Hiroshima mayor denounces U.S. test

TOkyo—Hiroshima Mayor Takeshi Araki Aug. 6 strongly protested the underground nuclear test in Nevada, on the eve of the 37th anniversary of the atomic bombing of his city, and another Japanese official said the timing of the test was "especially offensive" to Hiroshima's inhabitants.

In a telegram to U.S. Ambassador Mike Mansfield, Araki said news of the test shot in Nevada desert the day before reached him during memorial ceremonies for victims of the Aug. 6, 1945 atomic bombing of Hiroshima and he "strongly rejected" it.

Araki asked that the U.S. "not forget Hiroshima" and that it "respond to world public opinion" by suspending weapons, immediately stop nuclear testing and take a leading role in the complete abolition of nuclear arms.

About 160 of the estimated 4,000 participants in the memorial services staged a sit-in at the Hiroshima Peace Park to protest the American nuclear test, one of the organizers said.

Government officials and representatives of the families of atomic bomb victims left wreaths of white and yellow chrysanthemums at the Eternal Flame monument. Elsewhere in the park, schoolchildren sang hymns, and a bell was rung to begin one minute of silence to honor the dead.

Araki, survivor of the bombing, called for a summit conference on peace and disarmament and establishment of an international institute with the same goal in Hiroshima.

During the memorial service, 2,000 names were entered on a scroll kept inside the crypt in the cenotaph at the park. It carries the names of those killed by the atomic blast, those of victims whose identities were confirmed later and those who subsequently died from the effects of radiation exposure.

Araki said he had said the additions bring the Hiroshima death toll to 157,689.

Whaling ban adds problems to strained U.S.-Japan relations

TOkyo—A wide gap has been opened between the West and Japan over the issue of whales, said recently by the International Whaling Commission decision on July 23 to ban commercial whaling in three years.

The difference is in part commercial. Japan is the world's leading whaling nation, with some 1,000 whales involved directly in the industry. The whaling industry attracts that, at 50 per cent, paid in related industries.

Nearby one day in the 14,000 whales caught last year in the Southern Ocean are killed by the Japanese, with a value of about $14 million in their products such as meat, and more in secondary items such as oil.

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NCNP co-sponsor Kitamura dinner

SAN FERNANDO—A community group sponsoring a dinner in San Fernando revealed to Tokyo for a new assignment in the Foreign Ministry to be held Monday, Aug. 16, at the Miyako Hotel.

PROMOTED—Hiroshi Kitamura, consul general of Japan in Los Angeles, failed for nearly three years, returned to Tokyo next week to become the first Japanese to join the Foreign Affairs Bureau in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. JACLers remember his participation at the 1980 National Convention.

As trade tensions increase, Japan wary of scapegoating

TOkyo—The troubled economic relations between the U.S. and Japan have not improved in recent weeks, neither in bilateral relations, nor in multilateral ties, and many Japanese think that the U.S. is out to "get" Japan.

Both the Los Angeles Times and the Christian Science Monitor recently reported that Japanese products will be included in the list of "scarce" imports and that Japanese industry is bracing itself for the possibility of having to pay higher duty rates. The most recent report, and the most widely noticed, was that the concentration of Japan's exports to the U.S. has shown a marked decline over the past year, with the result that Japan is reducing its purchases of American goods.

But the Japan Times, in an editorial, called this thinking, saying that the U.S. companies, perhaps, had failed to understand the environment in which they operated, especially the judiciary system.

But industry analysts say there is no doubt that the U.S.-Japan tension is mounting in the field of computers, and culminating from competition in the area of "supercomputers."

Russian Projects

Another area where the Japanese think America is picking on them is the Three Mile Island high-stakes dispute. American and European cooperation with Russian gas and oil development projects. Tokyo officials are currently drafting yet another protest to Washington, arguing that the U.S. could follow a lead in the development of technology for use in the future.

Yet despite the adversity existing between the two nations, some positive developments are taking place which may boost investments and jobs in both countries. The forklift shipment, a Nickson, is negotiating to take over Ford Motor Company's manufacturing plant in the Japanese car assembly plant in the U.S.—the Marysville, Ohio, factory of the Motor Company. Toyota Motor Company is also negotiating with General Motors on joint car manufacture, and Nissan is pushing ahead with its truck building plant in Tennessee.

A new law passed in Japan in July, which some officials said would drastically increase the nation's defense capability, the Pentagon issued a direct attack on Japan in its failure for the issue.

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Newswise magazine (Aug. 9) noted that Japan's technological challenge will be in maintaining the "notion of being in it for everyone" in that American and European firms are gearing up to compete and win in Japan.

The key is to become a part of the world economy. For example, we will also spread to the West, helping to increase productivity in American business.

Educator Robert Suzuki says students need self-sufficiency

BOSTON—To deal with the critical problems of the next two or three decades, American community must return to the ideal of self-sufficiency and bilingual and multicultural education must be reshaped to help students develop necessary survival skills in an interdependent world.

This was the message that Dr. Robert Suzuki, dean of graduate studies and education at the University of California, brought to over 200 parents, educators and administrators who gathered in Boston for the Third East Coast Asian American Education Conference, held at the University of Massachusetts-Harbor Campus. He said that many students are turning to the U.S. for education in Asian American studies in the 1980's, Suzuki outlined the early advocacy efforts of the Asian American movement, problems of education today and alternative approaches.

He noted that the 1960's was an epiphenomenal period for social and education, and that the 1970's was a period of speculation, which led to increased interest in Asian American education programs. It also was this era when Asian American organizations began to develop in number and strength, and the era when the U.S. could act in a relatively independent way. But many of us may still be in the 1960's and the 1970's, he said.

"I think we are a few years back of what we are today," he added, referring to the experience of the past 15 years. According to Suzuki, we have come to see that the American society is much less hierarchical and more equipped to respond to the needs of Asian and Pacific Islanders. "It is also true that we could act in a relatively independent way," he added, "but a bit further than we are today."
Additional Funds

Most of us are aware by now that CWRGC Chair Joan Bernstein has sent letters to the Hill requesting additional funds for the Commission to continue its research. As we move through the next two years, we will need more extensive studies in the area of economic losses, the psychic impairment of the camp experience, and other matters.

A recent UPI wire service story on Bernstein’s request to Congress also stated that “sources close to the commission said it is divided on whether and how much to say to Japanese Americans.” I doubt that this comes as a surprise to any of us.

“But, and how much…” What this statement suggests is that the Commissioners are split on the issue of redress and that we are not likely looking at the full spectrum of views on this issue. That is, if the UPI’s sources are reliable, there are presumably some Commissioners who are reluctant to approve any redress at all. At the same time, there are those who must feel that any recommendation sent to Congress should be as practical and politically pragmatic as possible—that is to say, realistic and achievable. And at one end of the spectrum, there are those Commissioners who probably feel that the recommendation should reflect the magnitude of the wrong committed, that it should reflect on ideal remedy despite the current pragmatic politics.

The next few months are crucial as the Commissioners continue their research into the recommendations to the Congress and the president, convinced that what happened to us was wrong, this will not be the last we hear of it. Whether and how much. It’s a troubling thought for those of us who hold the hope that the truth will be told and the future will be different.

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Belli apologizes but irks Chinese again

SAN FRANCISCO—The claim by attorney Melvin Belli in Toronto that “stingy” Chinese jurors be avoided on tort cases created a furor in San Francisco that erupted into a shouting match between Belli and pickets outside his office.

Belli issued an apology to the San Francisco Chinese American community adding, “I am not a racist.”

“Although my remarks have been taken out of context, I take full responsibility for the fact that they have indeed caused heartache. I was wrong and I apologize,” Belli said.

The incident began July 24 outside the noted personal injury lawyer’s downtown office when he came out to talk with a group of pickets protesting remarks he made about the “sons of the celestial empire” during a convention in Toronto (Aug. 4-6).

Belli and Henry Der, executive director of Chinese for Affirmative Action, got into a shouting match when Der admonished the lawyer for calling Chinese jurors stingy and referring to them as “goddamn Chinese.”

“I love the Chinese and every Visual Communications to salute celebrities

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A Busy Biennium

Portland, Ore.

This final week of my term is filled with thoughts of the past biennium, which had its beginning in Milwaukie on Aug. 1, 1980: (a) the first regularly scheduled National Board meeting in Los Angeles (instead of San Francisco at Headquarters). This session was held in the Satow Bldg. (finished in 1975), (b) appointments of Ron Wakahayashi, national executive director; Peter Imamura, PC; and the newly established "JACL Fellows"-Mike McFeely, business manager; David Nakayama, youth director; and Lila Shigemura, program director, who all admirably and ably carry on the vast and vital work of JACL, (c) the meetings with the representatives of the various chapters, which were conducted with sensitivity, concern and vision, made possible the first JACL-Japan meeting—a privileged opportunity to discuss issues of growing concern with political and industrial leaders of Japan; (d) participating in the CWCR hearings, an issue of monumental significance not only to Americans of Japanese ancestry but to Have-nots everywhere, (e) establishment of the Pan American Nikkei Alliance—PANA—under the tireless effort and leadership of Chuck Kubokawa; (f) the completion of the much anticipated "JACL in Quest of Justice" the tireless effort and leadership of Chuck Kubokawa; (g) the hours upon hours contributed by secretary-treasurer Hank Sakai and the light-money, light-ship fiscal management of JACL; (h) the many national office functions, which could not be considered as money alons and thus held dear.

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Police Lt. Ohara and Officer Masao Masuto

Denver, Colo.

A few weeks ago this column relayed a question from Harry Takagi of Springfield, Va.: Who is E.V. Cumming? In the 1960s, he was one of the writers in which the hero is a Nisei, Masao Masuto of the Beverly Hills police department!

There were a number of readers ready and able to provide the answer. E.V. Cunningham is a pseudonym of Howard Fast, a best-selling author who also writes mysteries under the name of Walter Ericson. Fast has written such books as "The Men of Road," "Spartacus," and the recent trilogy about a Chinese immigrant family in San Francisco: "The Immigrants," "The Second Generation," and "The Establishment." Beverly T. Harada of Montebello, Calif., reference/audio visual librarian at Montebello Regional Library, was the first to respond. She relayed the basic information, suggesting that Takagi look up Howard Fast in the reference books titled "Contemporary Authors" and "Something About the Author." "Why didn't he (Takagi) go to the public library?" she asked. "He would have gotten the answer instantly.

Betty Yamazaki of Montebello Hills went one better. She sent along a reproduction of the material on Howard Melvin Fast in "Contemporary Authors," for which we are grateful.

Koji Tsuchida of Kyoto also wrote to say he's a Masao Masuto fan. He admits to a "curious affection about FAST WIND: by Bill Marutani"

A 'Blue Jeans' Convention

Philadelphia

I'M NOT QUITE sure why I address the subject for this week's column, for we've covered the issue before, but because we very much believe in what we again repeat, we are constrained to do so.

It has to do with an aspect of the biennial JACL national convention.

THE CONVENTIONS SERVE a number of purposes for those attending, including a social outlet. And that's very important, for it's only at these biennial gatherings that one is able to re-stoke old friendships as well as establish new ones. And so it is that many plan their vacation time around the conventions.

IN YEARS PAST this writer has had occasion to attend a number of JACL national conventions, in which one is assigned to some "official" capacity. I've never had the luxury of attending as a booster—free of committee meetings, free of the obligations of preparing for council meetings, free of the all-too-frequent readings that last through morning hours. Perhaps one of these days I shall. Perhaps.

BUT OVER THOSE years, I soon came to the conclusion that the conventions tended to be a bit lavish, thereby "pricing out" many who might otherwise be induced to attend and whose voices should be heard. I'm not against grand affairs as such—black tie affairs with the ladies in their attractive evening gowns—particularly since I can recall attending a luxury club a few years back. At the same time, however, I think we could also have a more enjoyable time in getting together in the informality of open-neck shirts, blue jeans and scuffed moccasins.

I wonder if we Nikkei are "secure enough" to do so.

IN THE PAST I had advocated to the National Board that a national convention—at least the "working portion" involving the delegates and to which all are welcome—be held on some college campus or at a rustic retreat, thereby cutting down on continuing excitation of hotel bills, meals, and so on. The national treasurer always complained that the costs in the housing of officers, etc. and the chapters and districts councils would similarly benefit.

I believed on the point that followed my challenging proposal, you can judge for yourself how persuasive I've been. Nonetheless, I adhere to such proposal and advance it...

WHETHER WE LIKE it or not, among a substantial number of JACL members, the national convention is a gathering of an elitist. And, I must say, if one were to make a judgment based upon the make and carriage of carriages that grandly pull up to the convention headquarters, JACL has come a long way.

We are not to suggest that the occupants of such vehicles are not concerned, sensitive people: it's just the general perception that obtains.

AND SO WE would like to urge, once more, that one of the biennial convention (and hopefully soon) will be scaled back in terms of the pocketbook so that many now on the outside might be "priced in." If that happens, I hope it will make their heart go out. If for no other reason, just to see what it's like.

U.S.-JAPAN Conflict a constant phenomenon. In various forms. It has been a continual problem throughout my stay as Consul General. There was the "Boy- American" steel problem, the unitary tax problem, and most recently the concern as to whether the semiconductor industry in Japan would even have a future in the United States. At a particularly difficult problem was posed by the Mediterranean shipping and the related efforts of some California farmers to start a boycott of Japanese products.

San Francisco is in many ways the place where new developments affecting U.S.-Japanese relations first appear. At least, that is my reading of the history of relations between our two countries. On the positive side, San Francisco was the area where the Kangaroo Man, the first Japanese ship to visit America, docked in 1858, and it was in San Francisco that the Peace Treaty between our two countries was signed. On the negative side, it was in San Francisco in the early 1950's that the Japanese government began to quietly experience a policy of containment.

They say that history repeats itself. It has been my belief during my stay in San Francisco that, even if the better aspects of ourselves might not always be evident, let not the bad aspects of that history be repeated. That is why, and for our utmost to prevent the movement to boycott Japanese products during the Medfly crisis.

On Being Sensitive: I realize that the temper of U.S.-Japanese relations still and may yet be so sensitive to the direct effect on Japanese Americans. I believe that Japan must remain sensitive to this and be careful not to take actions which might adversely affect Japanese Americans in the United States.

Japanese Americans have been a symbol of understanding between the United States and Japan, and in a significant way, the Japanese American Citizens League has played a key role in fostering that understanding. I know that JACL chapters across America have continued to work diligently and effectively to enhance the status of Japanese Americans in this country, and I have full confidence and appreciation for that.

Japanese Americans of my tenure as Consul General in San Francisco are many, but what I am most thankful for is the warmth, the understanding, and the support which I have received from all the Japanese Americans in the San Francisco Bay Area, from the Iwamoto's in Northern California, Utah and Colorado. If a Consul General does not have the trust of the Japanese American community, how can he be trusted to fulfill his duties to his country?

As a California native, I was raised in the San Francisco Bay Area, and I am proud of my heritage. I have lived for many years in the San Francisco Bay Area, and I have been very fortunate to have had the opportunity to work closely with Japanese Americans in my work as a professional. I have learned a great deal from them, and I am grateful for the opportunity to serve them in this capacity.

I am committed to ensuring that Japanese Americans continue to have a voice in the political process and that their concerns are heard. I will work tirelessly to ensure that Japanese Americans are represented fairly and accurately in all aspects of government, from local to federal level. I am proud of my heritage and will work hard to protect the rights of Japanese Americans.

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matters of domestic security. But it was the consensus among the staff of the first three named that military necessity did not require wholesale evacuation and detention of Japanese. Furthermore, the political situation at the time did not allow for it, so it was not possible to proceed with the operation. But as time went on, and as more information became available, it became clear that the evacuation and detention of Japanese Americans was a necessary step.

Earl Warren, the civil rights lawyer, was one of the first to argue that the Supreme Court should hear the case. He believed that the Court's decision was necessary to protect the rights of Japanese Americans and to prevent the recurrence of such events in the future.

We believe that when we are dealing with the Constitution, we are dealing with the fundamental principles of our country. It is our duty to protect those principles, and to ensure that they are respected and upheld. And when it comes to matters of domestic security, we must be sure that we are protecting the rights of all individuals, and that we are not violating the Constitution in the process.

NOTE: In 1942, in the case of Muranaka v. United States, the Supreme Court ruled that the exclusion and internment of Japanese Americans during World War II was constitutional and did not violate the Fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution. However, the ruling was based on the assumption that the internment was necessary to protect national security, and the Court did not address the issue of whether or not the internment was constitutional due to the war's end.

"America First" (San Francisco: "The Wages of Zen" and "The Chrysanthemum and the Sword") by James Melville feature Supt.- Tetsuo Otani's "Death in a Tokyo Family" by Douglas Kenrick and "The G safely be tapped.

American community, how can we expect to have a community that is able to be trusted? We have to trust each other and fully perform his duties? I wish to thank you all. I am turning to Tokyo to assume a challenge and role that will allow me to be involved in the U.S.- Japanese relationship.

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doist was nominated for the Edgar (Allan Poe) Award, the highest honor a mystery writer can receive. Nan Hamilton is Caucasian and a very loyal JACLer of 20 years standing. For several years she held office in her local chapter, and filled a number of official capacities. She is married, and has several children. Her name is Mrs. John Ball.

And I've also met her as "priced in." If that happens, I hope it will make their heart go out. If for no other reason, just to see what it's like.
JACL endorses alarm bill for trucks

SAN FRANCISCO—National JACL recently offered its support of a bill requiring lifesaving back-up audible alarm systems for garbage trucks at the request of a chapter member whose friends lost their son in a tragic accident.

The state Assembly bill, AB 3800, would require refuge and garbage trucks to install an automatic alarm which sounds immediately as the vehicle moves in reverse. In areas with distracting noise, the bill requires trucks to have a siren or signal horn to guide the trucks.

On July 20, Mrs. Anne Namura requested the support of the National JACL for the bill. Her friends, Ted and Margaret Abe of the Sequoia Chapter, lost their son Kent as he was struck by a garbage truck backing up.

Quintuplets born to Sansei couple

PARK RIDGE, Il.—Amy Chikaraishi, 31, knew she was carrying quintuplets conceived through fertility drugs. She went into premature labor last week (Aug. 4) and a team of doctors at Lutheran General Hospital here delivered one boy and four girls in a 30-minute span.

The father, James, an optometrist, was overjoyed “to the point of not being able to say very much,” hospital officials say. The quintuplets were named Ben (after grandfather Ben, a longtime Chicago JACLer), Julie, Natsumi, Kioka, and Karo.

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PC's Calendar of Events

- AUGUST 13 (Friday)
  - Cascade Community Center 5 pm. Gwendolyn Black, "Save the Trees," 532-3800, 2522 N. Larrabee, Seattle,
  - 6 pm. Japan Youth on Campus 722-4190

- AUGUST 14 (Saturday)
  - Center for Japanese Studies 2-4 pm. "Resident Scholar Program," 221-9220.

- AUGUST 15 (Sunday)

- AUGUST 16 (Monday)
  - Nagano 722-4190
  - Little Tokyo - Nisei Wa Carnival 10 am. "Nisei Week," 221-9220. 6-8 pm. "Nisei Week," 221-9220.

- AUGUST 17 (Tuesday)

- AUGUST 18 (Wednesday)

- AUGUST 19 (Thursday)

- AUGUST 20 (Friday)

- AUGUST 21 (Saturday)

- AUGUST 22 (Sunday)