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JACL youth conference cancelled

SAN FRANCISCO—The 1981 National JACL Youth Convention, scheduled this coming week at UC Irvine (June 22-27), was cancelled at the last minute because of insufficient registration, it was jointly announced by Ron Wakabayashi, national director, and Ron Tajii, conference chair.

The support from parent chapters was just not there to help meet the conference commitment of at least 180 youth delegates being registered so as to submit an 80% housing deposit fee to the University by the June 8 deadline, it was explained.

The cancellation comes on the heel of another JACL youth leadership program this summer being called off last month by its sponsors, the Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific district council. Here, the district expected a modest turnout of 30 youth for a weekend at Asilomar, a popular conference site on Monterey Bay.

Close to 40 had registered by June 8, when the decision was taken to cancel the UC Irvine gathering which had attracted youth from around the country—several signing from Washington, D.C. and a dozen due en masse from Arizona JACL.

Delegates are being individually notified. Registrations will be returned by the PSWDC JACL Office, custodian of the funds. #

U.S. population growth rate dropping, other trends noted

WASHINGTON—While population growth of the United States is dropping and growing older as well, acting director Daniel B. Levine of the Census Bureau declared June 8 at a demographics conference in Ithaca, N.Y., spotlighted other population trends as previously reported.

— More than half (52.3%) of the U.S. population lives in the Western and Southern states.

— The Latinos will continue to increase in numbers during the 1980s. California, Texas and New York have 60% of the Latino population; the Latinos form 19% of California's count.

— About 53% of the nation's blacks live in the South and made a substantial gain of 17% in the 1970s.

— Asian and Pacific Islanders were the most rapidly increasing group in the 1970s, from 1.5 million in 1970 to 3.5 million in 1980. Most of the increase was the result of immigration.

— American Indian, Eskimo and Aleuts increased by 71% to 1.4 million. A third of them live in three states: Arizona, California and Oklahoma.

Most states face Congressional changes

WASHINGTON—Most states, including California, will require major congressional redistricting as a result of the 1980 census, the Census Bureau said June 9.

For the first time, the House of



Special train arrives at Woodland, Ca., station evacuated to the Merced temporary detention camp (Assembly Center) about 125 miles south.

Asian Americans urged to shed 'failure' syndrome

WASHINGTON—Shedding the "fear of failure" syndrome is critical

Grand Tule Lake reunion planned

SACRAMENTO, Ca.—Former residents of the wartime Tule Lake Camp will have their first reunion here over the May 28-31 weekend in 1982. The major banquet is scheduled Saturday, May 29, according to nucleus committee spokesperson Tom Okubo.

cal for Asian Americans if they want to succeed professionally, according to William H. (Mo) Marumoto, president of The Interface Group, Ltd., a national executive recruiting and management consulting firm.

"Asian Americans must go beyond involvement with just our particular ethnic group and strive to become more integrated with the majority and power groups

within our society," he said.

Marumoto's remarks were contained in an address he gave to the Asian and Pacific American Federal Employee Council of the U.S. Department of Justice at an event commemorating Asian American Heritage Week.

Once an Asian American has gone through the several initial stages of acculturating and assimilating into the American environment, "there is a need to make the transition to the mainstream in order to benefit fully in the participation of our society," he said.

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Latino plan redistricts out seat of ex-Assemblyman Bannai

LOS ANGELES—The Californios for Fair Representation, a political group of Latino interests with assistance of the Rose Institute at Claremont Colleges, unveiled a state Assembly reapportionment plan designed to increase current Latino strength from 4 to at least 10.

The proposal presented June 10 protects seats occupied by blacks from the change that might tip them to Latino control by redrawing the district.

By contrast, the seat previously occupied by Republican Paul Bannai of Gardena now held by Democrat Dick Floyd is being "collapsed" by the proposal as would be the adjacent Long Beach district seat held by Republican Dennis Brown. These two seats would be removed in accord with population shifts that will cost the county the loss of two Assembly seats.

While simply creating a heavily Latino district in population does not guarantee a Latino will be elected, the Latino coalition chairman Miguel Garcia of Monterey Park said Latino candidates would be sought and assisted in the 1982 campaign.

Nisei commentary on

Why so many evacuees excused Evacuation

By AMY IWASAKI MASS

The lingering effects of the World War II internment on the mental health of Japanese Americans have not been widely studied. In this introspective article, one internee provides insights into the psychological effects of that experience, a subject needing much more research. Some questions besides those raised by this article can be suggested. Why do some Japanese Americans not talk about their camp experiences, either with each other, their children, or other Americans? Were groups other than the Issei men—which is relatively well documented—psychologically scarred: younger children who had not yet formed a sense of their ethnic identity; women who did not have the emotional outlet of joining an all-Japanese battalion; or even the children of those Japanese American parents who have not—even yet—come to terms with the subjective dilemmas

Pet bill seen as anti-Asian by JACL

SAN FRANCISCO—Opposition to S.B. 49, a bill which would make it a misdemeanor in California to kill domesticated dogs and cats for the purpose of consumption, was expressed by JACL National Director Ron Wakabayashi because of its possible negative impact on local Asians, especially Indochinese refugees.

Wakabayashi stated his concern in a letter June 5 to State Senator Marz Garcia, who introduced the legislation.

Although Wakabayashi did not object to the intent of the bill and shared Garcia's concern to protect domestic pets, the national director felt that it would have an "impact upon the mind-set of the general population" causing the public to incorrectly assume that Indochinese refugees are hunting and consuming domestic pets on a wide scale.

Wakabayashi noted: "Our

cultural aversion to the consumption of pets transfers to those persons that we assume practice such behavior. My fear is that such a transference would bring about the kind of reaction reported in the San Francisco Examiner about the beating of a Chinese man and the spray painting of his home by persons who reacted on these assumptions."

The bill would "create an even larger problem for human beings than the potential good that it may have for domestic pets" noted Wakabayashi, who added, "It concerns me that the bottom line to (this) action has been that the welfare of dogs and cats has had a priority over the welfare of Asian people in California."

Wakabayashi also urged Garcia to consider "alternative ways of protecting dogs and cats that will not harm citizens and residents of California."

Torrance/Gardena housing still faces opposition

TORRANCE, Ca.—The senior citizen housing project of the Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute may again face a blockade formed by local residents who insist that the new, three-story, 100-unit complex would be an "imposition" on the lifestyle of the neighborhood, according to a Los Angeles Times report last week.

After the Torrance City Council reversed a Planning Commission decision against the project on April 14 (PC May 1), residents responded by filing a Los Angeles Superior Court suit to block the project.

They claimed the senior citizen housing, which will include 10 units for handicapped persons, will change the quality of their neighborhood of single family homes on quiet streets.

A resident who lives across from the site, Steve McFerran, is spearheading the local opposition and has formed a group of residents known as Citizens in Action. McFerran believes that the complex will "change the neighborhood drastically with a constant influx of people" and that the limited parking spaces of the project will cause traffic problems for the neighborhood.

McFerran's group sought a temporary restraining order to halt construction of the senior housing, but the Superior Court turned their request down. The group, however, is in the process of appealing.

William Hiroto, JCI executive director, feels that some of the opposition is racially motivated, although the protestors deny this allegation. Hiroto noted that the opposition tried to come up with "any number of arguments against" the project.

The JCI director told the PC that there should not be any parking problem, since the street which the project will be on, 162nd St., was determined by a Gardena traffic engineer to be the "second least-traveled thoroughfare" in the area.

In addition, the protestors attempted to argue that the project does not meet "minimum parking requirements" but Hiroto has countered by noting that the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development would not have approved a \$4.34 million loan to the JCI if it failed to meet all the minimum requirements, parking included.

During the city's planning commission hearings in March, one

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Dates for other CWRIC hearings

Tentative dates for the five other hearings of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC) have been set, it was learned by the PC last week:

LOS ANGELES	Aug. 4-6
SAN FRANCISCO	Aug. 11-13
SEATTLE	Aug. 18-20
CHICAGO	Sept. 1-2
ANCHORAGE	3rd week of Sept.

These dates are subject to change, depending on the confirmation and acquisition of the facilities at each site, by the CWRIC. #

raised by the camp experience? Can anything be done now to alleviate the mental health problems engendered?

I spent three years of my childhood in a concentration camp at Heart Mountain, Wyoming. In recent years I have spent much time and effort studying, recalling, and having feelings about being put away like a war criminal or THE ENEMY when I was six and a half years old.

For a long time, camp was not a difficult subject for me to talk about. For years when people asked me how it was to be put away, I said it was fun for me. I was a child. I was with my parents throughout the whole experience. I met many other Japanese children with whom I became good friends. We played in the snow (something I would not have been able to do as a child in Los Angeles.) My mother and I even got a day's pass to visit Yellowstone National Park with a busload of other camp inmates. Camp was fun.

Somehow however, when I started in psychoanalysis several years ago, I was not able to maintain this solely carefree, happy memory of camp. It started me wondering why so many of us Americans, Japanese and otherwise, were able to rationalize, justify, and deny the injustice and destructiveness of the whole event.

Most Americans don't see Japanese Americans as former

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Redress Reports

Preparations for Testifying Before the Commission (CWRIC)

April 17, 1981

1—Biographical Data: Identify yourself; give brief data (please note the attached Biographical Data form) as to your prewar and present occupation or status, relationship to Evacuation, including camps to which sent. Helpful to note year of birth, to indicate age at time of Evacuation.

2—Written Statement: Develop written statement of the major points you wish to stress as the same relates to the Evacuation, confinement, relocation, or other issues which you wish to raise.

3—Advance Written Copies: Although no assurances can be given that all those who wish to testify will be called upon to do so, it would be most helpful if advance copies of written statements could be submitted to the National JACL Redress Committee, c/o National JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, Ca 94115.

If you do have facilities to make copies, SEND THE ORIGINAL, and copies will be returned to you as well as forwarded by JACL to the Commission (CWRIC). The JACL Redress Committee will make every possible effort to have those individuals wishing to testify be called as witnesses before the CWRIC.

Various Hearing Formats

1—Congressional Committee Procedure: The standard procedure for congressional committee-type hearings will find the commissioners sitting at a dais facing the audience. Witnesses will be called forward in panels of three or four according to agenda schedules and will sit at a table facing the commissioners. Witnesses will be allowed approximately ten minutes each to present their prepared oral statements, after which they may be questioned by the members of the Commission. While a procedural formality may be maintained, the question period will often become less formal.

2—Seminar Structure: A seminar format would create a less formal structure in order to put witnesses at their ease. If this procedure is followed, the commissioners and witnesses (either one at a time or in panels of two or three) will sit at a common table. Witnesses will present their oral testimony and may be questioned by the commissioners.

3—Town Hall Format: It's possible that the hearings may be held in some locations in what is referred to as a "town hall" type of format in which perhaps only one commissioner appears at the hearing and conducts an open mike forum. This format would seem to accommodate the greatest number of community witnesses. It should be noted, however, that this is an unusual format for commission hearings and would probably be used only in a hearing site which has a relatively small community population.

4—Staff Field Survey: A staff field survey may be conducted for those areas not selected as hearing sites. Members of the commission staff would interview members of the community individually or in small groups as a means of gathering testimony. Although this procedure does not have the public impact that a hearing might, all testimony received in field surveys are treated equally by the commission as testimony presented at hearings.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA OF WITNESS

Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians

(1) Name: _____
Address: _____

(2) Phone: _____

(3) Place of birth: _____ (4) Date of Birth: _____

(5) U.S. Citizen: Yes ☐ No ☐ Perm. Resident: Yes ☐ No ☐

Naturalized Citizen: Yes ☐ No ☐

(6) Generation: ☐ Issei, ☐ Nisei, ☐ Sansei, ☐ Yonsei,

☐ Kibei, ☐ Newcomer.

(7) Were you interned during World War II? Yes ☐ No ☐.

If not, please explain: _____

(8) Residence before internment: _____

(9) Occupation before internment: _____

WORLD WAR II INTERNMENT, LOSSES

(10) Assembly Center: _____ Dates: _____

(11) Concentration Camp: _____ Dates: _____

(12) Res. after camp _____ Postwar employment _____

(13) Estimate your monetary losses (or your family's if you were not of age at the time) due to the incarceration:

☐ Less than \$10,000 ☐ \$25,000 - 50,000

☐ \$10,000 - 25,000 ☐ Over \$50,000

☐ Unknown

(14) Nature of the testimony you would like to present, (indicating whether it will be written, oral or both).

(15) Can you suggest others who may wish to testify?

✓ This form may be given to the chapter president or sent immediately to National JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, Ca 94115, (415) 921-5225.

EVACUATION

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concentration camp victims. We do not look scarred, emaciated, or in damaged physical or mental health. We have no numbers tattooed on our arms. Most of us are comfortably employed, well dressed, contentedly affluent examples of a prosperous middle America. We are not, as a group, outwardly angry, bitter, always referring to the horrors of our experience 36 years ago. In fact many former camp residents, if asked about their experience will deny that it was all that bad. They will minimize the negatives and speak of positives that resulted from the whole process.

There is a comfort in this pleasant, non-objectionable way of recalling the mass evacuation of 110,000 Japanese Americans during World War II. If we can lull ourselves into believing the propaganda of the 1940s we can feel safe in the care of a benevolent, protective Uncle Sam. We were told that we were being put away for our own safety, so that we could be protected from the hostile prejudice of Americans caught up in war hysteria. We were told this was a patriotic sacrifice necessary for national security. After all, should the enemy land on the West Coast, there could be Japanese American spies who would help the enemy. We did not know that in October, 1941, President Roosevelt had ordered a highly secret intelligence-gathering investigation that certified a remarkable degree of loyalty among the Japanese on the West Coast and in Hawaii (Michi Weglyn, *Years of Infamy* [New York: William Morrow and Company, 1976], p. 34).

By believing the propaganda, we felt virtuous that we helped the war effort. We bought war bonds, pledged allegiance to our government, and obediently and cooperatively followed orders to be incarcerated. We ignored the fact that in the camps surrounded by barbed wire to protect us from the dangerous American public, the weapons of the armed soldiers in the sentry towers were pointed in toward us, not outward to the vast deserts, wildernesses, or swamp lands that surrounded the various camps. We denied the dehumanizing, depersonalizing effects of being a number in the WRA files as families were assigned to live in one room in a series of barren, poorly insulated barracks; our almost painful need for personal modesty and privacy stripped away in public toilets and showers; cohesiveness and controls of individual family units lost in the mass meal settings of the public mess halls.

The Evacuation was a painful, traumatic stress experience. It had a tremendous repressive, oppressive impact on the socio-psychological character of the Japanese Americans. Why then have so many Japanese Americans rationalized it, excused it,



Amy I. Mass

CWRIC adds 3 to staff

WASHINGTON—Three new appointments to the CWRIC staff were announced by spokesperson Gregory King last week. They are Donna J. Komure of Tacoma, Wa. to the legal department; Donna Sugioka of Walnut Creek, Ca. and Aiko Herzog-Yoshinaga of Falls Church, Va. to the research department.

More witnesses sought for L.A., S.F. hearings

SAN FRANCISCO—With the West Coast hearings drawing near, the JACL National Committee for Redress is requesting that more witnesses step forward to offer their testimony before the CWRIC, particularly in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Since these two cities are among the sites for the hearings, it is important that as many witnesses as possible offer their written and, possibly, their oral testimony to the commission.

Redress Fund

SAN FRANCISCO—Some omissions were noted in the last JACL acknowledgement of \$67,000 (June 12 PC) raised by the chapters toward the JACL National Redress Committee fund, Dr. Clifford Uyeda said. The individual chapters have turned in the following amounts to JACL Headquarters as of May 15:

Portland, \$1,936; Puyallup Valley, \$766 (not \$266) with another \$300 en route.
May 15-June 11 report: White River Valley, \$400; San Francisco, \$280; Reno, \$200 and Salinas Valley \$200.

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This is addressed to all Asian American high school and college graduates of 1981, so parents, give this to your son or daughter if they're in this category:

Some of you are probably geared up for summer vacation, perhaps you may be reading this while waiting in line for such escapist fare as "Raiders of the Lost Ark," "History of the World, Part I" or "Superman II." Others may be passing time on the beach here in California, or doing time with a summer job.

You college grads are getting ready to enter your new careers (unless you're still searching) and preparing for the "real world."

Those of you who will be entering college this fall have a lot to look forward to, since these years can be one of the most rewarding experiences one can have (even though it may be a little rough at first). New friends and attitudes will be made, and perhaps, a new sense of maturity will be realized.

These are, as always, important times for all of you, since your knowledge and skills are sorely needed in this country, which has been having its share of international tension, domestic problems and apathy, along with, in some ways, a false sense of complacency.

Here in Southern California alone, there are many issues which Asian American youths should be aware of: Michael Woo's recent defeat in a city council race to an opponent who employed questionable, subliminally and racist tactics; Carole Fujita's long battle with sex and racial discrimination in the L.A. County Health Department, which finally ended in, at least, a partial victory; and the attempts of some Torrance res-

idents to block the Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute's senior housing project, again, with racial implications involved.

Asian American youths should certainly keep up with what's going on in this country—the situation may not be as drastic as it sounds, but it isn't something you can just ignore.

Good luck to all of you entering new chapters in your lives. And most of all, always be proud of who you are, since so many of your predecessors struggled so valiantly to pass the torch on to you. #



NISEI WEEK QUEEN CONTESTANTS — Nine candidates vie for Miss Nisei Week in Los Angeles. They are (from left): standing—JoAnn Hiromi Wada, Twin County Optimist Club; Angela Kato, East Los Angeles JACL; Patricia Gehr, Gardena Valley JACL; Frances Shima, Suburban Optimist Club; Leslie Matsuo, San Fernando Valley JACCC; seated — Sandra Yoshimura, South Bay JACL; Kelly Morikawa, Pan Asian JACL; Stannyvonne Oishi, Citrus Valley Optimist Club; and Diane Hiram, West Los Angeles JACL. The 1981 coronation ball is slated at Disneyland Hotel, Saturday, Aug. 8. For information, the Nisei Week office (213-687-7193) is currently open 4:30-6 p.m., Tue. & Fri. only.

Fujita luncheon raises \$7,000

GARDENA, Ca.—The "Friends of Carole Fujita" benefit chow mein luncheon successfully drew more than 500 persons June 7 at the Gardena Buddhist Church, with another 700 take-out lunches sold, it was announced by Irene Hirano, chairperson of the Support Committee for Carole Fujita.

The luncheon, sponsored by the Gardena supporters of the Committee, raised an estimated \$7,000, which will help defray the legal costs in Fujita's successful discrimination suit against the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services.

A previous luncheon held Jan. 18 at Little Tokyo Towers in Los Angeles had raised an estimated \$10,000 for Fujita's legal battle.

Fujita won her bid for a promotion April 6 from the Health

Yasui, Baker on TV

LOS ANGELES—As part of "First Amendment Month" on television station KNXT (2), Minoru Yasui, JACL National Redress Committee chair, and Lillian Baker are scheduled to debate the issue of redress and the decision to send Japanese Americans to concentration camps during World War II on the show "2 With You" June 28.

Hoff Gen. Hosp. reunion

LOS ANGELES—Whereabouts of 7 of the 23 Nisei GIs stationed pre-war at Hoff General Hospital, Santa Barbara, are being sought for an upcoming reunion. Call Mas Okumura (213-397-3126) or Bill Inouye (291-5825), 4249 McClung Dr., Los Angeles, Ca 90008.

Summer ikebana

LOS ANGELES—Shinryoku Sana-da, senior professor of the Ikenobo School, will teach two ikebana classes at the summer program of Barnsdall Arts & Craft Center Thursday morning and Friday evening starting July 2.

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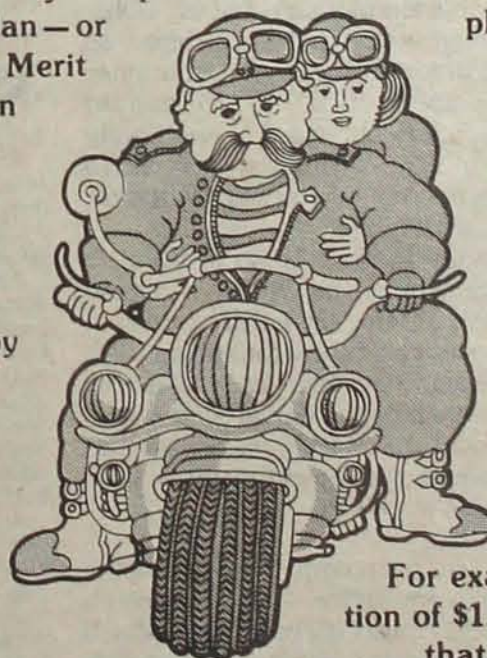
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Joy & Woe

June is the traditional month for youthful joy and for us this particular June, 1981, was marked with joy but also unfortunately its opposite: woe. It all began June 3 at the Hollywood Bowl where our daughter Patricia's class held its graduation (past acting national director J.D. Hokoyama, also in the audience, assured us our friends wouldn't mind us showing our elation in the PC).

It was a rare evening sitting in one of the boxes down front at this well-known locale for fine music to witness two files of young women in white, each carrying a bouquet of long-stemmed red roses, march down the aisle to the organ strains of Elgar's Pomp & Circumstance (I recall the same rendered by the school orchestra at our high school commencement); enjoy the lone valedictory speech and an address by Charles Champlin, L.A. Times book critic and arts editor (his fourth daughter Nancy was among the 108 graduates comprising the 75th class from Immaculate Heart High School), who hoped the girls would pick up a book henceforth for the sheer joy of reading and not for grades or a book report. He did admit it was a double joy with him since he is paid to read and report on books. The line we remember from his address bears repeating: "Reading is the link with the past, present and future."

Our special joy, of course, was to hear Patty play her flute on the stage of Hollywood Bowl, as accompaniment to a trio singing "Watching the River Run", before an audience we estimated to be around 2,500. May she never forget the experience.

An equally joyous occasion has a JACL angle, a connection to which, I'm sure, many other families can relate. We are now related by marriage to the Vernon T. Yoshiokas of San Diego. Susan Iwataki, my wife's second cousin, and Vernon's stepson, Charles Bender, were married on the 6th. For a change, Vernon and I were talking about non-JACL matters ... our friendship stems from roots in JACL. Vernon's dad, Giichi, was Eden Township delegate at the national conventions when we attended them as delegate from the Downtown L.A. chapter in the late '40s and early '50s. Vernon, after finishing college, found a job in the San Diego aeronautics industry and now his roots are entwined with a pioneer Chula Vista family—the Yonekuras ... The more interesting aspect, however, comes by looking at this connection the other way. Vernon's ties go back over a century when his great-grandmother's father, Gohachiro Namura, was an interpreter with the first Japanese Embassy to Washington in 1860. His great-grandfather Tsurukichi Tanaka first came to the U.S. in 1867 as a lad of 18, a cabin boy on an American vessel — and finally settling in San Francisco in 1887. All this makes Vernon a fortyish Rokusei (sixth-generation) if you start with 1860, or a Gosei (fifth-generation) if it's 1887.

This story was unraveled by Yas Abiko in his 1977 Nichibei Times New Year supplement. We have in mind to retell this epic in full as a PC Holiday Issue feature.

June also holds other joyous pastimes: the annual Nisei Relays at Santa Ana College, where this year we had our drenching of vitamin D-sunshine the day after the wedding mentioned above, and the Maryknoll School carnival the following weekend, conveniently splicing the production routines for this week's PC.

But the unexpected woe of the month—and it's not the major league baseball players' strike—was the cancellation of the National JACL Youth Conference scheduled through next week at UC Irvine because not enough applicants had registered in time for JACL to come up with an 80% housing deposit on 180 people anticipated for what was going to be the final separate, national youth convention. Hereafter, the youth will meet as JACLers at the biennial national conventions—in 1982 at Gardena and in 1984 at Honolulu. Hindsight doesn't help at all except to note that the rest of us let the youth down on this one. Maybe the youth can convene at UC Irvine in '82—it'll beat staying with the adults at Hyatt International by LAX.

Letterbox

● Clippings Welcome

Editor:

What prompted me to write were these two clippings in yesterday's (June 6) Nevada State Journal: (1) the top editorial, "Repairs Needed", calling for strengthening U.S.-Japan understanding (despite the furor in Japan of the accidental sinking of a Japanese ship by U.S. submarine which did not attempt to rescue any survivors and former Ambassador Reischauer's statement that nuclear weapons had passed through Japanese territorial waters contrary to Japanese understanding and wishes and situation in America against import of Japan-made automobiles) and (2) the AP story about the difficulties endured by American GIs stationed and living with their families on Okinawa—one of the most expensive places to live.

I know JACL policy is not to take sides in politics and the PC has reflected those wishes but these pieces are refreshing in that they are written fairly and without prejudice. We thought you would be interested.

FRED AOYAMA
Reno, Nev.

Clippings are always welcome, especially the editorials. No doubt, newspapers will probably comment on the upcoming redress hearings as a contemporary issue deserving of comment. These would be of particular interest.—Ed.

● WW2 hostages

Editor:

Could you tell us the source and exact wording suggesting that Peruvian Japanese and American Japanese, in WWII concentration camps, were going to be used as "prisoners of war" exchange for American and other allied nationals held by the Japanese government?

Would it be possible to print this in the Pacific Citizen? I questioned a prominent JACL person who said that he had never heard of this consideration.

FRANK M. TAKAHASHI
Huntington Beach, Ca.

Some information on the possibility of a "barter" system during WW2, i.e., the exchange of persons of Japanese ancestry in North and South America for Americans held captive by the Japanese Imperial Forces, can be found in Michi Weglyn's "Years of Infamy" (William Morrow and Co., 1976, \$6.95 ppd.) Chap. 2, pp. 54-63.—Editor.

Whereabouts

Wally Mark, 3607 Oregon Dr., Santa Rosa, Ca 94505, is seeking the whereabouts of his classmate from the 1934 graduating class, Thomas Shimazaki, of Galileo High, San Francisco. A retired Air Force officer and more recently a Sonoma county employee who retired in 1979, Mark may also be reached by phone: 707-546-7299.

35 Years Ago

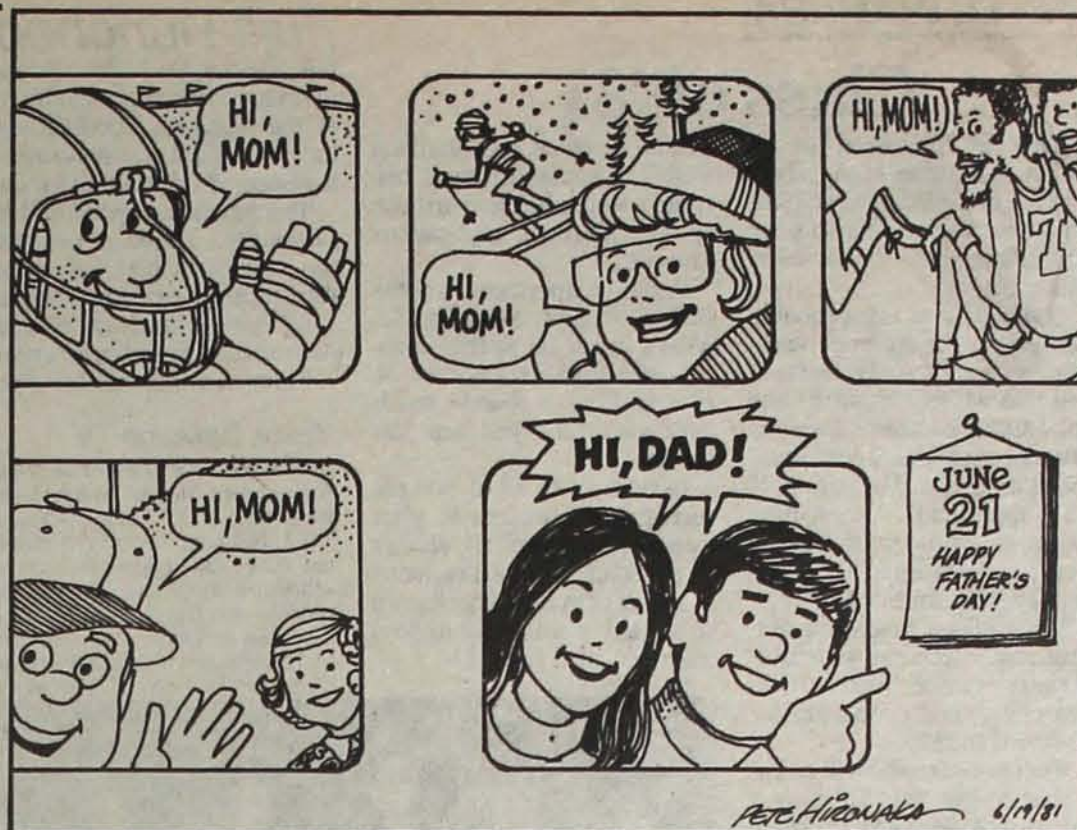
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June 8—Nisei MIS exploits cited as a major factor in penetrating enemy secrecy, Army Col. John Anderson reveals to San Francisco audience.

June 10—Lt. Col. V.R. Miller, 442nd commanding officer, hails combat record of his troops in farewell message at Leghorn, Italy. (Miller joined the 442nd in 1943 while it was in training at Camp Shelby, assumed command in France in 1944.) ... War Dept. announces 442nd RCT due to return to U.S. July 8; "low point" GIs to be transferred to other U.S. occupation troops in Europe ... Major Nisei groups in New York plan for gala 442 welcome.

June 14—Gen. Eisenhower and Admiral Nimitz praise Nisei GIs at White House ceremony when they met two Nisei amputees: Wilson Makabe (now of Reno) and Terumi Kato, Honolulu. (The Nisei veterans had met with President Truman the previous day.)

June 15—UC Berkeley announces extensive research on Evacuation and Resettlement Study to be published in two volumes ("The Spoilage", the first volume, deals with the "disloyal" Nisei, embittered by longtime rejection and final expulsion by Evacuation, beset



Pete Hirabayashi 6/19/81

Asian Americans urged not to fear failure

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Marumoto stressed that this is going to require going beyond involvement with one single ethnic group and looking for ways to "become more integrated with the majority and power groups within our society."

"This means involvement not just in a professional sense, but socially, culturally and economically. We must learn to mix business with pleasure. How else are the decision makers going to get to know you?" he said.

Decision Makers

He pointed out that in the "real world" the decision makers are white males.

Marumoto asked Asian Americans to "remember that working your way into the mainstream will require a price, but the rewards are great. It will take energy, effort, sacrifice, plus lots of risk taking. That's the price of leadership! In both the private and public sectors at the higher levels we must be willing to play 'hard ball.'"

He also stressed the importance of an awareness of the "politics" involved.

"If you want to succeed, you must be prepared to step on a few toes as you move up. This will create controversy, but then this is not necessarily a negative factor. One thing I would stress is, Asian Americans have got to rid themselves of the 'fear of failure' syndrome. My feeling is, that it is better to have tried and failed than never to have tried at all."

Some of the steps Marumoto suggests taking include getting politically active at the grass roots level and joining professional organizations, trade associations and other groups such as the PTA, alumni group, school board or county commission.

English Language Skills

Professionally, Marumoto feels it is important for Asian and Pacific Americans to improve their English language skills.

"It has been my observation that many Asian Americans working in the corporate sector are basically technically oriented. That is, they know a lot about mathematics, engineering, the sciences and computers, but are unable to break out of the middle plateau."

It is necessary, Marumoto believes, "to develop management skills instead of hanging back and not assuming leadership roles when offered."

"You must strategize and position yourself so that you will be recognized when the opportunity arises. I think most of us will agree

that Asian Americans as a group are well prepared and some of us are experts in our fields, but then if nobody knows about it, you will never be called upon."

Concluding his remarks, Marumoto said, "In essence what I am saying is that in order to get ourselves into the mainstream, we need to acknowledge that we are really no different than anyone else just because we happen to be Asian Americans."

"I've said to try to reach the decision makers, the white males. That admonition is not for us alone. It is reality for anyone in this world who desires to get ahead."

"In other words, we must put ourselves in the right place at the right time."

BY THE BOARD: by Henry Sakai

Monku, But ...

Contrary to reports in the Rafu Shimpō last month, JACL membership is not 40% below last year. As of May 31, we (National JACL) are at 77.67% of the 1980 membership of 29,090 with seven months remaining and if more chapters would complete its membership drive, we might exceed the 1980 figure, especially with the interest created by Redress.

JACL continues to have a tight budget, even though expenditures have been running slightly below the budgeted amounts—thanks to the conscientious effort of the staff and former treasurer George Kodama, the very dedicated and hard-working individual who implemented fiscal control into the organization.

If we achieve a balanced budget this year, he deserves much of the credit.

However, now we must seek income from other than membership dues since we need to provide a budget for programs as well as build a reserve so that it isn't a hand-to-mouth existence. Some plans have already been initiated in the fund raising area.

Hopefully, President Jim Tsujimura's trip to Japan will start to bear fruit by next year.

Wills and trust is another area in which JACL is seeking funds.

A pledge system has been implemented so that those who would like to help JACL above their regular membership can pledge support.

Many people feel that JACL is always coming back for more. In a sense that's true since it does take a lot of money to operate a national organization.

However, there are many volunteers in JACL who donate hundreds of hours of their time in addition to many hundreds of dollars out of their own pockets.

There are volunteers and officers at all levels (chapter, district and national).

In addition, staff people give many free hours as well as out of pocket expenses.

JACL needs your involvement but if you don't have the time, please support us if you can with your pledges—the responses to the recent letters have been coming in very well, we hasten to add.

Other ways the members can help without spending a lot of time is by asking friends and relatives to join or mention to others that giving to JACL by will or trust can be beneficial to both parties.

Hopefully by seeking other ways of income, we will not have to depend on a dues increase each year.

For those who criticize JACL—I have been critical of JACL the past 10 years as anyone, but I also believe in helping to do something about it—so, please give JACL a chance & help improve the organization.



FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa

Passin's Japanese and the Japanese

Denver, Colo.

In passing several weeks ago, I mentioned a book "Japanese and the Japanese," by Herbert Passin, a distinguished American scholar, published by Kinseido last year. Now, having read it, I must say it provides some marvelous and witty insights into the idiosyncracies of the Japanese language and the Japanese character. It is "must" reading for those interested in learning more about Japan and the Japanese.

He tells us, for example, how perfectly good Japanese words are being displaced by words of foreign origin due in large part to Japanese fascination with the West. Words like "strawberries," "fruits," "rice," "herring," "tragic," "food," "floor," and literally thousands of others have become part of the Japanese language.

Passin writes that he studied one issue of the Yomiuri, a mass circulation newspaper, and by rough count found more than 1,300 different foreign words. And in one issue of the intellectual Bungei Shunju magazine, he gave up counting foreign words after reaching 7,000 or an average of more than 15 per page. "The foreign loanword

dictionary I recently picked up," he notes, "which deliberately excludes specialized and technical vocabularies, lists 25,000."

Passin finds the Japanese ability to invent words by combining foreign expressions extraordinarily creative. "This development is," he says, "to my mind, one of the most interesting things that is happening to the Japanese language. A classical example of the process is the word *aru-saro*. If we spell it out fully, it is "arbeit-salon," that is the German word "arbeit" plus the French word "salon," both abbreviated for convenience in handling. In this Japanese form, no foreigner would recognize the phrase.

"But if we explained its composition and then asked him to guess its meaning, he would very likely say that it means a work place, or something like a working studio. "Arbeit" means "work" and "salon" means a room for artistic work, receptions or showings. There is no way our hypothetical foreign speaker could ever guess that this phrase means a night club where the hostesses work part-time unless he happened to know that the word "arbeit" has been appropriated not for any and every kind of work, but exclusively for side work or a side job. One can call this a corruption or a degradation of German

and French; I could call it imaginative."

Passin examines in some detail popular Japanese euphemisms for sex and the language of profanity. Much of it is somewhat too earthy or racy for reproduction in a family newspaper, so you'll have to read it for yourself in the book. However, he makes one very pertinent observation: Foreign words which would be vulgar and unacceptable in polite society in their native lands don't have the same connotation when used in Japan so that American words that might appear only on building-side graffiti in the slums are used quite openly in polite and mixed Japanese society.

Perhaps the chapter most revealing about Japanese thought processes has to do with the seeming inability to say, flat out, no. For example, it takes a while for foreigners, even Nisei with a reasonable command of Japanese, to understand the meaning of *Sore wa muzukashii desu ne*. Literally, it means "That's very difficult, isn't it." But in reality it may be a "no" signal. Let me wind up with this quotation from Passin:

"I have recently heard the argument that the fact that *chigaimasu* (it's different) and *machigai desu* (you are mistaken) sometimes mean the same thing shows how conformist the Japanese people are: they regard something 'different' as being 'wrong' ... Using this kind of reasoning one could just as well argue that speakers of English are even more conformist: the word 'wrong', which means 'incorrect', also means a 'sin'—as, for example, 'he has committed a great wrong,' ergo English speakers consider that a mistake is a sin."



EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani

The Great Nikkei Novel

Philadelphia

I'VE OFTEN THOUGHT that somewhere "out there" there must be the unknown Nikkei novelist who is possessed with burning compassion, piercing perspective and masterful command of the King's English to be able to weave a gripping saga of what befell

his (her) people in the United States in 1942. The vast panorama of practically unbridled power on the one hand—the President, his advisers, the opportunistic politicians at various levels, the weakness of some justices of the Supreme Court, the role of some leaders in the Western Hemisphere (Canada, Peru, etc.), the generals asserting carte blanche powers in the hysteria—marshaled against the lives and fortunes of a Japanese American family. And in between, the protests of the voices of sanity and morality, such as some church groups and individuals, drowned out by the lynch-mob jingoism of self-proclaimed superpatriots. Cast in an everyday, personal level, it could be a compelling novel.

SUCH A NOVEL, in my view at least, cannot be judgmental; it may not be moralistic. Moral judgments, if any, must be left to the reader. Rather, the account should be unreservedly objective, cast in human terms—human pathos, human weakness, human strength—in the lives of individual characters to whom

the reader can relate.

I HAVE NO idea what it takes to be a novelist, particularly an outstanding one. Whether it be James Michener's "Tales of the South Pacific" or Lady Murasaki's "Tales of Genji," or even Mickey Spillane's writings (which I've not read, but may do so one of these days just to find out, if I can, why his offerings have appeal)—I have absolutely no clue for their appeal. I only know whether I enjoyed a book or not. (I once started, with considerable reservation, reading an ancient account of the Persian War—one of the earliest, full history in the Western world of an account of a long campaign—and found that I couldn't put the book [Xenophon's "Anabasis"] down and was sorry when the book ended. To this day, I don't understand why or how that book gripped this comic-reading mentality.)

THERE ARE, HOWEVER, at least two precepts of good writing, particularly a worthwhile book, that even I recognize: first, a

compelling desire to write and, second, a lot of dedicated, arduous work. (Certainly not of the superficial, low level "hacking" appearing in the "East Wind.") The versatile "Billy" Rose—secretary and confidante to financier Bernard Baruch, songwriter and showman—when he decided to become a popular song-writer, started out by dissecting popular tunes of his day and then systematically analyzing the ingredients. From there he started writing, ultimately achieving success. I'm not at all sure, however, that such an approach will work in writing the Great American Novel.

THE AUTHOR OF "Gone With The Wind," Margaret Mitchell (d. 1949), was able to come up with her epic novel even though she was unknown. She won the Pulitzer Prize at age 37 for her work. I've forgotten how long she worked on her book, but I know it was many years. Perhaps there is, today, some Nikkei working on his (her) book on the epic of the Japanese Americans; if so, I hope to be around to read it so that my wondering and my search will be ended.

SPEAKING OUT:

Inner and Outer Meanings

By GRAYCE UYEHARA

Philadelphia JACL

Why Redress? To free ourselves, Japanese Americans need to address the redress issue as the most important issue facing us today.

The Issei came to this hostile land and through their struggles and suffering established a proud legacy on which we must continue to build. The Nisei and Sansei, different from the Issei, now have the education, financial base, community/societal contacts, political awareness and experience to be able to take the necessary risks. We can no longer continue with "business as usual" if we are to grow and to take responsibility to help our society to be a better place for all Americans. In another word, Redress is our "giri" to responsibly right a wrong from the past. If we had remained silent, we were taking the easier path. We must again experience the pain to bring truth and justice. This time the struggle to free ourselves is our own choice and our own destiny so that those who follow us will have due process and equal justice before the law. History has taught us that nothing changes unless people make them happen. If we continue to be silent it will be our own shame and tragedy.

We again ask for support for our own cause. The Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians will have hearings during the summer months, possibly from July through to October so that the Commission can complete its report by early 1982.

Without a doubt as soon as the hearings are started there will be repercussions. There will be spillover from our economic malaise and the issue of Japan - U.S. trade conflict. What will be our response to people, many of whom may need to be enlightened?

Japanese Americans need to rethink their role, become involved and support the redress program.

This is our dream that all men shall be free
This is our creed we'll live in loyalty
God help us rid the land of bigotry
That we may walk in peace and dignity.

—Marion Tajiri

EVACUATION

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appeared to accept it without anger or pain?

I believe we used the psychological defense mechanisms of repression, denial, and rationalization to keep from facing the truth. The truth was that the government we trusted, the country we loved, the nation to which we pledged loyalty betrayed us, had turned against us. Our natural human feelings of rage, fear, and helplessness were turned inward and buried. Experiencing and recognizing betrayal by a trusted source leads to a deep depression, a sense of shame, a sense of being an inferior person. It was too painful to see that the government was not helping us but was in fact acting against us. It was more tempting and easier to believe the propaganda and rationalizations of the American government and defend ourselves against the truth. Like the abused child who still wants his parent to love him and hopes to be loved and accepted by acting right, the Japanese American chose the cooperative, obedient, quiet American facade to cope with an overtly hostile, racist America.

The Japanese term *gaman*, which is the use of emotional self-restraint in the face of hardship, is an important cultural value. Repressing feelings of rage, fear, hopelessness and stoically facing daily tasks and responsibilities helped the Japanese survive many hardships of the camp experience.

For the Japanese, self-esteem is highly dependent on how others see you. To show weakness, inadequacies, is *mittomonai*. This expression is used to point out "shame on you", "you are disgusting", "you are unacceptable". To admit that we were hated, as if we were the enemy, by the America we tried so hard to be a part of, was so painfully unacceptable to us, we denied the harsh facts even as we were going through the actual experience of evacuation and rejection.

It was obvious we were interned because of our race. Being from a country that was a wartime enemy was not the only reason for our removal from our homes. After all, the Germans and Italians were not evacuated en masse. I think there was the unspoken assumption that there was something wrong with us because we were Japanese. Along with this was the hope that if we were more like white Americans, less obviously Japanese in our habits, manners, and customs, we would be more acceptable to other Americans. We tried to be quiet and hardworking, drawing as little attention to our being Japanese as possible. We tried to prove we were 110% patriotic Americans with accomplishments such as those achieved by the 442nd Battalion, the all Japanese American fighting unit that was the most decorated unit in World War II.

The problem is that acceptance by accommodation exacts a high price. It is at the expense of the individual's sense of true selfworth. What is sacrificed is the individual's own self-acceptance. It places an exaggerated emphasis on surface qualities like a pleasant non-offensive manner, neat grooming and appearance, nice homes, new cars, well-behaved children.

Though we may be seen by others as model Americans, we have paid a tremendous price for this acceptance.

Even this hard-won acceptance is on shaky foundations. Any serious threat of economic competition from Japan brings out "remember Pearl Harbor" attitudes among many segments of the American public. We still fool ourselves trying to believe we gain true acceptance by accommodation. The Evacuation was such a devastating experience, Japanese who were interned will spend all of their lives trying to get over the experience. It will never be okay. It has left a permanent scar. It could still happen again.

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CCDC recognizes scholars

FRESNO, Ca.—Recipients of the 1981 scholarships and citizenship awards presented by the JACL Central California District Council were announced by District Governor Tony Ishii. They were:

\$250 California First Bank Scholarship—Lisa Diane Takata, Mt. Whitney High School, Visalia, daughter of Mrs. Julie Takata. She was Tulare County JACL representative on the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans program, a delegate to Girls State, Student Representative representing seven secondary schools to the Visalia Unified School District Board, and a member of the Visalia Board of Education Advisory Board Committee. She was also editor-in-chief of the school newspaper, and a CSF Life Member. She plans to enroll at USC and major in Public Affairs.

\$200 CCDC-JACL Scholarship—Barbara Jane Katayama, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sho Katayama of Orosi, is a CSF Life Member and was student body president of Orosi High School this year. She plans to attend UC Davis and major in pre-med.

\$200 CCDC-JACL Scholarship—Gene Sekiya, son of Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Sekiya, of Bullard

High, Fresno, and son of Mr. and the Fresno JACL on the PCYA; recipient of the \$400 Fresno JACL's Freshman Scholarship. He was co-editor of the yearbook, and president of the Asian Club and is well known for his origami demonstrations and exhibits. He plans to enroll at UC Berkeley or CSU-Fresno.

Issei Memorial Scholarship—Alice Shimada, daughter of Hisao Shimada, first in her class at McLane High, Fresno, is a CSF Life Member. She plans to enroll at UC San Diego for computer science.

CCDC-JACL Citizenship Achievement plaques (for excellence in scholarship, citizenship, leadership and service) to:

Michael Kitamura, Hoover High, Fresno and son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Kitamura, an outstanding musician and student. He has been a member of the Fresno Philharmonic since 1973 and has been named to the Fresno-Madera Honor Orchestra and the All State Honor Orchestra.

Kenneth Ikemiyama, Reedley High School, son of Dr. and Mrs. James Ikemiyama, an Eagle Scout and active in the Jr. YBA. He is a CSF Life Member and plans to enroll in pre-dental studies at CSU-Fresno.

Shirley Matsuzaki, Reedley High School, daughter of Mrs. Mae Matsuzaki, is a CSF Life Member, on the varsity swim team and was a PCYA participant.

Seven Chicago prep graduates honored

The 1981 Chicago JACL scholarship luncheon was held at Heiwa Terrace in May. Scholarships were presented to:

Tahei Matsunaga Scholarship—Sharon Akiko Kikuta, Lane Tech High, daughter of M/M Noboru Kikuta.

Takao Nakao Scholarship—Dean Monma, Loyola Academy, son of M/M David Monma.

Nisei Post 1183 Award—Mary Ellen Sekiya, Lane Tech, daughter of M/M George Sekiya.

Japanese American Assn. Award—Eric Kawamoto, Lane Tech, son of M/M Roy Kawamoto, ranked 1 out of 977.

Chicago JACL Scholarship—Frances Akiko Aburano, Immaculate High, daughter of M/M Kiyoharu Aburano.

Dr. Thomas Yatabe Scholarship—Roger Nozaki, Lyons Twp. High, son of M/M Michio Nozaki.

PCYA scholar recognition—Paul Sato, Senn High, son of M/M George Sato.

Fremont honors local grads at luncheon

Fremont JACL's annual graduates luncheon was held May 31 at Massimo's Restaurant with L. Stacy Cole, professor of history at Oh-

lone College as guest speaker. Two students were honored with scholarships:

JACL-Calif. First Bank-Sumitomo Bank Award—(\$100) Susan Immisch, Mission San Jose High, daughter of M/M George Immisch, a CSF life member, planning to continue at UC Davis in engineering.

JACL-Joseph Kato Memorial Scholarship—(\$250)—Scott M. Hashimoto, Washington High, son of Dr. and Mrs. Walter Hashimoto, a CSF life member, is entering Univ. of Pacific as a pre-dental major under the Freshman Honors Program. He was Eden JACL-JAY's president in 1980 and active with the So. Alameda Jr. YBA.

Salinas school board seats vacant

Salinas Valley JACLers hope a JACLer might consider running for one of three vacancies due at the end of the year on the local Alisal Elementary School District board, the chapter board was informed by Tei Dacus at the May 19 meeting. The election is scheduled for November.

JACL has been requested also to be represented on the advisory board to local radio station KUBO, which features foreign-language programs.

San Gabriel Valley honors 7 scholars

WEST COVINA, Ca.—The San Gabriel Valley JACL awarded the 1981 scholarships to seven scholars at their various high schools last month. They were:

\$200 David Ito Memorial Scholarship—Diana Masuzumi, Baldwin Park High; \$100 scholarships—Joyce Endo, Los Altos High (Hacienda Heights), daughter of Tom and Marian Endo; Paul Hara, South Hills High, son of Rev. and Mrs. Bill Hara of Covina; Lynn Kumagai of Rowland High, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kumagai; Randall Hayashi, Los Altos High, son of Mrs. Shirley Hayashi of Hacienda Heights; Karilynn Oki, Pioneer High, daughter of Takashi and Beverly Oki of Whittier and Anne Imahara, Rowland High, daughter of Paul and Kazuko Imahara of Rowland Heights.

Records of Paul Hara, Joyce Endo and Lynn Kumagai have been submitted to National JACL for national awards.

The East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center augmented the chapter's scholarship fund with a \$300 donation. Winners will be introduced at the 33rd annual community center picnic June 14 at Pomona Fairgrounds.

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Placer County presents three \$200 awards

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Naomi Tomita, 17, daughter of Tom and Sayoko Tomita, Loomis, a June graduate of Del Oro High, plans to enter Sierra College this fall as a business major, seeking a career as a Certified Public Accountant.

Wayne Yasutaka Nakamoto, 17, son of Mas and Josefina Nakamoto, Newcastle, of Placer Union High, and plans to enter Sierra College this fall as an engineering major.

Kent Alan "Butch" Kawamoto, 17, son of Tak and June Kawamoto, Loomis, of Del Oro High, a computer engineering major, has already been accepted by UC Berkeley college of engineering. Butch participated in the PCYA program in Washington, D.C., last February under Placer JACL sponsorship.

—ROY YOSHIDA

Placer County Area JACL Redress Committee held a community-wide meeting on the upcoming Commission hearings, June 12, at the Placer Buddhist Church hall in Penryn. Frank Kageta, area redress chairman, presided.

Sonoma County 'Chaya' set July 27-Aug. 28

SANTA ROSA, Ca.—The Sonoma County JACL's "Chaya" concession at the Sonoma County Fair July 27-Aug. 28 is being chaired by Fred Yokoyama (545-9424), who

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Other chapter events this summer include the annual picnic June 28 at the Howarth Park gazebo area and support of the district fund-raiser Aug. 14 in San Francisco for redress.

West Valley honors three HS graduates

The West Valley JACL awarded \$300 to three graduating high school seniors for outstanding achievement in scholarship and citizenship. The three recipients are:

Jennifer K. Takeshita, Prospect High, daughter of Roy and Betty Takeshita of San Jose, plans to attend UC Davis and major in computer science. She has been active in sports.

Michelle M. Shimada, Westmont High, daughter of Frank and Sachiko Shimada of Campbell, plans to attend Barnard College and major in engineering. Michelle has been ranked first in her graduating class.

Karrie E. Kawasaki, Monta Vista High, daughter of Elwell and June Kawasaki of Cupertino, plans to attend DeAnza College and study for a career in either education or medicine. Karrie has been active in student government and in the school's service organizations.

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Sacramento JACL to mark 50th ann'y

SACRAMENTO, Ca.—The once-postponed Sacramento JACL golden jubilee celebration has been scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 14, at Woodlake Inn.

Chapter was established Oct. 31, 1931. The late Walter Tsukamoto was its charter president and later elected national JACL president. Tsukamoto, a Sacramento attorney, concluded his legal career in the U.S. Army as a military judge. In 1922, Tsukamoto had organized and headed the Sacramento American Loyalty League, forerunner group to the local JACL.

W. Sac'to reunion

SACRAMENTO, Ca.—Pre-Evacuation residents of the Broderick and West Sacramento areas will hold a reunion on Sept. 5, 2 p.m. at the Landpark South Restaurant, 7007 So. Landpark Dr. Registration fee of \$20 per person (excluding Issei who will be honored guests) must be submitted by Aug. 5 to Mrs. Yuri Yamada, 7305 Idle Wild, Sacramento, Ca. 95831.

deaths

Tadao Kato, 58, Canadian Nisei boxer who won championship titles in the Canadian flyweight and bantamweight divisions, Vancouver Golden Gloves and the Pacific Northwest Golden Gloves in the early '40s and '50s, died on May 6 at his home in Toronto, Canada.

Mrs. Yone Somakawa, 94, formerly of Portland, Oregon died May 25 in Seattle. A graduate in nursing from Kyoto Imperial University Hospital in 1908 she was head nurse at Wakayama Prefectural Hospital of Nankai in 1910. Surviving are: s George Y. (Tokyo), Carl K. (Plymouth, Minn.) d Mrs. Howard (Emi) Nomura (St. Paul), Mrs. Sam (Ayako) Kozu (Seattle), Mrs. Yeichi (Aida) Kozu (Seattle), 13gc, 10 ggc and one sister in Japan.

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Children's disease on the rise in U.S.

BOSTON—Kawasaki Disease, the mysterious children's illness which frequently strikes Asian children, is increasing dramatically in the U.S. but many cases are not diagnosed correctly, warned Dr. John Calabro of the Univ. of Massachusetts Medical School.

Calabro estimates that 90 percent of the cases of this newly recognized ailment are never reported to federal authorities who keep statistics on the illness. Symptoms of the disease include high fever, inflamed throat, rash, bright red lips and abdominal pain. Heart and blood vessel damage sometimes occur, and one or two percent of the cases are fatal.

The disease was identified in Japan by Dr. Tomisaku Kawasaki in 1967. The first U.S. cases were detected in 1971.

In the U.S., the disease is most common in Hawaii, where Dr. Raquel Hicks of the Univ. of Hawaii's School of Medicine is following 200 cases. Hicks said that the disease, which has no known cause, can only be treated symptomatically (aspirin for high fever) but some form of microbe or toxin is suspected.

L.A. gardeners luncheon

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Government

Rear Admiral Edward A. Wilkinson, deputy director, pinned a silver medal and handed the Defense Mapping Agency Meritorious Civilian Service Award Certificate (their 2nd highest) May 14 to Tosh Hoshide of the Scientific Data Department, DMA Hydrographic/Topographic Center, Brookmont, Md.

Joyce Inouye Seymour, PLS, San Francisco, has been appointed to the California State Board of Cosmetology by Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. She is an office manager and legal assistant at the law firm of Erskine, Tulley, Boyd and Gantner, and the daughter of Yoshiharu and Miyoko Inouye of Alameda.

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Hiroshima Peace Memorial exhibit at Smithsonian sought

TOKYO—Japanese Americans are conducting a campaign to permanently exhibit articles and data on the victims of the atomic bomb in Hiroshima at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, the Asahi Evening News learned this past week.

The drive is being carried out by the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), San Francisco, to show exhibits from the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum. (Readers in Japan were also informed that JACL has some 30,000 members including over 1,000 who experienced the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Actually, the number of hibakusha in JACL is unknown as is the total number of hibakusha in the U.S., generally estimated to be around 1,000.—Ed.)

Dr. James K. Tsujimura, National JACL President, visited the museum in April and was shocked by the photos and articles showing the tragedy of the A-bombs. He returned home after promising Akihiro Takahashi, museum director, that he would try to have data and articles exhibited at the Smithsonian. Takahashi said he recently received a letter from Tsujimura saying that the campaign is progressing smoothly.

(Tsujimura had told the National JACL Board at its May 29-31 meeting that the Peace Memorial Museum would be able to send material upon request from the Smithsonian Institution. The Hiroshima museum would never feel imposed to ask, Tsujimura added.)

For the Record

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(This clarifies last week's Nisei Relays report, which did not indicate the new records established at the 1981 competition June 7 at Santa Ana College.)

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Viets, Texans shrimping peacefully for now

SEABROOK, Tx.—Vietnamese and native Texan fishermen have been peacefully catching their daily limit without conflict since the summer shrimping season opened May 15, and Rev. John Toan, a refugee Catholic priest, described the scene on the waterfront here as "beautiful."

Toan noted that "for the first time there is communication between the two groups" which had been at odds in the past (PC May 22). "The shrimp season so far has been perfect," he added. "Vietnamese shrimpers are so happy."

After two years of tension over the crowded conditions in the coastal fisheries, the Vietnamese Fishermen's Association filed a suit against the Ku Klux Klan and some native shrimpers, who were intimidating and threatening the refugee fishermen.

'Too Busy' Now

Jody Collins, one of the fishermen named as a defendant in the suit, said June 3 that the fishermen are too busy to fight.

"Everyone is minding their own business," he said, adding, "There's lots of boats out there, but everyone's getting the limit."

Between May 15 and Aug. 15 fishermen are permitted to catch only 300 pounds of shrimp daily.

Last month in Houston, U.S. District Judge Gabrielle McDonald ordered the Klan and fishermen to stop harassing the refugees, and Texas Attorney General Mark White filed a motion June 4 to shut down the paramilitary training camps run by the KKK in Texas, including the one in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

White's action is believed to be the first state attempt to close down the Klan camps, which are becoming prevalent

GARDENA

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protestor told of how "a dog crossing the street was struck and killed by a speeding foreign-made small truck," adding that it could have been a small child. Hiroto said that her point wasn't really relevant to the issue (and he later learned that the accident occurred at another street nowhere near the site of the project).

The fact that the resident made note of the "foreign-made small truck" was only one of the reasons why Hiroto concludes that the opposition is laced with racism.

Despite the controversy, Hiroto has moved ahead of schedule and will hold groundbreaking ceremonies June 28 in conjunction with the JCI's annual carnival. The JCI director is hoping that some of the protestors will be present, thereby attracting publicity and a "sympathetic press," since, as he noted, "How in the hell can you object to senior citizen housing?"

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