By RON K. IKEJIRI
Special to the Pacific Citizen

WASHINGTON — Similar bills will be introduced in the House and Senate within the next few weeks that will implement all the recommendations of the Commission on War Relocation Authority and Internment of Civilians.

The JACL National Board at its July 1983 meeting unanimously adopted the recommendations of the commission as the basis for JACL’s legislative drive. During the following weeks, the Washington Office and National Committee for Redress had to seek alternative means to obtain their resources toward introduction of these measures. Under direction of National Redress Director John Tateishi, the following tasks were completed:

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Asian Business Assn. to cite state minority business chief

LOS ANGELES—Simi Suzuki, chief of the Small and Minority Business Development Assistance Div. of the Dept. of General Services, Sacramento, will receive the prestigious Outstanding Asian American Business Award on Sept. 30 at Bilmore Hotel.

The business Assn. and the Asian American Business Assn. announced the occasion. They said Suzuki will be recognized by the Public Agency Award. He has served as a state Office of Procurement buyer.

Suzuki was a prime coordinator of the Asian Business Trade Mission which took place in Sacramento last May, sponsored by the California Black Chamber of Commerce.

In January, 1979, he was named controller of the Asian American Business Assn., a statewide network of 25 Asian business organizations.

Robert Yamashita, presi-

dent of "One Stop Posters" in Monterey Park, will receive a special award, presented by Assemblyman Richard Albert.

Reservations may be obtained by calling Gary Sue, (213) 231-9584 or Lynn Choy Uveda, (714) 529-6576.

Over 1,300 centenarians of Japanese birth honored Sept. 15

TOKYO—The number of centenarians in this country will have passed 15,000 by the end of September, 154 more than recorded in 1982, the date when the first centenarian was announced, in conjunction with the first day of the year for the Aged Day on Sept. 15.

Shigeo Iwami, 119, of Chikuzen, Fukuoka Prefecture, topped the list. He is recognized as the oldest person on record, according to the Guinness Book of Records.

Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone presented citations and a set of silver cups and chopsticks to men and women, including those residing abroad, who have reached 100 years of age, the year which ends next March.

Among 28 centenarians living in the continental United States, the son of Tokio Kuramoto, 100, a native of Fukushima prefecture, now residing in Monterey Park, Calif. Tokoro Nozoi, 100, is one year younger.

Kuramoto first went to Hawai'i in 1898, and later moved to Los Angeles in 1913 where he operated his own ranch and later apartment houses.

Other Southern Californians receiving accolades from Nakasone included.

Toyono Kamon, 102, Waka-
yama; Tane Nakajima, 100, Wakayama; and Mima Me Ya-
u, 100, Kumamoto, all of Los Angeles; Kishino Wada, 100, Wakayama; Garden Grove; and Rin Asano, 100, Miyagai, Phoenix, Ariz.

Two Issei centenarians now live in San Francisco; 10 in Honolulu; nine in Brazil; five each in Peru and Chile.

The eldest Japanese was the late Mrs. Yasu Kobayashi, who died on May 30, 1964 at 118 years of age. The 1992 and 1993 centenarians.

Matsui Maiho and his spouse, Makoto, of Okinawa are both 100, the first time that a couple have been centenarians.

Fighter pilot Capt. Nakagawa assumes command of Pt. Mugu Naval Air Station

POINT MUGU, Calif. — Capt. Gordon Ross Nakagawa, who was captured and held for four months as a North Vietnam prisoner of war, has been officially relieved Capt. John Tallman as commander of the Point Mugu Naval Air Station on Sept. 15.

The 46-year-old, highly-decorated Sanssei Navy fighter pilot was shot down over Haiphong, and was held until the final Operation Homecoming POW airlift flight on March 29, 1973.

Nakagawa, a native of Tottori, Japan, came to Point Mugu NAS from the Naval Air Systems Command Headquarters in Washington, D.C., where the couple are active JACL members.

The former systems Engineering Management Div. began its naval stint in 1952 when he received an NROTC appointment to UC Berkeley. He entered flight training and earned his wings in 1956.

Nakagawa had earned his master's in electrical engineering from Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif., in 1966.

In January, 1972, while assigned to his A-4, he was struck by enemy fire, but was able to bring in his crippled aircraft back for a safe carrier landing.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Bunny Y. Nakagawa of Auburn, Calif., and his wife are parents of two sons and a daughter.

Sanssei leads Everest climb

KATMANDU, Nepal—James Sano, 36, a 111-member Mt. Everest expedition, reported Sept. 3, from the summit, at 23,354 feet that they will make a final push to the first week of October. If successful, the team will put the first American on Everest and will conquer its treacherous west ridge for the first time in autumn.

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The team American obtained special permission from the local ministry of tourism to begin their climb on Aug. 24, one week before the official autumn climbing season began. "We want to take full advantage of the good weather," said Sano before leaving.

The Americans are ahead of the Japanese in their expedition, one climbing the southwest face and the other the usual ridge from Nepal.

Sen. Kennedy backs S.1520

WASHINGTON—A letter to Aiko Watanabe of Los Angeles recently revealed Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's support for S. 1520—the Senate bill providing for compensation to individuals for their detention and discrimination during WW II.

Strongly supporting the findings of the Commission on War Time Relocation and Internment of Civilians, the Sept. 16 letter said:

"All Americans should understand the serious injustice that was done to thousands of loyal American citizens who were forcibly removed from their homes and detained in internment camps for reasons beyond their control. According to the Commission, there was no evidence to support the government's decision to imprison more than 100,000 Japanese American citizens or resident aliens. To the contrary, many of these Japanese Americans served in our Armed Forces with gallantry and distinction.

"We cannot erase this mistake, but we can reaffirm our commitment to the rights and freedoms of all future generations, and abandon our sense of decency. The legislation we have introduced is an attempt to make appropriate amends to those thousands of loyal American citizens who were treated as unfairly by their government.

"As Senator Kennedy, I am proud to have been able to play a critical role in the passage of the bill to provide just compensation to all Japanese Americans who, because of the actions of our government, were denied their rights and freedoms.

"I urge all Members of Congress to support this legislation so that we may move forward as a Nation, united in our commitment to justice and freedom for all Americans."

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Book

Now regarded as a biographical and technical text, the second edition of an 11-volume Almanac of Asian American Politics, co-authored by Michael Fujii and Grant Ufijima (a Wyoming native), was launched Sept. 13 in Washington by the publishers, National Journal. The book has been published biennially since 1971.

Education

Frank Fujii has been appointed administrative officer at Seattle Central Community College, effective fall 1983. Fujii, who has been on the faculty since 1979 as instructor of instructional services, was also involved in the hiring of new workers. He directs audio-visual and graphic support services.

Dr. Takao Ishida of UC-Davis School of Veterinary Medicine, has been awarded a two-year $10,000 fellowship to support his research in cancer. He will concentrate his research on cancer—especially the study of the cat's immune defense system against disease in order to obtain its own application to the fight against malignant disease like leukemia.

James H. Uraka, who has been serving as executive dean of the San Francisco State University, will have a new title: Uraka has been named director of the Office of Continuing Education in addition to his continuing responsability as dean of professional plant operations.

Military

Jack Matsukawa of Los Angeles has been promoted to the rank of Disabled American Veterans, Nielsen Chapter 320 as an information director at the Los Angeles Chapter 320 Los Angeles chapter. He took command from Ken Kuwata, who served as commander from 1980-82.

For the Record

Name caption for picture on this page last issue should have been as in the accompanying story. Robyn Y. Nishimi, Ph.D. #

Mas Kagawuchi to be honored at community testimonial dinner

LOS ANGELES—Plans are underway for a community testimonial dinner to honor Masaki Kagawuchi, president of Pacific Newspapers, Inc., on Thursday, Nov. 3, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

The $100-a-plate banquet will benefit the Sierra Trails Distict and Los Angeles Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Kagawuchi, president of Pacific Newspapers, Inc., will be honored for his philanthropic work, as well as for his national and international stature.

Mas Kobayashi, director for Sierra Trails, heads the program committee, assisted by:


Testimonial dinner for Monterey's Tsuchiya

MONTEREY, Ca.—A testimonial dinner in honor of Harold K. Tsuchiya, recipient of the Sixth Order of Sacred Treasure, will be held Sunday, Nov. 13, 5:30 p.m., at Bancajo, the Sept. 7 Monterey Peninsula JACL newsletter reported. He is being recognized for his many services to the community and organizations.

Community sponsors include JACL, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1629; El Estero Presbyterian Church, Fishingdale Buddhist Church, and Iksei Kai. Tickets are $15 per person.

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Nisei Today topic of October series

LOS ANGELES—"Coming to Territorial Days," which is the theme of an October discussion series scheduled Sundays, 3-4 p.m., at Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, 244 S. San Pedro St.

Evacuation Aftermath will be discussed by Dr. Harry Kitano, UCLA school of social work professor; and My Health, by panel of doctors/dentists led by Harold S. Harada, DDS, Oct. 13, Aging.

Sansei drama in 'West Coast Plays'

LOS ANGELES—"The Year of the Dragon" is an extended version that is part of the latest California Theatre Council publication of West Coast Plays, Volume 15/16.

Social services merge with Pioneer Center

LOS ANGELES—Japanese Chamber of Commerce Social Services, Inc., and Japanaese Community Center announced their merger on Sept. 15 to provide a wider scope of services and programs.

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LOS ANGELES—"The Year of the Dragon," a director's guide who is struggling with his family responsibilities and the problems with living in Chinatown.

Johnny (Kei Hayashi), is the visiting daughter who has married and moved out of Chinatown. Her perspective differs from that of her father.

China Mama (played by Judy Haruki), is Pa Eng's first wife who has been sent for from China to be with the family.

The play opens on a "first last tour of the day."

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JACC recognizes its builders

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Reparations for veterans?

By WES PEYTON
Chattanooga Times Free Press, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Earlier this year a commission convened by Congress urged the federal government for clasping 110,000 American citizens of Japanese ancestry on concentration camps during World War II and to pay $20,000 in reparations to each survivor. The bill was passed by a vote of 60,000 survivors.

Legislation to accomplish this is working its way through Congress. Periodically members of the House Committee on War and Peace Resources have debated the issue. The argument is that war-time survivors have been left in the lurch and that the nation should make amends for past wrongs.

In my view, these complainers miss the point. Leaving aside the question of whether the bill is necessary or necessary to heal these 110,000 citizens' psychological wounds, the bill addresses an issue that is way beyond the scope of what government can or should do.

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Nations spend a lot of their taxpayers' money in efforts to improve their image abroad. This effort is made in the name of public information, or cultural information, and there's nothing morally wrong with it except that the taxpayers don't seem to get much for their money.

The United States Information Agency, or maybe it's called the U.S. Information Service, I've forgotten which, has its program scrutinized regularly by Congress at budget time. It is more often criticized than praised for its accomplishments.

Judging from some of the samples I've seen, Japan's international information program must underestimate a substantial part of that nation's excellent printing industry. What the Japanese effort lacks in quality of both content and interest, it makes up in excellence of printing and sheer tonnage of output.

Now, Japanese private industry has entered the cultural dissemination sweepstakes. The Mitsui conglomerate of 28 companies recently sponsored "Close-up of Japan" in Los Angeles portion of the tour. Its purpose was to give Japanese market for American goods. "However, it is both interest, it makes up in excellence of printing and sheer tonnage of output.

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LOS ANGELES—Concluding its 10-day tour of America, the Japanese Market Access Promotion Mission departed for Tokyo on Sept. 19 after talks with local business leaders and government officials on Sept. 15-16.

The mission, sent by Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone, comprised some of Japan's leading company executives from the fields of trading, importing and retail sales.

Isao Nakasako, president of Daley, Inc., Japan's largest retail chain, chaired the Los Angeles portion of the tour. Its purpose was to give American exporters concrete advice on how to attract the Japanese market and to listen to their recommendations.

The mission made it clear that there exists a considerable potential in the Japanese market for American goods, particularly consumer goods. "However, it is frequently necessary to tailor them for Japanese consumer needs," Nakasako reminded his audience.

The mission paid a courtsey call on the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce, was honored at a cocktail reception at the county Board of Supervisors, and received keys from Mayor Tom Bradley, the state and the Port of Los Angeles.

American traders were encouraged to use the facilities of Japan External Trade Organization via its offices in New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, Houston and San Francisco.

Bookshelf—Family in Pictures

80 YEARS IN AMERICA, a Pictorial Essay of the Imon Family (1885-1965), by Richard T. Imon, 64 pages, hard cover, $5. With the help of Dr. Gary S. Shumway, history professor at California State University, Fullerton, 18-year-old Richard T. Imon, after two years of research, authored a pictorial essay featuring rare family photos dating back to the late 1800s.

Emphasizing the importance of family ties and their roots, Imon has warmly described the life of his great-grandfather, Motoji Imon, who was born in 1861 during the Komei period on the island of Shikoku.

Motoji Imon came to the United States in 1903, the year before the Russo-Japanese war began. He typifies the struggles faced by thousands of men who came to America to fulfill a dream of abundance, good life and the up-bringing of a new generation.

But Imon's documentary dates back further. It was the Imon clan in the mid-Nambokucho era (1296-1398) who aided the Emperor Go-Daigo, which resulted in their receiving the coveted crest.

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The CSU-FullertonSophomore amazingly brings the whole essay up-to-date, starting with vintage pictures and government documents. In brief are old passports, alien registration cards, and even prints of family numbers issued to those who were forced into concentration camps in the spring of 1942.

Perhaps fortunately, Motoji Imon did not live to see the hectic war years. He passed away in 1941, before Pearl Harbor. His grandson, Frank (Masa) Imon, was among the early Army draftees who were called to serve in the U.S. military before World War II. He received his honorable discharge in 1945.

For an older Nisei who may have lived in Japan for a spell, the book stirs moments of reminiscence and dreams of faraway land. For Sansei readers, "80 Years" will provide reflective conversations with their grandparents.

Even more than that, young Nisei who has created an interest for all Japanese Americans to look into their family background and determine their "roots.

A member of the University's Historical Society andPhi Alpha Theta, Imon occasionally contributes to the Kaishi Mainichi and is a regular feature writer for its holiday edition.

--HENRYK MORI

Mori has been on the PC staff part-time since July 4.

On Promoting Culture from Japan

JACI LEADERSHIP INTERNS—Veteran Washington lobbyist Mike Massokaa (right) meets with National JACL Washington Leadership Development Program participants in his office. Pictured are (from left) B.J. Watanabe, Lorne Noda, and John Nakahata.

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Civil rights chairs endorse redress
WASHINGTON — The 51 state chairs (including the District of Columbia) of the state advisory committees to the U.S. Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians have unanimously approved a resolution calling for monetary compensation to former internees.

Min Yasui, JACL redress chair, submitted the resolution. Yasui completed his second-year term on the advisory board as Colorado State chair this year.

The recommendation of Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians that these comprise an official acknowledgment that internee was unjust, a "commemorative fund for humanitarian and educational purposes," and the sum of $20,000 to each survivor.

Tulear County cites valadicitors LINDSEY — Tulear County JACL recently graduated Jonathan Nitta (Strathmore High) and Kelly Abe (Orosi High) for their scholastic achievement and being chosen valadicitors. Other award-winning seniors from Orosi are Herbert Abe; Deonna Kihimura, Fresno; Jane Oomi, Fowler; Edith Yasui (High), Madera; and Cedra Yoshimoto, Fowler.

Alameda preparing appreciation dinner ALAMEDA — Chapter president Nancy Tajima announced that the annual Issei appreciation dinner be held Saturday, Oct. 5, 5 p.m., at Buena Vista Metho­dists Church. Three scholarships will also be presented to outstanding students.

“This Issei group is getting smaller and smaller,” Tajima said, “but they are going to be missed. We would like to see the younger people attend to show their appreciation to all that they have done to our Issei family."

VIOLET de CRISTOFORO

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The uneasy U.S.-Soviet relationship was transferred into raging polemics with the massacre of civilian passengers (9/18/73) in their own high-speed bullet train in their own country. The attack was a blow to the air-to-air missile. If the Soviets felt more threatened, would they use the SS-20 missile? Or even the intercontinental ballistic missiles? Japan is at present agonizing over her "defense" posture. United States is making a free-for-all bid that the one-sided security arrangement can no longer be justified. Many Japanese also believe that as a sovereign nation, Japan should rely on her own military power to defend herself. The importance of sea-defense has been acknowledged and is in the pipeline in Prime Minister Nakasone. Others conclude that the defense of the Sea lanes is unnecessary in peacetime and impossible in war.

The Soviet Union has responded to Prime Minister's misinterpreted "uninkable aircraft carrier" statement with a threat of nuclear attack. Japan is in a dilemma. The only way Japan is seen as becoming involved in a war is through the escalation of a U.S.-Soviet dispute elsewhere. If that is the case, how long will the Japanese narcotics mandamus by the United States be seen as not aimed at strengthening Japan's ability to defend herself but is intended to turn Japan into a base for supporting U.S. forces in the event of a war with the Soviet Union.

Many Japanese are asking: Why does Washington want us to have air power to intercept Soviet Backfire bombers and have an anti-supersonic missile to do our nuclear defense? Even if fitted with conventional instead of nuclear warheads, can completely knock out the Japanese industrial installations? There has been no satisfactory answer from either Washington or Tokyo.

There is also considerable uneasiness in place too much reliance on the U.S. military umbrella. French President Giscard d'Estaing once opined that the United States would sacrifice New York to save Paris. In 1979 former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger stated that the U.S. was willing to help Japan build her own self-reliance at the sacrifice of the credibility of the U.S. nuclear umbrella. United States does not promise to employ its strategic weapons to protect NATO countries from Soviet nuclear weapons. Japan is left to plan to counter the SS-20 by stationing its own medium range weapons in Europe—the Pershing II and the cruise missiles. If NATO cannot be covered by the strategic umbrella, what chance is there for Japanese to rely on it?

On the several occasions that Admiral Gene R. La Rocque (U.S.N., Retired), Director of the Center for Defense Information in Washington, D.C. has spoken of the danger of preparing for the next war by looking backward to past wars. He stated that the greatest strategic error of the Japanese imperial regime was to base their reification of placing battleships at the core of naval strength. It was hopelessly outdated by the aircraft carriers which were supreme in the W.W II battles. Time has marched on, he stated, but we are still wedded to aircraft carriers which would be sitting ducks for multiple missile attacks. He also deplored plans to penetrate the enemy air defense with manned bombers, such as B-1s. The Admiral stated that nuclear weapons would make no contribution to Japan's defense, that it is a reckless move which only invites Soviet nuclear strike.

Then what defense, if any, is there for Japan? It is in her peace Constitution. Professor Suntoku Iwao of Keio University mentioned during her brief stopover in San Francisco that Americans was wrong. "Such evidence [of convicted spies] provides no good argument for excluding all German Americans from government service..." If Japanese Americans was wrong.

With the advent of medium and long-range nuclear weapons there has been a great demand to have Japan reaffirm her national policy of prohibiting the introduction of nuclear weapons into Japan, and endorse a peaceful foreign policy aimed at defense in the spirit of her peace Constitution. In the meanwhile she should vigorously press forward to extract pledges from nations that non-nuclear countries will not be subjected to nuclear attacks. These efforts will be Japan's great_

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**BY THE BOARD: Miki Himeno**

Monterey Park, Ca.

My husband has this firm belief that when our parents are ailing, it is necessary to learn from them, as much for ourselves as for them, so that we are not left with overwhelming guilt upon their demise. I owe that to my mother that led me to Hawaii in August, a high-low type of trip.

Hawaii is a natural high. Whether it was the clean air, the blue skies, the clarity of the ocean with its blue-green-purple waters, the free and easy way of living, or just the magic of the islands, I found myself exhilarated and loving it from the moment I arrived.

Duty calls. I am fortunate enough to be able to attend a JACL convention committee meeting and a chapter picnic. The committee meets on Saturdays in the Kalanimoku Bldg. at the Hawaii State Capitol. Chapter President Lawrence Kumabe, who is deputy attorney general, State of Hawaii, was in San Francisco meeting with National JACL staff. Convention committee chair Ed Hamashiro is deputy director, State Dept. of Land and Natural Resources. Raislon Nagata, who will be handling registration, hotel arrangements, and transportation, is on Gov. Aristo's staff.

Others in attendance at the meeting were Gary Newcomer, fund-raising; Takes Okada, trustee; Jim Ohashi, 1st vp; Choki Kanelake, 4th vp; directors Lillian Takeshita and Yoichi Murada; and Earl Nishimura, immediate past pres. Also on the committee are Gregg Hira, Ray Kaneko and Karlene Chitet.

**Preview of Convention Site**

After the meeting, Edgar Hamars, Raislon Nagata and I went to Pacific Beach Hotel to meet with hotel manager Tom Watanabe (left), chapter president, is shown with recipient Mayeda (center), and Wayne Tanaka, scholarship chair.

**Plan Now for '84**

The Honolulu chapter is putting together a convention package that will be unbeatable if attempted individually or even locally. It'll be crucial for large numbers to buy into the plan and purchase the optimum package. Many special details are already included, such as pick-up, porterage, some transportation, room discounts, special programs, and optional trips. New details in flexibility allows for sightseeing, shopping or relaxing.

Hawaii will be a wonderful place to renew friendships made at previous conventions. It will offer opportunities not only to delegates, but to all JACLers to visit the 50th State, to probe the Islanders' thinking about Japanese-ness and aloha, and to bring the waters of goodwill spreading: such if there be. I am looking forward to Summer '84.

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covert investigations of Japanese American communities on the West Coast and Hawaii. In fact, an undeclared burglary of the Japanese Consulate in Los Angeles during the spring of 1941 revealed that the Japanese government considered Japanese Americans to be "cultural traitors" who could not be trusted.

Intelligence experts were well aware that the standard technique of all nations was to employ incoprecious people as spies. Japan used white people, while the United States used Japanese and other Asians.

History has proven that the "Magic" intercepts were accurate. In terms of Japan's modus operandi. No person of Japanese ancestry living in the United States was ever charged with espionage or sabotage; but at least 19 white persons (mostly with German or English surnames) were charged and convicted in the courts of being spies for Japan.

The Committee on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians feels that the controversy over spies is irrelevant to their major concern—"the historical legacy of Japanese Americans was wrong. "Such evidence [of convicted spies] provides no good argument for excluding all German Americans from government service. No other group has been so consistently othered as Japanese Americans, and yet we are told to learn from them. Equally, there was no good argument for excluding and detaining the Japanese Americans," the Commission stated.
Greg Ono succeeds Scott Nagao as JACL president of Seabrook

SEABROOK, N.J.—Scott Nagao, who set an outstanding record in serving two consecutive terms as president of Seabrook JACL chapter, relinquished his gavel to another Sansei during a graduates recognition banquet held on June 18.

Gregory Ono, son of Aki/Esther Ono, will head the chapter. Administering the oath was Eastern District Council Gov. Teresa Masabera of Philadelphia who also presided over the all-day council meeting.

West Valley ready for bridge tourney
SAN JOSE, Ca.—West Valley JACL’s annual bridge tournament will be held Saturday, Oct. 1, 7:30 p.m., at El Paseo Community Center, Campbell and Saratoga Aves. Everyone can participate with or without a partner. Registration fee is $5.50. For information, contact Helen Uchimura (408) 867-0255.

Check the PC Calendar for ‘Info’ Details

Nisei Post 1183 honors Illinois American Legion at council meet

CHICAGO, Ill.—Members of Chicago Nisei Post 1183 honored the Illinois American Legion Sept. 7 at Cook County Council meeting, said junior vice commander George Suzuki.

Arthur T. Morimitsu, representing Go for Broke, Inc., and the Chicago post, presented inscribed copies of pictorial book “Go for Broke,” and “Yankee Samurai” to Dept. Commander Ed Caja who gave strong support to Japanese American redress cause at the national American Legion Convention, Aug. 21, at Seattle, Wash. (see Sept. 2 PC).

Illinois and Cook County Council successfully led delegates to offset the anti-Nisei resolutions presented by Washington and Pennsylvania legislators.

Morimitsu cited Nisei exploits in MIS in the Pacific and the 442nd Combat Team in the European campaign and received a standing ovation.

Marina slates seminars on ‘Your Financial Planning’

Marina JACL will sponsor a series of three Thursday seminars in October under the general heading “Planning Your Financial Future.”

The first seminar will be held on Oct. 6, at the Burton Chase Park community building in Marina del Rey.

The next two seminars will be held Oct. 13 and Oct. 20, at the Nara Senior Elementary School auditorium, 7152 Cor­inth Ave., West Los Angeles.

The presentations will focus on the estate planning aspect of the broad area of study commonly known as personal financial planning. All topics have been selected for both their timeliness and interest to the full economic scope of the Japanese American community.

Leading off will be John Bartlett, partner in the Los Angeles law firm of Williams, Williams and Furukawa. Having extensive experience in estate planning and income taxes as a lieutenant and practicing attorney, Bartlett will also serve as a panelist in the second and third sessions covering the tax aspects of matters under discussion.

Other guest speakers include Kuy Yamasita, CP; Powell Church, field representative of the West Los Angeles district office of the Social Security Administration; and Johnny Nakamura, CPA, field representative of Pacific Business Bank (in organization).

George Kodama, CPA, will act as moderator throughout the series.

Among the topics to be discussed in the first session will be the new simplified California wilt, title holding options of community property, tax considerations in making gifts, some estate strategies, how to avoid probate, taxation of social security benefits, and an overview of the implications of the unified estate and gift taxes.

Recognizing that life insurance is an integral part of many estate plans, a major portion of the second session will be devoted to the new types of life insurance programs developed in recent years in response to criticism of traditional life insurance’s high cost and low returns on cash values. Also scheduled is a presentation highlighting the expanded 1983 amendments to the Social Security Act.

The third session will deal with investment in securities including Japanese stocks which are becoming increasingly popular with the American investor. Of keen interest to nearly everyone will be a review of the many choices currently available of where one can put their savings to get the highest yields and the lowest risks. The series will conclude with a comprehensive discussion of individual retirement arrangements (IRA) with emphasis on their more complex and less commonly known considerations.

The film series, “The Ultimate Financial Freedom,” will be shown Oct. 20. This film, which is presented to help individuals in establishing a retirement plan, will be shown at 7 p.m. at the Burton Chase Park community building.

Subscriptions to receive the film series are $3.00 or $2.50 for JACL members. For information, call George Kodama, 937-1876 (day) or 832-5358 (eve).
Growing tomatoes and cucumbers especially hard for our parents and other crops into concentration camps, leave indicates most want damages who majority of the respondents told which they UDder DIJs-whicb they DETAOfT JACL HELPs-Kin Yee, Detroit JACL board chair.

Chinatown residents have been systematically excluded from gov- ernmental benefits on zoning issues that will radi- cally change the neighborhood. We are asking the court to bring a halt to this development so that the developer has complied fully with the law.

The plans are being represented by Margaret Fung and New America; representatives of the American Civil Liberty Law Center and Education Fund, and Michael Shen of 1000 Friends of Hawaii.

Four awarded $600

Haruyama grants

NEW YORK—Four Japanese American students received $600 from the 1983 from the Justin Haru-

Aigaku Board Chair.

When World War II ignited the protests of them into concentration camps. Henry Matsuyuki Nakama and his wife, Hanako, realized they would never plant or harvest another crop in the greenhouses they built.

A daughter of the Nakama, Esuice Nagata, now living in Chicago, recalled that time in her memory as an unforgettable experi- ence for all of us. We wondered what we would do after the war. We were especially hard for our parents to leave behind their belongings which they had worked so hard to build.

The pioneering couple arrived in Lemolo in 1982, the same year their first child, Takashi, was born. The hardworking couple grew tomatoes and cucumbers in the spring and summer, chrysanthemums in the fall and winter. Every year it was the same. It was a miracle.

Their vegetables and flowers were loaded on small steamboats and taken to an island in the fall. In later years, the Nakamas were the last to leave Lemolo, nearly Pocket. (Kitsap County) in 1986 celebrating its 75th anniver-

U.W. alumni honor pioneer dream

Seattle—University of Washington's social work speech and hearing building will acquire a historic plaque in honor of late Issei; and these stories of their lives have effectively done "mainly part of a special construction program."

Complicating the issue is the city's creation of the Special Manhan­ Belle town, by Spark Matsunaga-Ping Chen.

Nisei: Some Observations on Holmquist's "Issei" by leslee haas. Most gift for newcomers from JACL. (Only supply is U.S.)

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WASHINGTON—Asia in living memory, the Census Bureau has presented the highest educational level of any population group here and their median income, as well as the median income of those with bachelor's degrees or more. Closest to that of whites, according to a new report on the Asian/Pacific Islander population.

The report on the Washington area's 86,474 Asians and Pacific Islanders shows 40% of those aged 25 and older have completed a bachelor's degree, based on 1990 U.S. Census Bureau figures. Whites and blacks match up to 46% of the region's white population, 25% of those Spanish origin and 16% of blacks.

Business charged in copyright violation

DALLAS—A Japanese businessman has been charged with copyright infringement after taking the identity of an Irving resident to illegally make circuit boards for video games.

U.S. Magistrate John B. Towner has charged Takeshi Yamamoto, president of Datamatic, a Japanese corporation, and Nathaniel Ray Armstrong of Arlington to sell the components to than $25,000. Tolle ordered Yamamoto, 50, held on bond, or release in Dallas County Jail.

The complaint charges Armstrong and Yamamoto agreed to a sales price of $25,000 and a delivery date of Aug. 25 of circuit boards, including Pac-Man and Donkey Kong.

Yasui resigns post in Denver

DENVER—Minoru Yasui resigned as executive director of the Denver National Center on Community Relations, effective Oct. 1.

Yasui, 46, was recently elected mayor of Fog City, a 20th century American city. He said he will take over the position of executive director for the Denver National Center on Community Relations, effective Oct. 1.

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U.S. experts on education value Japanese mothers

NEW YORK—Though most Japanese normal to the education concept as the cause of overprotected, spoiled children, many American experts view education as a key factor in the scholastic superiority of Japanese over American children, according to the current Psychology Today magazine.

George de Vos, UC-Berkeley anthropologist, says in the article that the mother (who he names the best “Japanese mother” in the world) is a very important influence in the education of her children.

“She takes it upon herself to be the responsible agent, reinforcing the educational process instituted in the schools,” de Vos says.

According to the article in the September issue of the magazine, Harvard University psychologist Jerome Kagan concurs with the Jewish mother analogy.

While rearing her child, the Harvard University scholar was quoted as saying, the Japanese mother continually reminds her of “deep, deep, warm feelings and that the child is the most important thing in the world to her.”

“Then she says, ‘after all I’ve done for you, don’t disappoint me.” She’s like the Jewish mother who says, ‘what do you mean you’re hungry—after I’ve slaved all day over a hot stove for you.’ ”

Univ. of Michigan psychologist Harold Stevenson also asserts in the magazine that “Americans just don’t understand that they are truly behind” the Japanese in education.

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NASCAR racing

HOUSTON—Applications for astronaut training in 1984 are being accepted between Oct. 1 and Dec. 1983 by NASA and the Johnson Space Center, Houston, TX 77058.

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Wonderful Kuwait

Kuwait (June 18, 1983)

After leaving noisy Italy, in 3 hours the Olympic Airways is teaching the landing strip in Kuwait. The most affluent country in the world per capita (average income $27,200), Kuwait with a population of 1.3 million is a thriving Middle East country arriving close to industrial country standards. In private living, certain elite classes may pass as richest people in the world as far as extravagance is concerned.

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Compared to six years ago, when people were crowding all the stores to purchase anything they could get hold of, today, they say business is TO-QUICK. Visibly, from my stroll visit here, I cannot say it is bright. Yet, it is far better than Europe and America.

Four Reasons for a Downward Trend

There are many reasons for this, Iraqi-Iran war, world recession, oil price slump and the tragic collapse of the "Souk al Manakh", private stock exchange market.

It's incredible that 500 million American dollars were lost in the Souk al Manakh! About $30 billion debts unpaid. Nine persons held 90 percent of this debt as the report goes. The operation started out privately with all good intentions. Large amounts of shares were highsly bought and sold with unsolicited checks. The prices j umped two-folds, three-folds. Everybody eagerly jumped on the bandwagon.

But, one day in January 1983, someone was required to cash his postdated check. Until then, checks were trusted and floated around. The check bounced! Defaulted because the sum was so large, the payer didn't have enough cash available on the promised date. Boom! Like an avalanche, hearing this story, everyday suddenly rushed to cash in. Imagine the chaos! Hundreds lost their life's earning, and property.

The final curtain dropped tragically on the Souk al Manakh and that was it, the private stock exchange market, still trying to solve this billion-dollar debt. In time of needs, Kuwaitis have the duties to help one another, but there is a certain limit to this and the government setup aside an emergency fund to reimburse 6,000 small investors in cash they would not go bankrupt. Such grateful deals never happen in our countries. Thus, this incident

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outlet into the Indian Ocean. Newspapers report the surface of the oil slick is already as large as the entire country of Belgium! Creeping slowly across, developing all marine products on its way, rendering devastating effects on the environment. Not only this. It is menacing the life out of six Gulf States because they secure their drinking and industrial water from this oil. Each country has enormous desalination plants along the shore working 24 hours around the clock to supply the necessary drinking water. Once this oil slick starts seeping into the plants, it would be a catastrophe!

Shiek Sabah Al Ahmad Al Sabah, Kuwait's information and foreign minister, is energetically trying to intervene between Iraq and Iran, so a neutral team could cap the Iraniian wells. Iran is willing to cease war in this specific area and send a helping team. But Iran says, "...it will be an occupation of sovereign territory." So goes on the emotional, political obstacles while the oil slick mercilessly strangles the entire Gulf.

This story like this may sound indifferent to most of our readers. Yet, in reality, its political, economic influence cannot be denied.

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