N.J. congressman adds name to list


"Congressman Dwyer sits on the important Appropriations Committee, which has jurisdiction over government spending," said Matsui. "He is an intelligent, effective legislator."

Dwyer is one of five new co-sponsors who have signed up since a House subcommittee held hearings on the bill Apr. 28. The others were Reps. Pat Williams (D-Mont.), Barbara Kennelly (D-Conn.), Bill Richardson (D-N.M.), and Martin Olav Sabo (D-Minn.).

"The hearing on redress legislation has opened up a window of opportunity," declared Matsui. "The coming weeks could be key to the bill's success. Now is the time to step up our efforts to attract support for H.R. 442."

Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) said that Dwyer's co-sponsorship is "more good news as H.R. 442 gathers additional sponsors."

Dwyer was visited on May 5 by Eastern District JACL Redress Committee chairman Tom Komotani of New Brunswick, who was in Washington to attend the annual awards banquet of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights.

Mineta urges Chun to release two South Korean dissenters

WASHINGTON—Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) and 10 of his colleagues sent a joint letter to South Korean president Chun Doo Hwan Apr. 30, urging the release of two brothers imprisoned by the government.

Soh Sung and Soh Joon Shik, Japan-born college students critical of the Park Chung Hee regime, were arrested in 1971 for alleged involvement in a "campus spying group." Sung was given a life sentence and Joon Shik was given a seven-year term. Although Joon Shik's term expired in 1978, his imprisonment has been extended under the "preventive detention" law since Nov. 8, 1985 (PC).

"Many members of Congress have been encouraged by recent frequency of attacks on South-est Asian refugees, religious de-

dominations, organized networks and state and local government-

bodies held hearings to study the problem.

Accounts of the growing vio-

lence against Asians were car-

ried in Asian American com-

munity newspapers and, by the end of 1985, in such major newspa-

pers as the New York Times, Boston Globe, Washington Post, Philadelphia Inquirer, Los An-

geles Times, San Francisco Ex-

aminer and San Jose Mercury as well.

The conference took place three weeks after the release of a report by the Calif. Att'y General's Commission on Ethnic, Religious and Minority Violence and prior to the expected release of a 200-page report on anti-Asian violence by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) presented the keynote address. He was introduced by JACL national director Ron Wakahayashi, who credited Mineta with providing national leadership in the fight against prejudice and violence against Asians.
LOS ANGELES—"Frontiers in Services to the Pacific Rim Populations," a forum on health and mental health issues, takes place June 8, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Davidson Conference Center, USC. Speakers include Ms. Fubai, deputy supervisor; Kenneth Hahn; Lily Lee, United Way Asian Pacific Research & Development Council; Robert Gates, L.A. County Dept. of Health Services; and Allan Rawland, L.A. County Dept. of Mental Health. Topics include substance abuse, child abuse, concerns of the elderly and health issues of new immigrants. Sponsor: Asian Pacific Planning Council. Info: Cindy Oyama, (213) 793-2072, or Leona Pang, 266-6971.

Nikoiki Widowed Group Features Dr. Koji Uemura, who will speak on "Five Rules of Health," on June 8, 1:30-4 p.m. at Japanese American Cultural & Community Center, 244 S. San Pedro St., Rm. 4B. Uemura is a doctor of chiropractic healing and a certified acupuncturist practicing in Gardena. Info: Henry Ohmoto, (213) 234-5194.


SAN JOSE, Calif.—Asian American Social Club holds a get-together May 22, 7:30 p.m. at the JACL Building, 965 N. 5th St. Info: East Bay—(415) 777-2177 or 771-7000; South Bay—(415) 289-1847. Peninsula—(415) 961-2374.

NEW YORK—Chen & Dancers perform May 23 and 30, 8 p.m., and June 1, 2 p.m., at Theatre of the Riverside Church, 129th St. near Riverside Dr. The company presents H.T. Chen, Nai-Ni Chen, Remy Charlip, Jim-my Mori, Dina McDermott, Shyhling Kuo, Lise Hulse, Patrick Gutierrez and Dang Dong. Cost: $7, $5 for students and seniors. Reservations: (212) 664-2505.

SAN FRANCISCO—25th anniversary of the San Francisco Nikkei Lions will be celebrated May 31st cocktail hour at 6 p.m., dinner at Spenger's Seafood Restaurant in Berkeley. Founded in 1961 under the auspices of Lion's International, the club has been active in supporting such groups as the Boy Scouts, Hamilton Senior Center, and the Asian Pacific American Society, and president and founding member of the Japan Club.

1st presented the idea of planting a flowering cherry tree in city Park on the club's 10th anniversary in 1964. In February 1984, 21 trees were planted along the banks of the front lagoon, and plans were made to add trees to the grove every year.

Following Tami's death at the age of 35 in February 1960, his family and friends established a memorial fund to help make his dream a reality.

On April 17, a little over a year after his death, family, friends, park officials and members of Friends of City Park watched as Tami's wife Chiyoko, son Stan and daughter Ramona Umeki planted a cherry tree in the grove. Fifteen-eight trees were dedicated to his memory, and a bronze plaque now marks the site.

Pan-American Asian anthology released

NEW YORK—A special issue of the literary magazine Contact II (Winter/Spring 1980), entitled "Asian American: North and South," is available, history, art and reviews from Canada, the U.S. and Latin America.

Featured writers include Janice Minakataki, Nellie Wong, Yuri Kageyama, Carlos Bulosan, Cathy Song, Wing Tek Lum, Genny Lim, Willye Kim, Paul Tahi, Richard Yamada, and Erick Chock.

Alan Chong Lau and Laureen War co-edited this special issue. The Latin American section, which features a collection of Asian poetry from Peru, Ecuador and Chile, was co-edited and translated by Jeff Taegani, Victoria Sales-Gomez, Jaime-Jacinto and Karen Tei Yamashita.

Also included is a comprehensive review of Asian American poetry publications and a selection of work now being done in Canada and Latin America.

Copies are $5 each, plus $1 for postage and handling. Order by writing to Contact II Publications, Box 41, Bowling Green Station, New York, NY 10004.
From left: Nancy Araki, Japanese American National Museum project coordinator; Bruce Kaji, JANM president; James Wood, chairman of L.A. Community Redevelopment Agency; and Frank Kuwahara, CRA commissioner.

JA museum receives $1 million

Los Angeles—The Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) has received a resolution April 25 granting $1 million in agency funds to the Japanese American National Museum.

The decision fulfills an informal promise made when the CRA budgeted $1 million for the museum from the expected revenue of tax increment bonds.

"With the sale of the bonds, the CRA has the money to commit," said Kaji, "but it's actually less than half of the amount needed to make the Nishi suitable to house a museum. In addition, we must still raise money for the actual exhibits and operating costs."

According to JANM project coordinator Nancy Araki, it will be several months before the funds are actually used. "We are now conducting long-term design and budget planning," she said. "We don't want to waste a cent."

The resolution on JANM funding was passed unanimously by the CRA's seven-member board of commissioners.

Heritage Week winners chosen

Los Angeles—Winners of the annual Asian Pacific American Heritage Week poster and essay contest were congratulated at a City Hall ceremony on May 3.

Students from throughout the L.A. School District submitted entries centering on the theme "Contributions of Asian Pacific Americans: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow." A panel of judges that included educators, artists, and administrative representatives chose winners in four divisions: (1) kindergarten to 2nd grade, (2) 3rd to 5th grade, (3) junior high school, and (4) senior high school. Those chosen were:

Posters
Division 1—Anna Intharathut (Mt Washington), Jay Drahtman (Mark Keppel); Division II—Mary Tanimoto (Pasadena), Pho Thwaites (Staples). Division III—Evan Ho (L A), Cheri Kyo (Madison); Division IV—Emelia Arai (Crenshaw), Dave Kanen (Crenshaw).

Writings
Division 1—Hiroko Matsuura (Mt Washington); Division II—Takako Brown (La Canada); Division III—Joyce Sung (Washington), Tessa Rummik (Washington); Division IV—Evelyn Ikeno (Crenshaw), Carri歷史 (Crenshaw).

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**Facts and Figures**

Recently a review of Katriel Schory’s documentary “Yankee Samurai” was sent out to various publications by Go For Broke, Inc. The review was more of a commentary on the “fact” that the sacrifices of 140 that died confused with “fatality.” The same review was also printed in the Los Angeles Times on March 29, at the age of 94 in Hilo, Pahana, Min, part of K Kaiser Medical Center in Hilo. The following essay was written by Arnold Hirao, editor of the Hawaii Herald.

While not in any way trying to minimize the casualties or the sacrifices of the 140 that died rescuing 300 fellow countrymen, I thought these facts should be pointed out. Figures that are tossed around casually have a habit of being thrown back at you.

The great air conditioning struggle is now behind us... hopefully. The arbitrator, Claude W. Bridges, ruled that the Sumi-masen had $3,210.41 worth of damages for the lack of air conditioning last summer and fall. I’m not sure how they figure these things out, but I wonder if it is possible to transpose this settlement of nearly four years in a desert camp.

Or vice versa. THERE’S YET ANOTHER ulcer to reason why we “sprinkle” nihongo here and there in this column. We’re by no means sure, but it is our hope that a number of AJA’s read this column sufficiently of interest to read it once in a while. And we seek to tantalize them just enough that they might pull out a Japanese-English jiten to look up a word or two. Then maybe three or four. And soon begin looking up words strictly on their own. And soon, even take an interest in learning nihongo.

As we said, we harbor an ulterior or purpose.

WHEN OUR CHILDREN attained some maturity, they criticized their parents (and I’m one-half of the target) for “ failing” to teach them nihongo. At that, my wife and I of knowing ghosts to one another. They have apparently forgotten how we forced them into a station wagon each Saturday and drove them miles to a nihongo school in the adjoining country to try to get them to learn to read, write, and speak nihongo. We might as well have been trying to force castor oil down their throats. Speaking of throats, when we heard their belated criticism, I thought both my wife and I were ready to seize one.

AND SO TODAY, through these columns, we’re sneaking in a bit of linguistic “castor oil.” And, I might add, you need not be an AJA to take an interest in it. Oh, yes, sumi-masen means “forgive me.” Please.

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**In Memoriam: Steere Noda**

Steere Globala Noda, a respected politician, community leader and sports promoter, passed away in Honolulu, March 28, at the age of 57. He had previously been a member of the Poston Baseball Team, which was formed in 1942.

**Political Career**

In 1924, Noda received his license to practice law in Hawaii. From there, he was elected to the Hawaii Bar Association, serving as secretary of the Bar Association of Hawaii in 1948, serving five consecutive two-year terms. In 1990, he was elected to the State Senate in 1990. He also served as a director of Pioneer Savings and Loan from 1969-1979.

**International Friendship**

All the while, Noda never lost his enthusiasm for sports. Back in 1915, he had taken his Asahis to Japan, beginning what was to be a lifetime of traveling to Japan as a vehicle for fostering international friendship and understanding. In addition to promoting the exchange of numerous amateur baseball games between Hawaii and Japan, Noda was also credited with promoting sumo, amateur wrestling, boxing, Hawai-i-Palauians and Hawaii-China baseball tours, and professional baseball teams such as the Brooklyn Dodgers and the Yomiuri Giants, among others. Moving to district court as a clerk-attorney, Noda became the first Nisei to be employed by the judicial system in Hawaii.

**Humility and Honesty**

But lest this become just a list, and a partial one at that, it is important to note how Noda filled these many roles. From his early role with the IBA and the_conflict, he was known as a champion of immigrant rights. And, in spite of his lofty political and social status, he was known for his humility and honesty. It says much in spite of such a lengthy career in the public eye, that he was widely loved and respected, never deviating from his personal slogan “Pekā oka ka i ku ina” (Shut the mouth, work with the hands).

Given a life as eventful as his, it seems fitting that, even in his passing, Noda’s story remains amazing. In his last few weeks, as he grew weaker, family members related that he spoke more and more about dying. They implied he had “died” as his granddaughter, to whom he was very close, was a contestant in the Cherry Blossom Festival. Steere G. Noda passed away at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, the next day, organizers noted the Cherry Blossom Pageant had ended at the NBC Convention Hall. A short time earlier, his granddaughter, Penny Sato Yajima, had crowned the 54th Cherry Blossom Queen.

Noda is survived by his wife Steere and two daughters: Elizabeth Ooka and Linda Yajima, and seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. His son, Alice Chiyo Shimabukuro, who resided in 1963, died in 1984.
by William Shimasaki

Navajo, JA Reactions Differ

We living in Flagstaff, have many friends among both the Na­
vajos and the Hopis. Some of the writers in recent issues of FC
have been critical about the relocation of the Navajos and are dis­­
seminating the misinformation.

In one such article, “For­
ced Relocation—1986” (March 14), it was the writer’s opinion that relocation of an ethnic group should never be allowed to hap­
pen again. It is commendable to profess such sentiments in view of the experience that we have had.

Navajo Compensations

However, the relocation of the Navajos and Hopis is not related to that of the Japanese Americans from the West Coast. The Navajos and Hopis are facing relocation on Hopi land since 1882. Moreover, to compensate them for moving from their homes in Hopi territory, they were given bonuses if they relocated voluntarily, and if not, they were given land in compensation for the land that they were squatting on.

Furthermore, they were fur­
ished with livestock—horses in such cities as Flagstaff and Wins­
low. There were several report­ed cases of relocators selling for cash the animals they were given to move them back to the reservation.

A careful study of the prob­
lem is presented here.

Background of Dispute

On Dec. 6, 1982, President Che­ster A. Arthur issued an ex­
ecutive order establishing the Mis­­siou (Hopi) Reservations. Encompassing some 2.5 million acres, the 1882 reservation was in­
tended for the use and occupan­
cy of Moqui, and other such In­
dians as the Secretary of the In­
terior may see fit to settle there­on. The basic purpose of the ex­
ecutive order was to protect the Hopis from encroachment.

Encroachment by Navajos

At that time there were approx­imately 1,100 Hopis living there, mainly in the southern-central portion. There were some 300 Navajos living on the reserva­tion as of 1882.

In 1938, because of the in­
creasing encroachment of the Navajos on the Moqui reserva­tion, the U.S. government was asked to advise the Navajos that they were encroaching on the Hopi. The Navajos were told to move out; but they maintained they were moving out.

In 1924, the Office of Indian Af­
airs expressed the official view that the Navajo had some rights of use and occupancy on the 1882 reservation.

Joint Use Area

In April 1982, some 350 acres of the 2,500,000 acres were form­ally designated as Land Management District 6 and 7. The Navajo Hopi Relocation Commission was estab­lished to deal with this problem. The first family was relocated in 1979. It is now estimated that about 2,500 families will re­ceive relocation assistance. It must be stressed that this popula­tion is extremely heterogeneous.

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3 districts select forensic winners

Three districts have chosen students who will take part in the National JACL Speech & Forensic Competition to be held at the Chicago convention in July.

• The Pacific Southwest District JACL competition is held May 30 at the Airport Hyatt in Los Angeles.

In the prepared speech category, Jeff Suzuki of Selah chapter, speaking on "Deterrence or Jingoism: Nuclear Buildup in the U.S.," took first place and Mike Tatsugawa of Downtown L.A. Chapter, speaking on "American Parallels to South African Apartheid," took second.

In the extemporaneous category, Lisa Hamura of East L.A. Chapter, speaking on how she would persuade a congressman to vote for redress, was in first place and Suzuki, speaking on "Apartheid," took second.

The topic chosen by both speakers was "The Impact of Wartime Internment of Japanese Americans on succeeding Generations." Speech judges Al Pitcoforte and Milton Wohl were the judges. The contest was organized by Dr. James Nagatani.

• Mike Tatsugawa of Downtown L.A. Chapter, speaking on "Human and Civil Rights in the 1980s and Beyond."

The forensic competition was headed by Nellie Sakakihara, assisted by Dori Fossgruen and Twila Tomita. This year marks the 20th year of the chapter scholarship program.

Lake Washington

BELLEVUE Wash.—Lake Washington JACL has scheduled a program on retirement, featuring the video "A Tale of Nisei Retirement" and Dr. Chisato Kawabori, regional director of the U.S. Administration on Aging, on June 15 at the Bellevue Hotel 16th NE and Northup Way near SH 520. No-host cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. $5 for dinner and program, $2 for program only. Info: 885-9654 or 747-5559.

Sanctuary

SACRAMENTO—The Sierra JACL community awards banquet will be held May 30, 6:30 p.m. at Hing Sich Restaurant, 2347 South Land Park Dr. The following 1986 scholarship recipients will be honored:

Sanctuary Chapter JACL: Michael Matsumoto, Rio Americano HS; Alice Sato; Central Memorial: Nell Shimasaki, Luther Barabak HS; Anna Kawahara Memorial: Kathy Koshi, John F. Kennedy H.S., Dr. Kati J. Kawahara Memorial: Katherine Aoki, Rio Americano HS; Sacramento Bowling Assn.; Linda Shoda, Del Campo H.S.; Nisei Post 8890 VFW Memorial (Harry Koyama, Kazuo Kanai, Mrs. Hisayo Sen), Frank Johnson, C.C. M. McClatchy H.S.; Eion Dr. Akio Hayashi, Senator Lions Club; Rolf Koshia, Rio Americano HS; Roy M. Koning Memorial: Mary Curfer, Cordova H.S.; Nisei Post 8890 VFW Memorial (Dr. Ma... Continued on page 3.

Chapter Pulse

Florin

SAN FRANCISCO—Florin Chapter's 1986 scholarship winners are: 1st Place—Jonathan Okamoto of John F. Kennedy H.S., who will attend UC Santa Barbara majoring in Business; 2nd Place—Seiji Richard Fujimoto of Valley H.S., who will attend Arizona State University majoring in Art; 3rd Place—Katherine Oda of Elk Grove H.S., who will attend UC Davis majoring in Pediatrics.

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SJACAA to participate in JACL program

SACRAMENTO—Calif. Japanese Alumni Assn. (SJAA) announced at its Apr. 23 board meeting that it will participate in the 1986 National JACL Scholarship Program. As a participant in the JACL program, SJAA has given out $23,000 during the past two years.

Awards of $2,500 each will be given to graduate and undergraduate students enrolled at any of the University of California campuses.

A maximum of $20,000 will be divided equally between undergraduates and graduates. No awards are offered for entering students.

Info: George Kondo, (415) 921-5225.

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**Window of Opportunity**

The bill known as the Civil Liberties Act of 1983 was introduced on Jan. 3, 1985 by House Majority Leader Jim Wright (D-Texas). H.R. 424 started with 99 co-sponsors; it now has 130. Wright is the sponsor, and of the opponents of the bill testified at the marathon hearing held on Apr. 28 by the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations. Subcommittee chairman Dan Glickman (D-Kan.) ably and fairly showed his leadership and his experience as Assistant Majority Whip in leading "all sides" of the redress issue.

With the window of opportunity now wide open as it will ever be for the redress issue, CELC, through the Legislative Education Committee, must actively and swiftly build on the momentum if we are to see the day when the bill to right the injustice is passed in Congress. This day will not come easily, for enough of us care to rectify the tragedy of denial of constitutional rights which have been inflicted on American of Japanese ancestry in 1942. This means each one of us must talk to our friends and to people in our communities to believe that justice is for all Americans and ask them to write or talk to their congressional representatives. We urge you to let us know that you take some time to do the following:


2. Write a similar letter to Chairman Peter Rodino, Committee on the Judiciary, 2137 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.


For H.R. 424 was greatly heartened by effective testimony presented by upporting witnesses. Indubitably, a significant step forward for redress with which the hard work of many prime solicitors and committee action on this bill will be held in abeyance for the immediate future.

During this interim, support of H.R. 424 will be kept open for three weeks, and that a hearing would be held on the Alert portion of the bill, subcommittee and committee action on this bill will be held in abeyance for the immediate future.

**A Good Hearing**

**REDRESS UPDATE**

by Minoru Yasui

Legislative Education Committee

Hearings on H.R. 424 held on Apr. 28 before the House subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations went well. Proponents of redress were greatly heartened by effective testimony presented by supporting witnesses. Indubitably, a favorable momentum has been established for the thoughtful consideration of the bill.

Inasmuch as Chairman Dan Glickman indicated that the hard work of many prime solicitors, multiple prime solicitor chapters, FSWD LEC Fund Raisers, Dinner Committee, and non-JACLers who have donated money has resulted in the drive raising nearly $75,000.

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**Second Year Begins**

The second year of the Fund Drive will start with an LEC Bay Area Fund Drive sponsored by Harry Kajihara, on Friday, May 12, 1989 in San Francisco June 13. The dinner will be organized by the American Fairness Committee under the chairmanship of Henry Daty, President of the LEC San Francisco chapter.

There are 650 people who have already donated toward the second year of the Fund Drive, which begins June 7, 1985. Four hundred ($400) are from the Philadelphia chapter; Tomo Morichi ($500) and Ruth Ben ($200). Seattle chapter: Mikaly Homer ($100). Portland chapter. Early contributions are most welcome.

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wartime opinions of the Supreme Court on the Japanese
American cases were a disaster,
and urged then that "the basic
issues should be presented to the
Supreme Court again, in order to
obtain a reversal."

He disagreed with Rep. Sam
Stratton (D-N.Y.), who testified
earlier that the suffering from the
relocation was the same as all other
deprivations which occur during
wartime. It is not enough that
Congress simply apologize for the
evacuation, because the evacuation was
unconstitutional—especially in cases
where a lawyer relocated camps, and those who
wanted to fight off the evacuation
were also asked whether there
should be different categories ofeligibility
among the aliens. Sato said this
change would be misguided.

If a bill is passed, said that he
would not like to see any pos-
sible future remedies foreclosed.

Mike Masaoka, former JACL
executive secretary and Washing-
ton representative, testified on
behalf of Go For Broke, Inc. He
submitted a 72-page document
summarizing the background and
history of the Japanese American experience.

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Testifiers included (from left) Dr. Yoshihie Togasaki of Lafayette, Calif., LEC executive director Gayrice Uyehara, and JACL president Frank Satō.

**REDRESS HEARING**

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...that there was no mass internment, he replied that internment was the Justice Department's procedure used only with aliens. He also stated that there was no loyalty review process.

Panel of Evacuees

Testimony was heard from a panel of former internees consisting of Mary Tsukamoto of Sacramento, Dr. Yoshihie Togasaki of Lafayette, Calif., and Robert Moteki of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Tsukamoto presented her painful recollection of the days before the Florin community's break-up. She described Florin as a once-thriving, close-knit community she knew died on May 29, 1942.

Moteki related her family's experience of a 10-year-old boy who was imprisoned in an American concentration camp, the devastation of his feeling of self-worth and the impact of camp life on his father.

**Redress Organizations**


Nash departed from his prepared testimony and spoke in response to previous testifiers who spoke in opposition to H.R. 442 and the Commission's report.

The waving of lists by Baker was more reminiscent of Joe McCarthy than of reasoned testimony, he said. Nash pointed out that there is no statute of limitations on treason, and if any traitors can be found, charges should be brought against them.

He also said that surveys done in the Japanese American community show that more than 90% favor redress.

**Closing Remarks**

In closing the hearing shortly after 6 p.m., Glickman said that it was unusual to have a hearing of this length in one day, but that he wanted to focus on the hearing without breaking for members who had to vote in the House.

The record of the hearing will be kept open until May 19 so that any other who has a pressing need to submit testimony can do so. Another hearing will be scheduled for Aueit internees.

Glickman said that the bill needs 218 votes in order to pass. "I don't want to take a bill to the House that will be defeated."

**San Francisco**

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The San Francisco Chapter and No. Cal-W Nev-Pacific District Council of JACL will participate in the memorial service, along with Golden Gate Nisei Memorial Post 959 and Military Intelligence Service Assn.

Speakers include Cresey Na­kagawa who will introduce the Gold Star parents and veterans' wives; and Dr. Clifford Uyeda.

**San Jose**

SAHATOGA, Calif.—San Jose JACL sponsors its annual doubles tennis tournament June 21 at West Valley College. There will be men's A-B-C and women's B-C divisions. Fee: $14 per team. Info: Yoshi Deguchi, (408) 256-6637; Harry Kiyomura, (415) 343-7356; or Sayeko Nakamura, (408) 397-0052.

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...and Reps. Wright, Sala Burton, Nomura Mineta, Robert Matsui and Mervyn Dymally (all D-Calif.), and Mike Lowry and Tom Foley (both D-Wash.)

When we announced the co-sponsorship of Rep. Barbara Kennedy (D-Mass.), we failed to note that Nobu Hibino and others had contacted Kenney. The grassroot lobbying is the foundation of the registered program. After you report your contacts to us in the Washington office, there will be follow-up here by appropriate people.

The next district work period for members of Congress is the Memorial Day weekend, May 23-24. We suggest that you try to schedule an appointment. The next district visit will be June 20-24.

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Let's take off.

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Anti-Asian
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fighting discrimination against Asian Americans.

Mineta urged Congress to continue to work together to educate the public, noting that its most basic and familiar forms surfaces as the failure of a few Americans to distinguish their fellow citizens, from Asian nationals.

As an example, he referred to the Apr. 28 House debate on H.R. 442, during which "one senior member of Congress testified that although he was opposed to a bill to aid and encourage the repatriation of Japanese nationals and had many friends in Japan.

Mineta urged the audience to be proactive as well as reactive.

Dr. Allan Seal of Asian Pacific American Coalition traced the historical roots and development of anti-Asian violence and discrimination. The socio-economic and foreign policy forces which existed in the United States are still operating today, he commented.

Stanford Law School professor Bill Hing said that the dramatic increase in the Asian population coupled with the economic downturn in the U.S. is one major factor in the resurgence of anti-Asian violence. Based his figures on the 1980 census, Hing stated, "Today, three out of five Asians are foreign born. In 1960, the majority were American-born. The increase in population has been substantial. In September 1985, our population was estimated at 5.1 million, compared to 1.4 million in 1960.

The speakers, however, that the increase in numbers alone does not account for the increase in acts of racial violence. Other factors mentioned included negative perceptions of Asian Americans in international trade conflicts and media stereotypes.

William Chan of Chinese Progresive Association traced the violence as a source of negative perceptions, saying that the repetition of a narrow range of events holds the general public's image of Asians. She cited the 1965 film "Year of the Dragon" as an example of negative stereotyping.

The relationship between racial and sexual stereotypes and violence against Asian women was discussed by Asian Law Caucus director Peggy Saika. While violence can result from attitudes toward Asian women perpetuated by the media and the military, she said, another area of concern is the horrific violence that occurs within Asian American communities. According to Saika, increasing numbers of such cases have been reported in Los Angeles, the San Francisco Bay Area and New York.

Model Minority
Ironically, the image of Asian Americans as a "model minority" has become a contributing factor in the growth of negative perception. The perception of Asians as successful in education and business has fueled a backlash, said conference presenters.

Census figures show that Asians have a higher median family income than the national average. But further analysis of the data does yield a different picture, suggested UCSB Asian American studies professor Amado Cabezés, who said that Asian families have a higher number of workers per household and work more overtime than the national average.

Another variable Cabezés presented was the population distribution of Asian Americans, which is concentrated on the West Coast. The West Coast population as a whole has a higher income than the national average, he said. At the same time, said Cabezés, a comparison of income in the same area and with comparable education and work experience will show that Asian Americans are at a disadvantage because in the U.S.

Because Asian Americans are viewed as overrepresented in institutions of higher learning, they have been omitted from financial aid and special admission programs. The detriment of disadvantaged immigrant groups. According to conference speakers, Asian Americans are often victims of racism.

Henry Der, director of Chinese Affirmative Action, characterized the movement to make English the nation's official language, as an attack on the Asian community. He accused U.S. English, the lobbying group, of creating greater division and in animosity among Asian communities.

Five states have adopted English as their official language, and California may have such an initiative on the November ballot. Community organizations fear that the measure would have an adverse impact on bilingual education and the ability to utilize languages other than English.

Wakabayashi stated that he had no quarrel with the concept of the U.S. as an English-speaking country. He said the concept would exist with or without the initiative. "The danger in the initiative is its symbolism, discrimination against bilingual persons, newcomers," he said.

The low numbers of Asian Americans in government positions was also seen as a problem. The conference concluded with an afternoon of workshops allowing further discussion of the issues presented in the morning. Organizers predicted that a low meeting was scheduled to develop future strategies for dealing with anti-Asian violence.

Nikkei members of Congress circulate JACL report on anti-Asian violence

WASHINGTON - Sens. Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga (both D-Hawaii) and Reps. Norman Mineta and Robert Matsui (both D-Calif.) have sent copies of the JACL report "Anti-Asian Violence in the United States" to members of Congress.

In a letter to their colleagues, Inouye and Matsunaga wrote, "We believe that the findings of this report should serve as a compelling reminder of the ugliness of any and all forms of racism toward American citizens. We will all resolve to do whatever is necessary to prevent the iniquity and violence that is at least in part rooted in ignorance."

The findings of the JACL report lead to the incontrovertible conclusion that anti-Asian activity is on the rise," said Matsui. "Distribution of this report will serve as a frightening, and awareness of the problem and highlight possibilities."

Mineta and Matsui report accurately illustrates the emerging issue of violence involving Asian Americans. The American community should be reminded to voice their alarm at the recent violent incidents and climate of anti-Asian sentiment in Congress must continue to ensure that the civil and human rights of all Americans must be upheld.

JACL National Director Ron Wakabayashi expressed appreciation for the "continued leadership" of the four Nikkei in Congress. Their efforts in this issue should be acknowledged and applauded by our community, he said.
Concerns about Asian representation raised at hearing on L.A. redistricting

LOS ANGELES—The Asian Pacific American Legal Center (APALC) will soon file a brief in federal court contesting an Asian American perspective on the current controversy over the redrawing of the city's council districts.

Redistricting is seen primarily as a Latino issue because of a suit filed, not by the city in November 1985 by the Justice Dept, which alleged that the city's 1982 redistricting plan diluted the voting power of Latinos and Asians involved in the suit filed against the city in 1982.

APALC's position was that the Asian Pacific American communities of interest should not be ignored in the process of redistricting...communities of interest should not be fragmented as they now are.

These communities include the Chinese and Vietnamese population along Silverlake and downtown, the Korean population in the Topanga area, and Chinese and Vietnamese communities of interest should also be involved in the suit. At a City Hall hearing held on April 21, statements were made by APALC, Pacific South-West District JACL, Chinese American Citizens Alliance, and the Asian American Coalition.

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