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## Bigotry still threatens U.S., says Civil Rights Commission

WASHINGTON—Spray-painted swastikas appear on the front of a Montgomery County, Md., delicatessen. A white Boston youth is ordered by the courts to stop harassing his black neighbors. The Ku Klux Klan rallies in Washington, inciting an angry crowd to retaliatory violence.

These incidents, which all occurred in 1982, point out that violence and harassment spawned by prejudice still exist in the United States. Such incidents are "a serious threat to the maintenance of a peaceful, democratic, and pluralistic society," says a report released Jan. 11 by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

But much is being done in states and communities to combat instances of bigotry. These efforts may be paying off: Another just-released study says acts of violence and vandalism against one group, Jews, declined nearly 15% in 1982.

Take the misery caused by high unemployment. Mix in the human propensity to find scapegoats and the perception that enforcement of civil-rights laws is diminishing. Add simple bigotry, and you have a fertile environment for acts of religious and racially targeted harassment, conclude members of the commission.

It's difficult to measure the extent of the problem, since most law-enforcement organizations don't keep statistics on instances of bigoted violence. The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith counted 974 instances of anti-Semitic vandalism in 1981, a twentyfold increase since 1978. In some areas of the country, such as Georgia, the Ku Klux Klan is growing in size and visibility, according to state committees of the Civil Rights Commission. Klan membership, however, is still fairly small.

"(Violence spawned by bigotry) tends to be on the increase," claims Clarence Pendleton, chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

"Any of it is too much," adds commission member Mary Frances Berry. Whatever the scope of the problem, communities and law-enforcement agencies across the country are trying a great variety of methods to combat harassment of specific religious and racial groups, stresses the commission's new report.

Efforts are being made to keep better track of religious and racial violence and the "hate groups" that foster such incidents. Maryland has passed a unique law requiring police to keep statistics on crimes of religious or racial prejudice. Private groups such as Klanwatch and the National Anti-Klan Network monitor the Ku Klux Klan, and often file lawsuits against KKK activity.

Some schools are specifically teaching children about the effects of anti-Semitism and racism. The National Education Association, in concert with two other educational groups, distributes a teacher's kit on the KKK. In Detroit's public schools, the study of racial and religious bigotry and persecution is being built into the curriculum.

In a number of areas, laws and police reaction are being improved. Over the last two years, 13 states have passed bills that make bigoted violence and harassment serious criminal offenses. Rhode Island and Massachusetts have formed special police squads to fight such incidents.

Community groups are springing up to combat the problem. The Montgomery County (Md.) Coordinating Committee on Hate/Violence, for instance, sets up lines of communication between religious groups and briefs businessmen on fighting bigotry-caused vandalism.

In at least one category these efforts may be proving successful.

The Anti-Defamation League reported Jan. 10 that instances of anti-Semitic vandalism declined nearly 15% in 1982, to 829. The ADL compiles its figures from individual complaints made to regional offices and official police reports. ADL officials attributed the decline to tougher criminal penalties and increased police awareness.

The Civil Rights Commission, concluding its report, urges that statistics on bigoted violence against all groups be collected nationwide. Its report also recommended more educational programs to combat racism and anti-Semitism, and stepped-up prosecutions in some areas of civil rights by the Department of Justice.

—Christian Science Monitor

## Japan becoming infatuated with American 'junk food'

TOKYO—Despite the economic slowdown, McDonald's Co. (Japan) Ltd. is predicting 1983 will be another record year, with more restaurants, more sales and more profits.

The success of the joint venture with the American hamburger chain reflects the dramatic change in Japanese eating habits over the past two decades.

For along with Western fashions, the Japanese have adopted an increasingly Western diet, and that has nutritionists worried.

As a nation they're eating more meat—about 70 grams a day, four times as much as in 1960—but less cereal and fewer vegetables. More people are taking more of their meals outside the home, and "convenience" highly processed foods are increasingly finding their way into the Japanese kitchen.

The government is stuck with mountains of subsidized rice as consumption of this staple continues its steady decline from its 1965 peak to less than 78 kilograms

per capita in 1981.

For now, it would seem, the Japanese diet has the best of both worlds. The increased protein is reflected in the size of today's young people, who often tower over parents and grandparents, while the low fat content of traditional foods has helped to make the Japanese the longest-living people in the world.

Only 40 people per 100,000 die of heart disease compared with 300 in America with its rich diet of meat, fats and oils.

Nonetheless, while changing dietary habits have made fortunes for food processors and fast-food entrepreneurs like Den Fujita of McDonald's (Japan), health experts are worried about the effects of too much cholesterol, salt and sugar in the nation's diet and, incredibly, undernutrition, an ironic problem in a country where the average person now takes in 2,520 calories per day.

Dietary experts have also linked

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**ASSISTING CLAIMANTS**—Priscilla Ouchida, aide to California Assemblyman Patrick Johnston, the author of AB 2710, assists 24 Bay Area residents in filing claims for the bill which provides compensation to Nikkei former state employees who were summarily dismissed from their positions during World War II. Ouchida provided notary services to claimants at JACL National HQ in San Francisco on Jan. 7.

## Japan hotel manager charged with neglect in Feb. '82 fire

TOKYO—The owner of the Hotel New Japan, where a fire last Feb. 8 had killed 33 people and injured 28 others, has denied charges of professional negligence and pleaded not guilty in his first hearing at the Tokyo District Court.

The Metropolitan Police here had arrested businessman Hideki Yokoi, 69, and three others last November after a lengthy police investigation which had been under way for more than nine months following the fire which was said to be the worst involving a hotel in Japan in postwar years.

Taken into custody along with Yokoi were his son, Kunihiko, 40, manager Masao Hatano, 48, and Hideo Noda, 51, the hotel's equipment section manager.

The younger Yokoi is vice president and general manager of the hotel. The hotel is owned by Yokoi, who also has other extensive business interests. The four men were arrested on suspicion of negligence resulting in the deaths of hotel guests.

The inferno initially killed 32 persons, including tourists from Taiwan and South Korea. Another person later died in a hospital.

Among those victims was an American, Mutsuyo "Muts" Furiya of San Francisco, who was a member of the Sequoia JACL Chapter. The 56-year old Furiya had been visiting Japan on a business trip.

The lawyer of Hideki Yokoi argued that the defendant was not guilty because he was not capable of foreseeing the calamity. While admitting somewhat inadequate fire prevention equipment at the hotel, however, the lawyer denied Yokoi's knowledge that the hotel was vulnerable to a blaze.

Prosecutors said untrained employees and lack of sprinklers and fire doors were partly responsible for the pre-dawn fire that swept through the top two floors of the 10-story hotel.

Meanwhile, Hatano conceded that Yokoi did not listen to his advice for improvement of fire prevention facilities.

Relatives of the victims from Taiwan and South Korea have accepted the hotel's offer of an average \$108,700 in compensation for each of the dead.

The next hearing is set for Feb. 17.

## Computerized appliances are popular in Japanese homes

TOKYO—Microprocessors, the small-scale computer brains, are making steady inroads into private homes in Japan.

The device, the size of a half a stick of gum, is used increasingly in consumer electronics from microwave ovens to air conditioners to the latest digital audio disc (DAD) equipment.

The microprocessor, originally developed more than a decade ago for use in pocket calculators, is a silicon chip containing the circuitry for the central processing unit of a microcomputer. It is expected to play a central role in the widely heralded "home automation" in the coming years.

A microprocessor used in a microwave oven, for example, automatically controls cooking temperatures and time when the user hits a button for a dish of his choice. A microprocessor-controlled air conditioner automatically switches on and off, responding changes in temperature.

State-of-the-art DAD equipment

uses a laser to "read" digitally encoded bits of information off the disc only 12 centimeters across and reproduce clear high-fidelity sounds unmatched by conventional record players.

"One to several microprocessors are used in a number of home electronic products we make," says a spokesman for Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Japan's consumer electronics giant.

"Our new rice-cooker, for example, has a built-in microprocessor that automatically makes delicate adjustments in cooking temperature during the entire cooking process."

Other consumer products with built-in microprocessors include electronic organs, watches and clocks, video games, automatic-focusing cameras, TV sets, refrigerators, washing machines, vacuum cleaners and sewing machines.

Most of the products with "computer brains" have found wide

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## Japan's Living Treasures to be exhibited at L.A.'s JACCC

LOS ANGELES—The Japanese American Cultural and Community Center announced Jan. 14 that the exhibition, "Living National Treasures of Japan" will open at the center's new George J. Doizaki Gallery on April 5, continuing through May 1.

This is the first comprehensive exhibition of works by the "Living National Treasures" ever to leave Japan. Among the objects selected for the display are masterworks of ceramics, hand-woven textiles, stencil-dyed fabrics, metalworks and hand-forged swords.

In 1955, the Japanese government established the special classification of Intangible Cultural Property as a way of preserving for future generations the works and techniques of those artisans and master craftsmen who practiced and have perfected the traditional arts of Japan.

In conjunction with the exhibition, some of the artisans themselves will be at the JACCC, offering demonstrations of their working techniques. The master papermaker Kozo Furuta will be in residence at the JACCC for demonstrations and workshops on the making of Japanese papers. Furuta's specialty is *mino-gami*, a high quality paper made from mulberry pulp, first produced in Japan during the 8th century.

Organized by the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, this unprecedented exhibition opened in Boston on November 3, 1982 and has gone to the Art Institute of Chicago this month before coming to Los Angeles for its only West Coast showing.

The display is made possible by the Committee of the Exhibition of Living National Treasures of Japan, the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Japanese Agency for Cultural Affairs, the Japan Foundation, the Commemorative Association for the Japan World Exposition 1970, the Vehicle Racing Commemorative Foundation and the Nippon Television Network Corporation.

In addition, the Yomiuri Shimbun and the Mitsubishi Group also played a key role in the acquisition of the display, in cooperation with the National Museums of Modern Arts in Tokyo and Kyoto.

## Issei woman set ablaze by juvenile playing a 'prank'

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Ca. — Shina Shigemura suffered third-degree burns on 10% of her body Dec. 28 when a 12-year-old neighborhood boy allegedly threw matches at her and ignited her clothing.

The 81-year-old Issei was working in the yard of her Kittoe Dr. residence when the incident took place. She told investigators that she decided to go in the house when she saw some juveniles nearby, as she had previously been harassed. When she got in the house, she discovered that she was on fire.

Two other young neighborhood boys, Devin Todd, 10, and Paul Foronda, 11, passed Mrs. Shigemura's house a few minutes later, heard her screams and saw her run out

the door, her head, neck and back on fire.

The boys, who said they had taken first aid lessons at school, told Mrs. Shigemura to roll on the grass and then helped extinguish the flames with water. They were joined by other 12-year-olds, one of whom called the fire department.

Police said that the juvenile who was arrested in the incident apparently did not realize that the match landed on Mrs. Shigemura's back. He was being held in custody pending a later court appearance.

Mrs. Shigemura lived with a son until he died of a heart attack several months ago. Another son lives in Gardena.

## Nisei arrested in investment scheme

SANTA ANA, Ca.—An Irvine Nisei has been arrested on charges of stealing more than \$1.5 million from 40 people who invested in four gift shops he owns in Solvang and Fountain Valley.

James Okura, Jr., 36, was arrested Jan. 7 and held in Orange County jail in lieu of \$100,000 bail.

Okura allegedly stole the money between 1978 and 1980 after telling investors they would earn a 50% annual return on their money, most of which he diverted for personal use, Los Angeles County District Attorney spokesman Al Albergate said.

Okura had allegedly paid dividends on the investment until he diverted the funds for his own use and ran out of money.

The Nisei suspect was to be moved to Los Angeles and arraigned on 26 counts of grand theft and other charges.

According to Deputy District Attorney Richard A. Lowenstein, Okura allegedly presented himself as an expert in income taxes and tax planning.

A \$100,000 bail was set for Okura, who was charged with 26 counts of grand theft, 27 counts of false misrepresentations or omissions in selling securities and 27 counts of selling securities without a permit.

Okura also did not attempt to clear his plans with the Department of Corporations, thereby violating corporate security laws.



## Harry Kingman, ex-lobbyist who helped Nisei during WW2, dies

OAKLAND, Ca.—Harry L. Kingman, a former New York Yankee baseball player, a YMCA official and a Washington lobbyist who worked for civil rights causes, died Dec. 27 of a heart ailment at Piedmont Gardens Retirement Center here. He was 90.

Kingman was born in Tientsin, China, in 1892, the son of missionaries. He was educated at Pomona College and played for the New York Yankees briefly, then went to work with the International Committee of the YMCA, Student Division, at UC Berkeley.

He served in the Army during World War I and from 1921 to 1927 he was a YMCA representative in China. He married his wife Ruth in 1922 in Shanghai.

He returned to UCB and earned a master's degree in political science. He also coached the school's freshman baseball team.

During World War II, Kingman spoke out against the internment of Japanese Americans and later spent two years as the West Coast regional director of the Federal Fair Housing Employment Practices Commission.

Yori Wada, now a UC regent, has called Kingman the man who made the most significant impact on his life.

"Harry Kingman opened the doors for minority students," Wada said. "He helped us get jobs, he helped us find places to live. It may be hard to believe today, but in 1936 there weren't many people renting rooms to Nisei or Japanese students. Harry did more than anyone to change that."

In 1957, Kingman retired from his post at UCB and went to Washington, D.C. where he and his wife founded the Citizens Lobby for Freedom and Fair Play. The group's purpose was to represent the public in such matters as civil rights, the preservation of the U.S. Supreme Court and other bipartisan matters.

Kingman returned to Berkeley in 1970 and later lived in Oakland.

He is survived by his wife, three grandchildren, a great-grandson, and a sister, Mrs. Maxwell Chaplin of Los Angeles. A daughter, Beverly Kingman-Thiermann, died in 1978.

## Nikkei studying Kilauea's effects

VOLCANO, Hi.—Among the many scientists monitoring the rumblings of the Kilauea Volcano are two Nikkei—Arnold Okamura, a geophysicist with the U.S. Geological Survey's Volcano Observatory, and seismologist Bob Koyanagi.

Kilauea has been spewing fountains of lava up to 200 feet high in the air since its eruption Jan. 3.

Both Okamura and Koyanagi, along with other scientists, have been studying many aspects of the volcano, such as seismic activity, movement of underground magma, and examining the Kamoamoa Crater. The scientists, by keeping track of Kilauea's "harmonic tremors," were able to determine roughly how long the volcano would continue to erupt.



**HONORED**—Los Angeles County Supervisor Ed Edelman (left) presents a county resolution commending Japanese Consul General Tsuneo Tanaka for the "excellent job" he has done serving the city for the past two years. A farewell reception for Tanaka was recently held at the Biltmore Hotel.

## Nikkei appointed UCSF asst. dean

SAN FRANCISCO—Mary Anne Koda-Kimble, associate clinical professor of pharmacy, was appointed assistant dean for student affairs of the UC-San Francisco School of Pharmacy, on Jan. 1.

Koda-Kimble, a 1969 graduate of the school and a member of the school's clinical faculty since 1970, will continue as vice-chair for education of the Division of Clinical Pharmacy, a position she has held since 1975.

She has been heavily involved in teaching and developing courses in clinical pharmacy at the school and was presented the "Outstanding Teacher Award" by the School of Pharmacy's class of 1979, and the "Best Teacher Award" by the classes of 1974 and 1975.

In her new position she will become more directly involved in advising students, both as to curriculum and career choices.

In 1976 Koda-Kimble was appointed by Governor Edmund G.

Brown Jr., to the California State Board of Pharmacy, and will hold that position until 1984. "She also is an editor of the book 'Applied Therapeutics: Clinical Use of Drugs,' (3rd Edition, 1983).

### ● Law

The State Bar of California has appointed 25 people, including **Rose Matsui Ochi**, a Los Angeles attorney, to the newly created 25-person client trust commission.

Under the new law now in effect, interest earned on certain trust accounts held by California attorneys will be turned over by financial institutions to the State Bar for distribution to qualified legal services for the poor.

Ochi will be one of the 17 attorney members of the commission to be headed by Henry Der of San Francisco, director of the Chinese for Affirmative Action and a non-attorney member.

## Issei donates property to Buddhists

LOS ANGELES—Affectionately called "Sumo no Obasan" or "Tejina no Obasan," and her dialect that of the Tohoku area, Mrs. Mitsue Suzuki calls her home Sendai, Miyagi prefecture, Japan.

She recently celebrated her 88th birthday. Due to her age, she no longer participates in activities which require her to leave home, but she lives a quiet life in her apartment assisted by many close friends.

Mrs. Suzuki has offered her home as the meeting place of the Miyagi Kenjinkai and she has also served as the president of the Koyasan Fujinkai. She continues to support various Koyasan causes

from her home, a tradition dating back to pre-World War II days when the Koyasan Fujinkai was active in extending hospitality to the "Kaigun no Suihei San."

As an expression of her deep gratitude, she has donated all her real properties to the Koyasan Buddhist Temple. The transfer procedure took place at her apartment on Dec. 7 and was witnessed by Bishop Ryosho Sogabe; Yukio Tanaka, board president and Shizue Babamoto, Fujinkai president. The Koyasan Temple has named the donation the "Suzuki Mitsue Fund" and will use it to further Buddhist teachings and to offer scholarships.

## Hideo Okada, 'Mr. Waipahu,' dies

HONOLULU—Hideo "Major" Okada, a builder of Hawaii's International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union and an early organizer of the Democratic Party in Hawaii, died Dec. 4 of respiratory ailments at his home in Waipahu, Hi. He was 72.

Okada worked for 41 years at the Oahu Sugar Co., and served on several posts in the ILWU and the Democratic Party. He also served eight years on the state's Stadium Authority.

Okada was also a grassroots organizer of people, and his efforts helped Democrat John Burns win the state's governorship in 1954.

Okada himself never sought public office, but U.S. Sen. Daniel

Inouye (D-Hi.) said Okada "was always available for assistance and support. Many of us urged him to run, but as he once told us, 'I prefer to be the Indian.' As all of us know, he was always a chief."

Okada is survived by his wife, Matsuko; sons Glenn K. and Richard M.; daughter Marlene K. Hirata, brothers Tadao and Henry; sis-in-law Mrs. Yoshiko Okada and Mrs. Fumiko Ebisuya; sisters Mrs. Shizuko Kawate and Mrs. Kenichi (Sumiko) Oshita; and nine gc.

### ● Education

**William I. Higuchi**, professor of pharmacy at the University of Michigan, was recently appointed to professor and chairman of pharmaceuticals at the University of Utah.

### ● Entertainment

**Cheryl Yamaguchi**, of Pearl City, Hi., was recently chosen among 350 applicants to be a regular dancer on the NBC-TV series "Fame." The daughter of Leatrice Yamaguchi, Cheryl has studied on a scholarship at the Alvin Ailey dance studios in New York and performed in San Francisco.



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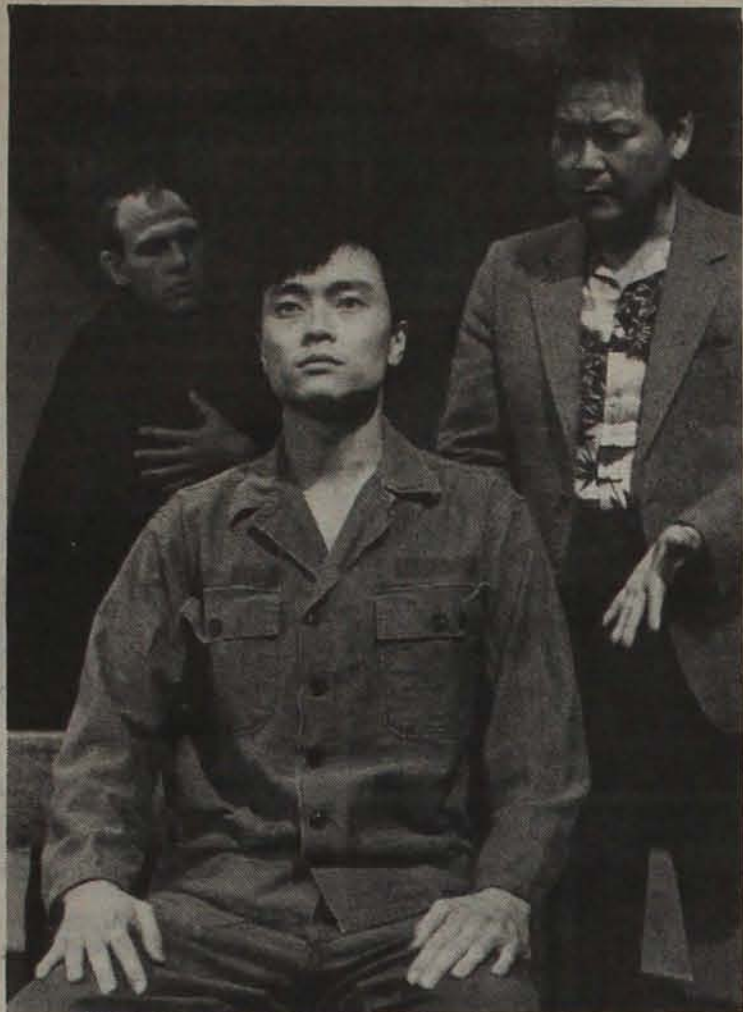
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**EWP PLAY**—"Yamashita," by Roger Pulvers, is currently playing at the East West Players, 4424 Santa Monica Blvd. in Los Angeles, until Feb. 13. The play explores the complex issues of American political policies in Asia and the dilemma which those policies impose on Asian Americans. (Shown, l to r: Gene Borkan, Ping Wu and Ernest Harada). For ticket info call (213) 660-0366.

### NCRR sets redress forum in Gardena

GARDENA, Ca.—A public forum on the issue of reparations for Japanese Americans who were interned during World War II will be held at the Gardena Buddhist Church, 1517 W. 166th St., on Saturday, Jan. 22, 3 p.m.

Sponsored by the Gardena/South Bay chapter of the National Coalition for Redress and Reparations (NCRR), the program is intended to give an overview of the current status of the redress movement and to give local residents a chance to talk with individuals who are actively involved.

Guest speakers will include attorney Frank Chuman, Alan Terakawa of the Japanese American Bar Association, Gardena City Councilman Mas Fukai, June Kizu of NCRR, Joyce Okinaka of the National Council for Japanese American Redress (NCJAR), and a representative of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL).

Among the topics of discussion will be:

—NCRR and JACL's plans to obtain reparations through a legislative bill and NCJAR's proposed class action suit.

For further information, please call Lane Hirabayashi (213) 532-5966.

In Little Tokyo, the Little Tokyo People's Rights Organization will hold another community program on redress on Jan. 29, 1 p.m. at Little Tokyo Towers, 455 E. Third St. Bert Nakano of NCRR, Ron Wakabayashi of the JACL and a representative of NCJAR will be the featured speakers. For more info call LTPRO (213) 620-0761.

## Ca. Assembly Speaker Brown to keynote AABA's installation

SAN FRANCISCO—Assembly Speaker Willie L. Brown, Jr., will be the keynote speaker at the Seventh Annual Installation Dinner of the Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area on Friday, Jan. 28, 6 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom of the Empress of China restaurant, 838 Grant Ave. That evening, AABA will also be honoring Chief Justice Rose E. Bird of the California Supreme Court for her years of service to the judiciary and to the California bar. The Asian American Bar As-

sociation is a voluntary professional organization with a membership exceeding 300 attorneys and judges. AABA was formed seven years ago to promote and coordinate the interests and programs of Asian-American attorneys in Northern California. AABA has also taken an interest in broader legal issues which affect the Asian-American community at large.

AABA's 1983 officers include: Raymond G. Gong, pres; Diane

C. Yu, vp; Rita G. Mah, sec; Calvin J. Abe, treas; Lorraine Bannai, Hon Chew, Karen Kai, Patricia Lee, Deborah Lim, Edwin Oshika, and Jackson D. Wong, bd of dir.

Tickets are available for AABA members at \$20, and non-members at \$25. For reservations or further information, contact Edward Liu at (415) 781-8251, or Evelyn Low at 391-2320.

### JACCC to hold fairy tale workshop

LOS ANGELES—Children from 7 to 11 years of age can sign up for a special children's workshop on Japanese fairy tales to be conducted by Nobuko Joanne Miyamoto at the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center.

The workshops, using modern dance technique and drama, will be held for 10 consecutive Saturdays from Feb. 12 to Apr. 16, as part of the JACCC Artists-in-Residence Program, funded by the California Arts Council. The sessions will last from 2:30 to 4 p.m. There is no charge for the workshop, but enrollment is limited to 15. Those interested in signing up should contact Kathy Harada at (213) 628-2725.

Miyamoto, director of Great Leap, Inc., a non-profit arts organization which produces works relating to the Asian American experience, is a dancer/choreographer/composer/singer of originality and high professional standards.

In the Children's Workshop, Miyamoto will teach such classic Japanese fairy tales as "Momotaro" and "Urashima Taro" set to music and dance.

### Netsuke to be displayed in Pasadena

PASADENA, Ca.—An exhibit of 400 netsuke (Japanese miniature sculpture) will be on view in the main galleries of Pacific Asia Museum in Pasadena from Feb. 2 through Oct. 16. The exhibit is from the collection of the Peabody Museum of Salem, Mass.

The 400 examples in the exhibit at Pacific Asia Museum range in size from 1" to 2½" each. The exhibit has been organized by the subject matter portrayed in the netsuke, illustrating the variety of folk characters, deities, animals both real and imaginary, and people and objects from daily life that inspired the netsuke artist.

Visitors can see netsuke created in wood, ivory, porcelain, coral, metal, and other materials, and compare the work of traditional

Japanese craftsmen creating similar subjects in different media. Children and adults alike will gain a deeper understanding of the history, beliefs and culture of Japan.

A series of lectures and a one-day symposium on the subject of netsuke and Japanese personal adornment has been planned for the spring. Schedules of programs and a catalog will be available with the exhibit. Pacific Asia Museum is open Wednesday through Sunday, from noon until 5 p.m.



Netsuke of cat (2½ in.).

### No-nuke program set in Li'l Tokyo today

LOS ANGELES—Asian Pacific Americans for Nuclear Awareness (APANA) will host an educational program, "Towards a Nuclear-Free Pacific," on Friday evening, Jan. 21 at Little Tokyo Towers, 255 E. Third St.

Featured speakers will be Darlene Keju, Marshall Islands-born public health worker, and Giff Johnson, journalist, both from the Pacific Concerns Resource Center in Honolulu.

For more info call Jon Ichinaga or Beatrice Hirano at (213) 626-2249.

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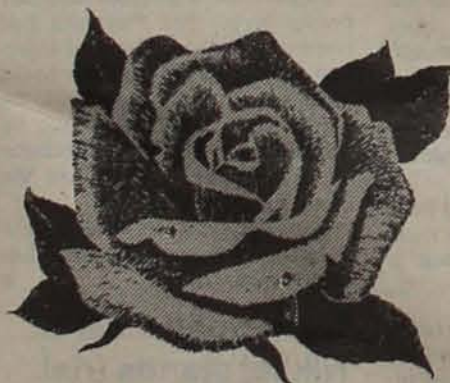
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## Mansfield sees dark clouds on U.S.-Japan trade horizon

Tokyo

Ed. Note: U.S. Ambassador to Japan Mike Mansfield was recently interviewed by The Yomiuri Shimbun, which was published Jan. 1. Mansfield has repeatedly called on Japan to open its market wider to U.S. products, especially in the agricultural sector.

Question: Mr. Ambassador, could you give your assessment of the present political climate in the U.S. with respect to its relations with Japan?

Mansfield: Well, I think as far as the national elections were concerned it was a standoff between the administration and the Democrats. In an off-year election—between presidential elections, that is—it is usual for the House to gain about 20 to 30 members within the opposition party (the Democrats in this instance). They gained 26. This time the Senate lost no seats as far as the Democratic/Republican lineup was concerned.

So I would say it was a standoff and that the result will be an accentuation of the economic pressures on the part of the U.S. worldwide, and that conditions will become more difficult in our relationship (which I think is the most important in the world, bar none) in the months ahead.

Q: What about the political mood in the U.S. concerning relations with Japan?

A: Well, you are seeing the first indication of what may well be the beginning of other moves, and that first indication is the so-called local content bill (passed by the House Dec. 15).

### Dangerous Bill

However, I think it is very dangerous legislation, because it would mean a diminution of competition in a free enterprise capitalist sense. It would reduce competition. It would fuel inflation. It would increase costs. And in my opinion it would not increase U.S. employment (maybe temporarily) but in the long run it would accentuate an already deep recession.

It is economically unsound. And it would invite retaliation by other countries against whom it is directed, and it seems that the two countries that will suffer the most from it would be Japan and Canada.

The (United) Auto Workers have told me on their visits to Japan that what they wanted was more Japanese investment in the U.S.

They've gotten that—\$250 million in a plant in Ohio, \$500-\$600 million in a plant in Tennessee, and the very strong possibility of an agreement being reached between General Motors and Toyota to reopen a shutdown GM plant which will have a 200,000-a-year capacity. So I think in that respect the Japanese investment, both actual and potential, has been good.

A second factor which (UAW President) Doug Fraser mentioned to me on one of his visits here, was that they would like a reduction in Japanese exports of autos to the U.S.

Last year the Japanese did reduce their exports by 7.7%, have agreed to do so for this year and I believe may be willing to do so for next year on the same percentage basis. So the second aspect of the two proposals made has also been accentuated.



Mike Mansfield

What we're up against of course is an emotional climate in the U.S. caused by very severe depression, and, with politics playing an increasingly important part in the considerations of members of Congress in considering trade legislation.

Their feelings are understandable, but when you get such legislation as "local content" it reminds me of Smoot-Hawley (Act) which raised tariffs in the early 1930s in the U.S., which deepened an already bad depression, and which I think played an important part in bringing about the Second World War.

Q: Do you see a difference in the American people's feelings toward Japan in recent months in comparison with the years since 1945?

A: Yes, I think there's been a diminution in our feelings toward each other on both sides. On the part of the U.S. its because of what's happening to us economically, with a 10.8% unemployment rate, which very likely will increase with winter coming on. Many big businesses are teetering on the edge with bankruptcies in increasing numbers.

### Looking For Relief

With our farm area in distress despite tremendous crops but low prices, we are looking to other countries for help and relief, which I think is good, but we have to remember that there are things which we must do at home if we are to bring about a revival of our economy.

We can't just point the finger at a country—say Japan—and expect that Japan will cure our economic ills. We have to look in the mirror, see the moths in our own eyes and recognize that there are things that we have to do as well, and together, if we are to get out of the economic morass in which we find ourselves at the present time.

Europe is very sick, economically speaking. The U.S. is sick, economically speaking, and Japan is beginning to feel the first ripples of a recession. You have the highest unemployment rate here in Japan in 25 years. Your latest figure I think is somewhere around 2.45%. But if you were to figure that unemployment rate on the same basis that we do it would be between 4 and 5%.

Japan's domestic economy is flat. Its exports are down, and what has happened to other parts of the world cannot escape happening to Japan unless all parts of

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## Letters

### • 'Gothic Line'

Editor:

I could not help but be affected by the random confluence of two recent happenings which underscored, for me the keen anticipation of the CWRIC report.

The first was the article on the "Gothic Line" (PC Holiday Issue) reviving the nightmare past of the suicidal assault of April 5, 1945.

The other was my recent acquisition of the verification of internment dates of my parents from the U.S. government's General Services Administration, National Archives. Both of my parents were incapable of disloyalty to either of their native or adoptive countries.

The documents, actually mimeographed forms (so there must be thousands), revealed that my parents departed from a concentration camp after 1,030 days, as hostages, on April 16, 1945—11 days after the Gothic Line battle.

EJISUYAMA  
Ellsworth, Me.

### • 'Offensive Strategy'

Editor:

I would like to make a comment on the "Offensive Strategy" article (PC Holiday Issue) by Donald H. Estes. Estes portrayed Tokutomi Abe as the single-handed hero in the defeat of Yorty's anti-Japanese Fishing Bill 336. It must be remembered that in 1939, Ruth K. Yamazaki, then president of the Japanese American Young Democratic Club, worked with noted liberal Assemblymen such as Ben Rosenthal, Gus Hawkins, John Pelletier, Cecil King and Paul Ritchie to defeat the bill. By stressing that Japanese Americans were anti-militarists and opposed to espionage, Ruth urged liberal and some anti-liberal Assemblymen to switch their stand.

Mr. Estes also stated that Sam Yorty introduced the bill at the urging of the state CIO leadership. While it is true that Japanese fishermen deserted the CIO to join the American Federation of Labor, I seriously doubt that the CIO cooperated with the anti-labor Yorty.

JAMES S. ODA  
Fontana, Ca.

## COMPUTER

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market acceptance, though some early products were dismal failures.

Some "computerized" washing machines sold in the late 1970s, for example, were too complicated for the average user.

Among the most successful home electronics products with microprocessors today are microwave ovens and air conditioners. Already more than one half of these products on the market have microprocessors built into them.

Microprocessors have made home cooking much easier with microwave ovens and cut power consumption in air-conditioners.

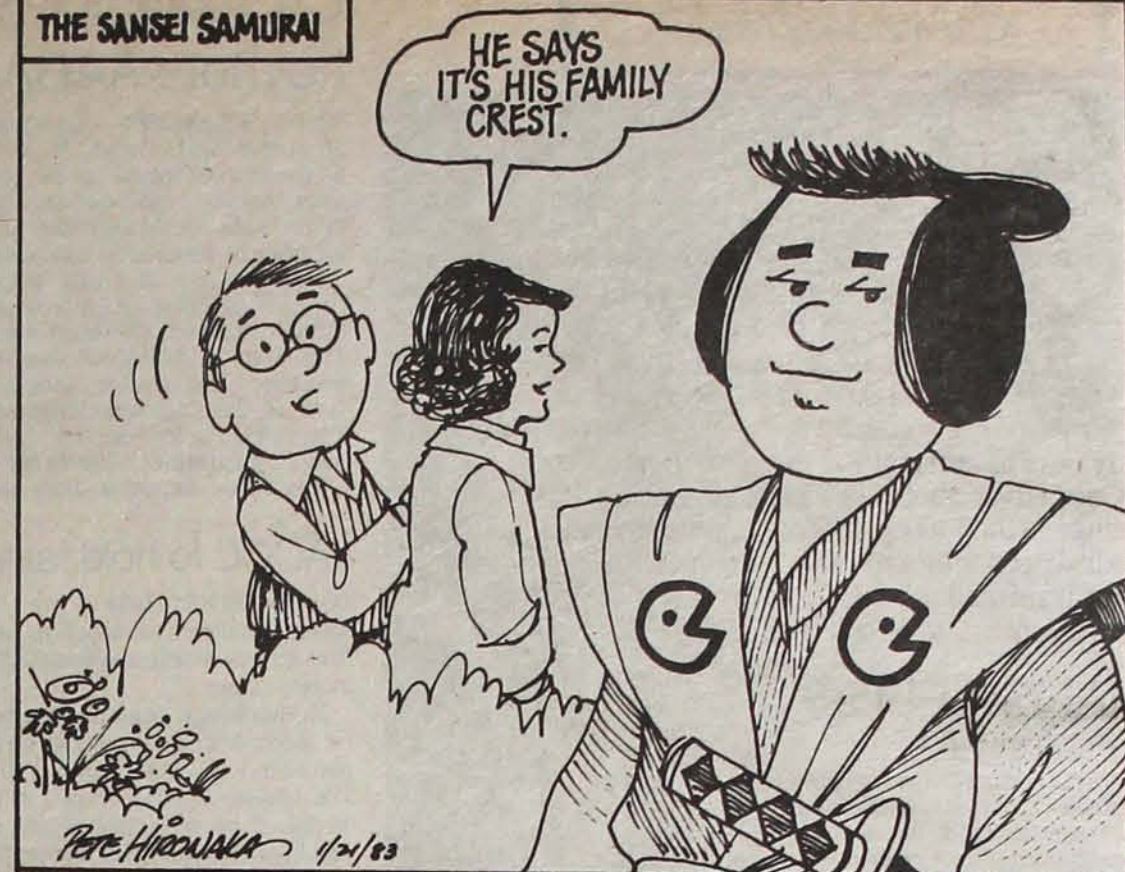
In the past few years, more and more audio equipment, especially cassette decks and record players, have come to be equipped with microprocessors for automatic operation. Wider use of microprocessors in audio equipment has culminated in the recent marketing of DAD equipment.

Reflecting increasing use of the devices, domestic shipments of microprocessors for home electronics have been increasing steadily in recent years. Shipments of microprocessors for home electronics have been increasing steadily in recent years. Shipments in the first half of this year more than doubled from a year earlier to \$83 million.

With the cost of microprocessors continuing to fall through mass production, there are signs that more and more of the chips will be used in consumer electronics in the years ahead.

In the coming "home automation" age, most homes in Japan are likely to be equipped with microprocessor-controlled kitchen systems, fire and burglar alarms, temperature controls and other electronic amenities.

## THE SANSEI SAMURAI



## FOOD

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poor nutrition habits to brittle bones and bad behavior among teenagers.

A team of nutritionists reported recently to the Japan Teachers Union (Nikkayoso) that irregular eating habits and dependence on frozen convenience foods was a factor behind violence in the schools. Typical of the problem, they said, was a student offender who said his diet largely consisted of instant noodles, rice, tea, porridge and sausages.

The nutritionists also said the high school students they surveyed ate too much sugar and had diets

deficient in protein, calcium and vitamins.

In a related survey, nutritionists in Nagano Prefecture linked the increase in broken bones suffered by high-school-age students to unbalanced diets.

Concern about what's seen as the deteriorating Japanese diet has sparked a boom in so-called health foods, marketed for people worried about cholesterol, salt, sugar and chemical additives.

Many department stores have created special health food sections and both chemical and cosmetic companies have rushed into this lucrative market with high-priced vitamins and food supplements.

Publicity on the connection be-

tween salt, fats and sugar and high blood pressure, heart disease and other problems has boosted sales of health foods.

Unprocessed "organically" grown produce, though expensive, is apparently worth it to those concerned about fertilizers, pesticides and common food additives.

When salt was first linked to high blood pressure, sales of tsukemono (pickles) and umeboshi (salted plum) fell sharply.

But in the past 10 years the salt content in these foods has been halved and consumers are buying again, according to Zentsukeren (the All-Japan Pickles Cooperatives Federation).

—Mainichi Daily News

## Other news items, briefly...

### Census says 59% of Ca. JAs own homes

WASHINGTON—Between 1970 and 1980, the number of housing units in California increased 32.6%, the median value of owner-occupied housing units increased 266%, and the median rent of renter-occupied housing units increased 124%.

These are some of the statistics just released in the 1980 Census of Housing, published by the Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce.

In general, the report tends to confirm national housing trends identified during the 1970s in the bureau's Annual Housing Survey conducted for the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The study also noted that among California white householders, 59.1% were homeowners while 1980 homeowner percentages by race or ethnic origins were: black, 39.6%; Spanish origin, 42.4%; American Indian, 45.4%; Japanese, 59.3%; Chinese, 59.9%; Filipino, 59.2%; Korean, 44.3%; Asian Indian, 55.7%, and Vietnamese, 21.4%.

Called "General Housing Characteristics" (HC80-1-A6), the 814-page report can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 or from the Department of Commerce district offices in major U.S. cities. Copies are \$13 each.

### Japan helps victims of Hurricane Iwa

HONOLULU—The Japanese government Dec. 15 presented Hawaii with a \$3,000 donation as an expression of sympathy to those who suffered damages during Hurricane Iwa.

Consul-General Mitsuro Donowaki offered the donation to Gov. George Ariyoshi, who passed it on to the Hawaii chapter of the American Red Cross.

### Pioneer Center senior care meeting

LOS ANGELES—The Senior Adult Day Care Center, sponsored by Japanese Community Pioneer Center, is starting a support group for family members who take care of someone experiencing memory loss and loss of thinking and reasoning capacity. The focus of the group is to provide support and education by helping each other, sharing solutions, exchanging information and ideas, and educating the community.

The support group will meet monthly on Saturday mornings. The first meeting will be on Jan. 22 at 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Union Church on 3rd and San Pedro Sts. This program is coordinated with Sachiko Reece of the Asian Pacific Counseling and Treatment Center. For further information please call Ardis Nishikawa at (213) 625-2673.

### Education assn. seeks award nominees

BOULDER, Colo.—The National Association for Asian and Pacific American Education, a non-profit organization committed to the advancement of APA educational issues and concerns, is currently soliciting nominations for its 1983 Distinguished Service Awards.

### Washington JA killed in auto crash

BELLEVUE, Wa.—Police here are at a loss for an explanation of the New Year's Day single-car crash that claimed the life of local resident Hisanari Fujiwara.

Witnesses said Fujiwara's 1976 Datsun entered the parking lot adjacent to Bartell Drug Store. They watched it pick up speed through the lot and down an alley and saw it crash into a four-foot high loading dock made of solid concrete. The car never swerved or braked, according to the witnesses.

Police estimate that the 44-year old Japanese American man's car was traveling 50 mph when it struck the dock.

"There was no trace of alcohol in his blood," Ofc. Doug Stover told reporters from the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. "We won't have the results of other tests for a couple of weeks."

Stover added that investigators had interviewed Fujiwara's friends and associates and found no evidence that he had been depressed or beset by any serious problems.

Fujiwara was the manager of Cindy's Restaurant in Bellevue. "He was last seen by a business associate earlier in the evening

(the crash occurred at 8:55 p.m., Jan. 1) and he said he was going shopping in the Bellevue Square area. The associate said he was in a good frame of mind," Stover said.

Restaurant employees said they remembered that Fujiwara had complained about the fuel injection system on his car prior to the accident. Investigators said the car would be checked out by mechanics to find out if mechanical flaws were to blame for the mishap.

Family funeral services for Fujiwara were conducted in Los Angeles Jan. 3.

### Suspected killer of Nikkei stands trial

WASHINGTON—Howard Hines, 28, accused of murdering a University of Maryland coed 3½ years ago, is scheduled to stand trial soon in Prince George's County, Md.

Hines was indicted last spring for killing Michio Nakada, 22, a senior studying psychology at Maryland, on June 21, 1979. She was stabbed more than 30 times and parts of her partially clad body had been set on fire.





## America Through the Eyes of Japan's Youth

Denver

Our guests were two young educators from Japan and the conversation ranged over a wide spectrum of subjects. Some of their observations about contemporary Japan, and particularly the young people of Japan, may be of interest to Japanese Americans.

One of the visitors, for example, said the most striking change he had found among Japanese young people in the last decade or so is their demeanor. There was a time when it seemed to be the proper thing to do to keep one's eyes downcast, to be retiring, to be deferential.

### MANSFIELD

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the world get together in the common good, and unless Japan, as the chief beneficiary of the international trading system, begins to assume more of the responsibility that goes with that position and will agree to operate on a mutually satisfactory basis some of the difficulties which confront one or the other or both of us or all of us.

Q: In regards to the recent Yomiuri-Gallup joint poll, Americans were asked which country they considered most trustworthy. In the past five years Japan was No. 4 or 5, but this year it became 10th. Would you care to comment?

#### Unfair Allegation

A: I would say that's due to the economic situation. Many Americans are blaming Japan for some of their economic distress—an unfair allegation. And I would say on the Japanese side, where a somewhat similar result has been achieved, that the Japanese are getting a little disturbed—concerned—about the request which U.S. has been making from time to time.

Q: You warned recently that 1983 was going to be a very crucial year for both countries. Could you elaborate?

A: Yes, I can see dark clouds on the horizon ahead. And the weeks and months to come, I think, will generate more clouds in the form of protectionist legislation unless something is done to halt that rising tide.

We mentioned "local content," which I think will become a big issue next year when there is enough time for a full session.

Reciprocity legislation—not as is but as it might be with amendments—and the pressures on President Reagan and on his administration will increase as a result, unless the recession turns around.

#### Cards To Play With

The president and the administration are going to have to have some cards to play with to stem that tide because if dangerous legislation is passed and the president vetoes it he is going to have to have enough support in either the Senate or the House in the form of one-third of its members present and voting against two-thirds of those present and voting to override a veto.

And when we talk about such

things as beef and citrus (we mean oranges really, when we use that word) and tobacco, what we're talking about is the need to develop support from those states which produce those products to support the President in the case of his vetoing legislation not in our best mutual interest.

So it's not only an economic problem. Basically it is, but is an emotional problem and the emotions are increasing and it could become a political problem if it is in danger of getting out of hand.

And I recognize that in the field of beef, the American beef industry exported about 62,000 metric tons of beef last year (calendar '81) and that the Japanese bought roughly 42,000 metric tons—much of it high-grade, high-priced stuff. Sixty percent of all our beef shipped overseas, Japan bought.

In the field of citrus, California has a lock on the Japanese lemon trade. Some 90% of all lemons imported into Japan come from California.

On grapefruit, Florida furnished a somewhat similar amount to Japan.

Oranges since I've been out here have increased from 15,000 metric tons a year in 1978 to roughly 82,000 to 83,000 metric tons up to the present time, and that overall Japan buys 40% of all the citrus which we ship overseas.

So I'm aware of the facts but I have to consolidate the economic, the emotional, the psychological and the political factors all in one because of the difficulties which we face at home.

Q: So you think that if Japan is more open to beef and oranges...

#### Phase-In Program

A: We would like them to be a little more open. Maybe some sort of a phase-in program—not a complete liberalization. And in view of the circumstances I would hope that it would be possible for both our countries to get together and arrive at some kind of a mutually acceptable satisfactory solution to a problem on which so much depends on both sides.

I recognize that the Japanese Government, the LDP, depends to a large extent on the farm sector. We face the same problem in our country. And men of goodwill and good intent who look to the future ought to be able to come up with palliative solutions, to help to tide us over this most difficult period.

Today, he said, young people stride along as though they owned the world, heads held high. They look you in the eye when they speak. They look and act aggressive.

What brought about the change? Our visitor wasn't sure, but he suggested the young people were more confident in themselves and their role in the future of their country and the world. The old customs that put a value on modesty are no longer valid. Many have been abroad and know that Japan is a world economic power fully recovered from the disgrace of defeat.

The other visitor noted that young Japanese dress more fashionably than a decade ago and are better-groomed. They keep their shoes shined and their heels aren't run down. Their clothing is better tailored. (Remember when the Japanese men seemed to wear belts about 50% too long and had to loop them half-way around the back? And when their trousers stuck up an inch or two about the belt loops so they drooped over their belts?)

He said some of the best-selling magazines in Japan were aimed at young people and contained articles on fashions, fads and in-activities abroad. Chances are the people who read those magazines are better informed about what's "in" in the United States, France, Italy and Britain than the average American.

The young people also are getting a somewhat distorted picture of what the real America is like because they get a lot of their information from Hollywood gla-

mor movies and television programs. So when they visit the United States, as increasing numbers of them do, they're disappointed that so much of this country is seedy and tawdry.

And some of them, who spend hours watching American cops-and-robbers and chase TV series, seem genuinely surprised that there aren't more automobile crashes than there are on U.S. streets and highways.

Crime in the United States is another subject of interest in Japan where the kind of violence we have learned to accept is unknown. Those who visit the United States are warned to be careful, to stay off the streets, to triple lock their hotel rooms, to beware of pickpockets and strangers.

Some tourists coming to the U.S. are told, or rather, were told, the educators said, to keep a \$20 bill folded in the breast pocket of their suits. If they were held up or mugged, it was suggested, they could toss out the bill in hopes of satisfying the bandit who really was only looking for enough money to get a drug fix. But recently, our visitors said, they understood the price of a fix had risen to the point that it was safer to keep four \$20 bills ready.

It was fun talking about the impressions and misimpressions, but at the same time distressing that our Japanese friends had such uncomplimentary perceptions about what we consider the finest country in the world. But perhaps our civilization is actually as depraved as they seem to think. And theirs is improving.

### EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani



## Philadelphia's Chinatown

Philadelphia

OVER THE YEARS we have maintained an affiliation in one way or another with Philadelphia's Chinatown. In the past, while practicing law, we've had occasion to represent a number of merchants, restaurateurs,

a tong, as well as varied community groups, helping the latter organize into charitable corporations. One group, calling itself the "Yellow Seeds" was one such group to whom we provided *pro bono* (free) legal services. It was a group that somewhat departed from the ways of the past: for example, it organized a physical protest of the continued "redevelopment" of Chinatown, a protest in which the demonstrators placed themselves in the way of the bulldozers which were tearing down the Chinatown community. It marked the turning point for the community. (Since those years, the members of the "Yellow Seeds" have gone on to various very respectable occupations, including working in television, one even becoming a local news commentator.)

OUR MORE RECENT affiliations with the community are much more passive and sedate. Largely, it is limited to going into the community to the restaurants (meeting former clients there), as well as shopping in the food stores (bok choy, cha-shu, da-fu, etc.) where we patronize some former clients as well. We were reminded of this when one of the merchants handed us a 1983 calendar and recalled that we'd been "old friends" for many years. Indeed.

THE PRESSURES UPON Philadelphia's Chinatown continue, unrelenting. Just a few blocks away, a hugely successful shopping gallery was established—so much so that a second phase of the development is in the works. Further, there are hospitals adjoining the community which are making demands for parking space. And a multi-million dollar "inner-city tunnel" has been in the works which seeks to connect the two major metropolitan rail systems into one; and this tunnel system just happens to go right through Chinatown. More demolition.

ONE OF THE leaders of Chinatown seeking to preserve what is left of the community, and further seeking to uplift the integrity of the remaining community, is a charming determined lady by the name of Cecilia Moy Yep. She heads the charitable organization known as the Philadelphia Chinatown Development Corporation, known as PCDC in these parts. During the course of the construction of the tunnel, they sought to knock down Cecilia's home of many years. She refused and stood

fast. It still stands while the dust and the construction equipment swirl about.

THE OTHER DAY we noted some poignant messages scrawled by some unknown authors on some of the buildings. One reads: "This is, was, will be, Chinatown." Another one: "Our fathers built the railroads, but we didn't think it would come *this far*." But for the first time in Chinatown, there is a building housing for the people of the community. One complex is already up and occupied; there are two others under construction with huge excavations already in place. The Chinatown community is expanding southward to the only space available. It has a movie theatre that has been newly renovated; it has bookstores, modest supermarkets, and a Chinese dentist has opened up in the community.

WHERE THERE WAS once the promise of unrelenting demolition, there is now some hope.

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### Japanese politician commits suicide

TOKYO—Ichiro Nakagawa, a former cabinet minister whose death had been attributed to a heart attack, committed suicide by hanging, police here said Jan. 12.

The 57-year-old Nakagawa attended a reception at a hotel in his hometown constituency in Hokkaido on Jan. 8 but left early, complaining of fatigue. He was found unconscious the next morning and taken to a hospital where he was reported to have died of a heart attack.

But police confirmed that Nakagawa had hanged himself, and doctors had falsified a report to conceal the suicide at the request of his wife and associates who wanted to preserve his "honor."

Dr. Yoshio Suda, director of Sapporo Central Hospital, said that he had falsified the reports after receiving a "strong request" by the Nakagawa family and Masaaki Takagi, a close associate of Nakagawa.

Nakagawa was one of the "new leaders" of Japan's governing Liberal Democratic Party, and was one of four candidates for prime minister in the LDP elections last November.

Nakagawa was elected to Parliament in 1963 and served seven terms. He was appointed Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries in 1977 and headed the Science and Technology Agency in 1980.



## S.F. compensation bill gets 'favorable' review

SAN FRANCISCO—A San Francisco city ordinance proposed by the president of the S.F. Board of Supervisors, Quentin Kopp, to provide monetary compensation to former city employees of Japanese ancestry was favorably considered by the City's Civil Service and General Administration Committee Jan. 4.

Supervisor Kopp's proposed ordinance would provide compensation for salary losses to those city employees who were dismissed, terminated from a temporary position, rejected during a probationary period or forced to resign as a result of their forced incarceration during World War II. The ordinance would authorize payment of a total of \$5,000 to former city employees unfairly dismissed.

Supervisor Kopp summarized the intent of the ordinance before the Civil Service Committee, which follows the State of California's legislation, AB 2710 and the Los Angeles County ordinance. Dr.

Clifford Uyeda, representing the Golden Gate JACL Chapter and George Kondo, NCWNPDC JACL Regional Director, testified in support of Kopp's proposal.

Supervisor Carol Ruth Silver, Chairperson of the Civil Service Committee, commended Supervisor Kopp for his taking action on a "long overdue and very important legislation."

The ordinance was expected to be heard at the San Francisco Board of Supervisors meeting on January 17.

The JACL, in cooperation with Supervisor Quentin Kopp's office, will be researching the city's archival records to identify the names of former city employees of Japanese ancestry. The names and addresses of any person employed by the City and County of San Francisco in 1942, should be forwarded to the JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter Street, San Francisco, CA 94115. #

## South Bay youth hold first meeting; goals discussed

PALOS VERDES, Ca.—The South Bay JACL's Youth Chapter held its first meeting on Dec. 28, hosted by Herb and Pauline Hayakawa and their family. Through the enthusiastic telephone work of Pacific Southwest District Youth Officer Lisa Hayakawa, 28 prospective members arrived for the evening meeting.

Dr. Wendell Wong, 1983 South Bay JACL president and youth director, attended the meeting along with Mark Hayakawa, chapter youth treasurer and newly appointed district youth officers Leslie Shigekuni, Lisa Hayakawa and Mark Kawanami (Selanoco).

A cross section of ages were among the young people attending: about 10 were currently in college (freshmen through senior year), with other students from local high schools (junior and senior years).

The purpose of the initial meeting was to set a foundation of goals and objectives for this new youth organization. Emphasis was placed

on service to the South Bay community, with one area of concentration focusing on working with Issei seniors.

It was felt among the group that the Issei had been forgotten, along with many historical traditions and knowledge of Japanese heritage. Another area of great concern to the young members was helping underprivileged and orphaned children of the community, including abused children.

To provide an environment of inner growth for the new group, the possibility of "career firesides" was discussed, wherein prominent figures in their fields would join the group for dinner and an evening of friendly discussion.

Participation in regular JACL activities, such as the Sister City Bunka Sai and the first South Bay JACL Health Fair were also encouraged; along with application to National JACL Scholarships and the exchange student program with Japan sister cities.

The addition of a monthly "Youth Page" in the South Bay JACL newsletter would keep all members and the community informed of the group's upcoming events and programs, as well as touching base with any young mem-

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## Santa Barbara 'CL installation Feb. 5

SANTA BARBARA, Ca.—The Santa Barbara JACL will hold its installation dinner meeting on Saturday, Feb. 5, 6:30 p.m. at the Montecito Country Club. Guest speaker will be National JACL Redress Committee chair Min Yasui.

Officers to be installed include: Mike Hide, pres; John Suzuki, vp; Ikey Kakimoto, treas; Jane Uyesaka, sec; Marvin Glaser, ins; George Ohashi, prog; Goro Takeuchi, Mamoru Takeuchi, Richard Tokumaru, Dennis Tokumaru, Mas Matsumura, David Wakumoto, Dr. Norman Nyun-Han, and Paul Uyesaka, bd membs; Reiko Uyesaka, memb chair.

## Mountain Plains District holds a busy fall meeting

OMAHA—The JACL Mountain Plains District held their Fall Meeting over the weekend of Nov. 5-7, with National Vice President for Public Affairs Chuck Kubokawa as guest. National Redress Committee chair Min Yasui was also a guest of the district.

Min Yasui addressed the meeting's Saturday afternoon luncheon, and he reflected on some of the experiences people had gone through during the evacuation of World War II. At a later afternoon business session, Yasui brought the district up to date on the current status of the CWRIC and the National Redress Program. Future plans for the National Redress Program were also discussed.

Paul Shinkawa, MDC vice-governor, reported to the district on the current status of the Betty Waki discrimination case, involving the Nikkei teacher and the Houston Independent School District. He was happy to report that, because of the quick action by Houston's Asian American community, the Houston and National JACL, Ms. Waki is still teaching in the Houston Independent School District.

Kubokawa brought the district up to date on the Pan-American Nikkei Association and reflected on some of his experiences in working to help set up the new organization as JACL's representative. He encouraged those in attendance to go to the Pan-American Nikkei Convention in Lima, Peru, this Summer.

As a result of the Fall meeting, the District confirmed the following individuals to represent it on National JACL Committees and Programs:

Sam Koshio, Ft. Lupton JACL, District 1000 Club Chair; Marc

Narisaki, Houston JACL, District Youth Chair; Paul Shinkawa, Houston JACL, National Redress Committee Representative.

The Saturday evening banquet was the highlight of the weekend. Kubokawa was the keynote speaker, discussing U.S.-Japan relations. Also attending the dinner were the Deputy Consul General from Japan, Kiyoshi Yoneda, of the Kansas City Office, and Harry G. Watanabe, a long-time Omaha JACLer.

Watanabe was honored by the Omaha Chapter not only for his many years of support and dedication to the chapter but for his generous financial support, which made possible the creation of an Omaha JACL Scholarship Fund in his name. Certificates of appreciation were given by the Omaha JACL to George and Matsuye Shimada for their many years of support of the Omaha Chapter. Recognition in the form of a JACL pin was also given to Akiye Rebarich for her enthusiastic support of the chapter. Ms. Rebarich recently had an Omaha JACL Cookbook published.

The district also extended its thanks to those persons who made the Fall Meeting a success: Mitsuo Kawamoto, Program Chair; Emiko Nakadoi, Hospitality Chair; Sharon Ishii Jordan, Omaha Membership Secretary and MPDC Secretary; and Steve Hasegawa, Omaha Chapter President and Nebraska Vice Governor.

The Mile-Hi JACL will host the Spring 1983 meeting in Denver, in early June.



**REDRESS FOR S.F. WORKERS**—The San Francisco Civil Service Commission recently took into consideration a proposed city ordinance that calls for compensation to Nikkei former city and county employees who were dismissed from their jobs during World War II because of the evacuation and internment. Among those attending the hearings were (l to r): JACL NCWNPDC Regional Director George Kondo; Dr. Clifford Uyeda of the Golden Gate JACL; Quentin Kopp, President of the S.F. Board of Supervisors and author of the proposed statute; and Bill Kyono of the San Francisco JACL.

## CCDC slates luncheon meeting

VISALIA, Ca.—The JACL Central California District Council will hold a luncheon meeting on Sunday, Jan. 30, 12 n at Gum-Bo Chinese Buffet Restaurant, 101 W. Main St.; \$4.50 per person. #

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By IAN TANIGUCHI  
CCDC Youth Representative

Fresno, Ca.

Presently, the Central California JAYs group is in the midst of trying to strengthen its membership. At this time, the Fresno Chapter is the only active JAYs group in our district. The Fresno JAYs right now has about ten active members. We have all been working towards rebuilding our group membership so that we can be strong again. After this is accomplished we will try to start other JAYs groups in other cities in our district.

Our most recent activity was our annual mochitsuki. We used this activity as a fund raiser and also to attract possible new members. The club did very well in raising money for our treasury and also bringing in interested new members. The JAYs group got together in the evening on December 18th to wash the rice and early the next morning we started our mochitsuki. We worked the whole day and were very tired at the finish of it. We were unable to pound the mochi the traditional way with wooden mallets because we did not have access to them. Therefore, we used a machine to make the mochi. Over all, everyone had a good time at our mochitsuki. This activity helped our membership drive get off on the right foot and I hope that this is a good sign.

Back in November, when the Central California District Council had their convention, the JAYs met at the Tokiwaro Restaurant for lunch and a meeting after. We were happy to have Mrs. Ruth Shimomura, wife of the National President, Floyd Shimomura, and Mrs. Jean Wakabayashi, wife of the National Director Ron Wakabayashi, join us for lunch.

At this meeting we elected new officers for the club. Our new President is Marina Kitamura. Marina is a Junior at Hoover High School in Fresno and has been in the club for several years. Amy Tanouye is our Vice-President, and she is our youngest officer in the club. She is a sophomore at Clovis High School. The Secretary/Treasurer of the club is Gary Otake. Gary was our treasurer last year and was re-elected to that post again, with the added responsibility of secretarial duties. He is a junior at McLane High School in Fresno. Our Historian is Gene Sekiya. He is one of the older members of the club and is a sophomore at Fresno State University. Gene is also our Youth Representative on the Board of Governors of the Fresno JACL Chapter. Dylan Tomine was elected to be our Publicity Chairperson. Dylan is a junior at Hoover High School and is the newest member to the club. These people will be the officers of the club for this coming year, and the rest of the members feel that they will all do a good job.

The coming activities for the club are a movie and pizza get-together in January and a planned ski trip in February. We are very hopeful that this new year will be a great one for the JAYs of the Fresno JACL Chapter. Communications from other JAYs chapters are welcome.

## SFV JACL installation Jan. 22

VAN NUYS, Ca.—The San Fernando Valley JACL Chapter will hold its Annual Installation Dinner on Saturday, Jan. 22, 6:30 p.m., at the Holiday Inn, 8244 Orion St.

Newly elected president, Paul Tsuneishi, and his 1983 Board will be installed by John Hokoyama, Pacific Southwest District Vice

Governor.

Floyd Shimomura, National JACL president, will be the speaker for the event which will be emceed by Art Okutake.

For more info call Wally Arakawa (213) 704-5649 (h), 702-1785 (o) or Roy Makino 887-1088 (h), 702-1848 (o).

## YOUTH

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bers who are across the country or abroad.

Mark Kawanami also suggested the participation in the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans where students could apply to spend a week in Washington, D.C., meeting their congressmen and gaining insight into the inner workings of government.

Wong suggested that in order to initially fund the youth chapter's activities, a \$20 a year dues (instead of the standard \$10) should be instituted, with the additional amount going to the chapter's account for social activities. Encouragement to add boosters (outside businesses to support the JACL) would also financially strengthen the organization.

Dr. Wong noted that it was very encouraging to meet

with a fine group of young people, all eager and anxious to help the South Bay Community and the JACL chapter.

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## PC advertising rates increased

Effective Jan. 1, 1983, advertising rates in the Pacific Citizen were increased from \$4.50 to \$5 per column inch for general display; 12¢ to 15¢ per word with a new \$5 minimum for classifieds. Continuing increases in production and labor costs were cited by Harry Honda, PC general manager/operations, for the latest change in rates, which supersede those listed in Rate Card No. 19, dated Oct. 1, 1981.

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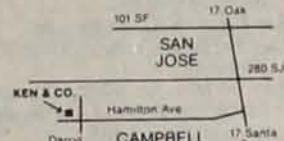
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For additional information, con-

tact Mr. David Nakayama, National Youth Director, National JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94115. #

## San Francisco 'CL installation Jan. 22

SAN FRANCISCO—The San Francisco JACL's annual Installation Dinner on Saturday, Jan. 22 at the Cathedral Hill Hotel (formerly the Jack Tar). Guest speaker will be Rep. George Miller of Contra Costa County, who was a co-sponsor of the Lowry Redress Bill. For more info call Vicky Mihara at the Paper Tree (415) 921-7100.

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