaka of Tanaka Travel Service.

sent to National Headquarters this past biennium. Dips have occurred in the past with every dues increase established at conventions not 16½%.

Assistant Treasurer Henry Sakai indicated the FY1981 budget may be trimmed midyear if the situation does not meet expectations. #

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Issue Hunting?

An interesting issue was raised during one of the workshops during the Tri-District meeting April 4.

Former National Director J.D. Hokoyama presented some of the aspects of Operation '80s—JACL's Educational Program which, among its proposals, stresses the importance of educating the general public and the youth on the Japanese American community to promote a better understanding of Nikkei culture and experiences.

However, Gene Takamine, a Sansei attending the workshop, commented to Hokoyama that although these ideas were certainly important, it appears as if the JACL was merely "issue hunting"—i.e. standing behind popular issues in order to maintain its existence and draw in members. Incidentally, the Selenoco JACL chapter president added that he wasn't trying to downgrade the JACL, but brought the issue up because he wanted to know how more Sansei, Yonsei and future generations could be encouraged to join the Citizens League.

The point here is not to criticize nor defend his view. But the issue is one which needs to be considered. How will the JACL attract more youth? Takamine suggested more "professional" programs, which might be made up of groups of doctors, lawyers, etc., who could offer career advice to youths. Hokoyama said that such programs may not be feasible, because of budgetary reasons.

Other members at the workshop added that the JACL is certainly important in that it helps Nikkei youth to understand their own culture, and there are very serious racial issues which concern Asian Americans today, from anti-Asian activities to the effects of the U.S.-Japan trade issue.

Yet it seems as if there are a lot of Sansei and Yonsei who really aren't that interested in the JACL, which in some ways may be understandable, since everyone has personal matters which don't allow any time for organizational interests. In a sense, many Sansei and Yonsei are complacent and feel they don't need the JACL—especially if they've "made it" in their own profession and feel that the JACL doesn't really offer them much (except, perhaps a weekly newspaper and health insurance).

How can the JACL attract more Sansei and future generations? That is a question the organization certainly cannot ignore, especially in light of these troubling, cynical and apathetic times.

Seinan hotline: 734-2175
LOS ANGELES—Seinan Community Center established a 24-hr. hotline (213) 734-2175 for Japanese-speaking individuals. The bilingual hotline for those in need of emergency help is (213) 734-4800.

June 15 deadline for Clavell literary prize

LOS ANGELES—The third annual American Japanese National Literary Award will be presented to this year's best short story entry at the Miss Sansei California Beauty Pageant on July 18 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, it was announced April 6 by Fred Ishimoto, chairperson of the AJNLA.

The 1981 award will go to the writer of this year's finest short story reflective of the Japanese American (Issei and Nisei) experience. The experiences of Japanese in Canada and South America are also eligible.

The winner will receive a \$1,000 cash prize and a trophy which will be presented by "Shogun" author James Clavell.

Eligibility for competition is limited to persons with at least one parent of Japanese ancestry. The contest, otherwise, is open to all persons regardless of age or amateur/professional writing status.

All entries must be original and previously unpublished fictional material, written in English (1,500 to 2,000 words) and incorporating some aspect of the Japanese American, Canadian or South American experience.

Entries will be retained by the AJNLA for the use by the foundation for documentation, history or publication or any other use to support the AJNLA Foundation.

All entries must be postmarked by 5 p.m. June 15. For information write to: American Japanese Literary Award, c/o Shipley-Ishimoto, 8721 Sunset Blvd., Ste 210, Los Angeles, CA 90069 or call Fred Ishimoto (213) 652-7067.



LOVELY CANDIDATES—The largest field to seek the Miss Gardena JACL title in recent years will compete at the chapter's annual coronation dinner-dance April 18 at the Holiday

Day Inn, Torrance (l to r): Cheryl Yasukochi, Tami Yanagi, Doreen Asato, Pat Gehr, Fay Murakawa, Yuko Kikukawa, Jill Fukuda, Michelle Miwa and Sheri Munkata.

JACL Nisei Relays seeking queen

PASADENA—The 1981 JACL Nisei Relays, sponsored by the PSWDC, will hold its Nisei Relays Queen Contest May 31 at the San Fernando Valley Japanese American Community Center, 12953 Branford St., Pacoima, Ca. All JACL Chapters with or without a track team may send in applications for queen contestants to Mack Yamaguchi, Contest Chairman, 1751 Belmont Ave, Pasadena, Ca. 91103. For information call (213) 797-7949 or 383-4809.

L.A. to celebrate Heritage Week

LOS ANGELES—The third annual Asian Pacific Heritage Week will be celebrated May 7-14, highlighting the many contributions of the Asian Pacific community. A kick-off dinner is scheduled for May 7 at 7 p.m. at the Miriwa Restaurant.

The East/West Players will perform a special opening night production of "Godspell" May 14 and there will be arts and crafts as well as cultural exhibits throughout the week. For information call the mayor's office at (213) 485-4420.

WLA wine-tasting to mark 10th annual

LOS ANGELES—West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary's 10th annual wine tasting at Yamato will be held Sunday afternoon, April 26, 12:30-3:30 p.m. at the noted Japanese restaurant in Century City. A traditional fundraiser of merit, proceeds in the past have been showered on community projects, it was reminded by Mitsu Sonoda and Aiko Takeshita (473-0629), co-chair. Joe Minervini, wine connoisseur, is bringing the top California wines. For tickets, \$7, call Toy Kanegai (820-3592).

South Bay Keiro resets kickoff to April 26

GARDENA, Ca.—The April 12 kick-off luncheon for the South Bay Keiro Fund Drive was postponed to Sunday, April 26, 12:30 p.m., Nisei VFW Hall, 1964 W. 162nd St., Gardena.

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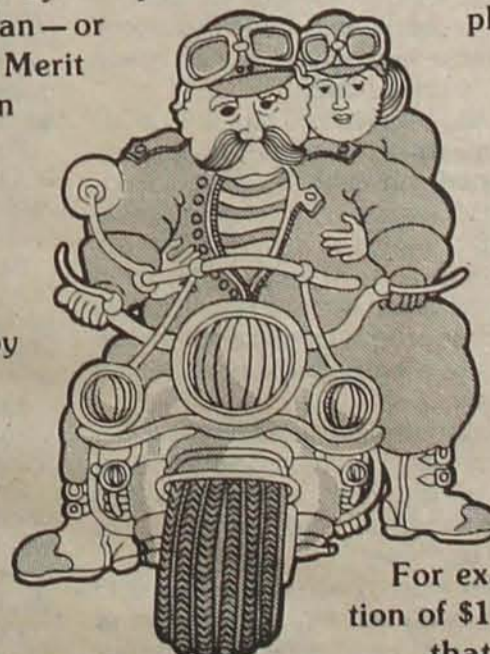
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Our New Exec

In due time, destiny reveals the force and discloses the course by which one's designated role in life is presently prescribed. The dynamics of cause and effect, whether initiated by accident or design, becomes increasingly evident in retrospect.

Reviewing the impressive resume of Ron Wakabayashi, our new Executive Director, the determinants that set the direction of his destination are clearly documented in his portfolio of prestigious positions and prodigious accomplishments. It was not chance and happenstance that determined his current course but diligence and dedication that paved his path to his present prominent position.

The membership has indicated keen interest in Ron's background and personal and professional qualifications that led to his affirmation by the Selection Committee and his appointment by the Board. A glance at his credentials inspire awe and admiration—so amazing is his aggregate achievements and compendium of leadership roles within so short a span of time.

Our 36-year-old director, a native of Reno, Nevada, moved from the environs of Los Angeles, accompanied by his wife, and stepped into what is clearly his element, assuming his responsibilities at headquarters with the ease and proficiency that comes from experience—a result of his 7 year tenure as Executive Director of the Asian American Drug Abuse Program, Inc. There, as well as in his role as Project Director of the Japanese American Sightless Institute from '72-73, he honed his administrative skills in organizational planning, proposal writing and program development. His educational background in business served him well in budgeting, fiscal management and economic development—as did his sociology degree in areas of training coordination, personnel management and public relations.

Having published several papers and having participated in numerous media programs during his previous tenure, Ron comes to the director's post with demonstrated capabilities of being an able and articulate spokesman for JACL.

The advantage of his experience as National Youth Director from '69-72 gives Ron built-in familiarity with the byways, as well as the by-laws, of JACL. Actively involved in JACL at the time of his appointment—as National Chair of the Ethnic Concerns Committee and as representative of the PSW District Council on the National Redress Committee—he is well informed about issues that face JACL and is well equipped with ready knowledge and expertise to handle them.

His service-oriented mind-set involved him in a multitude of volunteer programs which fine-tuned his sensitivities toward the needs and concerns of Asian Americans. Among a host of other commendable endeavors, he founded the *Oshokujikai*, a nutrition program for the elderly, as well as *Go for Broke*, a self-help organization for troubled youth. He volunteered countless hours to community causes, training programs and sociological concerns, leaving a legacy of noble public service behind him in the Los Angeles area.

Thus instilled with a commitment to addressing human needs and promoting positive ethnic identity, Ron displays extraordinary insight and expansive vision toward those cultural, educational and human rights goals JACL is committed to pursue.

As I embark on my brief journey across the Pacific to Japan, I am rest assured, confident that the transfer of command from our dedicated and appreciated former acting director, J.D. Hokoyama, has been a smooth and successful one, and that the ship-of-staff will continue to be in good hands with Ron at the helm at headquarters.

Prevailing warm winds of welcome and good will bode well for Ron. The continued support of the membership will be a force that will significantly contribute toward his ability to stay a successful course. JACL plays a vital role in Ron's destiny—a destiny that is JACL's as well.

Natl President Jim's JACL-business phone at home: (503) 254-6766

Tell it to us,
briefly ...

● 442nd

Editor:

Thought I'd just mention I happened to be at the Presidio when they had the ceremonies for the 442nd. Sorry you weren't there. This may sound corny-but the best part of the whole ceremony wasn't the speeches by the big shots, etc. It was when a group of little old J/A ladies from Watsonville, got up to sing "God Bless America". They were 74 to 92 years old, and standing right next to them, I found it quite touching.

VAUGHN M. GREENE
San Bruno, Ca.

35 Years Ago

in The Pacific Citizen

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Mar. 24—London paper reports reunion of Japan-born wife (Kane Tsujimura) with British naval officer after wartime separation; had helped husband with intelligence work, was arrested when Hong Kong fell, tortured by Japanese military, then released to her parents' home in Kobe.

Apr. 1—State Dept. hearing board may be set up to consider Nisei stranded petitioning for return to U.S.

Apr. 6—Men of 442nd lead Army Day march at Livorno, Italy; more decorations conferred, bringing total to 1,423.

Apr. 12—Final group of 73 returnees leave emergency project at Santa Ana Army air base to trailers in Costa Mesa, Long Beach and San Diego; Los Angeles WRA Office aims to shut down trailer housing for returnees at Lomita Air Strip by April 30, shifting some to new federal housing project near Griffith Park.

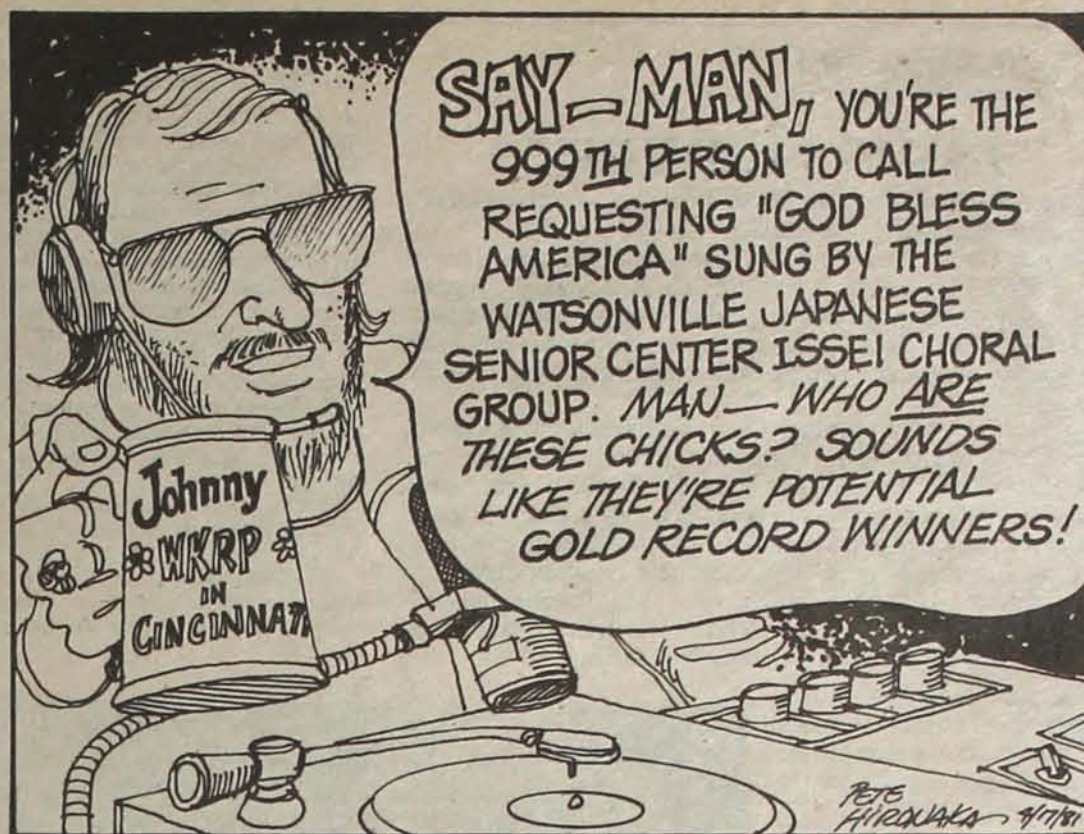
Apr. 15—Japan-born physicist (Shuichi Kusaka) at Smith College wins Guggenheim Fellowship for work in atomic research; served in the U.S. Army when aliens allowed to enlist.

Apr. 18—Los Angeles civic leaders form Pacific Coast Council on Intercultural Education to combat racial prejudice of West Coast; Dr. Stewart Cole, exec. dir.

Apr. 18—Bronx, N.Y. GI brings home 11-year-old Nisei found in Yokohama ruins, reunited with mother (Mrs. Izumi Koike, Brooklyn).

■ Empty fear is not a legitimate excuse.

—Justinian Code.



FROM HAPPY VALLEY: by Sachi Seko

Providing More

Salt Lake City

Children's voices are rarely heard in our house. Our son and children of friends have all grown up. And so have the neighbors' children. Comparative quiet arrived with a shadow's stealth. So gradually that the absence of felicity that only children bring went unnoticed until the other night. A snowy, early spring evening, when Darci Sakata of Cupertino, Ca., came to visit.

Darci informed us that she was now four. To clarify the statement, four tiny fingers were lifted for our examination. When I repeated her age, the reward was a winsome

smile. I cannot recall recently experiencing such a sense of achievement. That of perfect communication.

We first met Darci when she was only a few days old. Her older brother, Derrick, then three, escorted us proudly to the bassinet in which she slept. When she finally stirred, her father removed her from the crib. He wrapped her carefully in a receiving blanket and soothed away the small cries of distress. As he gently rocked her, he whispered words of comfort. Soon, Darci was asleep again, safe in the arms of her father.

I asked Gail, Frank's wife,

whether he always did this. In her quick confirmation, there was surprise that such a question should have been asked. Frank and Gail Sakata are a generation apart from mine. They are Sansei. In my time, the quieting of infants was generally the responsibility of mothers. And the feeding and diapering and all the other requirements of babies. Even when the wife worked, there was no equitable distribution of responsibility.

One Nisei father faulted his Issei parent. "My old man never did that kind of stuff. He was a poor model. So what do you expect?" This was an educated man, financially successful, respected in his community as a good husband and

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WASHINGTON WRAP-UP: Ron Ikejiri



The Washington JACL Office has been in contact with the Chairperson of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC), Joan Z. Bernstein, as well as the executive administrator, Lisi J. Wilzewske, and others regarding the Commission.

At this point, the Chair, and Vice Chair of the Commission, Rep. Daniel Lungren (R-Calif.) are reviewing various staffing requirements of the Commission, as well as the projected hearing schedule, locations and dates.

Based upon our best information, it would appear that the Commission hearings would take place during the summer months of this year, possibly July, August, September and October, thereby allowing the Commission to complete its report by early 1982. It is clear that if the Commission cannot complete its work within the time allowed by the Act (PL 96-317), then an extension of time would be necessary through Congressional action.

One of the primary factors in the determination of the number of Commission hearings and the number of Commissioners at each hearing is based on the amount of appropriated funds the Commission has to undertake its duties.

At this time, one million dollars has been appropriated, although \$1.5 million has been authorized by Congress. Given the backdrop of the present financial "belt tightening" attitude in Washington, it would appear that additional funds for the Commission is unlikely (although still feasible).

Balanced between the time and budgetary constraints, the Commission will have to determine the number of hearings and the costs associated therewith.

Prior to the hearings, it is expected that the Commission will undertake a "needs assessment" of the specific areas which it will investigate, and thereby set the stage for its staffing requirements and the timetable for research completion and the timing of hearings.

Due to budgetary constraints, it would appear that the professional staff of the Commission will number approximately seven to nine full-time individuals.

In addition to an executive director, assistants and administrators, and a clerical support staff, it could be expected that the Commission will have professional research contracts with various consultants and possibly institutions to assist the Commission in its fact-finding duties.

Commission-Sponsored Consultations—The JACL has recommended to the Commission that it may wish to undertake special consultations on specific topics in respect to the Relocation and Internment experience during World War II. For example, con-

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sultations on: (1) the impact the relocation and internment had on the socio-economic, psychology and health of the subject group(s); (2) the legal and constitutional law implications of the internment; (3) ascertaining the property loss of those relocated and interned.

The Commission, despite being hampered by budgetary limitations, hiring freezes, and an increase in Commission size (7 to 9), is starting to move ahead in its Congressional mandated work.

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa

Dramatic But Little Known Stories of WW2

Denver, Colo.

One of the immensely dramatic but little known—at least in this country—stories of World War II is the account of what happened to Japanese colonists in Manchuria and North Korea immediately following the surrender. After the United States dropped its nuclear bombs, Soviet armies knifed into Japanese-occupied Manchuria while the settlers fled in terror to escape pillage and rape.

A few Nisei were involved in this sidelight of history. Shin Higashi, a native of Canada, was working as a newspaperman in Manchuria. He was captured by the Russians, sent to a prison camp near Lake Baikal, as I recall, and it was years before he was permitted to return to Japan where he joined the Tokyo bureau of the Associated Press.

And, if I remember correctly, Betty Yumori of Los Angeles can tell a harrowing tale of fleeing from North Korea with her family just a jump ahead of the onrushing Russians.

Some years ago I interviewed a Japanese woman in Tokyo who, as a school teacher in Manchuria, had sud-

denly found herself responsible for leading several score of her pupils to safety. There was no time to return the children to their parents. She herded them into the freight cars of an evacuation train and somehow managed to get them out of the country, evading rampaging enemy troops, overcoming hunger and thirst, quieting fears, eventually returning them to families or relatives. No doubt she was one of the unsung heroines of that desperate time.

All this came back to mind recently after reading a story in the Japan Times about 47 men and women of Japanese parentage who had come from their homes in China to seek parents, brothers, sisters and other relatives in Japan.

These people had been told by their adoptive Chinese parents that they were orphans. But there is no way to tell how many had simply become separated from their natural parents in the confusion of their evacuation and had been rescued by kind-hearted Chinese.

The Japan Times story said 24 of the visitors were able to locate relatives. One man, 36, found his Japanese mother and sister after 35 years separation. A woman, 39, now a teacher, located her father; they had so much to

talk about but since she spoke only Chinese the language barrier blocked communication.

All of the 47 had to return to China, but some indicated they would ask their foster parents for permission to return to Japan to live. Yet, one must wonder what kind of life awaits them in a nation to which they have no ties other than blood. What kind of cultural adjustment can they make after growing up as Chinese?

These people visited Japan at the invitation of the Health and Welfare Ministry. An official said 800 Chinese have reported to the Japanese embassy in Peking that they were separated from their Japanese parents. Many of them will be visiting Japan in coming months in search of their families.

It is difficult not to think that under other circumstances—for instance a frantic evacuation from the West Coast if there had been an invasion—numbers of young Nisei might have been separated for various reasons from their families.

Almost every week we read about the families of Vietnamese refugees being reunited in the United States after years of searching. The men in uniform can expect to die, but hapless civilians are the innocent long-suffering victims of war.

EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani

Yes, We Care: Indeed

Philadelphia

BECAUSE COMMENTS BY our JACL leaders on matters of national and international attention do not regularly appear in these pages, there may be a tendency on the part of readers to mistakenly conclude that such matters are not of major concern to the JACL or to its members: the recent assassination attempt upon our President, the revolting horror of the perverted killings in Atlanta, the crisis in Poland, the delicacy of peace in the Mideast, the unrelenting encroachments by the U.S.S.R. with its Cuban tool, the shuttle-flight of "Columbia" to outer space—just to list a few. That we are not given, at least in these pages, to seize upon

the news of the day, week or month, may well be explained by a number of factors. One of them clearly is not indifference.

AT THE OUTSET, the *Pacific Citizen* is, and has been, a weekly publication; it is not, and does not purport to be, a source for current news that one can easily pick up in your local, daily newspaper. Nor should it be. Moreover, because it is a weekly, current news would no longer be "current" by the time it appeared in these pages.

ALSO, BECAUSE OF limited space, the information in these pages are, and properly so, focused upon those subjects of interest to Nikkei throughout these United States that we otherwise would not receive. For this columnist, for example, this weekly publication is a precious supplement for information

able to submit written testimony, so if you are invited to address the Commission, you should mention (after you introduce yourself) that you have submitted written testimony and that you will be giving only the highlights. Even though you will prepare and rehearse your presentation thoroughly, try to deliver it without "reading" a statement. Talk to the Commission, instead of giving a speech.

6—Avoid repetition and exaggeration. Any overstatement will cast doubt on your whole testimony. More important, it will taint the testimony of everyone else.

TWO AREAS APPEAR TO NEED IMPROVEMENT

1—People were very good at describing what happened to them and their families (FBI arrests, camp conditions or incidents), but not as good at saying how these events affected their lives. Since one of the purposes of the Commission is to determine the impact of EO 9066 and camp, Commissioners will likely ask many questions in this area.

2—People generally did not have a clear idea of what they wanted the Commission to recommend—what, if any, remedies Congress should make.

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end. Tie all parts together. Be direct and use simple language. Try not to get side-tracked on the way to your points by non-essential detail.

A good beginning might be: My name is—, and I am going to talk about A, B and C. (The middle part would be A, B, and C). The end would be the conclusion—what A, B and C mean to you or what you think the Commission should do. Be explicit, not implicit.

5—Be prepared to have only 3-5 minutes to speak. In preparing your testimony for oral presentation, underline those parts that are necessary and discard the other parts if you are pressed for time. Everyone will be

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father. His family lacked no material comfort. He was known for his generous contributions and good deeds. While he was in his prime, he died suddenly. Years later, I met one of his sons, whom I had not seen since his childhood. I asked what image he carried of his father. A thoughtful moment passed. The answer, "My father was a good provider." It is not an uncommon epitaph. I have heard it often, applied to both the living and dead.

That snowy, spring night in our house, Darci Sakata showed her father a coloring book. He put his arm around her and listened with rapt attention. When the recitation was completed, his daughter ran off happily to join her brother and cousins. Frank returned to the adult conversation. No one noticed the pause during the child's interruption. It was so natural and graceful. The way it should be, always should have been. I remembered the Nisei father, the "good provider." And the times when his children begged for attention. "Later," he told them. "Don't bother me now. Later, when daddy has time." His time ran out first.

There has been a lot written and said recently about generational differences. A subtle suggestion of Nisei superiority

emerges. A sort of flaunting of values and accomplishments. Young Frank Sakata is a promising, rising business executive. He is probably as competitive and ambitious as any successful Nisei ever was. But I can't help liking and respecting Frank more than many of my contemporaries.

The reason was obvious that night, when we were saying our good-byes. "Daddy," said Darci, throwing her arms around her father. He held her tightly and rocked her back and forth. I caught the glint of the tiniest golden earrings as she tossed her ebony hair. Laughter spilled like music across the room. I heard its echo in my head for quite awhile after they left.

that we obtain from daily newspapers, news magazines, and other publications.

FROM THIS WRITER'S perspective, there are other reasons that are endemic to our cultural values. Thus, we are generally not given to wailing over something that we have no immediate control or cannot change. While the initial spate of reactive writing that appeared following the recent assassination attempt on President Reagan was to be expected, and understandably so, there were times that this writer thought "enough is enough." When President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas almost 18 years ago, I was so affected that I could not even read about it or view photographs of the event: I would simply turn past the pages that re-reported that terrible day. I have some of the same feelings today about the attempt on President Reagan; it is not quite as emotional for me because, thank God, the President escaped fatal injury.

THE KILLINGS IN Atlanta trigger a sickening, emotional reaction. Just as it does for all Americans. If the appropriate forces were not doing all that is in their power, surely we would speak up. But they are doing all they can, everyone, to bring to bay the killer or killers involved. Emotional outbursts can add nothing, even though we feel them, pent up.

IN MANY SITUATIONS, words are trivial. All-too-many, however, seem to feel that vocalizing helps. Perhaps to the vocalizer, it may. But after having expended one's energies vocalizing, and then sitting back, is an empty exercise.

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FROM PACIFIC SOUTHWEST: by John Saito

Courageous Ladies

In the past, I have written brief articles about Dr. F. Carole Fujita, a pharmacist with the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. Initially she grieved, through departmental channels, a promotion that was promised her but never followed through by the department. After her department failed to respond favorably to her grievance she took her fight to the civil service commission. The commission ruled in her favor and found that she was a victim of discrimination. They recommended that the Health Department promote her to the next available pharmacy supervisor position. At this point the department becomes very suspect in its efforts to comply with the recommendations of the commission. Also there are other very questionable moves, which appear retaliatory, made by the Health Department.

The department's first offer of a promotion was to a position

that had very little possibility of upward mobility and also the strong possibility of facility closure. She, along with her attorney, refused this offer. We later found out that other, more desirable positions which were not mentioned to her were offered to other pharmacists on the promotional list. Part and parcel of her case is the supporting witness testimony given by a fellow pharmacist, Dr. Charles Hayase. Dr. Hayase was also up for promotion but it appears that because his testimony supported Dr. Fujita, he was passed over during a very recent promotion, but to complicate the matter another Asian American was used to be promoted over Dr. Hayase.

The support committee for Dr. Fujita has been working very closely with her. The fight has been long and arduous and by no means over. The strain and stress is beginning to show on Dr. Fujita. She constantly states how grateful she is for the community support she is receiving and she could not continue her struggle for fairness if it were not for the moral and tangible

support she had and has been receiving. Equally courageous in this struggle is Irene Hirano, who has guided the support committee at the personal sacrifice of taking time away from her work and family.

At times when our cause appears victorious, a barrier or roadblock appears, and causes feelings of frustration and depression but it is precisely at this point that we have shown group support and not lost sight of what we had set out to accomplish.

Not only is the struggle draining Dr. Fujita physically, psychologically but also financially. Legal fees are not that cheap and they mount daily.

A successful chow mein fund raiser was held in January but those funds have been expended. Another fund raiser is planned for June 7 at the Gardena Buddhist Church. Tickets are \$5.00 and will be available from members of the support committee but also at the Regional Office.

BY THE BOARD: by Dennis Kunisaki

It's Over!!

Los Angeles

After 48 hours of socializing with old friends and making many new friends, attending educational and informational workshops, I would be remiss not to share some of my PERSONAL reflections on the California / Nevada / Arizona / Japan / Hawaii Tri-District Conference over the April 3-5 weekend in Los Angeles.

Obviously, the presence of Commissioner Joan Bernstein, and JACL's National Committee for Redress Chairperson Min Yasui, added tremendously to the program. Likewise, the absence of Nisei actor Yuki Shimoda, due to health problems, made me sad and concerned for Yuki and hoping for his speedy recovery.

However, during our closing session on Sunday morning (Yes, it was terrible having to get up so early!!) several comments were offered which weren't expounded upon but which, I feel have definite bearing on the continuance of JACL as a viable organization.

Yosh Nakashima, the Governor from Northern California, in recapping the Aging and Retirement workshop, remarked that one of the speakers alluded to the Nikkei's view of volunteerism. It was pointed out that in the larger society, it is an acceptable practice and standard operating procedure for people to step forward and offer their time and or services to an organizations' leaders. However, the Nikkei attitude, generally speaking, has been to sit back and wait for leadership to offer an individual invitation.

Later Mitsu Sonoda, from the West Los Angeles Chapter, offered a comment during her report on the International Relations Workshop, regarding the lack of women on the program and in the decision-making process. Along these same lines, I

was earlier approached by two Chapter Presidents, one from the NC-WN-PD and one from the PSWD regarding the presentation of a resolution supporting and endorsing the formation of a Women's Leadership Caucus (They decided not to present this for some unknown reason).

I always thought that I was the only governor with the problem of not having enough people who are willing to step forward and say "I'll do it." The famous last words I always hear as Governor are, "That's a great idea; I'll help but I won't chair it!" Apparently, most JACLers are given this line immediately upon joining, since I hear it is prevalent in other districts also. It is up to each of us to decide whether or not we want to put the Nikkei attitude about volunteerism to rest. That concept more than any other will determine the JACL's future existence.

We were quite fortunate in that two individuals, Mas Dobashi, from East Los Angeles, and Kiyo Fukumoto from Pan Asian, stepped forward and volunteered not only to chair this Tri-District Conference but also to rally their respective chapters to act as a coordinating committee. JACL being only a small part of Mas' and Kiyo's community involvement, they had every opportunity to use those "famous last words", but happily (for my sake) they didn't.

Which brings me to the involvement of women in the JACL. Speaking only about PSWD, I know there hasn't been a conscious effort to promote or restrain any particular group. Therefore, we who have been elected or appointed to positions of leadership, must depend upon the other volunteers to give us input and feedback.

Therefore, I strongly believe in and support the concept of forming a Women's Leadership Caucus in the JACL. Women can, and should, have a viable voice in the decision-making process. It will provide a vehicle for those "chauvinistic males" (which I have been accused of being more than a few times) to obtain information and insight. I hope that such a body is organized and, if a token M.C.P. is needed, I might even volunteer, if specifically asked. (A little humor, folks!)

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Nikkei professor's office hit by racist vandalism

CHICAGO — Local JACL Chapter President John Tani expressed his dismay last month upon learning of an anti-Japanese vandalism incident that took place at the Univ. of Chicago on Feb. 6. The incident involved a Nikkei professor's office, which was ransacked, set afire and defaced with swastikas and the slur, "Jap Go Home."

Although authorities are unsure of the vandal's motives, the professor (who requested anonymity) told the *St. Louis Globe Democrat* that he believes the attack on his campus office resulted from the growing resentment against Japanese products and Japanese Americans, which in turn, is attributed to the frustration over the state of the U.S. economy.

Tani said he has also learned of similar incidents occurring at Cornell University in New

York and Wesleyan University in Georgia.

"These racist attacks are alarming in light of the renewed vigor of movements such as the Ku Klux Klan and the Nazi Party," he added.

However, the Chicago JACL Board commended Univ. of Chicago's President Hanna Gray, who expressed his concern over the implications of the incident and said that "nothing can diminish the pain of the experience."

The board also called upon universities to "respond publicly to these racist attacks" since these institutions are "symbols of enlightenment (which) makes them ideal targets for the prejudiced and ignorant."

The "Jap Go Home" graffiti was especially painful for the Hawaii-born professor of history since his brother was killed in WW2 while serving with the 442nd, Tani noted. #

NYPD recruiting Asian Americans

NEW YORK—The New York City Police Department is currently recruiting Asian Americans in an effort to add more Chinese, Japanese, Filipinos and Koreans to Police Academy classes.

Officer Richard Lee of the recruiting unit pointed out that there are now only 35 Asians in a total police force of 23,000 (only one Japanese American is on the force).

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N.Y. survey supports Redress

NEW YORK—Minoru Yasui, JACL National Redress Chair, has consented to role-play the Chair of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians at the New York Chapter's "mock hearing" on April 25.

Yasui challenged the military orders of curfew prior to the Evacuation in 1942 and carried his constitutional test case to the Supreme Court in 1942-43. He lost the case and spent nine months in solitary confinement in a Portland, Or. jail during his appeal.

The "mock hearing" will be held at Columbia University in the World Room (Journalism Bldg.) 116th St. and Broadway, New York, NY from 2-5 p.m. Many are expected to testify about their experiences while in camp and its effect. "Perhaps reliving this period will be painful but it can also be therapeutic," noted chapter president Ruby Y. Schaar.

A survey conducted here in the Nikkei community from Nov. 1980 to Jan. 1981 show a strong preference for both the concept of redress and direct monetary payment as the desired form of reparation.

Survey questionnaires were distributed to members of the Japanese American United Church of Christ and the Buddhist Church of New York. Only 67 were completed, representing 4.5% of the 1,500 subscribers to the New York Nichibei.

Of the 67 responses, 62 (93%) favored redress, 4 (6%) did not and 1 (1%) needed more information. Ninety per cent wanted direct monetary payment.

Redress was favored by Sansei, 7 to 0; Kibei-Nisei, 4 to 0; by Nisei over 50, 22 to 1 and by younger Nisei 3 to 0. The Issei who responded were strongly in favor of redress, 3 to 1, while Japanese nationals (including some Issei) favored it 9 to 0.

Comments written on the survey revealed that those who were against Redress gave reasons such as: the view that the Japanese were not the only group to feel the "sting" of racial prejudice in the U.S.

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NISEI IN JAPAN: by Barry Saiki

Japanese Tourism Overseas

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A recent item in the Japanese press reported that 221,910 Japanese visited Guam in 1980, or about six per cent of the more than 3.9 million Japanese who travelled abroad last year. Undoubtedly, this was a source of lucrative tourist dollars for Guam.

One wonders why there is such an interest in the small island, which offers hardly any activity other than the sunshine and the beach. Public safety on the island, while better than in most part of the United States, has been deteriorating as the crime rates go up. Nighttime strolling too far from the hotels can be an invitation to trouble.

But then, the same can be said for Honolulu, where friendly and naive tourists are often the victims of both drifters and the underworld. The wary American visitors are less likely to fall victims than the Japanese.

Reports from many areas indicate that the Japanese tourists are preyed upon - in New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Paris, London, Rome, Manila, Hong Kong and Honolulu. Hundreds of tourists report to the consulates every month about stolen money and passports. Some criminals specialize on the Japanese tourists because they tend to carry a large amount of cash for the purpose of buying gifts for relatives and friends. Naively, they flash their wad of money as they purchase items at stores and shops and are spotted as potential marks by the thieves. "Pickups" also specialize on Japanese men, knowing that they usually have ready cash in possession. The victims find out later that they were not only relieved of their loneliness but of their valuables, as well. Very few of these criminals are caught and prosecuted because, even when identified and caught, the tourists cannot stay long enough to testify.

Living in a relatively crime-free country, the Japanese are less conscious of the possibilities of crime. Except in very few isolated sections of major cities, Japan is one of the safest countries in the world to move about at night, unless he or she takes unnecessary chances.

All over the world, tour groups of Japanese can be seen - at the Tower of London, the Louvre, the leaning Tower of Pisa, the Aegean Sea, the canals of Venice, at Kowloon in Hong Kong. The reasons why most Japanese tourists travel in groups are mainly because such tours are cheaper and the bilingual guides can cover their deficiencies in the languages of the countries visited. Furthermore, the Japanese are used to traveling in groups from their academic days, when the schools all scheduled overnight

PRELIMINARY 1980 CENSUS REPORT: ASIANS IN CALIFORNIA

The totals of Asians in the state and districts are based on the Preliminary Population count of February, 1981. The Census Bureau data by race, which became available the last week of March on computer tape, were in the Los Angeles Times article published April 6. The PC calculations, below, are extensions based upon the above factors. The final and official statistics on the population of Asians in the U.S. and the states from the Bureau of the Census are yet to be released.

District / County	1980 Total	Pctg	Asians
LOS ANGELES-SAN DIEGO			
Los Angeles	7,477,657	6	448,659
Orange	1,931,570	4	77,270
Ventura	529,899	3	15,897
San Bernardino	893,157	2	17,863
Riverside	663,923	1	6,639
San Diego	1,861,846	5	93,092
Santa Barbara	298,660	3	8,960
Imperial*	91,874	1	919
(8-County Total)	13,748,586	4.9	669,299

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class excursions to various parts of Japan that may run into the hundreds. "Shugaku-ryoko" or school excursions is a way of life, just as the class reunion parties and company trips continue to emphasize block participation.

Of the 221,000 who visited Guam, my guess is that more than 150,000 were newlyweds who had taken package wedding tours. Several years ago, when I was on a flight to Guam, there were about 80 couples on board and only about 20 individual travelers like me. Recently, the trend is for newlyweds to take eight to ten day's honeymoons in the United States or Europe: one youthful fling before long years of work and savings for a small home or apartment. The official government report is that 83.6% of the travelers went on sightseeing trips.

The group syndrome also accounts for the popularity of the "Karaoke", meaning empty or no orchestra, a set of music tapes that provides popular melodies or oldtime favorites at pubs and bars, so that the patrons can sing their pet songs. Everyone in Japan knows a song or two. Throughout their lives, at company parties, excursions, reunions and weddings, singing is part of the gaiety of nearly all festive occasions.

Even as the tour groups end their visit abroad, they generally hold a "sayonara" dinner on their final night together, to exchange impressions and addresses and if the atmosphere is right, to sing a few songs.

Are the Japanese mute and stoical?—not if you get to know them well as individuals or as a group.

Travel agents seek to protect tourists from shady practices

SAN FRANCISCO—The Japanese American Society of Travel Agents (JASTA) discussed how to deal with deregulation, protection of clients and prospects from the cut-rate competition of fly-by-night operators, and development of cooperative and creative marketing techniques at their seventh general meeting here Feb. 20-22.

Longtime Chicago JACler Richard Yamada, JASTA president, said the traveling public has been confused by the day-to-day changes in airfares that have resulted from deregulation of the industry. "It is our duty to protect and counsel our clients and prospects," he added.

Michael M. Watabe, Agency and Interline Sales Manager of Northwest Airlines' New York office, presented encouraging statistics indicating that traffic to the Orient, especially China, was opening up.

Peggy Mikuni, president of Yamato Travel Bureau in Los Angeles, said the best solution to unfair practices by cut-rate competition was through courteous service offered by an established and trusted agency.

Tatsukichi Kobayashi, director of public relations for Kobayashi Travel Service in Honolulu, added that until recently the travel industry in Hawaii was "clean" but not anymore. #

Ford sees 120-yr.-old U.S. flag in Japan

OSAKA—Former President Gerald R. Ford, while appearing on a local television program March 28, was shown an American flag of 120 years ago which displays only 31 stars. He was also shown a bronze medal bearing the likeness of James Buchanan, the 15th president of the U.S. (1857-1861).

Ford was told by the memento's owner, Tsuneko Matsuura, that the flag and the medal were presented to a delegation from the Tokugawa Shogunate government sent to Washington in 1860 to ratify the U.S.-Japan Treaty of Commerce and Navigation.

Calendar

*Non-JACL event

- **APR. 17 (Friday)**
* Fresno—Poston Camp III Reunion (3da), Hacienda Inn; Sat—dinner dance.
* San Jose—WYBL Conf (3da), Hyatt House; Sat—Late Fred Nitta dnr, 7pm.
* Seattle—Cherry Blossom Festival (3da), Seattle Center.
- **APR. 18 (Saturday)**
* Gardena Valley—Miss Gardena coronation, Holiday Inn, Torrance.
* Seattle—Coronation ball, The Atrium, Butcher Res't.
- **APR. 19 (Easter Sunday)**
* St. Louis—Egg hunt.
- **APR. 20 (Monday)**
* Honolulu—Film: 'Hito Hata', Univ of Hawaii; Tue-Wed screenings, Academy of Arts; Fri—U of H Ethnic Studies Dept. (Info: Franklin Odo, 948-8086.)
* Los Angeles—Film: 'Hito Hata', UCLA Dickson Hall 2160.
- **APR. 21 (Tuesday)**
* Seattle—"Dream of Riches" Canadian-Japanese Photo Exhibit (until May 10), Frye Art Museum.
- **APR. 22 (Wednesday)**
* Las Vegas—Ondo practice, Guinn Jr High, 7:30pm.
* San Gabriel Valley—Redress mtg, ESGVJ Comm Ctr, 7:30pm; Jim Matsuo, spkr.
- **APR. 23 (Thursday)**
* Sacramento—Gen mtg, Nisei Hall, 7:30pm.
- **APR. 24 (Friday)**
* MDC/Milwaukee—Qtrly sess (end Sun noon), Midway Motor Inn; Sat—1000 Club wing-ding, Country Gardens Res't, 7:30pm.
* Seattle—Comm redress mtg, Keiro Nursing Home, 7:30pm.
- **APR. 25 (Saturday)**
* New York—Mock redress sess, World Rm, Columbia School of Journ, 2pm; Min Yasui, spkr.
- **APR. 26 (Sunday)**
* Sacramento / Placer City—Okei

- Grave, Wakamatsu Col Memorial clean-up, Gold Trail School, Gold Hill, 9:30am.
- **Tulare County**—Benefit movie, Visalia Buddhist Church, 7:30pm.
- **West Valley**—Bridge-Bowling night.
- **Manzanar**—14th annual Pilgrimage service, 12n.
- **Los Angeles**—Imperial Vly reunion, Proud Bird Res't, 6:30pm.
- **San Francisco**—JA Demo Club dnr, Union Sq Holiday Inn, 7pm; Rep Bob Matsui, spkr.
- **San Francisco**—BCA Bishop Yamakichi investiture, Buddhist Temple, 4pm; dnr, Miyako Hotel, 6pm.
- **Seattle**—Keiro Home rummage-bake sale (2da), NVC Hall, 11am.
- **Seattle**—Benefit sukiyaki dnr, Baptist Church, 4-8pm.
- **APR. 26 (Sunday)**
* Monterey Peninsula—Potluck dnr, Cincinnati—Bd mtg, Jane Yamada res.
- **Livingston-Merced**—JACL picnic, Henderson Park, 12n.
- **West Los Angeles**—Auxy wine tasting benefit, Yamato Res't, Century City, 12:30-3:30pm.
- **Gardena**—So Bay Keiro Nursing Home kickoff free lunch'n, Nisei VFW Hall, 12n.
- **Seabrook**—Chow mein dnr, Buddhist Church.
- **MAY 1 (Friday)**
* NCWNP/Nat'l—John Tateishi testimonial dnr, El Dorado Rm Jack Tar Hotel, San Francisco, 6:30pm.
- **MAY 2 (Saturday)**
* Seattle—Comm symposium: Canadian and U.S. Nikkei, Central Comm Coll, 9am-4:30pm.
- **MAY 3 (Sunday)**
* NCWNPDC / Monterey Peninsula—Qtrly sess, Outrigger Res't, 9am.
- **MAY 6 (Wednesday)**
* West Valley—Bd mtg, Clubhouse, 7:30pm.
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