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Mitsue Takahashi case goes before Calif. Appeals Court

SAINT JOSEPH—The case of fired Livingston teacher Mitsue Takahashi will be heard by the Fifth District Court of Appeals May 12, today, for the presentation of oral arguments for and against her dismissal.

Takahashi, who taught in the Living­

ton Union School District from 1970 to 1980, had been dismissed from her post because she was “ruled incompetent” by the school district’s board. Principals at the school claimed she could not keep
disciplinary control of her students.

However, Takahashi now claims that her dismissal may have had underlying motives—in particular, the composition of her classes. She has reported in the past that she had been “replaced” by “highly qualified” students because her husband refused to sell their land to the Livingston Union School District.

At the request of the teacher, a press release from a support group formed for Takahashi—the “Three ‘R’ Com­mittee—To Restore the Reputa­tion and Rights of Mitsue Takahashi”—the San Jose County Bar retired military officer who—taking note of the reparation

motion for Redress/Reparations, argued that

was the county that fired the employees. The letters concluded that

County Counsel Richard Moore has issued a written opinion

of the County Counsel from a support group formed for

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Harvard U. students protest J. McCloy’s name on award

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—Leaders of five Harvard University student groups filed a pro­test recently, calling for the name of former assistant sec­retary of war John J. McCloy to be removed from scholarship program established by John McCloy.

The students presented let­ters to Dean Graham T. Ali­son, which charged that McCloy had supported the de­cision to intern Japanese Americans during World War II, and had been involved in the German death camp at Auschwitz, and continued the persecution of dis­patched with the aid of military and non-military police

The program will bring 19 Ger­man students to the school each year.

The groups in four separate

letters asked for a meeting with the Kennedy School admin­istrators in the hope of convincing them to change the name of the program be­fore the first batch of scholars arrive this fall, said Deborah S. Kaves, a member of the Harvard Jewish Law Stu­dents Assn.

The other groups who have joined the protest are the Kennedy School Jewish Stu­dents Assn., the Hillel Coor­dinated Jewish Student Council, the Asian American Law Students Assn. and the Asian American Assn.

It was Volkswagen’s idea to name the program after McC­loy, a decision based on his service in reconstituting postwar Germany during his High Commission from 1940 to 1952.

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Nikkei involved in IBM sting

case centers not guilty plea

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MCCLOY’S NAME on award

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America’s tiniest baby amazes

Many with strong will live

LONG BEACH, CA—When newborn Daniel Sumi came home from the hospital last September he was so small his mother had trouble finding him in his blanket. At birth seven months earlier he had weighed a scant 13 ounces, and at 8 inches was no longer than a large thermometer.

Initially he took baths in a tub the size of a margarine container, and his diaper was a piece of surgical mask "cut like a bikini."

Today Danny is a delicate six pounds. Doctors think is has a chance to grow up healthy, but small.

"It’s been such a miracle, I still can’t believe it myself," Dan­ny’s mother, Eunice Sumi, 37, said when the media mobbed the smallest normal baby to be born in the country.

He’s father worries that he may be a small child—something the doctors have told him to expect—and he hopes that his three-year-old brother, David, who is big for his size, "will be a little bigger," with the same attitude, "while he’s little enough to be the size of a can of Coke."

Seattle’s Kikuyo Murata dies

SEATTLE—Kikuyo Murata, long active in Seattle Japanese American community affairs in the 1920s, died at Providence Medical Center.

Mrs. Murata was born in Japan, where she received her education, and moved to the United States in 1910 to marry Kikuyu Murata, who operated the M.S. Market and studied nights for her U.S. citizenship, which she received in 1930.

She was a long-time and organizing member of the Seattle Koya­kami, Buddhist Church, and a member of the women’s federation; a member of the Yesler Community, a leading social service club; the Yamashita Club, a Japanese community service organization; and the Yakusanzan gakuen.

She is survived by a nephew, Sumu Murata, and a niece, Aiko Murata, both of Seattle.

Pioneer surgeon dies

ST. LOUIS—Dr. Joseph H. Ogura, an internationally recognized research pioneer in larynx surgery, died April 14, apparently of a heart attack. He was 67 years old.

He was admitted at Barnes Hospital for tests after suffering gastro­intestinal bleeding.

Dr. Ogura was director of the Washington University otolaryn­gology department for 16 years, and was on the medical school’s faculty for 35 years. He developed a procedure for larynx surgery that preserves speech and swallowing in patients with cancer of the larynx.

Obituary

Funeral services for Haruyu KImura, 91, were held May 2 at Seattle Buddhist Church.

Mrs. Kimura, who died April 30, came to Seattle in 1914. She spent her first years in the United States in Seattle, then moved to Missoula, Mont., and finally settled at Clai­den Bay on the Olympic Peninsula.

Her family was interned at Tule Lake, Calif., during World War II, and returned to Seattle in 1945.

Mrs. Kimura and her family opened a small grocery at Eight Avenue and Marion Street, which later expanded into the First Hill Thriftway at Eighth Avenue and Madison Street.

She was a member of the Seattle Buddhist Church and its Women’s Federation, and the Omi Club.

Survivors include her daugh­ters, Terry Okazaki, June Hirai and Mary Rundeberg; a son, Takakazu Kimura, and eight grandchildren, all of Seattle.

NEW JUDGE—David Isamu Dos (left) was recently enroled as judge of the Los Angeles Municipal Court and sworn in by Rose Bird, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court, Dos who was appointed to the Bench by then Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. last January, is shown here being congratulated by JACL-PSWDC Governor Gary Nishimoto.

Nine Nikkei win Merit Scholarships

EVANSTON, Ill.—Nearly 150 winners of corporate-sponsored four-year Merit Scholarships were named recently.

They were by state, high school, hometown and grant sponsor:

Alabama

Laura A. Yushinami, Fran­cisco Poly High School, Sun Valley Prudential Insurance Co. Merit Scholarship.

Alaska

Greg K. Katari, West Valley High School, Fairbanks, Esmark, Inc. Merit Scholarship.

California

Darin K. Takemoto, Granada High School, Livermore, Fore­most-McKenzie Merit Scholarship.

Florida

Dennis S. Yamashita, Olamber­ton High School, Livenmore, Fore­most-McKenzie Merit Scholarship.

Hawaii

Wade T. Kiyono, Kaui High School, Honolulu, Amfac Founda­tion, Inc. Merit Scholarship.

Illinois


Minnesota

Jason M. Sowara, St. John’s Prep School, Collegeville, Prudential Insurance Co. Merit Scholarship.

New York

Joseph W. Osumi, Inc., 333 East 44th St., New York, Merit Scholarship.

Washington

Mr. Ogura received a relative late start in a sport that is dominated at the interna­tional level by gymnasts between 14 and 16. She began at 12, and her slender form remains suited to the sport.

She formerly attended the University of Oregon on a scholarship but gave it up to come back to Canada.

"I was away from my family and training at a school where I didn’t know anyone, got to the point where the goal at the end wasn’t big enough to justify the strain, so I gave that up and gave up the national level, too."

However, Sakaki probably will represent Canada at the World Univer­sity Games in Edmonton this summer.

Gymnast named Athlete of the Year

VANCOUVER—A Richmond, B.C., Saseki gymnastic star has won the “Woman of the Year” award at the University of British Columbia for the third time. Pati Sakaki shared the honor this year with field hockey star, Allison Palmer.

Sakaki, who recently captured the Canadian University All-Round Gymnastic Championship for the fourth time in Toronto, was also a member of the U.B.C. Women’s Team of the Year honors. She led her U.B.C team to victory at the same event. Pati competed despite stress fractures in both legs and took three out of four individual events at the C.I.A.U. tournament—vault, balance beam, and uneven parallel bars.

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Awards

In Ridgewood, N.J., Madeline Dwyer of Los Angeles received the Tribeca Women and Industry Award (TWIN) by the YWCA. She is the section head for systems design and programming for TIT Defense Communications Division, which designs and manufactures communications systems for U.S. armed forces and govern­ment agencies.

A resident of Mahwah, N.J., Dwyer is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Shocht Miyamoto.

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Central Calif. Nikkei helping Laotian refugees in many ways

FRESNO—The special feeling that the Seventh-Day Adventist Asian Church has for Hmong refugees in the Fresno area has never been more apparent to help the new refugees in many ways.

Women volunteers are teaching sewing classes, often using their own machines. A retired teacher and two other church members are leading English classes. Dorcas Society members are collecting donations of clothing. Doctors and dentists are screening refugees' health.

The feeling for the refugees is strong because most of the 200 members of the Fresno church are of Asian ancestry. "They came to this country many years ago, and our country and our church have been there to help them," said Mrs. Keiko Sato, church president.

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Dairyman held hostage in robbery

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Eventually, Mitose and a co-worker made their way back to the meat section of the store and formed other workers there about the robbery. They didn’t see the gunman after that. They didn’t know whether he was alone or part of a team.

Mitose, a graduate of Fairfax High School who had been working at the Safeway for only two months, and the nine other market employees heard the gunman above them in the ceiling and thought them to be the footsteps of the robber. They laid low for nearly 4½ hours in the most department before deciding to make a break for it.

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"What can you do? He said.

Since the first of the year they have had to work seven days a week, and the church combines a give-away with health information and a screening program. Health topics so far have been flu, dental health, lung cancer, blood pressure and age and nutrition.

Dr. Yasutami Tamura, a church member who did a screening last week, said he was seeing an increasing incidence of high blood pressure among Laotian refugees.

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Japanese Children’s Songs

A collection of 20 songs sung by Goi, John Spelling follows leg­islative action to extend its life until mid-1988.

A 38-11 Senate vote April 15 sent the proposal, (HB44), to the governor. Without new au­thorization, the commission would cease to exist after June 30.

Sen. George Fleming, D-Salt Lake City, said the 1980 census showed Asian Americans are the third largest minority group in Utah. The population numbered 100,000 at that time.

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TRANSFORMATION—Kabuki artist Kotaro Nakamura (above, and inset) shows in this sequence of photos how he prepares for his role in the "Thunder God" which was part of the repertoire of the National Theater of Japan. The troupe performed April 30-May 3 at the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center in Los Angeles.

L.A. County Museum gets Japan art

LOS ANGELES—A major collection of more than 300 Japanese scroll paintings and screens, and a contribution of $5 million toward a pavilion that will house them, has been given to the Los Angeles County Museum of Art by Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Price of Bartlesville, Okla.

The collection, made up of what one expert described as "intensely decorative, late Edo material," is generally considered the finest of its kind of work from the Edo Period (1615-1868).

"In the area in which Joe Price collects, he has no peers," said Won Pong, special consultant to the department of Far Eastern affairs of the Metropolitan Museum of Art. "He is a true collector in that he collects quality."

The collection includes work by many of the major artists from Kyoto and from the Iga and Shijo schools, as well as Ukiyo-e paintings and genre screens. One of the highlights is a group of paintings by Ito Jakuchu.

"I spent years looking for where the art would be appreciated the most," Mr. Price said. "There is an interest in the Orient in Southern California. They have a feeling for Oriental art yet they do not have the art to study."

Mr. Price, who was involved until 1980 in the manufacture of oil pipelines, said he had wanted to place his collection in an institution in a metropolitan area with university connections and an interest in Asian art.

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Coram nobis fund raiser slated for S.F.

SAN FRANCISCO—The Friends of the Asian Law Caucus and the Committee to Reverse the Japanese American Wartime Cases will hold a benefit reception with Fred Korematsu, Gordon Hirabayashi and Min Yasui on Friday, June 3, 7 p.m. at the Palace of Fine Arts, 388 Lyon St.

The three petitioners are seeking to reverse their World War II convictions of defying U.S. government curfew and evacuation laws directed at the Nikkei.

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Male Chauvinism: A Few Examples

Ed. Note: The following "skit" was performed at the recent N.W.-PDK/CLCDC Dinner in Los Angeles, Calif., by members of the Women's Concerns Committee of the Los Angeles JACL. The script was written by Henry K. Honda, Committee Chairman. The performance was presented to illustrate the views of several chapter members on the inequitable treatment of women by chapter members and their families.

By BRUCE and PAULA SHIMIZU

Him: The Women's Concerns Committee would like to present a few examples of how some men perceive women and their role in this male-dominated society, and in addition.

Her: See? Just like a man, dominating the conversation from the very beginning. This is the first time I've ever been permitted to speak.

Him: She never says anything when we're with friends or in a group. I have to do all the talking, but I'm not around and she's with her friends, they gossip and talk like a bunch of chickens.

Her: The only time I get a chance to express myself honestly is when I'm with my friends... and we don't gossip. Besides, have you ever heard a group of men conducting an intelligent conversation? The only topic they know is sports. They sound like a bunch of Howard Cosell clones. On the weekends he's playing polo, the rest of the time he's driving his car. He never tells me anything. I just want him to take an active part in the household. Sometimes I think he doesn't even hear what I say.

Him: You're upset because I'm driving the car. I've never had an accident or a near miss in my lifetime and the family gets her down. So sometimes I like to surprise her stuff.

Her: When I came home, slave in the kitchen to get dinner on the table and do the laundry, and I was told that I had to do it myself. I asked him what he would do if I were the one to go to work. He never told me anything. I just want him to take an active part in the household. Sometimes I think he doesn't even hear what I say.

Him: I've had to do the driving for the family, even if my friend was the bad guy and do all the punishment in the family. By the time I get home, the kids have forgotten what they did and punished them wouldn't do any good. If they are to be punished for doing something wrong, it has to be done right away, but she won't do it. All I really want to do is get home to enjoy some peace and quiet and have a nice dinner with my family. That's another thing, I come home from work and my wife is out of control. The house is a mess, dinner isn't ready, and she says she will do a 'slow dance.'

Her: I write letters and make his breakfast, get the kids off to school and work from 9. The kids come home from school and cause all kinds of trouble. I tell him what the kids have done, but he doesn't take any interest at all, he is hardly interested in the kids at all.

Him: I worked hard and she did not get a job and earn for the kids and the house gets her down. So sometimes I like to surprise her and have her take her food on the table and work from 9. The kids come home from school and cause all kinds of trouble. I tell her what the kids have done, but she doesn't take any interest at all, she seems to be like a man.

Her: He hasnt heard a word I've said. I just want him to take an active interest in the family, but all he thinks about is what's for dinner and what's on the sideboard.

Him: I have to keep an eye on her and the kids and her job and earnings, and the house, and the kids, and the house, and the kids... I don't know what to do with her.

Her: Aaw sh hup! Go out and make the garbage and take that idiot box with you!

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History's Valuable, But What About the Future?

TAKASHI

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Salt Lake City, Utah

The Evacuation experience was elevated from being a story about scholarly analysis by academics and other experts here recently at the University of Utah. A conference entitled "The Japanese American Experience," was sponsored by the Center for Historical Population Studies and was attended by the couple of hundred auditors. It may not be quite accurate to say a good time was had by all. Some of the sessions peaked back the scar tissue and reopened raw wounds of memory. But overall, the conference was low-key, scholarly, informative and valuable.

How informative may be a matter of perspective. The Japanese American story had to be told in some basic detail for the benefit of those not familiar with it. This necessity made it inevitable that a great deal of family ground would be covered for those who were part of the history.

On the other hand, those of us who are not scholars learned all over again that the essence of academic research is detail. The research of some students of some microscopic aspect of the evacuation could hardly be covered adequately in a 20-minute presentation. But when they went on for much longer, the result was agonizing long-windedness.

Nonetheless, the conference reminded us again that historians, social scientists and legal students have found the Evacuation experience fascinating and they have probed it with zeal and fervor. The papers that were presented at the conference covered a vast cross-section of the experience and if and when published, they will provide a huge storehouse of information.

EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani

Return to the Political Arena

Philadelphia

In just three days, on May 17th, the voters in Pennsylvania will be going to the polls to elect candidates to run on Party tickets for the positions of Senator, Representative, and Governor. Any candidate, the primary election is most critical, for if one does not get beyond that election, that's the end. The voters will be selecting a number of state-wide candidates, including one for a lone seat on the Supreme Court.

This Nidei is one of seven candidates for that single seat. It has been a quest that, at times, has been disturbingly lonely, difficult, challenging, rough and frustrating.

It all started, actively, earlier this year with the distribution of nominating petitions among more than a dozen counties. This required a team of dependable, knowledgeable volunteers in these various counties. Under the election code, a specified number of signatures of registered party voters, in a strictly specified form, in a specified number of counties, are required. We hardly proceeded to seek such signatures on both tickets, Democrat and Republican. We held our breath. And succeeded. Then, and only then, did other phases of the campaign go into gear: the all-essential fund-raising, seeking endorsements, the coalescing of campaign volunteers, and again hitting the campaign trail—this time on a statewide basis.

This was not some impetuous or last-minute decision. In the past several years, we had been "testing the waters," consulting with knowledgeable people and organizations. Of course, politically, was and is that we have no "constituency" such as a large bloc of ethnic voters—and in the political arena it can be all-important to have just such a club. But what you don't have can sometimes make the best of what's little, as it may be. Otherwise, there will never be an "opportunity" time to make the race.

This is not to suggest that we entered the fray blindly, or that we were determined to make a "kamikaze" run. On the contrary, during our continuing assessment of the situation as events developed, we were prepared to withdraw from the race if factors dictated it. At the same time, however, one cannot be timid or be deterred by the odds; it is rare that one would have the odds in one's favor—and even then it can be treacherous.

Our prime opponent had apparently laid long-range plans many months, if not years, ago; he also represents a sizeable ethnic (white) group in Pennsylvania. He received the party endorsement. Another candidate had made a run in past years, and this time he was fully prepared with finances, committees, labor groups, and so on. Yet another candidate, whose brother was an uncle to our chairman, and who had previously made the campaign (unsuccessfully) for the Supreme Court, was back again. Hope springs eternal.

Whether or not we win three days from now, we hope that we shall have made some gains. We like to think so. Primarily, we hope that other Nidei will be encouraged to attempt a run for statewide offices. We can think of no reason why they should not; indeed, we can think of many positive reasons why they should.

But be prepared: it will be a grind, and you should steel yourself "to hang tough."
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Economist eye of the governor 's of three levels of service, all of which were being hammered out between Shi­bu­yana and his immediate boss, State and Consumer Services Secretary Shirley Chil­ton. The pri­orities are "a lot of the overall theme emphasizes con­clusion, analysis, and balance," the director says.

"Our primary interest this is to know how the market affects producers of goods to cooperate, communicate, and to find solutions to the problems at the lowest possible level," said "I think this consumes a considerable amount of the governor's time."

A native Californian, Shi­bu­yana has been a television reporter for 10 years at television station KNBC in Los Angeles. For the last six years, as the station's administrative assistant, Shi­bu­yana has been responsible for an organization with a total of 500 people.

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Los Angeles

Having just returned from the Tri-District conference in Reno, we from PSWDC would like to thank the host chapters and the National Board for a very successful event. In addition we want to thank Wilson Maakabe of Reno for his tireless effort in making the arrangements and seeing that we were taken care of. We know he put a lot of time into seeing that things went smoothly.

There were a couple of events that happened which makes me wonder sometimes if JACL is a human rights and civil rights group or is that just image just for public relations and we’re really for socializing, insurance, and other nice things. The two incidents were:

1) NWCNDC tabled the motion to help Mitsuke Takashashi with some monetary help in order to get a fair hearing. The District Governor brought this to the National Board in March indicating that some of the members of the Livingston-Merced chapter were opposed to any help, but if the National Board supported the it could

Norman Ishimoto, a professional in employment discrimination and Chairperson of the JACL Employment Discrimination Committee, did some investigating and felt that Mitsue should be given a fair hearing and that the Board should support him in receiving a fair hearing, as well as any fund raising efforts.

Somehow I get the feeling that some people in the Livingston-Merced Chapter would just like to let the whole thing die and let Mitsue be the sacrificial lamb to the so-called establishment. I’m concerned that some of our Sansei supported the “lets do nothing position.” If we in JACL can’t support somebody, especially one of us getting a fair hearing, as unwise as that is, then we’re really in trouble as an organization claiming we support civil rights.

2) The second item was the summary on April 24 of agricultural issues by Tom Shimazaki of Central California. Two statements he made need to be evaluated not on the basis of farmer’s concerns but whether it violates the basic principles of civil and human rights.

First Tom talked about the Laotian refugees and how many had congregated in Orange County, outnumbering the Japanese and causing problems. Problems I can understand because of cultural and language differences.

However, when he said they didn’t want to work and implied living off welfare that carries tinges of racism as practiced against non-white minorities. I can agree that there are problems but most of the Southeast Asian refugees seemed to be hard working and eager to save and get ahead just like our parents did. As far as taking low paying jobs, wasn’t that what the whites said about the “Jap” farmers in 1941? We worked cheap but had big families and lived on ring cors. I remember a farmer in Utah telling me that we needed only one rice ball a day and therefore the whites didn’t compete.

Shimazaki also mentioned the Simpson-Mazzoli Immigration Bill, which the farmers are supporting. (up to an extent.) I understand that it might have provisions probably immigrants from bringing in their families. This sounds like the “yellow peril” bills that prevented Oriental and Filipinos from bringing in their families. I realize that farmers are looking after their own self interests but they also have to think about human and civil rights. As the old saying goes, “we ain’t all that safe.” As State Senator Ralph Dills stated, history has shown that when a large group of immigrants come into the country, the second generation wants to start excluding others from coming in. It looks like the Japanese Americans are at that stage.

I hope all of us in JACL can remember what we and our parents went through and be able to discern personal likes and dislikes but evaluate issues on their merit of civil and human rights. As Bill Hookawa said in his speech at the National Convention in August, “You don’t have to put a lid on a bucket of Japanese crab so we will pull anyone down that tries to get ahead or out of the bucket.” Let’s hope that your Nikkies haven’t inherited this trait too.

In regards to U.S.-Japan relations, I keep hearing that we don’t want to accept any big bucks from the Japanese corporations because we might be construed as puppets of Japan interests. I guess that means we wouldn’t accept $500,000 a year from the Japan Foundation. Of course we’re all trying to get the Japanese companies to join JACL’s Diamond Club for $1,000 and buy a table for different events. What if 250 Japanese banks and companies said we will join JACL’s Diamond Club, do we say no you all can’t join, only as a number can join because we have a dollar limit before we become considered dupes of Japan interests? If so, then we need to identify some figure or that is being hypocrites, because right now we’re “half-people.”

I hope this article stir up some thought-provoking articles about the Pacific Citizen, but let’s stick with the issues and not with the personalities, involved. We’re either a civil and human rights organization or we’re chameleons.

By the way, how is your membership recruitment coming along? If we can’t increase membership with a key issue like press, we will never do it. There are many people out there waiting to be asked and we should at least 50,000 members. My personal goal is 20 new members and I’m about one third of the way so I have my work cut out for me.

Career Opportunity

The Pacific Citizen is seeking a full-time editor to work in its Los Angeles-based office. Duties will include news gathering and rewriting, copy editing and proofreading, and cold-type page layout and camera-ready paste up.

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Persons interested should submit resume and samples of published work to the JACL HQ, attn: National Director, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115.

Deadline for submission of resumes and work sample is June 15, 1983.
D.C. Leadership Program: Looking Toward the Future

San Francisco.

Though it is a well-worn, but true axiom, our future as an organization and as a community lies within the potential leadership of our youth. In taking the first step to prepare our future leaders for the challenges that lie ahead, the National JACL is embarking on a pilot program to develop the potential of young Japanese Americans and of the JACL as well.

The potential of young Japanese Americans and of the half-Japanese is not a spectator sport; it requires getting out of the bleachers, a willingness to participate in the process and work with a commitment to learn how to participate in the process and work with a greater involvement of the good for Japanese Americans and of American concerns at large.

What distinguishes this program from any other attempt by JACL is that Japanese American policymakers, with years of expertise and experience, will provide their insight and personal thoughts on leadership and the political system. Rep. Norman Y. Mineta of San Jose and Rep. Robert T. Matsui of Sacramento have graciously consented to participate as featured speakers for the program. Other members of the Washington, D.C. community will provide their own perspectives and views of this process. They offer years of experience in the Washington, D.C. community, which will be given a unique insider’s view towards their education for future responsibilities.

The goals for this program are clear. If the JACL is to continue to offer a strong and dynamic voice for the Japanese community, it is important that we continue our efforts in the following objectives:

1. Provide a pool of potential leaders who have been initiated into the tasks and issues of the future direction of the JACL.

2. Provide this group of potential policymakers the skills necessary to work within the decision-making process.

3. Relate their newly acquired knowledge and continue to educate others in our national Japanese American community of the process.

Each District participating in the program has completed a selection process, recommending candidates with potential leadership abilities. During their week in Washington, D.C., those selected will be formulating goals and objectives for themselves to relate this experience back to their own District and community.

The success of this program lies with the young Japanese Americans attending the program, and perhaps the future success of the JACL lies with them as well. It is my hope that you will join me and the many others involved with the direction of this program in wishing the participants success. It is with this wish and the traditions of the JACL that we prepare to step into the future.

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100 Club welcomes two honor roll CHICAGO—Frank Sakamoto, 100 Club chairman, recently welcomed two Chicago JACLers to the Club's Honor Roll.

Rod Kimura, of Morton Grove, a 34-year member of the American Legion Post 134 and a member of the American Legion Morton Grove Chapter of Commerce.

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