

Government used census data to intern Nikkei, says Toland

By RAYMOND OKAMURA

BERKELEY, Ca.—Eleven days before the attack on Pearl Harbor, President Franklin D. Roosevelt ordered the Census Bureau to quickly compile the names and addresses of every person of Japanese ancestry in the continental United States, according to historian John Toland in his recently published book, "Infamy: Pearl Harbor and Its Aftermath."

The Census Bureau obeyed the order and turned over a list of 126,947 Japanese Americans and Japanese nationals to the White House four days before the outbreak of war. Copies of this voluminous list were sent to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the governors and military commanders in each state.

Toland cites as his source Henry Field, an anthropologist who was then working as an aide to Roosevelt. On November 26, 1941, Field was summoned to the office of Grace Tully, Secretary to the President. Toland describes the meeting as follows:

"She (Tully) told Field that the President was ordering him to produce, in the shortest time possible, the full names and addresses of each American-born and foreign-born Japanese listed by locality within each state. Field was completely bewildered and didn't know how to begin. She explained it was to be done by using the 1930 and 1940 censuses."

Field was directed to immediately relay the secret order to Under Secretary of Commerce Wayne Taylor, who in turn was to notify Census Bureau Director J.C. Capt. Both Taylor and Capt. responded promptly and within 90 minutes from the time Field received his instructions, a high security project of "utmost urgency" was underway at the Census Bureau.

The Bureau suspended all other work and went on an emergency around-the-clock operation. Employees not connected with the covert project were sent home on full pay, Marine guards were posted at every entrance to the Census Building, and mechanical sorting machines were set up to extract the Japanese names from some 110,000,000 punch cards on file.

The special assignment was completed in one week, and Field delivered the last envelope containing names and addresses to the President's secretary on December 3, 1941.

In the rush and excitement to fulfill a priority presidential order, census officials evidently did not consider the legalities of their action. The census law prohibits the release of names, addresses, or any other information which is not "for the statistical purposes for which it is supplied."

But someone must have had second thoughts later because all written records of this pre-war clandestine operation have either been destroyed or are still being held secret. Field himself tried to retrieve information from the Census Bureau, but was told that no record of his assignment could be found. "Apparently, our security measures were entirely successful," observed Field in a letter to Toland.

Toland's disclosures are the latest in a series of revelations over the past few years which have ruined the Bureau's once proud claim of census confidentiality. In 1980, Michi Weglyn of New York and William Hohri of Chicago uncovered several documents to disprove the Bureau's assertion that they refused to divulge information about Japanese Americans to the War Department during World War II.

Census Bureau Director Vincent P. Barabba, in one of his final acts before leaving office with the change of administration, admitted that statistics on the number and location of Japanese Americans—down to the smallest census tract—were supplied to the War Department and other federal agencies. Barabba, however, insisted that individual names

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L.A. Nikkei doctor charged with over-prescribing drugs

LOS ANGELES—A Nikkei physician accused of over-prescribing drugs without medical justification was enjoined Sept. 28 from practicing medicine by a judge who described him as "a danger to the public."

Superior Court Judge Leon Thompson issued the preliminary injunction against Dr. Masaharu Tokunaga at the request of the state Board of Medical Quality Assurance, pending its administrative hearing revoking the doctor's license.

Tokunaga, an operator of five weight control clinics in the Los Angeles and Orange county areas, was arrested last June and charged with 19 felony counts of violating the state Health and Safety Code. He allegedly wrote about 500 unwarranted, triplicate prescriptions a month for controlled drugs such as Ritalin, Quaalude and Preludin. The prescriptions, according to court documents from Deputy District Attorney General Gail M. Heppell, were issued under false names and had little to do with weight control.

"It is very difficult to do what I have to do in this case," said Thompson, noting Tokunaga's

long training as a doctor. "But I am going to enjoin him from practicing."

"I think he is a danger to the public," the judge added. "It is unfortunate that I have come to that conclusion, but the record speaks loud and clear that, instead of protecting the public health and safety, he is going about destroying it."

Tokunaga's attorney, Ronald S. Marks, argued that no injunction was necessary because the doctor had issued no improper prescriptions since his arrest last June 7. But Heppell, who planned to seek contempt charges against Tokunaga, countered that the physician had improperly filled 84 prescriptions since his arrest and six since Judge Thompson issued a temporary restraining order Aug. 12.

Undercover investigators were able to obtain four to six prescriptions in a day, and then return for that many more a few days later, noted Heppell. The "patients" paid \$90 to \$100 fees, but were never physically examined. Other doctors determined there was no medical reason for them to receive such prescriptions. Many people, noted investigators, received prescriptions under several names.

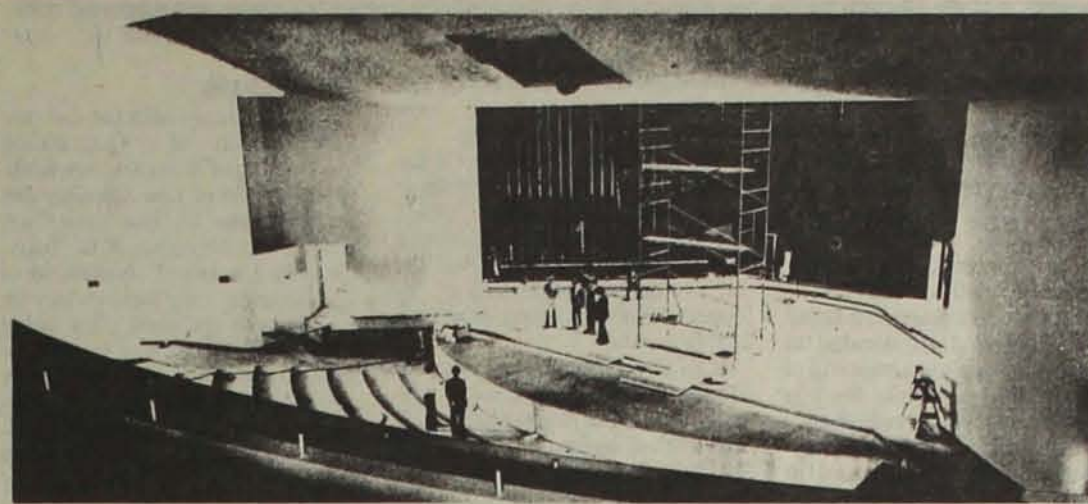


Photo by Ed Ikuta

SET FOR APRIL '83—The new Japan America Theater of the JACCC in Los Angeles is tentatively set to open in April 1983 with a week-long program of the Grand Kabuki from Japan. Last July, representatives of the Japanese Foreign Ministry, the Japan Foundation Shochiku and the Japan Koen-kai of the JACCC met to discuss possibilities for the kokera-otoshi, or grand opening performance for the theater, which in Nihongo is known as Nichibei Gekijo.

House subcommittee probes import quotas, trade bills

WASHINGTON—Ford Motor Co. chairman Philip Caldwell said Sept. 24 his company opposes laws setting limits on car imports, saying it is better to continue persuading the Japanese to cut back voluntarily.

Caldwell was among those who testified before the House Ways and Means Trade Subcommittee, which is examining legislation that would in effect set quotas for auto imports.

Caldwell disclosed Ford is planning a major effort to establish a distribution network in Japan to sell under the Ford label.

"Some Ford cars will be produced in Japan by Toyo Kogyo and some will continue to be imported from the United States," Caldwell said in remarks to the committee.

He said Ford would establish its own plants in Japan if it could but, like other foreign manufacturers, Ford is barred by the Japanese.

U.S. automakers have been virtually shut out of the Japanese auto sales market by that country's restrictive trade practices.

Asked if the planned expansion meant he expected an easing of those restrictions, Caldwell said he did not.

Ford sells about 2,000 cars a year in Japan, according to David McCammon, a Ford vice president. "No one has been able to do anything there," McCammon said.

The new organization, operating under the name Autorama, will buy the Japanese-made Ford from Toyo Kogyo for distribution. Caldwell said the company expects to start with 60 franchised dealerships in Japan. "By 1985, we hope to have 300 to 400 dealers," he said.

He told the subcommittee he would favor quota legislation only as a last resort.

The so-called domestic content legislation is backed by the United Auto Workers as a measure to force foreign automakers to create jobs in the U.S. by building plants here.

Cranston lauds East Bay Housing

WASHINGTON—U.S. Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Cal.) said Sept. 28 that a Hayward, Ca. rental housing project, which recently received a \$5.59 million low-interest loan, "will go a long way toward relieving the severe shortage of affordable, decent and safe housing available to senior citizens in the (California) Bay Area."

The project, which will provide 100 rental units for low-income elderly citizens in Hayward, is the culmination of a three-year effort by its sponsors—East Bay Issei Housing, Inc. and Eden Housing, Inc. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development awarded the two sponsors the \$5.59 million loan September 22.

Cranston, who had urged HUD

A serious shortcoming of this local content legislation is its lack of immediate job creation, Caldwell said.

"America needs more jobs now, not starting in 1985 or 1986 when the proposed legislation would really begin to take effect."

"A more immediate impact would flow from continuing the Japanese voluntary restraint program at present levels for at least a third year, during this unprecedented period of plant and product changeover and extraordinary unemployment."

Caldwell urged the federal government to work to correct two things which he said gives Japanese automakers a big advantage in the U.S.—undervaluation of the Japanese currency and unequal treatment of tax levied under international trading rules.

United Auto Workers president Douglas A. Fraser had told the subcommittee Sept. 22 he sup-

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BCA opposes bills on voluntary prayer

GARDENA, Ca.—The Buddhist Churches of America National Board adopted a resolution Sept. 11 opposing the proposed U.S. constitutional amendments calling for voluntary prayer in public schools.

The BCA resolution noted that the legislation introduced in Congress by Sen. Strom Thurmond (R-SC) and Rep. Thomas Kindness (R-Ohio) and other similar bills are an "intervention by the state in matters of personal religious conscience and practice" and is also "a violation of religious freedom in that our society comprises of individuals of other religious faiths."

The BCA expressed its strong opposition to the bills (S 199 and HR 493) and sent copies of its resolution to members of both the Senate and House of Representatives.

approval of the project, said it "will be especially sensitive to the housing needs of Japanese-speaking senior citizens in the Hayward area who have traditionally found it difficult to live in adequate housing because of language and cultural barriers."

Cranston further noted this is the first housing development sponsored by Japanese Americans to be funded by HUD in either Alameda or Contra Costa County. He added that the sponsors will provide special care programs for the elderly, and the project will be easily accessible to shopping, transportation and recreational facilities.

The project is to be built on a 3.3-acre site on Hayward's Cyprus Avenue.

Missionary protests Jpn. alien law

KOBE, Japan—A Japanese American missionary who has refused to be fingerprinted—as required by Japan's Alien Registration Law—asked a lower court judge Sept. 27 to move his case to a district court.

Ronald Fujiyoshi, 42, a lay missionary working for the Korean Christian Church here, was indicted June 16 for refusing to be fingerprinted, claiming the practice violates the human rights of foreigners living in Japan, particularly Koreans.

Fujiyoshi, born in Los Angeles and raised in Hawaii, told a Summary Court Judge here that the only Japanese who are fingerprinted are criminals, and that the practice degrades foreigners residing here, according to John H. McIntosh, a Canadian missionary who was present at the hearing.

Fujiyoshi said the government ostracizes foreigners, especially the 700,000 Koreans living in Japan, by retaining the fingerprinting practice.

Persons living in Japan who are not Japanese nationals, including Koreans born and raised in Japan, must carry an alien registration book resembling a small passport which includes the bearer's photograph and fingerprints.

The Summary Court did not immediately make a decision to refer the case to a higher district court. This month, the Okayama District Court will hear the fourth session of a similar trial concerning the fingerprinting refusal of Kang Pak, a Korean national in Japan.

—Rafu Shimpō

U.S. cycle assn. sues Japan makers

LOS ANGELES—The American Motorcyclists Assn. (AMA) filed a \$15 million suit with a federal district court here against U.S. subsidiaries of three Japanese motorcycle manufacturers, charging them with violating U.S. antitrust laws.

The AMA said American Honda Motor Corp., Yamaha Motor Corp. USA and the U.S. Suzuki Motor Corp., all AMA members, violated the antitrust rules by conspiring to boycott the AMA-hosted TransAmerican Motorcross Racing Series for next year and to schedule another motorcycle race to disturb the AMA racing series.

The three firms, usually major sponsors of the AMA racing series, have cancelled their participation in the series because the AMA has rejected their request for revision of the 1983 AMA racing rules.

The three firms and another Japanese company, Kawasaki Heavy Industries, Ltd., command more than 90% of the U.S. motorcycle market.

Korean merchants in Harlem under criticism from blacks

NEW YORK—Businesses owned by Koreans along 125th Street in Harlem are at the center of a controversy stemming from charges that they exploit blacks. But Harlem residents are divided on the issue, with some urging that blacks boycott the Koreans' stores and others calling for cooperation between the two groups.

The Koreans insist they are providing jobs for the community's residents and are channeling some of their profits back into the area.

Members of the Universal Negro Improvement Association, representing the remnants of a group led by Marcus Garvey in the early 1900's, are spearheading what they call a "buy black" campaign.

Although their primary targets are the Koreans, who are relative newcomers to the 125th Street commercial corridor, they are urging boycotts in predominantly black communities of all shopowners who are not black.

"Our goal is for blacks to control the economic life of the black community," said Shaka Zulu, the association's coordinator of the boycott and of rallies on the issue. "The Koreans have come into our community, taking millions of dollars out and not even giving our youth any jobs."

Handbills urging residents to "buy black" have been posted at several Harlem sites. The call for a boycott was initiated in July, but the Koreans say it has caused them no economic hardship.

The exploitation charges are the latest issue to be raised about the merchants, who began moving onto the street about eight years ago. More than a year ago, members of the 125th Street Business Association criticized the Koreans for not participating in the group's efforts to improve the street.

After discussions between the two groups, many of the Koreans became active in bettering the neighborhood, said Malvin Locus, the association's president.

Wonduck Kim, president of an organization of Korean merchants along 125th Street, said Harlem was attractive to his countrymen because of its location, its comparatively low rents and the availability of commercial space.

"I don't know why they do this," said Mr. Kim of the call for a boycott.

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Handicapped couple make their dreams come true in Hawaii

HONOLULU—For a couple who planned a quiet wedding back in Fukuoka, Japan, Fumiko Zaitzu and Hideki Tanaka got a lot of mileage Sept. 25 out of two rings and a bashful kiss. They did it in the garden at the Kahala Hilton under Hawaii's most expensive waterfall.

Local personality Danny Kaleikini sang the "Hawaiian Wedding Song" and state Reps. Ken Kiyabu, Clarice Hashimoto and Herbert Segawa took part in the ceremony.

"This is a unique cultural experiment," said Terry Young of the Hawaii Wheelchair Athletic Assn. "They let the whole state of Hawaii plan their wedding."

In all the hustle and bustle of the wedding, most the local news media forgot that Fumiko and Hideki were there for the first cultural exchange of handicapped people between Japan and Hawaii. Their marriage has become a spontaneous symbol of the whole thing.

It shouldn't have happened at all. Fumiko, 30, has a birth defect. Her legs didn't grow to normal size. She's always been in a wheelchair.

After high school, she went to work for her uncle painting faces of the famous Hakata dolls which he manufactures. Now she's an expert.

Hideki, 32, was working as a gardener when a three-ton rock rolled over him and broke his back. He spent six years in rehabilitation programs learning to survive without using his legs. He currently works as an off-setter in a print shop in Fukuoka.

The couple met last year at an omiai, a reception for the disabled to introduce males and females, sponsored by the city of Fukuoka.

"It is very difficult in Japan for a disabled person to meet someone of the opposite sex," explained Fumiko.

But once they met, romance blossomed, and the two saw each other frequently. Fumiko's parents were happy for their daughter, but Hideki's parents protested the romance.

"They did not want me to marry a disabled person," said Hideki. But after I brought Fumiko home a couple of times, my father liked her because she is cheerful. After three more visits, my mother changed her mind, also."

The couple had planned a small wedding before they decided to make the cultural exchange trip to Hawaii. "The purpose of the trip was solely to play basketball," said Fumiko. "But the other players urged us to get married in Hawaii."

Reps. Kiyabu, Hashimoto and Segawa helped coordinate the trip and get local organizations dealing with the handicapped involved. The legislators also helped with the wedding party as well.

"At first we were embarrassed. It is very unusual for disabled persons to get married. We should not sensationalize it," said Fumiko. "Now we feel it might encourage disabled persons to find happiness with others."

—Honolulu Advertiser

● Politics

Former Kansas City Chiefs football player Arnold Morgado won a seat in Hawaii's state House of Representatives on Sept. 18 by defeating Elayne Funakoshi, a Honolulu City Council aide. Morgado will represent the 33rd District (Wai'aleale-Waimanalo). His wife, Karen (nee Yano), is a former Miss Nikkei International (1978).

Sansei named to education post

WASHINGTON—President Reagan announced Sept. 29 the appointment of Barbara Marumoto of the Hawaii House of Representatives to the Intergovernmental Advisory Council on Education.

Marumoto, 43, will succeed Joan Gubbins on the panel. A resident of Honolulu, she is the daughter of Takeo Okamoto and was born in the Bay Area. She was interned at the Tanforan detention center in 1942 as a two-year-old child and later relocated to Boulder, Colo. where her parents taught Japanese to U.S. Navy cadets at the University of Colorado.

In Aug. 1981, Marumoto testified in Los Angeles before the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, and supported restitution for the wartime internment of Nikkei during World War II. #

Nikkei named VP of E.F. Hutton in L.A.

LOS ANGELES—Herbert G. Kawahara, head of the Pacific South region of E.F. Hutton & Company, Inc., has been named an executive vice president and elected to the firm's board of directors, announced Robert Fomon, chairman and president.

Kawahara began his career with Hutton in 1958 as an account executive in the Los Angeles office. He was named assistant manager of the branch in 1966 and two years later became manager of the Torrance office. In 1971, he was named sales manager of the Pacific South region and in 1979 was named senior vice president of the firm.

A native of Los Angeles, Kawahara graduated from UCLA with a BA in business administration. He has been a governor of the Pacific Stock Exchange since 1981 and is a past chairman of the NASD District Committee of Southern California. He is a member of the California Club, the Rolling Hills Country Club and the Gardena Evening Optimist Club.

He resides in Rolling Hills Estates with his wife and they have three children. #

● Press Row

Rafu Shimpō editor Dwight Chuman was recently featured in the September issue of PSA Magazine, in which he discussed the problems facing Japanese American vernaculars in the area of advertising revenues.

● Awards

Among those selected for the 1982 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America" are Richard Hayashi of Los Angeles, Jon Shaw Kojaku of New York City, Phillip Jay Miyazaki of Burbank, Ca. and Dr. Don T. Nakanishi of Los Angeles. They were chosen for inclusion in the book after being nominated by leaders in government, education, and community groups, including the U.S. Jaycees, major endorsers of the Outstanding Young Men of America program.

● Military

Among the veterans who took part in the presentation of the Wisconsin Medal of Honor for enshrinement at Arlington National Cemetery was Akira Toki, who is the Wisconsin commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. A truck gardener on Madison's south side, Toki earned his Purple Heart while fighting in Italy with the 442nd RCT. Born in Madison, Toki is also a volunteer at the veteran's hospital there and a Big Brother. His wife Mary is chair of the MOPH Auxiliary.

● Radio-TV

Actor Clyde Kusatsu is a regular cast member in the new CBS network series "Bring 'Em Back Alive." Kusatsu, a member of the East West Players, plays the character of "Ali" on the show which airs Tuesday evenings.

Journalists trade views after U.S.-Japan exchange program

HONOLULU—Ten journalists from Japan and 10 from the United States gathered at the East-West Center Sept. 24 to exchange observations and opinions after visiting each other's country in September, the Honolulu Advertiser reported.

The meeting ended the 1982 Japan-United States Journalist Exchange, which has been sponsored each year since 1973 by the International Press Institute.

As in previous years, the Japanese journalists said they were struck by the size, beauty, wealth and vast resources of America and the friendliness, open-mindedness, vitality and diversity of its people.

Diane Dustin, Washington Bureau, the Associated Press said, "I was amazed at how few opportunities Japanese women have for a career. There's so much pressure on them to get married, to be a good wife, to have a family, to keep a clean house."

Peter Parisi, reporter, the (New Brunswick, N.J.) Home News, "America has much to learn from Japan about how to make the work place a source of satisfaction and pride. I was amazed that Japanese workers tend to stay with one company throughout their life and sometimes don't even take their full allotted vacation time. And, despite the fact that we dropped an atomic bomb on them, the Japanese don't hate us."

Ueno Matsumura, assistant news editor, Nihon Keizai Shimbun (Osaka): "I think the reason the Japanese do not hate the Americans, despite the atomic bomb, is that the American forces that occupied Japan after the war provided not only material assistance but also planted the seeds of the work ethic and other values that have made Japan what it is today."

Marcia Stepanek, auto industry reporter, Detroit Free Press: "I was sorry that the Japanese journalist didn't visit Detroit. Apparently there is a perception of anti-Japanese feeling in Detroit, but half of the people on my newspaper drive Japanese cars and can park them in any parking lot except possibly at the auto union headquarters."

Masaaki Otsuka, senior reporter, Kahoku Shimpō: "In Japan, young people must study English for eight years in order to get into college. But it's not conversational English, and I regret that. I am very sorry I wasn't able to communicate directly with Americans on this trip."

Joel Brinkley, Louisville Courier-Journal: "Americans tend to idealize the Japanese work-ethic, but I don't. I think it's more of a systems of fears and intimidation. As for the future, I just hope that Japan can produce more independent thinkers rather than just copy what has already been accomplished elsewhere." #

AVAC to honor Asian athletes

LOS ANGELES—California Secretary of State March Fong Eu joined Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley at a luncheon for the Asian American Voluntary Action Center Aug. 31 to promote the agency's major fund-raising event which will highlight Asian American sports champions.

Highlighting the luncheon at ARCO Towers was the presence of Asian American sports greats Dr. Sammy Lee, Olympic gold medal winner in diving, and George Taniuchi, the fabled Nisei jockey.

Bradley and Eu expressed their pleasure in being able to be a part of the event and encouraged others to participate.

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Community News

AP Women's Network to honor Fonda and other 'Warriors'

LOS ANGELES—The Asian/Pacific Women's Network will hold its Second Annual Women Warrior Awards reception on Sunday, Oct. 24, 1:30-4 p.m. in the Blue Ribbon Room of the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, 135 North Grand Avenue.

This year's award recipients for professional excellence and special service to the Asian/Pacific community will be: Honorable Lily Lee Chen, Councilwoman, City of Monterey Park; Jane Fonda, Actress and Author; Sumi Haru, Actor/Producer, KTLA; June Pouesi, Educator and Pres., National Islander Women's Association; Tritia Toyota, KNBC-TV News Anchor and co-founder of the Asian American Journalists Assn.

Special awards will be presented to the Honorable Art Torres, Assemblyman 56th District and Tin Myaing Thein, Co-Founder of the Asian/Pacific Women's National Network.

Entertainment will include an informal showing of fashion designer Irene Tsu's latest collection. For more information and reservations, contact Dr. Pat Blinde (213) 598-0481 ext. 243, or Judy Chu 227-4653. #

SJ Buddhist Church to fete 80th yr.

SAN JOSE, Ca.—George Gentoku Shimamoto, retired and renowned architect of New York City, will be the guest speaker at the 80th anniversary celebration of the San Jose Buddhist Church on Saturday, Oct. 16, 6 p.m. at the California Room of the Marriott Hotel in Santa Clara.

Shimamoto designed and supervised the construction of the church in the 1937-38 period, using the traditional Buddhist architecture. After 45 years of existence, a major \$300,000 restoration plan will be launched in conjunction with the 80th anniversary. For more info on the banquet (tickets \$16) call the church office (408) 296-9293.

Japan comedy film slated by USJCCC

LOS ANGELES—Screenings of the comedy film "Otoko wa Tsuraiyo Tonderu Tora san" based on a popular series in Japan, will be shown on Oct. 8, 9 and 10 at the Little Tokyo Service Center, JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St., Rm. 410. The screening is hosted by the U.S.-Japan Cross Culture Center; for more info call (213) 617-2039. #

Japan Univ. Women offer scholarships

LOS ANGELES—The American Assn. of Japanese University Women, founded in 1970 to promote the education of women and contribute to international friendship and cultural exchange, is currently accepting applications for 1983 scholarships.

Applications are open to college undergraduates who have completed at least two years of study and to graduate students. For more info and an application (deadline Oct. 20), send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Keiko Nezzar, 10601 Lindamere Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90077 or call (213) 828-6171.

CSULB to present Cold Tofu, Akazaru

LONG BEACH, Ca.—"Variations" will feature the talents of the Cold Tofu improvisational comedy group and the Akazaru Art Ensemble on Friday, Oct. 8, 8 p.m. at CSU Long Beach's Theatre.

Akazaru (Red Monkey), in their debut performance, combines dance, mime and audio-visual effects in various movements of self-expression. Cold Tofu finds humor through an Asian American perspective, and has performed throughout Los Angeles. For more info call CSULB at 498-4821.



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ON DISPLAY—The Los Angeles County Museum of Art will open an exhibit of 45 Far Eastern lacquers in the new Sammy Yu-Kuan Lee Gallery of Far Eastern Lacquer, Ahmanson Gallery, on Oct. 15. The works, ranging from the 4th Century B.C. to the late 1700s, come from China, Japan and the Ryukyuan Islands. Above, a 17th-century tray from the Ryukyans. #

Berkeley Autumn fest slated Oct. 16-17

BERKELEY, Ca.—Noted Bay Area performers and musicians will be featured at the Berkeley Asian Community Autumn Festival on Oct. 16 and 17, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Jefferson Elementary School grounds (Rose and Sacramento Streets).

Featured acts will include Solar recording artists, Collage, All As One, Robert Kikuchi-Yngojo, and the jazz of George Yoshida's Sentimental Journey. Cultural performances and demonstrations include the S.S. Taiko Dojo, the S.F. Chinatown Lion Dance group, the

Pilipino American Collegiate Endeavor Dancers and martial arts. For more information, contact the Autumn Festival Committee at (415) 849-4898. #

Buddhist retreat slated Oct. 22-24

OAKLAND, Ca.—The Fourth Nembutsu Retreat sponsored by the Buddhist Churches of America will be held Oct. 22-24 at the Oakland Buddhist Temple, 825 Jackson St. For more info call (415) 776-5600.

In Loving Memory of Mrs. Mitsue Yoshino

Alameda, California

Memorial services for Mitsue Yoshino, 96, one of the last Japanese pioneers of Alameda, were held Sept. 23, 1982, at Buena Vista United Methodist Church, Alameda. She had been a member of that church for over 70 years. Mrs. Yoshino died in Alameda on Sept. 17, 1982.

Mrs. Yoshino maintained an unswerving loyalty to and faith in America and had become a naturalized American citizen. She was a long-time member of the Alameda Chapter of the JACL. She was the recipient of the Japanese American Chamber of Commerce Mother of the Year Award in 1975.

She was truly an inspiration and strong guiding light to all the members of her family, including children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Four grandsons, who eulogized her at the memorial services, provided touching remembrances of anecdotes and expressed deep affection and gratitude for her life.

Survived by John Yoshino (Mary Lou), Kensington, MD, Frances Shoda (Frank), Alhambra, California, Ruby Schaar, New York, New York, Henry Yoshino, Alameda, Ca., Joe Yoshino, Meg Kadota, San Francisco, May Horio, Honolulu, Hawaii, Sue Hayashi (Yukio), San Francisco, Aiko Yamamoto, Berkeley, Ca., Paul Yoshino (Teruko), Hayward, Ca., Dear grandmother of 18 and great grandmother of 15. Sister of Yoshino Nakashima, Japan.

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Media Assn. plans program series

SAN FRANCISCO—After two years of discussion and lobbying, the Asian American Program Series is finally becoming a reality.

Funded by a 3-year grant from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the series is the first national project of the National Asian American Telecommunications Assn. (NAATA).

The series will consist of six to nine half-hour television programs and several half-hour radio shows on Asian American themes and issues.

In the first year of production, both the television and radio series will draw on the large and distinguished body of Asian American film, video and audio work that already exists.

The Asian American Program Series and subsequent program series are always interested in obtaining good programs. At this time, there is a particular need for quality radio material. Anyone interested in submitting works or seeking additional information can contact James Yee or Louise Lo at (415) 495-5486, or write to: NAATA—Asian American Programming, 9 First St., Suite 202, San Francisco, CA 94105. #

Asian film fest tours Bay Area

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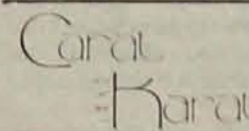
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FROM THE NEW WAVE: by Peter Imamura

Coming Home

Los Angeles

A few weeks ago, the PC ran stories on the controversy surrounding the "mixed ancestry" or "Eurasian-ness" of Nisei Week queens and candidates (PC Sept. 10, 24). The story focused on letters received by the Rafu Shimpō, and both the PC and the Rafu got many comments on the subject from persons in the community (the Rafu even heard from a former Nisei Week queen, who, herself was of "Eurasian" ancestry). So I don't want to belabor the point (although columnist Bill Marutani, on the next page, adds his comments as well), but I would like to note something that might put this whole subject into another perspective:

Last week, 11 Amerasian children left Ho Chi Minh City in Vietnam for the U.S., and about 26 more were expected to head for our country this week. The youngsters, fathered by U.S. servicemen during a war that many Americans would like to forget, are but a minuscule percentage of the estimated 25,000 to 50,000 Amerasians in Vietnam. There are also Amerasian children in other Asian countries such as Korea, Japan, Taiwan, Thailand, Laos and the Philippines as well.

On Oct. 1, the U.S. Congress passed legislation recognizing all such children as U.S. citizens, opening the door for more of them to come to the United States.

The children who currently remain in Vietnam and the other Asian nations are living in lands that refuse to accept them as full human beings. The Rev. Alfred Keane, director of the St. Vincent's Home for Amerasians in Seoul, South Korea, once described the plight of these children: "They are the in-between people—you don't belong to us, and you don't belong to them."

But Fr. Keane added, "Nevertheless, they are our own flesh and blood." During congressional testimony, he had also described the ridicule and abuse of "those forgotten American children of Asia."

Eleven children, at least, won't be in that situation anymore. They were fortunate enough to have American fathers who acknowledged paternity, and now they've come home (they arrived in Los Angeles on Oct. 3, and were to go on to their new homes in various parts of the country this week).

Before setting off to the U.S., a reporter asked one of the children, Kieu My Thi Phillips, 7, what living in America would mean to her. She readily answered: "Happiness."

Of course, the irony I'm pointing out should be obvious, for I'm sure that these children, and those who will follow, are looking forward to a "better life" in a country that promises so much for them—a country where they'll be more "accepted." It's too bad that this very same country still has people who complain and bicker over such a trivial matter as the "mixed ancestry" of their own community queens.

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He said he came to this country in 1970, and opened a clothing store on West 125th Street about four years later.

"We saved our money and opened up businesses," he continued. "Anybody could have opened businesses in the empty stores. Ninety-nine percent of our stores hire black people, and we use the money we gain in the neighborhood."

But many blacks in the area charge that the Koreans discriminate in hiring. There is also a widely held perception that the Koreans are favored for Federal business loans over blacks or are financed by the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the leader of the Unification Church. The Koreans say both perceptions are false.

Mr. Locus, who owns a record shop, said there were more than three dozen stores owned by Koreans along the street, ranging from fish and produce markets to apparel stores. More than 60 stores are owned by blacks, he said.

The Uptown Chamber of Commerce said there were about 160 businesses, from major banks to mom-and-pop stores, on 125th Street from Fifth to St. Nicholas Avenue. Most of the businesses not owned by blacks and Koreans are held by Jews and Italians, said Lloyd Williams, president of the chamber. He estimated that Koreans had opened two out of every three new businesses on 125th Street over the last year.

Mr. Zulu said the current protest was rooted in the philosophy of Mr. Garvey, who began the Universal Negro Improvement Association in his native Jamaica in 1914 and, two years later, organized a chapter in New York. He appealed to racial pride and promoted self-determination among blacks.

Along with some other businessmen, Mr. Williams called for more "meaningful dialogue" between the Korean merchants and other business associations. He said having stores occupied by Koreans was better than allowing the stores to remain empty.

—New York Times

Letterbox

Textbook Protest

Editor:

The apathetic and neutral stand taken by JACL on the issue of textbook (in Japan) apparently stems from the attitude of "none of our business", an attitude of escapism and callousness.

Because we have inherited the ethnic pride from Japan, whatever Japan does affect us indirectly.

The fact that the Korean and Chinese people have protested here in the Little Tokyo should be of concern to us. We should give our deep thought to their protests.

As an organization of Nikkei, we should protest to the Japanese government to revise the textbooks immediately, not three years from now.

G.N. ASAWA
Anaheim, Ca.

Takahashi Dismissal

Editor:

I am a member of the Livingston-Merced JACL Executive Board but I was in Santa Rosa attending a teacher's workshop at the time a meeting of the chapter board was called to consider the action on the Mitsue Takahashi matter. The chapter policy on the Takahashi vs. Livingston School District Case had been a policy of neutrality until the statement (by chapter president Paul Okuyee, which essentially explained why the chapter did not support Takahashi, and was printed in the PC Sept. 24—Ed.) was written. I am still surprised at the swiftness of the change in policy.

Mitsue Takahashi is of unquestionably high character and her personal academic achievement level has been outstanding. For 20 years this Nisei woman cared for her family and studied and worked conscientiously for her school community. She is proud of her profession and has confidence in teaching skills. She is a kind, understanding and articulate person.

Mrs. Takahashi is fighting the legal battle with the school district. I believe she is deserving of every effort of support we can give her. Mrs. Takahashi has credentials from primary level through high school. I believe the district was lacking in sensitivity, responsibility and creativity in handling this situation.

MARGARET O'BRIEN
TAKAHASHI
Los Angeles

Voluntary Prayer

Editor:

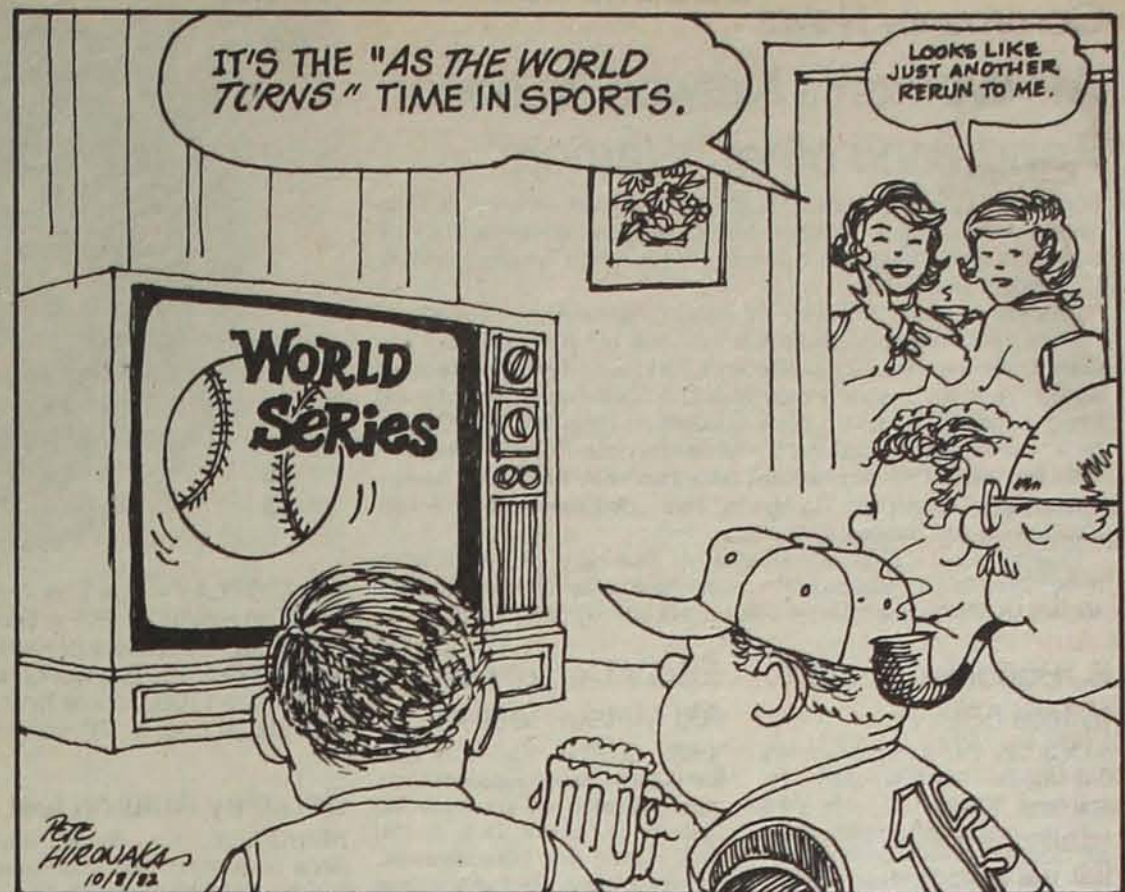
I am writing and urging for full support from the National JACL against "voluntary prayer" in public schools.

President Reagan has proposed an amendment to the Constitution which would allow voluntary prayer in public schools.

Our First Amendment has prohibited this type of law for nearly 200 years. Even the Supreme Court ruled in 1962 and 1963 that organized school prayer is a violation of the First Amendment...guaranteeing religious freedom.

As Buddhists we are opposed to the intervention of the state in matters of personal religious conscience and practice of the individual.

HERB OSAKI
President
Buddhist Churches of America



On Ancestry

Editor:

Raymond Okamura is to be commended for his letter of support on the choice of the current Nisei Queen. Up until recent years a person of mixed ancestry would never have been chosen for this honor, even if invited to enter. However, he made one statement, which in fairness I must correct. He stated that, "...all persons of Japanese ancestry—no matter how small—were incarcerated." The facts are as set down in Bill Hosokawa's book, "East To America" page 209 as follows: "Eligible from evacuation, in the Army's own phraseology, were:

1.) Families consisting of a Japanese wife, a non-Japanese husband, citizen of the United States or of a friendly nation, and their mixed-blood children.

2.) Families consisting of a Caucasian mother, citizen of the United States of a friendly nation, and her mixed-blood children by a Japanese father (either dead or separated from the family).

3.) Mixed-blood (one-half Japanese or less) individuals, citizens of the United States or of a friendly nation, whose backgrounds have been Caucasian.

4.) Japanese unemancipated children who are being reared by Caucasian foster parents.

5.) Japanese wives of non-Japanese spouses serving in the armed forces of the United States.

My sister remained in Los Angeles during the war with no restrictions whatsoever. It was a matter of choice and circumstances, if you came under the guidelines to go or to stay.

MARGARET O'BRIEN
TAKAHASHI
Los Angeles

AUTO

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ported the legislation which would require parts of imported cars be made in the U.S. Asked by Rep. Donald Pease (D-Ohio) if the bill might cause the Japanese to "retaliate" economically against the U.S., Fraser said the country would not.

Fraser said Japan does not retaliate against other nations, such as France and Australia, which have much more restrictive measures against Japanese imports.

"Japan takes unfair advantage of our liberal trade policies," said Fraser. "All we want is fairness."

The legislation being considered by the subcommittee would set limits on the foreign-made components in the cars and trucks of any manufacturer selling more than 100,000 units a year in the U.S. The content ratio would be based on sales volume, with a maximum domestic content of 90% for anyone selling more than 900,000 vehicles a year.

35 Years Ago

IN THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

OCTOBER 11, 1947

Oct. 1—Fifty-eight British Columbia evacuees continue to stand pat in Japanese Canadian hostel in Moose Jaw, Sask.; holdouts want to return to west coast rather than being dispersed in eastern Canada. Government food service at hostel was dropped Aug. 13... Young Nisei, posing as Chinese Canadian, detained by RCMP in Vancouver, B.C., (where persons of Japanese ancestry are barred) being held for trial.

Oct. 4—Calif. anti-alien fishing law challenged by 145 Issei commercial fishermen in petition filed in L.A. superior court on grounds law deprives them of the right to earn a living.

Oct. 5—Amvets national convention unanimously supports naturalization of loyal resident Japanese; resolution introduced by Charles Yamamoto (Co. E/442), Utah region vice-cmdr., Brigham City.

Oct. 6—Fresno Judge Arthur Shepard rules CIO union not guilty of anti-Nisei discrimination, absolves union of alleged violence on picket line at Mendota farm... In Seattle, George Minato is elected to CIO-Cannery Workers, Farm Laborers Union board of director. (Rejected candidates had been responsible for anti-Nisei policy

for Alaskan cannery work except for Nisei GI vets.)

Oct. 7—Existence of secret loyalty file on Japanese Americans by U.S. Civil Service Commission revealed before House expenditures committee by Commission president Harry B. Mitchell and commission member Arthur Flemming. (JACL last July had protested use of 'Japanese' as classification for discharging or rejecting 'disloyal' civil service employees.)

Oct. 8—Army Signal Depot worker Aiko Koyama named to Federal Grand Jury at Sacramento; first non-Caucasian impaneled to group.

Oct. 10—Nisei GI segment to be included, PC learns, for RKO film inspired by War Dept.'s decision to rebury nine heroes from each WW2 theater at Arlington National Cemetery as "Unknown Soldiers of WW2."

OCTOBER 18, 1947

Sept. 11—Oregon Judge James W. Crawford rules in Kenji Namba case Issei resident aliens can farm and live on land leased or owned by U.S. citizen; Oregon attorney general had charged 1945 amendment to state alien land law prohibited right of resident alien to farm and live on land leased by his citizen son.

Oct. 9—Alien land law authority UC Law School Prof. D O McGovney of Berkeley, dies; wrote "Anti-Japanese Land Laws of California and 10 Other States."

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SYNKOYA Club's 60th Anniversary

Denver, Colo.

It was a weary, weathered threadbare sort of building even back in the early 1930s when I first saw it. Its address was 4115-15th Ave. N.E., across the street from the green, wooded University of Washington campus in Seattle, and they called it the Japanese Students Club.

The campus was not a particularly hostile place for Japanese Americans in those days. There was a certain democracy in the classrooms. If you hit the books, did well in the quizzes, you made good grades. But for Japanese Americans it was an uncaring sort of place. They made acquaintances, and sometimes friends, in the classrooms and the labs. But when the bell rang, they went one way and the others went another. Fraternities were a big part of campus life, but not for the Japanese Americans. There was a hard and rigid color life. No one talked about it much, but everyone knew it was there. So, for the Japanese Americans, the campus could be a lonely place.

That's why the Japanese Students Club was organized. Some Issei, firmly sold on the idea that education would be the salvation of the Nisei, solicited funds throughout

the Northwest to provide a building where Japanese American students could find shelter and companionship. They bought the building in 1922.

It was a two-story house, fairly pretentious for those days, far nicer than the homes from which most of the students came. There were bedrooms upstairs where students from out-of-town, some from Japan, could stay. There was a dining room of sorts and the living room served as a lounge. Sometimes there was more bridge-playing than studying in the rooms, but what did one expect from college kids?

The Japanese Student Club was a warm and friendly island for the Nisei in an unfeeling sea, a place where they could go to relax and joke and have fun with guys who looked like them and who shared the same kinds of hopes and frustrations, which were many. It was a home away from home. It was also condemned by some Nisei as an unfortunate throwback, a self-imposed barrier to integration and assimilation in the most liberal area of an unfriendly society.

While I attended the University of Washington four years, I never belonged to the Japanese Student Club. One reason was economic; it was hard enough simply scraping up money for tuition and books. Another was

lack of time; when one was working 40 hours and more a week while carrying a full academic load, there wasn't much opportunity for social relaxation. But I could understand why others would belong. The Club was an important refuge.

The Club closed its doors during the war years when the Nisei students were scattered to the camps, to other campuses inland and to distant war fronts. But it took on new life after the war, particularly with the influx of veterans taking advantage of the GI Bill. The name was changed, then, to SYNKOYA House, each letter of the coined word representing the name of some former member who had died in the war, and the club itself became the University Students Club.

The building wasn't new when it was purchased in 1922. Forty years later, faced by the need for major repairs, the trustees sold the building to the University. The profit, \$52,114, was invested with the income being distributed in scholarships.

The University assembled some adjacent property and on the site built a \$7.4 million Social Work and Speech and Hearing Sciences Building. It will be in this building which will be dedicated sometime next year that the Club will celebrate its 60th anniversary.

The campus has changed vastly since 1922, and so have social standards and understanding of human rights. There is a new appreciation of democratic principles.

But it will be important for those who attend the celebration to know what campus life was like years ago, and why it had been necessary to have a Japanese Students Club. #

EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani



A 'Rashomon' View of Nisei Week Queens

Philadelphia

IN THE PAST, we have been an advocate of a free press for the Pacific Citizen; we pointed out that this newspaper should cover items of general interest to Nikkei, that otherwise those of us outside the Pacific Coast states would be unaware of happenings and concerns of Nikkei-dom in general. Well, in the recent issue (Sept. 10) of this publication, we noted, with interest, the bit of controversy that has arisen in reference to the annual Nisei Week Queen contest held in Los Angeles. At the risk of committing error by over-simplification, we noted that apparently three views were expounded: (a) contestants should be pure Nikkei; (b) part-Nikkei, i.e. Eurasians, should continue to qualify; and (c) the whole display is a demeaning mimicry.

AS WE READ expressions of these three viewpoints, we were reminded of the principle of "Rashomon." Depending on one's perspective, each of the three viewpoints has elements of validity and each is subject to rationalization. Taking the last contention first, namely that the whole display is a demeaning mimicry. Even as we write these words, just 60 miles away in Atlantic City hopefuls from throughout the land are gathered to seek the crown of "Miss America." Singing, baton-twirling, tap-dancing, parading in bathing suits, answering questions—nothing earthshaking, all superficial, innocent fun. In so saying, we are not mindful of feminist contentions that this display is exploitation and perpetuation of sexism; moreover, we acknowledge that there is a great deal of truth to such contention. But if the participants want to participate, and feminists wish to oppose—fine. It's a free country.

THEN THERE'S THE view that contestants should be pure Nikkei, although that is not the way the writer phrased it. As we interpreted that writer's view, he was saying that we have our own ethnic measures of beauty and we ought to go by those, not by Westernized standards. And to this extent, her views parallel those of the demeaning-mimicry viewpoint. During moments of idle philosophizing, I've wondered who fixed the standards for beauty, and by what criteria those standards had been fixed. Why isn't a short, stout body a thing of beauty, for example? (Russians extol a robust woman, not a female who appears to be suffering from anorexia.) And I concluded that I'll be dog-goned if I'll apologize for not having a thin, long nose.

THE STANDARDS OF beauty handed down to us Nisei from our Issei parents may be summarized by the phrase "jo-hin na

ojo-san," the elements of which include a well-mannered, cultured, restrained inner beauty. Priceless. But then our milieu is that of America, including the extolling of scantily-clad, baton-twirling, long-stemmed damsels. And perhaps the Nisei Week Queen contests reflect an amalgamation, a blending of the two cultures. To the extent, for example, that the contestants are attired in *Nihon-gi*, such blending is confirmed.

AND, PERHAPS, PART of the blending that inevitably becomes uniquely that of Nikkei ethnicity is those who are part-Nikkei. Certainly, judging from the clearly discernible trend of out-marriages among Nikkei, there are and will be many part-Nikkei among us. All of us know part-Nikkei who are "more Nisei" than many "pure Nisei" that we know. Being "pure," does not necessarily make one so.

ONE FURTHER POINT in conclusion, however. We are not aware of the composition of the judges who select the Nisei Week Queen. We would hope that they are a mixture including Nikkei, Black, Hispanic, and so on. In years past, we carried on a crusade decrying the use of an all-white panel to select the JACL and/or the Nisei of the Biennium; we deplored the unspoken mentality that declared that we were incompetent to decide who among us deserved the honor; that, rather, we felt compelled to look to a "superior" judgment to make that decision. It took a few years of protest but, thank goodness, the change was ultimately made. We're now integrated. #

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and addresses were withheld, and defended the actions of his predecessors on that basis (PC, 1/23/81).

Last year at the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians hearings, Calvert L. Dedrick, the Census Bureau official who was assigned to help the Western Defense Command, reluctantly testified that census statistics indeed were used to plan for the mass incarceration of Japanese Americans. But Dedrick also denied any knowledge of the use of specific names and addresses (PC, 11/27/81).

Toland's book destroys the last vestige of census confidentiality claimed by the Bureau. At least in the Japanese American instances, the Bureau disregarded the law with impunity; no census official was ever charged with the crime of releasing confidential information. #

Seattle Church heads for Japan museum

SEATTLE—Ceremonies were held Sept. 25 to initiate the "board-breaking" of Seattle's Japanese Evangelical Church, which will be dismantled and sent to the Meiji-mura Museum near Nagoya, Japan.

The 70-year-old former home has served as a church since 1949, most recently for the Evangelical congregation. In recent years the building had suffered from inattention and inactivity because of the deaths of the majority of its Issei membership.

But the church has been chosen as North America's only contribution to the Meiji-mura. The museum, on a 250-acre site, has more than 50 structures ranging from small shops to churches and mansions, representing and preserving the architecture of the Meiji era (1868 to 1912) in Japan, a period when Western systems of government and even architectural concepts were employed in Japan.

In 1981, Dr. James Tsujimura, then JACL national president, had visited Japan to promote better U.S.-Japan relations. While visit-

ing Tokyo he had been asked by the director of the Meiji-mura to locate a suitable building in the U.S. to dismantle and rebuild in the museum.

The National JACL and the international relations committee of the Seattle Chapter, led by Ken Nakano, worked with the museum staff to find and acquire the church.

The \$50,000 church and its contents—an organ, altar, pews, credenzas and other furnishings—were donated by Mrs. Kiyoko Motoda, who purchased the building in 1949 as a representative of the Japanese Holiness Church. Meiji-mura will assume all costs of dismantling, transporting, and reconstructing the church.

During the ceremonies, Lloyd Hara, Seattle City Treasurer and past Seattle JACL president, acted as emcee for a program in which representatives of the Pacific Northwest Nikkei community and Japan spoke of the church as a symbol of friendship between the U.S. and Japan.

Tsujimura noted, "This building

will be instrumental in promoting peace and understanding between Japan and the United States."

The directors of the museum presented Tsujimura with a certificate of appreciation and also a written scroll to Motoda, for her generosity.

Hara gave a brief history of the building, noting that prior to its becoming a church it had been the home of Kaichiro "Jack" Yasutake, an Issei who graduated from Stanford University and worked for the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service from 1920 to 1941.

When the war broke out, Yasutake arrested and detained at the immigration office, ironically at the same building in which he formerly worked. He was sent to Missoula, Mont., then to Santa Fe, N.M., while his family was interned at Minidoka, Id., then Crystal City, Tex., and finally relocated to Chicago. Yasutake died in Chicago in 1953 at the age of 62.

Ventura JACL sets 'J-Town' film

CAMARILLO, Ca.—The Ventura County JACL will show "Crusin' J-Town," a film by Visual Communications, and "Pieces of a Dream," an agri-business film, at the Camarillo Boys and Girls Club on Oct. 22, 7:30 p.m. For more info call Keith Harada (805) 484-7782.

Placer JACL hosts Goodwill dinner

PENRYN, Ca.—The Placer County JACL will host its 42nd annual Goodwill Dinner on Saturday, Nov. 6, 6 p.m., at the Placer Buddhist Church Hall, 3192 Boyington Rd.

Carson gift sale

CARSON, Ca.—The Carson JACL will hold a warehouse chinaware and gift sale on the weekend of Oct. 30-31 at 2808 Oregon Ct., in Torrance. For more info call (213) 329-7814.

Members of the Yasutake family attended the boardbreaking ceremonies, they included Yasutake's widow, Hide, his son, William, and members of William's family.

Other members of the Yasutake offspring include Mike, an Epis-

copal priest in Evanston, Ill.; Mitsuye Yamada (of the TV show "Mitsuye and Nellie") of Irvine, Ca.; and Joe of Aurora, Colo. William, known as "Tosh," lives in Bothell, Wa.

Mrs. Hide Yasutake, 83, showed guests around what had once been her home, fond memories of by-

gone days seemed to emanate from her voice. Although she had sentimental attachments to the house, she seemed pleased to know that her former home will be preserved for posterity in a museum.

—Compiled from reports by E.T. Seguro, The Seattle Times and the JACL PNWDC Office

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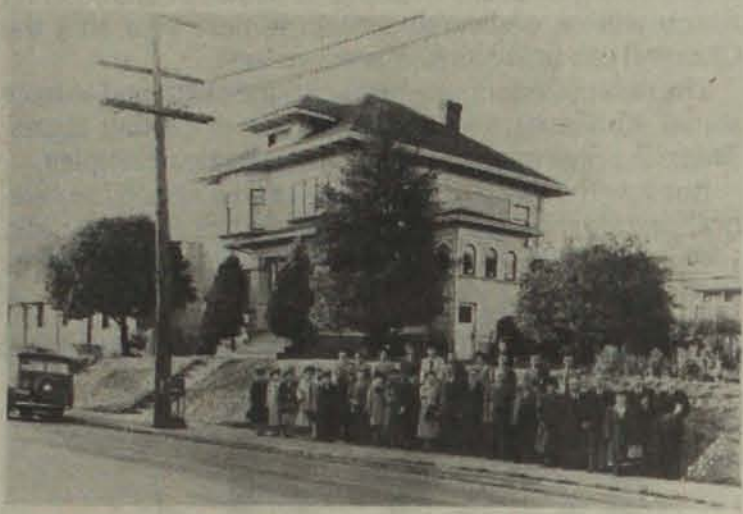
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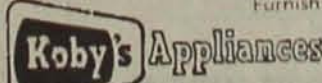
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BY THE BOARD: by Vernon Yoshioka



Membership Campaign

San Diego, Ca.

The 1983 JACL Membership Campaign planning is now complete and I'd like to share it with you. Basically, the procedure will be the same as last year. Our goal this year is to have every chapter increase its membership by five percent over its 1981 or 1982 roster (whichever is greater). We also expect to increase the number of 1000 Club, Century Club and Life Category members.

All materials will be mailed to the chapter presidents and membership chairs by the second week in November 1982. The 1983 Membership Campaign is scheduled for January 1983, with pre-campaign publicity beginning in December 1982. A revised Chapter listing with corrections will be printed by November 1, 1982. This is to remind presidents and membership chairs that we need your inputs before October 15, 1982.

Copies of the new membership brochure will be sent to each chapter along with the renewal material. Either 50 copies or 15% of your membership (whichever is greater) will be sent, unless additional copies are requested from Emily Ishida at the JACL Headquarters. We will print 30,000 brochures, enough for every member, but we are also planning that this brochure will be good for 2 or more years.

A secondary reason for campaigning in January is to encourage potential new members to join now at the lower 1982 dues rate. This then gives them a bargain rate 12 month membership.

Harry Honda and the Pacific Citizen staff are coordinating the membership computerization. Again, we need to know the correct names and addresses in addition to your chapter's dues rate and return address.

that the Little Tokyo Service Center with its lawyer referrals could better handle this particular situation. As it turned out the young Sansei attorney handling the case was very familiar with these kinds of proceedings and agreed to assist in the case.

Another pending case, and over five years since its inception, is the Alice Nehira vs. Northrop case. Back in the Spring of 1978 a class action suit was brought against Northrop based upon race and sex discrimination. The Office of Federal Contracts and Compliance Programs and Northrop reached a conciliation agreement. Most of the provisions of the agreement have been implemented except for the appeal by Northrop dealing with Ms. Nehira.

Ms. Nehira called this office and asked whether we could get a current status report on her case. I made contact with the Department of Labor in Washington, D.C. and found out that Northrop had been allowed to submit additional evidence and that on September 22, O.F.C.C.P. would review the evidence and reach a decision within two weeks. Mr. John Fox, the person whom I talked to also stated that if Northrop loses they still have available to them four additional levels of appeal, which included the Supreme Court.

The frustrations that Ms. Nehira has encountered has over the five years taken its toll. Her family has suffered great financial losses, and undue emotional stress.

Another case that this office is involved with is the Dr. Tho-

mas Noguchi demotion hearings. The testimony before the Los Angeles County Civil Service hearings were concluded on Sept. 20 and the hearing officer instructed the County to submit their brief on Oct. 19 and the defense attorney to submit their brief on Nov. 3. The hearing officer will make her recommendation to the Civil Service Commission on Nov. 5. In the meantime, the CARP-Noguchi support committee has been meeting to raise defense funds for Dr. Noguchi and also to plan for a community information outreach program.

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