Kimura was sentenced to probation, released
by Katje Kaori Hayashi

SANTA MONICA, Calif.—Fumiko Kimura, who drowned her two children in a suicide attempt, was sentenced to a five-year probation period in a decision handed down by Superior Court Judge Robert Thomas on Nov. 21.

"Everybody seems to agree Mrs. Kimura is likely to experience punishment as long as she lives," Hayashi said. "I feel like further incarceration would serve no useful purpose.

After hearing the sentence, some in the audience applauded and some wept with joy. Most were Japanese and Japanese Americans.

Kimura, 33, was released the night of sentencing. Although sentenced to one year in prison in addition to probation, she was given credit for 10 months already served at the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute. The court also ordered her to receive psychiatric therapy three times a week after completing the program.

Kimura could have received a maximum sentence of seven years in prison because of her no-contest plea to manslaughter on Oct. 15. But Deputy District Attorney Barbara Arcuri said she didn't request a harsh sentence.

"Fumiko Kimura was a very, very loving mother. Her children were her entire life. But she can no longer see her children growing. I really believe the pain and suffering Mrs. Kimura has inside of her is sufficient punishment," she said.

Weis hoped that Kimura could communicate better with her husband Isoturo, whose infidelity allegedly triggered the incident, but who has been supportive of her since then. Weis also hoped that Kimura would become assimilated into American culture. Her impassioned speech made Kimura weep in the courtroom.

Sumiko Ono, a social worker at Little Tokyo Service Center, said she was moved by Weis's speech. She also felt "a sense of accomplishment" because the judge acknowledged the support from the Japanese American community.

More than 30,000 signatures were sent to LTSC from 24 states as well as Japan, she said.

Rev. Ken Kimura (no relation to the defendant), public relations chair for Fumiko Kimura Fair Trial Committee, said, "I was impressed by the humanness of the case." He added that when he visited Kimura as a clergyman, she told him "she would like to contribute her life to society.

A probation report explained what happened to Kimura before her suicide attempt.

Kimura, who described herself as a typical Oriental wife and mother, learned that her husband had a mistress in November 1983. After that, she "felt immense guilt that she was a bad mother, an inadequate wife and was responsible for her husband's infidelity."

Her husband promised to break up with the mistress. However, a year later Kimura received a call from the mistress.

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Teachers' federation endorses JA redress

NEW YORK — The executive council of American Federation of Teachers (AFT), meeting Nov. 7-8, voted unanimously to support redress legislation in Congress.


Asked what followed the AFT resolution, Dunn responded that the organization's lobbying department will take the position to Washington.

The AFT has a nationwide membership of 750,000, of which 225,000 are registered in New York.

---New York Nichibei

Another 'English Only' rule debated

ALHAMBRA, Calif.—The city council, during a crowded and emotional meeting Nov. 25, refused to take action on a resolution declaring English the city's official language, patterned after one introduced in neighboring Monterey Park (see Nov. 29 PC).

Presented by a group called All We Can Afford, the proposal was a response to the presence of an Asian immigrant community that comprises about 25% of Alhambra's 70,000 residents.

"The proliferation of business signs in Chinese... is offensive to Americans because it is an attack on our culture," said Mark Lockman, chairman of the group.

"We seek to cater only to Asians—a subtle form of discrimination against English-speaking residents.

"Immigrants must adjust to the fact that Americans fiercely prize all of their national traditions and realize that English is a key element... Let us not sell out our language to a bi-cultural philosophy that alienates, divides and destroys our national identity."

Although he stressed that the resolution was merely "a stated ideal" and "a symbolic message," City Atty. Leland Dolley said it would violate constitutional protection of free speech and equal protection under the law as well as the Civil Rights Act of 1984.

Reaction to Kirk proposal lukewarm

by Julia Malisse
Hokaebe Mainichi

SAN FRANCISCO—Many Asian American Democrats felt they had received a slap in the face when national party chairman Paul Kirk pushed a resolution through the Democratic National Committee last May removing formal party sponsorship of the Asian Pacific Caucus.

Some local AP Democrats were still feeling the sting when Kirk announced Nov. 13 a proposal for the formation of a Democratic National Federation of Asian Pacific Americans (see Nov. 29 PC).

The new federation will be a "stronger, closer, more vital link to the Democratic Party than ever before," Kirk said at a reception at Dimasalang House, a local Filipino American housing project.

House bill gains 2 GOP co-sponsors

WASHINGTON—House redress bill HR 442 has gained three new co-sponsors, two of them Republicans, during the past month.

—Rep. Richard Cheney (R), Wyoming's at-large congressman, signed on Dec. 2 through the lobbying efforts of LCD legislative strategy chair Grant Ujifusa. Cheney is fourth highest in the House Republican leadership and chairs the House Republican Policy Committee.

—Rep. George Gekas (R), who represents Pennsylvania's 17th district, became a co-sponsor Nov. 18. He sits on the House Judiciary Committee and Select Committee on Aging.

—Rep. Andrew Jacobs (D), who represents Indiana's 10th district and sits on the House Ways and Means Committee, became a co-sponsor Nov. 13.

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a way to store hydrogen safely and effectively. Scientists
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to achieve this goal.

Another challenge is the cost of producing hydrogen
and platinum. However, as these technologies continue
to develop, it is likely that the cost will decrease over time.

Overall, hydrogen and platinum have the potential
to revolutionize the way we think about energy.

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LOS ANGELES—"The Elderly and the Law: An Update," with attorney Harvey Horikawa on conservatorship and other legal issues related to caring for an aging parent and Glen Hiuchig, v.p. of Pacific Business Bank, on financial concerns in caring for elderly parents, will be presented Dec. 10, 7:30-9:30 p.m., at Venice Japanese Community Center, 12448 Brandeck Dr. Sponsored by Western Region Asian American Project (WRAAP), Admission is free, but preregistration is advisable. Info: Alani Oku or Emily Takeuchi, 478-0841.

"Asian Women and Spirituality" is the topic at L.A. Women's Therapy Center, 728 S. La Brea, 200, Dec. 8 at 5 p.m. associate Sonoko Jim-Raynor describes the presentation as a "safe opportunity" for Asian women to share feelings on their unique spiritual identity that comes from cultural ties and get needed support for and validation. Info: 438-7942.

Japanese United Information Communication Exchange (JUCE) holds a Christmas lunch and meeting Dec. 9noon-1:00 p.m., at Little Tokyo Service Center, 244 S. San Pedro, #111. Info: Bill Watanabe, 681-3729.


SAN JOSE, Calif.—Yu-Ai Kai holds its 12th annual mochitsuki Dec. 21-22 at the Buddhist Church facility, 660 N. 5th St. Proceeds go to local senior citizens programs. Deadline for ordering mochi (1$75/lb.) is Dec. 19. Info: Yu-Ai Kai, 580 N. 5th St., San Jose, 294-2055.

Wesley United Methodist Church, 506 N. 5th St., holds its annual mochitsuki Dec. 20. Orders will be taken Mon., Tues. and Thurs., at the church office (408) 255-0917, beginning Dec. 9. For more information, contact John Otsuka, 217-7575. Donation of $25 per box, $5 each. Equipment courtesy of M.M. John Otsuke of Shu-Da Manju Shop. Order 1,000 lbs. of mochi will be made.

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PASADENA, Calif.—"Race, Racism, and the Black Community in California," a free lecture by political science professor Bruce Cain, will cover the results of a study conducted by Cain and Roderick Kiewiet on political attitudes of Asians, Blacks and Hispanics Dec. 11, 8 p.m., at Beckman Auditorium at Caltech. Information: Dennis Meredith, (626) 396-2526.

WASHINGTON —California's white population will lose its majority status over the next 25 years as the Latino population rapidly increase in number, the Washington-based Population Reference Center announces publication of a Japa­ nese American vernacular newspaper.

Whites by becoming minority in Calif. Be sure to submit a copy to your State Senate and Assembly member.

Today, whites are 47% of the total population. If this trend continues, whites will be minority by 2030, when non-Hispanic whites will comprise 42% of the population. By 2050, the white non-Hispanic population will comprise 36% of the total population. By 2050, the white non-Hispanic population will comprise 36% of the total population. By 2050, the white non-Hispanic population will comprise 36% of the total population.

The index contains abstracts of English-language articles from 1834 through 1952 in North America and 3 Asian American newspapers that cover: Japanese American Vernacular Newspapers in North America

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To Non-Hispanic whites are "It is time for representatives from all groups—racial or ethnic, political, educational, religious—to meet together to ask what kind of a California do we want in the 21st century?" This statement is written by U.S. Representative From California, rep. Helen T. Stone.

The subscription fee is $20 per year. Proceeds will go to the American Red Cross. Black and Hispanic, the population will grow 42 million by 2030, compared to 237 million in the 1990 census.

One of the three immigrant trends into California, a trend that will continue to boost the state's Asian and Hispanic population, will include those who have permanent resident status, and those who have temporary resident status.

By Martin & Leon Bouvier, a demographer with Population Reference Bureau, a non-profit, educational organization that provides statistical information and reports on national and world population trends.

The impending population shift should be viewed as something that is not going to happen for the next 25 years. It is a trend that will continue to boost the state's Asian and Hispanic population, and that will grow only slightly.

One-third of the non-Hispanic white population was to be Asian and Hispanic, and another 29% Hispanic, the report says.

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OCA states positions on ethnic issues

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—During the Organization of Chinese Americans' board meeting Nov. 15-17, Andrew Chen, professor at Slippery Rock University, was re-elected president and resolutions were adopted stating that OCA:

—Opposes any constitutional amendment, state or local law, administrative action or executive order that would designate English as the official language of the U.S.

—Opposes any changes in

amendments to or elimination of the existing executive order on affirmative action.

—Opposes any shifts in U.S. refugee policy that reduces in federal funding for refugee programs and services without careful review and community involvement.

—Supports S 1300/HR 3000, the Simpson-Rodino immigration bills now before Congress, which include legalization provisions for undocumented aliens and employer sanctions. OCA opposed elimination of the 50th preference category (for admission of brothers and sisters of citizens), restriction of the total annual immigration ceiling and the foreign guest worker provisions.

—Will establish a Civil Rights and Justice Watch to monitor and report on cases involving anti-Asian prejudice, discrimination and violence.

—Urges that Asian Americans be included in the Reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, Title III, for purposes of determining college minority enrollment and funding allocations.

The board also approved recommendations that qualified Chinese Americans be appointed to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and as representatives to Minority Business Development Authority and Small Business Administration.

Axing of A/P office criticized by Mineta

WASHINGTON—Calling the decision "shortsighted and unnecessary," Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) sent a letter Nov. 28 to Secretary of Education William Bennett criticizing his plans, announced in early November, to abolish the department's Office of Asian and Pacific Concerns and Office of Hispanic Concerns.

"I regret that you have chosen to make this decision," Mineta wrote. "Surely the one or two staff positions you will eliminate by this change does not justify it on economic reasons, which leads me to conclude that you have made an explicit decision to send a political signal of unconcern and disinterest in the rights and needs of minorities."

Mineta told Bennett that the offices provided a significant variety of services to minority students and teachers nationwide, and that "the existence of these offices served as a symbol of the Dept. of Education's interest and concern for minority citizens.

He called on Bennett to reconsider his decision.

Refugees need aid

LOS ANGELES—Asian Refugee Mediators, a ministry of Agape Fellowship, is continuing its plea for household items for refugees from Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia living in the L.A. area.

Especially needed are children's clothing, smaller men's clothing, sweaters and jackets, as well as tables and chairs.

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Economics, Eating & Elegance

EAST WIND

Bill Marutani

THE "DOUBLE WHAMMY" of devaluation of the dollar to the Japanese yen and the inevitable increase in prices since we were last in Japan (just two years ago), has placed a definite crimp in our spending. Saw a nice sport shirt but it translated into 800 U.S. and only neckties of fairly good material are priced in the same range. Better quality material in ties runs a hundred clams or more. Saw one fancy jacket of leather at the Keio depot which carried a price tag of a little over one grand. U.S. Can't imagine who would throw that kind of money for a man's leather jacket. Consumer conspicuous consumption.

STILL A GOOD bargain is the public transportation system. Lines are less than what we pay back home in the States. And with cleaner, quicker roller stick with no natsu-gaki (graffiti) either in the cars or stations. In fact, no natsu-gaki anywhere. What a refreshing feeling to be out of the oppressive nausea we face in the U.S.

Speaking of transportation, the JAX-Tokyo flight was via Singapore Airlines, our first. I must admit to some reservation over the performance of the airline of some Southeast Asian city-state. But such was soon dispelled once the Boeing 747 was airborne. The service, the amenities, the food, etc. were of the high level that airlines once provided a few decades ago. No more indifference and smugness set in.

The other international carriers would do well to sit up and take heed. None of the others match Singapore Airlines. (We've yet to fly JAL, so we can't make comparisons with Nihon, but we can tender a word of advice: "Yudan nabebaran.")

But back to the lack of bargains in Japan.

THE OTHER EVENING, we took a farewell trip to Chinsen-nesshii where the tab per person came to $25 U.S., without drinks. And that was buffet-style. There was one shot that took a good week's hard work just to earn $25. I wryly remembered buying a bowl of noodles in 1960 in Tokyo for 50¢ U.S. in a shop where the local denizens enjoyed their pastas. Udon continues to be a good buy here. There's a little shop off the Ginza, located across the street from the Canadian-Pacific Building that has been a regular stop each time I'm in Tokyo. They have one of the best robe-gakus ever:

WE WERE GUESTS for dinner hosted by frau Vicki's friends in Kyoto. It's little a place on Oki-do-ni next to the Kamio River. One reaches it by taking a small elevator to the fourth floor, then walking a narrow stairway to the fifth floor. There were no less than four chefs and only three waitresses. I counted all the soba (seats) and they totaled no more than 15 if the place were jam-packed, which it was not. (The intimate (i.e. small) dining area was immaculate. The dishes were served one at a time in delicate portions in elegant contain­ers. Even that little boy could discern a class act.) Of course, I did not peek at the tab but me thinks it was at least triple per person than that China-nessi. The hosts were not koziiJ people, so no company shun fund covered the tab. They were, however, from the medical profession and they apparently do at least as well here as the profession does back home.

A GROUP OF US observed "Turning Japanese." The fact that they got away with very little "groaning," and by extension, Japanese "gaki (graffiti) either in the Oike-dori, next to the Kamo River.

About Asian Men

I appreciated Bob Shimabuku's column regarding Asian men (Nov. 1. FCJ). Some of his comments regarding Asian men are similar to ones I have heard and perhaps even said myself. The stereotype of the Asian male has caused erroneous assumptions, deprecating self-images, and much self-hate. Why did this happen? What are the underlying causes? Shimabukuro's column started down this discussion, but reached no conclusions. I would like to see more written on this subject.

I want to thank Shimabukuro for raising the issue and having the courage to write about it. I find his insights refreshing, honest, and persuasive.

Thank you for your column.

PEGGY NAGAE

Eugene, Ore.

How to Lash the Liberals

The New Republic's insensibility to Ron Wakabayashi's letter (Nov. 19, PCJ) is deeply troubling. Perhaps future editorials will address "How to Dupe the Dagoes" or "How to Whip the WASPs" and be defended in an equally feeble manner.

Regardless of his intent, the editorials that should recognize the historical and continued significance of the slur: "Jap" and its reprehensible nature. His failure to do so reflects either ineptitude or a distinct bias.

JOHN RYAN

Berkeley, Calif.
Undesirable Culture

by Raymond Okamura

Now that the Fumiko Kimura case has been satisfactorily resolved, I can lift my self-imposed restraint and offer some comments which I did not dare make before for fear of prejudicing the defendant's right to a fair trial and equitable disposition.

The reduced charge of voluntary manslaughter, the plea of no contest (an equivalent of guilty), and the after hours of psychiatric help were appropriate remedies for this tragic case, and I think nearly everyone can agree that justice has been served. I certainly bear no ill toward Ms. Kimura and I wish her well in rebuilding her life.

Senior Legislative Report

by Mabel Ota

I was the lone Japanese American legislator who attended the fifth annual session of the California Senior Legislature, which was held first week of October in the beautifully renoted Civic Center in Sacramento.

This year I was selected to be one of the four honorary escorts by Gov. George Deukmejian when he came to address the senior legislators during the opening ceremony. I chatted with him before and after the ceremony and found him to be a warm and friendly person.

The senior legislators studied 121 bills and passed 47 for presentation to the state legislature and 10 for presentation to Congress. From this group of bills the top 10 state and top 4 federal bills were selected as priority bills:

1. State Health Plan—providing medical and hospital coverage, funded by subscribers and state funds for all state residents who choose to participate.

2. In-Home Services: Model Programs—proposes 10 projects to be created to deal with the feasibility of non-institutionalized community-based Long Term Care-supported services.

3. Senior and Handicapped Housing Act—would authorize issuance of tax-exempt general obligation bonds to develop housing affordable to all low-income seniors and the handicapped.

4. State Health Insurance Plan—state funding for more preventive health education programs.

5. Mobile Homes—arbitration disputes between mobile home owners and landlords to avoid long court proceedings.

6. Medicine—access to doctors' records so that patients will know of any malpractice or other complaints.

7. Fund Bond Act Loans—to low-income seniors for dental, eye and hearing care not covered by Medicare, financed by general obligation bonds.

8. Transportation—for elderly and handicapped, especially in rural areas where bus service has been curtailed.

9. Consumer Protection—extending homestead protection from liability judgments to $80,000 for couples (the limit is $30,000 and $45,000 at present).

10. Rent Control—statewide program would prevent rent increases based on state consumer price index.

The 11th priority bill was introduced by me—the elimination of community college fees. There has been a drastic drop in commenage in the 1943-44 school year.

“Many of the Central YMCA students were Japanese Americans who had been relocated in Chicago.” I believe their enrollment had been encouraged by the leadership of Edward Sparr, president of the college. To this setting—a liberal college administration and a multiracial student body—Mr. Sparr brought: "Welles spoke fervently of the injustice done to Japanese Americans by their imprisonment. He charged that California farm interests, anxious to be rid of their highly efficient Japanese American competitors, had created more pressure for internment than national security interests.

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NEW ZEALAND: JEWEL OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC

A Journey Back to the Good Old Days

BY NICHOLAS REEVE J & O Pacific Manager

A coach tour was stranded in the countryside with the driver doing his utmost to rectify the mechanical problem which was causing the unscheduled delay. Adjacent to the roadway was a typical sheep farm. Within half an hour the farmer's wife had the whole tour, consisting of 24 people, sitting around the farmhouse plying them with fresh lamb sandwiches and gallons of home-made beer. The mechanical problem was solved within the hour, but because of the wonderful hospitality the coach did not depart for another three hours! For my friends Janet and Bob, who were on that tour, it was one of the highlights and in March they are returning for their fourth visit because they say it is like "a journey back to the good old days". Remember those days? When your car did not need a smog check. When you could really taste natural cream in ice cream and fruit and vegetables were bursting with crispiness. Everything was cleaner, quieter and more relaxed. For some Americans those times are just a dim distant memory and their kids have never experienced it and probably never will. Luckily there are still some corners of the world where those good old days are alive and well. Such a place is New Zealand— the jewel of the South Pacific.

Astonishingly Spectacular Scenery

New Zealand is so blessed with such an astounding array of wonders that it is difficult to describe it without using superlatives and hackneyed travelog cliches. Without doubt the most remarkable diversified and spectacular scenery in the world exists in this small South Pacific nation, roughly the size of California. Ask anyone who has visited the South Pacific what their favourite country was and invariably the answer is New Zealand.

Snow capped peaks, crystal clear rivers with a proliferation of trout and salmon, majestic fjords where mile high mountains plunge vertically into the ocean, hundreds and hundreds of beaches untainted by man where you cannot see a light, or footprint in the sand and the only sound is the gentle lapping waters of the South Pacific. And everywhere you look the greenness of the farmlands—as green as Ireland, beautifully contrasted with the whiteness of the sheep, which are literally everywhere. If all this is not enough to entice even the most world-weary traveller New Zealand has more. From forests thousands of years old teeming with flora and fauna unique to the country, to the fascinating thermal region around Rotorua where you can stand and watch boiling pools of mud, or dip one hand in an ice-cold mountain stream and place the other in a hot one sprung deep from the bowels of the earth.

New Zealand is one of the most alone places in the world, separated from other nations by thousands of miles of ocean. This seems to make the people unusually hospitable to visitors. Such is the friendliness of New Zealanders that to the visitor it seems as though this hospitality is a national duty. One is

Vancouver, B.C., to host Expo '86 starting May 21

BY W.Y. HAMADA

Approximately 165 miles north by northwest, as the crow would fly directly from Seattle, Washington, there is a magnificent clean city which will become the world’s focal point during 1986. Situated only 25 miles across from the U.S. border, nestled at the foot of Grouse Mountain, across from the English Bay and Burrard Inlet, the city of Vancouver has spread out sparkling like a precious jewel with a population of little over one million. I’ve often visited this wonderful city during my 20 some years as an executive for C.P. Air. As one of Canada’s major flag carriers with head offices in Vancouver B.C., it is no wonder that it has been appointed the official airline of Expo 86.

Vancouver, B.C. is Canada’s westernmost major city and Canada’s gateway to the Orient. The Pacific Ocean’s Japanese Black Current kisses its shores as it flows southward along the coastline from Alaska and British Columbia, onward along Washington, Oregon, California and down to Mexico, providing a very temperate climate all year round.

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We started out with a bang by spending our first night at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City. The hotel staff at the Sheraton Hotel in Quebec and the Sheraton Hotel in Montreal had comfortable beds and lots of food. We felt like royalty! As a tip, I would suggest to always travel with a good camera. And wistfully wishing we could have stayed for longer than the single night we had, we gathered at the airport, bought gift sets of maple syrup and bubble bath, shoe cloth, shoe cap, soap, etc.; Tauck Tours is surely a valuable travel agency.

We took turns having dinner with different friends. I met a lot of different people who we all got along well. I am sure we will all keep in touch. We enjoyed the trips to Boston, Quebec and Montreal for souvenirs. We all bought a lot of maple syrup and bubble bath, shoe cloth, shoe cap, soap, etc. and enjoyed the trips to Boston, Quebec and Montreal for souvenirs.
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NEW ZEALAND

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constantly involved in conversation with the locals who want to ensure you are enjoying yourself and if you appear not to be, you can guarantee New Zealanders will bend over backwards to rectify things. The warmth and friendliness will never appear contrived, social interaction is like the people, down-to-earth and spontaneous. Conversation is easy as the vast majority of New Zealanders are British descendants and the national language is English. Approximately 300,000 of the 3.5 million people are Maoris, who are a delightful, fun-loving Polynesian people, remarkably similar to Hawaiians. The Maori culture permeates all facets of New Zealand society and gives the country a special South Sea Island flavour.

Sportsman's Paradise

It is not surprising to learn that New Zealanders are devotees of the great outdoors, for the climate and environment are ideal for outdoor pursuits. Fishing and golf are two of the more popular pastimes. The lakes and rivers, of which there are a multitude, are world renowned for the quality and abundance of trout and salmon, and almost every tour of the country incorporates a visit to a trout and wildlife sanctuary. Ocean fishing has long had a worldwide reputation, made famous by American author Zane Grey who was a regular visitor to New Zealand's shores. New Zealand has more golf courses per head of population than any other country in the world. Because many of these courses are public and inexpensive it makes a round or two of golf easily accessible to the visitor. Because of the natural undulating terrain golfing is always a challenging experience.

There are other more practical reasons for vacationing in New Zealand. The seasons are the exact opposite here with the warmest months being November through March. At Christmas time most people head for the beach! If the Northern hemisphere Winter is getting to you it is the ideal destination to shake off those Winter blues. In purely economic terms there has never been a better time to visit New Zealand as the U.S. dollar is approximately twice the N.Z. dollar, so you double your money as soon as you touchdown, which is a great way to start any vacation!

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIANS enjoy the Canadian summer skies in the Rockies. Pictured at the JATC deluxe Canadian Rockies Tour dinner and in front of the Chateau Lake Louise are (and not in this particular order) William and Fusae Hamada, George and Toyoko Ito, Kiriko Yamashiro, Hatsuko Mochidome, George and Yuko Wakimoto, Yukito and Ikuko Miyatake, Yastue and Kiyoko Katsumata, Masako and Joyce Koda, Hidekazu and Kunie Chio (who hail from Kanazawa, Japan), Howard and Chiyeo Oshiyama, Fumio Yoshida and Ayako Raut.

LE GRANDE EUROPE TOUR members pause in front of Rome’s Coliseum for the JATC group picture. They are (and not in the order as pictured) Henry and Mary Hattori, Sparks, Nev.; Barney and Masaye Sato, Los Angeles; Naoshi and Yukoye Suzuki, Monterey Park; Tom and Mary Tsubome, Campbell; Masaye Adachi, Los Angeles; Colleen Kawato, Los Angeles; Roy and June Osuga, Irvine; Paul and Alice Shinoda, Santa Barbara; Paul and Emmi Takehara, Sacramento; Kiyo Sakamushi, Gardena; Arleen Adachi, Los Angeles; and tour escort Alyce Komoto.

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LEC UPDATE:
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Recent additions to the growing list of co-sponsors to H.R. 442 are the results of lobbying by JACL constituents in the districts. The work accomplished by these people has been impressive because we now have Republican co-sponsors. Getting Republican support helps to make the redress issue non-partisan.

H.R. 442 is to right the deprivation of liberty, property and the pursuit of happiness without trial or hearing. The story of the relocation and internment of Japanese Americans must be taken throughout this land to all who believe in justice and fairness.

The lobbyists who were successful in their endeavor took our story out to the community and to the members of Congress (MC) and found there are people who believe redress is an American issue.

Lobbying Results

Thanks to the carefully executed lobbying by Dr. Robert Shu Yasui of Williamsport, Pa., a member of the Philadelphia chapter, we have added Rep. George Gekas (R-Pa) of the Judiciary committee, representing district 17. The district's southern end starts in Harrisburg and goes north to Williamsport, the home of Little League. Dr. Yasui has been practicing in Williamsport since his graduation from Temple Univ. Medical School in Philadelphia. Though members of his family were sent to the relocation camp from the Portland stockyard center, Yasui managed to get out before he had to report to camp. After our short session on lobbying on Oct. 27, Yasui spoke at a luncheon of the community leaders the following week. He took copies of 100 sample letters and a handout sheet which explained the redress issue. His friends took on the issue and began to write letters immediately to Rep. Gekas. He was able to get letters written by a chairman and a member of the county Republican committee, by judges, doctors, attorneys, ministers, bishops of the Methodist Church, and a neighbor who had Gekas over for dinner the previous week. In other words, Yasui used all of his contacts, professional, political, civic and personal.

In 1984, I had a 35-minute appointment with Gekas's legislative assistant, who informed me that the Japanese American redress issue was an important one which should have the support of Gekas but he had not received one letter from a constituent.

This year, letters went out from Williamsport and from Harrisburg; his co-sponsorship of H.R. 442 shows that support is possible even where there is a minuscule JA population. The effort has to be coordinated and the individual has to believe in redress with a zeal. Yasui will not qualify for redress compensation if the bill should pass. His focus is on upholding the Constitution.

Yasui has promised that he will now start on the two Pennsylvania legislators. His daughter, who is with the Neighborhood Film Project at the International House on the campus of Univ. of Pennsylvania, tells me that I have made an activist out of her father. He is even taking this issue to parties. His goal is to get 200 letters from individuals in Harrisburg and Williamsport to Rep. Gekas. It's no wonder that on Nov. 18, Gekas became a co-sponsor.

Other Grassroots Lobbyists

Fred Hirayama was right when he wrote that it was the efforts of the local constituents who were finally able to get Rep. Charles Pashayan (R-Calif) from district 17. Pashayan is the first California Republican to come on board as a co-sponsor. Press releases from the offices of Reps. Matsui and Mineta inform the public when co-sponsors come on board as H.R. 442 supporters and say little about the people in the community who have worked hard.

I reviewed the clearinghouse information where chapter redress coordinators send reports on letters written to and contacts made with either staff or MC. This information is sent to Midwest regional director Bill Yoshino in Chicago. Recently, there has been very little information sent to Yoshino and we have asked coordinators to see that this program is restored.

We do know that during the 98th Congress and the present 99th Congress, Tom Shimomatsu of the Tulare County chapter spearheaded the drive to gain Pashayan's support by getting JACL members of the Fresno area to work with Pashayan on a regular basis.

The feat of getting Pashayan's support should be credited not only to Shimomatsu's leadership and commitment but also to Hirayama, Hiro Mayeda, James Naganishi and June Tokawa. We've had a team that worked hard.

Thanks to the carefully executed lobbying by the chapters headed in California, Rep. Steny Hoyer (D-Md.) from the 5th district became a co-sponsor Sept. 20. We know that members of the New York chapter were in contact with McIntyre's district office. They were Lily and John Kyasu and Robert Machida.

In the 98th and 99th Congress, lobbying was done in the 10th district of Indiana with Rep. Andrew Jacobs (D-Ind.) under the leadership of Shirley Nakakuke and followed up by other Hoosier chapter members. He agreed to become a co-sponsor.

Rep. Steny Hoyer (D-Md.) from the 5th district was contacted by Pat Okuma of the D.C. chapter in September. At that time, Hoyer stated he would support the bill.

We realize there is a problem in writing a report on the success made by some of the individual contacts made by JACL chapter members. The problem is that we will commit the mistake of leaving out someone who worked equally hard at lobbying MC. The purpose of sharing this kind of information is to encourage grassroots lobbying which needs to be activated all over the U.S., especially where there are chapters and interested supporters for the redress issue.

The Washington LEC staff will be contacting more of you to ask you to see to it that MC when they are back in the district between sessions. This is a critical time to encourage grassroots lobbying. We ask those of you who live in the districts of members who are on the House Judiciary Committee to procrastinate no longer. You can make the difference in getting H.R. 442 out of the Judiciary Committee to the full House.

Coalition Building

LEC Legislative Strategy Chair Grant Ujifusa and I met with Rep. Neil M. Hefti, executive director of the Leadership Conference of Civil Rights (LCCR) and later with the Anti-Defamation League to discuss how their organizations can help JACL/LEC with our lobbying efforts on H.R. 442 and S. 1052. Both

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Chapter Pulse

Florin

SACRAMENTO—Florin JACL’s installation is set for Jan. 13, 6 p.m. (cocktails) and 6:30 dinner at Frasineti’s Winery Restaur.


Officers being installed are George Miyao, pres.; Bill Kashi

James Abe, ways & means; Mary Tsukamoto, Redress/LEC; Alfred Tsukamoto, historian; George Furukawa, insurance; Glenn Taniguchi, official delegate; Paul Takehara, youth leader and news editor; Tommy Rushi, memb

Kostawaza, 1000 Club; and Nellie Sakakihara, scholarships.

Gary Camp

FRENCH CAMP, Calif. — The chapter’s annual Christmas party for children, featuring San Francisco’s most famous chef, will be held at the Buddhist Temple Social Hall, 4:30 p.m. A hot main dish is required from those attending. The chapter will furnish salad, dessert and beverages.

Mile-Hi

DENVER — The community New Year’s Eve party will be held from 9:30 p.m. to 13 a.m. at the Buddhist Temple. Dona

Takahashi & Son. No host bar, refreshments and party favors are among the offerings. Music supplied by Allen Watanabe. Tickets: Ed Nogawa, 406-3000; Tom Masamoto, 327-305; Kent Yorimoto, 906-406; Joe Sakato, 429-0080; Joe Hayashi, 992-9246.

New Mexico

ALBUQUERQUE — The New Mexico chapter ski club is co-sponsoring a Christmas tree drive. The trees, priced at $50 each, with $100 going to the ski club, are on sale at the Knights of Columbus lot at 6:30 San Mateo NE between Candelaria and Manual. The New Year’s Eve party will be held at Minato. No host cocktails start at 6 p.m., with dinner scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Tickets are 50 cents, half price for child

Info: Bob Togami 865-4417.

Stockton

STOCKTON—Senior citizens will be honored at the annual Christmas Pot Luck dinner, Dec. 21, at the Buddhist Temple Social Hall, 4:30 p.m. A hot main dish is required from those attending. The chapter will furnish salad, dessert and beverages.

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ORIGINAL INTERVIEWS: Laureen Chew, star of “Dim Sum”; Delaware Lieutenant Governor S.B. Woo; U.S. Senator Daniel Inouye; Honolulu City Council member Patsy Mink; short story writer Tama Takehara; Dr. Haing Ngor, star of “The Killing Fields”; Marshall Shindoh, director of “MacArthur’s Children”; playwright Moroko Iko; playwright David Henry Hwang; Lori Ding, producer of “Nino’s Daddy”; poet Janice Miki Iitani; Benny Lim, author of “Paper Angels.”

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Asian elected to Teamster position

SAN FRANCISCO—Jan Sunoo, Teamster business agent for Retail Delivers, Genex Local 276, was returned to office Nov. 19 when he ran unopposed for his second three-year term.

The only known Korean American Teamster official in the U.S. Sunoo has been active in Asian community issues such as the Vincent Chin case and particularly with the Watsonville cannery workers’ strike. He was union shop steward for seven years at United Pared Service.

KIMURA

who said she had been betrayed by Itsuroku and would kill him and commit suicide. A source said the mistress was angry that Itsuroku had abducted her baby even though Fumiko gave birth to it in June 1984.

“I could not ignore her threats, and from that point on, I could not leave her,” said Kimura, according to the report.

Ten days before the suicide attempt, the mistress visited Kimura and her husband to end the relationship with Itsuroku. After that, Kimura’s depression worsened.

On the last day, I was thinking about my past life with my parents, and with my husband, and particularly of the time when my mother denied me and when my father introduced me as the daughter of a relative,” said Kimura, according to the report.

She said she felt she was hated by her family and took her children with her when she walked into the ocean in January because they would be hated as an extension of herself.

Sunoo also been active in Asian community issues such as the Vincent Chin case and particularly with the Watsonville cannery workers’ strike. He was union shop steward for seven years at United Pared Service.

I hope more Asians will get involved in the labor movement, because most immigrant workers don’t have any representation,” he said.

Sunoo is board chair of Asian American Federation of Union Members and a lecturer in the Labor Studies Dept. at S.F. Community College.

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Wakabayashi expressed guarded American clout, to develop Asian Pacific will go down the drain? DNC members, said the Overall with the Caucus concern is how Asian Americans pick on us? As a newly emerged Caucus, "We feel that eliminating the caucus was a slap in our face. this is another slap because... We want more power and political representation, which is not there in the federation.

Sandy Oye Mori, one 25 people Kirk appointed as at-large DNC members, said the overall concern is how Asian Americans can participate in the party in a meaningful way. "We've established a network with the Caucus, how can the existing network be included in the new structure so that the past work doesn't go down the drain?" It's not clear to me how this will connect with the Democratic Party if there's no mechanism of implementation, then fine. The proof is in the pudding.

Hsieh also reserved judgment. "The concept is to develop real clout, to develop Asian Pacific American officials. The concept is great if it can be put into action. He [Kirk] made no plans, set up no structure. He made a proposal. You cannot knock a proposal. We will have to wait and see who will want to join."

JACL national director Ron Wakabayashi expressed guarded optimism. "All of us are disappointed with the dissolution of the caucus, especially since it was different from the other caucuses. I think the federation concept allows the same kind of answers as in the past."

"What Kirk was announcing was the beginning part of a process. I think it's premature to be disappointed. The fact that the national chair came to address an Asian audience means that they are making a demonstration of outreach and that there is some commitment there."

Marina Hsieh, a Hastings Law School student who is active in the party, mentioned the support the federation has from Sens. Spark Matsunaga and Daniel Inouye of Hawaii, Reps. Norman Mineta and Robert Matsui of California, and Faye Sunia of American Samoa.

"It's got good support, and that's what's important," she said. "I think it was a challenge to us and that is fair. The caucus needed to make some changes. Maybe the recognition is too long."

"The fact that he [Kirk] came out at all, that he made this announcement to us, that is wonderful. Kirk's appearance said, 'Look, I'm giving you something else which said it better. I think it's very important.'"

After the caucus was made an unofficial group, Mineta was one of several Asian American Demo­crats who communicated to Kirk the need for a broadlv­based membership-organized group to continue the work of the caucus.

Following Kirk's announce­ment, Mineta said, "My concern has always been to provide maximum opportunities for Americans of Asian ancestry to participate in the political process. To the extent this helps—terrific."

In addition, administrative assistant to Matsui, said the idea of the federation is not to just have a small group of Democrats within caucus making decisions. "We want to try to show all Asians that they can be involved with nurseryman Kazumasa Hayakawa (second from right) presents check for $8,489 from himself and his wife Takako to Japanese American National Museum board treasurer Buddy Maniya. Also on hand are museum project coordinator Nancy Araki and Ron Takahashi, Hayakawa's grandson. The Los Angeles-based JANN received nearly $10,000 in donations last month.

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