Asian Americans to make their bid in Calif. primary elections

LOS ANGELES—Several Asian Americans will seek election—or re-election—to various political and judicial offices in the upcoming California primary on June 6. Among those who filed nomination papers with the Los Angeles County registrar are:

Rep. George E. Annunzio, incumbent Secretary of State, will seek re-election for a third term, but faces challengers from her own Democratic Party.

The heavily favored Eu will run against candidates Alice Kuyer, an El Camino Body shop owner, and Hilda Smith, a Sacramentawide plumbing contractor, and Helen Howard, a Norwalk civic commissioner.

Mike Matsukuma, Republican candidate for the 34th District, is running against former Democratic Assemblyman Franklin Nagamatsu (D-South Los Angeles).

Hisbiya Park, Democratic-Socialist Party candidate, is running for the 36th Assembly District, which encompasses the San Gabriel Valley and parts of Los Angeles County.

Mike Matsukuma, former JACL Washington Representative, and Mike Masaoka, former JACL national vice president, are among the candidates for the 34th District, which encompasses the San Gabriel Valley and parts of Los Angeles County.

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The campaign in that district has been marred by misinformation and a lack of understanding of the issues.

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NEW YORK—Restitution for the wartime incarceration of Japanese Americans "cannot be calculated in dollars," said Judge William Marutani to those attending the New York JACL's appreciation dinner dance at the New York Sheraton Hotel April 10.

And yet, he added, there is a need to recognize the "injustice" of the "war..." so that we can see ourselves as Americans to all Americans.

Marutani, of the Court of Commissions on Wartime Military Exclusions, was the only Japanese American member of the Commission on Wartime Repatriation and Internment of Civilians which conducted hearings in Nikkei communities across the country last year.

The principal speaker at the JACL dinner, however, was a letter from a JACL member in California.

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North Carolina DMV starts recalling 'JAP' license plates

RALEIGH, N.C.—North Carolina officials have not received any direct complaints from Japanese Americans about the license plates, according to the registration section of the Department of Motor Vehicles, said 9066.

"We are doing a recall on them because the license plate is something that might be offensive to the Japanese government," Rivers said.

"We use the alphabet from A to Z, and we try to get the maximum number of configurations that we can come up with and that is one of the configurations that we printed for the first time," Rivers said.

"Rivers said the plates will be recalled, footed, flattened, remade and sold again. He estimated the cost of the recall at $70,000.

JAP will join the list of letter combinations that are used on North Carolina license plates. Some other combinations that are still in use are DAM, SOB and SEX.

Rivers, although saying he had received a letter from a Japanese American about the JAP plates, said he understood that there had been some objections.

North Carolina operates a mass industrial development program aimed at attracting Japanese-American companies to the state.

The state has trade offices in Japan and there is a Japanese American chamber of commerce in the state.

More than 30 Japanese-owned business are opening in North Carolina and another 20 have expressed interest in the state.

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ELECTION
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School board member, seeking the Republican nomination for the 26th District seat. Running unopposed, she may face Democratic incum- bent Joseph B. Montoya (also unopposed) in the general election.

In the 56th Assembly District, Montoya, Monterey Park councilman and attorney, has placed his name on the Democratic nomination ballot, along with the name of both Board of Education; Michael Duffy, government administrative assistant, Richard R. Roman, journalist, and Louise Davis, Monterey Park Councilwoman and businesswoman.

Judicial Ballot

Two Asian American judges are being challenged for their benches, even though several who filed nomination papers are unopposed.

Sansei Judge Ernest M. Hiroshima, seeking the seat of the late W. H. Chiba, has been challenged by South Bay Municipal Judge Thomas P. Foye and Workman Compensation Judge Elaine Sullivan.

Applications due for Akira Mori scholarship

MONTEBELLO, Ca.-Applications for the assistance from the Akira Mori Scholarship Fund, 440 N. Park Ave., Montebello, CA 90640, are due June 20. The fund was established to honor and financially assist qualified graduating high school seniors. It is intended to give grade point average, community, school activities, moral and spiritual qualities.

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HONORED—Dr. Tsubo Kato, retiring mayor of Onond and candidate for the California 36th Assembly seat, is honored at a testimonial dinner May 8 at Oxnard Civic Auditorium. With him are (left) Assemblyman Charles Imbecht, and Mayors Donri Wright, Port Hueneme; Jim McCoy, Santa Paula; John McWherter, Ventura; and Delores Day, Fillmore.

Suburban Optimists

name queen candidate

BUIENA PARK, Ca.-Barbara Volmiller of Fullerton was named 1982 Miss Suburban Optimist of Buena Park at the club's recent pageant in Orange County. Bar­ bary, 22, daughter of John and Terako Volmiller, will be the Optimist representative in the annual Queen Pageant in August. She was crowned by Frances Suga­ suki, last year's representative and reigning 1981 Queen. It's getting so I hate to at­ tend meetings. Meetings were one thing I have to take for my family in the beginning. Now, their four children are all grown and out of the house. Edie teaches at the California School for the Blind and Richard is a librarian at UC San Francisco. During her year of service to the people of Los Angeles, County Supervisor Ed Edelman has demonstrated his commitment to imaginative and enlightened legislation, directing his efforts toward achieving greater efficiency and economy in government. A dynamic leader, Supervisor Edelman has worked not only to improve the level of county services for the residents of his district, but to curb spending waste and make every dollar count for the people. Let's keep him on the job.

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Guest's Corner:

Grave Implications of Forcing Japan to Rearm

By GLENN S. FUKUSHIMA

Cambridge, Mass.

Defense Secretary Weinberger’s recent trip to Japan raises serious questions about an important relationship.

With American public attention toward Japan over the past decade focused on bilateral economic frictions, the political and social dimensions of the relationship have been largely overlooked. No better evidence of this dimensional fixation can be found than in the public’s inattention to attempts by the Reagan Administration to pressure Japan to build up its military capability.

Many Americans see the military issue in purely economic terms. Thus, businessmen complain that Japan’s postwar growth resulted from a “free ride” on U.S. military expenditures. Congressmen denounce Japan’s unwillingness to spend more on defense and thus presumably burden the U.S. taxpayer. But other observers, such as MIT’s Lester Thurow argue that American economic productivity will continue to lag until Japan is forced to diversify some of its financial resources to military use.

These economic arguments are not entirely groundless, and Japan clearly needs to do more to open its domestic market and to help rectify its trade imbalance with this country. But they all address the fundamental question: What are the broader implications of a militarily powerful Japan?

First, it would symbolize a profound transformation in the ethos of the American-Japanese relationship. It would mean that Article 9 of the Constitution—with its renunciation of war and its prohibition of armed forces—has been nullified, after serving for nearly 40 years as a cornerstone of the post-World War Two and as the cornerstone of the postwar commitment to national economic welfare.

Second, a militarily powerful Japan would signal a fundamental change in Japan’s relationship with the U.S. For all the criticism heard in Japan of America’s declining economy, most Japanese remain firmly convinced that politically, economically, and militarily, the U.S. is Japan’s best friend. Forcing Japan to rearm can only evoke anti-American resentment among neonationalists. The U.S., which already has enough trouble coordinating policies among its allies, is apt to provoke Soviet hostility and fuel the claim that Japan is merely a puppet of the U.S..

Third, a significant Japanese military buildup is certain to provoke Soviet hostility and fuel the claim that Japan is merely a “puppet” of U.S. imperialism. Ever since their defeat in World War II, the Japanese have been extremely sensitive to any hint of Japanese imperialism. And Japan’s aggression in the 1930s and 40s coupled with its role aiding the U.S. during the conflicts in Korea and Indo-China did little to allay these fears. Thus although a rearmament Japan may not be in substance the American line, it would provide an easy excuse for the Soviet Union to increase its own military buildup.

Finally, rearmament would alter Japan’s role in the eyes of its East Asian neighbors. Certain anti-Soviet governments may welcome a greater Japanese military presence in the region, but most Asian countries that suffered at the hands of Japanese colonialism less than four decades ago are not likely to forget so easily. For them, economic aid and political cooperation come before anything else.

Of course, the extent to which these possible consequences depend on the nature and degree of Japanese rearmament.

And, like it or not, Japan must make more concessions on the economic front to defuse the “freerider” argument. But one need not go as far as Japanese critics who have expressed the fear that a Japanese rearmament could threaten the future of international peace and thus should seriously question the wisdom of forcing Japan to rearm.

For after thoroughly assessing the situation, we are apt to conclude that a Japan devoted primarily to economic prosperity is far more likely to contribute to world peace, stability, and cooperation than a Japan bent on full-scale rearmament.

Glen S. Fukushima, formerly Director of the Japan Forum at Harvard University’s Japan Institute, is a J.D./Ph.D. candidate at Harvard University.

PC Ad Policy

The Marina JACL advertisement in the May 21 PC endorses its chapter member Judge Ernest Hiroshige for a superior court seat was queried by the San Diego JACL as to whether it was allowable under the Sec. 501(c)(3) charter of the organization. National legal counsel was consulted about how this participation or intervention in a political campaign might therefore be in violation of the express restriction contained in Sec. 501(c)(3). In order to maintain its tax-exempt status, must strictly comply with the IRS guidelines. Candidates endorsing candidates for JACL national offices in the PC are most welcome, on the other hand.

But while we may find the PC to be a well-intentioned group of individuals, we will not support and recommend candidates or groups from placing such advertisements in the PC.
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Summary No. 1
San Francisco
The Aging and Retirement Committee is in the process of taking the next step in the direction of the new chair on May 21-22 at the JACL Headquarters. Those who were present were: Betty Kono (Pacific South-West District), John Yamada (Northern California/Western Nevada District), Robert Kanagawa (Central California), Don Kazaama (Pacific Northwest), and Emil Nakagawa (Mountain Plains District). Pat Okura (Eastern), Yoshie Ochi (Intermountain), and Alice Esaki (Midwest) were unable to attend due to professional and personal commitments.

The committee learned first of all that the Ways and Means solicitation collected $10,000 for the Aging and Retirement program. The generous support from the membership allowed our committee to gather in San Francisco and in the weeks ahead will provide services and programs to the JACL membership. The committee would like to express their appreciation to all of you who contributed to the Aging and Retirement program.

The committee addressed many issues but the primary concern which was identified was the lack of awareness by the JACL membership of the committee's activities, the National Aging and Retirement Committee. The JACL has as its primary concern the raising of awareness on the part of the JACL leadership at all levels on the subject of Japanese American aging and retirement. In addition, the committee will attempt to educate the JACL membership, the Japanese American community, politicians/bureaucrats, the general community, service delivery systems, librarians and educators.

To achieve this objective, the committee proposes to provide the following:

**SFV scholarship night slated June 4**
FAYOMA, Inc.—Scholarship Awards Night, sponsored by the San Fernando Valley JACL and Japanese American Cultural Center, will be held on Friday, June 4, 7:30 p.m., at the JACC, 1203 Brand St.

The event will honor outstanding Nikkei students who are graduating this month from high schools. Four students will be awarded the Eugene Oda Memorial Scholarships: Ronald Watanabe, Poly High; Carlos Sakamoto, Chatsworth; Elza Chavez, San Fernando; and Antonio Galindo, Canoga Park.

The JACL Boutique Award will go to Ray Shigehira, Kennedy High. The JACL-JACO scholarship will be presented to Kevin Enoe, Derrick Jee, Susan Kimura, Tiera, Laura Wada, all of Poly High; Gayle Yamana, Gra-nada; Tracy Kaku, Mark Kawa- guchi, Lyle Koyama, Sylvia, Masa-hiko Matsumoto, Mariko Mioz- guchi, Marilyn, LeRoy Masuda, Les-graham, Japanese American Cultural Center, Kennedy, Junko Tanaka, Reneda; and Joanne Yasuda, Van Nips.

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West Wind: by Joe Oyama

Oakland, CA

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