Emotions run high at House hearing
by Gwayne Uyebara
WASHINGTON—The Judiciary subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations heard 33 witnesses Apr. 28 in a daylong hearing on H.R. 442, the Civil Liberties Act of 1985.

Under the chairmanship of Rep. Dan Gillman (D-Kan.), the hearing commenced at 9:30 a.m. and continued until 6 p.m. without a lunch break. Gillman, in his opening remarks, announced that the hearing would continue until all witnesses had been heard so that differing opinions could be given. Consequently, the subcommittee scheduled an unprecedented number of witnesses for a one-day hearing.

For short periods, subcommittee members Howard Berman (D-Calif.) and Howard Coble (R-N.C.) were also present. Because of the upcoming primaries, other members were apparently campaigning back in their districts.

Feelings about the monetary payment issue were communicated by those who experienced the relocation and internment. LEC chair Min Yasui said that "outstanding statements" were made by Dr. James Togasaki of San Francisco, Mary Takamoto of Florin, Calif., Mike Maseoka of Go For Broke, Joe Rauh of JACL, and a speech commended on Civil Rights, and other redress proponents.

On the other hand, the opposition led by former War Dept. official Karl Bendetsen, Lillian Kennelly, and Robert Matsui "Each represents a vastly different constituency, but all dress in opportunity, a short period of time ordering work on Sabo by Sam Hon of Santa Fe."

WASHINGTON—Within three days of the Apr. 28 hearing on re­dress bill H.R. 442, the legislation has picked up four new co-sponsors, according to Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Calif.). They are: Reps. Martin Olav Sabo (D-Minn.), Pat Williams (D-Mont.), Bill Richardson (D-New Mexico), and Barbara Kennelly (D-Conn.).

"They have four important new co-sponsors from four very differ­ent regions of the country," said Matsui. "Each represents a vastly different constituency, but all are four outstanding legislators who have come together to lend their substantial support for the cause of redress."

"We now have a window of opportunity, a short period of time in which we must take advantage of the momentum generated from the hearing. We need to build up on that momentum at the local level. Now is the time for everyone to visit their member of Congress and lobby them to become a co­sponsor of H.R. 442."

"I'm excited after such a successful week," said Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.). "First the hearing on H.R. 442 was held, then four more of my colleagues signed on to the bill. We now have 130 co-sponsors signed on, and I'm thrilled at the growing support."

JACL-LEC recognized the lobby­wring work on Sabo by Sam Hen­da of Twin Cities Chapter and on Richardson by the mother­and­daughter team of Mariko Murakami House of Los Alamos and Jeanne H. Cary of Santa Fe.


Asst. Atty. General John Bol­tier wrote that "the Department of Justice recommends against enactment of this legislation. The Office of Management and Bud­get has advised this Department that there is no objection to the submission of this report from the standpoint of the Administra­tion's program."

The Justice Dept. took issue with the findings of the Commis­sion on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, upon which the bill is based. "In our view, the Com­missions' effort to study the wartime relocation and internment pro­gram... proves the futility of en­dowing accurately and com­pletely to comprehend the per­ception of our national leaders under the extreme wartime condi­tions of the period...

"We question the wisdom and,... indeed, the propriety, of accus­ing leaders of the United States government during World War II, both civilian and military, of dishonestable behavior. The war­time decisions which form the predicate for this legislation... were taken against a backdrop of fears for the survival of our nation."

"It may be that the Com­mission is correct in concluding that the assumptions on which the exclusion and evacuation and deten­tion programs were based were erroneous. It is a long and un­substantiated further step, however, to brand those actions as a product of 'racial prejudice,' or hysteria, and a failure of politi­cal leadership." In most cases, the

Reagan administration opposes bill

H.R. 442 picks up four co-sponsors

Motions denied in Hirabayashi case

by J.K. Yamamoto

MANZANAR, Calif.—The unveil­ing of a National Park Service plaque and a speech by com­mon-nobes attorney Peter Irons were the highlights of the 17th annual pilgrimage to Manzanar, the Inyo County camp where 10,000 Japa­nese Americans were interred during WWII.

The site was designated a Na­tional Historic Landmark in 1985. First displayed at last year's pilgrimage, the plaque was tempo­rarily placed on view at Los Angeles City Hall as part of an exhibit on the JA experience; it is now set in a boulder by the entrance to the camp, where two guardianes still stand.

Taking part in the unveiling ceremony were Sue Embrey and Warren Furutani of the Manza­nar Committee and Ed Rothfuss, Death Valley Monument super­intendent. Representing the City of Los Angeles, which owns the land where the camp was located, were City Councilman David Cunningham and Rose Ochi, exec­utive assistant to Mayor Tom Bradley and a National JACL vice president.

The plaque, which proclaims that Manzanar "possesses nation­al significance in commemora­tion of the history of the United States

Educators seek to break barriers

by J.K. Yamamoto

LOS ANGELES—Teachers, ad­ministrators and researchers from across the country focused their attention on barriers facing Asian Pacific American students and steps needed to break those barriers down during a gather­ing held Apr. 24-26 at the New Otani Hotel.

The keynote address for the 8th annual conference of the Na­tional Assn. for Asian and Pacific American Education (NAAPAE) was given by Dr. Bob Suzuki, vice president for academic affairs at Calif. State University Northridge. Suzuki was critical of the popular image of Asian Americans as a "model minority." In a 1977 article that appeared in Amer­ican Journalism, he concluded that "the celebration of the success of Asian Americans was not only premature, but at worst a devious... deception by the media."

Subsequent studies "have largely con­firmed my original findings and conclusions," he said.

"I think there are denying that Asian Pacific Americans have made considerable progress over the last 20 or 30 years... However, they have not been nearly as successful as the mass media make them appear.

Although the 1980 census shows that Asian Americans have a higher median family income than whites, Suzuki said, Asians also have more wage-earners per family, work longer hours per week, and tend to have larger families than whites. "On an indi­vidual basis, you find the median income of Asian Americans is usually substantially less than the average median income of white individuals."

He added that a greater per­centage of Asians, as compared to whites, live below the poverty line and have less than five years of education.

Impact on Policy

The perception that Asians are generally successful "can in­fluence public policy and pro­grams," he said, citing as exam­ple the omission of Asians from the Emergency School Assistance
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One Japanese woman related how she had to combine field work with caring for her child. “Those days no more babysitter. We had to work in canefields... Sometimes baby get sunburn, also get plenty. My back and my back.”

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Civil rights group to show supporters "that we mix work and play"

Montgomery, Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton rhythm-and-blues band Pride & Caucuses. This party against Reaganomics, anti-Asian minorities and low-income participation on June 7, 7 p.m.-midnight, in the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton. We are excited to announce that Mike Woo, the program director of the caucus.

This is a wonderful opportunity to all to attend this event, and we hope you will join us.

Related:
- There is a need for a redress for the injuries to the "Aging" conference.
- This year's conference is sponsored by Pacific Southwest District JACL, and we have a full agenda for the day.
- The conference will be held at the Sheraton Hotel.

Community Affairs

BOSTON—"To Re Ourselves," a program on Asian and female in America, airs May 24, 5:00 p.m., on Ch. 44. Through music, dance, poetry, interviews and group discussion, producer Jon Ling Lum and an all-woman film crew bring to light issues concerning both women and Asian Americans. This Wing Productions film was funded by Corp for Public Broadcasting.

PALO ALTO, Calif.—Performance to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Oriental Bazaar, featuring games, food, poetry, music, dance, and art, on June 7, 12 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Oriental Bazaar.


SEATTLE—New and used items are needed for Seattle Kite Home's 6th annual rummage sale to be held May 17, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Nisei Veterans Hall, 108 S. 1st St, Seattle. Proceeds will go to the small building project and items for patients. Donations are tax-deductible. Info: Seattle Kite, (206) 633-6755 or Carol Suehiro, 271-1390.

John Leland, Ore.—Artist Rose Naguma will exhibit works in an exhibition entitled "Gardena's East and West Cultural Bridge" at Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, 330 N. Interstate Ave., until May 31, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon. Fri. and Sat.-Sun., during theater performances. Info: (503) 243-9690.

Los Angeles—"The Feminization of Aging," a conference sponsored by Pacific Southwest District JACL, takes place May 17, 8:30 a.m.-1:35 p.m., at Edison Auditorium, Hoffman Hall, USC.

Keynote speaker will be Grace Montanese Davis, deputy mayor of Los Angeles since 1975. Following her address, attendees will go to one of four workshops, for which they will have preregistered on issues of concern to older women. Topics and presenters are:
- Health: Dr. Kenneth Tokita, director of radiation oncology at Torrance Memorial Hospital.
- Joan Gilbert Magit, geriatric nurse practitioner and clinical nurse specialist at Senior Health and Peer Counseling Center in Santa Monica.
- Dr. Maryann Bahreini, staff obstetrician-gynecologist at Torrance Memorial Hospital.

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(Grains of Rice)

IT'S A PROFESSIONAL production as to content, composition and layout. I noted a brief item on "New Japanese Nationality Law" (the former "paternal line" system is changed to "paternal and maternal line" system) mentioned in Judge Marutani's column (<US. Ed) should not be involved in U.S.-Japan relations until we have secured our rightful place as Americans, both in the mind and the heart of the country. As long as other Americans fail to distinguish between Asian Americans and the East Asian nations, our civil rights will be impeded by any confrontation between the U.S. and an East Asian nation. It should be unacceptable to us that our rights are dependent upon the actions of nations to which we do not belong, at least control.

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We should not look to the Japanese to define our self worth. They don't need our advice; at least in our roles as Nikkei. Although they may appreciate the advice of some of us, if they hire us as for our professional expertise, being Nikkei is not a qualification for a job as a consultant.

Watchdog Role
In the end, I am advocating that JACL play its traditional role as the watchdog of, and the advocate for, true democratic pluralism. Our political groups, such as JACL, must spend the time minding our collective political store. Anyone who has ever been around politics knows that this is a full-time job. As American minorities, we may serve a "bridge" function, but that bridge must be internal to American society. The bridge must help build lies between our current racist, WASP-male dominated culture to a culture that can accept and not be threatened by problems in race, religion, creed, and cultural background. This is the proper mission for JACL into the next century.

Nakahata lives in Cambridge, Mass.

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Thank You!

The Heart of the Matter
by John T. Nakahata
Both the letters ("Don't Ignore U.S./Japan") by Edwin Mitoma and "Let's Not Get Carried Away" by Ed Suguro, Apr. 11 (PC) regarding Judge Marutani's column ("U.S.-Japan Relations Part 2," March 7) have missed the essential point about why JACL should or should not be involved in U.S.-Japan relations.

Judge Marutani is entirely correct in his assessment that promoting U.S.-Japan relations has to do with advocacy of the civil rights of Japanese Americans, but not for the reasons outlined by Mr. Suguro.

JACL's focus on U.S.-Japan relations as a civil rights issue is warranted, trying to improve U.S.-Japan relations treats only the obvious symptoms of the problem without attacking the underlying disease.

The symptoms are obvious and tragic. Vincent Chin is only the most widely publicized example of the violence that has confronted Asian Americans as a result of other Americans' economic frustrations. The disease is much deeper. Asian Americans are treated as surrogates for the Japanese because the larger American society is blinded by racism, cannot accept Asians as Americans.

The problem for AJAs is not that the U.S. faces deteriorating relations with the country of our ethnic origin, but that our country is so weak that any problems with whites are full Americans. Improved U.S.-Japan relations will not mean that American society has accepted AJAs.

Wrong Emphasis
What is the harm resulting from this emphasis on symptoms rather than the disease?

First, it places the liability for prejudice in the wrong place. The Japanese are not the cause of prejudice against us; the decisive factor, I believe, is not the root cause of prejudice against us.

New economic pressures would not have any effect on Asian Americans if we were not perceived as aliens. The blame for any situation should be directed at racist American public attitudes.

Stoppage Measure
Second, focusing on U.S.-Japan relations is at best a stopgap measure. We, as Asian Americans, will always be threatened by problems in U.S.-East Asian relations until we have secured our rightful place as Americans, both in the mind and the heart of the country. As long as other Americans fail to distinguish between Asian Americans and the East Asian nations, our civil rights will be impeded by any confrontation between the U.S. and an East Asian nation. It should be unacceptable to us that our rights are dependent upon the actions of nations to which we do not belong, at least control.

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A Partial Portrait

FROM THE FRINGE PANS

Bill Yosotokawa

The book is titled *The Story of Yamada Wako* (Kodansha, $16.95) and subtitled *From Prostitute to Feminist.* Of more fitting title would have been *My Search for Yamada Wako,* for we learn much more about the author’s difficulties in locating information about this remarkable woman than about the woman herself.

The author is the indefatigable Toyoko Yamazaki, whose books about the Japanese American experience were the basis for the ill-fated “Sansei Movie” Japanese television drama. Despite the awkward treatment, the book reads worthily. Wako was a farm girl born in 1879 near what is now the naval base at Yokosuka. She was married in 1896. The marriage was unhappy. Hoping to earn money for her parents, she was persuaded to go to the United States alone, a footlessly ven-
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A Lot of Class

by Edna Beda

The new Asian American studies class here at UC San Diego has caused quite a stir among the Asian American students and community. For one thing, you just don’t get speakers like Min Yasui, Lawson Inada, Laurence Yep, Norman Mineta and Yori Wada here very often—let alone once or twice a week!

Yasui arrived during the second week of the UCSD professors Peter Irons was featured the preceding weeks Los Angeles and other big names like Wada, but here in San Diego there was a lot of excitement about his arrival.

Yasui was greeted the weekend he arrived with a dinner at the house of class instructor James Lin, sponsored by Asian Pacific American Law and Political Action (APALA) and a JACL fundraiser, an informal community reception at his penthouse, interviews with no fewer than three local radio stations and a newspaper, and a meeting with local politicians and an Asian American lawyer’s group.

Lawson Inada described the class as an “ongoing conference.” His UCSD lecture was followed by an evening informal reception with students and community and an impromptu poetry/musical jam session with a local jazz band.

This is the fifth week of class, and with the fifth guest speaker, children’s author Laurence Yep, here in town, one would think that the APSA students and community are getting tired of the in-person speakers. But there will have been an additional seven guest speakers.

Instructor Lin commended the students in APSA for their involvement in everything from putting out publicity and press releases to picking up speakers at the airport. He was grateful for the student/community support.

Just last winter, Lin first heard that UCSD might have funding for an Asian American studies class. It was a special trip to UC Berkeley to visit Elaine Kim, chair of Asian American studies there. With her help and an enormous number of phone calls, he compiled a list of speakers. Since there was no time to find an instructor, math professor Lin took on his own name in. In late January, funding had been approved and the class was off the ground.

The students feel they are benefiting greatly from the class. Leidyne Lau, an APSA member, said the class was a “wonderful experience.” She hopes the work done on the class this quarter will make it an ongoing class. She thought it would “help give sup-
port to the students’ culture and themselves, their self-esteem.”

Ming Leung, a UCSD anthropologist major and APSA member, also felt good about being in the class. He added that viewing topics from an Asian American perspective. He spoke of self-discovery. “It’s like the Raeesian someone that you know, that you hadn’t seen for a while—like meeting a lost friend.”

Two Who Spoke Out

I thank you for your excellent article on “Visible Target” (Apr. 18 PC). While the half-four documents tells the emotional and physical hardships of the Nikkei community as a result of the evacuation, which is all of us can relate to, I would like to emphasize the role that Walt and Mally Woodward, publishers of the Bannock Island News, played in their stand against the evacuation and their strong belief that the rights of Bannock Island American citizens were being violated.

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Roster of Candidates

As of the Apr. 21 deadline, 11 nomination forms have been filed for National JACL offices. As previously reported in the PC, two people are running for national president.

Harry Kana, of Ventura County Chapter, currently finance and fund drive chair of LEC; and Rose Ochi of East Los Angeles Chapter, currently JACL vice president of membership.

The two candidates for the position of secretary-treasurer are:

Incumbent Gene Takamine of Selanoco Chapter, whose candidacy was previously announced in PC; and Alan Nishi of French Camp Chapter, currently secretary of the No Calif-W. district council, a bid for the San Diego JACL executive board.

Three candidates seek the post of vice president for public affairs:

Incumbent Kaz Mayeda of Detroit Chapter;
Jerry Kinoshita of Seattle Chapter, currently co-vice chair of LEC; and
Mike Suzuki of Washington, D.C. Chapter, currently East District governor and an LEC board member.

The following candidates are running unopposed:

Yosh Nakashima of Golden Gate Chapter, whose candidacy was announced in a previous PC, is running for reelection as vice president of general operations.
Mary Nishimoto, currently Los Angeles JACL chapter president, is running for vice president of membership services.
William Marutani of Philadelphia Chapter is running for vice president for development and planning.
Sue Kato, currently Seattle JACL chapter historian and JAYS secretary, is running for National Youth Council chairperson.

All registrations and photos of all candidates will appear in a future issue of PC.

PSW chapters discuss finances

SAN DIEGO—A straw vote tally indicated half of the chapters in the Pacific Southwest JACL District Council would accept a $2 increase in national dues while the other half said “no increase” with respect to the 1987-88 national budget.

Twenty chapters were represented at the May 4 district session hosted by the San Diego JACL at the Holiday Inn on the Embarcadero.

National treasurer Gene Takamine explained to the council that there are several budget scenarios under consideration but that his feeling is strongest for “no raise or zero-budgeting.” Due increases over the past six years, he noted, only resulted in losses of overall membership, and he felt it was time to brake this fall.

Major budget increases are being pointed to. Headquarters operation is faced with a $20,000 increase in liability insurance, re-press has to repay $70,000 loan from the Endowment Fund, and Pacific Citizen has been paying 40% more in postage each week.

Two New Chapters

The district welcomed two new chapters to be sponsored by West Los Angeles JACL, So. Calif. American Nikkei (the 30-40 age group), represented by Art Okawashi, and Nikkei Leadership, Assn., represented by Art Antonio.

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Resolutions: Serious Business

by Lillian C. Kimura, Chair

Resolutions Committee

The distribution of registration forms for the 1986 Chicago convention tells us that the time is fast approaching when JACL will be deciding its course for the next biennium.

The Resolutions Committee would like to remind chapter leaders that the deadline for submission of resolutions is May 31. It is important for chapters to comply with this date, since the new rules adopted by the National Board preclude the submission of resolutions after that time except on issues which could not have been known about prior to the deadline.

This ruling was made to discourage last-minute entries which in most cases have not been endorsed by chapter boards and which chapters have not had an opportunity to discuss prior to the convention. As it is now, the resolutions process is the only way program and policy directions for National JACL are determined. Therefore, the resolutions should be thoughtfully prepared and should be on issues which will further the concerted and collective action of the national movement.

As one reviews the Codification of Past Resolutions, there are some items which probably should not have been brought through the resolutions process. A case in point is the one on smoking in the meeting rooms. I don’t know what it says about us as a group that we couldn’t decide to ban smoking without having to have a resolution on it. The Resolutions Committee will recommend the deletion of a number of resolutions which now stand on the books.

The rules provide that resolutions may be new items of business, changes in positions adopted at previous conventions, or recommendations to the National Board for consideration. New items include additions to the program and policy of the organization unrelated to past actions. Changes in positions are items modifying positions or policies adopted at previous conventions. Recommendations to the National Board include recommended changes in National JACL operations, such as change in headquarters location, administration of convention, etc.

Chapter boards are encouraged to submit resolutions which will further the purpose and aims of JACL.
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Baker of Gardena, Calif, former Sen. S. I. Hayakawa, top intelligence officer David Lowman "bordered on irrationality tinged with resentment over hysteria of the late 1940's," said the committee.
Congressmen Speak
Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) made the first presentation. "No one in this Congress is personally responsible for the internment of loyal intern loyal Americans," he said. "But we are leaders in the government of this nation here and now, in 1986. And the burden has fallen on us to right the wrongs of 40 years ago."
"Significant legislation is difficult to enact. But as human beings who care for the sacred principle of equal justice for all, we must be shocked that this bill did not pass long ago by unanimous consent."
In addressing the financial aspects of the bill, he said, "I understand our budget constraints... but I know that the funds authorized are far exceeded. It has been said, over three, five or even ten years, but are a minuscule fraction of the trillion-dollar federal budget."
Mr. Mineta concluded, "The government has no right to keep a bill pending... the money spent under the 1946 American Japanese Evacuation Claims Act, under which $77 million in claims filed by over 26,000 Japanese Americans was paid. He also cited the Social Security Act, which was amended in 1960 to give work credits to all those over the age of 18 at the time of internment. In 1973, he said, the federal civil service retirement provisions were amended to allow the same kind of credit.

Matsunaga's testimony
Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) returned from a trip to Hawaii to testify after accompanying President Reagan on Air Force One.
"It is significant to note," he said, "that the military commander of the then-Territorial Hawaii, which had actually suffered an enemy attack... did not believe that it was necessary to evacuate the 200,000 Japanese Americans from Hawaii." Matsunaga's father "had been arrested and then released on my appeal to the provost marshal. Fortunately, I happened to be an Army officer... he wore Army uniform on active service... and my voice was heard."
"Matsunaga's military status was in low regard and he was cornered like a broke as he recalled how he then became part of the 100th Infantry Battalion to prove his loyalty to this country."
"By saying that to talk about this is "sensational,"" said Rep. Samuel Stratton (D-Ind.), "we are fundamentally sound," he said. "I urge you to put the very best case into the record... to support what is contained in this bill."

HIRABAYASHI
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while lead attorney Rod Kawakami and other members of the Hirabayashi legal team argued that evidence disproving the "military necessity" claim was deliberately concealed from the Court.
Voehoes vacated the conviction for violating evacuation orders, stating that the government had committed "the most fundamental character" in its handling of Hirabayashi's case. At the same time, however, he let stand the conviction for violating curfew orders because, he said, the curfew was "short-lived" and "relatively mild" compared to the subsequent exclusion from the West Coast.
While the government challenged the judge's vacation of the first conviction, Hirabayashi's attorney sought to have the curfew violation conviction vacated as well.
Now that Voehoes has rejected both motions, the government has filed an appeal in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals; Hirabayashi has 10 days.
Michael Leong, a member of the legal team, told the Pacific Citizen that a notice of appeal will probably be filed in order to keep Hirabayashi's options open if his motion for vacation has not been made on whether to pursue the case further. The government has given no indication of its intentions.
In any event, Leong said he considers the Hirabayashi decision a major victory because the judge's finding of government misconduct shows that "the government has no case" recognized as "judicially valid."
A war memorial will includeJA soldiers

LAMAR, Colo.—The dedication of a war memorial at the Prowers County Courthouse on May 24 at 2 p.m. will be among the highlights of the Lamar Centennial Week activities.

The naming of 31 Japanese American service men, Amache internees killed in action during WW2, will be included on the black granite monument, which is dedicated to Prowers County residents killed in WW1, WW2, the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

The Denver Central Optimist Club is planning its annual pilgrimage to Amache to coincide with the dedication ceremony. Vehicles will leave the Denver area at 7 a.m. and return by 8:30 p.m. Info: Kent Yotomoto, 938-4362, or Jun Hada, 237-2199.

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Caricature in ad branded as ‘racist’

SAN FRANCISCO — A caricature that appears in an advertisement for MG Mitten, an auto accessory business, in the May issue of Road and Track has prompted letters of protest from JACL national director Ron Wakabayashi.

The ad in question depicts a Japanese, with slanted eyes and buck teeth, driving a car and saying “Oh, what a feeeing! I rue MG Mitten! Cause they have rotas for my MH-2, rike ruggage lacks, steering weers, leaf view mills. Alas! Help! Help too! Everything you needing for good driving."

In an Apr. 25 letter to the magazine, which is based in Newport Beach, Calif., Wakabayashi said the ad was “in incredibly bad taste” and “overly racist.”

“Is it your policy to accept such offensive material?” he asked.

In a letter to the Pasadena-based MG Mitten, Wakabayashi wrote, “The caricatures are direct throwbacks to the early yellow peril era when backwardness was more common.”

Frankly, I was quite shocked at the advertisement. From a perspective of racial sensitivity it ranks as one of the most callous examples in recent memory. May I urge you to pull this and all similar advertisements in the interests of goodwill and decency.”

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W.H. Chin of San Francisco wrote a similar letter of protest to Road and Track on Apr. 17, saying that the ad “promotes stereotypical Asian images.” The only thing missing from the MG Mitten ad are captions that say JAP or TOJO.

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Chapter Pulse

Placer County

PENRYN, Calif.—Placer County JACL holds its annual scholarship fundraising dinner May 17, 6-8 p.m., at the Placer Buddhist Church hall, 3192 Boyington Rd. Cost: $50 per person.

The chapter will present three scholarships to Placer County high school graduates: the JACL-Sgt. Masu Sakamoto Award ($500) and the Placer JACL Award ($200).

The Okei Memorial Achievement Awards will be presented to outstanding graduates of Gold Trail Elementary School in Gold Hill, El Dorado County. The award is given in memory of Okei Itō, a member of the ill-fated Wakanatsa Tea and Silk Farm Colony, who died at the age of 19. Her grave lies on a knoll overlooking the school.

For more information contact: Spruce Meadows, R.F.D. #3, Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2J 5G5

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Heritage Week continues in Chicago

CHICAGO—A variety of cultural events will take place at Daley Plaza, Washington and Dearborn, in conjunction with Asian American Heritage Week.

Fundraiser for AIDS awareness planned

LOS ANGELES—An afternoon barbecue to support AIDS education in minority communities will be held May 25, 1-4 p.m., at 111 S. Mariposa.

The event was initiated by Gay Asian Bum, an educational discussion group, and Asian/Pacific Lesbians and Gays. A $7 donation is requested. Tickets are available at Different Lights Bookstore, 4014 Santa Monica Blvd. Proceeds go to the Unity Fellowship Minority AIDS Outreach Project. Info: (213) 384-0648.

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and Betty Kozasa, Aging & Retirement Committee chair for PSW JACL. All workshops will be offered once in the morning and again in the afternoon, allowing participants to choose two.

The $10 registration fee includes lunch. Info: PSW JACL office, (213) 938-6477.

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Golden Tour of Japan

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Group departs from West Coast: Tokyo, Nikko, Kamakura, Hakone, Ise Shima, Kobe, Nara. 18 meals from $2,120 per/person/twin.

Hokkaido & Tohoku Tour

22 days Oct 18

Group departs from Vancouver: Kamakura, Hakone, Ise Shima, Kobe, Nara, Kyoto, Tokyo. 18 meals from $2,756 per/person/twin.

Japanese American Heritage

15 days Sept 24

Group departs from LAX. $1,549 per/ person/twin plus air fare from hometown cities.

Garden Tours of Japan

16 days Oct 23

Group departs from West Coast: Tokyo, Kamakura, Hakone, Ise Shima, Kobe, Nara, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Inland Sea & Nara. 24 meals from $2,756 per/person/twin.

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