For the second biennium in a row, JACL delegates will have three choices for National President. Last year, it will be re-
called Dr. Jim Tsumura won in a runoff election over Lillian Kimura, after they tied at 34 votes each with Tom Shimakami eight votes back. First three-way race in 1979 found JACL's Ron Miyashita, youngest of the group, winning.

This prestigious JACL position is often occupied by men who have served through the ranks from the chapter level. And for three terms, it was the president-elect chosen the prior bienni-

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and reports, an opportunity to visit most of the 1,122 chapters around the nation, Honolulu (which is in the Asian American section), and Tokyo. Prospect of representing JACL at the Pan American Nikkei Conference in Peru in 1983 also exists. But no national president is on record as having been involved in all the active chapters during his administration.

The obvious roles for the president go unmentioned at this time since the work of this office is amply reported during a

JACLYear.

SACRAMENTO—The measure that gives the Nisei Nikkei state government employees who served in World War II the state’s Senatorial Organiza-
tional Committee on June 29.

The bill, authored by Assemblym-

an Patrick Johnston (D-Sacramento), was approved by an overwhelming vote for the bill that was expected to carry over to the full state Senate and now believes the bill will be heard by the public.

Sen. Alfred lowering an annual salary increase for each person who served, would have been turned down in 1982, she added, while it was the president-elect chosen the prior biennium. The bill now goes to the Senate Finance Committee, which is expected to make a decision on whether to accept the measure. Sen. Alfred said the measure, as amended by Sen. Edith Fong and Sen. David Coryell, would pass if they are successful in getting the committee's support.

Persons fired by the State Person-

nel Board in 1982, although they are eligible for rehire, would be eligible for a special appointment to another job, Sen. Fong said.

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**Hitachi pays damages for hiring bias against non-Asians**

LOS ANGELES—Hitachi Consumer Products of America, accused of violating U.S. equal opportunity laws, has promised to pay damages to a Japanese woman who was passed over for jobs in its Compton television manufacturing facility. The California Department of Fair Employment and Housing announced June 30 that Hitachi made two key promises in settling civil charges that it had discriminated against non-Asians.

(1)—For the next 14 months, the same pool of 1,500 applicants will be used to fill the new jobs as became available. It is believed that most of the 1,500 are black.

(2)—For the next two years the state agency will monitor Hitachi's personnel practices statewide, even though the rest of the agreement affects only the Compton plant.

The agency would not say how much money Hitachi agreed to pay the unsuccessful applicants. The agreement forbids either party to make that figure public, a spokesman said.

However, the Los Angeles Times reported that Hitachi would distribute $75,000 to the 1,500 applicants.

The formal discrimination charges were brought by six individuals who were turned down for complaints to the state agency by six individuals.

Fair employment investigators set out to determine if a "broad pattern of discrimination" existed at the plant, where the 300-member workforce was about 96% Asian and 2% black, but that determination was never made.

"Hitachi's willingness to resolve the matter eliminated the need for a long and costly full investigation," said Jeanne Lewis, director of the anti-discrimination agency. "The company agreed that there may have been problems in their hiring practices, and agreed to take corrective action.

"Obviously we had reason to believe there was preferential treatment," said Carol Schiller, the agency's deputy supervisor. "I don't think we were wrong in trying to find out the law," she said. "I think there were many times Hitachi's personnel practice stopped short of the techniques that were being complained of.

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that some so-called "domestic service" businesses incorporated in the United States—as Hitachi Consumer Products of America—are generally subject to federal civil rights laws.

The court rejected the claims of another Japanese-owned firm, Sumitomo Bank, which in 1965 took away the right to exclude Americans from management jobs.

The settlement also may resolve some difficulties in other places where city officials—faced with unemployment problems much worse than the national average—have been granting six- to 10-year leases to the hiring practices of Hitachi and a number of other companies, all of then from Hitachi, in Compton's large industrial park.

Compton's population is 75% to 80% black and 1.7% Asian.

Schiller said most of the jobs for the 1,500 applicants sought were low-scale assembly line jobs.

The state agency has not looked at other Hitachi operations in California, Schiller said, but believes that "in general there are problems with foreign-owned companies in California, but they are not generally in state and federal legal requirements regarding non-discrimination."

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**Nisei woman slain in parking bldg.**

LOS ANGELES—The body of a Nisei librarian was found June 27 in a downtown public parking garage. She was an apparent victim of rape, robbery and murder.

Mrs. Eiko Nakashima, 53, had been an employee of the L.A. City Public Library for 25 years. Her husband, Moritaka, a visiting librarian, was an apparent victim of rape, murder.

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15 candidates to appear in Miss Sansei California Pageant

LOS ANGELES—Three Northern California contestants representing San Francisco, San Jose and Sacramento will be among the 15 who will vie for the title of Miss Sansei California. The pageant will be held July 17, 6 p.m., at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

Diane Carol Fujino
Eastside Optimist Club, d. of Yasuo and May Fujino of Monterey Park.

Carolyn Naomi Honda
Gardena Valley JCL, d. of Wilfred and Katherine Honda of Gardena.

Rhonda M. Yoshoka
Sagam Umenomoto Post 321, d. of Frederick and Mildred Yoshoka of La Palma.

Lynn Sugumura
Sigma Phi Omega (USC), d. of Tom and Terry Sugumura, Los Angeles.

Joanne A. Nakahira
Chi Alpha Delta, d. of Shiro and Betty Nakahira, Buena Park.

Reigning Miss Sansei, Joyce Horinouchi of Monterey Park, will crown this year’s winner and dancing with a live band will be featured.

For ticket info, call (213) 294-7159.

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Torrance harrassment ceases

FOR RANCE—The harassment of three Asian immigrant families here by local teenagers has ceased, due to the efforts of a concerned neighbor.

As reported the Daily Breeze May 24 and reprinted in the PC June 11, three Torrance residents—Mrs. Masako Jibiki, Sue Chi and Chris Mala—had been the targets of pranks and name-calling by local youths on a residential block of 226th St.

However, through the efforts of Violet Irvine, a long-time resident of the block, the incidents were published in the Breeze and neighbors became aware of the problem. Parents of the teenagers, after reading of the pranks, sat their children down and gave them stern lectures. The residents also formed a neighborhood watch group and the Torrance Police offered their advice to the Asian families.

South Bay JACL board member Mary Ogawa expressed her concern over the matter and Irvine informed her that the neighborhood was now at peace, with a sense of closeness prevailing. Irvine added that she had received many phone calls commending her for her actions.

Korean American art exhibit opens in L.A.

LOS ANGELES—Artworks of more than 50 prominent Korean Americans will be featured in an exhibit being co-sponsored by the Korean Cultural Service and Korean Artists Association. July 17-24 with a preview reception July 9, 6-9:30 p.m., at the BGS Gallery, 500 Wadsworth Blvd. For more info, call (213) 935-7141.

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The Big One

The 27th Biennial National Convention in the City of Angels is said to be the one, according to General Chairman Lou Tomita, Co-Chairman Chesorido Attao, Executive Administrator and Gardena Chapter President Karl Nobuyuki along with other dedicated members who serve on the Convention Board. As of this writing, only five elected national officers have been chosen before the Big One.

To lessen confusion, it should be noted that the cost of certain programs are in addition to the package deal. And in order to avoid misunderstanding, the charge for the Big One is not expected to exceed $50 per person. There is no charge for admission. Everyone is welcome to meet, listen and ask questions of the presidential candidates.

The convention, shorten by one day, by action and recommendation of the National Board in an attempt to lower the attendee flow with activities. All in all, it promises to be a very busy and exciting week.

We cannot begin to appreciate the time, efforts and sacrifices devoted to the Big One and the many people of various membership sources, and of supreme importance, how the job is done, coupled with the ability to motivate others to perform optimally at all times under all conditions. This is imperative that we come up with new ideas on how to deal with dwindling membership, inability to obtain money from non-membership sources, and of supreme importance, how to attract a new breed of leadership that will continue the work of the JACL into the 21st century.

I am a true believer in people. Only people can translate abstract goals and ideas into action. All considerations is the need for strong and fearless leadership that is impervious to criticism with a single-mindedness to get the job done, coupled with bravery and ability to perform optimally at all times and under all conditions. This applies only to the president but all elected national officers, other members of the national board, and key staff persons as well.

We must broaden the operational framework of JACL. By words and deeds, we must embrace the entire Japanese American community as our constituency—no longer just the membership. Not only must we shed our traditional insularity, we must start taking the lead on all issues that adversely affect our well-being—aggressively and without equivocation. In short, we must regain our pre-eminence of leadership for all Japanese Americans.

We are looking at the bottom-line which in essence says that the credibility of the JACL is in need of renovation. Strong and effective leadership is required to restore and enhance that credibility. I feel fully that the next JACL national president should be that person who can act as the bridge which will overcome financial problems of the JACL.

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MUSUBI: by Ron Wakabayashi

Reiji SAHO

Philadelphia

EVE'Y SO OFTEN over the years, I've thought about attending a course on Japanese etiquette. The problem has been that I know of no course that is available to me. As a second choice, whenever I'm in a shop I browse among the books for a short piece on the fundamentals of etiquette in Japan but invariably none meets the need: precisely in what order to make introductions, who is introduced to whom, what to say under what circum­stances when being introduced, and the general princip­les of proper social behavior. Perhaps some reader out
there can come to the rescue by suggesting just such a book.

THE PROBLEM COMES about from my failure to alertly observe the refinements of the amenities practiced among our Issei parents. Truth to tell, at times their manners during their relaxed moments were not always the best to emulate; so there was the additional problem for a kozo to be able to distinguish what was "proper" from what was "relaxing". Finally, even if the kozo had been alert and absorbed through a fine screen the proper procedures, such Meiji-ya manners would be quixotically humorous in today's Japan.

THERE MIGHT BE a tendency among some Nisei to think this is not important, that it is much ado-about-nothing. Well, perhaps so. But if you've ever seen a foreigner who seemed oriented to our culture such as by appropriate attire, but then makes grossly inappropriate responses upon being introduced—well, I think you get the point. Imagine that same foreigner as the Nisei in Japan, racially indistinguishable from the denizens and thus expected to observe cultural amenities. (And make no mistake about it: when you passed through customs at Narita, you went through the gate marked "ga-ji-n." That Nisei then proceeds to act like a buffoon, innocently—unknowingly committing faux pas and gaffes. Such would be excused by the denizens if the foreigner were white, but not if you're of the same racial stock.

I KNOW ONE Nisei who goes quite regularly to Japan on behalf of a national chemical firm. As Nisei go, he's quite cultured and would, in my opinion, handle himself quite appropriately among the Japanese. But he tells me that he could hardly imagine non-Japanese Kolbuzniks in the meeting only to find him gesturing in American, non-day practices, ignoring the social context in a Nihongo. In all other aspects I'm sure he complies with the cultural mores of the Japanese, in­cluding non-colorful suits and ties.

WE MENTIONED this once before, briefly: whenever there is a Nisei kanko-dan to Japan, the tour organ­izers should distribute to all participants a brochure outlining some do's and don'ts while in Japan. And there ought to be some passages included in the broch which cover certain basic social amenities.

AFTER ALL, WE don't wish to degrade the image of Nikiwe in the eyes of the Japanese: we're too proud to have it otherwise. And rightfully so I might add.
The Asian American Female: Discarding Old Images

By Akemi Kikumura

EDITOR’S NOTE: Akemi Kikumura received her Ph.D. in anthropology at UCLA, and has taught Asian American Studies at UCLA and UCSD. She appeared in the film “Farewell to Manzanar” and has published several works, including a book on the life of her mother, entitled “Through Harsh Winters: The Life of a Japanese Immigrant Woman.”

When I was first asked to speak at USC’s Roundtable Discussion (entitled: “Towards the Year 2000: ‘Diverse Perspectives’” on April 19—Ed.), I was initially apprehensive knowing that I would be the sole representative speaking on behalf of all Asian American women. For although the larger society may think that “WE ALL LOOK ALIKE,” we represent a myriad of different languages, histories and cultures that make us as unique as the colors in the rainbow. Not only is there a wide range of inter-ethnic differences among the Asian Americans, but also a diversity of intra-cultural distinctions that exists within each group between the multiple generations and the various regions of this country.

But I believe a common bond that links us together as Asian Americans is a past rife with racism, sexism and exploitation, whose by-products have served as obstacles to achieving positive individual and group identity. Perhaps many of you will agree with me that the Asian American female has stood out as one of the least understood and most stereotyped of all minorities, branded by a society that has selectively chosen to see her as the passive, submissive, obedient and ready-to-please “Lotus Blossom of the Orient.” But today, while these stereotypes continue to persist, dramatic changes are emerging from within ourselves. We are no longer accepting those one-dimensional labels that society has forced us to embrace, but instead, Asian American women are now actively reasserting, redefining and reshaping their own images based on their own realities.

In an open letter written to her mother, author Merle Woo (1981) tells us about her process of self-realization.

She writes:

"In the last few years, I have realized the value of Homework: I have studied the history of our people in this country. I cannot tell you how proud I am to be a Chinese/Korean American Woman. We have such a proud heritage, such a courageous tradition. I want to tell everyone about that, all the particulars that are left out in the schools. And the full awareness of being a woman makes me want to sing. And I do sing with other Asian Americans and women. Ma, anyone who will sing with me.

The elation and pride that Woo sings about is a difficult harmony to capture for many of us who are of Asian ancestry because too often we have been accused of as ‘The People Who Brought You Pearl Harbor’, and who now invade the land and take away jobs with their Datsuns, Toyotas and Sony television sets. Pejoratives such as "Cook", "Chink" and "Jap" have become like Muzak to our ears.

We have seen our fathers humiliated before our eyes, like Woo who claims that at age six, she never held her father’s hand again after seeing him mocked and ridiculed by two white cops for his "broken English". And when our fathers came home after experiencing these humiliating incidents, we listened to him unleash his pent-up anger upon our mothers. And while we watched as our mothers quietly absorbed the brunt of his frustrations, and waited as she served our brothers to the hospital, straining to see through the blurred windows, that her silence and selflessness were 'Riku,' he said weakly. He never called her Riku...

But through our own parturition, self-reflection and self-care for our families, we have come to realize that our mothers were the strength, the backbone and the support of the entire family. Jeannie Wakatuki Houston, author of the best-seller Farewell to Manzanar, makes this discovery about her mother after the death of her father. She reflects:

"As they grew older and inevitable thoughts of their passing entered my mind, I worried that she would be lost if he died before her. When that sad day arrived I learned what is meant by the Asian philosophical truism ‘softness is strength’. I had taken my gravely ill father, along with my mother, to see his doctor. The doctor informed me privately that we should take away jobs with our mothers, to the final authority and the end.

It was raining. I numbly drove the car toward the hospital, straining to see through the blurred windshield and my own tears. My mother was not crying. 'Riku,' he said weakly. He never called her Riku... always, ‘Mama’ Don’t leave me. Stay with me at the hospital. They won’t know how to care for me... or how to take care for me.' She patted his hand. ‘You’ve been a good wife. You’ve always been the strong one.

Not wanting him to tire, I tried to quiet him. He sat up bolt-like and roared like a lion. ‘Shut up!’ I quaked at his forcefulness, but felt some comfort in knowing he could still ‘save face’ and be the final authority to his children, even at death’s door. My mother’s quiet strength filled the car as she gently stroked his forehead. Without tears or panic she assured him she would stay with him until the end.

He died that afternoon a few hours after being entered the hospital. For the 10 years afterward that my mother lived, she never once appeared lost or rudderless, as I feared she would be with him gone. Hadn’t he been the center of her life? Hadn’t the forms in their relationship, the rituals of their roles all affirmed his power over her? No. She had been the strong one. The structure had been created for him; but it was her essence that had sustained it.

When I was growing up, I, too, had underestimated my mother’s strength. I thought that since my father was taller in stature (almost six feet tall), domineering, glib, demanding, assertive—"MORE AMERICAN," that he was the stronger one of the two. And since my mother was smaller in stature (barely five feet), easy to please, patient, forgiving, humble—"MORE FOREIGN," she was weaker, the one to be pitied.
By Roy Nakano

I have often wondered why there hasn’t been much in the way of developing an Asian American men’s movement in this country. Countless articles have been written about the plight of Asian women in the United States, or organizations dealing with specific concerns of women have developed over the course of the last ten years. Not so for Asian men. Yet, I believe the idea not at all that absurd. Most men would probably write off the idea as one of low need and priority. However, I believe there is plenty of evidence that indicates otherwise.

The survey was not exclusively generated from non-Asian Americans. A similar analysis of Asian American men to that of the survey was conducted by the Asian American Studies Center on the UCLA campus. The survey asked various students—both Asian and non-Asian—to comment on Asian American men and women. The results show that there is a growing awareness of Asian American men at this particular campus, and to see if any trends have developed in recent times. The responses revealed a disturbing degree of anti-Asian sentiment.

A typical comment received from a white male was as follows:

"I don’t like them at all … I’m pretty much of an American person and I am not really high on immigration of any sorts."

Interestingly, the response to the same question about Asian American women elicited an answer distinctly less hostile (albeit for the most sexist reason):

"If they are really cute . . . exceptions can always be made."
National JACL Budget: 1982 Convention Draft
Fiscal Years Ending Sept. 30, 1982/1983

By GERRY S. SAKAI, National Treasurer

(1) National JACL's proposed budget for fiscal years 1982/1983 were submitted June 11 to chapter presidents for review prior to the National Convention. Please bring the copy, as June 28, 1982, to the convention for your ranking.

All budgets are predicated on holding membership at the 1981 level. With the adoption of the convention draft, if you agree with it, vote yes, and get your membership off the ground. If you disagree with it, you may have reason to vote against it.

The budget for 1983 and 1984 both propose a small increase in dues. In 1983 an increase of $1.25 for regular membership and $0.50 for the family membership. This is a small increase for regular and $10 for Family Club. In 1984 the proposed increase is $1.75 for regular membership or a 5.5% increase. An increase of membership of 15 members per chapter over 1981 will offset the 1983 dues increase and an additional increase of twenty (20) members per chapter would offset the 1984 dues increase.

The 1983 budget of 888,122 is still $3,418 less than the $891,760 budget originally approved for 1982 by the National Council at the last convention.

Two Options Proposed

The budgets for both 1982 & 1983 show two options: one with a fulltime Washington office and the other with the Washington Representative as an independent contractor or on a retainer fee as was done with Mike Nakahata in 1981.

The budget with a fulltime Washington office was reviewed at the National Board meeting on May 21-23. The governors' council renewed their request for a fulltime office to be increased. However, during a critical examination by the governors no specific areas could be identified for reductions for next year. If it is determined that the area of significant reduction would be in the Washington Office if we go to the in. It is for the national organization in cost by going to an independent contractor has been utilized to restore the allocations to the districts and increase the allocation for general programs in the areas of Equipment Reserve. These are austere budgets below what would have been expected under the inflation rate of the past few years. Any small increase in the 1983 budget is due to a non-convention year and conversely 1984 has a significant increase because in a convention year and is being held in Hawaii. A 5% increase for 1984 over 1983 is the Pacific Citizen expenses. With the cost of postage, paper and printing increasing, the cost of the Pacific Citizen has increased $5,000 over 1982 ($50.00 a year per member).

First Order of Business

It would seem the first order of business is whether the National Council wishes to go to a retainer fee for the Washington Representative as was done with Mike Nakahata for many years or to maintain a full-time Washington Office.

Unfortunately, no significant outside funding source is not expected in the near term. So our basic source of income is from membership dues and membership the chapters can increase their membership by recruiting all year.

Eden to host July 18 DC session

SAN LEANDRO, Calif.—A full agenda with focus on the 1982 national budget convention was announced by Yosh Nakahata, NC-WNPDC, governor, for the next district council session July 18, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the Blue Dolphin here.

Eden Town Council chapter president Ich Nakahata will extend greetings with a brief history of the chapter. Nakahata will report on the first national convention held May 21-23 and the 1982 Two District Conferences. Other convention reports are expected from Ben Takeshita, membership; Steve Okamoto, health; John Yamada, aging & retirement; Chuck Kobukawa, takashita, redness; and David Yamada, long range planning.

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Deaths

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The Lily A. Okura Platform

Introduction—Having served the past two bienniums as Vice President for General Operations, I would like to complete the goals and objectives established in the biennium just concluded and proceed with the bienniums that have been reviewed and portions have been updated. Salary levels, job descriptions and classifications have also been reviewed and streamlined. This should be an ongoing management activity at headquarters.

Now, as a candidate for the office of the President, I feel that continuity and knowledge of past history are essential to this office. The past two bienniums at headquarters are “unfinished businesses” and must be carried through to completion.

Membership, Redress, Aged and Retirement, Youth Programs, Long-Range Planning and International Affairs are vital concerns of the organization. and it is my desire to continue and to complete the goals set forth at the 1978 and 1980 convention by our members and friends for legislation that will benefit all Japanese Americans.

Aging & Retirement—Through close association with the Aging & Retirement Conference held in 1976, I feel very strongly that this should be one of our top priorities in the next biennium. Our recent Ways & Means Committee special drive resulted in an overwhelming support for our National Aging and Retirement Program. The goals set forth by the late Dr. Min Masuda, who was our First National Committee Chairman and currently headed our Los Angeles Platform Committee, will be carried through under my administration. Dr. Michael Ego has demonstrated his leadership qualities, and he will be asked to continue as chairman.

Youth Programs—Our potential National Convention must intrigue youth activities in their future plans. Youth and adults must meet together to discuss problems. We need to open up lines of communication to prepare and involve young people on the full purpose of the JACL. The youth is our future promise for progress.

Long-Range Planning—“Plan Ahead” has always been my philosophy and motto, which I practice in my work and daily life. I shall fully support a realistic and revealing planning effort. We must not lose sight of our goals and the need to increase our implementation of ways and means to bring together the best minds we have in JACL to this effort. We must move ahead!

International Affairs—We must extend our hand of friendship to Japan, Mexico, and other countries and keep our promise to our National Aging and Retirement Board as the Vice-President for Public Affairs.

Mid-Columbia JACL honors area graduates

HOOVER, Ore.—High school and college graduate whose parents are affiliated with the Columbia JACL were honored June 12 during the chapter banquet held for the first time at the American Legion Hall. Those present were Patsy Fujii, Gordon Host Hara, Sara Matsuda, and guest speaker. The honorees were:

HIGH SCHOOL: Raymond Ishikawa, Gordon Kiyokawa, Dan Nakamura, Cheryl Wandeling, Neil Watanabe, all of Hood River Valley; Bill Nelson, Chris Lee, Baptist Christian; Kenneth Lofthus, Marshfield (Coos Bay).

COLLEGE: James Akayama, Grant Nakamura, Eric Tamijiyama, Orge State; Wesley Akayama, United Pacific, Eugene Oregon.

For the June 12 scholarship dinner, members of the Columbia JACL donated in support of their national headquarters, Harvard Divinity School, and a Cleveland JACL scholarship program. The proceeds will be used to further the cause of social justice as an instrument of civil liberties, and to maintain national Christchurch FLAC.

ELA scholarship awarded to 7 students

Los Angeles National JACL presented scholarships to seven graduating high school seniors. The awards were given by scholarship chair Mikio Hime nori. The recipients were:

Stella Daita, Mark Keppli HS, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keppli Daita; Laura Kimochi, Shruf HS, d. of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Kuri mura; Kenneth Sakurai, Wilson HS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sakurai; Tracy Lee Dau, Monte bello HS, d. of Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Tanaka; Mark Yama moto, Theodore Roosevelt HS, d. of Mr. and Mrs. Akiko Yamamoto; Pat Akiyama, Alliance HS, d. of Mr. and Mrs. Yoy N. Yasuda and Tat loneliness, Lillian Nakamura, d. of Mr. and Mrs. Goro Noborio.

CCDC award goes to Selma graduate

SELMA, Ca.—The JACL Central California District Council awarded its Citizenship Achievement Award to Jane Iwamatsu, recent graduate of Imperial High School in Reedley. She is the daughter of Cecilia and Matthew Iwamatsu of Selma.

Jane was co-valedictorian of her class and received a Univ. of California scholarship, the distinguished Christian High School award, Martin Thiessen scholarship and a Bank of America Achievement Award certificate in recognition of her accomplishments.

Latin America JACL holds fund drive

LOS ANGELES—The newest PSWCD chapter, Latin America JACL, has extended its fund drive for chapter programs from July 4 to October 15. It was announced by Conrado Bello Miranda (123-623-4160)

Mystery in the Making

A few weeks ago, I was meeting with 10-PACIFIC CRNEN on Thursday, July 9, 1982. I was asked to provide some insight into the history and future direction of the JACL. My response was as follows:

My agenda, in brief, is GROWTH of membership, active OVERSIGHT of the Commission, CONCERN with the aging and youth and for new opportunities that will include a broader national role and international PARTICIPATION.

The Floyd Shimomura Platform

Introduction—Having spent the last four years on the National Board as the Vice-President for Public Affairs, I am aware of the current state of our national program. Despite my many years of service, I am realistic that we can make JACL a continued force on the national and international level. To do this, we must reach a balanced path between vigorous involvement in external affairs and careful attention to our internal organizational needs.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

With regard to external affairs, let me summarize my view on the following pertinent issues.

1. Redress: In my capacity as Vice-President for Public Affairs, I have been reviewing and streamlining the processes. The potential is high in Oregon, Louisiana and elsewhere. To do this, we need an Extension chairman or the Executive Director or President must visit these areas to interest potential chapters in forming chapters. Heart support anniversary date memberships. This will assist headquarters in keeping a certain flow of money all year.

Redress—a resident of the National Capital Area, I can better oversee the work of the Commission. This will also enable us to work in close harmony with our National Redress Chairman and Director, who will be here in Washington, D.C. during the coming biennium. Moreover, I will be able to keep in daily contact with the Redress Office and the Washington Advisory Committee on Redress.

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PHILADELPHIA JACL picnic set July 31

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fair. I testified in Washington, D.C. before the CWRUC and submitted a 25-page paper on "Legal Remedies" as a part of JACL's written testimony. My paper concluded with the following paragraph.

"In considering 'appropriate remedies,' the Commission must address the injuries suffered by (1) individuals, (2) the affected communities, and (3) the nation as a whole. When considered in this light, it appears self-evident that true redress must include (1) individual monetary payments, (2) a legal declaration of the affected communities (and) a statute prohibiting such an act ever happening again. All three of these elements are necessary for true redress."

I strongly support individual monetary payments as the most viable and meaningful form of redress. I believe that this is not only the overwhelming preference of the Japanese American community but that most would find anything less unacceptable.

2. U.S.-Japan Relations: In 1981, Japan amassed an $18 billion trade surplus with the U.S. As the economic rivalry between the two countries becomes more heated and the U.S. economy continues to weaken, mutual hostility bred by ignorance and cultural differences is on the increase. As a result, the two countries may become more involved in the national decision-making process and have facilitated "two-way" communication between the nations. This was solely lacking in the recent past when the Executive Committee, rather than the full Board, made most of the decisions. Having participated directly in the constitutional revision process, I feel a real sense of gratification for the benefits that have resulted.

2. Dues Reform: Now that we have modernized our organizational structure, I feel that it is time for us to reform our "crazy-quick" dues structure. The present system of each chapter charging its own dues rate and the national dues rate being determined in the context of "budget balancing" rather than membership satisfaction must be re-examined. Also, our present development of exchange and information must be studied from an efficiency standpoint. Certainly, there are many good historical reasons why we do things as we do. But a national organization such as ours definitely needs to consider seriously:

(1) A uniform dues structure;
(2) A dues structure with numerous classes of membership that are priced based on a study to fit what our membership can afford to pay;
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3. Pan American Nikkei Association: In the summer of 1981, I attended a Pan American Nikkei Conference in San Diego, California. It was a wonderful opportunity to organize JACL 's involvement. Nikkei from the U.S., Canada, Mexico, Peru, Argentina, Bolivia, and other Pan American countries attended. Out of the fellowship and exchange of information, a decision was made to form some sort of loose network organization that would help to plan other periodic conferences. I have helped the steering committee achieve this goal by drafting the initial articles of organization for this new Pan American Nikkei Organization. I believe that JACL's involvement in this area will help broaden our membership's perspectives and encourage international friendship.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS

With regard to internal affairs, I believe there are some very pressing issues we must face:

1. Constitutional Revision: At the San Francisco Convention, JACL modernized its constitution and adopted a strong National Board to govern its affairs. Although it is still too early for any final judgment, I believe that it is a step in the right direction. However, it is necessary that the constitution be revised again to involve the district governors more directly in the national decision-making process and has facilitated "two-way" communication between the National and the district governors. This was sorely lacking in the recent past when the Executive Committee, rather than the full Board, made most of the decisions. Having participated directly in the constitutional revision process, I feel a real sense of gratification for the benefits that have resulted.

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