

ON BOTH COASTS . . .

Asian Americans begin to join Rev. Jackson's 'rainbow coalition' for presidential campaign

SAN FRANCISCO—About 120 persons attended the first meeting of Asian Americans for Jesse Jackson held Jan. 12. Conveners included former Berkeley city councilwoman Ying Lee Kelley, Butch Wing, Carole Ono, David Kakishiba, Ranko Yamada and Steven Hom. Kelley and Wing are co-chairs.



Jesse Jackson

The committee declared in a press release: "Of all the candidates who are running for the Democratic Party nomination, we believe Jesse Jackson to be one who speaks most clearly and directly to the major issues of jobs, civil rights, peace, military spending and foreign policy."

'Clear in His Views'

Kakishiba, executive director of the Berkeley Asian Youth Center, told Robert Tokunaga of East/West journal that the group was "concerned with the overall stances" of all the presidential candidates. "In terms of foreign policy and the economy," Kakishiba said, "they [front-runners Walter Mondale, John Glenn, and Alan Cranston] are similar to each other and not too much different than President Reagan."

"Jackson has been very clear in his views," Kakishiba continued. "His foreign policy plan calls for the withdrawal of troops from

Lebanon, the opening of negotiations with all parties involved, and the restoration of a Palestinian homeland."

Although Jackson has not yet drafted an Asian American plank in his platform, as Alan Cranston has done, the Bay Area committee is confident, Tokunaga reported, that Jackson will be sensitive to such issues as bilingual ballots, immigration restrictions and redress.

The group plans to conduct a voter registration drive, to draft a platform on Asian/Pacific issues, to help centralize work for Jackson's campaign in Northern California among Asian Americans, and to raise money.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, Feb. 9, from 7:30 p.m., at Sumitomo Bank in Oakland. Ranko Yamada, in charge of publicity, may be contacted for more information at 465-7300.

New York Meeting

While Asian and Pacific Americans were meeting in



LIBRARY GRANT—George Kondo, president of California Japanese Alumni Assn. (far right) presents \$1,500 grant to Wei-chi Poon, librarian of U.C. Berkeley's Asian

American Studies Dept., and Curtis Simic, U.C. vice-chancellor. CJAA board member George Yasukochi and department head Ling Chi Wang look on. (Story on p. 3.)

the Bay Area, twelve members of the New York Asian American community also met on Jan. 12, with

"hundreds" of non-Asian Jackson supporters, New York Nichibei said. The Nichibei reported that

the Rev. Franklin Woo, head of the China Desk of the National Council of

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New U.S. Commission on Civil Rights changes stance on affirmative action

HUNT VALLEY, Md. — The reconstituted U.S. Commission on Civil Rights reversed long-established commission policy Jan. 17 by voting 6-2 against the use of racial or gender-based quotas to overcome job discrimination.

In other actions, the panel asserted that "a general decline in academic standards coincided with the advent of affirmative action in higher education" and voted to "undertake a major study of affirmative action in both hiring and enrollment."

Citing the Washington state court decision that awarded back pay to female state employees on the basis of their jobs' "comparable worth" (see Jan. 6-13 PC), the panel also voted to study

the comparable-worth concept, calling it a "fundamentally radical one that would alter our existing marketplace economy."

And a study was cancelled that would determine how the proposed federal reductions on financial aid to Black and Hispanic colleges would affect equal opportunity programs.

'Creating New Victims'

In its statement opposing the Detroit police department's use of quotas for the promotion of officers, the commission stated that "such racial preferences merely constitute another form of unjustified discrimination, create a new class of victims, and when used in

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Yasui brings petition to vacate conviction into federal court

PORTLAND, Ore. — Lawyers for Minoru Yasui argued in U.S. district court Jan. 16 that his conviction for violating the wartime curfew order against Japanese Americans should be vacated. Using the arguments developed for the three petitions for a writ of error coram nobis, Yasui's lawyers, like those for Fred Korematsu and Gordon Hirabayashi, assert that in the Supreme Court hearings, the government altered, suppressed and destroyed key evidence that would have shown Japanese Americans to pose no military threat to the U.S.

District judge Robert Belloni took under advisement their arguments and those of the Justice Dept.

Victor Stone, Justice Dept. attorney, told the court that the government would move to vacate Yasui's conviction, but without admitting wrongdoing. This position is identical to the one taken in the Korematsu case, which Stone also handled.

Attorneys Don Willner of Portland and Peggy Nagae of Eugene argued that a finding of government misconduct is crucial to the importance of their case and would correct the historical record.

Yasui asked to be arrested for violating the curfew to test its constitutionality in 1942. The Supreme Court upheld his conviction in 1944. Yasui has been sentenced to nine months of solitary confinement and fined \$10,000. #

FCC Ethnic Affairs office proposed; JACL in support

NEW YORK—A newly formed coalition of ethnic organizations including the Japanese American Citizens League joined Rep. Mario Biaggi (D., N.Y.) Jan. 12 in calling for creation of a federal office concerned with distorted TV and radio portrayals of ethnic groups to stem a recently recorded increase in offensive treatment. Biaggi is author of the bill (HR 3105) proposing such a body, an Office of Ethnic Affairs to set up within the Federal Communications Commission.

Addressing a news conference at American Jewish Committee headquarters, Biaggi said:

"Official FCC records point to a dramatic increase in the number of complaints directed against radio and television stations based on racial and ethnic ridicule and stereotyping. In the final nine

months of 1983, there were 595 complaints—more than twice as many as were registered in all of fiscal year 1981, the last year when FCC compiled such data."

"These figures," continued Biaggi, "combined with the fact that more than 12 different ethnic and racial groups have joined in a coalition to support my bill, graphically illustrate the need for its passage."

Biaggi and coalition leaders stressed that the Congressman's bill did not aim to censor the media, but to focus public attention on the dangers of stereotypes.

Functions of Office

This office, states the bill, would serve as a clearing house for complaints about the depiction of ethnic groups on radio and TV; collect and analyze information from public and private agencies

regarding media portrayal of ethnic groups; conduct educational programs "encouraging the positive portrayal of ethnic groups," and hold annual conferences designed to "focus public attention on the images of ethnic groups depicted by broadcast programming."

Members of the new coalition are:

American Jewish Committee, Commission for Social Justice—Order of the Sons of Italy, Cuban National Planning Council, JACL, League of United Latin American Citizens, National Italian American Foundation, National Urban League, Polish American Congress, Polish-American

Jewish-American Task Force, Ukrainian National Assn., UNICO-National, and United Hellenic American Congress.

In its statement of purpose, the new coalition pledged to:

1. Engage in an ongoing dialogue with mass media professionals to improve the way ethnic life is portrayed on radio and TV, and to reduce negative stereotyping;
2. Develop a strategy for influencing the media to present fuller and more positive portrayals of our groups and organize audience support for such efforts;
3. Formulate a code of standards on the media's mistreatment of ethnic groups;
4. Stimulate research on the mass media's impact on ethnic identity and intergroup relations. #

Nikkei teacher appeals firing

NEW MILFORD, N.J.—Douglas Nogaki, a high school physical education teacher fired last November for an alleged act of corporal punishment, has filed an appeal to the state board of education.

The October 1981 incident for which Nogaki was fired involved twin male students, 14, who refused to obey a military-like drill order given to the class before their exercises.

According to Nogaki, he placed his hand on the lower shoulder/chest area of Douglas Yowell, one of the twins, and turned his head to the right. There was, Nogaki stated, no pushing, punching or other violent act.

Gerson Yowell, father of the boys, claimed Nogaki had punched both students in the chest. His charges were first heard December 1982 in the municipal court here, where Judge Dominic Preziosi found Nogaki not guilty of

criminal assault.

Second Try

Yowell then took his case to the school board, which referred it to the state commissioner of education. An administrative law judge reviewing the case, Elinor Reiner, ruled in August 1983 that Nogaki be fined one year's salary increase plus one month's pay. Reiner found that the mere physical contact between Nogaki and the students constituted a form of corporal punishment. New Jersey law forbids use of physical force by teachers except to protect themselves or students from harm or to intervene in fights.

The New Jersey Education Assn. filed exceptions to this ruling, saying the recommended penalty was too harsh. On the other hand, the New Milford board of education filed exceptions, asking for Nogaki's dismissal, stating

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Educator under fire from Seattle JACL

SEATTLE—A Black education coalition and three other minority organizations criticized Superintendent of Schools Donald Steele last month, but will probably support a \$133 million school district levy and bond issue.

The Coalition for the Education of Black Children voted "no confidence" in Steele, saying his programs failed to improve the achievement of Black students or to lower their expulsion and suspension rates. The coalition also suggested that racism and sexism underlay his disputes with top Black aide Dr. Alice V. Houston, assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction.

Representatives of the Seattle Chapter JACL, the Washington Assn. for Asian and Pacific American Education, and the Minority Executive Directors Coalition of King County met with Steele on Dec. 16. Later they agreed that endorsing him would be divisive to the minority community.

Joint Statement

In a joint statement read by Mako Nakagawa, elementary school principal and 1983 Seattle Chapter JACL president, the minority organizations said their position continued to be "the promotion of academic excellence and humanistic education for all students."

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ing he was a "danger" to students. During this time, however, the board had appointed Nogaki to coach a girl's volleyball team.

Reviewing the case, state education commissioner Saul Cooperman stripped Nogaki of his tenure and fired him.

Community Support

Support for Nogaki seems to be widespread. Over 300 students (just under half the total student body of New Milford High) staged a walk-out on Nov. 23 to protest Nogaki's firing. Parents, students and fellow teachers are signing petitions. A date for

the appeal, expected to take several months, has not been set.

Douglas's brother Rodger Nogaki told the Pacific Citizen that witnesses will not be allowed on his behalf when the state board hears the case. Only Douglas Nogaki and his lawyer can speak. "I really don't think he has a chance of winning his appeal," Rodger said. "We really don't know how to approach the situation now."

Nogaki, 35, was hired as physical education teacher at New Milford High School in 1971. #

Awards

UCLA geologist Takeo Suzuki, founder of the popular West Los Angeles JACL earth science section in 1965, was honored Jan. 25 for his many years of community service by the West Los Angeles Lions.

Religion

The Rev. Toshio Murakami currently serving as the executive assistant to the Bishop of the Buddhist Churches of America, San Francisco, and as executive director of the Institute of Buddhist Studies, was assigned to the Buddhist Church of Oakland as resident minister effective Jan. 1, 1984. For the past seven years he also served as Japanese section editor for the Horin newspaper. #

Origami designer to show work, Feb. 7

WHITTIER, Ca.—Former Rio Hondo College student Daniel Nakamura will display several of his award-winning origami creations at RHC art gallery, 3600 Workman Mill Road., Feb. 7 to Mar. 6, Mon.-Thurs., 9-11 a.m., and 1-4 p.m., and Fri. from 6:30-9 p.m. Evening viewing hours are Feb. 8, 9 and 13. A reception is planned on Feb. 7 from 7 p.m.

A giant and miniature origami specialist, Nakamura's works, ranging from half-inch wide to 16-feet wide, have been displayed at the Los Angeles Craft and Folk Art Museum, the Music Center, Japan Expo, Marineland and the Japanese Community Center.

Nakamura's creations are housed permanently in Tokyo's Paper Museum. #

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Churches, spoke at the Harlem gathering for the Asian Caucus for Jackson. Woo stated that the caucus had joined the "rainbow coalition" that day because Jackson "gave everyone the opportunity to participate in the political process" and that the rainbow concept allowed each color to manifest itself in its own way.

Nikkei Hold Endorsement

New York's Concerned Japanese Americans (CJA) has not yet extended its support to Jackson, the Nichibei said, pending an official statement from the candi-

date on redress. In a letter to Jackson, CJA told him that: "If your position is in support of restitution for Japanese Americans, we would like to circulate and publicize your statement within the Asian communities. We feel this will be one way in which we can concretely mobilize support for your candidacy among Asians."

Although CJA is waiting for a response, in their letter they "wholeheartedly" extended congratulations to Jackson on his presidential candidacy. The group stated, "We like the way you raise pertinent issues and boldly

challenge American policies both foreign and domestic, that do injury to both nations and peoples. Your public stances on nuclear dis-

armament, equal rights for women, unemployment, immigration, and the need for social change are admirable." #

Business

Interface Group, Ltd., a Washington, D.C., executive search firm, was named by a major trade publication as one of the nation's top 50 leaders out of more than 2,500 such firms in the United States. Interface was founded by its president, William H. ("Mo") Marumoto, who served as special assistant to former President Nixon, responsible for filling Cabinet and sub-Cabinet positions. Before coming to Washington, Mr. Marumoto worked in Los Angeles for the management consulting division of Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. The Interface Group, Ltd. was the only minority-owned firm listed among the top fifty. The list was compiled by Executive Recruiter News, an industry newsletter, and included only those firms that are on a retainer basis with clients. Firms were rated according to quality, reputation, stability, professional impact, size and age. #

Courtroom

Arnold T. Abe has been appointed by State Chief Justice Herman Lum to a six-year term as a district judge for the Oahu Family Court. Abe, 46 is the son of former Hawaii Supreme Court Justice Kazuhisa Abe. The new judge is a graduate of Univ. of Hawaii and Univ. of Denver law school. #

Music

Thalia Moore, daughter of Mrs. Keiko Hiratsuka Moore and grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Unichi Hiratsuka, is now a cellist with the San Francisco Opera orchestra. Thalia was the recipient of the Washington, D.C., and National JACL Scholarship award in 1976. She received her BA and MA degrees from the Juilliard School of Music in New York. Thalia will be appearing at the Terrace Theatre at the Kennedy Center on May 7 in a concert sponsored by the Washington Performing Arts Society. #

Fukuoka-born violinist Toru Yasunaga, 32, was selected concertmaster of the Berlin Philharmonic, winning an audition over 10 others from eight nations, according to Herbert von Karajan, conductor. #

Organization

Ron Sugiyama was appointed by San Francisco Supervisor Louise Renne to a four-year term on the Delinquency Prevention Commission beginning Nov. 15. The commission advocates on behalf of youths and their families. Sugiyama is employed at Japanese Community Youth Council. #

Sports

Vanne Akagi, the 1982 Hawaii girls state high school champion at Leilehua, defeated Kaiser senior Lori Miller, 6-3, 6-1, to win the Honolulu women's singles title on Jan. 3 in the 63rd Ala Moana Tennis Championship. Akagi, who attends Texas A&M, the tournament's top-seeded player, also won the doubles crown. #

Most Asians live on West Coast

WASHINGTON—The nation's population of Asians and Pacific Islanders is concentrated in the West and three-quarters of them live in just seven states, the Census Bureau reported Jan. 5.

The 25 different groups make up 1.6% of the population, and they constitute 5% of all persons living in western states. The two population groups numbered 3,466,421 Asians and 259,566 Pacific Islanders.

Seven states have populations of 100,000 or more Asians and Pacific Islanders: California, 1,312,973; Hawaii, 590,659; New York, 330,972; Illinois, 172,213; Texas, 134,428; Washington, 111,607; and New Jersey, 109,383.

The Asian Americans make up 90% of the diverse group and include, in descending numbers: Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Asian Indian, Korean, Vietnamese, Laotian and Thai.

The Pacific Islander groups, also in descending order, include Hawaiians, Samoans, Guamanians, Tongans, Fijians, Tahitians, Palauans and Marshallese.

State	Asian pop. in 1980*	State	Asian pop. in 1980*
Ala.	10,660	Mont.	3,097
Alaska	8,314	Neb.	8,190
Ariz.	24,562	Nev.	15,606
Ark.	7,232	N.H.	3,364
Calif.	1.3 million	N.J.	109,383
Colo.	34,257	N.M.	7,728
Conn.	21,226	N.Y.	330,972
Del.	4,627	N.C.	23,150
D.C.	6,883	N.D.	2,292
Fla.	62,514	Ohio	53,166
Ga.	26,009	Okla.	19,765
Hawaii	590,659	Ore.	40,958
Idaho	6,721	Pa.	70,514
Ill.	172,213	R.I.	6,617
Ind.	24,355	S.C.	13,370
Iowa	13,847	S.D.	1,917
Kan.	17,539	Tenn.	15,252
Ky.	11,823	Texas	134,428
La.	25,123	Utah	20,224
Maine	3,073	Vt.	1,640
Md.	67,949	Va.	70,569
Mass.	52,615	Wash.	111,607
Mich.	62,641	W.Va.	5,902
Minn.	32,226	Wis.	22,043
Miss.	7,749	Wyo.	2,044
Mo.	24,962	Total	3.7 million

*Includes Asians, Indochinese and Pacific Islanders

Source: Census Bureau, latest figures available

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Calif. lawsuit brought for anti-Asian discrimination in housing

SAN FRANCISCO—An Oakland, Calif., landlord has agreed to pay a Chinese American couple \$4,000 in an out-of-court settlement on a housing discrimination suit, reported the Fall/Winter newsletter of Nihonmachi Legal Outreach.

Riki and Ray Hing, in their complaint filed in Alameda County Superior Court, claimed that the landlord refused to show them an advertised apartment because of her bias against Asians.

The Hings were represented by attorneys Don Ginoza and Lori Suzuki of Nihonmachi Legal Outreach and

chi Legal Outreach and James Ware of Palo Alto.

In September 1981, Riki Hing inquired about a two-bedroom apartment advertised by a posted sign. The white landlord stated that Hing would not be suitable because all the existing tenants in the building were elderly.

Hing suspected discrimination. "I remember reading about incidents involving racism against Southeast Asian refugees in housing during the time this incident occurred and I decided I was not going to simply allow

what happened to me to pass by without doing something about it," she recalled.

Testing Discrimination

Following this encounter, Operation Sentinel, a Bay Area fair housing agency, sent two testers to determine if racial bias might be involved. Both testers were similar in profile to Hing, though one was Asian and the other was white.

The Asian tester was told the unit was restricted to elderly people, but the white tester, in her 30s, was offered the apartment. The Hings were advised that strong evidence existed on which to proceed with their case.

"Since we are citizens, raised and educated here, the natural reaction of most people is to think that this kind of treatment occurs because of something personal, when it

is really racism," Hing told the newsletter.

The Hings sought damages for humiliation and embarrassment, together with punitive damage and attorney's fees. In California, the Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing investigates complaints arising under the state fair housing laws. The U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development enforces federal laws.

"According to the Dept. of Fair Employment and Housing, over 60% of all complaints they receive initially appear to have merit," noted attorney Ginoza. "This would strongly suggest that if more people were aware of their rights and had strong convictions, like the Hings, fair housing could become more of a reality through the pursuit of more individual claims."

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The Quest Continues

By HARRY HONDA

There is another historic clipping in the PC archives that needs to be cited in our current quest to determine when the expression, "Little Tokyo," first appeared in print. Many years ago, author Vaughn

Greene of San Francisco sent us pages from the Oct. 17, 1907 Collier's Magazine featuring a special report of "The Japanese and the Pacific Coast"—part two of a three-part series. Fortunately, the L.A. Public Library has the complete set of the magazines, enabling us to check parts one and three of a very-detailed description of Japanese life in British Columbia, Washington, Oregon, California and Texas (glad to see it, as well) by Will Irwin.

There was no mention of "Little Tokyo" but references are made to "Japanese colonies" (an expression that's popular in Latin America as the people refer to their particular community as "colonia") in various West Coast cities where existed a concentration of Japanese residents. One caption of a candy store and barber shop is depicted as being in the "Japanese quarters" of San Francisco. And where Japanese laborers were living together in great numbers was called a "Japanese settlement". This particular picture taken in British Columbia looked like a block inside Rohwer, Ark. So the references are common and plain; nothing quaint or geographic.

As mentioned last week, local Angelenos were referring to the Japanese shops and cafes on East First Street as "Little Tokyo" by 1912. It makes sense if you study the population data. Most of the Japanese in California were in L.A. by 1910. Los Angeles County had 20% (8,500) of the Japanese population in California (41,400), passing up San Francisco at 10.9% (4,500), which was slightly over City of Los Angeles at 4,250. Thousands of San Franciscans (not only the Japanese) fled the city after the Earthquake and Fire of 1906.

Hooray for Kashu Mainichi

A commentary in Kashu Mainichi's fledgling English section (Saturday, Jan. 30, 1932—No. 68) acknowledges Lee Shippey's reference in his L.A. Times columns of "Little Nippon" for Japanese town. (We noted last week he was using that as early as 1929.) But the young Japanese journalists prefer "Li'l Tokyo", when referring to their "quartier Japonaise", this unsigned piece proclaimed.

While gingerly turning these yellowing pages from No. 1 (Nov. 5, 1931) through January, 1932, "Li'l Tokyo" prevailed in the early period. Yet some headlines in the Kamai show "Li'l Tokio." We hasten to add that the Kamai English section was the last refuge for "Li'l Tokio" in print—through 1971.

The people who put up signs along the highways had posted "Little Tokyo" in mid-1968. That was a signal for PC to spell out "Li'l Tokio."

In the mid-'30s, the Nisei editors on the West Coast had already christened the three major Japanese communities with nicknames: "Li'l Tokio" (the early American way of spelling the Japanese capital) for Los Angeles, "Li'l Osaka" for San Francisco's Japanese town, and "Li'l Kobe" for Seattle. A quarter century later, the latter two U.S. communities also have Sister Cities affiliations with the same cities in Japan. But Tokyo is tied with New York while Los Angeles is with Nagoya. The Nisei editors also used to meet at JACL national conventions to work out style.

So the quest continues. We have yet to tackle the U.S. Immigration Commission reports of 1910, which the local library has. That much was ascertained this past week.

Community affairs

SAN FRANCISCO—The Social Welfare Commission of **Buddhist Churches of America** has embarked on its second annual Thanksgiving Dana fund drive for grants to community agencies in the U.S. and abroad. Among recent recipients are Fuji Towers Senior Citizens Home in San Jose, Karma Chokor Dechen Nunnery in Nepal, Asian Community Center of Sacramento Valley, and Mutual Elderly Assn. for Southeast Asian Refugees in San Francisco. Contributions for the project may be sent to the BCA headquarters, 1710 Octavia St., San Francisco, CA 94109.

SAN FRANCISCO—Shigeru Sugiyama recently donated \$15,000 to the **Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California**. Sugiyama, 84, presented the gift as a memorial to her late husband, Tokuji Sugiyama, who would have been 100 last year. The donation will be applied toward the construction of the center and furnishings for meeting rooms.

LOS ANGELES—**Japan Trade Center**, an overseas agency of the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), is compiling an "American Exporters Resource Directory" of American manufacturers and trading companies who want to export products to Japan. The directory will be distributed free of charge to organizations in Japan. Deadline for firms who wish to be listed is Friday, Feb. 17. For more information, call Shig Tashiro, (213) 626-5700.

SACRAMENTO, Ca.—Issei pioneers were guests of Nisei VFW Post 8985 and **Ladies Auxiliary** on Oct. 2 at a dinner held at the Buddhist Church Kaikan. A program of Japanese songs and dances was chaired by Jaxon Yoshizuka.

Plans formed to train APA leadership

LOS ANGELES—Members of a national leadership development program for Asian Pacific Americans gathered at a reception Jan. 10 to outline their plans for 1984.

Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP) is a non-profit, non-partisan organization founded in early 1982. It is supported by some 500 Asian Pacific American community organizations and leaders in the Los Angeles area. Its principal goal is the integration of Asian Pacific Americans into leadership positions in business, government and community affairs.

Speaking at the reception, hosted by Security Pacific National Bank, and representing LEAP's board of directors was Dr. William Ouchi, author of *Theory Z* and professor at UCLA's Graduate School of Management. Ouchi noted that, "Since Los Angeles has the largest concentration of Asi-

an Pacific Americans in the U.S., it is an appropriate site for this kind of organization."



William Ouchi

Ouchi described LEAP's plans as being divided into four basic areas: community forums, leadership training seminars and workshops, student leadership programs, and a Fellows program.

Ohio VFW endorses redress

SANDUSKY, Ohio—Lowell C. Hein Post 2529 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars on Dec. 1 endorsed a resolution to "protect the civil rights and constitutional guarantees of all Americans," said John Wasylik, past commander-in-chief of the post.

Wasylik made his statements in a Jan. 3 letter to Motomu Nakasako, chief of the Veterans Service Division, Military and Veterans Affairs, in Los Angeles.

The VFW Ninth District, Dept. of Ohio, Wasylik said, endorsed the resolution and

forwarded it to the state of Ohio headquarters.

"There were endorsements on the district floor by men who felt that Americans of Japanese descent were badly treated during the war," Wasylik said. "I am very pleased to tell you there was not a single dissenting vote on either the post floor or my district floor."

In California, 14 Nisei VFW posts continue their work to ensure that the national organization passes the resolution at their convention in June.

201 teams to meet in bowling tourney

SAN JOSE, Ca.—The Japanese American National Bowling Assn. holds its tenth annual tournament March 5-10 under the sponsorship of San Jose Nisei Bowling Assn.

Ozzie Shimada, who served as chair of the association's first tournament in 1975,

heads the week-long event. Competition takes place at the city's newest bowling alley, Oakridge Lanes, some 10 miles from the Hyatt House Mediterranean Center near Japantown.

Schedule for the week is:

Monday, Mar. 5: Ragtime doubles, bd mtg, mixer.

Tuesday, Mar. 6: Mixed doubles, ragtime doubles.

Wednesday, Mar. 7: Women's 4-game classic single, men's 6-game classic single, ragtime doubles.

Thursday, Mar. 8: Women's team, men's team, special events.

Friday, Mar. 9: Women's double, men's double, women's single, men's single, special events.

Saturday, Mar. 10: Women's single, men's single, awards banquet.

Assisting Shimada are coordinators Sayo Togami and Tac Handa. Chairs of the women's and men's events are Alice Inami and Steve Itatani, respectively.

Alumni fund purchases of dissertations

BERKELEY, Ca.—California Japanese Alumni Assn. (CJAA) donated a \$1,500 grant on Jan. 11 to the Asian American Studies Library at the Univ. of California at Berkeley for the purchase of doctoral dissertations on Japanese Americans in the U.S. More than 160 such papers have been written in the past 50 years, the association said.

The library contains 16,000 titles of books and unpublished materials, 20,000 archival papers, and 172 journals and newspapers, including Pacific Citizen. Head librarian Wei-chi Poon welcomes visiting scholars and the general public to use the library, located in 101 Wheeler Hall.

Curtis Simic, U.C. vice chancellor for development, expressed appreciation for the alumni contribution and indicated that there is now discussion among the Chinese American alumni for the funding of an Asian Studies Center.

Other CJAA Grants

CJAA recently inaugurated annual scholarship awards totaling \$10,000 in conjunction with the National JACL Scholarship Program (see

Jan. 6-13 PC). Last year, the association contributed \$5,000 to the Harry L. Kingman Memorial Fund of the university's Stiles Hall. The grant was made as a tribute to the services of Kingman and his wife, Ruth, to the Nisei students and Nikkei community during the internment and resettlement years. Chairing the fund drive was Yori Wada, now president of the U.C. board of regents.

Contributions of \$5,000 each were made in 1982 to National JACL Redress Committee and to the California Alumni Foundation. In the garden of the Alumni House in Berkeley stand two stone lanterns, donated in 1934 by the U.C. Alumni Assn. of Japan. The lanterns were moved from the Faculty Glade when the Alumni House was built.

Serving on the board of directors of CJAA are president George Kondo (also JACL regional director for N. Calif./W. Nevada/Pacific), vice president Hattaro Aizawa, secretary Moriaki Noguchi, treasurer Stephen Nakashima, and directors Steven Kodama, Gordon Kono, Elsie Nakamura and George Yasukochi.

Japan-based sponsor sets up golf tourney

COSTA MESA, Ca.—A total of 144 top players will vie for \$300,000, the third largest purse of the 1984 Ladies Professional Golf Assn. tour, when the first annual Uniden LPGA Invitational is held Feb. 27-Mar. 4 at Mesa Verde Country Club.

In addition to the four Japanese players already in the top 120, 12 Japan Ladies Pro-

fessional Golf Assn. players will be invited, announced tournament producer Larry Igarashi.

Uniden is a multi-national manufacturer of electronics and telecommunications equipment known in the U.S. for its cordless telephone. Its American office is based in Orange Country.

Educational Concerns

PULLMAN, Wash.—Washington State University Asian American Studies Program is compiling a bibliography of historical and literary resources of Washington's Asian/Pacific Americans. The program also welcomes inquiries about WSU's admissions and financial aid. Scholarships are available to Asian/Pacific American undergraduates and teaching or research assistantships to APA graduate students. Contact Gail Nomura or Steve Sumida to provide information on history and literary sources or for admissions materials, at Asian American Studies Office, 302 Bryan Hall, WSU, Pullman, WA 99164-5130; (509) 335-1966.

Cultural Scene

SAN FRANCISCO—Asian American Theater Company continues performances of "The Dance and the Railroad," award-winning play by David Henry Hwang, through Feb. 26. The play is based on events surrounding a Chinese labor strike in the 1860s and runs Fridays through Sundays, 8:30 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m., People's Theater, Fort Mason, Bldg B.

EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani



Some Scenes of Japan

Yuda, Yamaguchi
AFTER A SOBERING tour of the Heiwa Koen (Peace Park) in Hiroshima City, where photos and artifacts of the atomic blast of August 1945 are on display, we boarded Hikari (the Bullet Train) to proceed to an *onsen* at Yuda in Yamaguchi-ken. The only tourists here are native Japanese, and they're here in full force. The hotels and *ryokan*'s are at capacity; nightclubs abound with prominent promises of *esukotoh* appearing on the signs.

WE'RE NOT SURE just how the Japanese do it, but the fruit stands display apples that are the size of softballs, and the *nashi* are not too far off either. Grapefruits are like melons and grapes are the size of a man's thumb. We tried some of the apples, and huge and inviting as they look, we must say that our Delicious apples in the States are juicier and sweeter by far. But the *mikan*; they win, hands down. We saw cantaloupes with price tags on them that caused us to do a double-take: we figured the prices to range from a low of \$3.50 U.S. to \$4.50—apiece. Should make those California growers drool. No, we didn't buy one.

LIKE ALL BUSES in Japan, the bus we rode from the station to Yuda had a number of clever arrangements which ought to be adopted in the States. For example, when a passenger wishes to get off at the next stop, (s)he pushes a button which causes a bell to ring and a red light to go on which stays on; thus any other passenger is aware of the stop to be made and need not incessantly "pull the cord" with buzzing, etc. There apparently is a recording—we say "apparently" because the voice is female and the driver is definitely a male—which automatically goes on to announce the next stop. Thus, no guessing for the passengers.

ON THE BUS there's also a lighted board at the front which displays the amount of the fare due: the farther one travels, the higher the fare—which is (if you'll excuse us) only "fair." If you don't happen to have the exact fare, there's a change-maker near the driver into which you may insert your 1,000-yen *satsu*. And all of this, by the way, on an older model bus.

SOME MENTIONED THAT they had seen buses in Japan that were so spruced up that some had chandeliers. Of course, we were not about to believe that kind of a tale. Until we saw some. They have some mighty huge buses for the *kankodan* in which the Japanese tourists apparently travel long distances from their respective prefectures. Yes, Virginia, there are buses with chandeliers. Some have two of them.

WE ARE ALWAYS struck by the good manners and exuberance of the children. There's a brightness—*hoga-raka*—in their demeanor that is absolutely captivating. At the train stations we've seen whole classes of children in their school uniforms, white caps, *kaban* on their backs, noisily chirping away. We call them *suzume* because they remind us of a flock of sparrows.

AT THE STATION there will be entourage of people lined up, very neatly dressed and obviously standing by to give a send-off to the *shacho*. On these occasions, it is not unusual to seek men attired in tails and striped pants. When one hears some polite clapping, you know "The One" has made his appearance.

THEN THERE ARE the *gakusei*'s, often college students. At the Hiroshima Station there was a congregation of students who apparently were giving a championship—or at least winning team a send-off. The team captain was thrown into the air as the group shouted cheers in unison.

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REDRESS PHASE FIVE: Minoru Yasui

Redress Timetable

Many JACLers, and others, wonder how long the redress campaign will go on before success is achieved in Congress. Some people say "forever" because they do not believe redress will ever be attained. Others have written or called to ask that their redress checks be mailed to them.

Frankly, we do not know when or indeed, whether, redress will become an accomplished fact. The obstacles are enormous. The work ahead is overwhelming in magnitude and endless details. But succeed we shall with your help, and the help of countless others, who are determined that this nation of ours shall stand for justice in practice as well as in principle.

As we look at the months ahead, we see events which affect redress. Our best prognosis, at this time, is as follows:

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Jan. 23: 96th Congress convenes for 2d session in Washington, D.C.

Jan. 26: National JACL leadership convenes JACL redress staff in a overall "strategy session" for the final legislative drive. Materials to be distributed to JACL chapters and interested individuals.

Jan/Feb.: Contacts with members of the House Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations headed by Rep. Sam B. Hall (D-Tex.) concerning HR 4110.

Feb./Mar.: Informational materials to all members of Congress, and preparations for hearing in the House subcommittee. All members of the subcommittee need to be fully briefed as to JACL positions. ... Introduction of tentative amendments to increase amounts from \$20,000 to \$25,000; inclusion of 120,000 persons who were evacuated and/or incarcerated by our government during World War II; exclude amounts received from tax or income eligibility restrictions. (Suggest trust fund in perpetuity; expand scope of purposes to protect human rights of all persons.) ... Continuing public education (PR) campaign, nationwide, in support of redress. Includes obtaining of endorsements and resolutions from various organizations, groups, and including local and state governments, as well as from individuals.

Mar./Apr.: Prospect of HR 4110 consideration by the full Judiciary Committee, chaired by Rep. Peter Rodino (D-NJ) favorable report. ... There is a possibility of early hearings by the Senate Governmental Affairs committee, chaired by Sen. William Roth (D-Del.). If so, preparations for such hearing will need to be made. ... Continue PR cam-

paign nationwide. ... Contacts with all members of the U.S. House of Representatives to assure favorable consideration of HR 4110. State-by-state breakdown of potentially favorable votes and those in opposition; alerting JACLers and friends who can influence those members of Congress who are "on the fence" in regard to the redress issue.

May/June: Continue PR campaign, and contacts with members of Congress, both locally and in Washington, D.C. Hopefully, the House can be persuaded to take up the redress matter, and act favorably on redress legislation.

July 19: Democratic National Convention opens in San Francisco.

Aug. 14: National JACL Convention in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Aug. 20: Republican National Convention opens in Dallas, Texas.

Sep/Oct.: National election campaigns for 435 U.S. Representatives and 35 U.S. Senators, and the President of the United States.

Frankly, we cannot see beyond the 1984 elections. We do know that the present Republican majority in the U.S. Senate is in jeopardy. If the Democrats regain control, as seems probable, then the chief actors in the legislative battles will be changed.

As soon as election results are known, the national JACL redress committee and staff will need to re-evaluate legislative steps ahead. We would hope that we would be able to achieve success in enacting S. 2116 in the Senate, and if we have been successful in having HR 4110 passed by the House, a conference meeting to work out any differences should not be too difficult.

Again, depending upon who is to be President of the United States on Jan. 21, 1985, appropriate approaches must be made to assure that the President will sign the law that comes from Congress.

There are too many imponderables, as this is being written in mid-January to give detailed instructions as to what needs to be done on a day-to-day basis, but the foregoing does, we hope, give a broad outline of what needs to be accomplished. All JACLers and friends need to keep in mind always that a massive public education campaign is essential on a nationwide basis, and that you can do your part in the locality in which you live.

THE PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Lia Shigemura



Hawai'i's Unique Culture

Many things Japanese have long been adopted by the people in Hawai'i. Saimin can be found at McDonald's; *shoyu*, on every restaurant table. On a recent visit to my family, however, I was quite surprised to read—on the front page of the

Honolulu Advertiser's sports section—the headline, "Bachi" claims Hula Bowl dropouts." The article, by Advertiser staff writer Fred Lewis, refers to University of Nebraska football stars Mike Rozier and Irving Fryer. Apparently, Rozier and Fryer, after giving commitments to play in the Hula Bowl, defected to the East-West Shrine game. But in the Orange Bowl, prior to the Shrine game, Rozier injured his ankle, thus making a performance in the Shrine game impossible, and Irving dropped an important pass. These incidents, Lewis surmises, may have been a "case of Hula Bowl bachi... working long distance."

"Bachi" is one of those words I vividly remember using so frequently as a child. Lewis defines "bachi" as "moral retribution." I was never so succinct. To me, "bachi" was when someone would trip on a rock and stub their toe after telling a lie. With deep solemnity, someone would invariably say, "See?...BACHI!!!" We didn't always learn our "bachi" lessons, but knew that somehow, sometime, somewhere, it would catch up with us again.

Reading the "bachi" article in the Advertiser brought back many memories. More than that, the physical presence of the word "bachi" in one of Honolulu's two main newspapers further legitimized and reinforced the influence of the Japanese

culture in Hawai'i and, once again, validated my belief that Hawai'i's culture is truly unique.

In eight short months, the JACL National Convention will be held in Honolulu. The Honolulu Chapter, headed by President Larry Kumabe and Convention Chair Edgar Hamasu, have been working extremely hard to ensure success at this, the 28th Biennial Convention. Brochures describing the convention, travel arrangements, events and schedule will be distributed to chapters and districts shortly.

This convention promises to be one of JACL's best, with a good mix of National Council business sessions, informative workshops, social events, and the unique cultural offerings of Hawai'i. The August convention will offer JACLers the opportunity to shape and refine our organizational priorities for the coming biennium. And, by being in Hawai'i, the convention will also provide a chance to glimpse into the unique culture of Hawai'i that has developed out of the contributions of many different ethnic groups, including a strong influence from the Issei.

On recent trips to Hawai'i, I've become increasingly aware of the Japanese influence in the daily life-style of all of the island's peoples. I believe that a strong Japanese cultural influence has existed since the arrival of the Issei immigrants. Only recently, however, have I begun to recognize, and more importantly, appreciate the Issei's influence on Hawai'i's culture. I personally feel that growing up in Hawai'i, a society which reflected my cultural background, subliminally helped to affirm my sense of heritage.

Guest's Corner

Myth of 'Successful' Asians fostered by census, media

By LAURA CHANG
(International Examiner)

Seattle
As minorities, Asian Americans continually battle stereotypes. The sensationalistic Wah Mee murders resurrected images of gang-ridden Chinatowns, secret societies, and clanish, inscrutable peoples—images that contributed to years of discrimination. Since the 1960s, a more positive but no less dangerous stereotype about Asian Americans has evolved: a stereotype of success. Asian Americans are seen as a "model minority" that has triumphed over past discrimination and is now enjoying socio-economic success.

When provisional results of the 1980 census were released last year, the media loudly announced that the Asian and Pacific Islander group has achieved the nation's highest median family income, highest median level of education, and highest percentage of "status" jobs in such fields as medicine, engineering, architecture, and teaching. The influential business magazine, *Fortune*, wrote, "By just about all the major measures, Oriental Americans are doing better than white Americans." The article also questioned the need for affirmative action efforts "on behalf of these obviously non-disadvantaged folks."

The perception that Asian Americans are a minority that has "made it" is a major concern of local Asian Americans, and has prompted the U.S. Commission of Civil Rights to publish a report titled, "Success of Asian Americans: Fact or Fiction?"

According to the report, the "major measures" the media usually choose to cite conceal vast differences within the subgroups that comprise the Asian and Pacific Islander category. The socio-economic achievements of third-generation Japanese are likely to be quite different from those of newly-arrived Hmong refugees. The image of success also ignores many Asian Americans who are not doing well.

"The high level of achievement of a few Asians has been superimposed on all the others," said Vivian Luna, executive director of the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs. "It would be great if it were true."

An examination of the 1980 census shows that it isn't. Many Asian Americans are well-educated: in Washington state, the percentage of college graduates is 27.4 for Asian and Pacific Islanders, and 19.1 for whites. Often overlooked is the percentage of those with five years or less of schooling: six for Asians, one for whites. Persons in this category are usually considered illiterate and are disadvantaged in the job market.

Median Family Income 'Misleading'

The statistic most often touted as proof of Asian success is the median family income. With an income of \$22,075, Asian families do earn \$1,235 more than white families. Often not mentioned is that Asian families are larger and have more

workers contributing to the family income. In Washington state, Asian family size averages 2.7, half-a-person more than white families; a greater percentage of Asian families have three or more workers as compared to white families.

A less misleading statistic to cite is the per capita income. In 1979, the per capita income for Asians in Washington was \$6,233. \$2,071 less than it was for whites. Also in 1979, one-fifth of Washington's Asians fell below the poverty level, compared to 12.5% of the majority population.

Thus, a reconsideration of the major measures of success shows that Asian Americans are not all "doing better than white Americans." Many Asians have barely reached the bottom rung of the economic ladder, and most continue to struggle with discrimination and stereotyping.

The perception of Asian success has led to Asian and Pacific Islanders being ignored and neglected by government, educational institutions, private businesses, and other sectors of society.

On the federal level, Asians were initially not included when the 20-member President's Commission on Mental Health was created in 1977. When a bill was introduced to replace the Federal Communications Commission with a new agency, Asian Americans were excluded from minority privileges. The principal authors of the bill stated that Asian Americans were "more prosperous than (majority) Americans." Asians had to petition for "disadvantage minority" status from Small Business Administration, even though a 1975 study found that 96% of Asian American businesses earned annual gross receipts of less than \$25,000.

The success stereotype is especially harmful to the small Asian subgroups that have to compete with overrepresented groups. In the University of Washington School of Medicine and School of Engineering, Asians are no longer given special consideration for admissions, even though subgroups such as Samoans and Hawaiians have not achieved parity with whites.

Image of a Successful Minority Incomplete

A high percentage of Asian Americans in professional and technical positions contributes to the image of a successful minority. Nearly 15% of the state's Asian and Pacific Islanders work in the medical, engineering, scientific, and teaching fields, compared to 13% for whites. However, often ignored is the underrepresentation of Asians in managerial and administrative positions by 10%, and the overrepresentation in the four lowest-paying job categories by 30% (these categories include private household workers, service workers, farmers, and laborer).

The figures also conceal large disparities between the Asian and Pacific Islander subgroups. One-third of Asian Indians and one-fifth of the Chinese and Japanese population hold professional jobs, while less than 10% of the other Asian/Pa-

cific subgroups have professional jobs. Chinese and Japanese have more than parity with whites in managerial and administrative fields, but other subgroups are underrepresented by as much as 50%.

Maria Batayola, co-chair of the Asian/Pacific Women's Caucus, pointed to the lack of "old-boy networks" to sponsor the rise of Asian executives. "We don't have those key players to make it successful for us," she said.

"We've been stereotyped," said John Yasutake, human rights specialist for the Washington State Commission for Human Rights. "I've been told by employers that they like to hire Asians for technical positions because they seem to be able to do that kind of job well. But why aren't Asians vice-presidents? Security guards? Cabinet secretaries? About the only high-ranking Asians in the Spellman administration are those who work with Asian affairs."

Even those Asians who are well-educated and have status jobs are often under-employed. In 1974, the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare concluded that "it is easier for persons in the majority population to obtain employment in higher level jobs without a college degree than it is for the Asian Americans."

Well-educated Asians also tend to be underpaid. According to a 1975 study by Betty Lee Sung, 60% of majority male college graduates earned at least \$10,000, but only 40% of Chinese American male college graduates earned that amount. Richard Freeman surveyed 42,000 teaching faculty at 310 institutions of higher education and found that Asian American faculty earned lower salaries than white faculty, even when the number of publications per faculty member was considered.

'Asian' Too Blanket a Term

A similar situation holds in the working world, where the blanket term "Asian" thwarts the effectiveness of Affirmative Action programs. Luna remarked, "If the employer doesn't have to consider anything other than 'Asian'—if his conscience is at rest after hiring just Japanese or Chinese, then he's not going to be sensitive to truly underrepresented groups."

In an era of economic hardship, and under an administration where social programs are not a high priority, the myth of Asian success is treacherous. Already, refugee and language programs have been cut; competition for remaining funds can cause resentment from whites and other minorities.

The image of a trouble-free minority has even caused disension within the Asian/Pacific community. "There's a real split," said Luna. "Samoans, Cambodians, and other Pacific Islander groups may think it is not to their advantage to be classified as Asian. The underrepresented groups aren't getting a piece of the pie."

Though the stereotypes about mysterious Orientals have not disappeared, the myth of the successful Asian American is growing in size and impact. The myth is perpetuated by the media, by the economic success of Japan, and by Asians themselves.

Luna recommends a raising of consciousness about the diversity of culture and economic success of Asian Americans. Yasutake said, "Because we don't raise a lot of hell, because a few have 'made it,' they (whites) think we all must be successful. But despite our education, despite any experience we might have, we can expect not to get the same income, to wield the same power, as white males. It's a feature of society."

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



Baseball Players in Japan

Major league baseball would not be nearly so interesting, nor the quality of the game so high, without the contributions of scores of outstanding players from Latin America. Professional baseball also is played in Japan, but the Japanese have admitted the inferiority of their game by hiring aging American athletes at salaries substantially higher than they can command here.

That practice will end before long, according to a Japan Times interview with the commissioners of Japanese baseball, Takeso Shimoda, a former ambassador to the United States. Japanese baseball has improved so much, Shimoda said, that American Big League castoffs are no longer worth the big salaries they draw.

The highest-paid American is believed to be Reggie Smith of the Yomiuri Giants, who is reported to get close to a million dollars a year. The average pay of American ballplayers in Japan is well over \$100,000 a season, four to five times the average Japanese salary. A serious problem arises when these Japanese ballplayers feel, as they do now, that they are better than the higher-paid American imports.

The best of the Japanese ballplayers don't do badly on payday. Tatsunori Hara of the Yomiuri Giants, the Central League's Most Valuable Player, reportedly won a 60% increase to 43.2 million yen (roughly \$188,000) in his contract for next year.

It's encouraging that the Japanese no longer feel the need to upgrade their game with U.S. castoffs. But the decision to quit hiring ex-major leaguers, when it comes, shouldn't be allowed to mean a flat ban on non-Japanese

athletes. Young Latin Americans not only have an opportunity to make it in U.S. baseball, but the best prospects are vigorously recruited by Big League scouts. Japanese baseball's relations with foreign talent should be on the same open basis.

Organized baseball in the U.S. has recruited Japanese players with limited success, the most notable exception being Masanori Murakami who pitched with impressive success for the San Francisco Giants in the mid-sixties.

The recruiting has worked the other way, too, with Nisei ballplayers not quite good enough to make it big in the majors being offered careers in Japan. The first of them was Kaiser Tanaka who grew up in Hawaii, played pro ball in Japan before the war, and went on to become a manager. He still lives in Tokyo, where he works for the U.S. forces and keeps a finger in baseball.

Wally Yonamine, another Hawaii Nisei, played professional football, starred with Salt Lake City in baseball, and then went to Japan, where he became one of that country's top players before going into management. Fibber Hirayama, a Californian, was a Hiroshima Carps favorite for years. And of course we all know of Len Sakata who chose to stay in the States and is utility infielder of the world champion Baltimore Orioles.

Japanese baseball is becoming more Americanized in another sense. In 1982 two Hanshin Tigers coaches assaulted an umpire after a disputed call, something unheard of in Japan, were suspended by the commissioner, and were reinstated only after abject apologies all around.

Even the families of the coaches apologized, and that's a nice Japanese touch. #

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By LILY A. OKURA

Chair, JA of the Biennium Committee

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Candidates may be from any of the 50 United States and its territories. A candidate need not be a member of JACL. Key consideration will be given to the extent to which the candidate's contributions or achievements have made an impact upon society and/or influenced an area of American life.

At the March 1983 National Board meeting, the Board adopted a motion to expand the scope of the award to include lifetime contributions or other expanded periods beyond two years of the biennium.

Only one candidate will be named as the finalist in any one field. Candidates from at least one, but not more than three, of the following fields will be selected:

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Nominations

Nominations of candidates should be submitted on an official nomination form and mailed to the following address to be received by the deadline of April 13, 1984.

Mrs. Lily A. Okura, chair
JA(s) of the Biennium Committee
6306 Friendship Court
Bethesda, MD 20817

Nomination forms are available from chapter presidents. Nominations may be submitted from chapters, districts, or by an individual JACL member, with appropriate documentation.

Nominations should be accompanied by a statement from the nominator of not more than one typed page stating (1) qualifications of nominee not contained in application form and (2) particular reference as to how the nominator feels the individual has fulfilled the award criteria. The number of supporting letters should not exceed five. The nominee must be consulted before his or her nomination is submitted to avoid any withdrawals during the selection process.

PC Calendar of Events

● JAN. 27 (Friday)

West Valley—Inst dnr, Bold Knight Inn, Sunnyvale, 7:30pm; Floyd Shimomura, spkr

● JAN. 28 (Saturday)

Gilroy—Inst dnr, Elks Lodge, Ron Wakabayashi, spkr
Marina, Torrance, Venice-Culver—Jnt inst dnr, Hacienda Htl, 6pm
St Louis—Inst dnr, Mandarin House; Henry Tanaka, spkr

Salinas Valley—Inst dnr, Salinas Golf & Cntry Club, 6:30pm; U.S. Rep. Leon Panetta, spkr

Sequoia—Inst dnr, Ruby King Res't, Los Altos, 6:30pm; Wendy Tokuda, spkr; Rsvp 494-7862

Stockton—Inst dnr, 6pm, Sampan Res't; Eric Saul, Chester Tanaka, Tom Kawaguchi, spkr

Portland—Inst dnr, Oregon Buddhist Ch, 7pm

● JAN. 29 (Sunday)

Sequoia—Inst dnr, 4pm, Imperial Grdns Res't, Mt View; Rsvp by Jan. 23, 323-0352

● FEB. 3 (Friday)

Orange Cnty, Latin Am.—Jnt inst dnr, Sambi Res't, Downey
San Francisco—Inst dnr, Four Seas Res't, 6:30pm; Fred Korematsu, spkr

● FEB. 4 (Saturday)

Fremont—Washington Township/So Alameda County 50th Reunion, Holiday Inn, 32083 Alvarado-Niles Rd, Union City, 6pm; Rsvp Jan 17, E Tsujimoto, 38815 Sobrante St, Fremont, CA 94539

● FEB. 6 (Monday)

Boston—Chinatown New Yr's, Quincy Sch; 426-5313

● FEB. 10 (Friday)

FRESNO—13th anl bnqt of Nisei Farmers League, 7pm, Hacienda Inn; gst spkr Rob Tilling

● FEB. 11 (Saturday)

San Jose—Inst dnr, Hyatt Hse, 6pm; Sen. Spark Matsunaga, gst spkr

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The classic work now available in paperback on Japanese woodblock prints by James A. Michener (incidentally, a JACL life member and a donor of annual scholarships with his wife, the former Mari Sabusawa) with a "30 Years Later" commentary by Dr. Howard A. Link, keeper of the Michener Collection as Asian art curator at the Honolulu Academy of Arts comes at an opportune time for those planning to attend the JACL Convention this summer.

Michener's style of story-

telling is evident—starting off by exploring the history of Japanese prints that flourished during the Tokugawa or Edo period (1615-1868), despite governmental restrictions. What follows is a world of art that is best viewed in the U.S.—not in Japan, strange as it may seem.

In this update, Link expands on the scholarship and theories discussed by Michener, citing Chapter 10 (The Basic Principles of Ukiyo-e) as among the best chapters wherein the range of colors are discussed. None of the prints in the paperback are in color—which means visiting the museums to appreciate the chapter. Link goes over the book chapter-by-chapter, which connoisseurs should relish the most.

There is so much detail. This book has the touch of being the most popular English-language standard reference on Japanese prints for any student of art or of Japanese culture.

—H.H.

(Be advised that the Pacific Citizen will soon make this book and other Univ. of Hawaii Press items available. Watch for announcement next month.)

Asian Pacific coalition to work for redress

SAN DIEGO, Ca.—Asian Pacific American Advocates of California (APAAC) passed by unanimous vote of its board of governors a resolution supporting the congressional redress bills at its Dec. 3-4 meeting.

The resolution came about through efforts of the APAAC vice president for Central Valley, Dr. Frank Nishio, an active JACLer, and APAAC treasurer Ferdinand Galvez, who is also president of PAGASA, Inc., a coalition of Pilipino organiza-

Hawaiians back bill to pay AJAs

HONOLULU—The Office of Hawaiian Affairs on Dec. 24 threw its support behind congressional efforts to gain reparation payments for Japanese Americans interned during WWII.

The OHA board of trustees has formally asked Congress to adopt a bill introduced by Hawaii Sens. Daniel Inouye

and Spark Matsunaga to set up a \$1.5 billion fund for payments.

The group, created by the 1978 Constitutional Convention, was designed in part as a repository for potential U.S. government reparations payments to Hawaiians for the 1893 overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy.

Democratic club gives to redress

SAN FRANCISCO—Japanese American Democratic Club on Dec. 16 contributed \$500 to the campaign of U.S. Rep. Jim Wright for his support of redress. Wright introduced HR 4110 on Oct. 6.

Naomi Nishioka, president of the organization, told Wright in her letter that, "For those who have faced the direct effects of internment, it was both a painful and humiliating experience. But for the rest of us, as their sons and daughters and other relatives, we too, have shared their lingering memories, emotional scars, and

economic difficulties.

"We applaud your work to correct this injustice to Japanese American and Aleut citizens," the letter continued. Nishioka concluded, "Our \$500 contribution is to signify our support and gratitude. We hope this letter will provide the inspiration you need to face the upcoming fight on the Hill."

tions in Sacramento.

The resolution reads as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that Asian Pacific American Advocates of California (APAAC), a coalition of over 450 APA Organizations in the state of California endorses and actively supports the passage of "The Civil Liberties Act of 1983 (HR 4110)" in the U.S. House of Representatives and its counterpart in Americans of Japanese Ancestry and other innocent persons wrongfully uprooted and incarcerated in centers during World War II.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that APAAC, working in partnership with the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) National Coalition for Redress and Reparations (NCRP), and other organizations, develop in each of the five APAAC regions a Speakers Bureau and an Information Development and Dissemination Committee with the following functions:

A—The Speakers Bureau will be comprised of members from different Asian Pacific sub-groups (1) To develop and present accurate and comprehensive educational programs pertaining to wartime incarceration of Japanese Americans, (2) To educate and develop positive relations with members of the media to support passage of the Redress Bills.

B—The Information Development and Dissemination Committee will develop a systematic program to (1) Issue regular press releases, letters to the editor, and other educational information supportive of HR 4110 and S 2116, (2) Monitor the major printed and electronic media in each region and act as an instant response team to counter inaccurate letters to the editor or racist articles.

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JACL singles convention set for Memorial weekend

GARDENA, Ca.—Setting an organizational precedent, the Greater Los Angeles Singles Chapter announced the First Annual JACL Singles Convention to be held May 25-27, Memorial Day weekend.

Midori Watanabe, chapter founder and its first president, said that the purposes of the convention were to provide a nationwide network for JACL singles, to foster social, educational or political programs, and to encourage other chapters and individuals to form similar groups.

The convention schedule includes a number of events.

Friday, May 25: Registration and mixer, Nisei Veterans Hall, Gardena.

Saturday, May 26: Registration

and business session, Ken Nakaoka Community Center, Gardena. The day includes workshops and a tennis tournament, with a dinner/dance in the evening at LAX's Proud Bird Restaurant.

Sunday, May 27: Brunch and closing session, Ken Nakaoka Center.

Registration fee for the convention is \$60. Chapter members will provide housing and transportation for the weekend.

200 Members in L.A.

Organized in early 1983, the Greater Los Angeles Singles Chapter has grown to more than 200 members. Convention committee members are:

Annabelle Lee, Terry Yoshimura, Tom Shimazaki, Roy Kanyano, Hana Shepard, Meriko



Midori Watanabe

Mori, Lillian Roderick, Grace Nagamoto, Sally Kuriyama, Tad Hirayama, Kazue Yoshitomi, George Kamel, Tayeko Kaili.

For more information about the convention, contact Midori Watanabe, 28011 Indian Rock Dr., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90274; 541-6698. #

Give Us A Chance

By IRENE HIRANO
Chair, Women's Concerns Committee

Los Angeles

Is there any need for a Women's Concerns Committee? I have found some members are unconvinced that it is necessary to actively seek women leaders or to address issues affecting Nikkei women. Rather, they believe that TIME will bring desired changes.

When Miki Himeno and Floyd Shimomura approached me last fall to take on the chair of the Women's Concerns Committee, I had tremendous misgivings. The task of encouraging the involvement and expanded leadership of women in JACL seemed difficult at best. This concern was not based on the qualifications of the women I knew in the organization, but on the attitudes of many of the men they work with. However, I believe that more than time is needed to bring about change and agreed to join the committee.

New Programs

Based in the Pacific Southwest District, the National JACL Women's Concerns Committee began meeting in November. The past two months have been exciting and enjoyable, for committee members see tremendous possibilities for real change in the organization and are undaunted by the potential obstacles.

Committee goals are (1) to promote greater involvement and leadership of women at the chapter, district and national levels; (2) to provide JACL members with information about current women's issues and (3) to encourage dialogue within JACL about the changing roles of women.

Some of the activities

between now and the National Convention are (1) a weekly column in the Pacific Citizen, (2) a special PC supplement in May, (3) a kit for districts to be used in preparing programs (based on models developed by the Northern California and Pacific Southwest districts) and (4) special convention events.

Mutual Benefits

I ask those of you who are skeptical or even opposed to the intent of this Committee, to give us a chance—to keep an open mind and let us raise some questions and ideas. Please don't prejudice the Committee's activities. At least hear us out... for our mutual benefit.

Encouraging women to become chapter presidents, district governors and national officers doesn't

have to mean the loss of power by men. It can strengthen the entire organization. The more involved all of our members become, the stronger JACL can become. Civil rights has come to mean the fighting for rights, not only of minorities, but women as well.

In the next issue: "Women Leaders in JACL—Statistics Tell the Story."

Ed. Note: Irene Yasutake Hirano has been executive director of T.H.E. Clinic for Women since 1975. She is also president, Asian/Pacific Legal Defense and Education Fund; chair, National Network of Asian and Pacific Women; chair, exec cmte, Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics; regional chair, APA Advocates of California; member and former chair, California State Commission on the Status of Women.

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CITIZENS LEAGUE

U.S. Representative asks for public input

By JUDY NIIZAWA

Sunnyvale, Ca. On Saturday, Jan. 14, I along with four others met with Congressman Ed Zschau regarding his position on HR 4110, the Civil Rights Bill of 1983. Zschau is a first-term representative whose district spans from Hillsborough to Gilroy, Half Moon Bay to all of Stanislaus County. His district touches on the congressional districts of Norman Mineta, Tom Lantos, Don Edwards, and others. Our delegation consisted of JACL members James Shizuru (Los Altos) and Bud

Nakano (Palo Alto), who belong to Sequoia Chapter; Doug Ota (San Mateo), Lily Shibuya (a Sunnyvale resident who worked in Zschau's district and a Sequoia JACL member), and me, representing San Jose Chapter and the Northern California District Council, which overlaps much of Zschau's district. Hearing Rep. Norman Mineta at the San Jose Chapter meeting the night before was extremely helpful in talking with Zschau.

The questions asked were very open and the attention

given to our comments was genuine and sincere. Some areas we touched on I felt needed follow up, and I felt that since Zschau had many questions, others might also wish to read the material sent to him. Thus, following are excerpts from the letter sent to Zschau:

The first area I am responding to deals with the question of what Constitutional rights actually were denied. My source is Mr. Ray Okamura, 1979.

Article I: Freedom of religion; freedom of speech; freedom of press; freedom of the right to assemble.

Article II: Right to keep and bear arms.

Article IV: Freedom from unreasonable search and seizure.

Article V: Right to an indictment or to be informed of charges; right to life, liberty and property.

Article VI: Right to speedy and public trial; right to be confronted with accusatory witnesses; right to call favorable witnesses; right to legal counsel.

Article VII: Right to trial by jury; right to reasonable bail.

Article VIII: Freedom from cruel and unusual punishment; right against involuntary servitude; right to equal protection under the law; right to vote; right to habeas corpus.

The compensation being sought is based on the following:

Defamation of character; false eviction; false imprisonment; loss of property; loss of income; loss of life and health due to government actions; emotional and psychological damages; damage to ethnic identity; disruption of family.

I also sent a copy of the statement Peter Irons made before the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians on Dec. 8, 1981. In it he says in part: "It is clear from the record that the internment was decided upon and implemented, and justified in the courts, on the basis of a demonstrably false set of assumptions about the Japanese American community."

'Let Him Know'

It should be said that Rep. Zschau was gracious in receiving us and we all look forward to hearing from him. If you are represented by him in Washington, be sure to let him know how you feel about the issue of monetary redress. He admits that he does not yet know what the remedy should be. He agrees that the experience was wrong. Let him know what you believe. Write him at 429 Cannon House Office Bldg, Washington, D.C. 20515, or 505 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086.

Zschau's district includes the following cities: Portola Valley, Woodside, Menlo Park, Atherton, Mt. View, Sunnyvale, Saratoga, Cupertino, Monte Sereno, Los Altos, Los Altos Hills, Pescadero, San Gregorio, Half Moon Bay, Hillsborough, Turlock, Gilroy, San Martin, Morgan Hill, and all of Stanislaus County except for Modesto, Ceres, and Patterson. Some of San Mateo is included. It would be ideal if we had residents from each of these different postal areas to write. If you do write, please send a copy to the JACL Washington office, c/o Redress, so we can keep track of your interests and contacts. The address is 1730 Rhode Island Ave. NW #204, Washington, D.C. 20036.

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PNW issues a 'challenge'

By DENNY YASUHARA

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Therefore, in the spirit of a little friendly competition, the PNWDC CHALLENGES any and all other Districts to compete in a WINNER TAKE ALL recruitment drive. The competition is to be conducted under the following guidelines and rules:

1. Each participating District is to put \$250 into the WINNER TAKE ALL kitty.
2. The baseline starting point will be the official National JACL membership count (for each District) as of June 30, 1983.
3. The "drive" will end with the official National count as of June 30, 1984. The winner will be the District having the greatest percentage increase in membership.
4. All losers will pay the winner at the National Convention in Hawaii, in the form of:
 - (a) \$250 (from each of the losing Districts), and
 - (b) Host the winners to a "hospitality room" on Wednesday evening during the National Convention (food and drinks must be yummy and plentiful). Details will be worked out with the participating Governors at a later date.

If you would like to enter this competition, or if you have any questions, please call or write to: Tim Otani, PNW Regional Director; 316 Maynard Avenue So.; Seattle, WA 98104; (206) 623-5088 (during work hours). Or contact Denny Yasuhara, PNW District Governor; E. 935 - 20th Avenue; Spokane, WA 99203; (509) 534-2576 (evenings). #

1984 Chapter Installations

GILROY CHAPTER, P.O. Box 1238, Gilroy, CA 95021—Ron Wakabayashi, National JACL executive director, speaks at the installation dinner, Saturday, Jan. 28, Gilroy Elks Lodge. Dr. Robert Infelise will install the board.

Misao Niizawa, pres; Mas Miura, 1st vp/prog; James Ogawa, 2d vp; John Kado, 3rd vp/memb; Alice Kado, rec sec/newsletter; June Muraoka, treas; Atsuko Obata, schol; Johnnie Hanamoto, redress/PC; Setsuko Hirahara, ins; Ray Yamagishi, off del; Atsuko Obata, alt del; Joe Obata, youth; Fuzzy Nagareda, sen cit's; Sam Soda, hist/bldg.

ORANGE COUNTY AND LATIN AMERICAN CHAPTERS—A joint installation banquet will be held Friday, Feb. 3 at Sam's Restaurant, 8649 E. Firestone Blvd. in Downey. Social hour begins at 6:30 p.m., with dinner at 7:30 p.m. PSWDC Governor Harry Kajihara is guest speaker. Tickets are \$20 per person. For reservations, call Jo Ann Kanshige, (714) 962-6615 (w) or 699-9287 (h).

SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER, 4815 La Gama Way, Santa Barbara, CA 93111—National President Floyd Shimomura is guest speaker for the Santa Barbara dinner, Saturday, Feb. 11, Montecito Country Club.

Mike Hide, pres; John Suzuki, vp; Ikey Kakimoto, treas; Jane Uyesaka, sec; Reiko Uyesaka, memb; Marvin Glaser, ins; George Ohashi, prog. Board: Goro Takeuchi, Mamoru Takeuchi, Dennis Tokumaru, Mas Matsumura, Paul Uyesaka, David Wakumoto.

STOCKTON CHAPTER—Eric Saul, curator of the Presidio Army Museum in San Francisco; Chester Tanaka, author of "Go For Broke"; and Tom Kawaguchi, Go For Broke, Inc., representative, are guest speakers at the Stockton installation, Saturday, Jan. 28, from 6 p.m., Sampan Restaurant. Installing the board members and officers will be Superior Court judge Bill Dozier. Reservations should be made with Ruby Dobana, 951-7230 (days).

Tetsuya Kato, pres; Edwin Endow, 1st vp; George Baba, 2d vp/activities; James Tanaka, 3rd vp/fin; Ruby Dobana, rec sec; May Saiki, treas; Amy Matsumoto, corr sec; Tetsuya Kato, Edwin Endow, off dels; Nelson Nagai, alt del.

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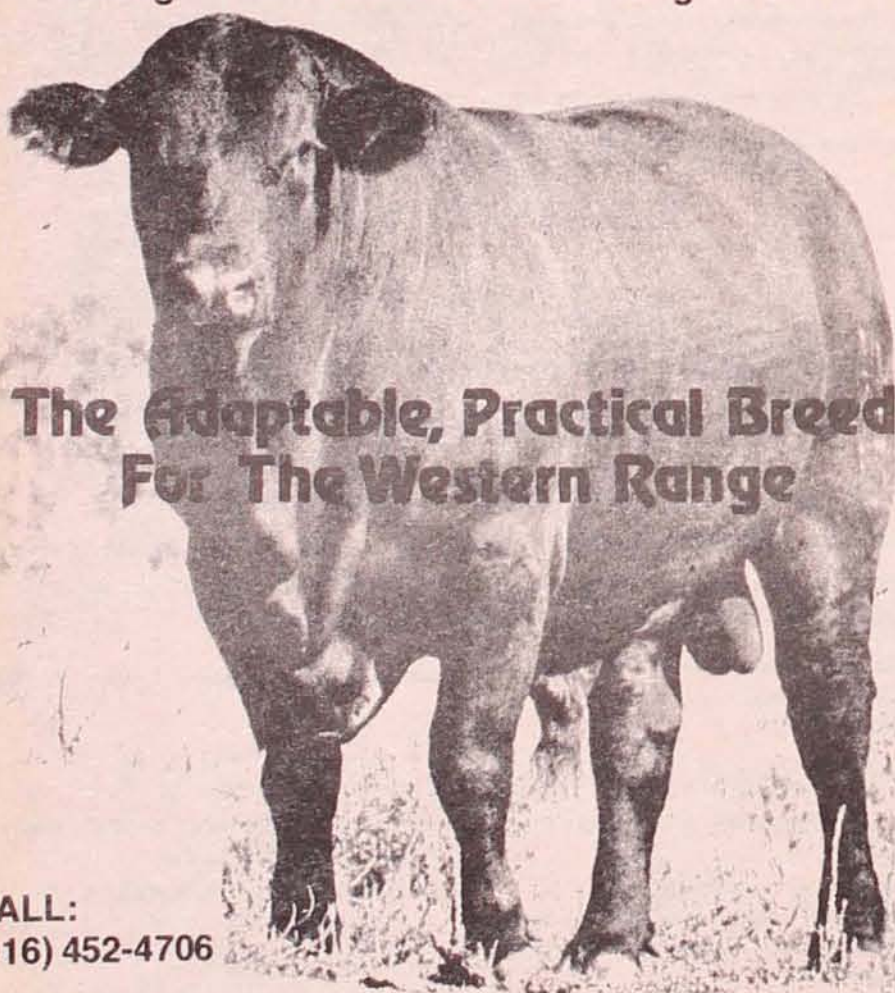
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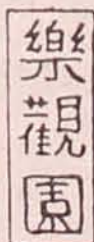
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Postwar boom isn't improving quality of Japanese family life

TOKYO—While Japan's economy may be booming, there is a growing trend of family problems and relationships, according to the government's 27th annual white paper on national life.

Its conclusion: Japan is a world-ranking economic power, but the quality of life is "deplorably poor." The post-war material affluence increasingly matched by "spiritual flabbiness" and destruction of traditional "Confucian" values is degrading the social conscience.

With lack of communications, family bonds have become loose, resulting in more divorces, family and school violence by juveniles, more alcoholism and drug addiction. Caring for the elderly has also become an uninvited task.

A government agency study indicated that job transfers for men have exacerbated family splits. Of the 1,111 men who received such employment shifts, more than half of them went alone to their new posts, leaving junior and senior high

school children with their mothers.

A survey by the prime minister's office this year found 54% of women faced new stresses, too, causing divorce rates to soar to new all-time high. More than half of the nation's 30 million housewives work. "The sad part is that society still hasn't prepared women for any other role than homemaker. No wonder many feel so cheated," said Yoshiko Ikeda, a mental hygiene expert at the Ministry of Health and Wel-

fare.

And what of the children? The government report complained they now "lack a sense of public morality, are ill-mannered, prone to violence and crime, and have no interest in household chores."

To some experts the root of the problem is that after defeat in war in 1945, the nation rejected many of its "Confucian" ways—the good with the bad—and took up what was thought to be superior Western "democratic" ways—again, the good with the bad.

Grupo Sansei host karaoke contest

MEXICO CITY—A 3½ hour karaoke singing contest with 34 participants attracted a full house at the auditorium of the Mexican Japanese educational complex last Nov. 26. In charge was Grupo Sansei, led by Alberto Teramoto, and sponsored by the Mexican Japanese Assn.

According to Luis Yamakawa, JACL's PANA Committee representative, visiting here, the show was well organized and most enjoyable. It was preparing the winners to compete in the PANA-sponsored international karaoke contest Jan. 29 at Sao Paulo, Brazil.

In reporting the success of the local contest, Yamakawa hoped it would encourage the participating karaoke sing-

ers in the U.S. (with passport and ready to travel). To date, no one from the U.S. has been named, which Yamakawa's friends here found hard to believe.

Contestants will be guests during the week with housing, meals, tours and local transportation provided. Only the travel to and from Brazil is the individual's responsibility, reminded Yamakawa (who can be reached through the JACL district office in the JACCC Bldg., Little Tokyo).

Orders jetliners

SEATTLE—Boeing Co. said All Nippon Airways ordered two 747-200F jetliners valued at about \$210 million.

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public employment, offend the principle of equal protection of the law for all citizens."

The statement puts the commission on record against the federal courts, which have upheld the plan (see Dec. 16 PC).

Commission members assert they are in favor of civil rights but against differential treatment. John Bunzel of Stanford's Hoover Institution, for example, wrote in the Dec. 21 Wall Street Journal that, "The price of having race become the basis of governmental policy and action is high. If all people cannot be treated by the government without regard to their color, then the invidious conclusion that some 'race' is inferior can more easily take root—and that is not the way to get beyond racism."

Bunzel also said that "it is no longer enough to blame discrimination for the disparity in earnings or employ-

ment between minorities and non-minorities. . . . This is an endless enterprise and avoids looking at many of the major factors that could contribute to a deeper understanding of existing differences." Bunzel did not give examples of such factors.

Commission chair Clarence Pendleton, Jr., when asked at a press conference which group of Americans suffers the most, mentioned Eastern Europeans, but said, "I don't think we have a score card."

Objecting strenuously to the decision of the new 8-member panel were Mary Frances Berry, Howard Univ. professor of history, and Blandina Cardenas Ramirez of San Antonio, both holdovers from the previous commission whom President Reagan tried to fire.

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Nakagawa said, "We are particularly concerned for the educational welfare of the minority students who have historically been, and continue to be, less well served by the educational system."

As of yet, though, none of the three groups has established a position in favor of or in opposition to the superintendent.

Representing Seattle JACL at the meeting were Mako Nakagawa, Ben Nakagawa, Sam Shoji, Arlene Oki and Jerry Shigaki. Concerns expressed to Superintendent Steele included: the district's Asian affirmative action profile for higher-level administrative positions, implementation of the new reading program, the long delay in filling the position of the bilingual program director and outreach to the Asian community.

According to the Seattle Chapter newsletter, Steele committed himself to quarterly meetings with JACL and to working closely with principals, teachers, and community persons before implementing the math component of the reading program. The district is also to try to increase staff for bilingual education students. And the district must seriously look at the subcontracting services from community-based agencies.

The Feb. 7 levy and bond issue, if passed, would give the district \$69.4 million for special operations and \$64 million for construction and renovation.

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