

27th Biennial Convention:

Japan Ambassador Okawara keynote to climax JACL week at Airport Hyatt

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Not only is the JACL Convention coming up Aug. 9-13 compact and tight time-wise and content-wise, but so will be the seatings. The room where the National Council will meet at the Airport Hyatt from 8 a.m. each day can seat 300 and already 350 have pre-registered for the Biennial which is expected to spell out a detailed JACL guideline on its role in U.S.-Japan affairs.

About two-thirds of the 112 chapters have designated their delegates and the remainder is expected to sign in by the July 30 deadline.

Twenty-five years ago, JACL held for a case-by-case involvement in this area after the historic convention de-



Hon. Yoshio Okawara
Japan's Ambassador to the U.S.

bates between the late Saburo Kido, who cautioned JACL against involvement, and Mike Masaoka, who espoused an active JACL role since Japanese Americans are affected.

And the Japanese Ambassador to the U.S., Yoshio Okawara, is scheduled to speak on the role of Japanese Americans in U.S.-Japan relations at the Convention Sayonara banquet Aug. 13, to culminate the 27th Biennial being hosted by Gardena Valley JACL.

A former U.S. counterpart, Ambassador James Hodgson, now of Los Angeles, will address the Convention Aug. 11 in a similar vein at the Ma-

saoka Distinguished Public Service Award banquet. His topic: "U.S.-Japan Trade and the Role of Japanese Americans". A former Secretary of Labor and Lockheed official, Hodgson was recently decorated by Japan with the Order of the Rising Sun, First Class, for his high level role in U.S.-Japan friendship.

In anticipation of the two major addresses, the JACL international relations committee workshop Aug. 10—the first day—from 1 p.m. delves into U.S.-Japan relations and JACL. (There's no need here to give details here as Karl Nobuyuki has them. See page

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Mitsui becomes 3rd company indicted by U.S. federal jury

SAN FRANCISCO—In less than a month, three Japanese companies have been indicted by federal grand juries on allegations of unfair trade practices. While Hitachi, Ltd. and Mitsubishi Electric Corp. have both decided to fight the charges of stealing computer secrets from IBM, another company in an unrelated case has pleaded guilty to allegations of scheming to "dump" cheap steel on the U.S. market.

Mitsui & Co. (USA) made the guilty plea July 21 to 21 counts of evading U.S. laws against selling imported steel below fair market value. It agreed to pay \$11.2 mil-

lion in fines and penalties, making the civil-criminal settlement the largest in U.S. Customs history.

A federal grand jury had indicted Mitsui and three of its employees the day before for allegedly conspiring to enter phony import steel prices on customs documents to avoid provisions of the Anti-Dumping Act of 1921 and the "trigger mechanism" that monitors foreign steel products entering the country.

In a news conference announcing the indictment that day, U.S. Attorney Joseph Russoniello said, "A signal is being sent out by the (Reagan) administration to all

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U.S. OPINIONS OF JAPAN—Head of a Japanese Foreign Ministry cultural affairs and public opinion overseas study team, Norishige Hasegawa (left), meets with JACL national president Dr. Jim Tsujimura (center) and national director Ron Wakabayashi, exchanging views on U.S.-Japan relations.

Japan Foreign Ministry study mission confers with JACL

SAN FRANCISCO — Concerned over the anti-Japanese climate in the U.S. and here to gauge its intensity in the private sector, a three-man study mission from Japan conferred with local area groups this past week (July 14-18), including National JACL officials for three hours at Headquarters here Friday.

Sponsored by the Japanese Foreign Ministry, the Japanese cultural affairs and public opinion overseas study team, headed by Norishige Hasegawa, board chair-

man of Sumitomo Chemical Industry and vice chairman of Keidanren, had met with World Affairs Council, Hoover Institute, Japanese Chamber of Commerce and other organizations to secure recommendations on how Japan can improve its image and relations overseas.

Other members of the mission were Prof. Junichi Kyogoku, Tokyo University; and Shigeya Yoshise, president, Japan Development Bank. Participating for

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Columbia Basin plans senior housing

MOSES LAKE, Wa.—Up to 30 units of housing for the elderly and physically handicapped may be built on four to five acres at the Larson Housing area if the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) approves a loan application for the project from the Columbia Basin JACL Chapter.

Ed Yamamoto, past chapter president said the group applied for the 40-year construction loan along with hundreds of other groups in HUD's District X. That district encompasses all of Washington and part of Oregon around Portland.

HUD has about \$12 million allocated for use in District X, with over \$9 million of that earmarked for construction of about 300 living units in metropolitan areas. That leaves about \$1.4 million for construction of 30 units in non-metropolitan areas, Yamamoto said. Those 30 units could be used up in a single project, he added.

The chapter had to submit separate applications for its proposed 10 units of specially constructed housing for physically handicapped persons under 62 years old and 20 living units for the elderly.

The group hired an architect from Spokane and a consultant from Seattle to prepare the loan application. However, they did the work strictly on speculation and won't get paid if the application isn't approved, Yamamoto said.

The chapter has received support for its proposed project from various city and county organizations.

Similar housing projects have been built with HUD loans by JACL chapters in Spokane and Seattle and Yamamoto is hoping the financial strength of the national JACL organization will help the chapter obtain the loan. #

JACL support fund awards to be made

GARDENA, Ca.—Awards from the National JACL Support Fund will be made during the Sayonara Ball of the 27th biennial National JACL Convention Aug. 13 at the Hyatt Airport Hotel by LAX, it was announced by treasurer Hank Sakai.

Those participating are reminded the \$50 contributions to the fund must be submitted to JACL Headquarters by Aug. 12 or at the Convention registration desk the next day. Information regarding the awards may be secured from chapter presidents and JACL regional offices.

INS halts raids after court ruling

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service announced July 16 that it has temporarily suspended large-scale factory raids for illegal aliens in California and three other states while it studies a federal appellate court's ruling that similar sweeps in the past were unconstitutional.

A three-judge panel of the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in Los Angeles ruled the day before that three raids by INS agents in 1977 had violated Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable search and seizure.

But Joseph F. Selgado, INS associate commissioner for enforcement here, suggested that the raids may resume, either because of past changes in procedure or with possible new refinements due to the court ruling.

Study predicts major shift in American racial population

PALO ALTO, Ca.—The proportion of Americans who are white and of European ancestry will decline at an accelerating rate in the next two decades, according to an analysis of population trends by a California research organization.

Based on computer projections of immigration patterns and fertility rates, the study concluded that Americans who are white and non-Hispanic will make up 77% of the population in 1990 and 75% by 2000, compared with approximately 80% in 1980.

The analysis, done by the Center for Continuing Study of the California Economy, predicts explosive population growth for people of Asian and Hispanic ancestry. The number of Asians will rise at least 90.7% to 10.6 million in the next two decades, while the number of Hispanics will increase at least 58% to 23 million, according to the study.

If the forecast is accurate, the trend would continue a pattern observed in the 1980 census. In the 1970s, the proportion of non-His-

panic whites in the population declined to about 80% from 86%.

"More than half of the U.S. population growth in the next two decades will come from minority groups," said Stephen Levy, a co-author of the report.

The study also forecasts that Asians and those in smaller ethnic categories, who made up 2.5% of the population in 1980, will account for 4% in 2000, about 10.6 million. #

L.A. Herald Examiner backs Johnston bill

LOS ANGELES—The Los Angeles Herald Examiner, in an editorial July 21, expressed its support of the proposed California legislation which calls for compensating Japanese American state employees who were summarily fired during World War II because of their ancestry.

The Examiner noted that the bill, authored by state Assemblyman Patrick Johnston (D-Stockton), "is no different from that used by the state each year in settling hundreds of cases of wrongful civil service firings."

"The bill should be passed," added the Examiner. "It is a small gesture but it symbolizes California's willingness to recognize its mistakes—and correct them."

Johnson's bill (AB 2710) had recently passed the Assembly by a 49-12 vote and will be heard before the Senate Finance Committee in August. It calls for payments of \$5,000 to each former state employee, over a period of four years.

Noguchi hearing begins; county witnesses attack coroner's dept.

LOS ANGELES—The appeals hearing for former county Chief Medical Examiner-Coroner Dr. Thomas T. Noguchi began July 19, and county attorney William Masterson, perhaps, best described the tone of the proceedings:

"It's going to be a long summer."

The Civil Service Commission hearings, expected to last several months, opened with a debate between Masterson and Noguchi's attorney, Godfrey Isaac, over the inclusion of charges that accused Noguchi of denying a medical researcher access to the coroner's public files until a \$2,000 donation was made to Noguchi's Life Institute.

Isaac wanted the charges stricken from the record, and accused Masterson of sending the information to the district attorney in "a blatant attempt to prejudice the outcome" of the commission proceedings.

Masterson, however, replied that as an attorney and a citizen, he felt obligated to present the information to the district attorneys' office.

\$2,000 for Public Files

The allegations at issue charged that Noguchi refused to cooperate with a researcher from the Eli Lilly & Co. pharmaceutical company in a study of a controversial pain-killing drug, Darvon. It was only until the Lilly Co. paid \$2,000 to the Los Angeles Suicide Prevention Center, which in turn paid it to Noguchi's Life Institute, that the coroner opened his public files to the researcher, Masterson noted.

Isaac insisted that raising these charges were an attempt by Masterson to get the district attorney to prosecute Noguchi as a means of proving the county's allegations of inept management against the former coroner. He added that Masterson violated State Bar rules of professional conduct.

But Isaac's motion to throw out the contribution issue was postponed by commission hearing officer Sara Adler so that Masterson could prepare a formal response.

The Lilly Co. matter was among four general categories of charges

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"KOKORO"

Japan 'revises' WW2 history

TOKYO—Japanese Imperial Army troops, according to a new definition, did not "invade" China, Southeast Asia and Pacific islands during World War II. They merely "advanced."

The Christian Science Monitor reported July 22 that New Education Ministry guidelines to publishers of school textbooks say references to "invasion" and "acts of aggression" should be avoided as far as Japan is concerned (although they may be used in describing Nazi Germany).

The action has provoked strident protests from teachers, textbook publishers, pacifist organizations, the press and public. One newspaper claimed the government was trying to return to the era of "double-speak" and "thought control" of the 1930s and '40s.

The ruling Liberal Democratic Party and the left-wing teachers union Nikkyoso have been sniping at each other for years over the volatile issue of how to describe the expansionist activities of the imperial forces.

The space in school textbooks devoted to the period has definitely shrunk with the passing of the years, along with the steady introduction of euphemisms like the latest substitution of "advance" for "invade."

This historical revisionism is also evident in an endless spate of locally made war films. They invariably stress only the theme of Japanese suffering—as in the Tokyo fire bombing or Hiroshima atom bombing of 1945—without considering why Japan was at war.

This provoked the British film critic of a Tokyo English-language news-

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JACL were Dr. Jim Tsujimura, nat'l pres.; Floyd Shimomura, nat'l v.p. for public affairs; Hank Sakai, nat'l treas.; Dr. Clifford Uyeda, PC Board chair and immediate past nat'l pres.; Ron Wakabayashi, nat'l director; and Frank Kasama.

JACL presented a packet of information, which included a Japanese American perspective on the state of U.S.-Japan relations.

"The impact of trade contention between the nation of our ancestry and the country of our citizenship has a direct impact on Japanese Americans," the JACL report asserted. Furthermore, the JACL noted, the considerable difference between a Japan with its single cultural force and the pluralistic setting of America requires that (Japan) have a greater sensitivity to intergroup relations.

Also in the JACL packet were news clippings related to U.S.-Japan relations as affecting Japanese Americans in the U.S. #

MITSUI

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persons who do business with the United States that these are the rules, and failure to comply with the rules and American laws may result in criminal prosecution."

However, Juwichi Amano, president and general manager of Mitsui, did not deny the charges at the time of the indictment, and had expressed a hope that an agreement would be reached.

The settlement that was made included \$11 million in civil penalties which would be paid to the U.S. Treasury in Washington, D.C. by Sept. 30 and \$210,000 in criminal fines.

In exchange, the government agreed to end its investigation of the Japanese parent company and refrain from presenting additional charges involving the parent or subsidiary firm to the federal grand jury, which has been investigating steel-dumping allegations against Mitsui for a 1½ year.

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Naturalized Chinese American seeks Ariz. new seat in House

TUCSON, Az.—Soleng Tom, 69, whose first job when he immigrated from China in 1931 was loading produce trucks, declared his candidacy for Congressman of Arizona's 5th District recently.

Though he started in America with menial labor, Tom in the past 51 years has risen to be one of Tucson's most successful businessmen. He served as a regent on the Tucson Unified School District from 1964 to 1980, and as board chairman three of those years.

Selected the 1980 Man of the Year by the Tucson Advertising Club, Tom has been president of no less than 10 corporations, and has owned and run at least seven businesses including a very successful real estate firm, supermarkets, a gas station, a drug store, a restaurant and a 334-acre cotton farm, according to the Tucson Citizen.

The candidate said he hopes to be able to set an example for all Asian Americans. "There are 3½ to 4 million Asian people living here now," he told the Arizona Daily Star. "How many of them have the courage to stand up and run for something? If I don't make it maybe others will try."

"That's what really motivates

me."

Tom describes himself as a "conservative liberal," and says his opponent in the Democratic primary is "a bit too much on the liberal side."

"When you give a kid a nickel for some pop, he comes back and asks for a dime. You can never give him enough," he said to portray his notion that the government gives too much away without asking for anything in return. "If someone gives something away, it's never enough."

"He certainly has got to be accepted as a credible candidate," conceded Democratic opponent Jim McNulty.

McNulty tried unsuccessfully to talk Tom out of opposing him in the primary a few weeks before he declared his candidacy. "Quite a few people encouraged me," Tom said. "They think I have good credentials."

The new 5th District includes Cochise, Graham and Greenlee Counties as well as most of Tucson's north and east districts. The race for its congressional seat now includes three Republican candidates, two Democrats and one Libertarian.—Asian Week #

Long Beach's Mayor Sato unseated

LONG BEACH, Ca.—Eunice Sato, the veteran Nisei Long Beach City Councilwoman, was unseated as mayor of this city July 20 by Councilman Thomas Clark.

Sato, a former schoolteacher, had served one two-year term as chief executive of this thriving Southern California port city known best as the home of the Queen Mary, Long Beach Grand Prix auto race and the "Spruce Goose."

The Long Beach mayor is elected by vote of the nine-member council, and Clark, a local optometrist, garnered the votes of six of his council colleagues, including Sato's.

It was the feisty Japanese American Republican who had succeeded in ousting Clark from the mayor's chair in a surprise 1980 victory.

Sato won a new four-year term on the council earlier this year. Local political observers had predicted that Clark, who had actively been seeking return to the mayor's office, would be able to outpoll Sato in the vote. #

Japan workers excel in auto, steel

TOKYO—Contrary to the belief of some, Japanese workers are not more productive than workers elsewhere, although they do excel in the auto and steel industries, an economic group said July 13.

The Japan Productivity Center, a government-sponsored economic research center, concluded Japan's overall labor productivity lagged behind the United States, Belgium, West Germany and France. Only productivity in Britain, hampered by fierce unions, was lower than Japan's.

But the survey confirmed the widely-held belief that in two industries critical to U.S. and other nations' economies—autos and steel—the Japanese worker holds an edge. It said Japan's per hour productivity was 34% higher in steel and about 1% better in autos than U.S. productivity.

But a JPC spokesman said the overall picture—with U.S. total productivity 1.57 times that of Japan—meant problems for the nation that topped industrialized nations' productivity growth during the 1970s.

"Levels of productivity per worker are almost identical in the United States and Japan," the spokesman said, but "The United States is superior in (overall) hourly labor productivity." #

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- JACL Constitutional Revision Committee
- Program Chair, Tule Lake Dedication
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PROFESSIONAL

- Professor of Law, U.C. Davis
- Calif. Deputy Attorney General (1973-1981)
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EDUCATION

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Nine to vie for title of Miss Nisei Week queen

LOS ANGELES—Nine young women, representing various community organizations including Nisei Week chapters, will compete for the title of Nisei Week queen on Aug. 7 at the Los Angeles Ballroom of the Century Plaza Hotel. Each hopes to succeed the 1981 titleholder, Frances Shima. Gerald Fukui is chairman of this year's Coronation Ball committee, assisted by Chris Naito, queen candidate chair. Program will be produced by Gilbert Kohatsu and choreographed by actress Helen Funai.

The gala pageant starting with dinner will be emceed by actor James Shigeta and Ms. Funai. For tickets, call Nisei Week Office (213) 687-7193.



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'Go For Broke' exhibit opens in L.A. Aug. 6

LOS ANGELES—The U.S. Army-produced "Go For Broke" exhibit opens for a year-run Aug. 6 at the County Museum of Natural History, coinciding with the National Nisei Veterans Reunion starting Aug. 6 at the downtown Hyatt Regency, the Nisei Week Festival and JACL National Convention that weekend.

Artifacts, dioramas and memorabilia in the exhibit of the 100th Infantry, 442nd Regt. Combat Team in Europe and Military Intelligence Service in the Pacific were gathered for display by Eric Saul, curator of the Army Museum at the Presidio of San Francisco, where the exhibit opened last year.

Hero Miyamura to head NW parade

LOS ANGELES—Congressional Medal of Honor winner Hiroshi "Hershey" Miyamura will be the grand marshal of this year's Nisei Week parade, which takes place Aug. 8, 3 p.m., in the streets of Little Tokyo.

Miyamura, 56, was awarded the medal for heroism in Korea in 1951. He currently operates an Exxon service station in Gallup, N.M.

Anti-nuclear program planned for Aug. 7

LOS ANGELES—Asian Americans for Nuclear Disarmament will commemorate the 37th anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on Aug. 7, 6 p.m. in front of the old Nishi Hongwanji at First & Central Ave. The program will feature speakers from the Committee of Atomic Bomb Survivors, community and church groups. For info: (213) 250-3867.

Ceramics on display during Nisei Week

LOS ANGELES—The California Japanese Ceramics Arts Guild will hold its eighth annual Nisei Week Exhibit on Aug. 14, 9 a.m.-8 p.m., and Aug. 15, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Nisei Hongwanji, 815 E. 1st St. Exhibit includes traditional, functional and sculptural works in stoneware, clay, porcelain and raku, all created by professional Southern California potters.

Korean-American artist Nong to be feted

LOS ANGELES—Secretary of State March Fong Eu will present a certificate of distinguish achievement to Nong, noted Korea-born American artist, during a reception Monday, Aug. 2, 6-8 p.m. at the Korean Cultural Service, 5505 Wilshire Blvd. For info: (213) 936-7141. Nong gained international recognition as a painter, sculptor and inventor.

Julie Saito named Miss Sansei Calif.

LOS ANGELES—Julie Kim Saito, representing the Commodore Perry Post 525 of the American Legion, was crowned Miss Sansei California July 17 before an audience of 1,100 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

The daughter of Kenneth and Ann Saito of Los Angeles, Julie is a student at Westchester High School and a member of the Centenary Methodist Youth Foundation. She plans to study business in college.

Ms. Saito captured the crown after leading 14 other contestants. Four other finalists had been chosen, include Sydney April Lim, representing Westside Optimist Club, d of Howard and Nancy Akiyoshi Lim of San Gabriel; Patti Jane Sayuri Yamane, Bella Vista Optimist Club, d of Edward and Sue Yamane, Monterey Park; Trudy Taeko Nodohara, Sacramento Nisei Memorial Post 8985, VFW, d of Koso and Sachi Nodohara, Sacramento; and Sharon Sato, Beta Omega Phi, CSULA, d of Henry and Dora Sato of Gardena.

Janet Kaoru Tagawa, representing the Golden Gate Optimist Club and the daughter of Akio and Hiroko Tagawa of San Francisco, was named Miss Friendship.

Mrs. Yachiyo Okubo Uehara was the recipient of the 1982 American Japanese Literary Award established by author James Clavell. Mrs. Uehara's short story, "A Piece of Cake", describes her experiences at the Heart Mountain relocation camp during World War II.

Mrs. Uehara, 66, was born in Tokyo and arrived in San Francisco at the age of eight. Her family was sent to Heart Mountain in 1942 and later relocated to New York City. She returned to San Francisco in 1950 and currently resides there.

KCET to telecast Kabuki theater Aug. 2

LOS ANGELES—A 90-minute focus on Kabuki, "The Cruelty of Beauty", will air Aug. 2, 10 p.m. on KCET (28). The show will feature performances by two of Japan's National Living Treasures, Utaemon VI and Koshiro VIII in "Terakoya" (The Temple School). A short segment on the history of Kabuki precedes the performance.

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JACL and U.S.-Japan Relations

BY KARL NOBUYUKI (Gardena Valley JACL)

Gardena, Ca.

As we all know, JACL's 27th Biennial National Convention is right around the corner. It is for this reason that the Gardena Valley Chapter, through its Convention Committee urges each and every one of you to make every effort to "come on out" and join in this biennial confab.

This particular national convention will be unique in that it will be the first time in recent history that JACL will publicly endeavor to involve itself in the process of enhancing better U.S.-Japan relations. Even many of the "old-timers" could not recall the last time that a national convention used a Japanese theme such as "Kokoro". Nor could those in national leadership positions recall when the JACL sought to so publicly and openly address the issue of U.S.-Japan relations and how the JACL could involve itself to encourage improvements in existing tensions.

There can be no denying that growing tensions in both countries are related to the existing trade imbalance, and that this imbalance, coupled with the highest rate of U.S. unemployment since 1941, will lead to a different treatment towards all persons of Japanese ancestry in this country.

For the 27th Biennial and highlighting the thrust of U.S.-Japan relations in this convention is the attendance of His Excellency, Yoshio Okawara, Ambassador from Japan to the United States. As the highest ranking government official from the government of Japan in this country, his remarks during the Sayonara Banquet will be of paramount importance to all persons of Japanese ancestry. And, in a most timely manner, His Excellency has agreed to address the topic of "United States-Japan relations and the Japanese American".

The banquet will be emceed by a distinguished Nisei, Togo Tanaka, member of the Federal Reserve Board of Los Angeles.

Further accenting this interest in U.S.-Japan relations will be the Mike Masaoka Distinguished Public Service Award Banquet. Here, former United States Ambassador to Japan, James D. Hodgson, will address the convention relative to "U.S.-Japan Trade and the Role of Japanese Americans."

In addition, Mike himself has promised to tell of the little known role of the JACL in those "early years" to assist the Japanese in securing a foothold in the United States in the aftermath of World War II. This well-guarded secret of nearly

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35 Years Ago

IN THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

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July 19—Washington Post editorial calls Evacuation Claims Commission to adjudicate claims a "moral must" on the Congress agenda; recalls what President Truman said in favor of claims bill: "It would be a tragic anomaly if the U.S. were, on the one hand, to acclaim and decorate with honors the brave Nisei troops who fought so valiantly and at such sacrifice overseas, while on the other hand, it ignored and left unredressed the very real and grievous losses which some of them, together with their immediate families, have suffered as a result of Government action in the midst of that same war."

July 22—Author Stetson Kennedy ("Southern Exposure") tells Chicago JACL the KKK led race hate campaigns against Nisei on west coast; had joined the Klan and Columbians to write his controversial book.

July 23—San Benito County JACL (only active west coast JACL unit to continue paying its chapter dues to National through Evacuation period) back home (San Juan Bautista, CA).

July 25—Calif. alien land law suit filed against three Hindu farmers in Fresno; (Hindus were allowed naturalization privileges in 1943, but land in question obtained earlier.)

July 27—Senate tables HR 3999 (House-passed bill for Evacuation Claims Commission) till second session, 80th Congress, meets in January.

July 28—JACL ADC asks Internal Revenue Service to drop income-tax filing restrictions on Issei aliens who desire to travel between Hawaii and the Mainland. Through JACL, State and Justice Depts. July 25 had waived exit permits for Issei in Hawaii.

July 29—Presbyterian Synod of California calls for repeal of alien land law, citizenship of Issei resi-

dents and evacuation claims commission.

July 29—Case of Kenji Namba, 22 (442nd vet), and father Etsuo of Gresham, Ore., to test constitutionality of Oregon alien land law opens before Multnomah County superior court judge Crawford; Portland attorneys Verne Dusenberry and Alan Hart represent the Nambas.

July 30—U.S. Civil Service Commission to drop "Japanese" classification in employee loyalty standards; JACL-ADC had protested classification (in with Communists, Nazis, Fascists) because of racial factor and discrediting employees of Japanese ancestry not disloyal. CSC explained "Japanese" was used for want of a better term.

July 30—Chicago JACL "now biggest", says chapter president Jack Nakagawa with 431 members.

July 31—442nd Infantry reactivated as U.S. Army reserve unit in Honolulu; 100th Infantry part of unit as former members sought.

July 31—Calif. health officials dumping 40,000 gallons of contaminated shoyu (10 carloads), manufactured by Staley Co.; some 300 users in California, Utah and Oregon suffered ill-effects. Impounded supply untainted begin to reappear in stores and restaurants.

Aug. 2—Rep. Walter Judd (R-Minn.) introduces bill (HR 4418) to eliminate race restrictions from U.S. Nationality Act; identical to JACL-sponsored S 1655 (McGrath-Green bill) to provide citizenship to permanent resident aliens. (First time identical bills were introduced in both houses.)

A JACL Tribute to

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PETE HIRONAKA 7/30/82

From THE MIDWEST: by Bill Yoshino

Shig Wakamatsu's Role

Chicago

With the upcoming convention tribute to Shig Wakamatsu, much has already been written about his dedication, his commitment, his perseverance in service to the JACL and the JARP committee which he has chaired for so many years. I would join in all the accolades being attributed to Shig because in the years I have served in the Midwest Office I have seen that dedication, that commitment walk through the door of my office on a weekly basis and more to take care of JARP work or other JACL related business.

I've seen Shig spend late hours attending meetings, corresponding on behalf of JARP, loading his car with JARP books for mailing at the post office and on one occasion receive unsolicited abuse over the phone when Min Yasui was in Chicago doing a live radio show for JACL on the subject of redress. A radio listener, becoming so enraged at what he was hearing, called the JACL office at 11 pm. Shig, unaware of the radio program and doing his JACL work, picked up the phone and in momentary bewilderment listened to the caller's diatribe before responding in a reasoned, straightforward manner, setting the caller straight on the facts of the incarceration.

And what are Shig's rewards for his decades of service? Satisfaction, certainly. But it goes far beyond that. It extends to what may be the legacy of JARP in what it has provided for Japanese Americans.

Places like Gold Hill, Heart Mountain, and Bruyeres may be somewhat meaningless to the average person even though these places are of great significance to an entire ethnic group. But because of the dedication and perseverance of people like Shig Wakamatsu, and all those who played a role in JARP, the history of Japanese Americans has been recorded and materials have been collected for future research and places like Gold Hill will have a meaning for all those who wish to learn. And if there is a legacy of the Japanese American Research Project, it is that.

And its importance is now there is no one left to relate first hand the experience at Gold Hill, and a generation from now there may be no one to relate the experience at places like Heart Mountain or Bruyeres. However, in their absence, the words on the pages of JARP volumes will eloquently tell the story of the Issei pioneers and the Nisei to future generations of Americans.

SPEAKING OUT:

Washington Representative vs. Independent Contractor

BY GERALD H. YAMADA

Washington, D.C.

Delegates to the 1982 JACL Convention will vote on two budget options (July 9 PC), which focus on the issue of how JACL will be represented in Washington, D.C. Under Option 1, \$77,657 in 1983 and \$81,551 in 1984 would be provided to pay for a full-time Washington, D.C. Office that would be solely dedicated to JACL business. Under Option 2, \$50,000 plus \$10,000 for contingency expenses in 1983 and \$52,500 plus \$10,500 for contingency expenses in 1984 would be provided to pay for an independent contractor to represent JACL in Washington, D.C.

Option 2 raises a number of questions that the delegates must have answered to vote on this issue.

1—What expenditures are to be covered by the \$50,000 in 1983 and \$52,500 in 1984? The proposed budget does not itemize any expenditures for the independent contractor option. Without such information, it is difficult to compare the level of services under both options.

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From PACIFIC SOUTHWEST: by John Saito

What Price Justice?

The title is not new and neither is the practice, but what the County of Los Angeles is doing to Dr. Thomas Noguchi, is a variation of old practices.

First of all the County is contravening justice by dragging out the hearings and thus lessening the chances of mobilizing support for Dr. Noguchi.

Secondly, the County is making the hearings as costly as possible. The County has almost limitless use of taxpayers monies, while the support group for Dr. Noguchi must rely upon donations, contributions and fund raising events to try to match the County's monies.

There is a self fulfilling prophecy aspect of the County's prosecution also. If you say something enough times, some people are going to believe you. And if the County provides enough witnesses to state that Dr. Noguchi was a poor manager some people are going to believe that statement; even if the defense disproves those statements.

It appears to me that the County is circumventing the safeguards of the Civil Service system by using whatever means necessary to oust Dr. Noguchi from his position of Chief Medical Examiner-Coroner of the County of Los Angeles.

In 1969, the County used its own attorneys to prosecute Dr. Noguchi, but in 1982 the County is using private counsel which expense the taxpayers have to foot.

Even before the first hearing date the taxpayers of the County of L.A. had a bill for over \$100,000 from the County hired lawyers. One can imagine what the final bill will look like.

When you consider the above action of County spending in light of the proposed lay off of about 1000 County employees it appears like irresponsible mismanagement by the County. We are faced with the potential of 1000 more people on welfare.

The County is not sparing any expenses whether it be taxpayer's monies, county personnel, time and materials.

The cost of justice runs high these days and the projected costs for the adequate defense of Dr. Noguchi runs close to \$250,000.

One positive note is that not all five supervisors of the board are out to get rid of Dr. Noguchi. The lone supervisor who has publicly found fault with the actions taken by the other four board members has been Kenny Hahn. Supervisor Hahn also predicted that Dr. Noguchi will win his case.

In the meantime in order to keep up with the rate of spending done by the County a support group called Concerned Americans for Responsible Progress (CARP) has been formed to help out with some of the defense expenses. Those who would like to see Dr. Noguchi get a fair hearing can send their monetary or moral support to C.A.R.P.-Noguchi, c/o California First Bank, 120 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles, California 90012.



Spokane Sansei Show How to Entertain Issei

Spokane, Wash.

Although somewhat smaller than Denver, Spokane has much of the "feel" that Denver had when we came to live here half a lifetime ago. For one thing, the climate is not dissimilar. For another, there's a pleasant, slow-paced overgrown farm town atmosphere that may embarrass the residents but delight the weary visitor.

Spokane also has a goodly number of ex-Seattlites who came here during the war (while all of California was banned to Japanese Americans, the eastern halves of Oregon and Washington were not), and liked it well enough to stay permanently. These folks were much in evidence as the Spokane chapter of JACL recently honored pioneer members of the community, both Issei and Nisei, at an appreciation dinner. They held it at the Highland Park Methodist Church because it was more homey, and besides, no hotel or restaurant could produce the kind of food that Nisei ladies bring to a pot-luck.

More than 200 good folks showed up, and JACL chapter president Sam Nakagawa described it as the biggest Nikkei community event in a long, long while. The chapter is a close-knit organization, being small and in an integrated community. One rather suspects the chapter had more than a little to do with promoting the

integration.

Until her recent retirement, Iku Matsumoto taught the Japanese language in one of Spokane's high schools. She says there were more Caucasian kids taking the course than Sansei or Yonsei. When she retired she was assured that the course would be continued, but it's been suspended due to the usual budgetary problems.

The most entertaining part of the appreciation dinner was a Japanese language production of the Momotaro story by some Sansei or maybe they were Yonsei teenagers. I think they were teenagers, although a few might have been a bit older. You remember Momotaro. An old lady and an old man find a huge peach floating down their river near their home. They take the peach home, cut it open and out pops a baby. They name him Momotaro. He grows up into a fine warrior. When the area is threatened by an ogre, Momotaro goes to put him in his place, helped by a dog, a pheasant and a monkey with whom he makes friends along the way by giving them dumplings.

Iku Matsumoto directed the play, but there wasn't a thing she could do about the astonishing accents of the youngsters. Unfortunately, it is not possible to capture those accents on paper, but take my word, the way they mangled Japanese was so hilarious that even the dignified Issei senior citizens were roaring with laughter.

These Issei have reared a fine group of Nisei, who in turn point with pride to their Sansei children who, from all accounts, are doing very well. Many of them went off to school, but more and more of them are coming back to Spokane to settle down and practice their professions.

The Highland Park Methodist Church was designed by Nisei architect Frank Toribara, one of the ex-Seattlites, and built with contributions from the Issei and Nisei congregation. A handsome garden sets off the beauty of the building.

In one corner of the garden is a piece of lava rock on which is mounted a bronze tablet. It carries these words: "Ryotaro Nishikawa, a member of this church and talented landscape gardener transformed a wasteland into this beautiful garden with the assistance of other church members. He returned to heaven in 1964 leaving this church garden as his eternal monument on the Earth."

The garden may be no more eternal than other man-made monuments, but it will do until a better one comes along to commemorate the Issei in this community. #

WASHINGTON WRAP-UP: by Ron Ikejiri



Light at the End of the Tunnel

Washington

It was once said, "The optimist could see the light at the end of the tunnel, while the pessimist could not. But it took the pragmatist to see the light at the end of the tunnel was the headlight of an onrushing freight train."

Over the past 35 years, each of the legislative campaigns that the JACL has successfully waged had its share of optimists, pessimists and pragmatists.

Part 5 of 6-Part Series

Since 1978, when the JACL launched in earnest the Redress campaign to the American people, we had the encouragement, admonishment, and counsel of individuals from every persuasion.

Yet, if Redress is to become a reality within the near future, the JACL, the Japanese American community, and most of all, the American people, must be willing to come to the realization that there is common ground that serves the interests of all the parties.

Finding this common ground will not be easy. There will be those who feel the JACL is upsetting the status quo by pushing the Redress issue, while others will be critical of JACL for not doing more... Somewhere in between the two extremes will be the common ground.

This is where the practical application of the JACL resources, leadership and representation of the Japanese American community will be put to test.

The JACL, through its members and leaders, must be prepared to meet the challenges of finding a common ground. Otherwise, the JACL may never see the end of the Redress tunnel. #

Guest's Corner:

Fourth of July U.S. statement to people of Japan

The 4th of July message by U.S. Ambassador Mike Mansfield appearing in the Asahi Evening News July 3 updates the picture of U.S.-Japan relations—a key topic for JACL convention.—Editor.

By MIKE MANSFIELD

Ambassador of the United States of America

Tokyo

The history of America's struggle to achieve national independence demonstrates that no worthy goal can be achieved without dedication, sacrifice and cooperative endeavor, and those lessons of 1776 apply equally well to the world of 1982. No nation—or indeed no community of nations—can prosper and endure without the will to sacrifice for what is right and just and the wisdom and willingness to find common problems which engage us all.

The relationship between the United States and Japan is without question the most important single bilateral relationship in the world today, founded as it is on the shared values of the virtues of cooperative enterprise and international justice and a

commitment to freedom and democracy.

Our two nations have benefited and continue to benefit from these common ideals and goals. In our dealings with each other on difficult and complex issues, we have consistently been able to achieve mutually satisfactory solutions as equal partners sensitive to one another's needs and dedicated to preserving and extending our friendship.

Under the leadership of President Ronald Reagan, the United States is now actively engaged in arms reduction talks with the Soviet Union. In the critical debate over how best to achieve real and verifiable reductions in the world's arsenal of nuclear and conventional weapons, Japan has contributed enormously to focusing international attention on the urgency of eliminating these threats to world survival. In his address to the U.S. Special Session on Disarmament, Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki eloquently added his voice to the hopes of the Japanese and American people alike that one day soon the citizens of the world may be able to create a new declaration of independence from the specter of nuclear holocaust. We sincerely welcome Japan's support, advice and assistance in this essential task.

Japan has consistently been in the forefront among America's allies in protesting the suppression of freedom in Afghanistan and Poland, demonstrating for all the world to see her commitment to the principles of democracy symbolized by America's struggle for independence. In a very real sense, the Declaration of Independence has come to represent the noblest aspirations of all mankind, and the world leadership role of the people and Government of Japan fully embodies those aspirations.

More than two centuries ago a small band of patriots, representing the thirteen colonies of the world, took the revolutionary decision to establish a new country based on democratic principles and basic inalienable human rights. Each of those original colonies faced its own distinct set of regional problems, yet each recognized the fundamental necessity of forming a new nation whose government would be composed of and responsible to all its people. This original vision has sustained the United States through Civil War, economic depressions, and assorted conflicts and is the primary reason for America's continuing strength today.

It has become a tradition for Americans on this day to look back over our past, to remind ourselves in the complexity of the moment that our national heritage is a useful guide for examining the present. It is important from time to time to reaffirm the ideals and goals we have professed for more than two hundred years. July 4, the one day in each year when we celebrate our nationhood, is an excellent time to reflect on both our own independence and our alliance with other nations.

The world is more interdependent now than it ever has been. The partnership between the United States and Japan demonstrates to the entire world the importance of cooperation and commitment in order to realize common goals and work out coordinated responses to common dangers, whether they be political, economic or military.

In the end, we in the United States cannot protect our freedoms, whether they be political or economic, unless we are aware of the need for concerted action both at home and with our allies abroad. If we act in the spirit of unity on which our nation was founded, and which was affirmed once more last month at the summit meeting in Versailles, we shall not only overcome the difficulties which face us now, but emerge from our struggles stronger and better prepared for whatever challenges the future may bring. #

CHIAROSCURO

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forty years will be revealed by the master of the JACL Washington Office.

Consistent with this theme of U.S.-Japan relations will be a major workshop conducted by the JACL International Relations Committee, headed by workhorse, Chuck Kubokawa. It will be held on the first day of the week-long confab from 1 p.m. It will focus on providing a contemporary perspective of U.S.-Japan relations. The panel discussion will feature Ambassador Richard Petree, Executive Director of the United States-Japan Friendship Foundation. Other dignitaries such as Sen Nishiyama, International Affairs Executive, SONY Corporation; Dick Nikaide, Esq., member of the JACL Select Committee on Foreign Affairs, of Washington, D.C., will complement the exchange as experts in the area of trade and international market strategies. The discussion should be lively, and since this is a workshop format, audience participation will be an inherent part of the overall scenario.

The JACL has frequently been accused of not being aggressive enough in addressing contemporary issues. If ever the accusation were true, JACL's role in United States-Japan relations is one of them. Unlike many other nations, who have sizable populations of Japanese ancestry, our Nikkei, for the most part appear to be reticent to openly address our nation's relationship with Japan. If the JACL is ever to address this criticism or "post-war paranoia", if you will, the most appropriate time appears to be at THIS convention and THIS TIME.

We can guarantee the comments and discussions raised during this convention about the relationship between Japan and the United States will be challenging, and can, if the membership is willing, serve as a rallying point for future action. But first, we must learn all we can about the issues...this convention will provide the forum.

If the JACL, with all its rhetoric and resolutions, is ever to get seriously involved in enhancing the relationship between these United States and Japan, the time is now. There are perhaps more anti-Japanese bills before the United States Congress than any time since World War II. While most of these bills are related to the existing imbalance in trade between the two countries, there appears to be a strong thread that runs through each one of them—a lack of understanding. It's time for JACL to do something about it. #

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FROM THE YOUTH DIRECTOR: David Nakayama

Team Players

On Feb. 22, I began my first day working at the National Headquarters. Prior to my coming to the JACL, I worked seven years for the same company. There, I knew almost everyone. Beginning a new job at a new place and not quite knowing what to expect left me a little scared, with a whole lot of anxiety.

That first day, a nice woman let me in with her key and asked who I wanted to see. As I waited for the elevator to take me to the third floor, the tension and anticipation I was feeling began to take over. I noted a sign entitled, "Staff Directory". I wondered what these people looked like and whether or not we would get along, etc.

Upon reaching the third floor, I was greeted by Mrs. Masi Nihei, secretary to the National Director. She took me around the office and introduced me to the other staff members. She continued traditional office protocol and explained where the copier was located, how the employees' coffee fund worked, and opened the door to my new office, then greeted me by dumping a large stack of papers on my desk. "How nice it is that we have a Youth Director!" she exclaimed and smiled.

So I sat in the office with the round window, with this stack of papers and correspondence that I knew nothing about. Having my new office located directly in front of the elevator, I enjoyed the luxury of having numerous faces pop in my door, looking at me, saying nothing and leaving. This continued for most of the morning, with the exception of one familiar face—the National Director, his arms full with a box of sweet potatoes, followed by a small dog named "Queenie" who continued to jump around. He asked if everything was all right and if I wanted any sweet potatoes, to help myself. As he left, the little dog remained, running about my office for about five minutes.

For the remainder of the day I read my large stack of papers, files and previous issues of the Pacific Citizen to try to gain some background and insight to the organization. This process continued for the entire week, including a daily visit from the little dog Queenie.

Now, after being on board for six months, I have learned a great deal. Not only about the JACL, but the National Headquarters staff as well. Every morning I walk up to the second floor (we take the stairs to save electricity) where I am usually greeted by Queenie and her "mom", Emily Ishida. I proceed to the third floor and exchange my good mornings with Masi. It took me quite a long time to call Mrs. Nihei by her first name.

(My parents would've certainly not approved of that). Then I continue to my office that is now located in the back of the building, far away from the elevator.

By now I am sure that my little story has gotten a little boring. But the important part is what I have learned here and what it is like to work at National Headquarters. I find that I am part of a family... a team. It isn't rare to find Ron Wakabayashi setting up tables for meetings, or to see Masi and Emily working those few minutes after office hours to finish up those last minute items. Even on the Fourth of July weekend, some of us are here stuffing the Sweepstakes tickets into envelopes so that they can be mailed out as early as possible. If you call National Headquarters after business hours on most days, even at 9:00 P.M., you will find that your call will be answered by Ron or myself.

I don't want you to think that I am trying to "blow my horn" and make you feel sorry for me and the other staff members. It's just that after six months on a new job, I enjoy it and the people I work with. Everyone is a "Team Player"... and I am honored and proud to be on the team. ...Oh, that includes you too, Queenie.

CBS drops controversial race formula

NEW YORK—The CBS television network recently dropped a controversial formula that had been used by its executives for five years to evaluate ideas for television films. The action, reported in the Los Angeles Herald Examiner July 19, came about in part after it was discovered by CBS executives that the formula used race and ethnic origin as criteria for deciding principal characters for a film.

Called TAPE (for television and audience program evaluation), the formula, devised by a British concern, uses a detailed list of factors by which one-paragraph descriptions of ideas for television movies are judged. For example, in considering the race of a protagonist, "Oriental" is bad but white Anglo Saxon is good.

A TAPE memo obtained by the New York Times also noted that for a lead character, persons from "foreign" countries are the least desirable, while the most desirable characters are American blacks, Mexicans, Jews or Italians.

Explaining the cancellation of the service, David Fuchs, vice president and assistant to the president of the CBS Broadcast Group, said he feared that the formula "is so subject to misinterpretation by outsiders as well as users that we should not be involved." Another CBS vice president, Harvey Shephard, noted that TAPE is only one measure used and other variables, such as familiar theme or distinctive casting, have an important role as well.

Thomas J. McManus, North American representative for TAPE, called the CBS concern about racial and ethnic categories "a gross misinterpretation of what is being done."

NBC donates \$1,000 to PSW-JACL

LOS ANGELES—The NBC television network and its local station KNBC (4) has donated \$1,000 to the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council as part of the station's continuing support of organizations in the State of California.

Jay Rodriguez, NBC vice president of Corporate Information, sent the donation July 19 to PSW Regional Director John Saito, who sent a letter of acknowledgement and gratitude to the station.

Rodriguez noted in his letter to Saito, "We compliment you on the work you are doing and hope that this donation will assist you in your work." #

New Mexico JACL slates 'Omatsuri'

ALBUQUERQUE, NM—The New Mexico JACL will celebrate over 92 years of Japanese culture in the state during "Omatsuri: A Japanese Festival" on Sunday, Aug. 1, 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. on the grounds of Taro's Garden, 6001 San Mateo N.E. Arts and crafts, music, food, historical exhibits and entertainment will highlight the festival.

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SUMMARY (Since Dec. 31, 1981)

Active (previous total) 1,522
Total report July 6 29
Total report July 9 35
Current total 1,586

JULY 6-9, 1982 (29)

Alameda: 2-Tatsuya Nakae.
Berkeley: 24-Jean Nakazono.
Chicago: 10-Isamu J. Kuse.
Clovio: 33-T June Fujita*.
Detroit: 33-Peter S. Fujioka, 28-Minoru Yamasaki*.
Downtown Los Angeles: 5-John Dennis Hokoyama.
Fresno: 1-John Kubota, 1-Lily Suda, 1-Daniel P. Sugimoto.
Gardena Valley: 28-Dr. Victor Makita*.
Japan: 3-Mike Ozaki.
Mile-Hi: 6-Tom Ioka.
New York: 15-Shigeru Tasaka.
Oakland: 25-Frank H. Ogawa.
Omaha: 10-Edward F. Ishii.
Orange County: 20-Kay Tamura.
Pocatello-Blackfoot: 19-Bobby Endo.
Portland: 3-Roger Yamada.
Puyallup: 24-John Y. Fujita.
Saint Louis: 24-Dr. George S. Uchiyama.
San Francisco: 2-Misako Honda.
San Luis Obispo: 11-Kingo Kawaoka.
Seattle: 1-Aki Kurose, 28-George Y. Kawachi, 1-Kenneth Mayeda.
Venice-Culver: 14-Sam Shimoguchi.
Washington, DC: 17-Ben Fukutome.
West Los Angeles: 7-Harry Fujino.

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JULY 9-16, 1981 (35)

Alameda: 16-Paul S. Baba.
Berkeley: 6-Takeo H. Shirasawa.
Boise Valley: 19-Paul Yasuda.
Chicago: 26-Thomas S. Teraji.
Cleveland: 28-George Suzuki.
Dayton: 13-Maj. Frank A. Titus.
French Camp: 15-Hideo Morinaka.
Gardena Valley: 11-George S. Kamikawa*, 2-Jim Mita, 2-Chester Sugimoto.
Idaho Falls: 32-Al Brownell.
Livingston-Merced: 27-Fred M. Hashimoto.
Marina: 3-Ryoko Takata, 2-Hank Y. Sakauye.
Mile-Hi: 2-Dale R. Arnold.
Milwaukee: 8-David McKendry.
Monterey Peninsula: 30-Kenneth H. Sato*.
New York: 13-Takeo Wakiji.
Orange County: 15-Ben K. Shimazu.
Philadelphia: 26-Dr. Warren H. Watanabe.
Puyallup Valley: 23-Yosh Kawabata.
Sacramento: 2-George Burnside, Jr., 26-Takashi Tsujita.
San Diego: 16-Masato Bruce Asakawa.
San Fernando Valley: 25-Tom Endow.
San Francisco: 21-Albert Mas. Matsu-mura.
Saint Louis: 24-George N. Shimamoto.
Seattle: 2-P. H. Schmidt, 29-Kay Yamaguchi.
South Bay: 20-Edwin Y. Mitoma.
Stockton: 29-Jack Y. Matsumoto.
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Ventura County: 2-Shigeru Yabu.
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West Valley: 16-Joe Nishimura.
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FOR THE OFFICE OF VICE PRESIDENT FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Responsible for "monitoring external affairs including matters and committees relating to legislation, civil rights, public issues..."

HENRY T. TANAKA

In 35 years of service to JACL, Henry Tanaka has served the organization at all levels and in a variety of elected and appointed capacities. Aware of the rich heritage of JACL and involved in its present issues, Henry Tanaka currently serves as chair of the Midwest District Redress Program, is a member of the district's Human Rights Committee, and serves on the National Redress Committee.

On issues of major concern to JACL, Henry Tanaka advocates the enhancement of JACL's public profile, the diversification of its financial base and the prioritization of JACL's many goals.

To improve the efficiency of JACL's operations, Henry Tanaka urges continued investigation of the need for structural modifications.

However oft-stated and important these concerns may be... without a process for hard, innovative, and experienced decision making these concerns will not be realized. The first step in this process is the election of responsible and committed individuals.

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FORMULA FOR THE 27th BIENNIUM: ISSUES → ACTION → RESULTS = VITALITY

- ✓ **Issues-Oriented:** See "Issues and Answers" Below.
- ✓ **Action-Oriented:** Led street demonstration protesting Kenzo's "JAP" label. Participated in other demonstrations. Also look for 'Plan of Action for the 27th Biennium' to be released at National Council session.
- ✓ **Results-Oriented:** Forced Kenzo to drop humiliating 'JAP' label.
- ✓ **Business Background:** Over 20 years as self-employed CPA in the private sector. Saved National JACL \$20,000 in annual insurance costs.
- ✓ **Creative:** Conceived 'Sweepstakes' idea resulting in some \$40,000 for general National JACL use. (See 'Issues and Answers' for sampling of ideas for the next biennium.)
- ✓ **Organizer:** Founded the Marina JACL. Co-founded Japanese American Democratic Club of Los Angeles.
- ✓ **Firm & Decisive:** Re-established standards of disciplined fiscal management as Nat'l JACL Secretary/Treasurer.

JACL SERVICE—(1) Founder/organizer of Marina Chapter. (2) Membership Chair of Marina Chapter since inception. (3) Chair, PSWDC Ethnic Concerns, 1977-78. (4) PSWDC Advisory Board, present. (5) National Secretary/Treasurer, 1978-81. (6) Member: Nat'l Endowment Fund Committee, present. • **EDUCATION/BUSINESS**—(1) Manzanar High School. (2) Temple University, B.S. with Honors. (3) Beta Gamma Sigma. (4) Phi Alpha Theta. (5) Certified Public Accountant, since 1956. (6) California Society of CPAs. (7) American Institute of CPAs. • **PERSONAL**—(1) Native Californian. (2) Married, one daughter. (3) U.S. Army, 1945-47. (4) Co-founder/Organizer, Japanese American Democratic Club of Los Angeles. (5) Finance chair in Los Angeles area election campaigns of Norm Mineta, 1980; and Bob Matsui, 1978. (6) Chair, Advisory Board of Pacific Asian Roundtable.

ISSUES AND ANSWERS

By Y. George Kodama
Candidate for JACL National President

Delegates to the forthcoming National Council meeting will face a number of critical issues, all of which will impact the organization operationally as well as setting the tone in furthering the goals and purposes of JACL in the 27th biennium. The selection process for the highest office of JACL, from my standpoint, obligates me as a candidate to make my views known on these critical issues in a clear and forthright manner.

BUDGET AND FINANCE

The JACL budget, even though voted on once every two years, is an issue having neither a beginning nor an end. It is ongoing and supersedes all other matters in relative importance for, without money and a well conceived plan to bring it in and then to spend it, the JACL, or any other organization for that matter, would exist in name only.

This is a matter about which, as the immediate past national treasurer coupled with over 20 years of business and financial experience in the private sector, I can comfortably speak with authority. Among other things, the budget is the principal instrument by which the JACL operations for a given period of time are controlled and performance measured. There are few actions on the part of the national leadership and staff that do not somehow and ultimately translate into dollars. For this very reason, as I have remarked on past occasions, the JACL must operate on a strict business-like basis, at all times.

Moreover, again as I have said before, the national JACL treasury is a public trust and all those with access to it shall conduct themselves in a fiduciary capacity. I believe that during my first two years as the national treasurer, standards to meet this criterion were re-established.

And, past recurrent doubts that National is prudently spending membership money is a thing of the past. Since finances are an inseparable part of the total decision-making process, should it not be incumbent upon the national leadership, the president in particular to have a good working knowledge of the budget and all other matters that flow from it?

It was under my initiative and direction that the proposed, and later revised, budget for the current biennium was published in detail in the PC for the first time ever. But that was not enough. The membership has a right to know how the budget was actually administered. And that requires, again in detail and annually, publishing in the PC actual income and expenditures on a comparison basis with the proposed budget showing overages and underages of each line item. This, in my view, is an absolute must for such a report does indeed constitute the national leadership's yearly report card. Too, how else can the National Council meeting but every two years intelligently consider matters relating to the budget and national finances?

REDRESS

The Redress program, as officially adopted as a national priority issue, and my involvement at the national JACL level as secretary-treasurer for almost three years, have a common beginning date - the 25th National Council meeting at Salt Lake City.

I have supported the Redress campaign in all ways from the very beginning and will continue to do so to its conclusion however long that may take and whatever might be its ultimate form. From the outset, my personal view has been that the only appropriate remedy must be direct individual monetary compensation. That is a straightforward solution to a problem of immense complexity. My personal

view, again, is that a trust fund in combination with direct payments overly and unnecessarily complicates the issue further than it already is. Experience has taught me that straightforward approaches to complicated problems usually gain easier acceptance. However, lest there be any misunderstanding, let me hasten to add that I fully support the JACL Redress program in toto, come what may.

I believe the Redress issue easily dwarfs all of the past issues the JACL has seen fit to tackle for the effect this issue has on all Japanese Americans, whether having undergone internment or not, presently living and yet to be born, for as long as there is a United States of America. Accordingly, the Redress program must continue to be funded by all available resources at JACL's command.

U.S.-JAPAN TRADE CONFLICT

It is hard to escape the realization in this country today, that the problem stemming from the trade imbalance—with no discernible relief in sight—between the United States and Japan has received more continuing media attention than almost any other issue in recent times. The resulting spillover into the Japanese American community appears to be just a latter-day regrowth of the old shibboleth, "a Jap is a Jap." Why, it's even affected our white brethren driving their Datsuns and Toyotas.

I feel very strongly that the agenda of the next biennium include a challenge to this most frustrating of problems which threatens to disturb the tranquility of the Japanese American community like nothing else since the organized "Yellow Peril" movement culminating in mass evacuation and internment some 40 years ago.

Doing something about this matter, the dimensions and ramifications of which are truly mind-boggling, will require the best problem-solving talent

that the JACL can muster, both within and without the organization. And the time to start is immediately! A by-product of waging an all-out campaign against the effects of the trade issue could be the laying of a basis from which the JACL can seek funds from sources other than the membership.

Still another consequence of our efforts might be membership development. On this matter it is difficult to envision a division in the community such as occurred with Redress since this is an issue all Japanese Americans should readily identify with.

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

This is another of the continuing issues which today assumes increased importance in the face of steadily declining membership. This is a matter that should concern everyone in the JACL for our very survival as a viable and meaningful organization representing the vital interests of the Japanese American community is at stake. Certainly, all those vying for national leadership positions must accept membership development as a continuing matter to which all of their creative talents must be applied.

The day has probably passed when the JACL should, or even can, rely on automatic renewals much as is happening today. We must aggressively and vigorously sell the JACL. But first, a self-examination.

To begin with, we must make sure that there is something to sell. It's the old economic equation: value for consideration. Nothing happens without that. We already have the PC which accounts for some tangible value. So what about the rest? I submit that the balancing factor, for want of a better word, is credibility, which is a composite of, among other things, assurance of fiscal integrity, ability to attract the best and the brightest for leadership roles, assurance of optimal performance of both volunteers and paid staff, and that goals selected are realistic in terms of available dollars and manpower and are achievable with predictable results. My candidacy is based in part on the acceptance of this concept as an issue and the acknowledgment that improvement is needed before the JACL really has something of value to sell - and start moving forward once again.

Ultimately, as I have come to realize as membership chair of the Marina chapter since its inception four years ago, the nitty-gritty of expanding membership will be done on a one-on-one basis at the chapter level. At this time, I urge the re-examination of the need for slick and expensive brochures since my observation is that such material has been less than cost effective. In this regard, the role of the PC, with its obvious and great potential for promoting the JACL should not be overlooked. As a minimum, a cut-out membership application in each issue of the PC should be considered.

A thought which comes to mind that may be worth at least \$15,000 each year is to require JACL membership of all non-member PC subscribers which currently number about 1,500.

**HEADQUARTERS MOVE
TO WASHINGTON, D.C.**

There has been sporadic discussion in the past of relocating headquarters, most often to the Southern California area. It seems to me that the current proposal to move headquarters to Washington, D.C. is sufficiently lacking in supportive data such as to disqualify it as an issue having much chance at seriously being considered by the National Council within what appears to be a very tight schedule. However, I wish to simply raise the question of whether a feasibility study has been done giving effect, minimally and necessarily, to the economics of such a move.

Since the discussion on this topic has already begun, the eventual move of headquarters to the Los Angeles area has considerable merit. With the largest single concentration of Japa-

nese Americans in the continental U.S., how better could the future good of the JACL be served than by locating headquarters where the greatest potential for membership growth exists? Which could then lead to other things.

My belief is that moving to Washington, D.C. would effectively signal the end of the JACL as a membership-oriented organization. That day may lie ahead but would have to be accompanied by a sweeping change in the makeup of the membership. I recognize the need for effective lobbying activities, but could the announced purpose of such a move be accomplished in the short run by beefing up our existing facilities, subject of course, to first finding the necessary wherewithal?

ANNIVERSARY MEMBERSHIP/ UNIFORM DUES STRUCTURE

The so-called crazy-quilt amendment is difficult for me to accept, even for starters, for it attempts to solve a problem without first putting all the parts in their proper places. In fact, some of the parts are even missing. Aside from the vagueness inherent in the notion of "average dues", the mechanics for implementation are not mentioned. Anniversary membership, presumably centrally administered and computerized, is highly desirable for a host of reasons, but as the author(s) of the amendment acknowledge, it is unworkable without uniform dues.

Therefore, a compromise approach—which would automatically eliminate some of the mechanical problems of a national program—might require that each district set its own uniform dues. The tradeoff would be individual chapter autonomy, to this minor degree, subordinated to the common good of the district (and National). With that in place, a truly uniform dues arrangement could in time be a less painful matter of transition. Would this not be a good test of district leadership?

27th Biennial Convention:**Just 10 Days Away**

By LOU TOMITA

Gardena, Ca.

It's hard to believe that the 27th Biennial National Convention is just a week away. This will be the final test to see if all our convention planning and logistical preparation will meet the standards deserving of one of America's largest Asian-American organizations. We are ready to meet that challenge.

The past month has been extremely active. Over 300 persons have pre-registered for our Biennial confab and there have been very few who have needed accommodations beyond that which we had prepared for. We thank Registration Chair May Doi for her astute planning, personal commitment, and organization. Thus far, everything appears to be working as planned, with our volunteer registration committee gearing-up to welcome you to Gardena and the Los Angeles County community.

Meanwhile, Convention Booklet Chair Stuart Tsujimoto was feverishly learning what it takes to put together a convention booklet. Stuart is putting the booklet into its final stages. He has asked that I personally thank all of you who purchased and sold an ad for the booklet.

Convention sales have been also encouraging, and Convention Co-Chair Chester Sugimoto already has a group of volunteers polishing the shiny new Subaru 4-wheel drive wagon going for project "TAKURA". I should add that Chester's role in this convention is significantly beyond convention sales. As a businessman in the nursery industry, he has been extremely active in securing the special decorations that will be revealed during our convention dining events; put together by Hiromi Nobuyuki and her seven-member committee of flower arrangement specialists. More so, Chester is fast developing the nickname "fireman" as he is quick to address special items that pop up now and then.

I have to mention our most recent developments in our traditional JACL Biennial Fashion Show, chaired by Sansei Linda Miyagawa, who has assembled an exciting array of fashions, designed by seven designers in the Los Angeles area. Most of them are local Sansei. All are preparing for JACL's greatest fashion show ever! I am tempted to reveal the special designs that were developed for this showing, but I promised Linda that I wouldn't. So, anyway, I assure you that this Fashion Show will be different. Even the price is special: \$25 per person.

On another note, we of course are excited about the distinguished persons who will participate in our biennial confab. We

A Crunched ScheduleBy CHESTER SUGIMOTO, Convention Board Co-Chair
Gardena, Ca.

In just a few weeks, the 27th JACL Biennial convention will begin. At that time chapter delegates will once again be called upon to chart a course for the JACL and decide the posture of the organization for the next two years.

Unlike many of our past conventions, the 27th Biennial will have added pressures. Total time period for the convention will be shortened to four days with business sessions projected to run less than 24 hours. Seven issue-oriented workshops will be held early in the convention schedule (Tuesday afternoon) to inform delegates of the issues that will be placed before them; with the hopes of shortening the lengthy discussions characteristic of floor debates. The three traditional recognition events will remain and be supplemented by two special events requested by National Headquarters.

What all this adds up to is a shortened and intensified convention requiring that every convention delegate do his/her homework prior to the business session if we are to keep on schedule.

The shortening of the "week" should also provide some advantages. Most notably is that this schedule should permit greater participation from our chapters in Central California and other agricultural communities.

Over the past years, it appeared that the JACL lost out in not having the representation from our rural chapters due to the conflict of the harvest season and the JACL national business sessions. This revised schedule should minimize this and allow our rural chapters to send representatives rather than proxy votes.

At the same time, we believe that many of our Nisei businessmen will also be encouraged to participate as a result of the shortened convention "week". For example, the timing of the convention is concurrent with the Nisei Week activities and traditionally this is a peak time period for Nikkei businessmen in the L.A. area.

Conceivably, with the shortened schedule, our independent businessmen will be more inclined to "slip away" for a few days. In addition, the Nisei Week activities should provide a variety of events that boosters and delegate family members will enjoy as they take in the sights of the Los Angeles Nikkei community.

Meanwhile, I ask all of you who might have casually tossed the idea of attending the JACL National Convention aside to red-line the dates of AUGUST 10-13 as JACL CONVENTION WEEK and show up!

want you to know that the two national events, the Masaoka Distinguished Public Service Award and the Sayonara Ball, will be a "Black-Tie Head Table"...we're really going to roll out the red carpet for these two events.

There'll be a lot of action, business and fun! This I guarantee. In fact, for those of you who have longed to hear the sounds of one of our best Nikkei entertainers, "Butch" Kasahara will be on-hand for our Thursday luau in Gardena at the Cultural Institute. Be ready for some real entertainment.

For you 1000 Clubbers, Ron Shiozaki, Sue Okabe, Betty Yumori and Company have some real "wing-dingers" ready. Be prepared...for fun, excitement and a lot-o-laughing.

Finally, Karl Nobuyuki asked me to remind you that hotel accommodations will be tight for the month of August and that our reservations with the Hyatt Hotel are only good for two weeks prior to the convention. If you haven't reserved your room by now, it may be too late when this appears. #

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2—Can the independent contractor afford to adequately represent JACL? In 1983 under Option 1, it would cost \$48,730 to operate the Washington, D.C. Office not including the Washington Representative's salary. If that salary is subtracted from the \$50,000, there would be only \$1,270 left for the independent contractor's salary for the entire year. Even if the secretary's salary and office were shared with other accounts, there still would be a substantial shortfall resulting in reduced services. Where those reductions are to be made and how the reductions will affect the quantity and quality of JACL's representation must be explored.

3—What other programs would be adversely affected if a full-time Washington Representative is retained under Option 1? The difference between the two options is \$17,657 in 1983. Under the full-time Washington Representative option, the \$17,657 would be appropriated by reducing the district allocations for the Pacific Southwest, Midwest, Intermountain and Eastern District Councils and decreasing funds available for membership and other projects. The amount budgeted for

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The meeting, which lasted three hours, was characterized as a positive exchange. Tsujimura not only expressed the organization's appreciation to the study team for soliciting comments from JACL, but for its interest in gaining a

Japanese American perspective.

The Foreign Office also sponsored study teams for Europe and South America. The U.S. team had visited Chicago, New York and Washington and were enroute home via Honolulu. #

International Relations: Chuck Kubokawa

PANA constitution drafted: two versions prepared

PART V

Lima, Peru

The two major points of discussion for PANA had to deal with the fundamental rights we take for granted in our country and Canada, but are not considered fundamental in Latin America. If one who lives in the U.S. goes to Latin American countries thinking that all the rights you are provided in the U.S. goes along with you when you travel, you are sadly mistaken. When you are in a foreign country you must abide by, and act accordingly to their rules. We hold our Constitutional Rights very dear and close to our way of life, but in the Latin American countries there are no constitutional rights.

The Nikkei of our country through strife and unconstitutional and discriminatory experiences know the value of human rights. Therefore, our stressing human rights, equal opportunity, and freedoms in the first PANA constitutional drafting session was a time consuming experience. We discussed for over two hours some philosophical differences and why the U.S. wanted a certain statement placed in the PANA Constitution, and the real necessity of such statements if the Nikkei are going to be treated fairly. Though the Latin American Nikkei in their heart know about these issues, they wanted to leave such statements out of a written PANA document. Such statements could be considered subversive and communistic in a sense and create a need for investigating the PANA Organizations in the Latin American countries. The discussion ended with an agreement for two separate statements for that part of the constitution. One strictly for Latin American countries and the other statement for Canada and the U.S.

The statements read as follows for:

U.S. and Canada—"Promote the well-being, acceptance, and human rights of the Nikkei in each Pan American country."

Latin America—"Promote the well-being of the association members in each Pan American country."

The second major point was the way in which the organization was to function administratively. The Latin American and the North American ways of officiating the organization were discussed for over an hour and a half. Though our U.S., Canada input was approved, I am thinking the Latin American manner will prevail. That is, in Latin American organizations the executive secretariat is the ruling source, the executive board is a figurehead group. I had to explain that in order to be fair to the membership nations, equal voice and voting rights are essential to move on any issue or program. If an executive secretariat controls and dictates action for program efforts, such control will be unfair because of no discussion or creative inputs from the membership countries. Various perspectives, customs, and resource capabilities from each country must be

membership and other projects under both options is an increase over the amount budgeted in 1982. Hence, the key determination is whether the four affected District Councils are able to find alternate means to raise funds to offset their reduced allocations.

Under both options, the amount budgeted does not change for General Operations (except for retirement), National Headquarters, Pacific Citizen, allocations for the other District Councils, Youth Program, and Scholarship Program. Under Option 1, there is a small decrease in district field office allocations, but this amount is almost offset by an increase in retirement expenses. Under both options, the amount budgeted for district field offices is again an increase over the amount budgeted for 1982. In sum, there appears to be minimal adverse cost impacts to other programs, if a full-time Washington Representative is retained; provided that, the four affected District Councils are able to find alternate funding to supplement their reduced allocations.

4—Does an independent contractor meet JACL's needs? An independent contractor is defined as "one who, exercising an independent employment, contracts to do a piece of work according to his own methods and without being subject to the control of his employer except as to the result of the work." The key difference is whether JACL wants to hold its representative accountable only for the results of his work (independent contractor) or, in addition, to be able to direct how the work is to be performed (Washington Representative). This distinction must be considered in defining the type of relationship that JACL wants to maintain between the National Board or the National Director and the representative in Washington, D.C.

Another important consideration is whether JACL needs a full-time Washington Representative to help with the Redress Project. We are reaching the point where a Redress Commission Report will be issued later this year, and JACL will have to consider what additional steps will be necessary.

5—And what restrictions would be placed on the independent contractor to avoid any real or apparent conflicts of influence? If the JACL Constitution is to be used as a guide, then the independent contractor could not accept any foreign accounts. The question is whether this or any other similar restriction would be acceptable to an independent contractor.

These questions will hopefully be helpful in focusing the debate on this important issue. #

Gordon Yamada, an attorney with the Environmental Protection Agency, is a member of the Washington, D.C. JACL, serving on the chapter board since 1975 and as chapter president in 1979-80.

weighed along with the needs, viability, usefulness, acceptability, compatibility, and validity of any proposed effort. They agreed in the rationale presented by the U.S., but whether adherence to such operational actions will be taken in the future will have to be seen. It is very difficult for those of one country to pick up the ways of another, but I am sure all efforts will be made to run PANA as smoothly as possible with all the cooperation possible. Each of our member country must try their hardest to grow along positively with this new organization. Since PANA is a brand new Nikkei organization I am certain there cannot be any negative forces working against us yet.

After the first day of meeting, we were escorted to the First International Nikkei Singing Contest, before some 4,500 persons in a temporary outdoor auditorium. The judges consisted of 14 persons from various major firms located in Latin America, but mostly Lima.

The following day we were privileged to visit two Nikkei established museums. The visitation to the Amano Museum was a delight never expected. Mr. Amano personally excavated more impressive archeological Inca artifacts than those shown in the local museums. He is internationally known and is highly respected by all Peruvians. The private museum employs eight Nikkei curators and is clean and well maintained.

The same can be said for the Nikkei Community Museum. I found it a different type of interest in this very new museum linking the past from the first immigration of Japanese into the Western Hemisphere to the present day activities. The past is expertly woven together with the present. A must-see place for all Nikkei visiting Lima. The director of the Nikkei Community Museum, Mr. Amemiya, journeyed to Lima when he was 17 from Yamanashi-ken, which reminded me of calling the Kubokawas of Lima. Called twice but to my dismay no success. Here it was one more day before my departure from Peru and I can't even find out whether they are related to my family.

At night after our dinner Luis Yamakawa, (president of the Latin American JACL Chapter in L.A.) suggested that I go to see the bingo fundraiser for the Japanese Language School. I really didn't think much of it because I had a perception of the U.S. bingo games. A bingo game is a bingo game, what more can I see? To my greatest surprise was walking into a huge temporary tent, large enough for a three ring circus filled with close to 5,500 persons playing bingo.

The bingo game finished after 11:30 p.m. As we rode back to our hotel I noticed the Saturday night street merchants selling all kinds of things from different stalls along the major streets around the rotaries, just like Hong Kong, and other cities in the Far East. The night was just starting for some people, but for me it was back to the hotel for a good night's sleep in preparation for our final day of meeting. #



'HERE'S THE HYATT'—Conventioners flying into LAX who are registered at the Airport Hyatt Hotel (above) can ride in on the hotel shuttle running every 20 minutes. There is a direct phone line at the baggage area for shuttle service connection.

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4, "Chiaroscuro".) Of note is the presence of Ambassador Richard Petree on the panel. A career U.S. diplomat in East Asian matters and deputy U.S. representative to the United Nations at the time he retired recently, Petree is executive director of the U.S.-Japan Friendship Foundation.

Convention Kaleidoscope

The four-day JACL Convention starts officially Aug. 10 but preceding it are five meetings: our PC Board, National Board, EXECOM (Executive Committee will select a JACLer of Biennium), Nominations and the Nat'l Youth Council. Several Monday night mixers are on tap: Gardena's, the Youth's and the Singles. Check the registration desk for locales, as well as whatever queries. Business sessions are set for 8 a.m. SHARP each day with prospects of even earlier sessions as the week wanes to cover the agenda (still to be announced).

The 1980 Convention Minutes have been printed and will be handed to official delegates, national board and staff. It is twice as thick (104 pages) as the 1980 minutes. There will be the Convention souvenir booklet, being produced by Stuart Tsujimoto's committee, in every registered conventioners' packet. In addition, National Council delegates will receive the agenda and all related papers, resolutions for consideration, etc.

Dues Increase Top Item

With four mornings and two afternoons devoted to National Council business, the Convention Board has booked in at least 22 hours for chapter delegates to mull over the budget, judging from the various District Councils voting against a dues increase. The proposal calls for a \$1.25 increase the first year, followed by a \$1.75 increase in the second year. NC-WNPDC and IDC delegates recently voted to keep dues (around \$30, if you add local assessments) as is. Duration of the Candidates' Forum Tuesday lunch time will allow about 30 minutes each for the three running for National President. At least six workshops were expected, but with a major focus on U.S.-Japan relations, International Relations Committee's looms as the stellar draw with such panelists as Ambassador Richard Petree, retired career diplomat; Sen Nishiyama of SONY, Ben Takeshita of Contra Costa JACL, David Nikaido of Washington, D.C. JACL; and possibly Dr. Dan Okimoto of Stanford. Sequoia JACLer Dr. Harry Hata-saka will be moderator. According to Chuck Kubokawa, IRC chair, delegates from Mexico and South America for the Pan American Nikkei Assn. board meeting at Los Angeles will be introduced (if present) with Dr. Luis Kobashi, past Orange County JACL president and a Peruvian-born Nisei doing the honors.

Other workshops delve into Membership Services, Aging & Re-



Ambassador Richard Petree
IRC Workshop Panelist

tirement, Nikkei Singles (including Dr. Harry Kitano of UCLA on this panel) and the Pacific Citizen (which is inviting member input and a preliminary discussion on the budget since PC costs run about a third of overall JACL budget). From 4:30, the redress workshop will follow until 9 p.m. Somewhere inside the four hours, Mike Masaoka will recall JACL's activities during his early years as national secretary (1941-43) and as Washington Representative (after 1946).

Fun Times for Tuesday Night

From 9 p.m., the 1000 Club whing ding will take hold of the old-timers, while the Jr. JACLers of the '60s will have its first National Reunion. Frank Sakamoto, 1000 Club national chair, promises a whing-ding in the Inagaki style—

cutting off long ties (you're supposed to wear bowties, men) and penalizing the women who come without garters (at least around the ankle—not around the wrist, please), and chapter skits, song and dance. Alan Kumamoto, first JACL youth director, and Patti Dohzen, youth chair in the late '60s, said admission to the Jr. JACL reunion is free to those who can recite the JACL Creed, other it's a Jr. JACL memento and donation.

Busy, Busy Wednesday

Three major Convention events occur Wednesday—the awards luncheon and Tribute to Shig Wakamatsu in the early afternoon, and the Masaoka Distinguished Public Service Award banquet in the evening—both billed for three-hours. The JACLer of the Biennium will be announced at the Awards luncheon. Bill Hosokawa will be speaker. Honoree for the DPSA will be revealed in the evening. James Hodgson, former U.S. ambassador to Japan and also Secretary of Labor, is banquet speaker. Thursday can be a day to relax for delegates—three hours of business in the morning, but away from the Hyatt Hotel the rest of the day, starting with the Chiz & Mas Satow Tribute at the Satow County Public Library in Gardena where a program with bento and speeches pays tribute to the memory of our longtime JACL director and his wife, both deceased. It will be followed by introduction of Hosokawa's newest book, "JACL in Quest of Justice", recounting JACL's history. Conventioners will be taken to points of interest in the City of Gardena and the luau at the JCI. Butch Kasahara's music and entertainment will add an authentic glow to the evening. The youth, in the meantime, will be rapping on their own this day—selecting a new NYCC chair, perhaps.

Friday's Fantastic Finale

"Kokoro Fashions" at Friday noon not only features extensive creations by Sansei designers in the Southland modeled by Sansei models, but Sansei talent in Carole Kai from Hawaii, who has been performing in night clubs, hotels and shows the past 13 years, and June Okida Kuramoto, a kotoist who gives the "Hiroshima" its unique color. (June was onetime a JACL regional office secretary in Los Angeles). Selanoco JACLers are hosting a golf tournament from 11 a.m. at California Golf Club—and no word yet on whether all the tee-off times are filled (Call Al Kusano: 213-922-4077 at work or Aiko Abe: 714-771-0195 at home). The finale, as mentioned in the lead, will feature Ambassador Yoshio Okawara in what will be a major address before JACL and the Nikkei community. Sayonara Banquet tickets are \$50 per per-

CWRIC recommendation may come in spring '83, EDC hears

By GRACE UYEHARA
HAVERFORD, Pa. —Though the CWRIC (Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians) can complete its report/recommendations on the hearings by Dec. 31, 1982, the original timeline, it seems it may not come out until the spring of 1983, the Eastern District Council Workshop on Appropriate Remedial Action meeting at Haverford College here June 26 was informed.

Therefore, actual lobbying cannot start but the educational process must continue, the JACLers were reminded by Ron Ikejiri, Washington JACL representative, and John Tateishi, redress director, who presented an update on CWRIC activities with a JACL perspective.

The workshop to clarify JACL's position on redress, skills development for lobbying and to establish an EDC consensus for political action drew 37 participants from four chapters: New York (led by president Tom Kometani), 18; Philadelphia, 12; Seabrook, 4; and D.C. 3.

With formation of a lobbying

group, the JACL Legislative Education Committee, to overcome the 20% funding limitation on use of the national budget, support and contributions to the LEC is not tax-deductible but necessary if JACL is to bring the redress program to a successful conclusion, it was emphasized.

Tateishi said a draft of the lobbying plan and a bill will be discussed at the National Convention. Publication by Random House of personal stories of evacuees will assist the JACL redress effort, he added.

Those who plan to "march on the Hill" were reminded Redress supporters cannot march until legislation is in place but, noted Kaz Oshiki, administrative assistant to Wisconsin Rep. Robert Kastenmeier, they can develop contacts with elected officials by being seen at their fund-raisers and working in their campaigns. "Visibility is important for JACLers who seek support for Redress," Oshiki advised.

Serving as facilitators in the dis-

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son. Reservations can be made with PSW office (626-4471). #



Mrs. Yoshio Okawara
Wife of His Excellency,
the Ambassador from Japan



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The government also agreed not to use Mitsui's guilty pleas in the trials of the three indicted individuals—Tsuneo Namiki, 48, vice president and general manager of Mitsui's San Francisco office; Takeo Teraoka, 47, former deputy general manager of the steel department here; and Katsumi Arai, 44, an employee at the company's steel wire rods and products divisions in Tokyo. The three were expected to surrender to U.S. authorities, and Arai faces 11 counts with the other two facing 21 charges each. Each count carries a maximum penalty of a \$10,000 fine and five years in prison.

American steel companies currently are operating at less than half their capacity, and about one-third of the nation's steelworkers, or more than 100,000 people, have been laid off. U.S. steel companies have complained persistently that their sales have been hurt because Japanese and European companies have sold steel at less than fair-market prices in violation of U.S. law.

Mitsui was the source of steel involved in two earlier federal steel-dumping cases—a June 1981 indictment against Pacific Steel and Supply Co. and a January federal complaint against VSL Corp. of Los Gatos. Guilty pleas were entered in both of those cases with fines assessed.

While this case adds more problems to the already strained U.S.-Japan trade relations, an official of Japan's Ministry of International

Trade and Industry told the Associated Press that it "does not affect trade relations between Japan and the United States." The company also said it has taken steps to ensure that all employees will follow a "strict policy of full compliance with the laws both in Japan and abroad."

Meanwhile, in the IBM computer scam case, Mitsubishi Electric has denied the accusations of stealing computer secrets and said it will be vindicated in court.

On July 19, a federal grand jury in San Jose indicted Mitsubishi, three employees and one other person on charges of conspiring to transport stolen material from the U.S. to Japan.

The latest indictment brought to 18 the number of people charged in California in connection with the case.

Hitachi has also said it would plead innocent to all charges. The company and nine of its employees were summoned to a U.S. District Court in San Jose July 19 to face similar charges.

Both companies allegedly paid \$648,000 to obtain stolen IBM secrets from undercover FBI agents.

West Covina Bussei to hold Obon Aug. 8

WEST COVINA, Ca.—The 14th Obon Festival, sponsored by the West Covina Buddhist Church, will be held Aug. 8, 12n. to 10 p.m. at the East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center. The taiko group will perform at 6, the Obon dancers from 7 p.m. For info: (213) 337-9123 or 960-1166.

HISTORY

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paper to comment: "Japanese war films today fall clearly into two categories: the 'glorious sacrifices of our heroes' and 'the dreadful sufferings of our people.'"

"They say little or nothing about the sacrifice and suffering of other people, but that may be because the Japanese as a nation seem incapable of taking other people seriously." The writer said he found that Japanese knew about the Tokyo fire bombing (in which an estimated 140,000 people died) and the atomic destruction of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. But they were ignorant of the London blitz and the destruction of Dresden and Berlin.

With 60 percent of the Japanese population born after the war, such information gaps should not be taken lightly, the critic and others argue.

As far as textbook revisions are concerned, the Education Ministry denies censorship. A spokesman said words should be carefully chosen out of consideration for the national sensitivities of Japanese.

China has already attacked this attitude, lamenting attempts to "Pretify Japanese aggression," particularly the 1937 incident generally known as the "rape of Nanjing," in which an estimated 90,000 Chinese noncombatants were reported to have been killed by Japanese occupation forces.

Textbooks once accepted this version, but now the Textbook Publishers Association says the Education Ministry has dictated that "the truth about the incident is not yet established. It should be described as having occurred under abnormal circumstances."

Whether it is censorship, the fact is that the Education Ministry retains complete command over what is published in school textbooks. It is hard for publishers to resist because many rely heavily on the extremely lucrative education market for their financial survival.

Some teachers try to circumvent the restrictions by bringing into the classroom unauthorized material or encouraging their students to study available literature outside the school.

One such teacher, Masataka Mori, says: "It's very important that Japanese, especially the young, are told the history of their nation's aggression—which ultimately caused their own people's suffering in Hiroshima and Nagasaki."

This theme was taken up by two recent letter writers to a Tokyo newspaper.

Asked 25-year-old student Reiko Takagi: "How can we hope for a peaceful and healthy future if we do not stop and repent of our actions in the past?"

Housewife Hiroko Higashibataki wrote: "If older people want to recall the prewar days with nostalgia, then I would like to treasure the postwar era, which taught that democracy means respecting the opinion of the individual."

Matsunaga to seek re-election

HONOLULU—U.S. Sen. Spark M. Matsunaga of Hawaii will seek re-election in November, reported the Honolulu Advertiser July 10. The 65-year-old Democrat had served in the House of Representatives from 1963 to 1976 and was elected to the Senate in 1977.

Matsunaga, who will apparently run unopposed, held a fund-raiser last May at which he said he would be happy to be re-elected this fall.

NOGUCHI

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against the 55-year-old Noguchi, listed by Masterson in his opening statement.

The other charges included mismanagement of the coroner's department, outside activities which interfered with Noguchi's county duties, and unprofessional conduct in connection with the deaths of film celebrities.

County Can 'Support' Charges

Masterson added that the county can support "every letter of dereliction" from duties on the part of Noguchi. Isaac, on the other hand, indicated he will set out to prove that the county Board of Supervisors did not handle the demotion of Noguchi fairly and objectively.

Using color charts illustrated by Noguchi, Isaac pointed out in his opening statement that the coroner's department has long been understaffed and underfinanced. Isaac also noted that after Noguchi was demoted and removed from the department, the board approved five new doctors, \$100,000 worth of equipment, and other improvements for the coroner's section.

The illustrations also stressed the need for the coroner's department to remain independent—contrary to the supervisors' wish that it merge with the sheriff's department.

The strategies of both attorneys appeared to be set: Isaac, intending to prove that the supervisors were out to "get" Noguchi, will try to show that much of the department's problems were due to many factors and the blame cannot be placed solely on the top man. Isaac will have about 50 witnesses testifying on Noguchi's behalf.

'Woefully Inefficient'

Masterson, in turn, has scheduled over 70 witnesses for the county, and their testimony will supposedly show that Noguchi's mismanagement and mishandling of his county duties has made the coroner's department "woefully inefficient."

The first of such witnesses was Charles Norris, chief of management services for the office of the county's Chief Administrative officer, who commented that Noguchi was "seriously deficient" in management ability.

Norris noted that a management audit of the department conducted earlier this year was "strikingly" similar to a 1976 management review.

"Stacking of bodies often led to contamination of evidence or loss of evidence," noted Norris, who also testified that Noguchi's absence from the office was "significant" and there was "inappropriate delegation of authority to persons not professionally qualified."

Audit 'Designed' Against Noguchi

Isaac, in reaction to Norris' testimony, told reporters during a recess that the audit team had, perhaps, used the 1976 review as a guideline for the 1982 audit.

Isaac also tried to show that the 1982 audit was intentionally designed to oust Noguchi from his post, stemming from newspapers reports on the problems of the coroner's office which embarrassed the supervisors.

The next day's session heard testimony from Richard Midgley, chief analyst in the management services division of the CAO. Midgley, asked to testify by Masterson, told of the disarrayed conditions that existed in the body, property and evidence storage areas of the coroner's department.

The standard of cleanliness in the body storage areas were described as "horrific" by Midgley, who had supervised an inventory of those sections last Apr. 2.

'Lack of Caring'

Midgley, who also supplied Adler with photographs of the various storage areas, said that the "general atmosphere was one of neglect, disinterest, lack of caring, lack of professional standards" in describing those sections.

Isaac, however, asked that Midgley's comment be stricken from the record, since it was a subjective, rather than objective piece of testimony. Masterson conceded.

Midgley went on to note that 350 bodies were counted in the storage room during the inventory; the rooms were also "very dirty" and caked with blood and body fluids. The autopsy rooms were described as "filthy" by Midgley as well.

Three of the bodies counted at that time had been stored for over a year and nearly half of the total bodies counted had been in storage for over 60 days.

In other offices, noted Midgley, envelopes containing evidence were

scattered about and several rifles and other confiscated items lay about on the floor of the rooms.

The overall picture of the storage areas, as drawn by Midgley, was one of chaos. Upset, he felt "a public responsibility was being violated." Again, the statement was stricken from the record.

Ordered to 'Get Noguchi'

Isaac, however, heavily cross-examined Midgley, asking why a county photographer was brought along as part of the review of departmental procedures—in light of the fact that Midgley had never used one before in previous audits.

"Why did you order a photographer?" asked Isaac. "Did anyone tell you to 'get Noguchi'?"

Midgley insisted that he knew of no plot on the part of the county to oust Noguchi.

Isaac's suspicions were also apparent when he revealed his observation of Midgley, before the hearing, talking with Herbert McRoy, a former chief administrative deputy to Noguchi and one of the first persons to testify against the coroner in the 1969 case, wherein Noguchi was fired for his "erratic behavior." Midgley said the meeting was accidental, and although McRoy was described as a "personal friend", Midgley insisted that Noguchi was never discussed.

Under further cross-examination by Isaac, Midgley admitted that he never bothered to question Noguchi during the audit. Midgley also conceded that he had not taken any notes of his interviews with personnel of the coroner's office. But when Isaac asked why the division chiefs directly in charge of the storage areas weren't disciplined along with Noguchi, Midgley said their problem stemmed from "lack of leadership from above."

During the third day of hearings that week (July 22), testimony was heard from Lynn Bayer, a principal analyst in the CAO's management services division.

Bayer's testimony raised questions over a report submitted to the county audit team by Dr. Leslie Lukash, coroner for Nassau County, Long Island, N.Y.

Lukash was a member of a forensic panel that Bayer helped put together to seek expert advice on how the coroner's office was being run. The panel visited the facility last Jan. 21 and 22.

According to Bayer, there was some discrepancy over what Lukash said in interviews with audit team members and what he submitted in his final written report.

Lukash said verbally that the conditions of Noguchi's department were "distasteful and disgusting."

Lukash had also remarked that "no one should have to work under those conditions" and he found that "you won't find those conditions in other coroner's offices."

However, Isaac called Bayer's attention to the written report by Lukash, which was favorable to Noguchi.

In that report, Lukash said he believed Noguchi was doing the best job possible after consideration was given to whatever resources were available.

"I was shocked," Bayer said when asked if she was "disappointed" when she received Lukash's report.

When asked by Masterson why she was shocked, Bayer replied, "Dr. Lukash as an expert had expressed total dismay at what he was finding in the coroner's office. He even talked about Dr. Noguchi and his poor management."

Bayer added that similar criticisms were voiced by other members of the forensic panel. She did note, however, that one of the panel members, Jack Cadman, criminalist at CSU Los Angeles, said Noguchi was "extremely qualified as a scientist" and that "his goal is to achieve excellence."

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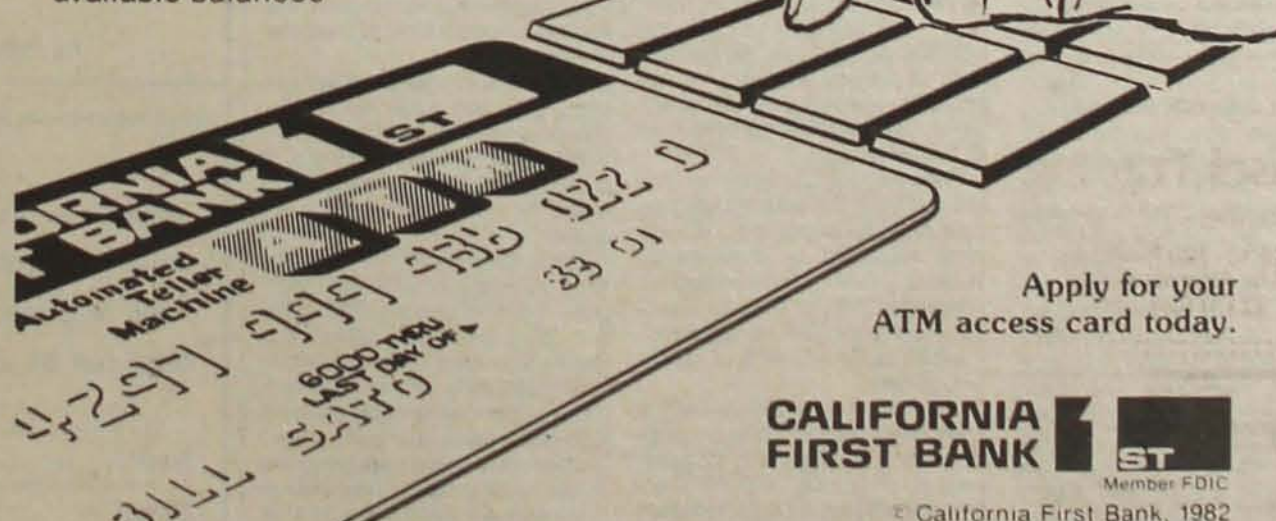
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CLAVELL AWARD — Mrs. Yachiyo Okubo Uehara, 65, of San Francisco is 1982 winner of the American Japanese National Literary Award for her story, "A Piece of Cake", relating her experience at Heart Mountain. She is also a three-time prize winner in the Hokubei Mainichi New Year short story contests.

● **Awards**
 In Washington, Gerald H. Yamada received June 22 the Environmental Protection Agency's highest honor award, the Gold Medal for Exceptional Service in recognition of his legal/legislative work on the Clean Water Act Amendments of 1981. An EPA attorney since 1977 and currently associate general counsel, he is the son of Constance and the late Ted Yamada, Lodi, Ca., served on the Washington, D.C. JACL board and was chapter president in 1979-80. He finished law school at George Washington University.

● **Business**
 Riverside JACler Nancy Taka-no was named assistant manager of New York Life Insurance Co.'s general office in Riverside. Onetime cosmetologist and secretary, she joined the firm in 1980, qualifying for the NYL's Executive Council and the industry's Million Dollar Round Table.

Arthur Y. Mitsutome was named assistant vice president and manager of the Barclays Bank of California's new office in San Francisco. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Yoichi Mitsutome of Hayward, Ca., he joined Barclays in 1979, served as regional loan supervisor and later deputy manager of the bank's main office.

● **Education**
 Dr. James Kenji Morishima was recently named associate dean of the Univ. of Washington. The 43-year-old Sansei is associate professor of education and was director of UW's Asian American Studies from 1972-76. Born in Los Angeles, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Saburo Morishima of Seattle.

● **Government**
 As part of the Japanese Foreign Ministry reshuffle of ranking officials sometime in late August, Hiroshi Kitamura, the Japanese consul general at San Francisco who participated at the 1980 JACL National Convention's panel on international relations, has been recalled to Tokyo to become director-general of the North American Affairs Bureau, the Jiji Press reported July 15.

Kenneth S. Miyoshi of Monterey Park, Ca., was recently appointed assistant chief electrical engineer of the Los Angeles Dept. of Water and Power. Miyoshi, with the DWP since 1957, was assistant engineer in charge of operation and management.

● **Sports**
 Rocky Aoki, driving his 42-foot catamaran Benihana, made a triumphant return to offshore powerboat racing July 14 by winning the Benihana Grand Prix, a 208-mile course between Long Branch and Seaside Park off Point Pleasant Beach, N.J. He had not raced since an accident off San Francisco in September, 1979, in a practice run.

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His interest in radio, single-tube receivers and listening to experimental broadcasts from JOAK (Radio Tokyo) which opened in 1925 expanded to tuning in the world by shortwave in the 1930s, and more often the western classical music from Radio Khabarovsk.

Moriya learned of the outbreak of the Pacific War Dec. 8, 1941 in a shortwave broadcast from Shanghai. Listening to overseas

PC's Calendar of Events

● JULY 30 (Friday)
Little Tokyo—J.A. Hist Society mtg, Union Ch, 7:30pm; Slide show: prewar Nisei Weeks.

● JULY 31 (Saturday)
Philadelphia—Picnic, Moriuchi Farm, 2-7pm.
Riverside—Theater party, East West Theater, L.A.

Sacramento—Rev. Hei/Gloria Takarabe apprec potluck, Franklin Japanese Meth Ch, 1-5pm.

Sacramento—Asn Legal Sv Outrch Beat the Heat benefit, Buddhist Church, 8pm.

Salt Lake City—Oriental Festival (2da), Church of Christ.

● AUGUST 1 (Sunday)
Mid-Columbia—Picnic, Rooster Park, Milwaukee—JACL picnic, Deer Pk #3.

Reno—Chapter picnic, Bower's Mansion.

Little Tokyo—Nisei Wk fashion show, 12n, Biltmore Bowl.

Edmonton—Heritage Festiv (2da), Hawrelak Park.

● AUGUST 2 (Monday)
Marin County—Bd mtg, Bank of Marin, Larkspur, 7:30pm (1st Mon).

● AUGUST 3 (Tuesday)
Stockton—Mtg, Cal First Bank, 7:30pm (2d Tue).

● AUGUST 4 (Wednesday)
Carson—Mtg, Mercury S&L, 7:30pm (1st Wed).

Little Tokyo—Nisei Wk opening riter, Weller Mall, 6pm.

● AUGUST 5 (Thursday)
West Valley—Bd mtg, 7:30pm (1st Thu).

Puyallup Valley—Bd mtg, Tacoma Budd Ch Lounge, 7:30pm (1st Thu).

Marina—Mtg, Chace Pk clubhouse, 7:30pm (1st Thu).

● AUGUST 6 (Friday)
Los Angeles—Nisei Vets Reunion (thru Mon), Hyatt Regency: Fri—Welcome dnr (sold out), Sat—Golf, Chapter Nights, Sun—Memorial Sv, Sayonara dnr (sold out).

Los Angeles—Go For Broke exhibit (one-yr), L.A. County Museum of Natural History, 10am-5pm daily exc Mon, first Tue free.

● AUGUST 7 (Saturday)
Little Tokyo—Nisei Wk coronation, Century Plaza Hotel, 6pm; Mini-Performance Showcase, JACCC, 12n-4pm.

Los Angeles—Pan Amer Nikkei Assn bd mtg (3da), JACCC Rm 411, 1-5pm.

● AUGUST 8 (Sunday)
Little Tokyo—Nisei Week Grand Parade, 3-5:30pm; Hershey Miyamura, grand marshal.

● AUGUST 9 (Monday)
Nat'l JACL—17th biennial Conv (thru Fri), Hyatt Airport Hotel, Los Angeles.

Mon 7:30pm: Mixers.

Little Tokyo—Nisei Wk Awd dnr, New Otani Hotel, 6pm.

● AUGUST 10 (Tuesday)
Nat'l JACL—Conv bus sess (8am each day Tu, Wed, Th & Fri); Candidates forum, 12n; Workshops (six topics) 1-4 pm; Redress workshop 4-9pm; Jr JACL Reunion, 5:30pm; 1000 Whung ding, 9:30pm.

● AUGUST 11 (Wednesday)
Nat'l JACL—Conv Awd lunchn, 12n, Bill Hosokawa, spkr; Wakamatsu Testim, 12-3pm; Masaoka Distingshd Pub Sv Awd bang, 6-10pm.

Little Tokyo—Nisei Wk Pioneer Inchn, New Otani Hotel, 12n.

● AUGUST 12 (Thursday)
Nat'l JACL—Conv Trib to Mas/Chiz Satow, Satow County Library, 12-2:30pm.

Kenny Hahn, spkr; Luau, Gardena JCI, 6pm.

● AUGUST 13 (Friday)
Nat'l JACL—Conv Awd lunchn, 11:30-1pm; Golf tourn, Calif Country Club; Conv electrs, 1-5:30pm; Sayonara dnr-dance, 6pm; Japan Amb Yoshio Okawara, spkr.

● AUGUST 14 (Saturday)
Nat'l JACL—New bd mtg, 9am, Hyatt Airport.

Little Tokyo—Nisei Wk carnival (2da), State pkg lot; cultural displays at JACCC, Nishi Hongwanji, Higashi Honganji, Union Church, Zenshiji, Weller Court.

● AUGUST 17 (Tuesday)
Salinas Valley—Bd mtg, Cal First Bank Mtg Rm, 7pm (3d Tue).

● AUGUST 18 (Wednesday)
San Jose—Bd mtg, Calif 1st Bnk, 1st & Younger, 7:30pm (3d Wed).

San Mateo—Bd mtg, Sturge Presbyt'n Ch, 8pm (3d Weds).

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