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KLAN PATROL—A KKK-manned boat flying the old Confederate flag is seen off Seabrook, Tex., in this Associated Press picture from a Texas reader. The Vietnamese have charged the boat

was for intimidation and harassment, while the Ku Klux Klan claimed they wanted to make sure the refugee fishermen are not violating the law.

## Judge rules in favor of Viets over KKK

HOUSTON, Tex.—A federal judge granted a temporary injunction May 14 against the Ku Klux Klan in response to a civil rights, anti-trust and anti-racketeering suit filed by Vietnamese Fishermen's Association, who sought protection from "intimidation, harassment, threats, violence and other illegal actions" by Klan members.

U.S. District Judge Gabrielle McDonald sympathized with native fishermen who complained of overcrowded coastal waters along the Texas coast, but ordered the KKK and Texas shrimpers to refrain from harassing the refugee fishermen to reduce competition.

McDonald, however, denied a request by the Vietnamese which would send U.S. Marshalls to coastal sites to enforce the order. U.S. Magistrate H.L. Platter was instead appointed to hear complaints.

The judge also rejected another request in the lawsuit for an injunction forbidding KKK paramilitary training. But Texas Attorney General Mark White plans

to intervene in the lawsuit on this issue and McDonald said she would hear White on the Klan's paramilitary activities, some of which allegedly violate Texas law, when she proceeds to hear the full-scale trial on the Vietnamese lawsuit, which has yet to be scheduled.

McDonald's order, issued the day before the shrimping season begins, specifically forbids Vietnamese-aimed cross-burning, Klan parading and arms-bearing, along Galveston Bay and the Texas coast.

In March, fires allegedly caused by arson burned two Vietnamese shrimpboats and the Klan has held rallies, burned symbolic crosses and mock boats labeled "Viet Cong" and patrolled the bay with guns, wearing their robes.

The Vietnamese Fishermen's Association, which represents 58 fishermen owning 51 boats in the Galveston Bay area, filed the suit April 16. McDonald had to order the presence of U.S. Marshalls at the deposition hearings for the refugees and the KKK and ruled all official meetings between the two

parties be held in the federal courthouse. This action was necessary because the Vietnamese feared for their safety, since they believed KKK Texas Grand Dragon Louis Beam had been armed at a previous deposition.

On May 7, Beam motioned that McDonald, who is black, disqualify herself from the case, because he felt the KKK would not get a fair trial. But McDonald refused, promising "equal justice for both groups."

Although the Klan has sided with the native Texas shrimpers, a spokesman for the Vietnamese claimed that the KKK has little support from native fishermen, as evidenced by the small turnout of 50 people at a May 10 fundraising rally for the Klan in Santa Fe.

Clashing cultures, declining shrimp catches and concern for economic survival has raised tensions and the threat of violence along the Texas coast, because native shrimpers claimed the bays will be overfished by the growing numbers of Vietnamese fishermen.

About 10,000 Vietnamese came to Texas after the fall of Saigon in 1975 and some were relocated along the coast. The combination of the new refugees sending for their relatives, along with the immigration of "boat people" in 1977 increased the population to 38,000, with 2,500 living on the coast.

Those living in the Rockport-Fulton, Palacios and Seabrook-Kemah towns often purchased old, rundown American vessels from native shrimpers, later buying new ones with the money they earned fishing. The shrimping industry was suffering from high fuel costs, inflation and poor seasons. The increasing competition from the Vietnamese created concern and anger from the Texas fishermen, who felt the new immigrants were taking catches, as well as jobs, away from the natives.

tee should consider when deliberating the "Buy America" bill:

First, Japan is California's largest export market. Second, the steel used in public works which California imports from Japan consists mainly of steel products not produced in sufficient quantity in California. Third, Japan has consulted with the U.S. for the purpose of fair trade and the sound development of the American steel industry, such as the Trigger Price Mechanism.

Kitamura also referred to the Agreement on Government Procurement of the Tokyo Round of GATT negotiations.

## U.S.-Japan scholars find errors in texts

STANFORD, Ca.—Scholastic review panels from the U.S. and Japan have found that American and Japanese children are being taught inaccurate ideas of each other's countries through their respective textbooks.

The eight-man U.S. panel, the Stanford Program on International and Cross-cultural Education (SPICE) had completed a year-long project with Japanese scholars to seek improvement in the treatment each country gives to the other in its most widely used secondary school textbooks.

The scholars found that U.S. texts apply the traits of "energetic" and "adaptive" to Japanese, while the Japanese texts say Americans are largely "individualistic" and "materialistic".

The texts from both countries also contain many inaccuracies concerning WW2, as well as the political, social and cultural features of each country, noted the scholars. The panels also suggested ways of improving texts for both countries.

## ILWU confab supports CL redress push

(A "Redress Report" section has been designated for page 2 as the home for National JACL Redress Committee information and reference material. Information of interest to the general membership will be featured.—Editor.)

HONOLULU—The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union made an impassioned plea for monetary redress for Japanese American internment victims at the ILWU's international convention May 2.

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## Bannai's 1st week in WDC 'hectic'

LOS ANGELES—Paul Bannai, home over the weekend to clear his personal desk and pack some clothes for a longer stay in Washington, D.C., described the first week as staff director of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians "hectic" but satisfying.

He has conferred with all nine commission members, The White House, and Nisei in and out of government. The first hearing must be held in Washington before Congress recesses for the summer, he said, with all nine members present. A knowledgeable staff of about 12 is being sought, outside legal research underway by Japanese American groups is being considered to make up for lost time, Bannai continued in relating his first four days on staff (May 11-14).

He can be reached at CWRIC, 726 Jackson PI NW, Washington, DC 20506; (202) 393-7390.

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## Salt Lake J-community bucks plan to shut street

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—Closing of a downtown street, 200 West, for purpose of expanding Salt Palace was protested by Raymond S. Uno, only Nisei jurist in the state who was addressing the city planning and zoning commission as a private citizen, at its April 23 hearing.

Closure would complete the "genocide" of Salt Lake City's Japanese community, Uno declared. Construction of Salt Palace began the process by disrupting the Japanese community which thrived along 100 South, Uno noted, and closure of 200 West would continue the process by isolating the community's two churches: Salt Lake Buddhist Temple on 100 South and the Japanese Church of Christ on the same street.

"What may have been the unconscious and unsuspecting ethnic genocide of an existing minority community appears to be doomed to become a fait accompli," said Uno, who added,

"The building of Salt Palace sounded the death knell of the Japanese community ... the closure of 200 West will initiate the pounding of the final nails in the coffin of the Japanese community."

In May, 1980, Salt Lake County voters approved a \$16.5 million expenditure to add a building to Salt Palace. The original plan called for spanning 200 West on the block between So. Temple and 100 South, leaving 200 West open. Members of the city council later suggested that rather than span the street, 200 West should be closed and the addition built "on-grade". Salt Palace architects said this plan would save \$3.2 million.

Uno pointed out that while closure would enrich the city and the entire state, he recalled that taking of lands from the American Indians or the slavery of Negroes supposedly did the same for the entire country. "But it was not right then and it is not right now," he said.

Planning commissioner William E. Dunn, refuting Uno, said closure of 200 West would actually be an asset to the Japanese community as the revised plans call for a great deal of landscaping on the westside of the building and construction of a new pedestrian corridor through the center of Salt Palace would allow easy access between the Japanese churches and the downtown area.

Other local residents, businessmen and professionals argued against closure. A San Francisco transportation expert, a local traffic engineer and a plaza manager all noted closure would increase traffic congestion on other adjacent streets.

A neighborhood advocate, Hermoine Jex, said Salt Palace should be forced to stick to the plans presented to the public when they voted to expand Salt Palace. "It's a form of corruption when we sell off the city's best assets, our streets, for the speculation of business profits," she said.

In an interview May 14, Uno said the planning commission has not decided on what to recommend to the city council. He feels the vote would be close. He added the city's Retail Merchants Assn. voted against closure while the Salt Lake Convention Board was in favor.

## Sansei lands Houston postmaster job

HOUSTON, Tex.—Wallace T. Kido, 40, has been the Houston postmaster for the past three months, calling the job the most challenging of his career which started in 1964, dragging sacks for the postal service in San Francisco.

(He is the son of the late Saburo Kido and Mrs. Mine Kido and member of the Venice-Culver JACL.)

Houston Chronicle writer Mike Snyder, not only wrote about Kido's professional career, which includes seven years as the officer-in-charge of the Inglewood postal service sectional facility till transferring here, but asked about Japanese American internment camps during WW2.

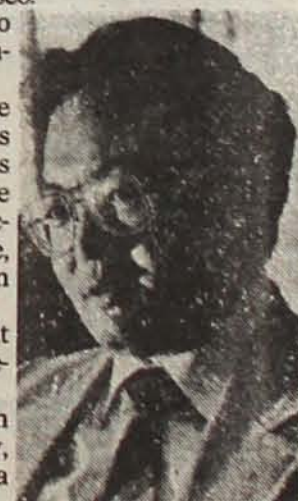
"I was still an infant when we went into the internment camp," he replied. "I have no recollection of it."

As for the Kido family living in (Poston) Arizona and Salt Lake City, the trip to Utah, he said wryly, "was a gift of Uncle Sam".

Of the job at Houston, Kido's impression of the city are generally positive, Snyder noted. "It's quite astounding," Kido continued, pointing out the number of high-rise buildings being constructed all represent potential delivery problems.

He oversees postal services in area that stretches from Galveston to the Houston airport, from Bay City to a point halfway between Houston and Beaumont.

Kido is a staunch advocate of the planned 9-digit ZIP code, which would help reduce costs and allow for true automation through computer scanning.



Wallace T. Kido



# Redress Reports

## Clarification of May 12

**SAN FRANCISCO**—The Japanese American Citizens League, issued the following statement May 12, clarifying its position on the Redress issue: (refer to Redress Guidelines of Feb. 6, 1981 in the May 15 PC.)

"As mandated at its biennial convention in San Francisco in July 1980, the JACL supports the initiation of measures in the United States Congress which will hopefully deter a similar recurrence of the injustices suffered by American citizens of Japanese ancestry and other Americans in 1942.

"The JACL position is to seek some form of monetary redress from the United States Congress as compensation for the injustices suffered in 1942, in the form of appropriations for the benefit of the Japanese American community and from which individuals may be paid individual compensation.

"Furthermore, the JACL seeks to make available funds or resources through governmental agencies for special programs for the benefit of the Japanese American community in addition to direct monetary redress.

"While the JACL has been the chief proponent for the establishment of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians as a means of educating the American public about the events of 1942 and as a means of seeking significant remedial measures by the United States Congress, the JACL reserves the right of judgment of the Commission report and recommendation. However, the JACL intends to cooperate fully with the Commission members and its staff in the hopes of achieving a successful resolution for the injustices experienced by Japanese Americans and other American citizens during WWII.

"Moreover, the JACL pointed out the creating of an official, permanent record will have significant historical meaning for all time."

## Redress testimony guide

The JACL "Testimony Preparation Materials" was distributed to all chapter presidents and redress representatives on May 11. This packet contains the following:

- 1—A question and answer fact sheet on the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians.
- 2—Guidelines for written and oral testimony, with suggestions on how to present clear and concise testimony to the Commission, included are suggested questions for written testimony.
- 3—Example of actual written testimony by Minoru Yasui presented before the Senate Committee hearing on S.1647.
- 4—Example of oral testimony by Prof. Roger Daniels before the Senate Committee hearing on S.1647.
- 5—Hypothetical samples of oral testimony, featuring an "inappropriate" sample reflecting lack of focus, generalities and other weak points, with a critique of this sample. In addition, a suggested, more "appropriate" sample testimony is included, focusing on an "evacuee's" specific event.

Persons interested in reviewing these materials for help in presenting testimony should contact the local JACL chapter president or redress committee representative.

## Deaths

**Ann Asako Buto**, 62, Washington, D.C., a staff assistant of Sen. Spark Matsunaga for the past 11 years and an area resident since 1966, died May 2 of heart attack. A native of Honolulu, she had accompanied her late husband, Col. Jun-ichi (ret.), on assignments here and overseas. He died in June, 1980. Both were Washington, D.C. JACLers. She is survived by d Kathleen, s Arthur, Robert, Army Capt. David (all of Laurel, Md.), sis Kay Tasaka, Yuki Kajiwara, br Minoru Kanemoto (all of Honolulu).

**George N. Imai**, 69, who served as the Equal Employment Opportunity Officer at the Tooele (Ut.) Ordnance Dept., died May 1 at his home in Tooele. The Salinas Valley JACL member is survived by w Lucy; s Toshio, Mark and Ren; d Carole and Sach; b Tom and Joe; s Sumie and Itsume.

**Michael Higa**, 15, a San Jose high school student and son of Mr. and Mrs. Yoshio Higa, died May 2 from injuries

suffered in a fall during a hike in Yosemite National Park. Higa is also survived by s Susan and Coleen.

**Dr. Hisashi S. Nakahara**, 85, a San Jose dentist since the mid-1920s and a long time supporter of the JACL, died May 1 at San Jose Hospital. He is survived by d Doris Otagaki, Nadine Yamamoto, a brother and two sisters in Hawaii, a sister in Japan and six grandchildren.

## In Support

(R-Resolutions; S-Statements; T-Testimony)

In addition to the ILWU's resolution for support, a number of national endorsements were received by the JACL. Among the major national organizations are: American Baptist Churches-USA (S); American Civil Liberties Union-Natl (T);

AFL-CIO (S); American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (S); American Jewish Committee (endorsement of CWRIC's investigation and purpose); American Hellenic Educational Progressive Assn. (R); Anti-Defamation League (T); Nat'l Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People (S); Nat'l Council of the Churches of Christ-Div. of Churches and Society (S); NOW-Chicago chapter (S); United Methodist Asian American Convocation-Western Jurisdiction (R); United Methodist Church-Board of Churches and Society (R).

## At a Glance

**Hearing Sites**—Schedule under consideration by Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC); initial hearing expected in Washington sometime in July.

**JACL Testimony**—About 150 pages, initial draft expected to be completed by last week of May (when the National JACL Board

## Cemetery vandalism may become felony

**SACRAMENTO, Ca.**—Desecrating a church, synagogue or cemetery would be a felony punishable by up to three years in prison under a bill passed May 11 by the state Assembly. AB326 by Assemblyman Mel Levine (D-Santa Monica), was passed on a 75-1 vote and sent to the state Senate. Currently, such vandalism is a misdemeanor. The bill was prompted by the vandalizing of some Southern California synagogues with Nazi swastikas.

## Books

**Michi Weglyn's** "Years of Infamy", published by William Morrow and Company, Inc., has been distributed by JACL to the Government Printing Office depository libraries, it was announced by JACL Headquarters. It was further stated that the book distribution was included to those individuals who appeared as witnesses before the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs hearing on SB1647 on March 18, 1980. The books will also be distributed to members of the Congress.

will have an opportunity to check it). To cover prewar, wartime and immediate postwar experiences; economic, social and psychological impact, constitutional implications and an examination of remedies.

Experts have been enlisted to help prepare this major testimony for Nat'l JACL.

Scheduled for submission to CWRIC at its first hearing.

**Witnesses**—Over 250 witnesses with biographical data sheets and testimony information (form in May 15 PC) gathered (as of May 15) by chapters:

N. Cal-W. Nev.-Pac ..... 92  
Central Cal ..... 25  
Pac Southwest ..... 11  
Pac Northwest ..... 93  
Intermountain ..... 1  
Mtn-Plains ..... 11  
Midwest (Exact count due)  
Eastern ..... 21

More witnesses with various wartime experiences being sought to participate in hearings; individual witnesses thus far committed are in direct contact with JACL Redress Committee at Headquarters, in receipt of relevant materials and to be advised of schedule.

**Resolutions**—Over 60 resolutions from local and state government officials and bodies showed support in 1979 for the JACL redress bill.

## 'English only' bill

**SAN FRANCISCO**—The Japanese American Democratic Club will sponsor a community forum on Sen. S.I. Hayakawa's proposed amendment to the U.S. Constitution which would make English the official language of the United States on May 27, 7:30 p.m. at the Hospitality Rm., Sumitomo Bank, Japan Center. Info contact: Nobusuke Fukuda (415) 558-5181 or 221-8295.

## TV focuses on vets

**SACRAMENTO**—KCRA (3)-TV's "Perceptions" May 27, 9:30 p.m., will feature stories on the treatment of Nisei veterans from the 442nd and Asian American veterans of Vietnam; a look at the problems of Asian-born wives of U.S. servicemen; a report on Japan youths; and the Chinese emphasis at the new railroad museum here.

Since mid-April, chapters have been asked to renew similar efforts among city councils, county commissions, state legislatures and various organizations to show CWRIC community-wide support for redress. "More resolutions we have, greater the impact and more significant the statement..."

## REDRESS

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Noriko Bridges, wife of former union president Harry Bridges, received a standing ovation from nearly 500 convention delegates at the Sheraton-Waikiki Hotel here

after she told of her imprisonment as a teenager in the Poston camp in Arizona.

She told delegates that her imprisonment was an "awful experience" and noted, "Sometime in my past I chose America—but America rejected me."

She urged the ILWU delegates to speak up when the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians holds hearings this summer.

At the suggestion of ILWU President Jim Herman, the delegates approved a resolution in support of and a grant of \$1,000 to National JACL redress program.

## Peninsula Committee forum set June 13

**PALO ALTO, Ca.**—To educate the general public on the wartime relocation and internment of civilians during WW2, the Peninsula Redress Committee forum will be held on Saturday, June 13, 7:30 p.m., at Cubberly Theater. Co-chairing are Jim Shizuro of Sequoia JACL and Judy Niizawa of San Jose JACL.

The forum will also allow individuals to sign up as witness, oral or verbal, before the Commission hearings on redress scheduled this year.



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# Hearts and Minds

Many people are probably numb from all of the horror madness that has recently taken place. The casualty list grows longer each week: Ronald Reagan, John Paul II, Bobby Sands, Francis Hughes and many others of the past. Locally, there were two in one week: Bob Hirohata, son of Misao Hirohata, JACL DOWNTOWN L.A. vice-chair, was slain at her home. Shigeo Matsubara, a Go champion, was fatally stabbed in East L.A.

When the Pope was shot, many leaders asked: If this man of peace isn't safe, then who is? Perhaps that question shouldn't have come up when John Paul II was shot; any human life deserves protection whether Pope, president or pauper.

The tension and violence in the Middle East, El Salvador, Northern Ireland, Afghanistan, as well as right here in the U.S. may cause some to fear that a coming Armageddon will soon be a reality.

But somehow, life seems to go on, despite these hot spots, for this insanity has not completely engulfed the world; these tragedies are, in a sense, "isolated" events.

People living in somewhat more peaceful countries, such as here in the U.S., don't usually think about such calamities every minute of the day, unless a misfortune has hit them personally.

Many persons have, of course, grown apathetic, and many journalists and commentators have pointed this out time and time again.

## Go champ knifed in East L.A.

LOS ANGELES—Shigeo Matsubara, 41, native of Los Angeles, died at White Memorial Hospital May 12 as a victim of a mentally deranged knife wielder, who attacked him May 8.

According to Hollenbeck Police Dept. detectives, Matsubara was assaulted as he was talking to the manager of his apartment concerning some needed repairs when suddenly her son Juan Espinoza, 55, came out from the bath room and stabbed him in the throat.

Matsubara was rushed to the hospital and was given emergency treatment but failed to regain consciousness.

The victim, an Internal Revenue Service employee, was a member of Raku Kiin, the Go institute in Little Tokyo. He learned the game from his late father Yorishige who was a ranking Go player, and quickly acquired skills to win a Nisei Week Go competition while a student at Roosevelt High School. Graduating from UCLA he worked with the Bank of America for several years and later worked for IRS.

He attained the highest rank in the U.S., that of Beikoku Honin-bo and participated in international matches. He was the top-ranking Nisei on the Pacific Coast.

The attacker who took Matsubara's life was locally known as a mentally deranged person, detectives said, who always talked about Japanese seeking him out to kill him.

## L.A. chapter chair's son slain

LOS ANGELES—Robert Hirohata, 50, the son of JACL DOWNTOWN Chapter Vice Chair Misao Hirohata, was shot by an unknown assailant May 13 at his mother's home in Temple City and died at Arcadia Methodist Hospital the next day. While sheriff's deputies are investigating the motive for the slaying, Hirohata's wallet was discovered missing.

Robert managed the Hirohata Auto Park on E. Second Street in Little Tokyo. Mrs. Hirohata, widow of Frank Hirohata, operates the Hirohata Insurance Agency founded by her husband. #

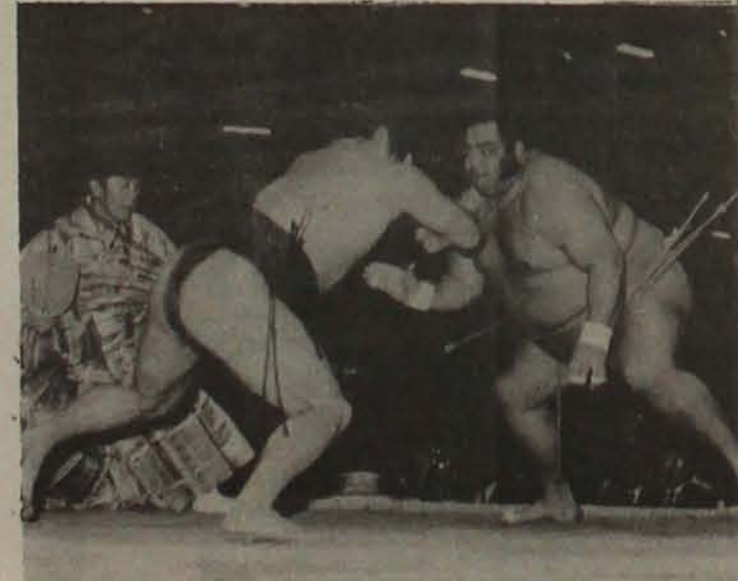
## Japan sumoists due in L.A. for city's Bicentennial celebration

LOS ANGELES—Japan's famous sumoists will hold a two-day tournament at Pauley Pavilion, UCLA, June 13-14. Current grand champions (Yokozuna), one champion and a full complement of other ranking wrestlers will make the tour, the promoters here assured.

Tradition-bound and ritualistic, the match between two contestants is to force the opponent outside the ring, 15-ft. in diameter, or have any part of his body outside the soles of his feet touch the ground inside the ring.

Wrestlers, except for Yokozuna, are ranked on their won-lost record. As Yokozuna, he is not demoted but if his record is not worthy of a grand champion, he is forced to retire, again with ritual, by having his topknot shorn and acquiring a new name.

Wrestlers are hefty—making the heaviest pro-football player seem undersized by comparison. Hawaiian-born Takamiyama (Jesse Kuhaulua) broke the scales at 436 lb. when last weighed. His active records in sumo climb to new heights as he is the oldest wrestler at 37. He is the first American to reach the senior (makuuchi) division.



ROLLING THUNDER — Japan's famous Grand Sumo wrestlers make their first U.S. appearance with exhibition tournaments in San Jose June 6-7 and at Los Angeles's UCLA Pauley Pavilion June 13-14. The Maui-born athlete, Takamiyama (right), and oldest sumoist at 37, is shown charging an opponent.

Rather than add to this criticism, perhaps it is time to ask people to think of the more positive aspects of being alive—as some might put it—"lucky."

With all due respect to those who may have suffered some personal tragedy, there must be a reason, too complex to explain in a few words, as to why some of us are even able to worry about such trivial matters as inflation, taxes, or changing diapers.

Instead of telling people how indifferent and uncaring

## Organizations to honor Amy Ishii

LOS ANGELES—Posthumous honors will be paid to the late Amy Uno Ishii by two groups here.

The ACLU of Southern California will honor the memory of the onetime ACLU board member at its 22nd annual Garden Party, May 31, 2 p.m. at the Sy Gomborg residence, 13233 Riviera Ranch Rd., in Brentwood. For details, call Mishka Cohen 487-1720.

The L.A. County Commission on Human Relations is remembering her achievements at the annual John Anson Ford Awards luncheon, June 12, noon, at USC Town & Gown Hall with Associate Justice Cruz Reynoso of the appellate court as guest speaker. Tickets are \$12, reservations by June 10, through the Human Relations Commission, 320 W. Temple St., Los Angeles 90012.

## Miyoshi's slayers sentenced to CYA

LOS ANGELES—The two teenage boys convicted for the Jan. 29 robbery-murder of Nisei businessman Joe Miyoshi were each sentenced to the California Youth Authority by Inglewood Juvenile Court Judge Arthur Gilbert.

Calvin Mackey, 14, was sentenced May 12 and Shelton Vance, also 14, was sent to the CYA on May 1 for the ambush killing of the 66-year-old auto parts store owner.

## Queen contest cancelled

LOS ANGELES—The 1981 Nisei Relays Queen Contest has been cancelled due to lack of applicants, it was regrettably announced last week by Mack Yamaguchi, chairperson for the contest.

heights as he is the oldest wrestler at 37. He is the first American to reach the senior (makuuchi) division.

Tickets are \$50 (includes a box lunch), \$4, \$8, \$20 and \$25 at UCLA Central Ticket Office (825-2101), Ticketron and Mutual agencies, and Japan-American Sports Federation (JACCC Bldg. #409, 624-0164).

## So.Bay Keiro drive nears \$227,000

GARDENA, Ca.—The South Bay Keiro Nursing Home Fund Drive has reached a total of \$226,625 in donations, due to the added incentive provided by memorials and family dedications.

The nursing home fund campaign which has a goal of \$1 million, attained its most recent figure during the last reporting period this month with the help of a dozen Memorial/Family Dedications and numerous other donors, according to Helen Kawagoe, campaign chairperson.

## Memorial service

WHITTIER, Ca.—Japanese American community services at the Japanese Garden area of Rose Hills Memorial Park on Memorial Day, May 25, will start at 9 a.m. with Min Sumida, past commander of 6th District VFW Memorial Post, in charge. Christian and Buddhist ministers, VFW Post 9902 members and U.S. Marine Corps rifle squad will participate.

## Music

Los Angeles Sansei Daniel Kuramoto, leader of the jazz-rock band Hiroshima, won a San Francisco Emmy award April 25 for his musical score of the educational children's program, "Beansprouts." #

they've become, it may reach their thoughts and feelings more effectively if they were told how thankful they should be. #

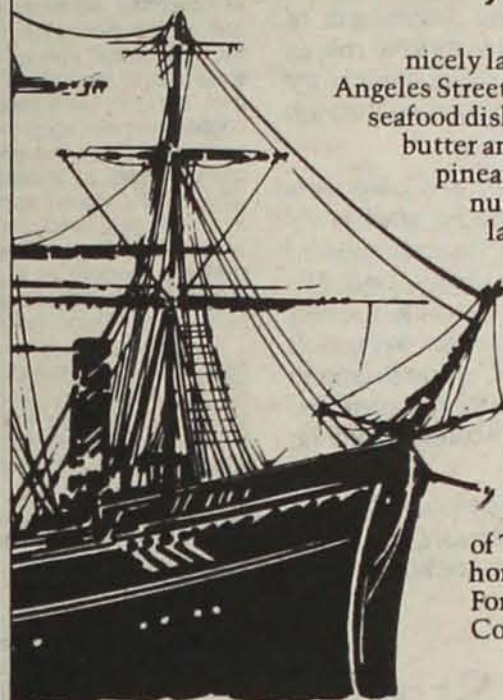
## 442 vets dance

LOS ANGELES—The 442nd Veterans Association of Southern California will hold its 4th Annual Benefit Spring Dance on Saturday, June 13, at Nishi Hongwanji,

815 East First St., announced president Jim Kawaminami. For ticket information, contact Wally Nakashima, 737-0649, before 9 p.m. #

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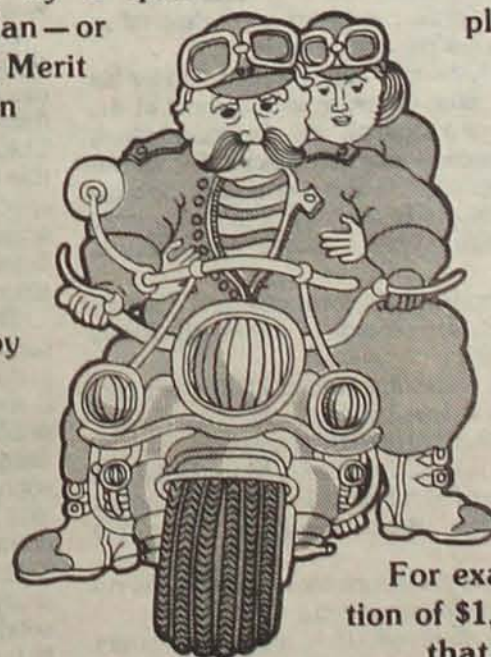
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## EDITORIAL:

### Redress Reports

Facing its most crucial phase, the JACL Redress committee is preparing JACL's opening statement before the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC), gearing the chapters to its vital role as part of a national network to have the Evacuation story told in full, and keeping the membership apprised through a weekly informational section (see Page 2).

To cover the fast-paced activities of the JACL Redress Committee as succinctly as possible, the PC staff is reviewing all of the material now being disseminated to chapter presidents and chapter redress chairs. Both Minoru Yasui, committee chair, and John Tateishi, redress coordinator, are masters of English prose and write well and endlessly — which makes it easy and/or tough on any editor. As associate chair of the JACL redress committee and PC Board chair, Dr. Clifford Uyeda's counsel shall be invaluable.

Our regret is that space is limited. But it also challenges us to convey the substance of the Redress Committee program and activities as resourcefully as we know how.

CLIFF'S CORNER: by Dr. Clifford Uyeda



### Nat'l HQ Staff

San Francisco

The present National HQ staff is eight people, not 11 as reported in the April 24 issue. The NC-WN district director works out of the Masao Satow Bldg.; as do the Blue Shield coordinator and her secretary who are paid by the health plan subscribers. Blue Shield also pays rent to JACL for their office space in the building. The present National HQ staff, the smallest since the days of Mas Satow (1972) is comprised of:

- 1) Ron Wakabayashi began as the National Director on 3/16/81.
  - 2) Attorney Lorrie Inagaki is our Legal and Program Director. The title hardly begins to describe her numerous duties and functions. She handles all internal legal matters, gives legal advice to chapters, oversees the tax and IRS compliances, and is directly involved in employment discrimination case works. Along with the National Director she functions as staff liaison to program committees. She assists the National Director in administrative matters, including personnel matters. She also prepares the National Board and convention minutes. Many of her functions are those of the Associate Director.
  - 3) Patti Paganini, CPA, is our business manager who oversees all financial matters and financial planning for the organization. She assists in preparing the budget, makes financial reports, files tax returns, handles payroll, and keeps up to date information on the financial status of the organization.
  - 4) Bruce Shimizu is our National Youth Director. Under his guidance the youth group chose to return as members of the JACL rather than function as a separate unit. Combined youth and adult functions should become more frequent in JACL rather than function as a separate unit. He also coordinates the huge JACL scholarship programs. He is one of the most versatile members of the staff who willingly helps wherever assistance is needed.
  - 5) Emily Ishida is our membership coordinator and a receptionist. She processes and keeps records of the nearly 30,000 membership dues by chapters.
  - 6) Masi Nihei, secretary, handles the National Director's correspondence and memos, as well as many requests from National Board members, committee chairs and volunteers.
  - 7) Julie Mason, secretary, is kept busy mostly by the Legal and Program Director and by the Youth Director. She also helps out filling requests from National Board members, committee chairs and volunteers.
  - 8) Jane Hara Wong is our bookkeeper whose meticulous record keeping is essential to our organization.
- These are all dedicated individuals. They work extra hours and perform extra duties whenever necessary, and the occasions are many: JACL evening events at the Hqs building, National Board meetings, committee meetings, and the heavy workloads that must be completed on schedule. Everyone chips in. The spirit is great.
- As with a change in any administration, some are scheduled to leave their positions soon. We will miss them. It will be difficult to find as good a replacement for the position vacated.

■ The precepts of the law are these: to live honestly, to injure no one, and to give everyone his due. —Justinian Code.

## IRC Action

By Chuck Kubokawa  
International Relations  
Committee Chairperson

Palo Alto, Ca.

Appointed or elected officials in JACL are open to critical comments at all times—though it may be unwarranted and/or destructive. If those who complain go one step further and provide a positive idea and effort, our organization can be FINE\* organization. (Translate FINE: Federation of International Nikkei Enthusiasts, an organization which JACL will propose at the Mexico City conference).

I was told this international Pan American Nikkei conference was only for JACLers on the west coast. To that, I say "Hogwash!!" (whatever that is). To keep our membership advised, this chair had written pieces for insertion in the PC early enough to allow members to respond. If one misses it, the fault lies therein, but this conference was open to all JACL members. There was even an invitation written in Spanish inviting all JACLers which I translated for PC (but not used for lack of space—Ed.) from the host committee in Mexico City in hopes that would be the most economical and fastest way to send the invitation.

Another unforeseen contingency that may have led to the above misunderstanding was the antiquated address list obtained by the host committee from the Japanese Embassy in Mexico City. It had only 20 JACL chapters listed for the entire United States; hence some chapters did not receive the invitation. JACL has over 110 chapters!

For those who still desire to attend, there may still be room in view of possible last minute cancellations. Please notify George Kondo, Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific regional director, at National Headquarters (415) 921-5225, immediately!

I want it clearly known that theoretically, the optimum path of operation was used to disseminate the news to the membership. Until they occur, unforeseen problems are unknown but these have been corrected, too.



MOSHI—MOSHI: by Jin Konomi

### 'Shibumi'

*Shibumi* in the esthetic sense is to Japanese taste somewhat as *chic* is to French style. It is the essence of the quality described as *shibui*. Most readily and often perceived as the most affective element in the taste of many Japanese things, it is usually considered a uniquely Japanese quality. Though this is not entirely true, the absence of a precise equivalent for *shibui* in English—and probably in other languages, too—would seem to support such a view. "Astringent" as most Japanese-English dictionaries have it is altogether inadequate. Whoever heard a woman rave: How astringent this color is!

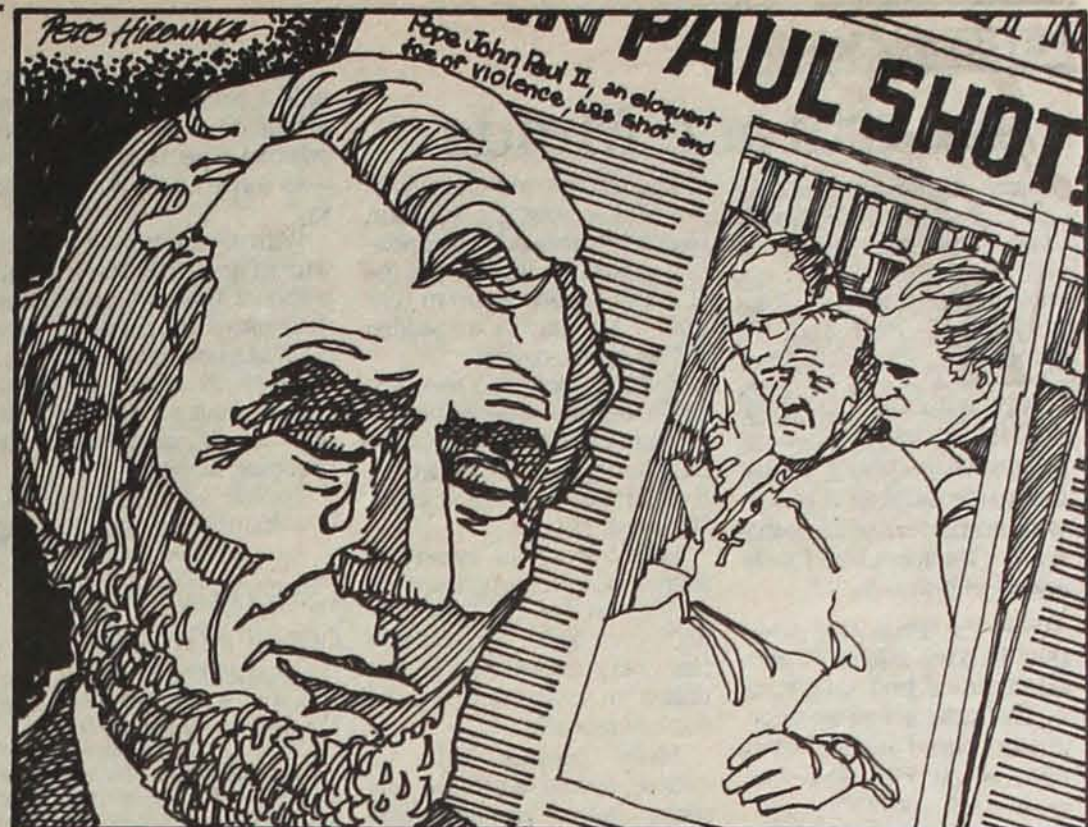
Understandably many Japanese make a great deal about the *shibui* quality. But some of them seem to think that they have a monopoly on it or they have a unique sensitivity to it. Such thinking betrays a cultural chauvinism, not to say ignorance. There is nothing exclusively Japanese about *shibumi*. It is that this quality has not been recognized in the west as deserving a special adjective. Anyone who prefers the patina of antique brass to the garish glitter of ornolu, or the dignity of satined finish on silver to the flashy utilitarianism of chrome, can understand it.

The word *shibui* was first discovered by some artist or cognoscente as one with a rich overtone of an esoteric elegance beyond the canons of ordinary good taste. Advertisement seized on it and offered it as a catchy sell word with which to titillate the public which at the time was showing increasing curiosity about things Japanese. Though the public did not rise to the lure, the sophisticates eagerly adopted the word. This was early in the '60s. Today it enjoys a modest circulation as one of the Japanese contributions that have enriched the English language.

How will you define *shibumi*? It is understatement. It avoids sharp contrasts. It is deliberate, almost but not altogether total, subduing of elements of beauty. But, what else? I will say "*shibumi* is as *shibumi* does."

If not uniquely a Japanese quality, it is at this time a very Japanese quality. But with the exception of one period, *shibumi* has not been a dominant taste in Japanese life.

The court nobles and ladies of the Heian period wore garments of gay, but plain colors. *Murasaki* (purple) was greatly favored. A lady by that name wrote the *Tale of Genji*. Even more valued was *beni* (carmine). So valued, in fact, that *beni dama*, flowers of safflower steamed and pounded into balls from which this tint was extracted, was often traded for their weight in gold. (By the way, *benihana* does not mean red flower, as Rocky Aoki



### FIPAN Program

A preliminary program for the First International Pan-American Nikkei conference July 23-26 in Mexico City has been announced. The final touches will be known in mid-July, but I hope none will be significant. Daily activities for youth and women are also planned.

Here's the schedule:

- July 22 (Thursday)  
Depart SFO 1:15pm, LAX stop-over, arr Mexico City 6:25pm. (Delegates from other points are expected to arrive about the same time to facilitate pickup by host committee to hotels); bowling, 9pm.
- July 23 (Friday)  
International golf, tennis, bowling matches, 8 am; Welcome party, 8pm.
- July 24 (Saturday)  
Opening sess, 10am, Mayor of Mexico City; Gen'l Sess: Nikkei History in each country presented by each nation; Afternoon workshops: Nikkei problems, Professions, Ventures, etc., 3pm; Home visit-suppers, 8pm.
- July 25 (Sunday)

Morning sess, 10am, VIP spkrs from all nations; Continuation of workshops, 3pm; Reception, Japanese Embassy, 8pm.

- July 26 (Monday)  
Gen'l sess, 10 am, VIP spkrs; closing sess; afternoon open for extra sess as needed for items requiring vote; Sayonara Fiesta dnr, 8pm.
- July 27 (Tuesday)  
Morning city and Pyramid tour.
- July 28 (Wednesday)  
Free day: business, shopping, tour.
- July 29 (Thursday)  
Travel home—

### Conference Topics

- 1—Brief Nikkei histories from participating nations.
- 2—Experiences of JACL: oldest and only national Nikkei civic group in the world.
- 3—Disadvantages of being a Nikkei.
- 4—Extent of Nikkei integration in each nation.
- 5—Nikkei contribution to each nation.
- 6—Ideals of Nikkei women.
- 7—Problems and assimilation of

the Kippaku, Kibei, Kirai, Kika, Kibiku, etc.

8—Commentaries by prominent Nikkei personalities in different nations.

9—Projection of the future with the Sansei.

10—Prospect of joint Nikkei business ventures internationally.

11—Proposal: Federation of Nikkei Assns. of the Americas.

12—Exchange workshops on technical, cultural, economic, etc.

### Enomoto reports to Nevada job

CARSON, Nev.—Jerry Enomoto, technical adviser to National Institute of Corrections, reported here May 4 as part of a task force commissioned by Gov. Robert List to do an in-depth study of the Nevada state prisons with specific focus upon security, staffing and operational problems.

Enomoto had just completed a 10-month stay in New Mexico in April when asked to review the situation here and found it less than comprehensive.

explained the meaning of his restaurant's name. Safflower is more yellow than red.) In the Azuchi-Momoyama period, which was one highwater mark of Japanese art, lavish uses were made of gaudy colors such as verdigris, cinnabar, and gold. The Nikko, which is admired to this day, was Tokugawa rococo at its vulgar. It was frankly intended to dazzle and awe the beholder.

*Shibumi* originally was not an esthetic ideal consciously striven for. It developed, altogether incidentally, in dress, accessories, personal ornaments, furniture and so on, all articles of common use in the day-by-day world of the *chonin* (burghers), especially of Edo. Its recognition as a special quality of taste came later. Its cultivation as one aspect of beauty was a still later development.

*Shibumi* owes its development not so much to the perceptive sensitivity of the Japanese but to Japanese history.

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa

## Ft. Clellan's Company of Nisei GIs

Denver, Colo.

A few weeks ago in this space I relayed a request for information about Japanese Americans who reportedly were assigned to masquerade as Japanese soldiers during World War II. Their job was to familiarize American troops with the enemy's methods and fighting style.

The request was made by David H. Morrissey, a reporter with the Anniston (Ala.) Star, who found a published report that "a company of Japanese Americans" was stationed at nearby Fort McClellan specifically to train GIs for duty in the Pacific. Morrissey, who had come to know the Nisei evacuation story while working in Twin Falls, Idaho, was impressed enough by this report to want to learn more so that he could give the Nisei GIs belated recognition.

The column produced responses that were both curious and interesting, but they failed to provide an answer to Morrissey's specific inquiry, which was about a whole company—150 to 200 men—of Japanese Americans playing the role of Japanese troops in training exercises.

First of all, Mike Masaoka, who was in the public information office of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team training at Camp Shelby not too far from Fort McClellan, had no recollection of Nisei troops on such assignment. Scratch one.

Next, Harry Honda checked the files of the Pacific Citizen. He found a series of stories in March and April, 1944, that had to do with Fort McClellan. The gist of these stories was that some 600 Japanese Americans were undergoing combat training, but 28 of them—identified as Kibei who had been inducted before Pearl Harbor—had refused to obey orders and faced courts martial.

These men were sentenced to imprisonment ranging from 5 to 30 years. One of the stories quoted a Kibei as saying he had disobeyed orders in protest against continued displays of disrespect and attempts at humiliation by his superiors. He also was quoted as saying he was willing to serve in the army in the United States, but protested assignment to a combat unit.

Several of the stories emphasized that the 28 men were drafted before Dec. 7, 1941, and were not to be confused with the hundreds who had volunteered or were drafted

from the War Relocation camps. At the time, the 442nd was completing its training. It sailed for Europe in May, 1944.

At least two companies of MISLS students completed their infantry basic at Fort McClellan, according to Roy Uno of Santa Ana, Calif.

The next three responses bring us a bit closer to Morrissey's inquiry. George Iseri, now of San Francisco, writes that he was sent to Camp Ritchie in Maryland in the summer of 1945 to join a group called the "enemy detail". Its assignment was to tour various training camps to show GIs what the Japanese enemy looked like. Dressed in Japanese uniforms, they would stage banzai charges, presumably to the accompaniment of blood-curdling screams.

Harry M. Nagata of Strathmore, Calif., provides a few more details. He recalls that a half dozen or so training groups were organized at Camp Ritchie. They dressed in Japanese-type uniforms produced by the U.S. Quartermaster Corps and used captured Japanese Arisaka rifles, ammunition and grenades. The teams were made up of a first lieutenant and staff sergeant, both Caucasians, and about 7 Nisei, mostly privates. The teams visited training centers and demonstrated what the GIs could expect from the enemy in the Pacific. Nagata's group was stationed at Camp Rucker, Ala.

Samuel S. Koide of Dobbs Ferry, N.Y., who trained at Ft. McClellan between April and July, 1945, remembers meeting a contingent of 15 Nisei GIs whose duty it was to appear before soldiers in various military camps as examples on how to recognize an enemy Japanese soldier. Needless to say, Koide says, they had a "strong distaste for the duty".

This still doesn't explain the company at Fort McClellan but adds to the total of information about the Nisei in World War II. Thanks for taking the time to write. #

## 35 Years Ago

in the Pacific Citizen

MAY 25, 1946

May 18—Gen. MacArthur opens way for stranded Nisei in Japan to return to U.S. homes; orders Japanese government to prepare list of American nationals who had applied for Japanese citizenship, who had served in their armed forces or government agencies in the war.

May 20—Nat'l VFW commander (Joseph Stack, Pittsburgh) raps report that two 442nd GIs (Pfc Richard Naito, Sgt Thomas Imai of Spokane) blackballed from joining Spokane VFW Post 51; other WW2 vets in post may bolt 3,000-member organization.

May 20—No. Calif. ACLU charges U.S. "kidnapped" Japanese from Peru in 1943 for internment in U.S.; groups at Santa

Fe, N.M., (65 bachelors) and Crystal City, Tex., (46 families) face deportation to Japan.

May 21—L.A. superior court Judge Henry Willis hears first postwar restrictive covenant case filed by Issei (Sakuo Saito), one son in U.S. Army; Bertha Kenyon seeks injunction restraining family from occupying home at 2947 S. Dalton St. (southwest L.A.). (Another son is now PSW regional director John J. Saito.—Ed.)

May 22—New York JACL dinner at Hotel Roosevelt pays tribute to success of WRA Director Dillon Myer's work; Myer cites Nisei war record, dedicated staff, understanding populace and cooperation from evacuees for successful resettlement of 115,000 from camps.



EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani

## The Long-Distance Run

Philadelphia

I FIND IT most heartening, as a Nisei, to see large numbers of our progeny, the Sansei, going on to college to further increase and sharpen their knowledge—for this will provide greater assurance that Americans who share my ancestral lineage will not be caused to recede. Of course, it is no guarantee, for very few things in life are that certain; but being well-equipped will certainly increase the odds in one's favor.

ON THE OTHER hand, there seem to be all-too-many Sansei who delude themselves into thinking that higher education is not important, that it's not worth it, that they can "get along" without it, that they can "hack it" anyway, and so on. Perhaps. But more perhaps, not. Certainly such Sansei are increasing the odds against themselves. It is somewhat akin to one who thinks (s)he's a good long-distance runner, and therefore need not train. While others do train. It doesn't take much brains to figure that one out.

I MUST CONFESS, therefore, that I just cannot even begin to comprehend why it is that those Sansei who have an opportunity to increase and to sharpen their knowledge and skills, do not seize the opportunity. Eagerly. Why they would court a future of mundane banalities, locked into the confinement of being robots, risk being relegated to laboring in the latrines rather than in challenging pursuits—is difficult to understand. We hasten to make two points: first, we are not demeaning menial tasks—

something that just about every Nisei, including this writer, have had to perform; rather, the question is one of providing a choice to one's self. Second, we recognize that not everyone can become a chief or assistant-chief; rather, the question is whether that individual has given his/her potential reasonable rein, the opportunity to bloom. We sense that many of our progeny have not.

MUCH AS WE might seek to refrain from looking back at the Nisei experience, we cannot help but touch upon some of our common experiences. After being summarily uprooted from our homes, upon a week's notice, and then being imprisoned behind barbed-wire fences for months, many of these same Nisei departed from those concentration camps to go on to college: into a hostile society, into an uncertain and then-unpromising future, with little or no financial resources to assure continuation of their college education, while our parents and relatives remained behind in the camps. And although since those days, we've admittedly made considerable strides, the truth of the matter is that even with all that herculean effort many Nisei are under-employed, denied policy-making positions, excluded from many areas of endeavor.

AND THUS, TODAY, when such a Nisei hears the progeny blithely declare that they need not exert themselves and that they will get along just "hacking it," I cannot help but shake my head in sorrow. For I can only shudder to imagine what it will be that they will be "hacking," for the rest of their lives. #

## GUEST'S CORNER:

### The 'Grassroots' Baloney

By HOMER YASUI

Portland

It's said up and down, and all around, for years on end, that what JACL needs is more grassroots input. That's the currently popular term, I believe. More grassroots input . . . what a lot of hokum! Not at the chapter, the district, or at the national level, do we have anything even faintly resembling this marvelous so-called grassroots input.

What we do have is a hierarchy: levels of influence, the establishment, the elite, or call it what you will. Oh yes, it does exist. But who creates this hierarchy? It cannot create itself. I'll tell you what I think. I think that it's we Grassrooters who, by default, disinterest or disaffection that create the establishment. This is true of every single voluntary organization that I can

think of, and that includes our national government, and it most certainly includes JACL.

Then we, the Great Grassrooters, have the luxury of sitting back and bellyaching about everything that is done, or is not done. In other words, it is not our fault. It's our leaders' fault. And this is the big Grassroot Baloney, the narcotic of the spirit.

Many times I think that we all should sit back and take inventory of what we expect of ourselves, and of course, our chiefs. First of all, how often is it that we're too busy to do something for our organization? Most of the time, is that not so? If we accept the proposition that the definition of busy-ness is relative, then there is not one human soul that is not busy. Not a baby, not a child, not a man, not a woman. We are all busy. So that lets us off the hook. It therefore becomes someone else's (like the leaders') duty to do the work that we would like to have done, or else it's some committee chairperson's job. Beautiful. But that logic stinks.

We Great Grassrooters have yet another slick ploy. It goes something like this: "I'd be glad to help on the committee, but I won't be the chairperson of that committee". When questioned as to why we'd not be willing to be the chairperson, the stock answer is that we haven't had enough experience, or that we lack the expertise. Well, according to me, the bald fact is that it requires too much work, thinking, planning and organizing. That's the real answer. Besides, our priority is looking after the children, or watching TV, or playing golf, or our involvement in our work, or in walking our dog, or anything but just plain taking it easy, because we're so busy, busy, you see.

Oh, fellow Great Grassrooters, we do not have the best of two worlds. The time will come when one of us will have to stand up on our hind legs and speak. And then, when that time comes, guess who's going to get the thankless task? Behold! It will be you, the next leader. And then this new leader is going to ask for grassroots help and grassroots input all over again. The groaning wheel of inertia will once more start its creaking course. And the grassroots once more will not give a single damn, or will we again say that we are not able? Shikatanai?

—Portland JACL Newsletter

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## EDC-MDC convention set for July 30-Aug. 2 at St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—The biennial EDC-MDC convention, being hosted by St. Louis JACL, will be held over the July 30-Aug. 2 weekend at Washington University with facilities on Campus available at \$12 per person per night and meals in the \$3-5 range.

Among tourist attractions here are Six Flags, the Arch, Busch Farms, Forest Park, St. Louis Zoo and Botanical Gardens (where the Japanese Garden is located).

At Milwaukee, where the recent MDC spring session was held, St. Louis JACL delegate George Sakaguchi revealed the program aspects of the convention. Details as to registration fees, etc., are to be made soon.

Delegates also prepared for the upcoming redress commission hearings. Each chapter told of their efforts in fund-raising and witness identification process. John Tateishi, national coordinator, updated the MDC on the national program, outlined possible commission formats and stressed the importance of identifying witnesses.

Henry Tanaka of Cleveland outlined a five-point approach on redress: fund-raising, media contact, contact with other organizations, obtaining state/local government resolutions, and witness identification.

Two major MDC resolutions involved recent campaigns by the auto industry with respect to foreign imports and the potential for inciting racial prejudice, and the other on a substantive program for increasing the national JACL revenue. Milwaukee JACLers on the host committee included Toshi/Sat Nakahira, Helen/Ed Jonokuchi, Glenn Saito, Reiko/David McKendry and Rachel Knoblock.

### Chapter Pulse

#### ● Arizona JACL

Recipients of the 20th annual Sara Hutchings Clardy awards at the recent Arizona JACL scholarship dinner were:

Taul Aragaki, East High; Denise Okabayashi, Cortez High; Sandy Okabe, Independence High; and Joyce Takiguchi, Glendale High.

The Arizona JACL-sponsored ASU Historical Dept. Award went to Debbie Oishi.

#### ● Eden Township

Eden Township JACL held its annual scholarship awards presentation and potluck dinner May 16 at the Eden Japanese Community Center.

Guest speaker was Professor Jere Takahashi from the UC-Berkeley Asian American Studies Dept.

#### Las Vegas gears for Int'l Festival

Las Vegas JACLers are working unceasingly now to participate in the annual Las Vegas International Festival, June 7, at the Convention Center, North Hall, from 11 a.m.-9 p.m. George Goto, chair, expects every chapter member and volunteers to help in the food

and was confident she would be considered a nominee again in the future.

#### New York JACL scholarships available

The New York JACL Chapter is accepting applications for the Lucile Nakamura Memorial Scholarship and a general scholarship. Both awards of \$500 each are open to members of the New York Chapter and their offspring, who are high school graduates and entering college in the 1981-82 academic year or are currently enrolled in college.

For information and application write to: Scholarship Committee, New York Chapter, JACL c/o Ruby Y. Schaar, 50 West 67th St., #6B, New York, NY 10023. Deadline for submissions is May 31.

#### Reno JACL donates \$620 to redress fund

With a \$1,480 redress fund quota to meet, Reno JACLers have raised \$620 with a major portion coming from Wilson Makabe and Tom Oki, it was announced by chapter president Ken Date. Contributions should be sent to Date, 1306 Ralston St., Reno, Nev. 89503.

Chapter activities for June include a general meeting and potluck supper June 6, 6-9 p.m., at the Center for Religion & Life, 1101 N. Virginia. New members are expected.

Chapter picnic will be held on Sunday, June 28, 11 a.m. at the North Pavilion of Bowers Mansion. For tickets, call Edna Takuma 786-6930.

#### Riverside adds Eugene Oda memorial award

The Riverside JACL scholarship committee announced a new scholarship for the current year: The Eugene Oda Memorial Scholarship—to the most outstanding scholar in the Riverside-San Bernardino area.

The scholarship is being sponsored by James and Dr. Mary Oda in memory of their late son Eugene who was an outstanding Pre-Med major at UC Riverside before his untimely death.

This award joins several others

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Total this Report ..... \$565

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given through the chapter and becomes the largest single award presented at the annual scholarship dinner, which is being held at the First Christian Church in Riverside on Saturday, May 23, where the winners will be announced.

The chapter would like to express its deep appreciation to James and Mary Oda of North Hollywood for their generous support.

#### ● Sonoma County JACL

Winners of the 1981 scholarships were announced by Ed Ohki, committee chairman. Each will receive \$300. They are:

JACL—Sue Ann Kishaba; Frank Oda Memorial—Mitzi Tsujihara; Petaluma Sunday School—Mark L. Yokoyama and Bryan C. Wright.

Chapter redress contributions collected to date totals \$1,661, which has been forwarded to the National Committee. The recent Japanese movie benefit raised \$493.50, according to Jim Yokoyama.

#### Old-timers honored at Stockton's 50th fete

All past presidents of the Stockton JACL and the now defunct women's auxiliary were honored at the Stockton JACL 50th Anniversary installation dinner Feb. 28. Ruby Dobana was re-elected to lead the 51st year of the chapter.

JACL Silver Pin awards were presented to Ted Saiki, May Saiki and Dr. James Tanaka. Gifts of appreciation also went to Frank Kitagawa for his 25 years leading the athletic program, to George Matsumoto for 25 years as chapter insurance commissioner, and to Judge Bill Dozier for swearing in chapter officers over the past 25 years. He continued in the same role this year.

Among guests present were: Dr. James Tsujimura, National JACL President; Ray Cezar, Stockton City Manager; U.S. Congressman Norman Shumway; Gladys Ikeda, Adm. Aide to Senator John Garamendi; Assemblyman Patrick Johnston, Calif. State As-

sembly; Supervisor Richard Yoshikawa; San Joaquin Board of Supervisors; Harry S. Hayashino, Issei-Kai; Dr. Yosh Nakashima, Governor, NCWNP Dist. Council; and George Kondo, regional director, NCWNP Dist. Council.

#### ● Stockton JACL

Coming events on the Stockton JACL calendar begin with the

#### San Francisco JACL wins cage title

SACRAMENTO, Ca.—The fourth annual Sacramento JACL invitational high school basketball tournament held during the spring break was won by San Francisco JACL, which defeated Stockton JACL 67-58 in the opener; edged Sacramento JACL 76-75 in the semis and then tripped San Jose Zebras 70-67 in the finals for the honors.

The Zebras made the finals by beating Berkeley JACL 59-58 and Parlier JACL 69-67 in the semis. San Francisco's Gary Sit was voted the MVP award.

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community picnic May 24 at Mickle Grove from 10 a.m. with Ted Yoneda chairing. As usual, there will be many gate prizes for picnickers. Parking fee inside the county park is \$1.50.

The 1981 scholarship luncheon will be held June 7, 1 p.m., at Kazan Restaurant. Reservations can be made with Ruby Dobana, president. (951-7230 or 957-1801).

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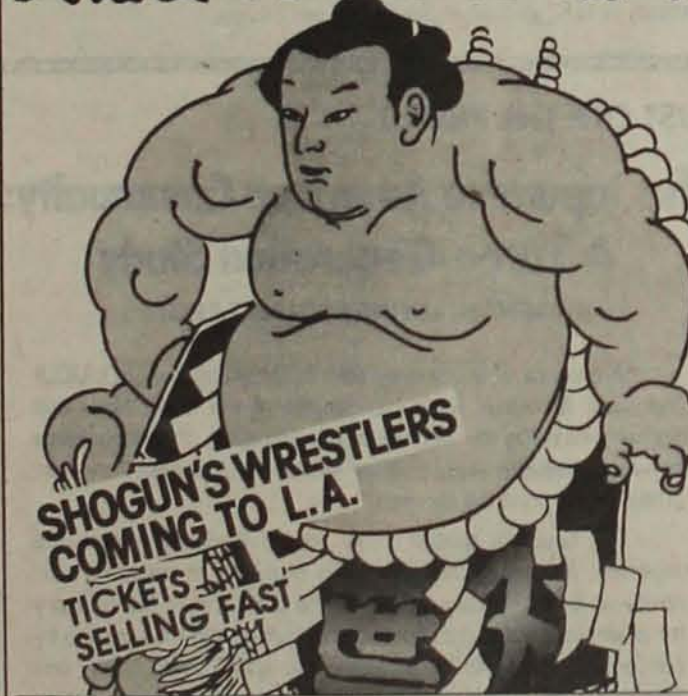
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### Renew JACL Membership

## Bill to extend Voting Rights Act

WASHINGTON—Legislation was introduced in Congress April 7 which would extend the Voting Rights Act for another ten years.

The law, considered to be one of the most effective civil rights acts ever passed, was originally enacted in 1965 to end voter discrimination against blacks in several southern states but was later amended to include provisions

that protect all minorities. The act had been previously extended twice in 1970 and 1975, but faces expiration after Aug. 6, 1982.

The new bill, introduced in the Senate by Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.) and Charles McC. Mathias, Jr. (R-Md.) as SB 895 and in the House by Peter W. Rodino Jr. (D-N.J.) as HR 3112, would provide the following:

—A ten-year continuation of Sec. 5, the pre-clearance provision of the Voting Rights Act. This section requires some counties and states to obtain approval for any changes in voting procedures from the Justice Department or the U.S. District Court in Washington, to ensure non-discrimination toward minorities. Sec. 5 covers Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, half of North Carolina, Alaska and Arizona, as well as parts of 12 other states.

—Also continues the requirement of voting assistance in other languages for seven years, in order to put those provisions on the same time schedule as the pre-clearance provisions of Sec. 5. Bilingual registration and election materials under the current law, are required in areas with at least a 5% non-English speaking minor-

ity that had a voter turnout of less than 50% in the 1972 federal election. This provision affects 464 counties in 27 states.

—Amends Sec. 2 of the Act with respect to standards of evidence for proof of voting discrimination. This amendment would nullify the Supreme Court's 1980 decision in *Mobile v. Bolden* which held that minorities must prove a violation occurred by showing a specific intent to discriminate.

**Literacy Tests Banned**  
The Voting Rights Act of 1965 banned literacy tests in voter registration and Sec. 5 was designed to prevent other forms of discrimination to replace those tests.

When the law was extended in 1975, protection for other language minorities was added. Under the terms of the bill, "language minority" is defined as voters whose native language is not English; this includes Americans of Asian ancestry, American Indians, Alaskan natives and of Spanish descent. This amendment was included after Congress found that language minority citizens in the Southwest and West were subjected to discrimination due to their illiteracy in English.

The JACL Washington Office had participated in the congressional lobbying efforts by the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights to seek the initial passage of the Act, as well as its subsequent renewals.

The introduction of the new bills by Kennedy, Mathias and Rodino has both support and opposition in Congress. Strom Thurmond (R-S.C.), chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, feels the

## NAACP seeks aid to stop discrimination in Hawaii

HONOLULU—The local NAACP chapter decided May 4 to seek "legal and other assistance" from their regional headquarters in California in an effort to resolve the problem of certain Waikiki discotheques which refuse entry to blacks on racial grounds, the decision was made at a fact-finding meeting at Liliha Library here.

According to NAACP Vice President Ira Vanterpool, the Honolulu chapter has received about 35 written complaints in the mail and numerous phone calls since it announced creation of the fact-finding committee.

The complaints allege that blacks were either refused entry altogether, put through a discriminatory dress code or ID card procedures before being let in to the discos.

Although the local chapter will seek systematic methods to stop the discrimination, John Tatum, former director of the local Congress of Racial Equity, urged the NAACP to be more militant in its approach to the problem—and made references to the radical tactics of the 1960s.

current legislation discriminates against Southern states, because of their obligation to report any proposed voting procedure changes to Washington. However, Sen. Daniel Moynihan (D-N.Y.) pointed out to Thurmond that Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx are also covered by this requirement.

The Reagan Administration's position on the extension of the Act appears to be in favor of the bill.

### Press Row

The New York Times in Tokyo April 23 honored Junnosuke Ofusa, 73, for 50 years of service to the newspaper as office manager of the Tokyo bureau. His career began as a copy boy in 1926 at the Japan Advertiser, the U.S.-owned daily then edited by Hugh Byas who was to become the first full-time NYT correspondent at Tokyo in 1930. Ofusa continues at his post and is among the few newspapermen in Japan whose service peaks a half century.

according to Attorney General William French Smith.

## S.F. Nikkei heads Nat'l Eye Institute

BETHESDA, Md.—Jin H. Kinoshita, Ph.D., of San Francisco, was named scientific director of the National Eye Institute (NEI) here last month. NEI is a component of the National Institute of Health and is the primary source of support within the federal government for research on the eye and vision disorders.

Kinoshita is an internationally recognized authority on ocular biochemistry and the metabolism of the lens. He was one of the first investigators to discover a mechanism of cataract formation.

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## Foreign student 'con game' alleged

SAN FRANCISCO, Ca.—A formal complaint was filed by the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) May 7 against a Connecticut-based foreign student exchange operation, which is allegedly engaged in fraudulent activities.

The firm, according to allegations brought forth by the San Diego JACL chapter, solicits substantial sums from foreign students who wish to study in the United States. These sums purportedly cover the cost of room and board from a volunteer host home. However, the volunteer hosts do not receive any fees for their services; and it is believed that the firm pockets the entire amount.

Lorrie Inagaki, JACL legal and program director, has notified the chief prosecutor's office in Connecticut about the company, informed the Japanese consulate on the matter, and filed a complaint directly upon the firm. She also indicated the 112 JACL chapters should be aware of the allegedly deceptive entrepreneurs who may be operating nation-wide, because they supposedly approach Japanese American families to host students from Japan.

James Urata, an administrator at Calif. State College San Bernardino, brought the problem to the attention of San Diego JACL president Masaaki Hironaka in August, 1980, who had been informed by letter that 300 students were brought from Japan to the San Bernardino area in 1977 by the company, which employed individuals to seek out volunteer homes.

Hironaka then warned the PSWDC chapters at its summer quarterly session at San Diego that there was a student placement organization which was "ripping off" students and host families.

Urata also informed Thelma Press, executive director of the San Bernardino Council for International Friendship and Goodwill, who said she was aware of the private profiteers who were taking advantage of both the students and volunteer families. She also expressed concern over the negative impact that any publication of alleged practices would affect the activities of such bonafide and legitimate organizations, such as the American Field Service and Sister City programs. She added other concerns: who is responsible for the health care of students as well as their happiness with the program?

## Japan balloonists plan trip to honor 'balloon bomb' victims

TOKYO—Japanese scientists, calling themselves the Japan Buoyant Aeronautics Group, announced May 8 that they plan to cross the Pacific Ocean by balloon, carrying flowers to commemorate American children killed by bomb-carrying balloons during WW2.

"Unlike other balloon projects, our experiment is for peaceful and scientific use of high-altitude balloons in the future," said Hidemasa Kimura, head of the group.

Kimura added that the balloons his project is developing could be used for future weather observations in outer space, and that the flowers on this yet unscheduled trip will emphasize the peaceful mission of the experiment.

During WW2, the Japanese Imperial Army sent about 6,000 unmanned balloons across the Pacific in 1944. Although most of them

fell harmlessly into the ocean, at least 200 reached North America.

One landed in Bly, Ore., located approximately 50 miles northeast of the Tule Lake Relocation Center. Six Americans picnicking in the area in May, 1945, were killed by one of the balloon-bombs. A wreath was laid at the memorial site for the six victims in 1976 by Sakyo Adachi, who developed the bombs.

### TV story: 'Mariko'

CASPER, Wyo.—An NHK-TV film crew is being dispatched here to shoot portions of "Mariko", a Kunio Yanagida story based on the life of Mariko Terasaki Miller, who lives here. Her diplomat-father, the late Hidenari Terasaki, was in Washington when World War II commenced and repatriated with his Tennessee-born wife and daughter.

## Calendar

● **MAY 23 (Saturday)**  
Riverside—Graduates dnr, 1st Christian Church.  
Seattle—Remedies Forum/Mock Hrgs.  
\* Walnut Grove/Sac'to—Old timers' reunion (2da), W.G. Nihon Gakko; dnr, dance, Sat, 6pm, Sac'to Elks Club.  
\* Palo Alto—Bonsai show, Palo Alto Buddhist Church; Sat, 12n-9pm; Sun: 9:30am-5pm; demo by Ken Sugimoto, 3pm.  
● **MAY 24 (Sunday)**  
Detroit—Gen mtg.  
Puyallup Valley—Cemetery Visitation, Old Tacoma Cemetery, 1:30pm; New Tacoma Cemetery 2:30pm; Summer Cemetery 4pm.  
● **MAY 25 (Memorial Day)**  
Pocatello—Mem sv, Mtnview Cem, 10am.  
● **MAY 26 (Tuesday)**  
PSWDC—Nisei Rlys Comm mtg, J. Retirement Home, 6:30pm.  
Riverside—Ono practice (every Tues), Canyon Crest Bldg 200, 7-8pm.  
● **MAY 28 (Thursday)**  
Sacramento—Gen'l mtg, Nisei Hall, 7:30pm.  
\* San Jose—Sensei Club mtg, Sumitomo Bank, 515 N 1st, 7pm.  
\* Los Angeles—Seinan comm sv ctr ground breaking.  
● **MAY 29 (Friday)**  
Nat'l JACL—Bd & staff mtg, Nat'l Hq, fr Fri 7pm-Sun noon.  
Dayton—World a'Fair festival (3da), Conv Ctr.  
● **MAY 30 (Saturday)**  
Seabrook—Cult Awareness festival, Bridgeton City Park.  
\* Pocatello—Benefit variety show for sr housing project, JACC, 7:30pm.

● **MAY 31 (Sunday)**  
PSWDC/San Fernando Valley—Qtrly sess, 9am; SFVJACC.  
Milwaukee—Graduates dnr, Zorbe's Rest, 4:30pm.  
● **JUNE 3 (Wednesday)**  
West Valley—Bd mtg, JACL Clubhouse, 7:30pm.  
● **JUNE 5 (Friday)**  
Monterey Peninsula—Reno bus trip (return Sun).  
● **JUNE 6 (Saturday)**  
Omaha—Ethnic Festival (2da).  
\* San Jose—Grand sumo matches (2da), Independence High School.  
\* Los Angeles—Retirement mtg, LTSC, 9am.  
● **JUNE 7 (Sunday)**  
Stockton—Schol Award luncheon, Kazan Rest, 1pm.  
● **JUNE 12 (Friday)**  
\* Los Angeles—Carnival (3da), Maryknoll School.  
\* Los Angeles—John Anson Ford Award Luncheon, USC Town & Gown Hall, 12n; Justice Cruz Reynoso, spkr. (Amy Uno Ishii, posthumous honoree).  
● **JUNE 13 (Saturday)**  
\* Los Angeles—Retirement mtg, LTSC, 9am-12n; Dr Hiro Enomoto, spkr.  
\* Los Angeles—Asn Business Assn/Asn Amer Architects-Engrs dnr, Biltmore Bowl, Biltmore Hotel, 7:30pm; Gov Edmund Brown Jr, keynote spkr.  
\* Palo Alto—Peninsula Redress Comm forum, Cubberly High, 7:30pm.  
● **JUNE 14 (Sunday)**  
Fresno—Picnic, Woodward Park.  
Hoosier—Bd mtg, Katsuko Scott res, 7:30pm.  
Monterey Peninsula—Comm picnic, County Fairgrounds.  
Puyallup Valley—Graduates dnr, Poodle Dog Rest, 7pm; Dr Jim Doi, spkr.

## Masuda Memorial Fund to grant awards in community

SEATTLE, Wa.—Members of the Seattle Nikkei community asked Hana Masuda last fall to consider establishing a fund in memory of her husband, the late Dr. Minoru Masuda. Professor of psychology and behavioral sciences at Univ. of Washington, Dr. Masuda demonstrated throughout his lifetime a strong commitment to community service, teaching, administration, and research. To honor his spirit and achievements, the Seattle JACL contributed \$3,000 as seed money, and the Dr. Minoru Masuda Memorial Fund Committee began work under the chairmanship of Donald Kazama.

Hana Masuda holds the honorary chairmanship. Committee members are:

Joanne Fujita, Vera Ing, Tetsuden Kashima, Bob Krisologo, John Laing, Tina Laing, Donna Leonetti, Kiyoshi Masuda, Roy Sakamoto, Karen Seriguchi, Patti Shimomura, and Charles Z. Smith.

Interest from the principal fund will be used to award individuals and organizations in King county for (a) efforts to upgrade the quality of life of racial minorities, with primary emphasis on the Nikkei and Asian communities; (b) significant achievements in publications and in written and electronic media by, for, or about Asian Americans, and (c) creative expressions of the Nikkei and Asian cultural heritage.

Support will also be given to educational forums and to institutions that develop special research and experiential programs for Nikkei students.

### Nikkei police officer awarded medal

SAN FRANCISCO—Police Officer Todd Kawaguchi was one of 33 officers awarded a medal of valor by the San Francisco Police Commission April 8. He was cited for his assistance on July 21, 1980 in apprehending an armed suspect who had been firing shots into parked cars.

Kawaguchi, 25, who joined the SFPD in March 1977, received a

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The committee meets monthly at Hana Masuda's home to develop criteria for awards and to plan small projects. Some 120 people attended a lecture by Roger Daniels at Blaine Memorial Methodist Church, Feb. 17, the committee's first staged event. Daniels is author of "Concentration Camps U.S.A." and "The Decision to Relocate the Japanese Americans".

One future activity will be a campaign to increase donations of papers and oral histories, particularly from Issei, to the Univ. of Washington archives.

Kazama announced at the April 18 Seattle JACL board meeting that the Memorial Fund has reached \$15,000. "But," he said, "much more will be needed to carry out our work." Contributions may be sent to:

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