Government suffers setback as Hirabayashi trial starts

by J.K. Yamamoto

LOS ANGELES—A class action suit against L.A. County will be filed at the end of June by Tom Ohgi and Wally Shishido, Health Services Dept. employees who charge they have been denied promotion to supervisory positions despite excellent work records going back more than 20 years. Although the “class” representation consists of about 40 Asian employees in Ohgi and Shishido’s division of the Health Dept. and an indefinite number of past and future employees, the outcome of this case may have an impact on thousands of Asian American employees in the public sector.

Ohgi started work at the L.A. City Health Dept. in 1966, becoming a county employee in 1964. He was promoted to senior sanitarian in the housing and institution section in 1979 and to senior sanitarian specialist, the position he now holds, in 1980. He says that a fellow employee worked in his section for three years, left to work in another section, and upon her return was soon promoted to chief.

Shishido became a public health inspector for the county in 1969. After working in such areas as water pollution control, he was promoted to senior sanitarian in the food and drug section in 1972. Two of the sanitarians working under him for seven years in that section are chiefs today. He now works in the area of water pollution control.

Representing the Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California and of the Los Angeles Defense and Education Fund explained the basis for the suit at a June 13 community meeting held at APALC’s 28th Street office.

Attorney Bill Lee of the Center for Law in the Public Interest described this as a case in which Asians have worked for many years...as environmental specialists, but have been unable to move up into the supervisory jobs...those jobs have principally gone to whites.

Selection Criteria

According to Lee, 15% of all employees eligible to be promoted to chief are Asian, but only one of the 35 supervisors, or 3%, is Asian.

“In the last six years, there have been 16 promotions. Only one went to an Asian, and that was to replace the Asian chief who retired. There is a quota system in this section of the Health Dept....that has been the rule for almost two decades.

 Rather than look at the percentage of qualified Asian applicants, Lee charged, the county bases its quota on the total number of Asians in the county according to the 1980 census—about 4.7%.

He also criticized the promotion system. “Management pretty much pre-selects people they want to promote, and during a mostly white management replicating itself...Such systems where there are subjective selection criteria that are unspoken, unfairly...have been found to be discriminatory.?”

The examination is partly based on an “appraisal of promotability,” which includes assessments of such skills as “adaptability” and “professional attitude and conduct.” Lee said that on the performance appraisal, “the vast majority of people rated 100, which is what you need in order to get promoted, were white.

None were Asian last time.”

None of these reports, Ennis stated, was ever transmitted to the Supreme Court or to Hirabayashi’s lawyers. Two of these reports, one by the FBI and the other by the Office of Naval Intelligence, specifically advised against a mass evacuation of Japanese Americans on the West Coast.

When asked why the Justice Dept. originally opposed the Asian American workers’ request for mass evacuation, Ennis said, “There was no factual basis for it.”

Hall elicited further testimony regarding Lt. Gen. John DeWitt’s final report on the removal and detention of Japanese Americans. Two versions were printed, one prior to Hirabayashi’s Supreme Court hearing and one after. The

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Three community leaders to be honored at service award dinner

LOS ANGELES—Three Southern California Nikkei community leaders will be honored at the annual Japanese American Community Service Awards dinner to be held July 12 at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom in Broadway Plaza. This year’s honorees are Sachio Kano, Takayo Kato and Robert Takasugi; the Arco Foundation will receive an organization award.

Sachio Kano is the founder and first executive director of Asian Rehabilitation Services, Inc. (ARS), a vocational rehabilitation work center offering a variety of bilingual and multicultural services for disabled adults. Born in Japan, Kano came to the U.S. in 1955 to study at the Chicago community work. In 1971, he founded a sheltered workshop for Japanese disabled persons, which became a U.S. Incorporated, the facility had resources for only 10 clients. Kano served as administrator, contract negotiator, human resource manager, rehabilitation counselor, truck driver, and warehouseman.

Through his efforts, other community organizations began to assist ARS. The number of clients grew by 500% during the first three years of operations. By 1977, the workshop was serving at least 50 clients daily with an additional 250 receiving services from ARS outside the workshop itself. Due to an injury on the job, Kano left his position as executive director in 1978, but continued to volunteer time. He helped ARS move to its present location at 601 S. San Pedro Street, just south of Little Tokyo. He has since served as a board member. He now works as director of Japan Projects Consultant Group, which assists U.S. businesses in penetrating markets in Japan.

Takayo Kato is a tireless work in the Japanese community organizations from Little Tokyo to the San Gabriel Valley. She was born in Hiroshima Prefecture in 1933. She married Tadami Kato in 1953. They came to the U.S. that same year and ran a vegetable farm in El Monte, Calif., for 11 years. They went on to manage a supermarket in Alhambra.

When WW2 broke out, they and their four children were sent to the Gila, Ariz., concentration camp. After the war, the family returned to San Gabriel. Takayo became a U.S. citizen in 1954. She has provided leadership for such groups as Nanka Nikkei Foundation, the Ingersoll Foundation, the La Verne Women’s Center, the Asian Americans for Community Action, and the Gila, Ariz., concentration camp committee.

Among the many awards Kato has received are: “Ayuiko no Ato,” awarded by the Japanese foreign minister, for the Japan America Friendship Centennial commemoration; reconstructions from the American Red Cross; the Fifth Order of Merit (Mizuno Sho) from the Japanese Emperor; a 1980 Issei pioneer award from the Japanese American Community Center’s Women’s Auxiliary, in which she was president for eight consecutive years; and San Gabriel Japanese Community Center’s Women’s Auxiliary, in which she has been president 23 times. She has raised funds for the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California’s Social Services Scholarship Fund and for the Nisei Week activities. She has also been involved with the Japanese Community Pioneer Center since its inception and is a volunteer with Koresha Chushoku Kai, which provides meals for seniors.

A former WW2 internee, Takasugi helped lead a campaign which resulted in the release of Hideo Jumpei Serra Dr.

Robert Takasugi is the first Asian American to become a U.S. District Court judge. He has consistently championed the rights of the excluded and disadvantaged. Takasugi was responsible for establishing pro bono (free legal) experiences for Asian American community, has tutored unsuccessful bar applicants for the past 20 years and has tutored at the People’s College of Law, which was established for disadvantaged students who would otherwise be unable to attend law school.

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Long Beach carnival coming

Long BEACH, Calif.—The Long Beach Harbor District Community Services Patrol has issued legal opinions on

Proceeds from the dinner, sponsored by the LTSC board of directors, will go toward the continuation of LTSC’s programs and services. Tickets are $40 each: a table for 10 is $400. Special recognition will be given to those contributing as table patrons ($500) and dinner patrons ($1,000). Call (213) 680-3729 for details.

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Some decades ago, one Christmas season, Mr. Shojiro Horikawa, an elderly Japanese woman engaged in the printing business here in Philadelphia, sent holiday greetings bearing some words from the diary of Anne Frank, the twelve-year-old Jewish girl who became one of the millions of victims of the Nazi holocaust. The words were so hauntingly poignant that I placed them on a card and ever since kept them in my desk. They read:

"I still believe that people are really good at heart. If I look up into the heavens, I think that it will all come right, and that peace and tranquility will return again."

Such were the words of belief and faith that are not forgotten by all mankind. The diary of Anne Frank was hidden for several years if something is not done to prevent its publication.

Mr. Horikawa is hopelessly confined to his hospital bed. By the grace of God, he is gradually recovering from a serious heart attack.

W. H. Horikawa

Bill Marutani

EAST WIND

Anne Frank

Much to be Learned

By Dick H. Yamashita

Japan Chapter JACL

I foresee a further strain in U.S.-Japan relations in the next few years if something is not done to improve it. My concern is that the present mood will continue. The charge, protectionism, retaliation, domestic content, industrial property protection, and export administration are just some of the issues that were hotly discussed by all parties on the "hill."

While the United States government does have a foreign policy, it does not have a planned program to improve its domestic industrial policy, let alone its international trade policy.

If Japan is neglected and misunderstood by the American legislature, U.S.-Japan relations can easily become strained in the next several years.

The outcome of several controversial issues will inevitably affect both Japan's domestic and international situation.

These critical issues have developed mainly as a result of Japan's history, which has played a more positive role in world affairs and in international trade.

Japan is now gaining greater confidence by recognizing in its traditions an answer to the Western world's problems. These are complex and interrelated, but the Japanese have not been able to solve them.

It is said that Japan is possessed with government apparatus which resembles the government apparatus of the free Western nations, and Japan exhibits the Western look to many observers. This observation of Japan by most Americans who are not familiar with Japanese history and culture may be distorted.

It is important to realize that certain things were the West are customarily considered separate cannot be dissociated from one another in the Japanese mind. It is, therefore, necessary for us to understand and realize this because it is a vital part of the traditional ideology which conditions us in many ways. Even among its people, peace can be observed.

A knowledge of Japanese history is not enough—knowledge of Japan's history is simply knowledge of material insufficiency and bloody strife. But knowledge of Japanese thought is knowledge of an individual's role and commitment to the betterment of the world and the development of the organs of the world.

The Japanese realize they can and must play a positive role in world affairs. In developing her independence, Japan will solve some critical issues.

Perhaps one of the most complex issues is the U.S. Security Treaty. While Japan feels that she is completely independent, she will continue to need and seek the support of both domestic and international issues, leaving some issues not fully resolved for the Americans.

We should, therefore, take measures to further educate ourselves of the importance of Japan as a partner of the U.S. and to the free world. Our foreign policy in relation to Japan and the development of our export trade with her must be a great extent depend upon the success of maintaining not only friendly relations with the government but also upon cultivating among the people of Japan a cordial and cooperative spirit, an understanding of their way of life, and an appreciation of her role as an independent nation.

A sobering question was posed, as I recall, by William Shakespeare in one of his writings: "If gold will rust, what will iron do?" We saw the answer to that question when the glory of America was tarnished by some of her leaders who contributed, approved and executed the rounding up and incarceration of Japanese Americans and their parents, while across the sea the Nazis were on their rampage of groms—in both instances invoking a capricious criterion of race or religion.

If Shogun were alive today, Anne Frank would be 52 years old. If she communicated to this temporal world and we were capable of receiving her communication, what would she have said 40 years ago be changed?

She now enjoys peace and tranquility—but what a horrifying price!

In Memory of George Hoshida

By Karleen Chinen

Hawaii Herald

George Hoshida passed away on April 22 at the age of 77. Who was George Hoshida? Not anyone whose name you'd expect to find in a history book, although his story is now in the comprehensive recently published The Japanese in Hawaii: A Century of Struggle.

He was a quiet, private man whose contributions to the Buddhist churches both here and in Gardena, Calif., went largely unnoticed.

Many knew him for his drawings of life in the WW2 internment camps. His untimely death came just as a book he illustrated, Poets Behind Barbed Wire, was about to be presented an award, and only a few months before a yearbook he was involved in naming being compiled by former Jerome Relocation Center interns is published. George Hoshida was a Jerome intern.

He was one of the 1,800 Hawaii residents picked up after the outbreak of the war. Hoshida was born in Japan, but for 11 years prior to his arrest had worked for the Hilo Electric Light Company. His only "crime" was his association with the Buddhist church and a judo club.

Hoshida was arrested in February 1942, leaving his pregnant wife, Tamae, alone to care for their three daughters. One child, Taeko, was severely handicapped—retarded, deaf, mute and paralyzing. When the time came, Tamae Hoshida delivered her fourth daughter, alone. Without any marketable skills to find a job, she was forced to sell their home. Later that year, on the promise by authorities that her husband would be reunited in a Mainland internment camp, Tamae Hoshida did perhaps the hardest thing she ever had to do in her life—she placed 8-year-old Taeko in Waimano Home for the mentally retarded, and boarded a ship bound for the Mainland with her newborn infant and two other daughters ages 2 and 6.

On January 4, 1943, she arrived at Jerome in the dead of winter. But the promise that the Hoshida family would be reunited was not kept, and it wasn't until a year later that George Hoshida was able to see his fourth daughter for the first time when he was reunited in Jerome. Meanwhile, back in Hawaii at Waimano Home, without the warmth and love of her own family, 8-year-old Taeko Hoshida died.

Redress and an apology will not bring back those who died in those desolate camps and who were buried in desert cemeteries, or those who were forever broken and scarred by the camp experience. But for many, they can serve as the official vindication for a wrong they never committed.

It would be a fitting tribute to people like George Hoshida.

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JATC's First Year

The JAPANESE AMERICAN TRAVEL CLUB is about a year old now and we hope to see a trend soon in regards to what type of travel the Nikkei's enjoy. Right now it seems that more people want to go to Europe. Of course, I think that's next after Japan for the newcomers. However there are many other exciting places to see if you like to travel, that is why JATC tries to provide a varied program. As I said in my article in March, the club was set up for you the member and the success depends on your interest.

When the club was first organized we were going to name it the NIKKEI TRAVEL CLUB but when we went to the airlines, tour and cruise agents they said they never heard of NIKKEI so we changed to JAPANESE AMERICAN TRAVEL CLUB. As we began to find the_image_ of the club, I think we have achieved one of the purposes for starting the club. We were concerned that many of the agents and groups were not providing much information in the ads (price, length, number of meals, etc.), so that it was difficult for you to compare tours. By advertising our prices, length, number of meals, etc., this gives you an opportunity to compare. As a result of JATC's efforts I see a lot more advertising and information being provided by everyone and as a result, you the traveler benefited. Not only by lower prices but hopefully in better tours.

I think, as Tyler Tanaka and I have always said, if others (agents and organizations) can provide the best service, tours, and prices to the community then we are happy and the club is not necessary. I hope that happens so that I can go off and do some other projects. By the way, there are some excellent travel agents and organizations around that serve their community very well, JATC is trying to provide service to those that aren't being serviced or their agent does not have the kind of program that we have.

As you can see from our ads JATC has added some participating agents in certain areas to help you. Also for those in the outlying area JATC now has a TOLL-FREE number: (800) 431-6112 (outside Cal., 800) 237-6471 (Cal.). Mon-Wed-Fri-9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; Sat—5:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Continued on Next Page

By WILLIAM Y. HAMADA

JATC Tour Escort

Last October, 1984, I escorted Japanese American Travel Club members on a 25-day tour to China. We had participants from New York, New Orleans, Oregon and Southern California in our group. This was also my sixth visit to China, the first one having been in 1978.

We trekked through China from south to east and north to west, covering nine cities—Guangzhou, Guilin, Nanning, Kunming, Xian, Beijing, Nanjing, Suzhou, and Shanghai.

Our mode of transportation was by train and by air with sight-seeing by minibus. The locomotives were generally coal-burning, although in some areas the trains were electrified. We found them quite comfortable, clean and convenient.

Continuous economic transformations are shaping up a new China as we will eventually bridge the gap and catch up with the rest of the modern world. In a way, this is unavoidable as the sleeping giant has now awakened and is taking that great stride.

China as it's been known through the centuries since the first European travelers set foot in the Middle Kingdom (Marco Polo's father and uncle had ventured to Peking in 1230, Marco accompanied them on their second journey in 1271), the allure of the Silk Route and the exotic glimpses of the Far East will someday soon lose the curious visitor the presently attends and enjoys.

Modern Transformation

Today, the drab-colored, traditional "Mao", a two-piece work uniform worn by women are gradually a thing of the past. Since the inception of economic and social reforms a couple of years ago, women in colorful blouses and bright, stylish dresses are appearing in abundance in the major cities.

However, men's styles have not significantly changed. In 1979, cameras-fooling people were tourists from Japan, Hong Kong or visitors from the Western world. Before too long, the number of camera-carrying Chinese will catch up with the number of bicyclists in operation in China.

We found some snapping pictures at the Great Wall and at other tourist attraction areas.

The Caribbean! Blue Waters, Blue Skies, Lots of Fun

By RAFAEL BOUFFARD

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Of course, one of the nice things about starting your cruise in San Juan is that you'll have plenty of time to visit El Morro Castle, shopping Old San Juan, and catching the action in the night club and casinos of this colorful capital.

If you've never taken a cruise, you may have a few reservations, like what kind of activities are there between the fantastic meals and the fascinating ports of call. Well, you could shoot sket out of the sky, dive into the pool or jog around the deck in the clean sea air. You could meet someone for table tennis, or a few players for shuffleboard, or just lie back in the warm Caribbean sun.

You could take dance lessons, catch a first-run film or catch Lady Luck in the casino. You could tour the bridge or register for a bridge tournament. You could change your hairstyle, do some shopping, take an exercise class, drive golf balls into the sea or maybe get to shoot "Bingo!" You could work on your masquerade costume or meet new friends on deck for cocktails.

But whatever you do, be sure to give yourself a rest before dinner, because you always have a busy night ahead of you. Catching a show at sea is an incomparable experience. The experience is heightened by featured international performers who give their best to every song, dance, and comedy routine. You'll discover stars at revues, at intimate piano bars, on the dance floors, and in the disco.

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Hong Kong Harbor separates the British colony's Hong Kong island from the Kowloon side. Hotels on the Kowloon side are only a short bus or taxi ride of about 15 minutes from the airport. Together, they make a cab ride through the Harbor Tunnel makes them convenient. This tunnel was completed 15 years ago. A little under 2-miles long it takes about 5 minutes to travel, depending upon traffic. There is also the Metro subway connecting both sides, built three years ago.

But the traditional convenience for crossing the harbor is by Star Ferry, which has been in operation for nearly a century. It plies the water daily from 5 a.m. till midnight. Millions of local residents and visitors to Hong Kong take this nostalgic ride to cross back and forth. It's only a 10-minute ride and the upper-class deck fare costs 70 HK cents, while the lower-class deck fare is 50 HK cents. Our strong U.S. dollar (at 7.8 HK dollars) makes this ferry-ferrying across-first class less than 10 U.S. cents—the most economical ride of a lifetime.

Ready for China

After a day visiting Repulse Bay, Aberdeen Boating village taking a funicular tram up the side of Victoria Mountain for buffet lunch at the Peak Tower Restaurant— plus a whirlwind shopping spree for tailored suits, knitted gold chains, jewelry, sparkling diamonds, emeralds and rubies for the very rich, we were ready the China exploration.

It was a leisurely 3-hour train ride in the Kowloon Grand Trunk, and an excellent opportunity for us to familiarize ourselves with one another, striking up casual chit-chats and enjoying the lush countryside views and comments that "sped" by our windows. Some snatched pictures, some sipped tea. This was the beginning.

By William Y. Hamada at the Great Wall, which continues to be ravished.

They, too, sometimes sneak an occasional shot of the curious stragglers from abroad.

The usual flight from the West Coast to China is via Tokyo or Hong Kong. For our JATC trip, it was nonstop from Seattle to Hong Kong via United Airlines. Flight time was 14 hr. 15 min., covering 6,600 miles. After taking in two full-length Inflight movies, consuming two full meals plus downing as many drinks as one could, and catnaps in-between, big jet comes to a perfect landing at the Kai Tak airport in Hong Kong.

Millions of lights from high-rise buildings and homes on the mountain sides twinkled across the bay, as if it were the Milky Way.

HAPPY TRAVELS

Henry Sakai
JATC Chairperson

P.S. No sailings in the Caribbean this summer because of a ship replacement. Our next cruise leaves October 25th.
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Departure: Aug 9 / Visitng: countries

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Since JATC is basically a volunteer organization you have some time to spare and interest in helping put it together either at the office or in your home, please call Bill Hamada at the phone number.

If you have considerable travel experience and would like to escort a group of friends on a tour, perhaps we can help put it together. An escorted tour has fifteen or more members.

TRAVEL SECTION

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What It's Like on My Sixth Visit

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Nanning (450,000 pop.) was our next city, capital of Guangxi (Kwangsi) province, a 40-minute jet flight from Guilin. The hotel we stayed in here was spectacular—so good that we were talking to the children's music program for foreign visitors.

A real delight was to visit the Institute of Minority Nationalities, an educational institution dedicated to accepting bright minority nationality students to become proficient teachers who would return to their villages to upgrade the education standards to the national level. The customs here were very inspiring. Future visitors are encouraged to visit here when in Nanning.

There are 50 minority nationalities in China, each having a population of one million or more. Each has its own language and its culture and traditions. The government is trying to standardize the language, and to learn the language actually with Mandarin, the language of the majority Han people.

Capital of Yunnan

A 60-minute jet flight from Nanning (3.5 million pop.) brought us to the capital of Yunnan Province, a region bordering on Vietnam, Burma and Laos, where industrial cities are relative newcomers. Under the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644 AD), Kunming became a walled city and isolated until the 19th century.

We stayed at Green Lake Hotel, the best so far, as the rooms were renovated. Throughout the day, the hotel hosted a different minority nationality garbed in distinctive national costume would welcome arriving and departing guests. The hostesses operated in shifts. It was both a unique and pleasant experience to be so greeted.

A special sight here was Stone Forest, a fantastic formation of monolithic limestone towers clustered like trees in a forest in heights from 15 to 100 feet.

Excavation at Xian

The most anticipated visit to China was our next stop: Xian, the capital of Shaanxi Province in northwest China. Here was the national capital of eleven dynasties and renowned for over 2,000 years as the largest and most splendid imperial city in the world.

We were highly interested in the archaeological discovery of the Terracotta Warriors, the largest irrigation project. The excavations unearthed the third century B.C. tomb of Emperor Qin Shi Huang, the first emperor of China (221-206 B.C.). There were life-size terra-cotta soldiers and horses, rows and rows of massive regiments of warriors in different uniforms and ranks. About two years ago, a great protective tunnel was constructed over the ground. It is awesome!

Then, on to Beijing, an hour flight. This big city is the present capital city of New England's fall fashioned by Mother Nature is dazzling.

Buildings, its famed St. Louis Gage, and historic Place d'Armes is a must. Be sure to make a side trip to Montgomery Falls and a visit to the Shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre with its world famous basilica, Stroll on Daufin Terrace or take a carriage ride to the Native Quarter with all its Old World splendor, or catch up with some shopping in the small boutiques of Old Quebec. The Citadel, some of the battles past, still reflects the glory of French Canada during the changing of its guard every morning. Heading west, crossing into the heart of French Canada you arrive in Canada's largest and most sophisticated city, Montreal (4.5 mil. pop.), which is the next stop on our way. A glorious city with international and industrial permanent exhibits and pavilions, Montreal has much to offer the visitor. St. Joseph's Oratory, McGill University, Notre Dame Cathedral, Old Montreal, Place de Arts and many more sights are yours to savor. With over 4,000 fine restaurants, dining is truly an experience not to be missed.

Returning to U.S.

Recovering from the border into the villages and farmlands of western Vermont, you will find yourself in that part of New England that has resisted change as you visit the Stowe Museum, a remarkable race reconstructing depicting centuries of early American life. There are hundreds of fascinating exhibits ranging from the side-wheel steamers Thoski- deroga, to the Webby Gallery of Ameri­ can art. Continuing on through Middle­ bury, Rutland, and Manchester, the battlefield of Bennington with its famous monument will be a remem­ bered stop.

Southbound you will drive through beautiful mountains of Berkshire into rolling hills speckled with colonial homes and estates and then into a valley of unspoiled New England villages. Pittsfield, Lenox, Great Barr­ ington and Stockbridge are some places to be remembered, including the continu­ ing on to New York and regretfully terminating what has been a lovely in­ vitation to take a carriage ride to the Native villages. Pittsfield, Lenox, Great Barr­ ington and Stockbridge are some places to be remembered, including the continu­ ing on to New York and regretfully terminating what has been a lovely in­ vitation to take a carriage ride to the Native villages. Pittsfield, Lenox, Great Barr­ ington and Stockbridge are some places to be remembered, including the continu­ ing on to New York and regretfully terminating what has been a lovely in­ vitation to take a carriage ride to the Native villages. 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25 Days in China:
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the People's Republic of China (P.R.C.)
October being the peak tourist month as well as the month celebrating the founding of PRC, all major hotels and airlines were solid. Maybe this was a blessing in disguise for we ended up in Duarte State Guest House, an accommodation used for high-ranking state officials from foreign countries—such as U.S. presidents Nixon, Ford and Reagan were housed here. We had a royal treatment with the room service deluxe—the best of China.

There are 85 million people milling about the city and just as many bicycles. It's mind-boggling. We found it's worth coming this far to be "bogged." Yes, we saw the Great Wall, one of the seven wonders of the world—and the only man-made object that the astronauts say they can visibly see on the moon from space. The Forbidden City is also a fabulous sight. It served as the imperial residence of Chinese emperors as recent as 1914 and was closed to all commoners except for the few elites of the world.

The Ming Tomb, Summer Palace, a boat ride on Kunning Lake, Chinese opera and acrobatic performances, Tianjin Men Square (the Red Square of China), and taking in a Peking duck dinner are all "musts" in Beijing.

Southern Capital: Nanjing
Then to Nanjing (Nanking), an hour and 25 jet-minutes flight from Beijing to one of China's oldest cities. Nanjing, called the Southern Capital. Beijing is the Northern Capital.

Nanjing (4.4 million pop.) is important for its industrial, cultural and education centers as well as being a river port. The rich, agricultural land yields crops of vegetables, grain, fruit and tea. It boasts the famous double-tiered Yangtze River Bridge which spans almost a mile and considered a monument to 20th century Chinese engineering. It was completed in 1968.

The Tomb of Dr. Sun Yat Sen is situated on the southern slopes of Purple mountains, beautifully landscaped and lined with pines and cypress trees up to the main gate. The memorial pavilion with a pavilion and surrounded with blue glazed tiles. There are almost 400 steps to be negotiated to reach the pavilion. This seems to be no different to many other temples and tombs where we have to foot it. When you return from this tour, you should have enough strong legs from climbing all those steps in China.

Venice of the East
We took the train for Suzhou (Soochow), a 3-hour ride complete with box lunch. Referred to as "Venice of the East", for its natural waterways and canals criss-crossing through-out the city, Suzhou has a reputation for fresh seafood. The greatest is the Autumn Crab Feast, featuring succulent fresh-water crabs caught in a nearby lake, steamed and served with a special soy & ginger sauce. People from all over are attracted to the city.

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Shanghai, the Last Stop
Our last stop, Shanghai is the largest city (11 million pop.) in China, cosmopolitan and situated on the west bank of the Huang Pe River. China's major international port and leading industrial center, there is no longer the International Settlement, where foreign nations had land concessions. But some of the buildings still standing have a European look.

We wound up China by visiting its famous silk and wool factories, a jade carving factory, and the famous Shanghai Dept. Store for some last-minute shopping.

Three weeks of Chinese food, climbing and walking daily had just about everybody hungry for a home. 2-hour jet flight, and we were in Hong Kong.

What the first thing that came to everyone's mind, after we unloaded our gear in the hotel room? For those who still had money left after all that spending in China, they went straight to a juicy steak house. The other few, including myself, McDonald's hamburger and a milk shake were just heavenly.

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They Deserved Better

A one-paragraph item far back in the June 7 issue of Pacific Citizen announced, in the death of Bob Okazaki at 83. He was described as “raconteur, actor, journalist and the Tokyo-born son of a pioneer Seattle Baptist preacher.”


One of them must have been that the accident of birth denied him the American citizenship that was the birthright of his Nisei friends and associates. Brought to the United States in early childhood and reared in American society as totally “Americanized” as any of the guys he knocked around with. But he was an alien in the eyes of the law.

When JACL held its organizing convention in Seattle in 1930, he was excluded from being a member and helped with the arrangements. Technically he was an outsider and knew it.

Okazaki could do nothing about his citizenship until, under JACL pressure, Congress in 1952 revised the law. By then Okazaki figured he was too old to bother with fusing with his nationality. When I last talked to him a few years ago he said he was unfurthet about understandable in the context of the times. That discriminatory law applied to an infant, technically an alien but reared as American, was cruel.

There were substantial numbers so victimized. Some of them figured they would never get a fair shake in the United States so long as they could not acquire citizenship and cast their futures with Japan. American law denied America access to their talents.

Henry Shimamoto, for example. He went into the Japanese foreign service, served as the distinguished consul general in Los Angeles and ambassador to Norway before resigning to accept a position as counselor to Keidanren, the head of the National Association of Manufacturers.

Of course, Frank Matsutomo, member of Parliament, who seemed destined someday to become a prime minister when he retired.

In the media, there’s Wehbi Shita of the Mainichi, a man of rare talents who grew up in Spokane and Seattle, studying for Japan. And T. John Fuji, the connoisseur wire service vet who did the nearly impossible that he would neither read nor write Japanese, yet he was the Japan “expert” in the Tokyo office of several news agencies.

Perhaps the most unusual story of these incredible talents is Dr. Kayo Sunada, who was born aboard a Japanese liner somewhere off the coast of Wyoming. My recollection is that it took an act of Congress to make him an American. For years he was the presidential ambassador director of Colorado’s principal home for the retarded.

Okazaki, a blithe spirit, had a sense of humor that enabled him to cope with unfairness. But he deserved better.

Chapter Pulse

Is the Golden Door Still Open?

The following essay, written by Gwen Muranaka of San Pedro ( Calif.), High School, won 3rd place in the 57th Annual KCBS-TV High School Essay contest.

This year’s question, to which 48 students from across the nation responded was: “Do Emma Lazarus’ words, ‘Give me your tired, poor, huddled masses yearning to be free...’ still hold today?”

A new patriotism has erupted in the United States. No longer are men and women marching in the streets in the name of “war” or “We shall overcome.” Ten years after Vietnam, Americans are being asked in new ways to choose. Last summer, we cheered the smooth, triumphant faces of “our” American athletes as they won Olympic gold. Young, strong, and idealistic, the American athletes embodied all that is good in the United States. Their victories became ours and the Stars and Stripes unfurled proudly over the entire nation.

Concurrently, a new sense of patriotism is the recreation of the Statue of Liberty. Scafelliong the world, the well muscled arm reaching to the heavens, the stern but impassioned face that silently proclaims “the golden door” of America. Already, Americans have donated money and time to rebuild it, as part of the giving once after the 1990’s they were closed to immigrants not fitting to our own standards.

Recently the Reagan Administration announced that it plans to open it more often to visitors because it is a rich symbol of political asylum in the United States. Among the people that would be most affected by this decision are those refugees from East Europe and America. These people from El Salvador, Nicaragua and Guatemala will now have to prove that they were individually persecuted. In addition, the new rules will allow the rejection of an immigrant who has traveled through a third country before reaching the United States, regardless of individual circumstances. The Reagan Administration doesn’t seem to care that a refugee from El Salvador has had to evade bullets, who has seen friends and family die, probably cannot prove individual persecution.

In Cambodia, over two million of her people died after the take-over by the Khmer Rouge. Thanh, lunch and the constant fear of this holocaust. One would think that the United States would show similar humanitarian concern, for initiates of Central America. The press has shown us the killings in Central America. But with little exception, we have seen the blog bodies rotting in the streets, the mothers crying for their young sons recently dead. Yet, we turn away the people coming from El Salvador, Nicaragua and Guatemala.

mala. How can we deny the people fortunate enough to escape this horror? How can Americans bear this?

Perhaps the efforts of our government to restrict immigration isn’t the prevailing feeling of the entire nation. In addition to patriotism, Americans are experiencing a surge in humanitarianism. Programs like “USA for Africa” have raised millions to help the starving in Africa and at home. In Los Angeles, people are donating time and money to provide food and shelter for the thousands of homeless living on the streets. Every day Americans are arrested for protesting against the apartheid in South Africa. We do hear the cries of pain coming from other countries; however when these people want to enter to our shores and compete for the few available jobs, we become strangely deaf. Throughout the history of immigration to the United States, we have discriminated against groups that might take away our jobs or groups that don’t have the same religious beliefs. Perhaps, such discrimation as the quota system and the National Origin Act have been abolished. America is getting rid of this program, but we feel our nativism and fear of the unknown still remains.

The day the renovated Statue of Liberty is unveiled will be cause for celebration and reflection. The new statue will provide a new image of America. The image has brought millions to America. The Europeans who were processed through Ellis Island, the Asians who came to work on the railroads, the Hispanics crossing the border are all heard of the wealth and freedom that America promises. Each group is distinguished by their unique culture.

However, every racial and religious group was able to find their place in society. The new immigrants must be given a chance to find their own niche. America a nation of refugees and immigrants. When Liberty is finally freed of the scaffolding cage that surrounds her, all Americans will rejoice. Her passionate plea is what has made our country a worldwide power. It is time for those who can, to pass on the tradition that they have been through her “golden door” to embrace the new immigrants. It is time to willingly let our heritage share in the precious gift that America possesses—the gift of freedom.

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top of non-supervisory status,” said Lee. “They can go and have been there for years. And among the Asian employees they probably have the strongest record for promotion.

If and if they were not Asian they would probably have been chiefs long ago.”

Support Needed

Kent Wong, staff attorney for APALC, said, “We feel very confident in terms of the merits of the case. It’s a winner, but it’s going to take a bit of work.”

Wong also stressed that “community pressure in some ways is even more important to demand accountability from the county board of supervisors—to let them know that the Asian community is not going to take this any longer.”

Stewart Khoo, APALC executive director, also emphasized the needs of accountability to both the community and community leaders. “How many of us are hit so many times a year for contributions… and do you see in return?” he asked rhetorically.

“In terms of the workforce of Asian Americans in the city and the county, what we have been doing to develop a better opportunity for our people who have the talent and the qualifications?” he said.

“I think this is where we have to put them on the line,”

Dr. Mitsuo Inouye, APLDEF chair, detailed a successful community spearhead on a support campaign consisting of letter-writing, community education and fundraising and publicity expenses. APLDEF, he noted, was formed in 1982 because of a similar legal battle—that of Carole Fuji, who was denied the promotion in the pharmacy service at Harbor General Hospital.

Betty Waki will serve as one of the editors.

East Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES—Scholarship merit recipients are Deanne Yamamoto, Alhambra H.S.; Karen Suzuki, Garfield H.S.; Alice Ishii, South Pasadena H.S.; and John Haneda, Montebello H.S.; Elizabeth Okazaki, Ramona Convent; Janice Tamura, Roosevelt H.S.; and Ken Wong, Wilson H.S.

Serving on the selection committee were June Kurisu, Miki Himeuro, Michi Obi, and Mable Yoshino.

Houston

HOUSTON—To meet the needs of the rapidly growing population of Americans of Asian ancestry in the area, the Southwest Chinese Journal has re-directed its goals and will expand its news reports to include all ethnic Asian groups and to publish entirely in English, beginning in July. The name of the publication will be changed to Houston Asian American Journal.

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Mile High

DENVER—More than 400 people from the Denver Japanese American community turned out to congratulate 79 Nilekide graduates from the metropolitan high schools at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel.

Matthew Yeeumnam of Greeley, Central H.S. was presented the evening’s top honor, the Mile-Hi JACL—Harry Sakata Memorial Award. More than 32 individual awards were presented to graduates.

Philadelphia

MORREESTOWN, N.J.—July 20 is the date for the annual JACL picnic at the Morreestown’s The Inn in the Mountains. The inn includes BBQ chicken, corn, salad, watermelon and soda. Activities include canoeing, fishing, volleyball, horseshoes, ping-pong, and country flower basket making. Cost is $30, children and seniors, 7 RSVP by July 13 to: Cherry Hills—Jack Ozawa (303) 760-4659; Germantown—Sim Endo (215) 844-7337; Delaware County—Ann Togasaki (215) 404-8999.

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She made in her case and currently holds the position of chief pharmacist.

Wong stated that Asians in other areas also face similar problems. “In some aerospace corporations, over 10% of the professional staff is Asian and yet... one-hal of one percent of the management staff is Asian.” Consequently, the county suit “hits a very responsive chord from Asian employees’ groups everywhere,” he said.

Shiho added that in his section of the study, he has heard about this case to tell you that’s all for it, that they felt that it’s way overdue.”

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The Dynamic Duo

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Last week I put in an appeal for Southern California groups holding fundraisers. In the interest of fair play, I should mention that SoundSeen dancers Brenda Aoki and Sachiko Nakamura will have the opportunity to tour and train in Japan and Hawaii with performances by Yuriko Doi’s Theater of Yugen at the Tsukuba Expo ’85 and Theater Hekisokan in Tokyo. In addition, both will have extensive training with Cultural Intangibl Properties Shiro and Masanuki Nomura. This is quite an opportunity for these American women because Noh and Kyogen are traditionally reserved for Japanese men. Aoki and Nakamura have studied Noh and Kyogen with the San Francisco-based Theater of Yugen. Both have performed with the Asian American Theater Company and the Asian American Dance Collective. Nakamura being a founder and choreographer of that group. In 1982, she choreographed a work based on her own life, “Asian American Food Fantasy,” which included notable pieces such as “Tomato Beef Chow Yuk,” “Sweet and Sour Chicken Wings,” and “Two Baddest Dudes.” Nakamura is presently a dance administrator for the California Arts Council and is on the faculty of San Jose State University. Aoki has also performed with Major and Dell Arte Players. She is the featured performer in Jefferson Starship videos, “No Way Out,” and “Layin’ on the Line,” and Rick Springfield’s “State of the Heart.” Aoki is also a featured soloist in “Out of Sight,” a documentary on the avant garde jazz group, United Front. I mention this because Nako- mura and Aoki need funds to help defray the costs of their tour. Lend a hand. Contributions may be made to JACLAOK-NAK, 765 Sutter, San Francisco, 94115.

The last two issues will probably raise the move. The move will be slightly slimy and may cause you a little inconvenience as we place chapter pulse and community events items. Bear with us. It’s only temporary. We hope.

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