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## 27th Biennial Convention:



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**5W's**—Gardena Valley JACL offers a ticket to the Chiz & Mas Satow Tribute being held Aug. 12 noon at the Mas Satow County Public Library to the first person giving Karl Nobuyuki (r: 213—323-5426) the particulars (5W's: who, what, when, where & why) of this photo.

## Convention agenda schedule over 5 sessions announced

By HARRY HONDA

LOS ANGELES—Preliminary arrangement of agenda items for the 27th biennial National JACL Convention next week (Aug. 10-13) at the Airport Hyatt was announced by National JACL Director Ron Wakabayashi but added prioritization of specific resolutions is expected Monday, Aug. 9, at the EXECOM (Executive Committee) meeting.

Opening session Tuesday morning will be called to order by Dr. James Tsujimura of Portland, national president. Following greetings from convention board chairman Lou Tomita, host chapter president Karl Nobuyuki of Gardena Valley and PSWDC Gov. Cary Nishimoto, roll call of chapters will be taken by Henry Sakai, secretary/treasurer.

Action on credentials, rules and procedures and acceptance of the 1980 Convention Minutes will precede what will be the major agenda for Session No. 1: nominations of national officers and presentation of the budget.

During the luncheon period, Cherry Kinoshita of Seattle JACL, nominations chair, will preside at the Presidential Forum where the three candidates for National President (Lily Okura, George Kodama and Floyd Shimomura) will be heard.

Tuesday afternoon is devoted to several workshops starting at 1 p.m.: (a) U.S.-Japan, (b) Pacific Citizen, (c) Membership Service, (d) Aging & Retirement, (e) Nikkei Singles and (f) Redress from 4:30. The National Youth Caucus will meet in the evening.

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## G.E. suing Sony, Asahi-Dow over patent infringement

NEW YORK—The General Electric Company filed suit July 22 against the Sony Corporation, contending that a plastic used for the housing of Sony consumer electronics products, including its video cassette recorder, infringed upon G.E.'s patent.

The suit was filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York against the Sony Corporation of Japan, the Sony Corporation of America and Asahi-Dow Ltd., the Japanese company that, according to the suit, supplies Sony with a material known as Xyron that infringes on G.E.'s 1978 patent for a plastic it

calls Noryl.

The suit asked for unspecified damages for past infringement and an injunction to prevent further imports of infringing articles. G.E. said it had determined the patent violations by conducting tests on Sony products.

Sony's Betamax video cassette recorder is the only product that G.E. names as using the reportedly infringing material. A G.E. spokesman said other Sony products might be named later. He added G.E. was considering whether to sue in Japan where it has Noryl patented.

The G.E. spokesman said the

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## Japan revision of WW2 history angers neighbor Asian nations

TOKYO—Japan's proposed revision of textbook accounts on World War II history has sparked anger and protest from some of its closest Asian neighbors. Both China and South Korea have charged that the changes are "distortions" of history.

The controversy arose when Japan's Education Ministry recently instructed school textbook publishers to tone down or remove statements implying wartime wrongdoing.

The key changes are deletion of the words "military aggression" and "invade" and replacement with "advance" in describing the Japanese Imperial Army's conquest of vast tracts of Chinese territory in the 1930s. The notorious "rape of Nanking," involving the widespread slaughter of Chinese civilians, is now described as an abnormal happening resulting from Chinese resistance.

Also to be dropped are references to the deportation to Japan of hundreds of thousands of Koreans as forced wartime labor. The new Education Ministry instruction argues that the correct phrase is "implementation of the national mobilization order for Koreans," on the grounds the Korean Peninsula was Japanese territory (under force of arms, it should be added) between 1910 and 1945.

China formally asked July 26 for the instruction to be revoked, while the South Korean cabinet met the same day and reportedly planned to take "due diplomatic measures against Japan for its distortion of historical fact."

Both the Chinese and Koreans were further upset by the statement of Japanese Education Minister Heiji Ogawa, who, in reaction to their protests, said they were interfering with Japan's domestic affairs.

Officials of the ministry have also contended that the revisions were made in the interests of "objectivity" and have denied any attempts at rewriting history. Ministry officials also say the changes are necessary because of the "national sensitivities" of the Japanese people.

But teacher's groups within Japan have criticized the ministry, and some members of the Japanese Cabinet have expressed reservations. Yukiyasu Matsumo, director general of the National Land Agency, said he wondered whether it was desirable for Japan to "distort the facts of history" and prepare textbooks that weren't in accordance with what other countries say about Japan's activities during World War II.

The Japanese Cabinet has supported the call by Prime Minister Zenko

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## Justice Dept. says Japan firms 'conspired' to raise prices

TOKYO—The U.S. Justice Department has informed the Japanese government it is investigating whether U.S. subsidiaries of six major Japanese semiconductor manufacturers have conspired to raise prices, a government official said July 26.

Kazuyuki Wakasone, an official in the electronics section of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry, said the firms under investigation are Hitachi Ltd., Nippon Electric Co., Toshiba Corp., Fujitsu Ltd., Mitsubishi Electric Corp. and Oki Electric Industry Co. Their U.S. subsidiaries are located in California and nearby states.

The Justice Department notice, received through diplomatic channels July 23, said the investigations would be centered on the price of 64-kilobit dynamic RAM (random access memory) chips, one of the best-selling semiconductor products in Japan, the United States and elsewhere, Wakasone said.

He said the allegations sound "unfounded" because "demand now exceeds production in Japan as well as the United States, thus dismissing any need to conspire and collaborate on the quantity of production, marketing and prices."

Meanwhile, Hitachi said that nine of its employees, charged with trying to steal industrial secrets from IBM, will not appear in court despite arrest warrants issued by a U.S. District Judge in California.

"The situation remains unchanged," a company spokesman said. "The warrants have no binding power in Japan."

"It's a matter of individuals and the company has no intention of interfering in their problems," the spokesman said. "We will not encourage them to respond, nor will they voluntarily do so."

U.S. Magistrate Norden Blacker issued the bench warrants to the nine July 22, a day after summonses were delivered to them to appear before the U.S. District Court in San Jose, Ca.

Eight of them refused to accept the summons while another was absent and the summons was left a post office.

Hitachi is one of two major Japanese electronic companies involved in what court officials contend was a conspiracy to obtain trade secrets stolen from IBM, the world's largest computer maker.

Both firms denied the charges and were prepared to fight it out in court.

The Japanese newspapers Sankei Shimbun and Nihon Keizai Shimbun said the latest developments may lead to a U.S. request for extradition.

## Little Tokyo security watch begins Aug. 7

LOS ANGELES—Volunteers wearing sky-blue windbreakers and carrying walkie-talkies will patrol the Little Tokyo area in a month-long security watch pilot program on weekends starting Aug. 7, it was jointly announced by Centenary United Methodist Church and Little Tokyo Business Assn.

The church became directly involved as a contributing member of Little Tokyo while it is raising funds to relocate to 3rd and Central.

## Congressional subcommittee approves \$300,000 for CWRIC

WASHINGTON—A House of Representatives subcommittee has approved an additional \$300,000 for the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, in light of the CWRIC's request for additional funds and time.

Reps. Robert Matsui (D-Sacramento) and Norman Mineta (D-San Jose) said in a joint announcement that the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary approved an additional \$300,000 for the CWRIC on July 28.

Terry Michael, press secretary to Matsui, told the PC that the CWRIC requested the additional funds to pursue two studies: (1) the economic losses of Japanese Americans who were evacuated and interned during World War II and (2) the long-term impairment of their psychological health and well being which resulted from the experience.

The commission, noted Michael, would also like to conduct a lengthy review of land assessments that were lost by Nikkei during the evacuation.

The measure requesting the additional funds will go to the full committee within the next few weeks and Michael said that Matsui "doesn't anticipate any opposition" to the bill, since the subcommittee had already approved it.

Matsui, who sits on the House Ways and Means Committee, joined with Mineta in the promotion of the bill.

The CWRIC had asked Congress for an additional \$500,000 and a six-month extension that would give the commission until June 30, 1983 to complete its work. Congress had originally authorized \$1.5 million

when it created the commission in July 1980 but appropriated only \$1 million of it.

In letters last month to House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill and Senate pro tem Strom Thurmond, CWRIC chair Joan Z. Bernstein said the commission's present budget and reporting date (Dec. 31, 1982) would enable it to provide Congress with a competent and thoughtful report on the World War II evacuation and internment of Japanese Americans and Native American Aleuts.

However, she noted, to undertake studies of the economic losses and long-term impairment of psy-

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## Belli's advice on jurors called 'racist'

SAN FRANCISCO—Remarks attributed to attorney Melvin Belli in which he urged his colleagues to eliminate all Chinese Americans from juries trying personal injury were deplored this past week (July 28) by several San Francisco Bay area bar associations, it was announced by Cedric C. Chao, president of the Asian American Bar Assn. of the Greater Bay Area.

The Asian American community quickly condemned the statements reported in the San Francisco Examiner July 25 (that quoted the National Law Journal covering Belli's seminar on jury selection at the trial lawyers association convention in Toronto). Belli stated: "The goddamn Chinese won't give you a short noodle on a verdict. You've got to bounce them out of there. In the last case I tried, I used all my challenges getting rid of those sons of the celestial empire." He reasoned that "stingy" Chinese Americans will not give plaintiffs large awards.

"Chinese Americans are sick and tired of racist slurs made by public figures... What is worse than (Belli's) racial slur is Belli's advice to his fellow lawyers that they exclude Chinese Americans as jurors... (We) will not tolerate racial bigotry by Belli or anyone else in this country's judicial system," read a statement signed by noted Chinese Americans, including Henry Der, executive director of Chinese for Affirmative Action, UC Prof. Ling-chi Wang, and Harold Yee, Chinese American Democratic Club.

"It's time for Belli (who is 75) to retire," said Dr. Allan Seid, president of Asian Pacific Americans Advocates of California. "He's done his thing, but he is part of another generation."

## U.S. sailor stabbed by Japan youths

TOKYO—Angry Japanese youths beat and stabbed an American sailor who taunted them by saying the IBM espionage case proved the "Japanese are dirty," police said July 22.

The incident was the first reported outbreak of simmering Japanese resentment toward Americans since the U.S. government charged Japanese firms with buying stolen corporate documents in the United States.

Police in downtown Tokyo's Shinjuku district said the sailor, a crewman aboard the USS Midway, received a stab wound in the stomach July 21 and required a week's hospitalization. A spokesman for the U.S. forces in Japan identified the wounded sailor a Petty Officer 3rd Class Mark Ballosh.



## CWRIC

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chic health and well-being would require more money.

"We cannot undertake the studies of economic losses and long-term impairment of psychic health and well-being... which a full account should include," Bernstein said.

"These require the hiring of a variety of experts and the collection of data and information which are beyond the Commission's present budgetary ability. Review and analysis of land assessment records on the West Coast, the information and records compiled through the operation of the Japanese American Evacuation Claims Act, and a professional review of the literature on the sociological and psychological impact of the evacuation and detention are among the basic items which would have to be undertaken in order to complete this job. In addition, we are unlikely to have the funds which would allow a mass printing of the hearing record," she explained.

The CWRIC was created in July 1980 to investigate the facts and circumstances surrounding President Franklin D. Roosevelt's E.O. 9066 and the impact of that order on Japanese Americans and resident aliens. The commission was also authorized to recommend appropriate remedies, an issue which has reportedly divided members of the CWRIC. The commissioners have been undecided on what the appropriate form of redress should be.

The CWRIC held a series of hearings last year in 10 cities across the nation, and over 750 persons—many of them former internees—offered their testimony to the commission.

In March, President Reagan signed a bill extending the time allowed the CWRIC from June 1982 to Dec. 1982.

## Nikkei pianist found slain in apt.

NEW YORK—Hawaiian-born concert pianist Raymond Shigeoka, 34, was found slain July 19 in his living room apartment on W. 56th St. after a friend became concerned he failed to show up for a 10:45 a.m. appointment at the Turtle Bay Music School, where he taught.

Detectives speculated the murder may have been committed by someone Shigeoka knew or had admitted to his midtown apartment. According to a flyer found in the apartment, Shigeoka began his music studies at age 10, attended the Univ. of Hawaii where he was a soloist with the university orchestra and received his master's degree from Juilliard in 1976. #

## Unnamed Japan bank inclined to aid U.S. 'Kay Sugahara style'

TOKYO—A major Japanese bank is reported to be considering the possibility of extending low-interest loans to job-creating programs in the United States—an idea proposed earlier this year by Japanese American millionaire Kay Sugahara, a Japanese parliamentarian said last month.

Motoo Shiina, a Liberal Democratic Party member of the Diet, told a U.S. wire service that Sugahara's financing plan just got off the mark... a Japanese bank is interested in channeling money into the United States to help its economic recovery.

Shiina, a key figure in promoting the plan called "Partners in Progress," declined to identify the bank, but said it probably would form a bank syndicate to support the loan project.

"There are so many technical problems involved in the scheme, such as cross currency or foreign exchange risk, that it is still too

## Letterbox

## ● NCJAR's initiative

Editor:

John Tateishi's column entitled "A Misconception" is a decorous, indirect, "high road" attack on the legal initiative of the National Council for Japanese Americans. The blustering, "low road" attacks are made by his appointed counterpart, counselor Minoru Yasui, who recently characterized us as "hot-shots out of Chicago, Illinois." While your readers may be assured that these characterizations will not deter us from seeking justice through the courts, they need to be disabused of Tateishi's misconceived misconception.

Tateishi and Yasui, who may count among these "constitutional experts," seem not to understand that it is up to the injured party to initiate the remedy by filing a com-

plaint and it is up to the government to respond, first by a vigorous defense by government counsel, then by a fair deliberation and an impartial adjudication by the courts. It is NCJAR's will to initiate a remedy for the many violations of the law and Constitution, most of which were not addressed in the Korematsu, Hirabayashi, Yasui, and Endo decisions. We are footing the bill for this out of our pockets. True, there is no "obligation" on the government's part to provide redress through the courts. But we can be assured that once our suit is filed the government will mount a vigorous defense and that the courts will have to ponder, once again, all the arguments presented and will have to render a decision.

Tateishi rather skillfully misleads the reader into believing that he is supported in his argument by constitutional attorneys and experts. But, on careful reading, these attorneys do not see the likelihood of a reversal of these landmark decisions and these experts merely recognize the ineptitude of the decisions themselves. Neither the constitutional attorneys nor the experts, by Tateishi's own words, state that to seek redress through the courts is misconceived. Quite the contrary. Of the many attorneys and law professors who testified before the CWRIC, not one stated that a legal initiative such as ours would be misconceived. The NCJAR initiative has been discussed with Justice Goldberg, Father Robert Drinan, and Judge William Marutani of the CWRIC and each expressed positive support. In a recent article in the Pacific Citizen, attorney Joseph Rau indicated his positive support for a legal initiative such as ours.

So to what purpose, we must speculate, is the misconception put forth? There is a strong sense of *deja vu* to '42 when the JACL took the position of being "unalterably opposed to the test cases to determine the constitutionality of military regulations at this time." It

also characterized the organization of a legal defense fund for Minoru Yasui—yes, the same—as a stab in the back. (Was it Santayana who wrote about repeating our mistakes when we ignore our history?) Partisanship may be the purpose. But why tromp on us? We have around 600 supporters. The JACL is some 25,000 members. We have deliberately remained a non-membership organization to avoid threatening the JACL and others. Certainly, there is no intent to threaten.

NCJAR has already tried the legislative route in 1980 and found great difficulty with it. Things have become much worse. Even the CWRIC may fall short of its mandated time through a shortfall of a few hundred thousand dollars. We moved towards the legal initiative at the urging of friends, some

of whom are prominent in the JACL. The initiative is high-risk. We are fully aware of the legal obstacles that must be overcome, even though Tateishi seems not to be.

It is quite possible that we will fail. None of the constitutional test cases succeeded. (The Endo case succeeded in a sense, but 2½ years on a writ of habeas corpus appeal stretches the spirit of that constitutional requirement to the extreme.) If most of us would not resist the exclusion order, why could we not at least have supported the brave few who did resist? I suppose we could give the usual excuses. You know, we were too young and inexperienced. But what's our excuse today?

MERRY OMORI  
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- Submitted "Legal Remedies" Paper to CWRIC
- Speaker, Pan American Nikkei Conference, Mexico City
- JACL Constitutional Revision Committee
- Program Chair, Tule Lake Dedication
- Secretary, NC-WN District Council
- Sacramento Chapter President (2 terms)

## PROFESSIONAL

- Professor of Law, U.C. Davis
- Calif. Deputy Attorney General (1973-1981)
- Eight cases - California Supreme Court

## EDUCATION

- 1973: U.C. Davis Law School
- Law Review, Order of the Coif
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# 'Missing' Stereotypes

Los Angeles

There's a new Asian American film out that's winning praise from critics around the country. And with good reason—despite its low budget (\$20,000) it is a very well-crafted film, offering a thought-provoking and non-stereotypical view of Chinese Americans.

"Chan is Missing" was produced, directed and written in part by filmmaker Wayne Wang, who made the film with grants from the American Film Institute and the National Endowment for the Arts. Wang was assisted by an entirely all-Asian American cast and crew, and he demonstrates through "Chan" that cinematic talent can overcome economic limitations, especially in this era of big-budget moviemaking.

On the surface, the story is a mystery with humorous moments: a middle-aged Chinatown cab driver named Jo (Wood Moy) and his streetwise nephew Steve (Marc Hayashi) entrust their savings of \$4,000 to a man named Chan Hung in order to obtain their own taxi medallion. But Chan, an enigmatic businessman who is never seen in the film (except in a dark, out of focus photo), suddenly disappears—with Jo and Steve's loot.

The two cabbies then proceed to search for Chan, and along the way they come across a variety of characters: a cook wearing a "Samurai Night Fever" T-shirt who sings "Fry me to the Moon" while stir-frying; Chan's estranged wife, a liberal lawyer who talks of "cross-cultural misunderstandings" and dismisses Chan as "too Chinese"; and Chan's daughter, who, like Steve, tends to identify more with Blacks than Asians.

The more Jo and Steve are told about Chan by these characters, the less they know—for each new clue draws a different picture of the same man. These twists and turns in the plot turn "Chan" into an engrossing entertainment piece.

But the strength of this gritty, black-and-white film lies not in its story, but rather in what it says about being Chinese in America—there are references to "FOBs" ("fresh off the boat"), "ABCs" (American-born Chinese) and "pro-PRCs" (sympathizers of the People's Republic of China). The film also manages to make statements, albeit subtly, about such matters as identity and assimilation.

And most importantly, the film offers portrayals of Asians as ordinary people, with everyday problems and even moments of humor (hence the title, which in a way, refers to "missing" stereotypes). San Francisco's Chinatown is not portrayed as a den of mystery; nor is it seen through tourist's eyes as Hollywood has treated it in the past. Rather, it is a community which is, despite its problems, a place where people live, work—and survive.

"Chan is Missing" has been well received by film critics in San Francisco, and was recently featured at the Asian American International Film Festival in New York. Critics from The New York Times, Newsweek and Newsday have also praised the film as well. (It opens at the Westland Twin Theatre in Los Angeles on Aug. 11.)

Hopefully, the 31-year-old Wang will be the first of a new wave of filmmakers who can finally portray Asian Americans in a way that has been long overdue—quite simply, as identifiable, everyday people.



Photo by Nancy Wong

**BREAKING STEREOTYPES**—Filmmaker Wayne Wang (center) chats with actors Marc Hayashi (left) and Wood Moy on the set of "Chan is Missing", opening Aug. 11 at Westland Twin Theater, L.A. Written, produced and directed by Wang, film has been highly acclaimed by critics.

## Over 20 Asian Pacific women groups plan national network

LA JOLLA, Ca.—Representatives from 20 Asian Pacific women's organizations from across the country gathered here on the weekend of June 25-27 to elect leadership, identify and discuss issues and strategies for a national network.

Billed as the First Biennial Convention of the National Network of Asian Pacific Women (NNAPW), the theme of the convention was "Unity in Leadership".

The convention was attended by 20 organizations: Asian Women United, New York; New York Asian American Professional Women; New York Asian Pacific Women's Political Caucus; California Asian Pacific Women's Network; Central Valley Asian Pacific Women's Organization; Asian Pacific Women's Network, Los Angeles; Sacramento Asian Pacific Women's Network; Pacific and Asian American Women's Bay Area Coalition; Asian Pacific Women of San Diego County; Organization of Pan Asian Women of Washington D.C.; National Island Women's Association, (NIWA), California;

NIWA of Hawaii; NIWA of Los Angeles; Asian Sisters in Action, Boston; Asian Pacific Women's Network of Chicago; Hawaii Council of Asian Pacific Island Women; Samoan Women for Change; Falamoan; Tongan American Society of the Asian Pacific Women's Caucus of Washington State. The Tongan American Society was formed at the convention itself as the Tongan women united.

Irene Hirano, chairperson of the state Commission on the Status of Women, was elected co-chairperson of the NNAPW with Pat Luce, who was named Pacific chair.

The issues discussed at the convention centered around the impact of the Reagan Administration's cutbacks and the recession on Asian Pacific communities. Refugee problems and the protection of civil rights were also identified as critical, and the NNAPW board recommended the formation of political action committees in various regions across the country to help plan lobbying strategies.

## Hawaii's Ariyoshi seeks re-election

HONOLULU—Gov. George Ariyoshi filed nomination papers July 20 and will seek re-election in the state's upcoming primary on Sept. 18. The 56-year-old Nisei Democrat has been governor since 1973, when as lieutenant governor he took over as acting governor for the ailing John Burns, who died in 1975. Ariyoshi then won election in 1974 and again in 1978.

Ariyoshi's major challengers in the primary will be Lt. Gov. Jean King, Democratic Party; former Honolulu mayor Frank F. Fasi, Independent Democratic Party; and D.G. "Andy" Anderson, Republican Party.

## EWP slates 1st major fundraiser

LOS ANGELES—East West Players will present its first major fundraising event, "Light Up the Sky! We're Comin' Home! 'Cuz Nobody Does It Better!" on Wednesday, Sept. 22 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. The proceeds for the gala dinner will go towards a special fund to purchase EWP's theater complex at 4424 Santa Monica Blvd. near Virgil St.

Theater luminaries Gordon Davidson, Joseph Papp and Peg Yorkin, renowned motion picture director Robert Wise and actress Beulah Quo are the honorary co-chairpersons for the event. For tickets (\$150 per person) call (213) 660-0366.

## Bay Area seniors to hold picnic

HAYWARD, Ca.—The annual Bay Area Japanese American Senior Centers picnic will be held at the Shibata's Mt. Eden Nursery's Japanese gardens on Sept. 18, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more info, call Yu-Ai Kai (415) 294-2505.

## Sansei bands highlight summer event

LOS ANGELES—Stonebridge Productions will present a "Summer's End Extravaganza—Good Ol' Days II" featuring the Sansei All-Star Band performing music from the 1950s, 60s and 70s. The dance/concert will be held Sept. 11, 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the L.A. Bonaventure Hotel's California Ballroom. For tickets (\$12.50 per person, reserved seating with parties of 10 or more) call Gerald Ishibashi (714) 639-1007 or Dan Matsuda (213) 488-9868.

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### PC Today

The PC Board meets this weekend for the first time since the Fresno session in the spring of '79. At that time, the three-year term for PC Board members was recommended and is now incorporated in the new JACL constitution; West Valley JACLers Sally & Steve Nakashima contributed \$3,000 to PC for production improvement (it helped as down payment for computerizing our phototypesetting); and membership renewal billings was to be considered through PC's mailing department (not feasible with the Cheshire addressing system, but very feasible since then with PC's subscription files about to be converted to the computer).

The PC Board agenda is making up for the three-year gap, judging from the queries and correspondence over the past months ranging from a review of PC's publishing policy, spelling out editorial guidelines, acceptance of a new PC logo, sorting out staff functions and PC w/Membership (sometimes referred to as PC financial "independence"). PC Board chair Cliff Uyeda has kept the board fully informed with monthly memos to metamorphose the array of ideas into a package of decisions... Input and reaction from chapter delegates will be anticipated at the PC workshop Tuesday afternoon.

Unfortunately, the type on the PC pages continues to look squeezed. We expect to hear about this during the Convention. We rely on the 8 pt. Corona to accommodate as much of the news in face of the advertising that's up (but not quite enough to pay for 12 pages each week) and our galaxy of contributors.

Our circulation is slipping like JACL membership: the '81 average was 24,234; for '82 it's 23,987—and we just removed last week 1,663 delinquents (mostly members who failed to renew whose subscriptions expired in March, April and May).

Bright spot is with advertising. The 1981 Holiday Issue helped—thanks to the chapters. And PC has surpassed in the three quarters of FY82 the FY81 total of \$71,800.

Another bright spot that needs to be recorded—the Hollywood JACL party celebrating PC's Golden Anniversary in Oct. 1979 and ye ed's over quarter century at the desk (we signed in Sept. '52) cleared \$4,000. Half of that helped to move PC's subscription files into a computer. The other half is being used for unbudgeted travel—like Mexico last year and Peru next year to cover the PANA conventions.

## Letterbox

### ● 'Meanspiritedness'

Editor:

Is it required or obligatory to ask Mike Masaoka to don the hair shirt again (P.C. 6/18/82, Tateishi)? Alleged omissions and errors of commission by JACL have been documented, cataloged, institutionalized in university libraries and are even occasionally looked at, available to scholars and recriminators. The scheduled Sisyphean exercise (Aug 10) smacks of inquisition; *basta, basta*. Recently published (and unpublished) Government documents give massive evidence of the Draconian *idee fixe* of the War Department, Congress and Presidency to remove and incarcerate us and, in the process, abusing constitutional powers and civil rights and rationality, regrettably sanctified by the Supreme Court.

Voices of critics (and I include myself) once searching and skeptical now have overtones of vindictiveness and paranoia. We should abandon the bankruptcy of meanspiritedness; the enemy is not us but the Government; the ball is now in our court.

EJISUYAMA  
Ellsworth, Me.

### ● Quakers, Mormons, etc.

Editor:

I sincerely regret that my remark about Quakers, Puritans and Mormons was misconstrued by Dr. Yasuo Ishida, St. Louis JACL, in that I have long been an admirer of the attributes of these sectarian and benevolent groups.

Dr. Ishida has taken my meaning out of context. He should have interpreted the passage to read, "A Japanese argument sounds more like verbal exchanges between two Puritans, two Quakers or two Mormons—who tend to convey ill feelings more by inflections and in euphemistic terms," as he himself has noted.

Further, at no point did I insinuate that the aforementioned Quakers were inebriated. The several Mormons in our Japan Chapter are teetotalers.

I will apologize, however, for the lack of literary clarity, which induced the misinterpretation of my remarks by JACler Ishida. After all, I for one have not forgotten the Merry Christmas that the Friends brought to hundreds of children in the Rohwer Relocation Center in 1943 and 1944.

BARRY SAKI  
Tokyo

## 35 Years Ago

IN THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

AUGUST 9, 1947

July 29—442nd vet Harry Matsumoto charged with 2d degree murder in beating death of W. Baker, 46, in Honolulu hotel room; police told by witnesses argument started when Matsumoto was called "a dirty Jap".

July 31—Maj Mitsuyoshi Fukuda given command of 100th Infantry Bn. upon reactivation as reserve unit at Honolulu's Ft. Shafter; Lt Col Harry Albright to command 442nd Regiment reserve.

Aug. 1—Estimate 1,500 persons of Japanese ancestry were evacuated from Hawaii to Mainland camps, Honolulu sources reveal.

Aug. 1—Interracial activist, Fred Fertig, appointed Los Angeles JACL executive secretary.

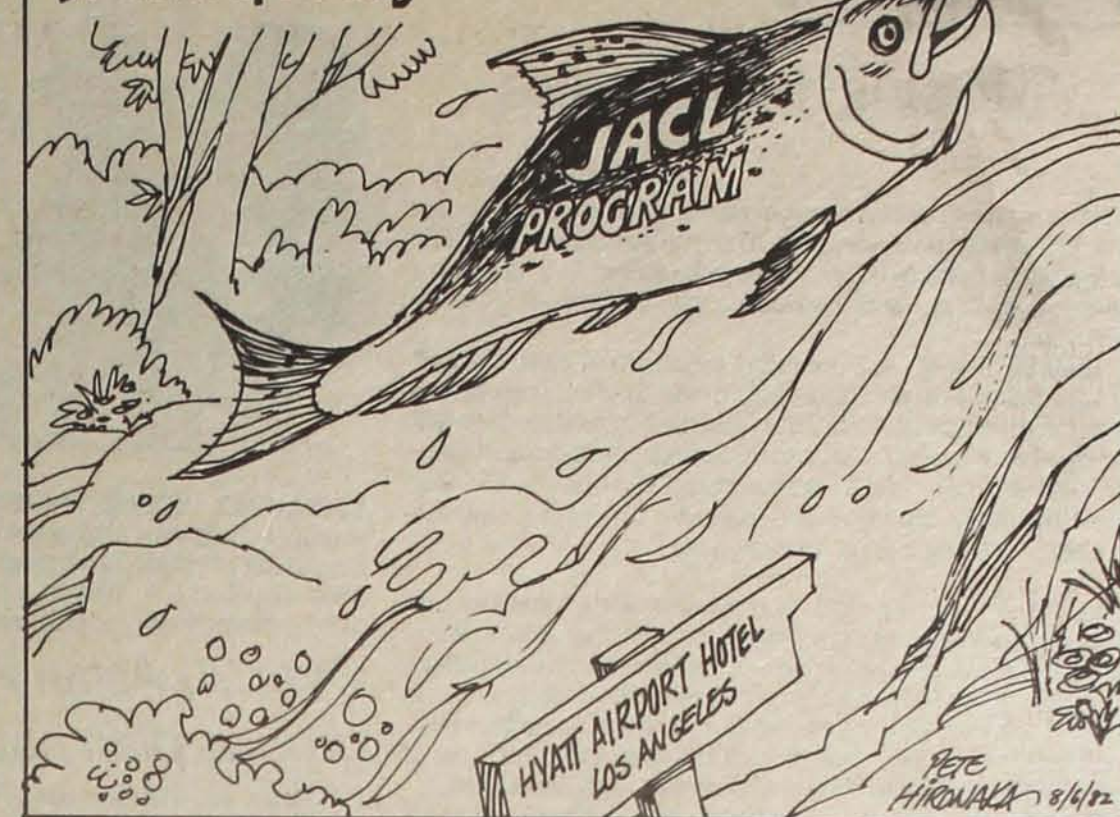
Aug. 1—Iva Toguri d'Aquino tells Pacific Stars & Stripes, Tokyo, of plans to write book in defense of her wartime broadcast activities, swears nothing disloyal in being disc jockey on Radio Tokyo programs beamed to U.S. soldiers in Pacific.

Aug. 1—Boca Raton (Fla.) air base declared surplus by Army. (Portion was farmed by Issei in the 1900s and called Yamato Colony.)

Aug. 2—Hawaiian Nisei, coached by Soichi Sakamoto, compete in Nat'l AAU swim championships at Tyler, Tex.; none finish No. 1, but all aspire for '48 Olympic spot.

Aug. 3—Story of Rose Hirata McMahon, 21, ex-Pasadena inter-

## Biennial Spawning



nee, who married ex-Marine husband Eugene F. in Tokyo, as "girl without a country" told by UP correspondent Peter Kalischer; may not return to U.S. as citizen as she chose to accompany parents from Tule Lake in 1946, marriage record at Tsukiji Hongwanji in Tokyo inadequate since theirs was not registered at the Tokyo Municipal Office, husband back home in Lancaster, Pa.; Buddhist ceremony held when Occupation HQ commander (Brig Gen Starr) denied McMahon, a civilian Army employee, application for U.S. rites.

Aug. 4—U.S. Justice Dept. agrees to JACL-ADC request to halt deportation of Issei aliens until Congress acts on legislation (HR 3566) giving Attorney General discretionary powers to stay of deportation of aliens ineligible to citizenship. (About 2,000 Issei who entered after 1924 as merchants, ministers, students and now with U.S.-born children involved.)

Aug. 4—Los Angeles probate court denies ex-wrestler Setsuzo Ota, 49, share in \$19,000 remnant of \$463,000 estate left by his late wife,

Lucy Banning Ota (daughter of California pioneer Gen. Phineas Banning). Judgment allows claim by sons of their father Ward Chapman, who had been legal adviser to the heiress for many years, priority to remaining funds. (Ota, who had received substantial sum earlier, and Banning were married in Seattle in 1928. She died the following year in Florence, Italy, during their honeymoon.)

Aug. 4—Attorney Wayne Collins asks U.S. to withhold Federal Export-Import Bank loan to Peru until permit given to return 297 Japanese Peruvian internees now at Crystal City and Seabrook. (FBI in 1946 after complete examination of their records declared them to be free of any wrongdoing and no danger to hemispheric security—the general charge that led to their detention in the U.S. in 1943.)

Aug. 5—Two Asian American veterans (Tom Amer of CBI theater and Dr. Yin Kim of European campaign) ask Calif. Supreme Court for writs of prohibition to restrain neighbors from bringing restrictive covenant suits in L.A.

superior court; Amer living at 127 W. 56th St., Kim at 1201 S. Gramercy Dr.

Aug. 6—Nisei businessmen get permission from MacArthur's HQ to carry on trading operations in Japan from Aug. 15; Wesley Oyama among first to leave San Francisco by air for Tokyo this week.

Aug. 6—JACL-ADC assured U.S. Civil Service Commission will not discriminate against Nisei in loyalty investigation.

Aug. 7—Anti-Japanese issue not involved in farm labor issue at Ensher ranch (Mendota, Fresno County), reports No. Calif. JACL official; CIO removes pickets around packing-shipping operation where some 50 Japanese Americans were employed. (Ranch officials had misrepresented issue as union objecting to employment of Japanese Americans at melon ranch. JACL found workers unaware of contract problem at ranch. CIO official charges Ensher with creating "phony" issue.)

Aug. 8—Ensign Nelson Kobayashi of Brighton, Colo., stationed at San Diego; believed to be first Nisei ensign on base.

## FROM HAPPY VALLEY: by Sachi Seko

### A Place of Class in Ogden

Salt Lake City

There is one thing that remains beyond purchase and that is class. Real class. Perhaps this explains its rarity. Sometimes, it appears in the most unlikely places like Ogden's skid row. The exact address is 232-25th Street. The name of the place is Uke's Cafe. There used to be a sign in the window, but it has washed away. No matter. Anyone can direct you to it, from the city's most powerful to the most downtrodden. Often, they can be seen eating side by side. It is that kind of place where not only good food is served, but also the best instincts of human-kind. A sense of reciprocal dignity.

Uke's Cafe is owned and operated by Yuk and Mary Nakaishi. They have been in business at various locations, mainly on 25th Street, for 40 years. Mary is one of my mother's two surviving cousins. Yuk is the handsome soldier she waited to marry, a veteran of the 442nd. I remember because my first introduction to him was through a photograph inscribed, "To dearest Mary, love, Yuk." Together, they have befriended the most forgotten and wretched of society. Their care and concern have extended beyond food. The silent proof is in the large poster sign listing their most used telephone numbers. The listing includes the numbers of hospitals, welfare boards, emergency services and the city jail. They have located shelter and jobs for many. Often, they have provided employment in their cafe, sometimes inventing jobs. When their employees have been too sick to work, they have thought nothing of moving them into their house. At least one died there.

Mary and Yuk are perhaps the last meaningful human contact for many. Especially for those who have wandered far from home too long and too far to ever go back. Those who carry their small belongings in duffle bags and their large secret pasts in their hearts. Some have led dangerous lives. The mastery of fear is in their eyes. Some are on the run. Some wait for the ultimate end.

Yet, to see them at Uke's Cafe, they are not disparaged men. They stand erectly, hands outstretched in welcome. There is an old world courtliness to some, good breeding that refused to be extinguished with circumstance. I have not experienced such courtesy in one place. The environment is forgotten. Even the noise and dust of redevelopment outside. All is diminished by the power of the radiating human spirit. And at the center of the glow are Yuk and Mary. One cannot fail to notice the exchange of respect and genuine affection between proprietors and patrons. A smile, a private word, a pat, an embrace. Each man called by his name.

Unlike most of us, Yuk and Mary have never been resigned to the failures and faults of the human condition. Unlike most of us, neither have they evaded it, choosing confrontation at the lowest levels. In terms of years and physical wear, they have more than paid their dues in honoring life, which is our common earthly task. Yuk has had numerous hospitalizations. Mary spends a half hour each morning wrapping bandages around her bad legs. They have raised two splendid children. Yuk's aging mother now lives with them. Isn't it time they quit, I asked, knowing well the answer. Who will care for those who have no one, no place to go?

As we were leaving this past Friday, I turned to wave one last time. There they were, side by side in the steaming kitchen. They've been married 40 years. Yuk is still a handsome man. Heavier, grayer. Mary is smaller now, but she still has a young girl's laugh. As I turned, I noticed Yuk looking at Mary. It was the kind of look a young man gives his best girl. Earlier, I had seen Mary observing Yuk in much the same way. The toll of time escapes them. Marriages are not made in heaven, I know. Yet, my conviction wavers when I see these two. They are not only the classiest couple I know, but surely the happiest. If you happen to pass this way, I recommend Uke's Cafe. There is no place like it in the world. #





## Time to Bury the 'Secrecy Myth' of MIS

Denver, Colo.

There's not much doubt that of the two Nisei outfits in World War II, the 442nd Regimental Combat Team attracted more notice than the men who served with such distinction in the Pacific with the Allied Translator and Interpreter Section (ATIS). Even today it would seem that when WWII Nisei GIs are mentioned, the 442 comes to the mind of Americans who know anything about Nisei history.

Some of this is inevitable. There's more excitement value in a combat outfit that crosses rivers and takes enemy strongpoints under fire, rescues the Lost Battalion, charges up the Italian peninsula. This is not to overlook the fact that ATIS soldiers were infantrymen, too. But as the War Department pointed out when it decided on a segregated unit like the 442nd, a regiment of Nisei serving together would attract much more attention and dramatize the sacrifice of this minority than a few thousand of them scattered among millions of Americans in uniform.

But it isn't true, as some sources have asserted, that

**EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani**



## Advice: to JACL Delegates

Philadelphia

I REMEMBER QUITE vividly my first JACL National Convention. Somewhat unexpectedly, I had been asked by my chapter to be a delegate and so on short notice I packed and departed. Upon arrival, Mas Satow, the National Director, approached me and asked if I would serve as the parliamentarian for the National Council sessions. Not knowing any better, I assented. I borrowed a copy of "Robert's Rules of Order" and spent some time "boning up" on the intricacies of various motions, the priorities, what was debatable and non-debatable, what motions needed a second and which ones did not, and so forth. Notwithstanding this last-minute crash course, it was not without some trepidation that I arrived the following morning to the first National Council session.

AMONG THE DELEGATES and individuals who were to speak, were many of the "big guns" of the organization, most of whom I did not know and had never met, but of whom I had read much in the past: George Inagaki, Shig Wakamatsu, Mike Masaoka, Frank Chuman, Kango Kunitsugu, Dave Miura—just to name a few. My personal briefing of "Robert's" was not without justification. I received quite a workout. Mr. Masaoka, alone, gave this neophyte a bit of a test. In retrospect, Mike (as I later learned to call him) was humorously tolerant with that obstreperous parliamentarian who persisted in invoking the Rules of Order during some of the vigorous debate.

SINCE THAT FIRST national convention, it turned out that I was to attend a number of following conventions. My initial timidity and reticence were slowly overcome and I found less hesitation in taking the floor and, setting aside the early admonitions of my parents—"Kuchi to saifu wa tojiru koto"—I dared to speak at the risk of saying something foolish. (I undoubtedly succeeded in this risk far more than I wished.)

THE LAST CONVENTION I attended was several bienniums ago. In the interim, I might add, I developed (again, somewhat unsuccessfully, many would say) a deliberate effort not to take to the floor, and then only if I felt that I absolutely had to do so. And so, getting back to that last convention, as I sat back listening and saying nothing, I realized that a parliamentary maneuver was in progress whereby certain voices were sought to be shut off. I felt that I "absolutely had to do so" and go up to challenge the ruling, whereupon the individual who had assumed the role of parliamentarian proceeded to rule me "out of order," a ruling that I felt itself was very much out of order as an effort to muzzle a challenge from me. I felt particularly strong about the situation because I had been sent as the representative of the committee from my district council, had gone at my own expense, travelling across some 2,600 miles. And this district representative was about to be cut off with an arbitrary (or, at least so I thought) out-of-order ruling. Following my challenge, we worked it out; after all, a meeting is not an exercise in parliamentary display.

WE MENTION THIS because in this year of 1982, there will be delegates to the National Convention in Los Angeles who may be attending one of their first, if not the very first, convention. To you, may we proffer this advice: Be not afraid to speak up, and don't worry about whether what you have to say may appear foolish. (You'll hear a lot of foolish debate anyway, so why not join in.) And take along that little book of "Robert's Rules of Order" so that someone cannot shut you down should there be such an effort.

You have a right to be heard.

the story of the Nisei Military Intelligence Service interpreters and translators in the Pacific was kept a deep, dark secret until a few years ago. This seems to be a widely held point of view, encouraged by some who should know better. A recent issue of Pacific Citizen, for instance, observed that the story of the Nisei in the Pacific war "no longer can be ignored when historians comment on the Nisei. Since 1972 the MIS story began to unfold."

The facts are that Nisei MIS servicemen were kept under security wraps during the war, but every once in a while stories of individual Nisei heroism would be filed by correspondents, would get through censorship, and be published in U.S. papers. Pacific Citizen reprinted many of those stories.

The official announcement of the Nisei role was released by General MacArthur's headquarters about six weeks after the formal end of the war. The Associated Press distributed the story and noted that the Nisei operated so skillfully on Pacific battlefields "that they often knew the telephone numbers of Japanese billets."

Not long afterward, sometime in 1946, an album not unlike a high school album was published to record the

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Session No. 2 Wednesday morning with vice president Lily Okura presiding will cover the Youth, JACL Staff, NC-RR, Aging & Retirement, Long-range Planning and the National Director's "Program for Action".

Session No. 3 Wednesday afternoon (3 p.m.) with v.p. Mits Kawamoto chairing will feature reports from the Pacific Citizen, JARP, Endowment Fund and those resolutions with fiscal impact.

Session No. 4 Thursday morning with v.p. Floyd Shimomura as chair calls for reports on Ways and Means, International Relations and Redress.

Session No. 5 Friday morning with v.p. Vernon Yoshioka as chair will cover Constitutional Amendments, 1000 Club, Legislative Action and Budget.

Session No. 6 Friday afternoon will be a continuation of Session No. 5, climaxing with the national elections, at which time Tsujimura will assume the chair. Bids for the 1986 National Convention are also in order. The 1984 convention is being hosted by the Hawaii chapter.

Convention ends Saturday morning with a new National Board and staff meeting.

## WASHINGTON WRAP-UP: by Ron Ikejiri



## Results

Washington

In a recent Wall Street Journal article, Congressman Richard Bollings, who is retiring from the House of Representatives, after 34 years in Congress, and the Chair of the powerful House Rules Committee talked of the lessons of Power in Washington, D.C.

**Question:** You've said that you want to write a book on power that's "comparable to Machiavelli's". What have you learned about power?

**Answer:** It took me 32 years to realize that it's sometimes more important to have the trappings of power than power itself. If you've got a good-looking room with a nice chandelier, your colleagues may think you've got power. Actually, all you've got is a chandelier and a room. Washington is full of illusions like that. But I define power as the ability to affect outcomes.... So I've tried to concentrate on results—legislation.

Results is what JACL is all about.

Certainly, the JACL would not be holding its 27th Biennial Convention this coming week in Los Angeles, if the organization was not oriented toward gaining results on human and civil rights issues, legislation and promoting Japanese American issues and causes over the past 53 years.

As the JACL prepares for its final assault on Capitol Hill regarding the Redress issue, the lessons of power which the JACL has learned over the years will be tested.

Because the JACL has always sought results, the real issue before the National Council regarding Redress is "How less than 1/8 of 1% of the total population of the United States will be able to create the favorable public opinion toward the Redress issue", or "How less than 30,000 JACLers can convince 235 million fellow Americans that Redress is an American issue."

In the end, the results from JACL's public opinion Redress efforts will be measured in very simple terms....votes. We either have them or we do not.

The challenge of the next Biennium is to make sure that we have them.

**Editor's note:** This ends the six part series by the JACL Washington Representative. Starting in the Aug. 19 issue, the Washington Representative will start another series on "Washington Profiles"

history of MISLS. It traced in some considerable detail the origins of the school at the Presidio in San Francisco just weeks before the outbreak of the Pacific war. The album told how two Nisei servicemen, John F. Aiso and Arthur Kaneko, and two Nisei civilians, Akira Oshida and Shig Kihara, were earmarked for the teaching staff and how they feverishly prepared a crash course that would equip American soldiers for dealing with the intricacies of the Japanese language.

Of course the album did not have a mass circulation. But a story based largely on information in the MISLS Album was published in 1964 by the American Legion Magazine which was distributed to hundreds of thousands of Legionnaires. The book "Nisei" also chronicled the story of the MISLS in considerable detail, giving that service "equal time" with the 442nd.

Be that as it may, PC Editor Harry Honda observes that the story of Nisei GIs in the Pacific "is woefully lacking" in the literature available to academicians and historians and textbooks in schools.

It's a shame that this is so. The material published so far doesn't do full justice to the dramatic story of the Nisei intelligence operatives. But the basic facts are available now and there is no excuse for ignoring them or passing off the neglect on the myth that official secrecy has inhibited the telling of their story.

(While the next issue is dated Aug. 13, our production schedule prevents any Convention reportage until the Aug. 20 issue.—Ed.)

## Confab Notes

The 1000 Club Whing Ding for all JACLers starts at 8 p.m. (not 10 p.m. as reported) Aug. 10 at the Airport Hyatt's Grand Ballroom. Admission at the door will be \$20 but tickets may be purchased by delegates for \$15 at the registration desk. On tap: hors d'oeuvres, entertainment a la 1000 Club, instrumentalists, Kinnara Taiko, and John Sherri's combo for dancing till 1 a.m.

The July 9 PC is being included as part of the delegate's convention packet upon request of National Treasurer Henry Sakai, who reports on the JACL Budget proposal for 1983-84. Budget is also printed in the same issue, just in case the delegate forgot to bring the proposal which consists of 10 pages typewritten.

PC's cartoonist Pete Hironaka of Dayton JACL will be honored during the Awards luncheon for his 25-year contribution to JACL/PC... The PC Board is paying special recognition to Jane M. Ozawa of East Los Angeles JACL, who has

completed a 20-year stint on the PC staff. She is currently the PC administrative assistant, advertising dept., bookkeeper, bilingual office receptionist, mail clerk, book dept., personnel secretary, stand-by subscription manager and occasional cookie jar filler-upper.

Many from UCLA who contributed to the JACL-JARP program have been invited to attend the Shig Wakamatsu Convention Testimonial at the Wednesday Awards luncheon. Speaking for them will be Dr. Gene Levine, principal investigator of the major Issei-Nisei-Sansei survey, whose findings are in his book, "The Japanese American Community" (\$18.95 postpaid from PC).

A number of Resolutions have been circulated for consideration. Those which have impact budget-wise will come up on Wednesday. Others will be handled on Friday, convention resolutions chair Tony Ishii of Fresno was advised by Headquarters. Those received at Headquarters AFTER July 15 are subject to endorsement by at least five other chapters. Who can sign for a chapter may be subject for discussion when the Rules of Order are up for adoption as the first order of business.

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## HRC Challenged

Idaho Falls

**IDAHO HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**—As a result of the hearing for Sheriff Mike Shiozaki of Bingham County who was charged with sexual harassment, the Pocatello/Blackfoot Chapter adopted a resolution on June 17, requesting a reorganization of the Idaho Human Rights Commission employee staff structure in the executive, administrative and advisory positions. The resolution was presented at the IDC meeting on June 19 and adopted by the Council.

The resolution was then forwarded to the Governor of Idaho, the State Attorney General, the President of the Idaho Human Rights Commission as well as its director.

**WHETHER PARITY?**—At the June 19 meeting, much time was involved with the proposed National Budget for 1983 and 1984, especially the inequity of funds returned to the District. The needs, programs and distance between chapters in the particular districts are the priorities in establishing the regional offices and allocations. However, the following figures show that there are inequities.

Since 76% of National Budget is income from memberships and that 1982 budget is \$661, and providing the 1982 membership stays at the same level, the income by the districts is as follows, calculated in percentages:

PNW - 6%, NCWNP - 42%, CCDC - 6%, PSW - 30%, IDC - 4%, MPDC - 2%, MDC - 7%, EDC - 3%.

Dollar value returned to districts including regional offices allocation is: PNW—\$10.28, NC-WNPDC—\$2.17, CCDC—\$13.08, PSW—\$5.07, IDC—\$3.91, MPDC—\$4.28, MDC—\$16.50, EDC—\$6.69.

Percentage of each district's membership income returned to that particular district works out thusly:

PNW—39%, NCWNPDC—8%, CCDC—52%, PSW—20%, IDC—14%, MPDC—15%, MDC—60%, EDC—23%.

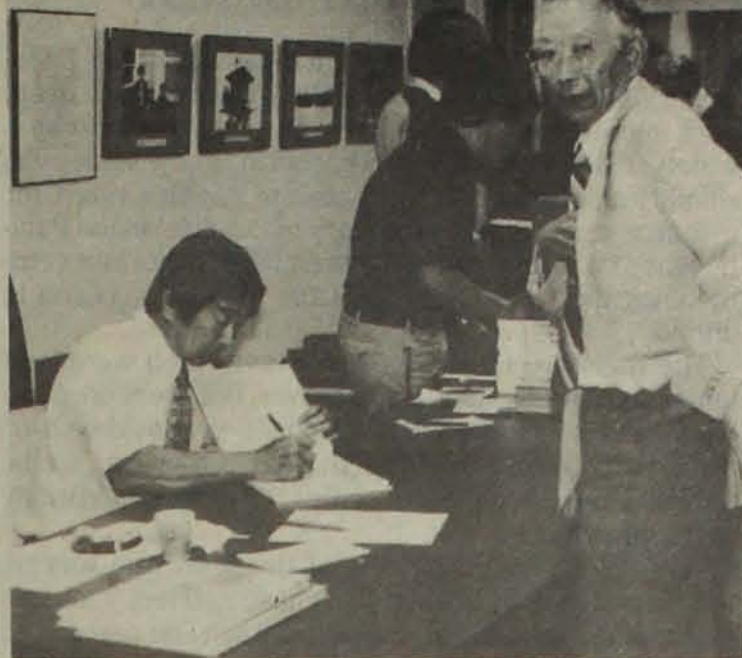
IDC is opposed to increase in membership dues!

### Fresno JACler Ruth Wakida dies

FRESNO, Ca.—Funeral services for Ruth Wakida, 73, who was attacked July 9 as she was returning home from work as a hot lunch server at the Nikkei Service Center, were held July 17.

Wakida was knocked down and kicked by a youth. She was hospitalized and died on July 13.

The Fowler-born Fresno JACler was a member of United Methodist Women. She is survived by d Deanna Kimura (Fresno), s Harrison (Los Angeles), sis Eugene Kawasaki, Ann Morishige (L.A.), br Ray (L.A.), Fred (Pasadena), Sam Umade (Hawaii) and two gc.



**MEET AUTHOR CHET TANAKA**—Autographing a pictorial history of the 100th Infantry/442nd RCT, "Go For Broke", is Chester Tanaka (seated), author and book designer, for past national JACL president Jim Murakami (right), of Sonoma County JACL at a recent book party at JACL Headquarters.

## HISTORY

Continued from Front Page

Suzuki for government officials to work out measures to explain the "true motive" and win understanding for the alterations of history textbooks.

Suzuki is due to visit China in September and does not want his talks there to be dominated by accusations that he is ignoring the spirit of the 1972 joint declaration normalizing relations (in which Japan expressed "deep repentance" for what it did before and during World War II).

Chief Cabinet Secretary (government spokesman) Kiichi Miyazawa told reporters the government remained unchanged in its "basic" stance for expressing its profound regrets for the past aggression against China. He expressed confidence China would show full understanding once the reasons for the textbook changes were fully explained.

Government officials are equally worried about the impact on difficult negotiations with South Korea over a five-year multibillion-dollar Japanese aid package. The negotiations have been dragging on for almost a year.

Diplomatic relations between Seoul and Tokyo were resumed only in 1965, and they remain extremely touchy due to the extreme national sensitivity of the one-time Japanese colony.

The general Korean reaction has been strong. One Seoul newspaper July 27 devoted its lead story and nine other front-page articles to the controversy.

## Acknowledgement

### Wakamatsu Fund

CHICAGO—According to Jack Nakagawa, nearly 500 individual and chapter contributions have been received by the JACL Tribute to Shig Wakamatsu Committee. JACL chapters recently contributing to the Wakamatsu fund include Chicago, Pasadena, Spokane, and Tulare County. Nakagawa also noted that the West Los Angeles JACL has donated a round trip airfare from the West coast to Japan for Wakamatsu. Contributions received from June 7 - July 22, 1982 follow:

M/M Harvey Aki, Renzo Asahina, M/M George Baba, M/M Yoneo Bepp, Dr/M Ben Chikaraishi, Frank Chuman, S. Bill Doi, Kaneji Domoto, Tomi Domoto, M/M Minoru Endo, M/M Paul Ellis, M/M Roy Esaki,

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KENNY ENDO is an accomplished percussionist now studying in Tokyo. It is his feeling that many of the younger Nikkei generation are losing much of the cultural past of Japan, which is why he is studying Sukeroku Taiko and Hongaku drumming. Kenny will continue his studies in Japan until 1983, when he plans to return to San Francisco and teach Taiko to children through the San Francisco Taiko Dojo.

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PAULA FUJIWARA, of Sacramento, is attending UC Davis Medical School. She is also the recipient of the Joseph Collins Foundation Award, showing interest in both creative arts and medicine. Paula is also producer of the weekly radio show "Women In Music" and was a Disc Jockey for radio KDVS in Sacramento. A Dean's Honor Student, she plans to continue her studies in medicine and her interest in the arts.

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VALERIE MATSUMOTO of Stanford, Ca. is a Ph.D. candidate at Stanford University. Valerie attended Arizona State University where she received Phi Beta Kappa Honors and Phi Kappa Phi Society Honors. She is a committee member for Women Writing Poetry in America and has co-authored a book titled "Talking Stories: A Collection of Poems, Personal Histories, and Fairy Tales." She is also a board member of the Stanford Asian American Theater Project and a teaching assistant for "The Female Experience: The Victorian Heritage" course at Stanford.

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FREDERICK KATAYAMA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hid Katayama, of Monterey Park, Ca. is studying Journalism at Columbia University. He is the recipient of the Columbia University Alumni Association Award and the Media Institute for Minorities National Journalism Scholarship. Frederick has also contributed numerous articles for the Rafu Shimpo, New York Nichibei, Chicago Shimpo and the Hokubei Mainichi.

### MAGOICHI KATO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP—\$450

ELNA MASUDA of Wahiawa, Hi. is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society at the School of Medicine, UCLA. Elna was last year's recipient of the Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara Memorial Scholarship award. She is also listed in the "College Register" National Year Book of Prominent College Students and Graduates and has been published in the Journal of Cancer Abstracts based on her research.

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GARY OHARA of San Diego, is the 1982 recipient of the Nisaburo Aibara Memorial Scholarship, established by the Turlock Social Club. Gary is a graduate of UC at San Diego and will be attending the George Washington University School of Medicine. Active in intercollegiate baseball and golf, he was awarded the Scholar-Athlete Award and is a member of the Dean's Honor Roll. In addition Gary has won numerous awards in music as a pianist.

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RICK SHIOMI is a playwright living in San Francisco, and is currently preparing a dramatic production of the life and history of Gordon Hirabayashi, sociology professor at the University of Alberta, Canada. Hirabayashi, as a senior at Washington State University, wrote, "Over and above any man-made creed of law is the natural law of life, the right of individuals to live and to creatively express themselves. No man was born with the right to limit that law. Nor, do I believe, can anyone justifiably work himself to such a position..."

## JACL converts membership to anniversary system

SAN DIEGO, Ca.—JACL chapters were encouraged in the mid-year to recruit new members in wake of the National JACL Board decision in May to convert membership period from the calendar to the anniversary system.

Vernon T. Yoshioka of San Diego, national JACL vice president for membership and services, explained that whenever a person joins JACL now, in the mid-year for instance, the membership is valid for a full 12-months. In the past, all memberships expired on Dec. 31 each year.

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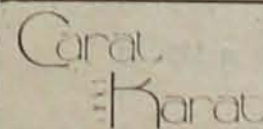
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## Legal definitions clarify set-up proposed for Washington 'rep'

As JACL national legal counsel, Frank A. Iwama was asked by the JACL Finance Committee, consisting of the National President (Dr. James Tsujimura), Secretary/Treasurer (Henry Sakai) and the National Director (Ron K. Wakabayashi), to provide the National Council with a summary of the proposed Second Option regarding the Washington Office budget to be considered at the National Convention with background on the distinctions involved in the employee and independent contractor status proposed in the 1982-84 Budget.

By FRANK A. IWAMA, National JACL Legal Counsel  
(July 15, 1982)

The major question posed before the National Council, is to decide, whether it would prefer to have an employer-employee relationship, or an independent contractor arrangement with the Washington Representative.

**Employee defined:** California Labor Code Section 2750 defines an employee as one who is engaged to do something for the benefit of the employer or a third person. California case law further defines an employee as "one who is subject to the absolute control and direction of his employer in regard to any act, labor or work to be done in the course and scope of his employment." (*Crooks v. Glen Falls Indem. Co.* [1954] 124 Cal. App. 2d 113)

**Independent contractor defined:** Under California law, "an independent contractor is one who, in rendering services, exercises an independent occupation and represents his employer only as to the results of his work, not as to the means by which it is to be accomplished. The chief consideration which determines one to be an independent contractor is the fact that the employer has no right of control as to the mode of doing the work contracted for." (*Green v. Soule* [1904] 145 Cal. 96)

At the May 1982 National Board meeting in San Francisco, I advised the National Board, that under proper circumstances, the JACL could be better served in the Washington Office, with an independent contractor arrangement, rather than an employee relationship.

The basis for this opinion is based upon the following rationale:

1. The effectiveness of the Washington Office operations is measured by the results of the Washington Representative in obtaining the kinds of actions the JACL desires. From 1972-82, the JACL had an employer-employee relationship with our Washington Representatives, but in essence, the Washington Representative, who was 3,000 miles away from the JACL Headquarters, and National Director, was not subject to the absolute control and direction in regard to any acts, labor, or work to be done. Instead, the JACL relied on their trust in the Washington Representative, and help from the Washington Office Advisory Board to seek the results which the JACL desired.

Thus, given the actual circumstances of JACL's Washington operations, an independent contractor arrangement would more accurately and legally define the kind of relationship that the National Board and National Director has with the Washington Representative.

2. The second basis for the independent contractor arrangement is that it allows the JACL to negotiate and place the burden of the increased operational expenses for the Washington Office on the independent contractor, thereby saving the JACL funds, which it can use for other JACL programs and operations. Because the independent contractor agreement will require the maintenance of a full time Washington Office, the JACL will not suffer any significant or substantial reduction in Washing-

ton representation or presence.

**Conflict of Interest Issue.** The National Board at the May 1982 meeting asked the question whether or not an independent contractor agreement can be written to insure that the independent contractor can be prevented from representing other persons or organizations that may have interests that are in conflict with the JACL. As Legal Counsel, I assured the National Board that such a clause can and would be included in any independent contractor agreement that the JACL is a party to.

I have prepared a chart of the Options, which the National Council will consider at the convention. In order to assist the delegates in their understanding of the Options, I have included information regarding the previous status of the Washington office, the current status of the office, and the proposed status of the Office, under the first and second options.

Previous Status	Current Status	Proposed Status First Option	Proposed Status Second Option
June 78-March 82 Washington Staff are Employees of JACL	March 82-Aug. 82 Washington Staff are independent contractors	Sept. 82-Sept. 84 Washington Staff are Employees of JACL	Sept. 82-Sept. 84 Washington Staff are independent contractors
Full time office	Full time office	Full time office	Full time office
Budget: Annual \$60-70,000	Budget: Annual \$70,897	Budget: Annual \$77,657-'83 \$81,551-'84	Budget: Annual \$50,000-'83 \$52,500-'84
Remarks: Expenses paid by JACL	Salary, payroll, insur. expenses paid by independ. contr. All other expenses by JACL	Expenses paid by JACL	Expenses paid by independent contractor

In order to assist the delegates with their understanding of the Washington Office operations, the following is a Listing of the Major Functions of the JACL Washington Office:

### MAJOR FUNCTIONS OF THE WASHINGTON OFFICE

The functions of the JACL Washington Office can be divided into ten main subject areas. They are:

- Function 1—Official registered lobbyist for the Japanese American Citizens League.
- Function 2—Information and data gathering.
- Function 3—Analysis and interpretation of governmental action to JACL.
- Function 4—Advise and counsel the National Director on JACL policies and its effect on governmental actions in Washington.
- Function 5—Advise and interpret JACL's actions to the respective government body (e.g. White House, Congress, administrative agencies).
- Function 6—Advocate the JACL position in all matters related to JACL's interests.
- Function 7—Act as the spokesman for the JACL with news media.
- Function 8—Act as the JACL's official representative to government, quasi-governmental, foreign governmental representatives, and other national organizations.
- Function 9—Provide and assist the JACL Legal Counsel, and National Board with legal advice and counsel on matters relating to the JACL operations, programs and activities.

Function 10—Act as the Regional Office for the Eastern District Council, the local Washington, D.C. Chapter Office, and administrator of the Thomas T. Hayashi Law Scholarship applications.

As Legal Counsel for the National JACL, I believe the information provided above, will bring about a clearer picture of the Washington Office budget and operational considerations, which the National Council must consider. Should anyone have any questions regarding this memorandum, please feel free to contact me at the Convention, and I will be happy to discuss or answer any questions for you.

(Mr. Iwama, National Legal Counsel since 1975, has served with the California Attorney General's Office and is presently in private practice in Sacramento. He had been Sacramento JACL president and National JACL vice president for general operations.)

BY THE BOARD: by Dr. Yosh Nakashima

## Wash. 'Rep' Matter

San Francisco

Does an independent contractor meet JACL's needs?

The proposal to make the Washington Representative an independent contractor is not new to JACL. This concept was in place for many years with great success and many positive results. There is every reason to believe this positive situation of maximum result can continue. Ron Ikejiri has shown to be an effective spokesperson for issues relevant to JACL and Japanese Americans.

As the political and legislative process is a complex one, JACL should not direct the day-to-day activities of the Washington Representative but set goals and ask for necessary effort to achieve those goals and results. The independent contractor status will not diminish our Washington presence but in all likelihood, result in a higher profile and wider contact basis for JACL.

Within the constraint of our present financial situation, the independent contractor status will ensure optimum Washington representation. The Washington "rep" will continue to be guided and advised by an advisory committee composed of several Washington JACLers experienced in the intricacies of the political decision-making processes. As a member of the National Board from the NCWNPDC and as a longtime interested member of JACL, I have been impressed with Ron Ikejiri's capabilities and efforts for JACL. I believe that he can best serve JACL's needs as an independent contractor. His experience and contacts are invaluable and should be primary in our consideration of the proper status for the Washington Office.

As a final thought, we are fully assured that there will be no work or effort for other groups or individuals that will represent positions that would be in direct conflict with the goals and purposes of JACL.

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# Getting Accustomed to Lima, Peru

(In view of the special PANA meeting this weekend at Los Angeles, we hasten to conclude the detailed report submitted earlier this year by Chuck Kubokawa who had helped to draft the PANA constitution in Lima last December.—Ed.)

## Part VI (Conclusion)

Lima  
That old adage, "You learn something new everyday," was indeed a true statement in Lima. On the final day I was getting used to the ways of the local people, but alas I had to get ready for departure on the 1:45 a.m. flight the following morning. I collected my things and brought them to La Estadio Union while we met for the finalization of the PANA Constitution draft. I made another attempt to call the Kubokawas and was without luck.

The final gathering was very emotional because we all got to know each other well and felt the warmth and kinship we had developed from the three days of molding the future for the Nikkei internationally.

If all the hardwork put into developing PANA provides even one positive output for the future Nikkei, then I would venture to say the organization has succeeded. From the Pan American Nikkei Association, friendships will bloom, new business partnerships may develop, youth exchange programs between families with common youth interests can take place, expertise and resource exchanges and sharing can occur.

To commemorate the first draft signing of the PANA Constitution, I suggested a plaque noting the time, place, objective, countries represented, etc. be placed in the room where the historical Nikkei event took place. They all unanimously agreed that it was a great idea. The Estadio La Union volunteered to take care of the task of placing the plaque on the wall.

As the evening came on, I was invited to a wedding. Not knowing either the bride or groom I really didn't want to go. They insisted that I attend just to experience a typical Peruvian wedding. Having no choice in the matter, I attended the ceremonies presided by a Catholic Nikkei priest (Fr. Kato). The bride was led into the church by her godfather (not Marlon Brando) while her parents sat watching the entire procession. The groom was led in by the wife of the godfather and once everyone gathered at the altar they exchanged partners.

The entire ritual was conducted with the audience standing. I guess one can say I stood up for the couple.

When the ceremony was completed and as we exited, the bride and groom zoomed off to the reception hall at Estadio La Union. Rice was not thrown at the newlyweds.

At the reception local people heard that I was attempting to contact the Kubokawas, and with only three hours before I had to leave for the airport, one of the doctors at the wedding reception said he had a friend who was married to a Kubokawa, and said he would call for me. The housekeeper answered the phone and finally I thought the contact would be made, but the response was that the family was out and would not return until late because they were at a wedding. While the phone conversation was going on a very nice couple entered the office and lo and behold the doctor using the phone turned to them and said "I'm just calling your home". I was introduced to Dr. Matsushige and his wife Senora Luisa Kubokawa de Matsushige. My first barrage of questions were fast and furious. Lucky for me, Luisa had knowledge of English, Portuguese, Japanese and of course Spanish. I found Luisa

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## SUGAHARA

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shipping concern, proposed the plan last February. It immediately attracted some interest from state governors. However, considerable skepticism also was expressed both in the United States and Japan, particularly about suggestions that Japan might commit as much as \$90 billion.

"Nothing is definite as to how much money would be available and at what interest rates," Shiina said, but added that Japan's low interest rates are considerably below that of the U.S. and that will greatly benefit Americans.

Japan's long-term interest rate now stands at 8.4%, compared with about 16% in the U.S.

"We are hopeful that the first loan will come through as soon as possible—within this year," Shiina said.

Joji George Konoshima, international relations director of the U.S.-Asia Institute, a Washington-based non-profit organization of Americans of Asian origin chaired by Sugahara, said there is widespread support of the plan in the United States. (Konoshima was the Asian American liaison to the Democratic National Committee during the Carter administration).

"The financing scheme, if implemented, would help ease tensions between Japan and the United States," Konoshima said.

He said the institute, which has been coordinating the project, has received several hundred loan applications, mostly from states.

"We have more or less accomplished our initial goal of presenting the concept—the idea of making loans available to the United States—to the Japanese," Konoshima said, "and prospects are quite good."

Sugahara and his aides have been in Tokyo since early June, promoting the idea among Japanese businessmen," he said.

A Japanese Foreign Ministry official, however, said the Japanese government does not endorse the plan but appreciates it in view of current Japan-U.S. relations.

## JACL congressional directory compiled

WASHINGTON—A JACL Congressional Directory which identifies the Senators and Representatives who have JACL chapters within their jurisdiction has been compiled by the Washington JACL office.

As the Washington Representative Ronald K. Ikejiri explains, "What we hope to accomplish by circulating this Congressional Directory is to encourage a greater participation of JACL members with their Senators or Congressmen."

"It is our feeling that because the JACL is the oldest and largest organization representing Americans of Japanese ancestry, we have a responsibility to provide legislative and political leadership on behalf of the Japanese American community."

## Sao Paulo school named for Nagasaki

SAO PAULO, Brazil—Eleven years ago, a junior-senior high school was named after Hiroshima and each Aug. 6, the school observes a ceremony in memory of the atomic-bomb victims of the city. Last month when the local Nagasaki Kenjinkai observed its 20th anniversary, an elementary school here was named after the city of Nagasaki.

The school has some 1,300 students at the present time, with less than 10 of Japanese ancestry.

## HEROIC STRUGGLES of Japanese Americans



## A Reader's Postscript

War days include the early morning goodbyes to our buddies amid the Scout band music in the mess-hall, tearful visit to parents of Killed in Action, the Blue Star and Gold Star Mothers Clubs, along with the populace of the barb-wire city with its abnormal city life. Author Oda puts it all in focus in his "Heroic Struggles". Everyone should own one.

The Good Book says, "God himself will be with them. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes and death shall be no more, neither shall be their mourning for the former things be passed away." God be with Shellac, Arnie, Pete, Leo and many others who truly made the Heroic Struggle for our better life, lest we forget.

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speed. Señores Jose Yamada, Luis Sakoda and Augusto Ikemiyashiro took me to the airport and we had a chance to speak about what took place and how each of them were very happy that the JACL took the initiative to get PANA started. They all felt that the future for the Nikkei looks brighter because there are new horizons, interests, goals, and avenues in PANA, which the Nikkei can get actively involved.

Though I thought long ago that when I go to Peru for the first time it will be to see the Inca Ruins of Machu Pichu, it was for a better cause and an useful voyage for the improvement of international Nikkei activities for the future. But the next time is another story. With the first official PANA Organization Conference in Lima, Peru, next year all of you who had an exciting, interesting, educational, fun, and rewarding experience in Mexico City, prepare yourself for a much more eventful and a new experience in Peru. You may even find a long lost relative like I did.

Finally as in any happy ending story, through a series of letters to Japan and Peru, I have found out that indeed the Kubokawas in Peru are the real Kubokawas, related through my great, great grandfather.

Incidentally a special thanks must be extended to Luis Yamakawa for spending his personal money & time to see that JACL was well represented at the meetings in Lima. The cost to JACL for my Lima trip representing JACL was very, very minimal.

## Nikkei singles to be discussed in Convention workshops

By BEBE TOSHIKO RESCHKE

Marina JACL

LOS ANGELES—Two workshops dealing with the issue of "singleness" among Nikkei will be addressed for the first time in some depth at the National JACL Convention on Tuesday, Aug. 10 at the Hyatt Airport Hotel.

"Marriage and Divorce in the Japanese American Community," featuring keynote speaker Harry Kitano, Professor of Social Welfare and Sociology at UCLA, will be held at 1:15 p.m. At 3 p.m., "The Nikkei and the Single World" will be conducted featuring panelists Katie Hironaka (San Jose JACL), Novo Kato (Long Beach JACL), Stan Yokoyama (Japanese American Singles), Lucy Yoshihara (We Are One), Midori Watanabe (Gardena Valley JACL) and Bebe Toshiko Reschke (Marina JACL).

The workshops and discussions may evolve some new innovative ideas for Nikkei singles, such as networking with several singles organizations in different regions. Formation of social assertion groups, growth and communication groups, and new ways to meet JA singles will be discussed.

The reasons for the growth in the number of Nikkei singles are varied. After two decades of the average Nisei being a married person with children, there is currently an increasing number of Nikkei marriages partly as a reflection of the American society, ending in divorce. For the Nisei, it is called the "empty nest syndrome" where the marriage faces problems after the children are out of the home. The growing mortality rate among Nisei spouses 40 years and over adds to the number of many Nisei who suddenly find themselves single. There are in addition a number of never-married Nisei who are, with increasing age, wishing to relate in a more long-term way. Many Sansei and Yonsei, having delayed their marriages due to career demands and other reasons, are now over 30 years of age and concerned about wanting to marry and have children soon. There is, at the same time, an increase in the divorce rate of the Sansei.

The seminar, open to the public, should be relevant to everyone who has gone through singleness in their lives or have close friends or relatives in this state.

There will also be Singles Events during the Convention: a Mixer/Dancer in the Hyatt's Penthouse Room on Aug. 9, 7:30 p.m. and a Single's House Party/Buffer Dinner on Aug. 10, 6 p.m. For more info call (213) 327-1311.

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## Nikkei woman is unsung hero for New York jazz coalition

NEW YORK—Struggling jazz artists—there are thousands who are trying to make it against the toughest competition in the world.

To many of these musicians, Cobi Narita is a hero—an unsung hero. Working from a small Fifth Ave. loft office crammed with papers, papers and more papers, Narita, a Nikkei woman of 56, invests upwards of 18 hours a day making sure that the dreams of these hard-pressed musicians—and that her dream, as well—stay alive.

In a recent interview with the New York Daily News' Barbara Lippman, Narita explained, "My dream was to have an organization that would offer inexpensive services to the jazz musicians who weren't at the places where they could get paid \$300."

This became a reality six years ago, when she founded the Universal Jazz Coalition (UJC), an organization which supports New York jazz musicians with career advice and offers low-cost services that other jazz organizations don't.

The Jazz Coalition teaches artists how to get ahead in the competitive market. Management, booking, promotion and grant-writing are a few topics covered in monthly meetings. Members also participate in UJC concerts, which now number more than 200 a year.

One concert series that she is most proud of, the New York Women's Jazz Festival, which was held here in June.

The eight-day event began five years ago, when Narita concluded that the long contribution of women to jazz had been largely ignored.

As she explains it, when the coalition was started, 97% of those who came for help were men. "Every club you go to is (dominated by) men. Men hire men." So she set out to change things, and it seems to have worked. Attendance at the festival has increased from about 1,500 the first year to 6,000 last year.

Although the coalition is fairly young, Narita herself is no newcomer to the New York jazz scene. She says she has been involved in the community in some form or another since the second day she arrived here, almost 15 years ago, from her native California.

She noticed that promoters were putting on concerts with only the biggest names. Meanwhile, she says, "There were a thousand struggling musicians who never got concerts or promotional help so they could build their own names."

"All these young people who seem to have come to a stopping point after going to school: Where do they play? Where do they get promoted? How do they get into the clubs? How do they let well-knowns know they can play? These are things we teach them. We don't manage or represent them—we assist in promotion."

The second of five children, Narita was the only one in her family to learn an instrument, the piano, which she played as a child. She didn't fall in love with jazz until after she married at 19. Then, for reasons she can't explain, she started to listen. The listening became ever more intense



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## D.C. minority contract bill advances

WASHINGTON—The D.C. City Council, rejecting arguments that black-owned businesses would be hurt economically, gave preliminary approval July 20 to a bill that would include Asian Americans and Hispanic Americans of European descent in the city's \$115 million-a-year minority contracting program.

The measure, approved by voice vote, reverses the council's 1980 decision to eliminate those groups from the program, which sets aside 25% of the value of city contracts for minority-owned firms. The city's growing Asian and Hispanic communities had lobbied intensively for the reversal, while some black community leaders complained that the measure would have a negative effect on small black businesses trying to economically compete. The bill must still be approved on a final reading.

## New Japan rage 'karaoke' at home

TOKYO—The latest rage in Japanese home entertainment is "karaoke"—literally an "empty orchestra"—comprising of special gear to play eight-track tapes of orchestral accompaniment for popular songs. The equipment can make the amateur singer sound far better than it really is.

The consumer electronics industry is now cashing in on the sing-it-yourself boom for home parties. It estimates 8% of the Japanese households own karaoke gear and expects it to rise to 20%.

during the 10 years of her marriage, during which she bore seven children.

She listens to classical and symphonic music but "jazz," she says, "is my No. 1 music. It's the music of my soul. I find that it's the most satisfying music for me to listen to. I don't even call it jazz. I call it the music that I love."

Her favorite artists include Dizzy Gillespie, Charlie Parker, Billie Holiday, John Coltrane, Sarah Vaughn and Betty Carter. But "every instrument has wonderful artists," she concludes.

Narita is now a grandmother of eight, but she looks years younger than she is despite a seven-day-a-week work life.

Meeting the coalition's austere budget consumes much of her time. Money comes from grants, contributions and box-office sales, but it's not enough to give her a real salary. When there's time, she does outside promotion and consulting work.

"I also have a boyfriend who pays for my meals," she says with a chuckle.

Thoughts of her own children spark her motivation. Five of them are artists of one sort or another in California.

"There are a lot of kids coming to me asking for help, and if I'm helping here, someone has to be helping my kids out there," she believes.

## Isamu Noguchi wins MacDowell Medal

PETERBOROUGH, N.H.—Isamu Noguchi, the 77-year-old sculptor whose mysterious, seemingly animate blocks of stone have helped sustained a faith in a sacred role of art through the post-World War II era, was awarded the Edward MacDowell Medal July 18 for his outstanding life-long contribution to the arts.

The medal, named after the composer whose dream of an artistic community led to the foundation of America's first artistic colony 75 years ago, was presented at the MacDowell Colony, here. Noguchi joins a distinguished list of previous medal winners that includes Georgia O'Keeffe, Alexander Calder, Aaron Copland, Robert Frost and last year's winner, John Updike.

The presentation was made by William S. Lieberman, curator of 20th-century art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. In front of a crowd estimated at 5,600 persons, Lieberman said, "Noguchi gives meaning not only to place but to void." He spoke of the sculptor's work as "a constantly evolving ritual."

Noguchi, who is one of the best-known living artists, gave a short speech of acceptance. His deceptively simple, nonfigurative sculptures, with their broad range of textures, sizes and shapes, are in museum collections around the world. There are Noguchi sculpture gardens, where stone and earth call attention to each other

and to the surrounding environment, in Asia, North Africa, Europe and throughout America. He has designed stage sets for Martha Graham, George Balanchine and Merce Cunningham. Noguchi lamps and tables, which evolved from his biomorphic sculptural shapes and interest in light, are now so much a part of daily life that people have probably grown up with them without knowing who conceived them. #

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Andrew Y. Kuroda received a meritorious service award from the Japanese Library Association in Tokyo on May 21 at a ceremony commemorating the 90th anniversary of its funding. The JLA's highest award was confirmed on Kuroda for his contribution towards the friendly relations between the Japanese and American library communities during the 35 years he was with the Library of Congress as a Japanese Specialist Head of the Japanese Section, and as field director of the Tokyo Office, from which he retired in July, 1982.

Izumi Hara, a graduate of CSU Long Beach, was recently chosen as one of Glamour Magazine's "Top Ten College Women for 1982." Hara, of Huntington Beach, Ca., was an international marketing and music major and was president of the CSULB Associated Students. She was also vice chairperson of the California State Student Assn. and a charter member of the Japanese Student Assn. Glamour awarded Hara \$1,000 and she is featured in the publication's August issue.

One of 62 being named this year a member to the Order of Canada by Governor General Ed Schreyer was Mrs. Hide Shimizu of Toronto. She is the ninth Nikkei honored since the national award of outstanding merit was instituted.

Seichi Konzo, professor emeritus of mechanical engineering at the University of Illinois, recently received a Distinguished 50-year Member Award from the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers at the society's annual meeting in Toronto, Canada. Konzo, a member of ASHRAE since 1932, is a co-founder of the UI Small Homes Council-Building Research Council and has written numerous books and papers on residential air conditioning and heating.

### Business

Ted Sato of Fremont, Ca. was promoted to manager of the Sumitomo Bank of California's Pleasant Hill office recently. Sato, who began his career with Sumitomo as a teller in the San Jose office in 1965, is a member and past president of the Fremont JACL Chapter. He is also active with the Hayward Lions Club and the Hayward Chamber of Commerce Education Committee.

### Government

Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. recently appointed Yoneo Yamamoto to the state Citizens Advisory Council on Mental Health. Yamamoto, 60, is a retired special assistant with the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health and is a former president of the L.A. County Public Health Sanitarians Association and the California Environmental Health Assn.

### Military

Henry Tomoo Honda of San Jose was elected commander of the American Legion Willow Glen Post and Auxiliary 318 during an officer installation ceremony held June 8. Honda is the first Nisei to receive this honor in Santa Clara County and one of the few Nisei to be chosen as commander of any American Legion Post in the U.S.

### Science

A leader in wind shear research since 1977, Univ. of Chicago meteorologist Theodore Fujita has concluded a study of dangerous erratic winds (wind shears) at Denver's Stapleton International Airport. He found "innocent-looking" clouds may spawn them while the "bad-looking" rain clouds don't always produce the sudden, intense change in wind speed or direction. Wind shears are now suspected to have contributed to the July 9 jetliner crash near New Orleans. Fujita's study is being managed by the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colo., and the Univ. of Chicago.

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company registers several hundred million dollars in annual sales for Noryl, a plastic used in automobile instrument panels, in housing for televisions and computers, and in household appliances. He said it was the first time G.E. has used litigation in an attempt to protect a plastics patent.

Sony Corp. of America said it will consider how to cope with the suit after its parent company in Japan investigates the charge.

The suits came when Japanese companies' practices in the United States have become a controversial topic due to the indictment of two Japanese computer manufacturers and one giant trading house on industrial espionage and steel dumping charges, respectively.

Japanese trading sources here said they hope the G.E. suits would not develop into a trade problem.

Asahi-Dow representatives said July 23 that the suit causes no problem, and more detailed information on the suit was being sought by them.

## SF State Univ. offers Bilingual teacher prog.

SAN FRANCISCO—The Bilingual/Cross Cultural Teacher Training Program at San Francisco State University has been recently funded with stipend and tuition grants by the Department of Education and the university's School of Education is currently seeking applicants for its Elementary Multiple Subjects Teaching Credential and Bilingual/Cross Cultural Specialist Credential. For more info contact: Bilingual/Cross Cultural Teacher Training Program, School of Education, San Francisco State University, 1600 Holloway Ave, SF 94132 or call (415) 469-1792.

## Seattle mother, daughter found slain

SEATTLE—Two members of a restaurateur family were found murdered in their Beacon Hill home July 16.

The bodies of the victims were identified by neighbors as the wife and mother-in-law of Yo Young (Howard) Lau, owner of the New Red Lotus restaurant in Snohomish. His extended family was said to operate about a dozen Chinese restaurants from Blaine to Puyallup.

Lt. Robert Holter of the Seattle Police homicide unit said the Lau home had been ransacked, and both women had apparently been strangled.

## PC's Calendar of Events

- **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 Whing 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 JCL, 6pm.
- **AUGUST 13 (Friday)**  
Nat'l Conv—Conv fashn show lunchn, 11:30-1pm; Golf tour, 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 Hongwanji, Union Church, Zenshuji, 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).  
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## Issei painter Kenzo Okada dies

TOKYO—Kenzo Okada, a Japanese American modernist painter whose delicate, highly praised abstractions have been exhibited around the world, died of a heart ailment July 25 here, where a major retrospective exhibition of his work was recently on display at the Seibu Museum of Art. He was 79 years old and lived in Tokyo and Manhattan.

Okada's work, reflecting both his Japanese origins and the influence of his adopted homeland, made him one of the leading figures in the contemporary art scene. He won many awards and represented both the United States and Japan in international exhibitions.

Okada was born in Yokohama on Sept. 28, 1902. He studied art in Tokyo from 1922 until 1924 and then in Paris until 1927, where he first came under the influence of the Western modernists. After settling in Tokyo, he soon established himself as an esteemed and influential painter.

He went to the United States in 1950 and became an American citizen in 1960. And with the move, cri-

tics found that his paintings began to modify the straight abstraction of his earlier work and to bring semi-abstract elements into his paintings, in which images reflecting his Japanese background could be recognized.

Okada's paintings have been shown at, among other of the great art festivals, the São Paulo Biennial in 1955, where he represented the United States, and the Venice Biennale in 1958, where he represented Japan.

He also has done murals and paintings under commission from the Chase Manhattan Bank, the Hilton Hotel in Tokyo, the Ford Foundation and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organizations.

Okada is survived by his wife, Kimiko, a former dress designer.

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