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Photo by J.K. Yamamoto

A volunteer takes a blood pressure reading during the 14th annual Little Tokyo Health Fair, held Oct. 5 at Union Church in Los Angeles. Other services offered to local seniors included electrocardiogram, vision, dental and foot checks, and seminars on diabetes, cancer and hypertension.

'Slant eyes' remark causes stir in Iowa

DES MOINES, Iowa—State Agriculture Secretary Robert Lounsberry apologized Oct. 3 for having referred to the Japanese as "slant eyes," a slur he had initially denied making.

The McCallsburg Republican made the comment Sept. 30 during a meeting of the Iowa Dept. of Agriculture's newly formed Blue Ribbon Committee, a citizens' advisory panel on marketing. Reacting to an earlier discussion of trade with Japan and other Asian nations, he said, "Talking about the slant eyes, I still don't trust them... But I still try to work with them."

He explained that he had been shot at by the Japanese as a combat pilot during WW2, but that much progress has been made since then in developing U.S.-Japan trade relations. Japan is Iowa's number one trading partner, having imported \$733.5 million worth of agricultural products last year.

On Oct. 2, Lounsberry said, "I may be prejudiced, but it makes an impression on you if you have gone through that [WW2]." But he added, "I didn't mean to make any slurring remarks... I didn't refer to those people as slant eyes."

Others who were present remembered differently, however. Varel Bailey, board chair and past president of National Corn Growers Assn., said, "I very much recall that comment. Embarrassed very much describes my feelings at the time. I look at it as an unfortunate incident."

R.W. Fischer, president of Soypro International Inc., who also recalled the statement, said that Lounsberry's intent was "to make it off the record. It was not germane to the substance of the meeting. That was an aside."

On Oct. 3, Lounsberry reversed himself and said that he did use

the term "slant eyes," but only after committee member B.J. O'Dowd did so. (O'Dowd denied this, saying he only remembered saying "Nipponese.")

"It did strike a sensitive chord when he [O'Dowd] said we should take note of our slant-eyed friends," said Lounsberry. "I said I, too, had a problem of overcoming distrust because of my experience in WW2." He stressed that he has since participated in trade missions to Japan and helped set up a Japanese display at the Iowa State Fair during his 17 years in office.

He declined to apologize, saying, "If I had something to apologize for, I would... but I do not think what I said deserves an apology because it wasn't derogatory."

After meeting privately with Gov. Terry Branstad, a fellow Republican, to discuss the incident, Lounsberry said he didn't recall making the remark. Later that day, however, he issued a statement apologizing for the remark he "allegedly made."

He said that he has "no animosity towards the Japanese and I apologize for any embarrassment my remarks may have caused them or my fellow Iowans."

He explained his comment by reiterating his initial apprehension of the Japanese. "I think anyone who lived through the Second World War... will share my feelings, especially if they were shot at or had loved ones die in battle. However, WW2 is long over and the Japanese have become our friends."

Branstad's press secretary, Susan Neely, said that the governor feels "Bob meant well, even if his choice of words was poor... he wasn't meaning to cast aspersions."

—from reports by Cedar Rapids Gazette

HR 442 gets 1st Calif. GOP backer

WASHINGTON—Among six new co-sponsors of House redress bill HR 442 is Rep. Charles "Chip" Pashayan, who on Oct. 4 became the first Republican representative from California to support such legislation. He represents the 17th district, which includes King and Tulare counties and parts of Kern County and Fresno.

"Chip Pashayan," said Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.), "has joined the growing list of members of Congress who understand the injustice of the internment and who have now pledged publicly to support formal government recognition of that injustice."

"It takes courage and commitment to be first," said Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Calif.). "By co-sponsoring redress, Chip Pashayan has shown that he is a leader among his peers and a legislator of great principle."

Pashayan's co-sponsorship is seen as a major development because it may encourage other

California Republicans to join the redress effort.

In a letter to Matsui, Pashayan said he reached his decision "after giving a great deal of thought over a considerable time."

"What the Roosevelt Administration did to Japanese Americans in WW2 would, if done today, most likely be held unconstitutional by the Supreme Court. While it is true that the nation was at war, it was an unfair and a wrong policy to single out a whole group of people... That is a policy of discrimination, which has no place in America. I now feel that it is Congress that should act to remedy the wrong"

Other co-sponsors, listed with the dates they signed on, are:

—Rep. Frederick Boucher (D) of the 9th district of Virginia, which includes the Appalachian area in the southwest part of the state, on Oct. 9. He is on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental



Rep. Charles Pashayan (R-Calif.)

Relations, where the bill has been since it was introduced in January.

—Rep. Lane Evans (D) of the 17th district of Illinois, which includes Rock Island, Moline, Galesburg, and some suburbs of Peoria, on Oct. 4.

—Rep. Raymond McGrath (R) of the 5th district of New York, which includes the part of Long Island closest to New York City, on Sept. 20.

—Rep. Steny Hoyer (D) of the 5th district of Maryland, which includes most of King George's County, on Sept. 20.

—Rep. Tommy Robinson (D) of the 2nd district of Arkansas, which includes Little Rock, on July 31.

Mineta said the fact that both Republicans and Democrats have recently become co-sponsors "illustrates the broad range of support for redress."

"The momentum for redress is building," added Matsui. "The latest additions represent a significant breakthrough."

cited as a reason for the successful recall. "We always felt the lower turnout would be beneficial for us because we are in enemy territory," Republican Party Chair Patricia Saiki said. "When you have an area established as leaning to one side, a higher turnout will always benefit the dominant party."

It is unclear what the election results mean for the council. Council Vice-chair Tony Narvaes, a Republican, said following the election, "I now consider myself acting chairman" with the departure of Akahane.

Former chair Mink said she foresees no attempt by Democrats to take over the council reorganization until the three vacancies are filled.

Welcome Fawcett, Democratic councilwoman, added that although the Democrats are now in the majority (4 to 2), it is not a

Councilmen ousted after party switch

HONOLULU—City Councilwoman Patsy Mink and Sen. Daniel Inouye emerged as big winners in the Oct. 5 special city council recall elections, which saw city councilmen George Akahane, Rudy Pacarro and Toraki Matsumoto recalled from office.

The three councilmen, elected as Democrats, switched parties June 6, enabling Republicans to gain control of the City Council and to oust Mink as council chair. The new majority reorganized the council and elected Akahane chairman.

Mink, who was out of town when the switch was announced, quickly returned and immediately called for the recall of Akahane, Pacarro and Matsumoto, charging that they had violated the public trust by switching in mid-term.

The switch in parties by the three was linked to the national Republican "Operation Open Door" program to bring Democrats into the party, and what had been a local issue soon took on a much larger significance.

Inouye, the Senate's third-ranking Democrat, joined the recall effort in late June, producing and paying for radio spots in which he criticized Akahane for deceiving the voters. "I don't question George's right to change political parties," he told his radio audience. "This recall campaign has nothing to do with his right to become a Republican. It

involves honor and honesty... I would not have solicited your support [for Akahane] if I knew that he would be changing his party in the middle of his term."

In the last weeks of the campaign, Inouye appeared on television calling for the recall of the three.

Gov. George Ariyoshi and other Democratic leaders joined the campaign as they sensed an issue which could unite the oft-divided Hawaii Democratic Party.

In the final week of the campaign, the Republicans countered with President Ronald Reagan urging voters, via televised ads, to vote "no" on the recall. "The right to switch parties for principle is as American as the Stars and Stripes. I've done it myself," said the President.

But in the end, the traditional Democratic muscle carried the day, and in doing so, probably put a temporary hold on future "defections."

Matsumoto, considered the least controversial of the three until hit with a \$5 million sexual harassment suit early in the recall campaign, was recalled by a 53-47% vote.

Akahane was recalled by a 64-36% vote, while Pacarro, thought to have the best chance to remain in office, lost by a mere 81 votes.

A record voter turnout for a special election (62.5%) in traditionally Democratic districts was

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Community Affairs

LOS ANGELES—Radio Li'l Tokyo celebrates its 33rd year on the air with a show featuring classical dances by Fujima Kansuma and Mitsuhiro Bando, folk songs by Matsutoyo Sato Minyo, and a karaoke contest Nov. 24, 2 p.m., at Japan America Theater, 244 S. San Pedro St. Tickets (\$10 each) available at Radio Li'l Tokyo, 110 N. San Pedro St., L.A. 90012. A portion of the proceeds goes to Japanese American Cultural & Community Center. Info: Matao Uwate, 628-4688.

The 7th anniversary of Japanese Village Plaza will be celebrated Oct. 19-20 at the Plaza. Lu-lu the clown, free balloons, and a fall fashion show at 2:30 p.m. (both days), with past queens and princesses of the Miss Sansei Pageant as models, are among the attractions.

Japanese United Information Community Exchange (JUICE) holds a meeting on "What a Service-provider Needs to Know about AIDS" Oct. 21, 1-2:30 p.m., at Union Church (corner of 3rd St. and San Pedro). Speakers from County-USC AIDS Clinic and AIDS Project of L.A. will discuss the problem from a social service viewpoint.

Japanese Evangelical Missionary Society (JEMS) holds its 35th anniversary banquet at New Otani Hotel on Oct. 26,

S. Korean gov't control of TV shows alleged

WASHINGTON — Korean-language TV programs broadcast in Southern California are controlled by the South Korean government, according to a complaint filed Oct. 9 with the Federal Communications Commission by the Los Angeles-based Korean American Free Press Committee.

The complaint alleges that KSCI-TV, an independent station in San Bernardino that broadcasts about 12 hours of Ko-

N.Y. man convicted of subway murder

NEW YORK—John Cardinale, a former Peace Corps volunteer who claimed that Asian demons were following him, was found guilty Oct. 3 of the murder of Ly Yung Cheung, Associated Press reports.

The state court jury convicted Cardinale, 40, of second-degree murder for pushing Cheung, 19, a newlywed and expectant mother, in front of an oncoming subway train in February 1984. He reportedly shouted "We're even!" after the killing.

A former schoolteacher, Cardinale faces 25 years to life in prison when he is sentenced Oct. 23.

During the trial, defense attorney Martin Geduldig did not deny that Cardinale had committed the act, but said he was "a very sick man" who could not be held accountable for his actions.

Cardinale worked in Thailand with the Peace Corps from 1972-74 and thought he was being pursued by Asian demons who wanted to rob him of his manhood because he had gone out with Asian women, Geduldig said. The jury rejected his insanity defense.

Asst. District Attorney Kim Hogrefe asserted that Cardinale was conscious of what he was doing and "acted with depraved indifference and lack of concern for human life."

5:30 p.m. Speaking on the theme of "Vision and Faith" will be former executive secretaries Dr. Mas Toyotome, Rev. Ray Narusawa, Rev. Roy Takaya, Rev. Howard Toriumi and Rev. Sam Tonomura. Musical numbers will be presented by the Quintet and the Four Guits, who as young people performed at JEMS Mt. Hermon conferences and local churches. Info: (213) 613-0022.

OAKLAND, Calif.—A minority journalism conference and job fair, sponsored by the American Society of Newspaper Editors, will be held Nov. 7-9 at the downtown Hyatt Regency. Editors from leading California newspapers will be in attendance. There is no fee for journalism students, but participants must be at least a junior in college. For applications, contact coordinator William Wong of The Tribune, P.O. Box 24304, Oakland, CA 94623; (415) 645-2229.

MARYSVILLE, Calif.—Marysville Buddhist Church, 125 B St., holds its fall teriyaki dinner Nov. 2, 5-8 p.m., and Nov. 3, 5-7 p.m. Tickets, \$10 each, are available at Clothes Horse, 1153 Franklin Rd., Tok's Garage, 1331 Bogue Rd., or Kawasaki Giftware, Hillcrest Plaza, all in Yuba City; or Nakagawa Co., 306 C St., Marysville.

rean-language shows per week, has since 1983 received most of its Korean-language news from Korean Television Enterprises, which is said in the complaint to be a subsidiary of the government-controlled Korean Broadcasting System.

The group contends that the news programs exclude events that do not portray the South Korean government in a favorable light. "The Korean community needs a free press and not a dictatorship-controlled media," said Shin-Bom Lee of the Center for Developmental Policy, which is affiliated with the Free Press Committee.

KSCI is accused in the complaint of knowingly concealing South Korean government in-

Reservations and take-out orders: (916) 743-6426.

SAN FRANCISCO — Asian American Theater Co. opens its new season with "State Without Grace," Linda Kalayaan Faigao's contemporary, multi-generational family drama set in the Philippines. The cast features Emilya Cachapero, Sharon Iwai and Jim Hirabayashi, directed by Dom Magwili. Thurs.-Sun., thru Nov. 24, at the People's Theater Coalition, Bldg. B, Fort Mason Center. Tickets: \$8.50-9.50. Reservations: (415) 776-8999.

Kazusa Shimaoka presents an evening of koto music Oct. 27, 1:30 p.m., in the Green Room of the War Memorial and Performing Arts Center, 401 Van Ness Ave. A teacher of koto at S.F. State University, she will be assisted by other Bay Area artists. Tickets, \$6 each, can be purchased at Okabe Sports Shop in Buchanan Mall or at the door.

The Asian Small Business Conference, sponsored by the Governor's Office of Community Relations, will be held Oct. 26, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m., at Holiday Inn, 750 Kearny St. Speakers include Franklin Tom, commissioner, Dept. of Corporations, and Marie Shibuya Snell, director, Dept. of Consumer Affairs. Info: Clayton Fong, (916) 445-1114.

volvement, thereby violating federal communications rules.

Chan Yong Lee, Los Angeles director of Korean Cultural Service, the information and cultural branch of the South Korean consulate, said there is "no control by the government." Henry Paik of Korean Television Enterprises also denied the charges.

Thomas Headly, president and general manager of KSCI, said, "I don't think we're in violation of anything."

The Free Press Committee is asking the FCC to review the station's license and is requesting a Justice Dept. investigation into whether KSCI is "knowingly relinquishing control to an agent of the foreign government."

—from a report by Los Angeles Times

Governors favor Native Hawaiian inclusion in federal programs

HONOLULU—The Western Governors' Assn., meeting Aug. 28, called on Congress to include Native Hawaiians in all federal programs for which other Native Americans are eligible. The resolution was introduced by Gov. George Ariyoshi of Hawaii, chairman of the association.

The association is made up of the governors of 16 Western states, American Samoa, Guam and the Northern Marianas Islands.

Following a unanimous vote to adopt the resolution, Ariyoshi said, "In Hawaii we have been trying to get the federal government, whenever they take any action that affects Native Americans, to be sure they include Native Hawaiians."

"It is a very significant resolution as far as the people of Hawaii are concerned. I was also very pleased that the governors recognized this..."

"Someone asked...whether the Eskimos, the native Alaskans, are included in the definition of Native American. I pointed out that they were and that in most instances, Native Hawaiians are also considered...but not in all situations."

"This resolution will clarify that and indicate that in every instance...Native Hawaiians would be included in that definition, and as a result in all of the programs."

A resolution similar to the one adopted by the governors was approved by the U.S. Conference of Mayors at its meeting in Anchorage, Alaska, in June.

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voting majority since the City Charter requires 5 votes (a majority of the 9 council seats) to pass legislation.

A special election to fill the vacant seats is expected in late November.

City Managing Director D.G. Anderson, who was given credit for engineering the party switch deal, is Republican Mayor Frank Fasi's choice for governor in next year's gubernatorial race. Although Anderson has not made any commitment to run, he does not want to see the party's opportunity to win the governor's seat slip away.

Mink, on the other hand, is definitely interested in running for governor.

—from reports by Honolulu Advertiser and Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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USC alumni honored for achievements

LOS ANGELES—About 600 persons attended the first annual awards dinner/scholarship fundraiser of USC's Asian Pacific American Support Group (APASG) Oct. 3 at the Hyatt Regency. Three USC alumni were honored for their achievements and community service:

—Gin Wong, USC board of trustees member and founder and president of the architectural firm Gin Wong Associates, whose past projects include the \$700 million redevelopment of L.A. International Airport, the twin Watt Plaza office towers in Century City and the Westwood Gateway office tower.

He has served on the board of trustees of L.A. County Museum of Natural History Foundation and as director of Beneficial Standard Corp., L.A. World Affairs Council, St. Joseph Medical Cen-

ter Advisory Board, and L.A. Area Chamber of Commerce.

—Toshikazu Terasawa, principal of the architectural firm of O'Leary, Terasawa, Takahashi & DeChellis and an American Institute of Architects fellow. The firm has designed L.A.'s new wholesale Flower Market, the branch offices of California First Bank, and regional offices of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A.

Terasawa is a board member of L.A. Harbor Improvements Corp., Goodwill Industries of So. Calif., Japanese American Community Service of So. Calif., L.A./Nagoya Sister City Affiliation, Japanese American Cultural & Community Center, Little Tokyo Community Redevelopment Advisory Committee, and Centenary United Methodist Church Building Fund.

—Sammy Lee, gold medal div-

ing champion in the 1948 and 1952 Olympics and now a physician specializing in otolaryngology. He was on the 1984 L.A. Olympic Advisory Committee and has been goodwill ambassador and physical fitness/sports advisor to presidents Eisenhower, Nixon, Ford, Carter and Reagan. His honors include induction into Orange County Sports Hall of Fame and USC School of Medicine's Outstanding Alumnus Award.

Posthumously honored was Soichi Fukui, president of Fukui Mortuary, who died in February 1981. He was active in Japanese American Youth, Japanese Chamber of Commerce of So. Calif., Japanese American Optimist Club, Nisei Week, Downtown chapter JAACL, Little Tokyo Community Center, Memorial Hospital of the Japanese American Community, Military Intelligence Service Club of So. Calif., and other organizations.

His wife Ruth accepted the award on his behalf.

APASG presented scholarships of \$1,000 each to USC students Allyson Kakugawa, Tiffany Lew, Orlando Wong, Patrick Hayashi and Jadene Ung; the Soichi Fukui Memorial Scholarship (\$1,500) went to pre-med student Michael Lew; and the M/M George Aratani Scholarship (\$1,500) went to law student Mel Iomin.

USC president Dr. James Zumberge gave the keynote speech. Other speakers included Irene Hirano, APASG board president; J.D. Hokoyama, director of Asian Pacific American Student Services (APASS); and Tritia Toyota, KCBS-TV news anchor.

APASG was formed to help support APASS, which provides Asian Pacific students at USC with academic support, encourages campus and community involvement, develops leadership skills, and promotes ethnic awareness.

Tamura scholarship fundraiser planned

IRVINE, Calif.—A kickoff fundraiser for a memorial scholarship in honor of the late Justice Stephen K. Tamura will be held at the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Meridien, 4500 MacArthur Blvd., on Nov. 23, with cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7.

Tamura, who died in April 1982, was born on a farm in what is now Fountain Valley in 1912. A graduate of Pomona College, UC Berkeley and Harvard, he was admitted to the California Bar in 1937 and served in the 442nd Regimental Combat Team during WW2.

He served on the Orange County Superior Court 1961-66, becoming in 1966 the first Japanese American to be appointed an appellate judge in the continental U.S. He served on the 4th Appellate District Court of Appeal in San Bernardino until his retirement in 1981 and was also a justice pro tem of the California Supreme Court.

Organizations that have expressed an interest in co-sponsoring the event include Orange County JAACL, Selanoco JAACL, So-Phis, VFW Post 3670, Suburban Optimist Club, Orange Coast Optimist Club, JACS, Tomo No Kai, Medellas, Wintersburg Presbyterian Church, Anaheim First Methodist Church, Orange County Buddhist Church and Orange County Bar Assn.

Scholarship dinner committee members include Jim Okazaki, Hiroshi Kamei, Bruce Sumner, Susan Kamei Leung, Betty Oka, Yas Okazaki, Keiko Sadakane, Gilbert Takanaga, Myrtle Asahino, Frankie Fukuda, May Hsu, Arlene Ito, Trudy Kishimoto,



Stephen K. Tamura

Mike Kusuda, Douglas Landrum, Frank Kawase, Carrie Okamura, Richard Ochiai, Min Inadomi, Kris Landrum, Doug Arakawa, Taya Inadomi and Ken Hayashi.

Tickets are \$100 per person, \$1,000 per table. Donations are tax deductible and all proceeds go to the scholarship fund. Checks payable to Justice Stephen K. Tamura Scholarship Foundation should be sent by Nov. 9 to: Ben Shimazu, 6181 Dover Dr., Huntington Beach, CA 92647.

Hirabayashi, Yasui cases enter new phase

The *coram nobis* cases of Gordon Hirabayashi and Minoru Yasui took another step toward a conclusion in separate actions on Oct. 4.

The two, along with Fred Korematsu, were convicted of violating curfew and evacuation orders during WW2 and were ruled against by the Supreme Court when they appealed. In 1983, the three charged that the government had provided false information to the Court in order to justify its claim that the internment was a military necessity.

—In Seattle, the final legal papers were filed in federal court by attorneys representing Hirabayashi and the U.S. government. In a departure from usual practice, Judge Donald Voorhees asked attorneys to deliver their closing arguments in the form of a legal brief rather than oral presentations.

Voorhees will make a ruling based on the briefs and on an evidentiary hearing held in June, during which Hirabayashi's lawyers sought to prove charges of governmental misconduct while the government defended its claim of military necessity.

Hirabayashi's case was the only of the three in which witnesses were called on to testify.

—In Portland, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals kept Yasui's case alive by ordering U.S. District Judge Robert Belloni to determine whether Yasui met his appeal deadline in 1984.

In January 1984, Belloni agreed to vacate Yasui's WW2 conviction but refused to rule on whether the government was guilty of mis-

conduct. After Yasui appealed the decision in March 1984, the government argued that the appeal was filed 26 days after the 10-day deadline for criminal appeals.

The appeals court ruled 2-1 to order Belloni to determine whether Yasui's case qualified for a 30-day extension given in some cases. "I am happy the court did not reject my appeal out of hand," Yasui said.

In Korematsu's case, Judge Marilyn Hall Patel ruled in 1983 that the government was in the wrong. The government appealed, but withdrew its appeal in June 1984, thus giving Korematsu a complete victory. Hirabayashi is hoping for a similar ruling from Voorhees.

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selves to enter management they would be happier staying in the technical fields." (Happier in sub-standard housing, happier in segregated schooling, happier in lower level, lower-paying jobs, and so on.)

Amazing how some people are so concerned with others' happiness and are able to tell them when they're "happy."

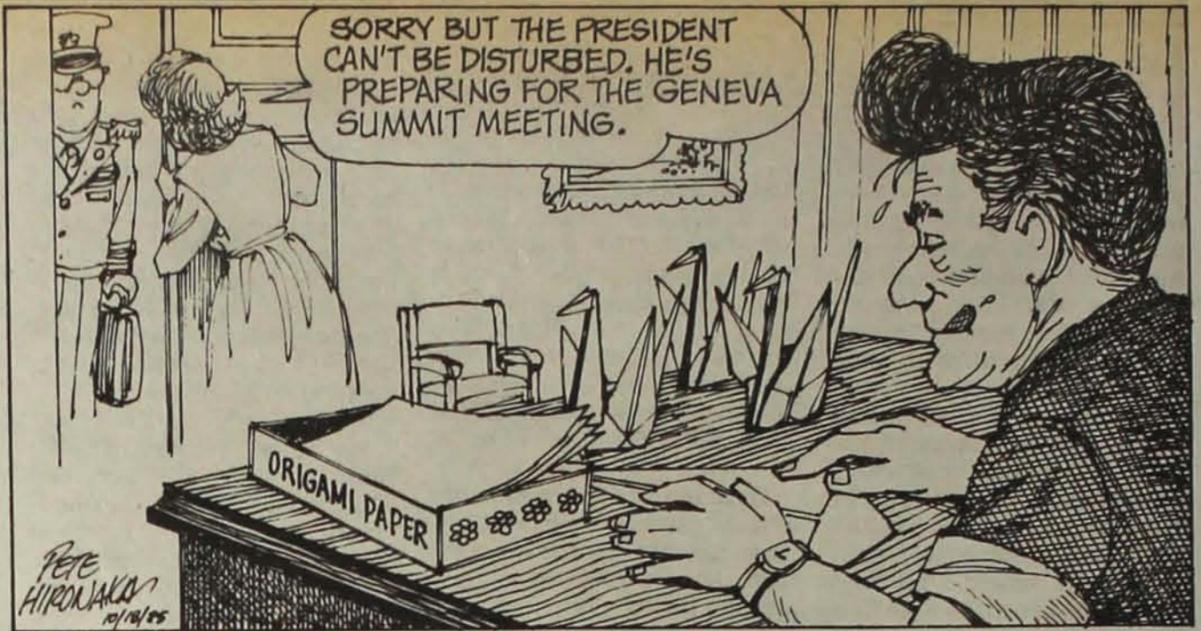
AN UNIDENTIFIED OFFICER of a large company in Pittsburgh is reportedly desirous of hiring hundreds more AA technicians and researchers because they're "loyal and hard workers," but balks at promoting them into management positions because the few that he has placed in such posts "have to have pats on the back constantly."

That's a new one. I'd been under the impression that AA's generally became invisible by being immersed in their work.

IF THE ASIAN culture were incompatible with efficient management, somebody had better alert those folks at Hyundai (in Korea), Sony, Toyota Motors and so on. And we'd better advise them to change things down in Smyrna, Tennessee, where they're manufacturing Japanese trucks, or

A RECENT ARTICLE in the Wall Street Journal discussed the difficulties and obstacles faced by Asian Americans (AA's) in seeking to move upwards into the ranks of management. The statistics uncovered by the EEOC (Equal Employment Opportunity Commission) reflect the cold reality: although AA's constitute 8% of all professionals and technicians in the private sector, only 1.3% or less than one-sixth of them are managers or officials. The article then goes on to cite some of the "reasons" for this imbalance.

A "REASON" THAT emits an all-too-familiar odor is one that is ascribed to a Thomas Campbell, identified as a general manager at Westinghouse Electric Corp. The article says: "[A]lthough Asian-Americans pressure them-



Honda Motors in Ohio, and half the NUMMI project between General Motors and Toyota in California. Tell them that Asians don't know anything about management, that they're "happier staying in the technical fields," and you have to waste a lot of time patting them on the back.

Before it's too late.

I SUBMIT THAT there in fact are some cultural impediments that we Asian Americans permit to stand in our way. Competence clearly is not one of them. Nor dedication. Nor any absence of result orientation. All too often we

operate under the misconception that ability and performance, alone, will pave the way, will inevitably lead to higher positions, will "automatically" yield recognition. We ought to know better when we see some of the occupants of those higher positions from whom we take our orders.

And we deem it crass to be pushy, unseemly to "play politics," to get ahead with social entertaining—rather than getting ahead on merit alone. But when you're among Romans, you play by Roman rules...or at least a modified form thereof. Otherwise, you risk getting stepped on.

Constantly.

BY NO MEANS is this to suggest that the ethics that were handed down to us from our Issei folks are anything other than noble and desirable. And within the confines of one's family, and within a close circle of like minds where such ethics are appreciated, practicing such ethics is fine and to be applauded.

But the Issei also instruct us: *Yudan subekarazu*. It doesn't quite mean the translation I'll give it, but it has connotations of something akin to "Don't let them dump on you."

Indeed.

LEC UPDATE: Grayce Uyehara

Grassroots Lobbying

Rep. Henry J. Hyde, a Republican from the 6th District in Illinois, is the latest cosponsor for H.R. 442. Hyde is the second Republican to sign on who serves on the House Judiciary Committee. His district is mainly the suburbia of Chicago north and west of O'Hare Airport, which includes towns such as Mount Prospect and Lombard, where a few members of the Chicago chapter reside.

Hyde's strong constructionist approach to constitutional rights makes him an able ally for the redress cause.

Charles Mathias, the popular Republican senator of Maryland with liberal-to-moderate views, announced Sept. 27 that he would not run in 1986. He is the third Republican in the last six weeks to announce his plans to leave the Senate. The other two are Paul Laxalt of Nevada and John East of North Carolina.

Mathias is on the Senate Government Affairs Committee, to which S. 1053 is assigned. His cosponsorship is very much needed and has been assigned to the Washington, D.C. chapter. Mathias' popularity and influence can make the difference and will also pave the way for LEC to approach his successor.

Regional redress coordinators will be receiving copies of the LEC Strategy Plan presented by Grant Ujifusa, LEC Legislative Strategy Chair. Ujifusa is co-editor, with Michael Barone of the Washington Post, of *The Almanac of American Politics*, published by National Journal. Much of the information on the members of Congress prepared by the LEC staff will come from the Almanac.

The LEC lobbying activities will need to be updated by the grassroots of JACL. When a Member of Congress has been contacted by

letter or by a visit to the MC's home office, we need to have a copy of any replies to letters and a short summary of the visit with either the MC or his/her staff. The information will be sent to Bill Yoshino, director of the Midwest JACL office, who will serve as the clearinghouse to consolidate the information into usable form by all those working on lobbying the redress bills.

An example of grassroots lobbying is the plan presented by the New York redress coordinator, Dr. Mary Koide. Koide plans to go to Buffalo, N.Y. and its environs for a few days in early November. She will start out with her contact base—the Unitarians—with whom she will meet for educational workshops on redress.

LEC will provide her with information on the four MCs whose districts she plans to visit. We will arrange other contacts from organizations who have agreed to give us assistance. Program materials for the workshops will be sent in sufficient time for Koide to plan her program. Koide has been successful during the 98th Congress in getting additional cosponsors from the Westchester County area. Her son Mark, who is a senior at Brown University, will organize the lobbying effort for Rhode Island.

In September, Tim Gojio, Washington Representative, and Tim Otani of PNW Regional Office met in Seattle with Lt. Gov. S.B. Woo of Delaware, who is serving his first year in this position. The redress bills were discussed with Woo. When he returned to Delaware he followed up immediately on the issue, so it was possible for me to discuss with him how he could be of help to us.

Woo is a man of action. When informed that I would be attending the Philadelphia reception in his

Letters

Writer's Query

I'm a writer living and working in Massachusetts. I would like to interview or correspond with anyone having information concerning the Fort Sill (Oklahoma) internment camp. Interested persons please call (617) 342-3452 or write:

DOUGLAS VALENTINE
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Incomplete Reporting

Your eagerness to report on the tremendous amount of work put forth by the JACL staff personnel is both fully justified and appropriate. Your partial reporting, however, of the circumstances under which a reply was made by the National Director leaves a reader in the dark (Oct. 4 PC).

The idea for freezing the staff

honor sponsored by the Asian American Law Assn. of Delaware Valley, he said he would bring a copy of his letter to Sen. William V. Roth, Jr. who chairs the Governmental Affairs Committee. The AALA has Dennis Morikawa as president. Woo mentioned the JA experience and the redress bills. He emphasized the need for AAs to work together. Since Woo, a Democrat, had 25% of the Republicans voting for him, we plan to follow up on getting additional support.

As the LEC program becomes operational, we hope to share the redress activities which are going on in the eight districts and 114 chapters. If the potential force of the organization can be harnessed, JACL will add another monumental legislation into the history of Congress and our United States.

salary for 1986 was put forth by the National Director, and not by the Board. My comment was made in response to a suggestion to have the National Board members pay for their own travel and lodging expenses to attend the National Board meeting. National Board members, as you well know, must put out as volunteers enormous amounts of time, energy and, in many instances, their own money to perform their duties as JACL officers.

CLIFFORD UYEDA
San Francisco

Salons and Slurs

With all the furor being raised over the offensive name of a certain West Hollywood hair salon, and the repeated protestations of innocence on the part of the owners, I have a question that keeps coming back to haunt me.

Since the name of the salon was chosen to be an acronym using the first letters of the owners' names, what would they have named the salon if their names had been something like Nancy, Irene, George, Geoffrey, Ernest, Rosa and Sam? Or is the obvious acronym formed from those names too offensive?

ROCHELLE WANDZURA
Washington, D.C.

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The Great Matsutake Shortage

This may become known as the year of the great crop failure. The matsutake mushroom crop failure. That succulent and aromatic fungus is to be found nowhere in the Rockies this fall for reasons not entirely clear and there is much gnashing of teeth among frustrated mushroom hunters.

The mushroom season begins normally in mid-August. But by the end of July the more eager are unable to contain themselves. They set out for the mountains—west of Boulder in the Indian Peaks area, further north up the winding dirt road from Red Feather Lakes, and even into the Snowy Range country of southern Wyoming—“just to see what conditions are like.” They rarely admit they are looking for mush-

FROM THE
FRYING PAN:

Bill
Hosokawa



rooms so early in the summer; no, they're not that crazy-eager, they're simply out scouting prospects, just in case the season might be a little early.

This year they reported prospects were not promising. There had been many rain showers in early July, but soon the clouds disappeared and the piney woods

baked under a pitiless sun. Mushroom need moisture, plenty of it and at the right time, and there was little to be had. The fallen pine needles were parched, the aspen dusty.

The drought continued into August with no promise of relief. Fires spread through the tinder-dry forests of California, Oregon and Washington, warning that there would be no eastward-moving rainstorms reaching Colorado from the coastal states.

Apprehensive but not discouraged, the aficionados packed lunches, donned hiking boots, filled gasoline tanks and headed for the hills. No luck. Even the inedible toadstools, which normally abound, were absent. It was as if Mother Nature had

waved her wand and caused fungus growth of every kind to disappear from the forests.

The season ends about this time of year when sharp winds sweep down from the peaks. It may rain, perhaps even snow, this month, but it will not coax the mushrooms out of the ground for there is a time for everything and the time for mushrooms to emerge is past. The best we can hope for is that the spores or whatever it is that causes mushrooms to sprout will sleep well this winter under the pine needles and, properly refreshed, be revived by timely rains next August.

If any good came from the poor season, it was the windfall enjoyed by the long distance telephone companies. Local dealers

like the Granada and Pacific markets, which made a business of buying mushrooms here and air-freighting them to Los Angeles, New York, San Francisco and Chicago, have been besieged by frantic calls from their customers who ask unhappy questions: When are you going to have some mushrooms? Are you sure there aren't any? You aren't holding out on me, are you? Well, will you be sure to ship us the very first mushrooms you get?

Sorry, friend, there just ain't any this season. Neither love nor money is going to get you any. Haven't you heard? This is the year of the great matsutake mushroom crop failure and there's not a thing anyone can do about it.

The LEC Legislative Strategy Paper

Our strategy depends on understanding a simple reality and acting on it: the situation in Washington has changed for the better, making chances for passage of the redress bill much brighter. But we cannot capitalize on the good news unless the community has a full-time staff director in Washington to lead and co-ordinate the lobbying effort. So the first and most important strategic priority is to give money and to raise it.

In other words, if the community is not able, for whatever reason, to show confidence by supporting our organized effort to win redress, any and all strategic plans are useless, and we might as well shut the operation down. For common sense tells us that without commitment and work at the grass roots level, a national lobbying campaign is an empty exercise. At the same time, the JACL/LEC leadership must work hard to earn the respect of the community. The LEC must give evidence that it knows what it is doing. If the LEC, for whatever reasons, cannot demonstrate competence, redress comes to the same dead end: we have our chance to give redress our best shot. The bottom line here is that for redress, it is now or never.

Now, who thinks things are better in Washington and why are they improved? Among others, the four very experienced Nikkei members of Congress, all of whom are currently more than cautiously optimistic. Thus, it would be a great shame if we out in the community cannot finally get our act together and move forward.

But why are the members optimistic?

(1) In the House, Rep. Sam B. Hall, an opponent of redress, left for a judgeship. Hall was chairman of a subcommittee where H.R. 442 resides. He has been replaced by Rep. Dan Glickman of Wichita, Kansas, who instinctively understands what happened in 1942. Meanwhile, Rep. Tom Kindness, Hall's Republican counterpart on the subcommittee, has decided to run for the Senate in 1986 and so will have less time to spend opposing our efforts. Hall and Kindness could have killed or bottled up the bill.

There are 10 members of Glickman's subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Affairs. This means 6 votes gets the bill favorably to the full Judiciary Committee, where we also need a majority. So getting those 6 votes is our second strategic priority. Three we have in the form of co-sponsors: Frank of Newton and Brookline, Mass.; Berman of the San Fernando Valley; and Crockett from inner city Detroit. Glickman is sympathetic and

that means 4 votes out of the 6. We need 2 more, and that's not many.

Where are those 2 votes? The best bets are Boucher of southwestern Va., a pretty rough and industrial blue-collar kind of place, and Staggers of Morgantown, W. Va., also industrial and blue-collar. [Rep. Frederick Boucher became a co-sponsor of H.R. 442 Oct. 9.] Both politicians are moderately liberal on civil rights issues, but are pressured by constituents on economic and trade issues. The Nikkei community through friends, relations, and other contacts in the two constituencies absolutely has to find ways to reach and persuade these two people on the House subcommittee.

Other possible votes in descending order are: Brown of Greeley and Fort Collins, Colo. (where one local Nikkei farmer or businessman could prove crucial to all of redress); Coble of Greensboro, N.C.; Swindall of suburban Atlanta; and Kindness of Hamilton and Middletown, Ohio. Less intense effort is merited here, but constituent contact could sway any one of them except the last. That contact could also produce an abstention, and the needed majority gets reduced to 5 members.

"The bottom line is that for redress, it is now or never."

We have to work very hard on the subcommittee to get our bill reported out favorably, because the going looks easier on the full Judiciary Committee, which has 35 members. We need 18 votes, and we have 14 co-sponsors. Chairman Rodino will probably help. But the priority now is the two votes on the subcommittee. If we don't get them, redress is effectively dead. If we do and we get out of committee, the action of course shifts to the floor of the full House and its 435 members.

(2) In the Senate, we have an extremely influential and able senator, Ted Stevens of Alaska, who is the number two Republican on the Governmental Affairs Committee, which has jurisdiction over our legislation. Stevens, a co-sponsor, is really committed to the bill, and that is one big reason behind the optimism. We should let Stevens know how much Nikkei support the Aleut provisions of the bill.

(3) So our third priority is to lobby the full Governmental Affairs Committee, composed of 13 members, of whom Sen. Carl Levin of Mich. is the only other co-sponsor. That means we need 5 more votes, assuming no abstentions or absences. Best bets in rank order are: Mathias of Md. (who is retiring after 1986); Gore of Tenn.; Durenberger of Minn.; chairman of the committee Roth of Del.; Chiles of Fla.; Nunn of

Ga.; Rudman of New Hampshire; and Cochran of Miss.

(4) The White House. The 3 most powerful people in the White House and in the country are Ronald Reagan, Nancy Reagan, and chief of staff Don Regan. The ideal lobbyist for us with them would be some Nikkei who knew the Reagans personally back in Calif. or who worked for Regan at Merrill Lynch. This could be a campaign contributor, a Calif. state employee, or best of all, someone who, through a professional, business, or social service activity, developed a personal relationship with Nancy or Ronald Reagan. Like most things in life, politics is finally personal. For just how personal Washington can get and for a quick education into how a real bill moves in Congress, a breezy little paperback called *The Dance of Legislation* by Eric Redman should be read.

In short, a personal contact at the White House, and in other important places in the Administration, is as important as personal constituent contact in Congress. But should our bill ever clear both houses of Congress, we might need some professional lobbying firm to help us with the White House. For a variety of political

many, many times. This crucial work—straightforward, old-fashioned coalition building—has to be done.

(6) How should individuals go about lobbying Washington? First, if you are able to get personal or proxy contact with members of the House subcommittee, especially Boucher, Staggers, and possibly Brown, concentrate all your efforts there until the bill clears the subcommittee; second, the members of the full Senate committee; and then all the other members of Congress who are not co-sponsors.

The grassroots work on your local Representative and Senator remains vitally important. The final test comes in the full House and the full Senate. If your local or state-wide politician is already a co-sponsor, write or pay a visit to him or his staff member and say how much you appreciate his commitment. Remember that because he is a co-sponsor does not necessarily mean he will vote for the bill on the floor. His support requires constant care and nurturance. After thanking him, ask him to lobby, member to member, for other co-sponsors; this applies with special force to Frank, Berman, and Crockett.

If your Congressman or Senator is not a co-sponsor, ask him to become

one of H.R. 442 or S. 1053. He might not, but the request could lead him to vote for the bill later or abstain. Sometimes, five or six letters or visits will sway a politician's vote, if the issue is kept appropriately quiet and nothing much—that is, hate mail generated by publicity and an enterprising media—comes in on the other side.

How should you prepare for writing a letter or making a visit? Review a fine document put out by the JACL Redress Committee called "Frequently Asked Questions About Redress." But make your letter or presentation as personal as possible. Anything too slick, polished or that comes in too often said in the same way raises suspicions in congressional offices. If you get either a personal or form letter back, follow up on the points made, and then let the JACL/LEC Washington Office know what happened.

If you get to Washington, set up an appointment in advance. A politician loves visitors from among his own constituents. We have nothing to be shy about, and they are usually completely accessible. We should utilize it. A politician also spends perhaps 30% of his time back home—his job is a permanent campaign. So set up a local appointment, make your points clearly with the member or aide, know the status of the bill (which subcommittee

Sen. Daniel Inouye has agreed to meet in early October with Joe Rauh, an LEC member and one of the most eminent civil rights leaders in America, along with the other Nikkei members of Congress and people from LEC and JACL. To get this part of our strategy off the ground, the Washington office will coordinate all the input, and get word out through direct contact with chapter and regional coordinators on how local Nikkei can lobby support among Jewish, black, Hispanic, church, veteran, and labor and teacher organizations.

reasons, we are unlikely to get open and public support for the bill. The goal is to get *White House neutrality, which is the fourth strategic priority.*

(5) We cannot lobby and pass the redress bill unless we have the support of other civil rights, ethnic, religious, and labor groups. We don't ourselves have the numbers, the big money, and the organized clout. So we have to enlist proxy Nikkei and proxy Nikkei organizations, which is our fifth priority. Many national groups have already endorsed redress, and we now have to engage the active support of people belonging to those groups at the local level.

In Washington, and especially at the grassroots level, the other groups multiply the number of redress backers

or full committee and any progress reported in the PC), chat back and forth, and leave behind the pamphlet, also prepared by the JACL Redress Committee, called "The Japanese American Incarceration: The Case for Redress."

To Review: There's a House subcommittee and Senate full committee priority, there's a coalition building plan, there's a need for a personal friend of the Reagans and Regan. This is the shape of the effort to be made, but we must remember that all of the activities have to go on more or less simultaneously. We must also remember that through member-to-member work, the 4 Nikkei in Washington are our most important, effective (and unpaid) lobbyists. Inouye, Matsunaga, Mineta, and Matsui—along with those who plugged away at the grassroots level—are largely responsible for the 114 co-sponsors in the House (where 218 votes is a majority without abstentions and absences) and the 27 co-sponsors in the Senate (51 votes making a majority). So on the floor we are only 118 and 24 votes short. Many bills have become law with fewer co-sponsors.

Also working for us is that many on the Hill recognize that our issue is not a special interest bill, but represents a fundamental constitutional matter affecting all Americans. Conscience plays a role here, and the battle is not by any means entirely uphill. The fact is that we have had considerable success so far. Think what we might be able to do if we got ourselves together around the redress issue.

To get going, however, we have to have a full-time LEC Director in Washington to implement whatever strategy a fully committed community decides upon, and to track the timelines of the various people and units in Congress and the Administration. Those timelines can shift without much notice. The director must get plugged into them, think, consult, adjust, decide, and lead all of the players. This is like running any business or professional operation. In the interim, Grayce Uyehara, the recently appointed LEC Legislative Director and a person with deep roots in the JACL community, can lead us extremely well.

But for the longer term, it is clear that with a full-time director, redress stands a better than decent chance. Without one, little chance. To hire one, the LEC redress effort needs money, the first priority in the strategy. After we have a director, as an Issei might put it, success depends less on our brains than on our feet. Remember that we fight not merely to win.

Chapter Pulse

Selanoco

GARDEN GROVE, Calif.—Selanoco Chapter holds its fall meeting Saturday, Nov. 2, 6 p.m., at Wintersburg Church, 13711 Fairview (south of Garden Grove Fwy). Guest speaker will be playwright Velina Houston, author of "Asa Ga Kimashita" and "Tea." Cost: \$6. Sushi must be ordered by Oct. 18. Those whose last names start with A-M should bring salad; others should bring dessert. Info: Evelyn Hanki, (213) 865-7455.

Riverside

RIVERSIDE, Calif.—Riverside Symphony Orchestra opens its 27th season Nov. 2 with Haruna Aoki as featured guest pianist. An afternoon reception at the Municipal Auditorium is planned with a 5:30 buffet dinner catered by Kushiya Ya for \$10 per person. Reservation deadline is Oct. 21. Tickets for the evening performance are \$12 reserved seats, \$9 general admission, \$6 seniors and students. Contact: 787-0251 or 686-3290.

Gilroy

GILROY, Calif.—"A Family Get Acquainted Potluck and Welcoming New Members" will be held Oct. 26, 5:30 p.m. at the Japanese Community Hall, 6851 Alexander St. Children are invited to wear their Halloween costumes. Prizes will be awarded. Bring a main dish, salad or dessert and table service for your family. Info: 847-2478.

Hayashi Memorial Scholarship given

SAN FRANCISCO — Thomas Fleming of Alameda, Calif., has been named the 1986 recipient of the JACL/EDC Thomas T. Hayashi Memorial Law Scholarship.

Fleming is a graduate of UC Berkeley and is currently enrolled at Yale School of Law. In addition to maintaining a 4.0 GPA as an undergraduate, he has donated his time and services to many community organizations.

The award was established in 1975 by the Eastern District Council to memorialize Hayashi, an attorney and civil rights advocate, who died in 1974 at age 56. National

JACL scholarship forms available

SAN FRANCISCO—Information and applications for the 1986 JACL National Scholarship Program are now available from local chapters, regional offices and National Headquarters.

Over 45 awards, totaling about \$60,000, are being offered to college undergraduate and graduate students. Awards for students involved in the performing and creative arts are also available.

Freshman applicants should return their completed application to their local chapter. All other applicants should submit applications to National Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115. Deadline is March 1, 1986. Info: Youth Director David Nakayama, (415) 921-5225.



Thomas T. Hayashi

JACL accepted administrative responsibility for the scholarship in February 1985.

Born in Sacramento, Hayashi was interned at Tule Lake during WW2. He graduated with honors from New York University Law School in 1946 and entered the field of international law with the firm of Whitman and Ransom, later forming the law partnership of Hayashi and Zalk.

Specializing in international corporate law, he received a special citation from Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

Hayashi did legal work in the Japanese American community on a pro bono basis for those who could not afford to pay. He was a prime mover in establishing New York JACL and was the first Eastern District governor.

For additional information on the award, contact JACL National Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, 94115; (415) 921-5225.

Scout completes food drive for Kimochi

SAN FRANCISCO—Residents of Kimochi Home, which operates programs for senior citizens, were on hand Aug. 31 to show their appreciation as they accepted a donation of over 500 items, worth \$520, raised through a canned food drive initiated and organized by 17-year-old Henry Isakari of Berkeley's Boy Scout Troop 26 as part of an Eagle Scout project.

Because of his volunteer participation in the annual Shinnenkai (New Year's celebration) put on by Bay Area Japanese Senior Center and his work on the Kimochi/Cherry Blossom Run fundraiser, Isakari decided to do a project that would benefit Japanese seniors.

The project took over a year to complete. Working with the Kimochi staff, he made a list of things people could donate. Then he made announcements at churches and organizations such as Contra Costa JACL; contacted restaurants for donations; placed collection boxes (donated by Otagiri Co.) at churches; put notices in church newsletters; and distributed flyers and signs.

He collected everything from sembei and takenoko to soup and jello. Isakari thanked David Nakayama, National JACL youth director, Kent JACLA, Eagle Scout advisor, and Richard Eijima, Kimochi Nutrition Project director, for their help.

Anti-Asian violence subject of conference

NEWTON, Mass. — "Violence against Asian Americans" will be the subject of the fifth National Asian Pacific American Law Students Assn. conference, to be held Oct. 26, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and Oct. 27, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., at Boston College Law School.

Representatives of various legal and community groups will discuss the increasing number of violent incidents nationwide involving Asian victims and formulate a positive response strategy.

Speakers include Phil Nash, Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund, N.Y.; Diane Tanaka, Massachusetts attorney general's office; Peter Kiang, Asian American Resource Workshop, Boston; Glenda Joe, Hous-

ton Asian Community Support Services Center; Virginia Lee, lead counsel in the Long Guang Huang case; and William Tamayo, Asian Law Caucus, San Francisco.

The conference will also enable students considering a career in law to meet with law students, professors, and attorneys.

Admission is free. Info: (617) 552-4418 or 542-9864.

For the Record

In the Oct. 11 "Chapter Pulse," PC incorrectly stated that tickets to the West LA JACL installation (Nov. 16, Holiday Inn in Santa Monica) were complimentary. We apologize for any inconvenience the error may have caused.

Deaths

Kaei Kay Kamiya, 77, Hawaii-born Nisei, prewar gakuen teacher and post-war Los Angeles businessman, died Oct. 7. He is survived by w Waseko, s Eiichi, d Yuriko Sugino, Yoshie Yoshimura, Eiko Moriyama, 8 grandchildren.

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Toshio Mori in 1949, when his book *Yokohama California* was first published.

Yokohama, California being reprinted

SEATTLE—University of Washington Press has published a new edition of the late Toshio Mori's *Yokohama, California*. Originally published in 1949, it is the first collection of short stories by a Japanese American ever published.

Set in the fictional community of Yokohama, California, Mori's stories tell of the people, gossip, humor and legends of Japanese America in the 1930s and '40s.

In the introduction to the original edition, William Saroyan wrote, "Mori writes about the Japanese of California. If someone else tried to tell you about them, you would never know them. Even if another young Japanese without Mori's Eye and Heart told about them, they wouldn't be what they are in Mori's little stories. They would be Japanese; in Mori's stories they are Japanese only after you know they are men and women alive."

The new edition includes a new introduction by poet Lawson Ina-

da, a professor of English at Southern Oregon State College, author of *Before the War* and co-editor of *Aiiieeee!*

Born in Oakland in 1910 and raised in San Leandro, Mori was camp historian while interned at Topaz, Utah, during WW2. His works appeared in JA vernaculars such as *Pacific Citizen*, *Current Life* and *Trek* as well as such anthologies as *Best American Short Stories of 1943*.

More recently, he published a novel, *Woman From Hiroshima*, and a second short story collection, *The Chauvinist*. Many of his stories were reprinted in anthologies of Asian American literature such as *Ayumi* and *Counterpoint*. He died in 1980.

Available in paperback only, the book costs \$7.95. For more information, contact Publicity Dept., Univ. of Washington Press, P.O. Box C-50096, Seattle, WA 98145; (206) 543-4050.

More anti-Vietnamese violence feared

BOLINAS, Calif. — Vietnamese fishermen are threatening to arm themselves in response to a shooting incident, the most recent in a series of attacks and racial remarks aimed at them in Moss Beach, Half Moon Bay, and the Berkeley Marina, reports Ed Iwata of the San Francisco Chronicle.

"Some of the fishermen fought ... the Communists as soldiers, and they are very capable of defending themselves if necessary," said Chieu Pham, president of the Vietnamese Fishermen Assn. of America in Oakland.

On Sept. 16 at dawn, an unidentified commercial fishing boat fired on three Vietnamese fishermen setting a gill net three miles off Bolinas Bay.

"We're trying to find out if it was racial," said a Coast Guard official who requested anonymity. "We don't want another Gulf [of

Mexico] situation on our hands."

In 1980, two Vietnamese fishermen and a white fisherman were shot and killed in Houston during a long-standing feud between the two groups. Two years ago, an arsonist burned three Vietnamese boats.

In the shooting off Bolinas Bay, the Vietnamese crew of the Hazel B, based at the Berkeley Marina, told investigators that their boat's skipper flashed warning lights at a large white fishing boat when an automatic rifle fired on them.

Tan Le, the 26-year-old skipper, and the crew flattened on the floor. Investigators later discovered three .22 caliber bullets on the deck. None of the crew members were injured.

"They are lucky to be alive," said Pham.

Pham alleged that the Coast Guard, the Sheriff's Dept., the FBI

and the state Fish and Game Dept. either refused to investigate the shooting or did nothing to help and advise the fishermen until three days after the incident.

Lt. Donald Besse of the Marin County Sheriff's Dept. said that "no one was willing to take the report initially" because the investigation could have come under the jurisdiction of either the sheriff or the Coast Guard.

He added that the sheriff's investigation has "probably hit a dead end" because the Vietnamese were not able to identify the boat clearly.

The Vietnamese fishermen at the Berkeley Marina said that other Vietnamese have been the target of racial taunts.

The Vietnamese have become a source of controversy in the fishing industry for their use of gill nets, which also trap migratory birds, sea mammals and protected species of fish.

On the Northern California coast, present state guidelines ban gill nets in most areas near the shore from Point Reyes to Half Moon Bay.

Despite the ban, the fishermen "are determined to stay," said Pham.

Asians fastest-growing group, study says

WASHINGTON — Asian Americans are the fastest-growing segment of the population and could number nearly 10 million by the year 2000, according to a study released Oct. 9 by the independent Population Reference Bureau.

By the turn of the century, the study says, Asian Americans will be almost 4% of the population, up from 1.5% in 1980. Based on Census Bureau statistics, the study notes that "between 1970 and 1980, a decade in which the total U.S. population increased by only 11%, the Asian American population soared by 141%."

The composition of the Asian population will change, with Japanese and Chinese, who in the past have been the largest groups, making up a smaller percentage of the total.

Japanese Americans, for example, have a relatively low birthrate and there is little immigration to the U.S. from Japan, the report states. In third place in 1980 at 716,331, JAs may drop to sixth place in 2000, when they are expected to total 856,619.

In contrast, Vietnamese are expected to be among the fastest

growing segments as those already here bring in members of their families.

As of 1980, Chinese Americans remained the largest Asian group at 812,178, or 23.4% of the total. But the report projects that they will slip to second place in 2000, with their anticipated 1.7 million making up about 17% of Asian Americans.

Pilipinos are expected to move from second place in 1980 to first place in 2000, increasing from 781,894 to 2,070,571.

Despite an expected increase from 387,223 to 1,006,305, Asian Indians would also slip, from fourth to fifth place.

Koreans, fifth in 1980 with 357,393, would climb to fourth at 1,320,759, and Vietnamese would rise from sixth place to third, growing from 245,025 to 1,574,385.

Even with the projected growth, Asian Americans would remain the nation's third largest minority after Blacks and Hispanics. The 1980 census counted 26.7 million Blacks and 14.6 million Hispanics; although not increasing at as high a rate as Asians,

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U.S., Japan leaders to debate on television

LOS ANGELES—KCET and the Pacific Basin Institute of Santa Barbara are co-producing a televised panel debate of Japanese and American business and government leaders on Oct. 25 at the

KCET studios. The one-hour program, which will focus on the current trade tensions between the two countries, will be distributed nationally to public television stations in November.

The program is being produced in conjunction with the Los Angeles Times/Yomiuri Shimbun conference of Japanese and American business, academic and government leaders, which will be held Oct. 23-25.

Author David Halberstam, Ohio congressman Ralph Regula (R), former United Auto Workers president Doug Fraser, and president of the Pacific Basin Institute Frank Gibney will be the Americans on the panel.

Among the Japanese participants will be: Liberal Democratic Party director of international affairs Wataru Hiraizumi; Jiro Tokuyama, dean of Tokyo's Nomura School of Advanced Management and contributing editor for Newsweek International; and Yukiyasu Togo, president of Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A.

The program will also include a taped interview with Kiichi Miyazawa, former foreign minister and potential prime minister.

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both groups are also growing faster than the national average.

"Once looked down upon as poorly educated, blue collar Orientals, Asian Americans are now perceived as a 'model minority,'" the report says, adding that Asian Americans are better educated, have better jobs and earn more than the general population but cautioning that there are vast disparities among individuals.

The study was done by Robert W. Gardner, Bryant Robey and Peter C. Smith of the Population Institute of the East West Center in Honolulu.

—from Associated Press

People

Appointments

Michael Nakamura of Pomona, Calif., has been appointed by Gov. George Deukmejian to the advisory board to the Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair. A sales manager of Hitachi Sales Corp. of America, he is a member of the Calif. State Electronics Assn. and the Electronic Industries Assn.

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PC columnist Bill Hosokawa, who retired as editorial page editor of the Denver Post last year, has joined the Rocky Mountain News in Denver as reader representative. After leaving the Post, he became a publishing consultant and roving editor for the Japanese edition of Reader's Digest.

Education

Kathryn Bannai has been named a regent for Eastern Washington Univ. at Cheney by Gov. Booth Gardner. An attorney and past president of Seattle JACL, she has worked for the Dept. of Health and Human Services and now serves with Seattle-King County Public Defenders Assn.



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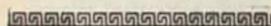
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