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City resolution touches off protest

by J.K. Yamamoto

MONTEREY PARK, Calif.—A resolution passed by the City Council on June 3 supporting "the enforcement of federal immigration laws" and "legislation to make English the official language" of the U.S. is being denounced by a local multi-ethnic coalition.

Mayor Monty Manibog opposed the resolution, Councilman Chris Houseman abstained, and council members Barry Hatch, Pat Reichenberger and Cam Briglio voted for passage.

The resolution "opposes the so-called Sanctuary Movement" and denounces "those city councils that have declared their cities as 'sanctuaries'"; declares "Monterey Park will never become... a 'sanctuary' city"; instructs the Monterey Park Police Dept. to "cooperate with the INS in regards to illegal aliens"; requests that Congress "pass legislation to control United States borders"; and "supports legislation to make English the official language of the United States."

Members of Coalition for Harmony in Monterey Park (CHaMP), a group formed last year to oppose a proposed measure to make English the city's official language, voiced opposition to the latest resolution during a rally held in front of Monterey Park Civic Center on June 9.

"The resolution is clearly an example of straining the democratic process to the limit," said CHaMP co-chair Mike Eng. "Public debate was not encouraged. The resolution was not an agenda item and was passed at 1 a.m. at a special meeting."

The council's action "specifically targets immigrants, particularly Latinos and Asians, and in so doing is racist in its effect," he contended.

In calling for the local police to cooperate with the INS, said CHaMP member Jose Calderon, the council has "called for placing under suspicion and scrutiny every Asian and Latino in Monterey Park."

CHaMP co-chair Pete Hollingsworth declared that the council

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Photo by J.K. Yamamoto

Attorney Linda Wong of MALDEF speaks out against City Council's resolution during June 9 rally in front of Monterey Park Civic Center.

'Victory in sight,' congressmen tell redress supporters

by Carole Hayashino

SAN FRANCISCO—"There is no cause more noble, more worthy or necessary, than the one that brings us together tonight," stated Calif. Secretary of State March Fong Eu in welcoming the 500 attendees at a redress dinner held by Americans for Fairness on June 13.

The Bay Area fundraiser for the JACL-LEC redress campaign honored Sens. Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga (both D-Hawaii) and Reps. Norman Mineta and Robert Matsui (both D-Calif.) for their leadership in promoting redress bills S. 1053 and H.R. 442.

Cressey Nakagawa, chair of Americans for Fairness and master of ceremonies, read letters from Inouye and Matsunaga, who were unable to attend due to the Senate debate on tax reform.

Mineta and Matsui were presented with a special award titled "The Liberty," a cast-stone sculpture photo-etched with an image of the Statue of Liberty, designed by Dennis Fujimoto.

In accepting the award, Matsui acknowledged the courage of wartime Supreme Court litigants Fred Korematsu and Minoru Yasui, both of whom were in attendance, and Gordon Hirabayashi.

"Ask yourself what you would have done if you had been Yasui, Korematsu or Hirabayashi... They were willing to stand up to the government and say, 'This country stands for more'... Because of their willingness to stand up during 1942 and their continued belief in justice, we now have a historical record."

Matsui added, "Today we have the opportunity to contribute to

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Court decides in NCJAR's favor

WASHINGTON—National Council for Japanese American Redress (NCJAR) won another judicial victory May 30 when the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia denied the government's petition for a rehearing in the case of NCJAR's lawsuit for damages resulting from the WW2 internment.

The vote was a six-to-six tie; the government lost because a majority of the judges did not vote in its favor.

"This victory clears the way for the main event—the Supreme Court," said William Hohri of the Chicago-based NCJAR. "I think it is likely that the government will take its appeal upwards... It does not want our case to go to trial."

NCJAR has 90 days in which to file for a writ of certiorari. If the Supreme Court denies it, the case goes back to the District Court, where the suit was first filed, for trial; if the Court allows it, "we prepare and proceed to the Court above," said Hohri.

NCJAR filed suit against the U.S. in 1983. District Judge Louis Oberdorfer dismissed the suit in

1984 on the grounds that it had been filed long after the six-year statute of limitations. NCJAR's appeal of that ruling was heard by Court of Appeals judges J. Skelly Wright, Ruth Ginsburg and Howard Markey in September 1985.

On Jan. 21, the panel ruled two-to-one, with Markey dissenting, that the six-year limit for filing suit should have begun in 1980, when the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Civilian Control was created by an act of Congress.

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Photo by J.K. Yamamoto

William Hohri of NCJAR

News in Brief

Inouye won't seek to be top Senate Democrat

WASHINGTON—Sen. Daniel Inouye of Hawaii apparently will not challenge Senate minority leader Robert Byrd of West Virginia for the Senate Democratic leadership as had been earlier rumored. Byrd, Inouye, and Alan Cranston of California announced June 12 that they will seek reelection as a team for the Senate's top three Democratic positions.

Cranston is presently Senate minority whip, while Inouye holds the number three spot as chair of the Senate Democratic Caucus. The announcement was made to head off a possible challenge to Byrd's position from J. Bennett Johnston of Louisiana, but it also ruled out a challenge by Inouye. Inouye "may have been interested in the position," said his aide, Gregg Takayama, but "had made a commitment to Robert Byrd that he would not oppose him."

Johnston has begun preparations to defeat Byrd when Democrats meet after the November elections to pick their leaders for the next session of Congress. Both Inouye and Cranston face reelection campaigns this fall, while Byrd will be up for reelection in 1988.

Congressman's viewpoint rebutted by chapter

SEATTLE—An anti-redress statement made by Rep. Al Swift (D) of Washington's 2nd District has been challenged by Seattle JACL. After receiving a letter from chapter members Cherry Kinoshita and Chuck Kato, who urged him to support redress bill H.R. 442, Swift replied on Apr. 24 that "direct payment to the victims trivializes the events and smacks of 'conscience money' or of putting this behind us as a people by buying our way out instead of genuinely recognizing the gravity of the offense."

In response, chapter president Bob Sato wrote to Swift on June 1: "We the victims are willing to accept the provisions of H.R. 442 and S. 1053 as a token symbol of apology and compensation... We the victims are the only people who have the right to judge whether redress action trivializes the great crime committed by this nation... I challenge you to uphold the principles for which the Constitution stands. Americans of Japanese ancestry defended it; I believe we can expect you to uphold it. It's time for you in Congress and the President to do what is right and cast away the dark chapter from our nation's history."

JA groups support Navajo cause

SAN FRANCISCO—The Academy Award-winning film "Broken Rainbow" was shown at Christ United Presbyterian Church on June 20 during a fundraiser for Native Americans now facing forced relocation by the U.S. government in Big Mountain, Ariz.

The program was sponsored by National Coalition for Redress/Reparations (NCRR) and Golden Gate JACL.

The film documents the plight of Hopis and Navajos whose land has been divided primarily for the benefit of non-Indians. Many Navajos are shown working in

crude, dusty uranium mines, and 40% of their deaths are said to be attributable to radon gas found in the mines. Congenitally deformed offspring of the miners are also shown.

The Navajos and Hopis live in the driest section of the U.S. According to the film, the Peabody Coal Mine operates the only coal slurring line in the U.S. in which coal dust mixed with water is used to transport coal from the mines; this is depleting the aquifer and will have serious environmental impact on the region.

Following the film, Clifford Uyeda of Golden Gate Chapter discussed the issue from the perspective of Japanese Americans, a people who have also experienced forced removal by the government. "Time—44 years—has not erased the sense of outrage," he said. "Economic recovery has not alleviated the injustice endured."

Rose Bramble, who recently returned from Big Mountain, related her experience. Richard Grow of Big Mountain Support Group gave an update on recent political activities in Washington relating to the July 7 deadline for "voluntary relocation."

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3 to be honored for contributions

LOS ANGELES—Three community leaders and a corporation will be honored by Little Tokyo Service Center for their contributions to the Nikkei community July 11, 7 p.m. (cocktails at 6), at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom.

This year's honorees at the annual fundraising dinner for the Little Tokyo-based social service agency are Kats Kunitsugu, Akemi Miyake, George Takei, and KCBS-TV.



• Kats Kunitsugu's activism can be traced back to the late 1950s, when she served as president of the Cienega Elementary School PTA. Today she is executive secretary/director pro tem of the Franklin D. Murphy Library and director of publications of the Japanese American Cultural & Community Center, where she has worked since 1975.

Her previous positions include secretary to the president and advertising director of Hori-kawa Restaurant and English editor of the Kashu Mainichi.

She was general chair of last year's Nisei Week Festival, served on the Little Tokyo Centennial Committee in 1984, and was part of the mayor's 44-member

committee that planned the Los Angeles Bicentennial in 1981. She is a longtime member of the Little Tokyo Community Development Advisory Committee.

In addition, she is a charter member of the LTSC board, where she represents JACCC; former president of Friends of the Little Tokyo Bookmobile; a charter member and former vice president of Friends of Japanese Retirement Home; a member of Friends of Little Tokyo Arts; and a judge on the Advisory Committee for Folk Arts Grants for the city's Cultural Affairs Dept.

She and her husband Kango have three children and four grandchildren.



• Akemi Miyake was born in Arcadia, Calif. in 1919. At the age of four, he returned to Japan with his parents. He graduated from Hiroshima-ken Agricultural School in 1937 and returned to California to apply his farming skills. He and his brother-in-law bought 40 acres of farmland in Gardena in 1941 but moved to Salt Lake City when WW2 broke out.

Returning to California and renting 60 acres of farmland in

1945, he increased his acreage through hard work and good business sense. He moved to San Diego in 1967 and began growing oranges. He now grows strawberries on 80 acres in Stanton and oranges on 250 acres in San Diego.

He is also active in community affairs. As fundraising chair for JACCC, he raised \$61,000; as a board member of Nishi Hongwanji Betsuin, he played a key part in funding the construction of the honcho and social hall.

Miyake has served as vice president of Japanese Chamber of Commerce (1973) and a member of its Social Welfare Committee (1975); president of Nanka Hiroshima Kenjinkai (1976-78); board member (1976) and president (1981-82) of Nanka Kenjinkai Kyogikai; and board member of Church of World Messianity (1961).

Among the honors he has received are awards from Dainippon Nokai, an agricultural association, in 1963 and 1982; and the Fifth Class Order of the Rising Sun from the Emperor in 1983.

He and his late wife Hisako had six children and six grandchildren.



• George Takei was born in Los Angeles but spent part of his childhood in the Rohwer, Ark., and Tule Lake, Calif., camps.

As he grew up, every grammar school skit, junior high drama club and high school play became a stepping stone to his dream of being an actor. At the same time, he was active as president of the Western Regional Junior Red Cross Council, student body president of Mt. Vernon Junior High, and senior

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board president of Los Angeles High.

He continued his education at UC Berkeley and UCLA, earning degrees in theater arts. He also attended the Shakespeare Institute at Stratford-on-Avon in England and Sophia University in Japan.

He made his professional television debut on "Playhouse 90" and his film debut in "Ice Palace." He now has more than 100 TV credits and more than a dozen feature film credits, including the popular "Star Trek" TV and film series. He has also performed in stage plays.

In the area of public service, Takei served more than 11 years on the board of directors of the So. Calif. Rapid Transit District and as vice president of human resources of the American Public Transit Assn.

He is currently board president of El Pueblo State Historic Park and president of Friends of Little Tokyo Arts. He also serves on the board of the Los Angeles Theatre Center Executive Committee.

As a businessman, he is board chair of Golden Security Thrift & Loan Assn.

A dedicated long-distance runner, he carried the Olympic flame in the 1984 torch relay and made his best marathon time—3 hours, 40 minutes and 58 seconds—in the 1986 Los Angeles Marathon.

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Tickets for the dinner are \$45 per person or \$450 per table. An organization or individual will be listed in the program as a table patron for \$600 or as a dinner sponsor for \$1,000. Donations are tax-deductible, with checks payable to LTSC. Info: 680-3729.

Mink raising funds for unannounced gubernatorial bid

WASHINGTON—Honolulu City Councilwoman Patsy Mink took her unofficial campaign for the governorship of Hawaii to the nation's capital June 10 for a fundraiser sponsored by some of her former congressional colleagues.

Mink, a Democrat, served in the House from 1964 to 1976, when she lost a race for the Senate.

Although she has made no formal announcement of her candidacy, she has been campaigning for this year's Democratic gubernatorial nomination, running newspaper and radio ads and opening a headquarters.

Mink has said she is not declaring her candidacy yet because she wants to be cautious about Hawaii's "resign-to-run" law, which she believes may require her to step down from her City Council post before filing nomination papers or even announcing officially. The filing deadline is July 22.

The Washington affair was co-hosted by a number of Mink's former colleagues from Congress, including Jonathan Bingham, Lee Hamilton, Andy Jacobs, William Ford, Lynn Stalbaum, John Gilligan, Jed Johnson Jr., Lloyd Meeds, Herbert Tenzer and John Culver.

The public interest group Common Cause/Hawaii recently questioned whether state politicians should raise funds in Washington rather than Hawaii.

Mink said the purpose of the gathering was not so much to raise money as it was to see old friends and get pledges of future financial support once her campaign hits high gear. She has estimated that a gubernatorial campaign would cost about \$1 million.

While on the Mainland, she spoke at a convention of the National Democratic Council of Asian Pacific Americans and attended a conference of Americans for Democratic Action, a group in which she served as president from 1978 to 1981.

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City purchase of plaza approved

by Richard Oyama
Hokubei Mainichi

SAN FRANCISCO—The Planning & Recreation Commission and Park Commission voted unanimously on June 12 to set aside funds to purchase Peace Plaza in Japantown as part of a \$10 million spending plan.

Members of the Japanese American community had wanted the city to buy Peace Plaza and make it a park in order to avoid development of the site.

Although the city owns the Peace Pagoda and the reflection pool, the rest of the concrete plaza is privately owned, said Mary Burns, Recreation & Park Dept. general manager.

The two commissions meet annually to decide how to spend money allocated for park acquisition and renovation.

Speaking to the commissions before the vote, Sinclair Louie, owner of Ginza Discounts and the majority owner of the East Building and the plaza, heatedly denied planning commissioner Yosh Nakashima's assertion that Louie was "aggressively trying to develop" the plaza.

Louie also alleged, "Nobody was against [development] until I took over with a Chinese name, Louie... Is it because a Chinese name owned the Peace Plaza?"

UC Regent Yori Wada, who had spoken in support of the city's purchase, replied that the Nihonmachi Community Development Corp. had also refused the two previous Nikkei owners permission to build on the plaza.

Louie was not sure whether he would contest the actions of the commissions, saying it "depends

on the price" the city offers him for the property.

Speaking before the commissions, Wada said that the purchase and maintenance of Peace Plaza as a park had the "unanimous support of all segments of the Japanese American community."

Steve Nakajo, executive director of Kimochi, Inc., pointed out the "historical significance of the property" and its use for festivals and other community activities. "There is no other open space in Japantown," he said.

Also speaking in support of the acquisition was Benh Nakajo, 1984 Cherry Blossom Festival general chairman and board chair of Kimochi.

The recommendations approved by the commissions also included funds to buy the Cathay Mortuary for a park in Chinatown.

The recommendations now move on to the Board of Supervisors and the mayor.

Student journalists win awards

LOS ANGELES—Asian American Journalists Assn. (AAJA) has awarded a total of \$12,500 to aspiring student journalists.

In the five-year history of the scholarship program, this year's competition brought in the most applicants and resulted in the most winners from the widest geographic area, according to Southern California AAJA president Tritia Toyota of KCBS-TV.

The winners, announced by Los Angeles Times reporter Elaine Woo and KCBS-TV reporter Ann Curry at a June 13 reception held at the Los Angeles Times building, are:

Times Mirror (\$1,000)—Frank Buckley, USC; Lottie Chestnut, University of Georgia; Sharon Chin, UC Berkeley; Holly Quan, San Francisco State; and Linda Kung, Wellesley College.

KCBS-TV (\$1,000)—Kiku Lani Iwata, USC; Benihana of Tokyo (\$750)—Anson Jew, Chico State (also received \$250 national AAJA scholarship and \$500 from Sacramento Chapter AAJA); and Jean Kawahara, UC Berkeley (also received \$250 from Sacramento Chapter AAJA).

AAJA (\$500)—Dolores Kong, University of Missouri; and Kim Van Tran, San Jose State. AAJA (\$250)—Heidi Chang, San Francisco State; Ngoc Diem Nguyen, Lehigh University; and

Josephine Tao, George Washington University.

Sacramento Chapter (\$50)—Dina Fong, Sacramento City College, and Thai Strom, Cosumnes River College; Seattle Chapter (\$250)—Judy Averill, Western Washington University.

AAJA awards also went to the following college-bound high school seniors:

Linda Chong and Li-Chuan Hong, both of Alhambra (Calif.) H.S.; Sue Lee, Seward Park H.S. (N.Y.); I-Chin Janet Tu, Roosevelt H.S. and Jennifer Wong Thames, Garfield H.S., both in Seattle; Kannha Bounchanh, Wilson H.S. (Tacoma, Wash.) and Mylien Thi Hoang, North Side H.S. (Ft. Wayne, Ind.).

On the panel of judges were Bill Sing, L.A. Times; Tritia Toyota, KCBS-TV; Pauline Yoshihashi, New York Times; Ted Tajima, retired Alhambra H.S. journalism teacher; Bob Sims, KNX Radio; Eric Sorenson, KCBS-TV; Dennis Britton and Larry Lane, L.A. Times; and Steve Sansweet, Wall Street Journal.

For more information on the annual scholarship program, contact AAJA executive director Karen Seriguchi at 3921 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 315, Los Angeles, CA 90010; (213) 389-8383.

Onizuka memorial group formed

LOS ANGELES—The formation of an Astronaut Ellison S. Onizuka Memorial has been announced by committee members T. Maki-nodan, R. Mune-kata, Jun Mori, Al Pelayo, Stan Yoshino, Frank Omatsu and Matt Matsuoka.

The national organization's goal is to perpetuate the memory of the shuttle astronaut who died in the Jan. 28 explosion of the Challenger. A proposed exhibit, intended to inspire future generations of Asian Pacific Americans, will depict Onizuka's life from his boyhood in the coffee fields of Kona, Hawaii, to his achievements in the space program. Plans are being discussed with the Japanese American National Museum.

Honorary board members include Onizuka's wife Lorna and brother Claude; Loren Shriver, Jim Buchli and Gary Payton, who flew with Onizuka on the shuttle Discovery in January 1985; Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii); Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.); Judge

Morio Fukuto; Togo Tanaka; and Bishops Seigen Yamaoka and Yoshiaki Fujitani of the Hongwanji Buddhist Temple.

Private and corporate donations are sought. Contributions may be sent to Astronaut Ellison S. Onizuka Memorial, 941 E. 3rd St., Suite 201, Los Angeles, CA 90013. Info: (213) 295-7541.

A fundraising dinner for the memorial will be held July 26, 4:30 p.m., at Nisei VFW Post 1961, 1964 W. 162nd St. (corner of Gramercy), Gardena. Donation: \$15. Hawaiian entertainment will be provided.

Lorna Onizuka and daughters Janelle and Darien are expected to attend. Proceeds will also go to the Class of 1964 Konawaena High School Scholarship Fund. Info: Grace Kunitaki, (213) 532-8600; Carol Koshi, (714) 535-9453; or Pikake, (213) 540-5450.

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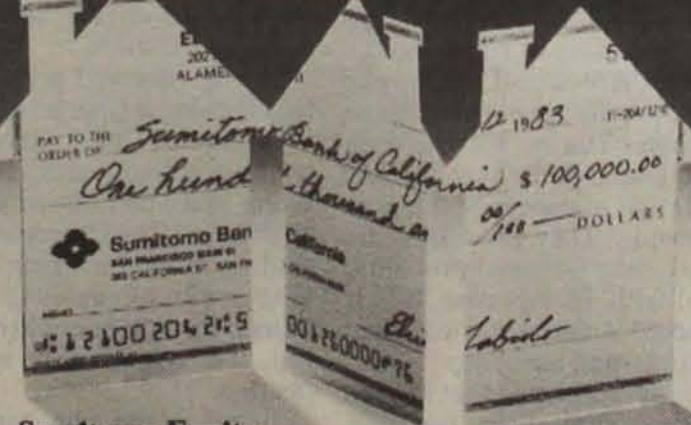
SEATTLE—Perry Ko's South China Restaurant, 2714 Beacon Ave. S., marks its sixth year of benefit sponsorship for Seattle Keiro Nursing Home with a buffet dinner July 14, 4-9 p.m. Proceeds go to construction of Keiro's new 150-bed facility. Info: 329-9575.

SAN FRANCISCO—Japanese Cultural & Community Center of No. Calif. holds a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception to celebrate the formal opening of its first phase main office building at 1840 Sutter St. on July 12, 1 p.m. The event will also kick off the second phase of the campaign—the raising of \$1.2 million to build an adjoining community hall/gymnasium. Nobusuke Fukuda chairs the event. Participating groups include Nihonmachi Legal Outreach, Nobiru-Kai, Japantown Arts & Media Workshop, Japanese American Historical Library, Theatre of Yugen, and Kimochi, Inc., all JCCNC tenants. Info: (415) 567-5505.

Konko Church of S.F. sponsors its annual summer festival July 12 (noon-9 p.m.) and 13 (noon-8 p.m.) at Laguna and Bush Sts. Featured will be martial arts, folk songs, folk dances, sushi demonstration, games and rummage sale. Info: (415) 931-0453.

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THE OTHER DAY while foraging through some old files, out tumbled an old photograph taken in the Tule Lake camp probably in very late 1942 or early 1943. It is a photograph of a group of some 300 persons lined up along and up what appears to be a sand dune. I was not aware that such a thing existed at the Tule Lake concentration camp. In front of the group is a banner reading: "FORWARD WITH CHRIST."

I have no idea when or how I came into possession of this photo, now turning brown with age and marred by the inevitable crinkling of the paper.

INVOLVING AS IT does a sea of several hundred faces on an 8x10 sheet, and particularly with the eyesight no longer the 20/20 of my Army days, I hauled out a magnifying glass to see if there were any faces that I could recognize. (No, I'm not in the picture:

Tom Semba and I had left in the fall of 1942 to attend Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, S.D.—"The Corn Palace Capital of the World.") Give or take a few, there were about a dozen faces that I recognized.

LISTING SOME NAMES (alphabetically): Chet Butsuda (formerly Tacoma, Wash.); Kenny Hayashi (now of Orange County, Calif.); Itsushi Kurosaki (Seattle); Tom Seto (Brooklyn); Rev. Eiji Tanabe; Joe Yamamoto; Teruko Yamasaki; Akira Yokomizu; Ed Yoshikawa (Ohio); and Kumeo Yoshinari, right in front and center behind the banner. I recall Kumeo held the position of something such as athletic director, and I can still picture him with a baseball cap and around his neck a whistle dangling. Kenny Hayashi was on the staff of the camp newspaper known as "The Tulean Dispatch," edited by the much respected Howard Imazeki. Howard ultimately went on to head up a vernacular publication in San Francisco.

ENUMCLAW HIGH SCHOOL, in Washington, was where Itsushi Kurosaki and I were classmates. There was a small colony of *nihonjin* families working for the

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lumber mill there. Known as "Toots," he was quite a track-and-field man in high school, built muscular and lean. Whenever I think of Itsushi, I'm reminded of the time he and I went into town and bought a quart of ice cream—and ate the whole thing. Aside from ending up somewhat bloated, that may be not particularly amazing, but the price was: 25 cents. Yes, for the whole thing.

A NUMBER OF other Nisei refugees joined us at DWU in Mitchell, S.D. Akira Yokomizu was one of them. Combining the mem-

ory, some other names that come to mind are: Tony Hamaguchi; Fumiko Yamashita; and Min Yoshida. Over the years, in the course of being on the road, I've had the good fortune of seeing a majority of these wartime classmates.

Although DWU was no Harvard or Princeton, it was a true haven during those dark years. And I retain a very warm spot for that school, as I suspect all the other Nisei students do.

ALTHOUGH NOT POSITIVE, for the picture is not very clear, I think I spotted Perry Saito in the

group photo. Perry took up the calling to the ministry. A few years ago in Chicago, Perry graciously came up and reintroduced himself; I found him to be the outgoing guy we all knew. I also noticed a woman who obviously is *hakujin*. My wife opined that perhaps she was a teacher or member of the camp administration, but I thought not: for she was in the thick of the picture rather than seated in the front.

Perhaps there are some readers out there who also happen to have a print of this photo, who can provide further information.

Director on a 'Roll'

ONE THING
LEADS
TO ANOTHER

Bob
Shimabukuro



Take Jeff Araki—a Japanese American yuppie. Ken Kubo—the Fonzairelli of J-town in Los Angeles. One is going into the bigger world of urban white society, while the other still hangs out in the pool hall. Add a Nisei Week queen, yakuza gangsters, German espionage agents, and the V-Max, an Anglo gang. Stir, let it cook a while, add a nuclear-powered car as the center of the plot, and what do you get? "California Roll," a commercial action-adventure film now in pre-production.

The movie is the latest brain-storm of director, cinematographer and screenwriter Brian Maeda, who has just started a production company, also called California Roll. The company is interested in producing movies with Asian leads and a commercial story line—and, hopefully, producing less stereotypical images of Asians in films.

Speaking at his office close to the Beverly Plaza in Los Angeles, Maeda said the time is ripe for Asian American films. "Asians are in; Asian films are in. The problem is that they make us look goofy. Now, who's going to change it? Hollywood isn't going to change it. We have to do it."

"I was pleased that the Chinese, along with other Asians, came out in force to put a damper on 'Year of the Dragon.' Then 'Gung Ho' comes out, what do Japanese Americans do?" he asked. Not much. "The justification—

that whites are portrayed as stupidly as the Japanese—I'm not sure that's any kind of justification."

So how different will "California Roll" be? Written by Maeda, along with actors Marc Hayashi and Lane Nishikawa, the script calls for yakuza and the Fonzairelli character. I asked Maeda, couldn't this be considered 'negative'?"

"I don't see anything wrong with the Ken Kubo character whatsoever, because you have to realize that he would be one of the first dynamic Asian American characters to be presented on-screen rather than a guy who talks with an accent, rather than someone wearing a suit and selling a car, or chopping his way through Von's. You know, you've got a guy who's the consciousness of J-town, of his people. Besides, everybody loves Fonzairelli; he's a heartwarming thug!" he said.

"Then there is Jeff Araki, who is the upwardly mobile new Asian American. You've got the dark character and the light character. They're not stereotypes—they're real people. They have their dilemmas, their personal problems to deal with. In this case, it is a film about Asian Americans put into an exciting backdrop."

Maeda emphasized that this is a Hollywood film, very commercial, but with positive Asian characters.

It's not a documentary, not an art film. In order to change the images of Asians, Maeda said, documentaries are not enough. "It's time to move out of documentaries about the community, although that's all very viable and meaningful. But I'm saying let's make films that can be distributed worldwide and that would present Asian Americans in a dy-

namic and positive light. The majority of the world is Asian. Obviously, things are not going to change unless we take the initiative to do it. Why should the Sansei and Yonsei and the Japanese nationals now living and working here be subjected to the same racial images we were?" Maeda asked.

Maeda was part of the first Third World Film Program at UCLA in 1968. "There were 13 of us originally—Chinese, Japanese, Indian, Black, Chicano. We were the forerunners to Visual Communications. And what was interesting was that we had to struggle so much politically during that period as well as help each other on our films."

Maeda then went to work in Hollywood, working at Universal Studios as a camera assistant on such shows as "Marcus Welby," working with Steven Spielberg when he first started there.

Maeda received a lot of attention filming a Chuck Norris film, "A Force of One." Since award-winning cinematographer James Wong Howe had filmed a fight sequence in "The Champion" while skating around the ring on roller skates with a hand-held camera, Maeda thought he could do a martial arts sequence in a similar fashion.

"I got in the ring with Chuck Norris, put on karate pads, breast shield and all that, and was shooting with a hand-held camera so you would get the full effect of him kicking the opponent into the ring and coming off the ring. While I was filming, I started to deliver kicks as I was shooting the sequence, so the viewer saw the fighter's view. That had never been done before because no one else could do it. No one was a qualified cameraman and a

black belt in karate.

"The audience loved it. It was innovative and they wondered who was crazy enough to be doing that."

Other major films which Maeda has worked on include "For Pete's Sake," "Bound For Glory," and "Uncommon Valor." In addition, he has written and directed the stage plays "The Kendo Master" and "Ten Years After."

The California Roll production company is currently developing "The Red God," an action-adventure to be shot in China, Mongolia and Tibet; "The Tokyo Club," a gangster drama about the origins of Little Tokyo in Los Angeles; and "University High," a rock and roll comedy about the '60s high school which graduated rock and roll groups like Jan and Dean, Dick and Dee, and a Third World group that was ahead of its time, the Internationals.

A lot of enthusiasm has been generated in support of these projects. With respect to "California Roll," Maeda said, "I'm getting terrific response, especially from enlightened people in the film industry. They know the movie is original and commercial," he said confidently.

For more information, Maeda can be contacted at Mega Entertainment, (213) 854-5648.

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Reminiscing with Rube

FROM THE
FRYING PAN:

Bill
Hosokawa



My brother Rube is almost four years younger than I am. In the Seattle of our childhood that was not a major gap. We did many things together. In our teen years we even played basketball on the same team, the Lane Street

Steamrollers, a mediocre outfit so named because we were slow afoot. Rube was one of the more nimble ones.

Things changed when I started college. Even though I was living at home and commuting to classes, we moved in different orbits. On top of that, I was working half the night several times a week to make enough money for tuition and books. Then Rube went off to college and I set out for the Far East. We didn't see each other for quite a while.

I returned to the States just before the war came along. He and his bride, our parents, and my fa-

mily and I were evacuated to the Puyallup Assembly Center. My branch of the family was singled out and sent to Heart Mountain under somewhat mysterious circumstances, probably to separate us from our Seattle friends. The others went to Minidoka, so again we were separated.

We got together for a few years in Des Moines, Iowa, during the relocation years. Then he moved to Madison, Wisconsin in pursuit of a graduate degree and I came to Denver. He followed a career in newspapering, public relations, teaching, and now he has retired in Orlando, Florida.

A few weeks ago he and his wife Yoshi came to visit. They spent four days with us, which probably is more time together in one stretch than we've had since we

were in Des Moines during the war years.

We spent a lot of that time eating and sight-seeing, yarning and reminiscing. The reminiscing was the best part of the visit. He would recall something, then I would remember a detail or think of something else, and that would lead to more recollections about times and events and friends.

As people grow older, and my brother and I certainly are doing that, memories of the long ago seem to become sharper and clearer and, in some respects, more precious. Rube's memory was remarkable about things that happened when he was no more than three or four years old, episodes in our lives that I could confirm. So we regaled each other and laughed and enjoyed each

other's company.

Rube's visit coincided with Fathers' Day, and that gave us an opportunity to remember our Dad. We didn't call him Dad. He was The Old Man, a name he accepted without protest and perhaps even a bit proudly. He had his idiosyncracies, many of them. Like all men he had his strengths and weaknesses, and now his sons are old enough to understand and appreciate his struggles, his triumphs and his failures.

Rube and I recalled our childhood, our boyhood, our youth and the years of our early manhood, and we agreed that we had lived a pretty darned good life. Remembering all that again, matters that we hadn't thought about in years and years, was the best part of being able to spend time together.

Expanding Our Outreach

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UPDATE:

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Uyehara



We must set aside summer doldrums at this crucial time for our redress legislation. JACL members and friends of redress are beginning to mount a visible grass-roots lobbying program through their letter writing and district appointments with members of Congress. The effort is succeeding! We now have 128 voting co-sponsors.

EDC Strategies

Tom Kometani, Eastern District redress coordinator, met with his lobbying team for an afternoon work session June 7 at the home of Tak and Yuri Moriuchi to discuss chapter targets for the remainder of the 99th Congress.

Assisting Kometani were Grant Ujifusa and myself. In attendance were Sumi Koide, Bob Moteki and Ben Arai, New York Chapter; Gary Glenn, New England Chapter; Charles Nagao, Seabrook Chapter; Sumi Kobayashi, Jack Ozawa, Tak Moriuchi and Ken Oye, Philadelphia Chapter.

Information packets with updated information were distributed to help set up targets by

states. Colleen Darling, associate director, had prepared background sheets on each member of Congress for the eight states to be covered by this redress committee.

Religious Groups

On June 9, Ruth Flower of Friends Committee on National Legislation convened a meeting of major church denominations who had passed resolutions of support for redress during the past several years. Also present was Father Rollings Lambert of the U.S. Catholic Conference, who plans to recommend to USCC that they support H.R. 442 and S. 1053. USCC will be asked to help us in areas where we have no chapters to engage the appropriate church committee to write letters to targeted members of Congress.

Action Alert Now

With the recent revision of the 99th Congressional calendar we want to alert the grass-root lobbyists for H.R. 442 and S. 1053 that they still have time to arrange for an appointment with their members of Congress for the Independence Day district work period.

The date has been extended a week so appointments can be made from June 28 to July 14. Call your district office for your appointment today.

The redress bill is at a critical stage and additional support is needed to convince Chairman Dan Glickman of the subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations and

Chairman Peter Rodino of the House Judiciary Committee that H.R. 442 is ready for mark-up as soon as the Aleut hearing is scheduled. This hearing must be scheduled soon before we can proceed to the mark-up.

We should note that many of the recent co-sponsors came on after constituent contacts.

Americans for Fairness

Cressey Nakagawa, who planned the exciting and memorable redress fundraiser at the Empress of China in San Francisco June 13 should be applauded for his outstanding leadership for the successful affair. The dinner program, which moved along briskly, informed the wider community about redress and the need for financial and legislative support.

All three speakers, Secretary of State March Fong Eu, Reps. Bob Matsui and Norman Mineta, challenged the over 500 dinner guests to work for the passage of the redress legislation in Congress. Redress is timely as this nation prepares for the celebration of the bicentennial of our Constitution.

The representation from many areas of Northern California by both elected officials and by those who are involved in human and civil rights issues was most impressive and should portend well for the chapters that need help from outside JACL. This step will help convince the members of Congress that redress is an American issue.

Congratulations to the co-chairs, the executive and dinner committees for the Japanese American redress dinner for a job well done.

ing and striving with other Asian Pacifics to institute assistance programs, hold educational workshops, find jobs, support each other in causes, etc.

This represents not just dollars contributed (because a vast amount of money is contributed); but a tremendous amount of time, enormous commitments of energy, and a truly humanistic attitude.

Because the Japanese Americans are considered the most educationally and economically advantaged, they are the ones who are asked and expected to participate, fund, and dedicate

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Don't Drop the Ball

by Edwin Y. Mitoma

From the various articles that have appeared in the PC lately on the subject of U.S.-Japan relations, critics appear to be arguing about "apples and oranges." Only their conclusions are similar—that we should not get involved in U.S.-Japan relations.

I believe this is caused by a lack of clear guidelines as to JACL policy in this area. Therefore, I would like to reiterate my position, which I feel is a feasible and conservative course of action.

Specific Guidelines

Good U.S.-Japan relations are important to the well-being of both countries and possibly the whole world. The purpose of my article "Don't Ignore U.S.-Japan" (Apr. 11 PC) was to urge the following:

(a) Let us not be ignorant of matters concerning the interaction of the U.S. and Japan. Let us understand the facts behind the actions of both countries. Let us build a knowledge pool to effectively protect the interests of Americans of Japanese ancestry.

(b) Let us think about specific guidelines for JACL participation. Let us not go overboard and build up a communication network before we become knowledgeable in all aspects of this relationship.

(c) Let us think about a JACL-sponsored scholarship program to encourage young AJAs to work in the field of U.S.-Japan relations.

(d) If in the future we are in a position to actively interface with the respective governments, let us cross that bridge when we come to it. But for the present time, let us keep a low profile in this area.

Civil Rights Only?

Before going any further, let me address the statement that JACL is supposed to be a civil rights organization. The fact is that JACL is more than just a civil rights organization. According to the National Constitution, JACL should also be involved in: (a) Preserving the culture and values of Japanese Americans; (b) Participating in the development of understanding between all social and ethnic groups; and

(c) Promoting programs and activities to faithfully perform duties and obligations to the U.S. Clearly, participation in U.S.-Japan relations is well within the scope of our constitution.

Watchdog Role

I have no problem with not getting involved in Japan's foreign and trade problems (Ed Suguro, Apr. 11 PC). I also accept the symptom/disease theory of John Nakahata (May 9 PC), but what else can JACL do in combating racial prejudice? We are already doing that.

Nakahata hit the nail on the head when he stated, "We will always be threatened by problems in U.S.-Japan relations until we have secured our rightful place as Americans." For that to come about, we will wait as long as the Blacks, Hispanics, American Indians, Hawaiians, and the other Asian Americans. It will be a long, long time. Although we approach the discussion from different directions, our respective positions may not be too far apart. My position is that JACL should become knowledgeable in U.S.-Japan relations so as to be able to perform a "watchdog" role to protect our interests. (The term "watchdog" was borrowed from Nakahata.)

The Task Ahead

The task at hand, therefore, is to formulate a clear policy on the role the JACL will be playing in U.S.-Japan relations. The Nikaido paper (Spring 1985) sets up a communication network but does not specify areas of participation or non-participation (i.e., trade, politics, education, etc.). The South Bay Chapter has submitted a resolution on U.S.-Japan relations to generate a plan that is acceptable to the general membership and consistent with the JACL Constitution.

It is hoped that a workable plan will be developed by the National Council at the Chicago convention this summer so that we will all be discussing this subject from a known common position. I submit that after redress, U.S.-Japan relations will be the primary concern of JACL. This is no time to drop the ball.

Mitoma writes from Palos Verdes, Calif.

Letters

Unfair Accusation

I read with concern your article entitled "New England Nisei assist other Asians" (June 13 PC), involving an interview with Gladys Ishida Stone. Her comments seem extremely broad and unfair.

After leaving camp, I lived in New York City and Chicago—going through the schools there—and then moved to Los Angeles upon my marriage. The Japanese Americans on the East Coast were relatively few in number

and were usually able to merge into the mainstream of society, whereas I found tremendous racism and resistance in acceptance on the West Coast. The Japanese Americans have fought a hard battle in gaining footholds.

In the past decade, more and more Nisei, Sansei and Yonsei have recognized the need to help other Asians—not just with dollars, but with active support and networks.

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HAPPY TRAVELS

Henry Sakai
JATC Chairperson

JATC Is For You

As the Japanese American Travel Club enters its third year, we hope more members will take advantage of the many fine tours and cruises that are being offered this year. Bill Hamada, the Director of the club, just came back to work after having surgery and being out for several months. We are all happy that everything went well and Bill is back. During his absence a couple of new people came in to help Alyce Komoto and Jack McCabe keep the place going, they are Mrs. Sami Kushi-da and Jack Jarret. Sami is a retired teacher and is usually there in the afternoon, she brings a lot of enthusiasm to the club. Alyce is a volunteer who helps out on Saturdays and leads many of the tours since she enjoys and travels extensively. The two Jacks work for Japan and Orient Tours and help out whenever they have time.

Since the club was founded to benefit the Japanese American community and JATC, the success and continuation of JATC is dependent on the response of the community. For those people who enjoy traveling JATC has selected some excellent tours at reasonable rates. Many of you are taking the EXPO'86 tours and Bill Hamada was recently there and has written an article about his trip.

To all of you, have a good summer and JATC looks forward to serving your travel needs. We get calls from people all over the country now that there is an 800 number. Happy travels! Come and join your fella JA's and see the world.

By WILLIAM Y. HAMADA

Five days after EXPO'86 was officially opened on May 2, with a colorful motorcade and parade led by Prince Charles and Princess Diana, my wife and I flew to Vancouver to attend the annual Canadian Pacific Airlines Retiree Reunion at Hotel Vancouver, only a stone's throw-away from the Expo site.

We met several Nisei couples on board our flight, travelling to Canada together. The airport bus, making its round of the hotels, dropped them off at different hotels. We were staying at the Century Plaza, a 30-story high rise, three blocks from the same Barrard St. of Hotel Vancouver. Century Plaza is an all-suite hotel with 250 bedrooms where four people can sleep comfortably in each starting at \$110 Canadian for two, plus 7% tax, per night.

Alan Clogg, general manager of the hotel, whom I've known from my airline days, had reserved a room on the 30th floor, giving us a spectacular birds-eye view of the city, the bay and the soaring mountains. Mr. Clogg tells me that visitors can still obtain rooms if they can be flexible with the dates of their visit to Expo through to Oct.

13, 1986, although some dates are tight.

For outside visitors like us, Vancouver is clean, safe and refreshing; good drinking water, and no language problem as English is spoken here. You can walk the downtown street day or night at all hours with a secure feeling. A delightful and friendly people, these Canadians.

Favorable Exchange Rate

Presently, the exchange rate is tremendously in our favor in Canada when our U.S. dollar is losing value in other parts of the world. Currently, one U.S. dollar equals \$1.37 to \$1.40 Canadian money. Isn't that great!

The afternoon we arrived, we immediately went around the corner to a Canadian bank (Bank of Nova Scotia) and exchanged our American Express traveller check into Canadian funds. Banking hours here are the same as in most parts of the USA.

For balance of the afternoon, we decided to prepare for a full day's activities the next day—that is, to take in the Expo. That evening, we dined at the hotel's Seafood Restaurant. The special recommended by the maitre de was scallops and prawns on linguine, sautéed in Per-

nod and butter and served over lemon linguine. It was excellent, plentiful and reasonable (\$8.50 U.S. per person). Good choices of wine were available but not being a connoisseur, we passed on the order of wines.

We returned to our 30th floor suite and saw the glorious fireworks display that lit the Vancouver sky at 10 p.m. This goes on every night during the Expo to awe the visitors. The fireworks contractor including the people of Vancouver must be all smiles—"all the way to the bank!"

Free Transit Rides

Open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, EXPO'86 is a salute to Canada on the centennial of their na-

much ground as possible with our limited time. We dashed back to our hotel after luncheon, made a quick change into something comfortable, slipped into our jogging shoes and caught a cab to the Burrard Inlet waterfront to visit the Canadian Pavilion. Once we bought the entrance ticket, we moved swiftly to the CN Theater, received a special frame glass to view the 3-D/max film which miraculously projects life-like images in 3-dimension with living sounds.

Adjacent to the Canada Pavilion, a newly built highrise hotel, Pan Pacific, opened a month ago just in time to accommodate Expo visitors. I was informed the rooms were fully booked during the period

USA, USSR, PRC together on site: a 'first' in North America

tion's transcontinental railroad linking the East with West Coast and a 100th anniversary of the City of Vancouver. The Expo theme, transportation and communication, is highlighted as WORLD IN MOTION - WORLD IN TOUCH. There are two main Expo sites; one on the waterfront of Burrard Inlet, site of the Canada Pavilion; and the other adjacent to the city's thriving southwest area of the central business district, spreading over 173 acres along the False Creek waterfront. Both sites are linked by a free rapid transit called the Sky Train that takes just four minutes between the two areas. Other free on-site transportation is:

1. Monorail, 5.4-km long, circuits the Expo site in 20 minutes with stops at seven stations.

2. A 6-passenger gondola, The East Skyride, goes continuously between the Folk Life and the Pavilion of Promise and the West Skyride between the Pavilions of Air Canada and General Motors.

3. Also, seven free ferries provide water transportation along the 4-km shoreline of EXPO'86 with three convenient stops.

United States of America, Peoples Republic of China and U.S.S.R. join countries (over 50 of them) from six continents to present advance technologies and cultures. Ten provinces and two territories of Canada are participants. The States of Washington, Oregon and California are also represented here.

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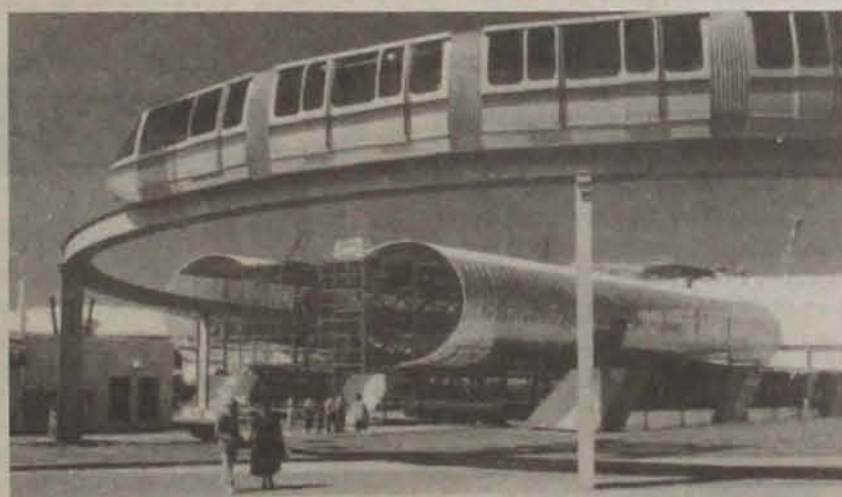
My wife and I only had six hours on hand to spend at Expo. Fortunately, a retiree sat at our reunion luncheon table who now works at Expo. She kindly outlined the high points to see so we could cover as

of Expo. A highly successful Japanese investment in Canada, it is the first of the Tokyu Hotel chain of Japan in North America.

Along this waterfront are berths for all the cruise ships that will ply the waters of the inside passage to Juneau, Sitka, Skagway and Alaska, come summer.

We boarded the Sky Train, Vancouver's new rapid transit train in front of the Canadian Pavilion, for short ride to the main Expo site on the False Creek waterfront. We then boarded a monorail for an overall view and we were able to pinpoint the location of Pavilions we wanted to take in with the balance of time left as the closing hours drew near. We got off the monorail and elected to see the presentation of shows in the Canadian Pacific Airlines Pavilion-evolution of mankind's transportation; progression from the crude horse drawn wooden carts to electrical powered to combustible driven cars, steam to diesel locomotives, propeller airplanes to jet powered and rocket powered aircraft and etc.

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Freedom to move... the Expo Monorail.

China in a Day: Zhongshan, an unexpected delight from Macau

By JOHN-TENZIN BALL

Everyone in our small tour group wondered what lay just ahead of us, across what was once considered "the Bamboo Curtain". You could feel it in the atmosphere as our bus bumped its way past the pavement of Macau towards the famous Barrier Gate. We all leaned forward in anticipation, and even the China Travel Service guide seemed to relish the next few lines in his carefully prepared commentary.

"Just a few more feet now!" he intoned. "We're not in China yet... almost... hold on!" In a final flurry of dust the bus slid through the ancient moon-gate and the guide broke into a broad grin, "Now!

Welcome to the People's Republic of China!"

Despite the recent boom in the China tour business, there are still scores of Orient travelers who, because of either time or budget, get no closer than the skyscrapers of Hong Kong. For too long there were few alternatives to a full fledged, and costly, China tour. These were either an uninspiring overnight stay across the border in the "Westernized" and usually disappointing city of Guangzhou (Canton), or an even less fulfilling half-day train ride through the New Territories which climaxed in a dull walk around a border station and a visit to a gift shop. Neither of these excursions left anyone with even a

taste of the China experience. Tour escorts, like myself, usually advised would be explorers to forget about trying to see anything of China in one day—it just couldn't be done. That was before we discovered Zhongshan!

Zhongshan Tour

At first the Zhongshan Tour, which can be booked through virtually any Hong Kong travel service, or your own travel agent back home, sounded too good to be true. It offered a genuine chance to experience the culture and scenery of China, and have a good time in the bargain, for about \$66 and in less than one day. Since almost any Hong Kong stop includes a few free

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CHINA IN A DAY

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days, we set out to discover if Zhongshan was really a chance to look into another world that shouldn't be missed.

Our journey across the Bamboo Curtain had begun early when a local agent called for us at our Hong Kong hotel. We were shepherded over to the Macau Terminal on Hong Kong Island. We boarded the sleek, surprisingly spacious hydrofoil and settled into some comfortable, airline type seats. After a few minutes the powerful engines roared into life and we turned away from the pier and began to glide across the waters of Hong Kong Harbor.

Upon arrival we went through Macau immigration (the visa is included in the tour price and makes a nice addition to any collection of passport stamps). There we were greeted by the China Travel Service guides, divided into small groups and sent to our respective busses. Though a tour of Macau is not part of the package, the quick look one gets at this ancient outpost on the short drive to the China border is more than enough for most tastes.

Once through the Barrier Gate we made a quick stop at Chinese immigration. As our guide assisted with the translation of our odd sounding foreign names, we were cleared by a young border guard who, every so often, erupted into a sudden greeting, "Welcome to China!" It's all done by group visa, although the ever-obliging Chinese are willing to find some kind of stamp to put in your passport if you insist.

After all this, the buses split up and we began our journey into China. As the miles went by it felt as though we were passing through time into a rural landscape which seemed untouched by the modern age. Lush green rice fields fanned out on either side of the road. Every so often we passed a farmer in a broad straw hat, guiding his team of oxen. All the while the guide kept up an interesting and straightfor-

Trans-Siberian Express—a 7-day experience

By Naomi Kashiwabara

Distant train whistles in the night make some persons melancholy—these mournful sounds make me think of trains I have ridden in my lifetime. In August of 1935, Troop 379, Boy Scouts of America, crossed the continent from Los Angeles to Washington, D.C., and back (This was our Mao's Long March. We still talk about this boyhood trip.) In 1942 I and others went across Texas to Arkansas at government expense. In the 1960s my wife and I sped down Japan in a Bullet Train. Recently, a friend and I rode through Mexico's Copper Canyon and Amtrak to Glacier National Park.

Last September my wife and I rode the Big Daddy of all trains: THE TRANS-SIBERIAN EXPRESS. This long train ride is written up expertly elsewhere: "Traveling on the Trans-Siberian Express" by Takashi Oka, *Christian Science Monitor* Oct. 7, 1983, p.

18; *The Big Red Train Ride* by Eric Newby; *Eurail Guide 1980* by M.L. Saltzman and K.S. Muileman, pp. 452-465. I offer a few impressions of my trip, which began in Irkutsk, the second largest city in Siberia, and ended in Moscow four days later. A Chinese train took us to Irkutsk from Beijing in three days across Inner and Outer Mongolia.

Deluxe accommodations on the trans-Siberian were two passengers per compartment. However, on nearly all our train four passengers—not two—were packed into the identical compartment. This crowding was torturous. Even a WWI pigboat submariner would complain. Luckily, my wife and I got a unit for two.

Ten of the twenty-six persons on our tour were not lucky. (The 25-year-old tour guide chose the lucky and unlucky occupants.) Anguished cries of "Rotate!" and adamant cries of "I won't move!" could be heard.

There was no rotation. (The Chinese train to Irkutsk over the

Gobi Desert had only units for four passengers.)

The food served on the Russian train made me long for the meals on our tour when in China, where each Chinese meal was a varied, multi-course banquet. (Peking duck is over-rated.)

Through the Window

What one sees from the windows of the Trans-Siberian are birch trees—a long, long string of birch trees punctuated by towns. The eastern third of the route, from Khabarovsk to Irkutsk, may be more scenic. My trip, from Irkutsk to Moscow, covered the western two-thirds of the long route.

Professor Tadagawa is an ex-

pert on international law at Waseda University. When we met on the Chinese train going through the Gobi Desert he was on his way to Moscow to give a paper at a conference. I practiced my broken gakuen-Army Language School Japanese on him although he could speak English and Russian also.

"You have an unusual name." I said to him, "How do you write it in kanji?" He showed me how.

On the Trans-Siberian Express Miss Etsu Uto of Kagoshima, escaping the confinement of her four-passenger compartment, visited my wife and me in our two-passenger unit several times. She had a video camera and she promised to show the pictures she took of us with recorded voices to my wife's and my relatives in Kagoshima City.

Miss Uto was 60 years old, not

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INSIDE SIBERIA—San Diego JACler-traveler Naomi Kashiwabara, bespectacled gentleman in front of street car, stretches his 'train legs' in Irkutsk.

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JAPANESE AUSTRALIAN COLONIES 'DISCOVERED'

Australian relates WW2 heroics of Nisei divers raiding Manila Bay

A world-traveler and aquanaut (he spent 30 days in a NASA underwater mission on the ocean floor off the Virgin Islands in 1970), the writer was invited by the Western Australian government to be the main speaker at the opening of its new Technology Centre last summer as well address a series of lectures in Perth.

By CHARLES KUBOKAWA
(Palo Alto, Calif.)

A few years back when dignitaries from Perth stopped by at NASA Ames Research Center to talk with me about a technology center, I provided them ideas for development of new technology, its uses and what to do to nurture creativity. Because they implemented my suggestions and developed the New Tech Centre, they felt the creator of the idea should be on hand to receive all the comments—good or bad—prior to the grand opening.

Since the flight from San Francisco to Perth takes over 27 hours with brief stopovers, it was suggested I stay-over a day in Sydney and then fly into Perth the following day.

And what's routine in one country can be a cultural shock in another. So it was upon landing in Australia. Before deplaning, an agricultural inspector came aboard with an aerosol can in each hand and held them above his head. The

captain announced the cabin was going to be sprayed and asked everyone to stay seated. There were assurances the spray was non-toxic to humans and animals, or one could hold a hankie over his/her nose and mouth. The spraying was to keep foreign insects from completing their free ride into the island continent.

I felt that spraying was a good idea which should be practiced by more countries with rare tropical diseases—to make sure their bugs don't leave the country. I remember a PanAm flight from Manila to Hong Kong had a swarm of mosquitos that had a feast off the passengers. Luckily, I had a blanket for a shield. For precaution, a small bottle of insect repellent when traveling to the tropics is advised.

Cosmopolitan Sydney

One day in Sydney was certainly not enough to tour the city and gather information about its people and country. I found the Australians are very friendly, helpful, honest and have a great sense of humor—contrary to whatever fears bred from stories I had heard that they hated the Japanese. Then when they discover you're a Yank, they start the razzing.

Sydney, being spruced up for its 200th anniversary (1986), has over 3 million people. It reminded me much of the Canadian port cities.

Sydney is cosmopolitan, filled with many ethnic shops, markets, and many unique places to see. Many southeast Asians and Chinese live there and have established their own Chinatown. There are many Japanese names in the phone book, too. One chap, who emigrated from Chile, related there were several Mexican restaurants catering to the Hispanic population which is on the rise.

The new Regent Hotel (where I stayed) overlooks the world-famous multi-domed opera house, the harbour and redeveloped area of the city. Each room has a supply of munchies and beverages. One package with "King's nuts" explained how the nut was found and grown in Australia long ago for the nobles. Inside were macadamias—and I thought they were Hawaiian.

Equally interesting was the flight across Australia, marveling at the unusual geologic formations and terrain. There was a brief stop at Adelaide, where large farms thrive and where many of German and Dutch backgrounds live.

Welcome at Perth

As we approached Perth, our plane had to remain circling an extra 25 minutes over the airport. I later discovered our Secretary of State George Schulz had just landed ahead of us, causing the airport tie-up. Those meeting me at the airport were razzing me about why didn't I fly in with Mr. Schulz on Air Force 2. It was a great way to start off my 10-day stay in Perth.

The Perth area reminded me much of northern California before the big-tech boom of Silicon Valley: lots of open land, green vegetation, quaint shopping areas, no blight, fresh air, minimal traffic, ideal temperatures, no smog, distinctive architecture, nice people. The small wineries nestled in the Swan River valley next to Perth produce excellent wine—like California's.

Of historic significance, Mal Bryce, deputy premier of Western Australia (and sponsor of my trip to Australia), related the story of the heroic Australian underwater demolition team of World War II, composed of Japanese Australian divers and commanded by an Australian Chinese-Japanese named Lee. They went on "go for broke" type missions into Manila Bay and sank several Japanese warships by attaching mines to the hull. They returned safely and are considered heroes in Australia.

Two Japanese Colonies

The first Japanese immigrated to Australia in 1871 to save the pearl industry in the states of Queensland and Western Australia. Most of them were from Wakayama. Their skill and ability to outperform their predecessors in the Australian pearl business made them a highly valued human resource.

Western Australia had extended the divers from Japan special provisions to boost emigration. By the 1900s, the port city of Broome (1,200 miles north of Perth) had the largest Japanese colony, which consisted of eight stores, a temple, seven laundries, shoyu factory, Japa-

nese hospital, Japanese Association building, athletic field, two hotels and two brothels housing 30 women. The colony surrounded the pearl fishing docks.

It was the skillful diving abilities of the Nikkei that prompted the establishment of the underwater demolition team. Like the 442nd Combat Team, the Nikkei in Australia volunteered during WW2 to prove their loyalty, despite the fact that some Issei and Nisei were detained in POW camps in remote parts of South Australia and Victoria. Several were able to escape but the guards did not pursue them. Many returned on their own because there was no place to go. After the war, some Nikkei returned to Broome, while many others repatriated to Japan.

Today, the Japanese in Broome stage Shinju Matsuri (Pearl Festival) the third weekend of August each year as a local civic and tourist attraction.

The other pioneer Japanese settlement was established in Queensland, also a pearl fishing community—but that's another story.

I was really surprised to go half the way around the world to Perth to find myself in a nice hotel (the Parkside) adjacent to the New Merlin Hotel, where our Secretary of State was staying with his entourage of security personnel. Registered at the Parkside was a Tom Yamashita from Vista, Calif. I never got around to talk with him about why he happened to be in Perth.

Maybe a North San Diego JACL-er can let me know.

Speaking of cultural shock when one travels to foreign countries, a good example was when Dr. Masahiko Tisaka, chairman of the Pan American Nikkei Assn. (PANA) Conference held in Brazil last summer, came to the JACL national convention in Honolulu two summers ago to promote PANA III. He was given a fresh pineapple to take back to Brazil.

When he was handed the pineapple, he turned pale, looked perplexed, dismayed and flabbergasted all at once. With his forehead breaking out in perspiration, he came walking over to me with the pineapple placed across the palms of his outstretched hands—as if the fruit was contaminated with the deadliest of poisons. He didn't know what to do with it. He didn't want to give it to anyone nor could he throw it away so he asked me what he should do.

Not knowing what his problem was, I asked.

In his native Brazil, he said, when a person gives another a person a fresh pineapple, it is wishing the recipient bad luck, the burden and worries of the world relative to the number of holes on the skin of the fruit. Something you wouldn't give to your worst enemy. The recipient does not return it nor throw it away, because it only multiplies the hex manifold.

Luckily someone saved the day by offering to take the pineapple if Dr. Tisaka couldn't take fresh fruit back to Brazil. Tisaka was visibly relieved—as if the burden of the whole world was lifted from his shoulders.

The SkyTrain whooshes by the East Gate.



EXPO'86

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Ontario Pavilion was our next whirlwind visit, another 3-D viewing of beautiful sights of Ontario, a close-up of Niagara Falls and canoe ride through fascinating fjords with a finale of Canadian geese almost touchable with hands and makes one ask, "Is it really flying through the theater?"

'Pulse of Change'

As the final hours closed in on us, we ended up at the Japanese Pavilion, "The Pulse of Change", audio visual representation revealed how these once far flung fantasies have become common place occurrences today. The main hall displayed a huge model of seven components: city, urban area, port, airport, rural area, ancient capital islands, sea and mountainous areas each linked with various means of transportation. The miniature models are well constructed. Even tired kids staggering into this Pavilion hall will awaken and jump with delight at this sight and sound of model trains and vehicles mov-

ing along the tracks. We exited the hall to ride the High Speed Surface Transport (HSST).

We missed a few attractions, to our regret;

1) Expo Center, a 17-story geodesic dome featuring the largest Omnimax film screen in the world.
2) Great Hall of Ramses II with more than 80 magnificent treasures from Ramses Tomb and his priceless gold necklaces.

3) British Columbia Pavilion featuring a high speed ultra real showcase film, produced by Showscan inventor, Douglas Trumbull, special effects wizard for 2001 Close Encounters of the Third Kind.

We even missed visiting USSR Pavilion and many, many more. As we rested to dine on McDonald's big mac and sip our milkshake, the 10 p.m. fireworks exploded in the sky to end another day of Expo. We headed back on foot for our hotel, mumbling we only had a glimpse of Expo.

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TRANS-SIBERIAN

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unattractive, and *yasashii*. She had never married, she explained, because she had been seriously ill in her childhood and this had marred her chances for marriage in hypercritical Japan.

I think that this is not the whole story. World War 2 killed in battle 1,210,000 Japanese, most of them fit, young men who left behind them not only grieving relatives and loved ones but maidens who would never find mates. Maybe a youth who fell at Iwo Jima, where soldiers from Kagoshima fought U.S. Marines, would have been Miss Uto's husband.

The man who remarked that all Asian women look like Yogi Berra would be considered crazy today. Because today's Oriental beauties are strikingly attractive. This is what I thought while being served by young Chinese waitresses last September in hotels for tourists—off-limits to native Chinese—in the People's Republic of China. The Chinese-American boys who used to rebel when their immigrant parents suggested that they marry nice girls from China should go to the PRC today and look.

I thought this again when one night a small army of young Japanese females pushed their wheeled suitcases into the Jingling Hotel in Nanjing—they were

all kindergarten teachers-to-be. And it is easy to see why Japanese tourists are plentiful in Siberia and in China—a plane takes three hours to fly to Shanghai from Hokkaido, one hour and forty minutes to Khabarovsk in eastern Siberia from Niigata.

As can be expected, one meets travellers from the world over: Soviets, Japanese, Australians, Brazilians, French. The Japanese take a cruise ship from Yokohama to Nakhodka or fly from Niigata to Khabarovsk. I was told that this flight takes one hour and forty minutes. For these patient Japanese being crammed four into a tiny compartment while the train clackety-clacks through seven time zones is a large part of their not-cheap tour.

Thrice a day a young Buryat (Soviet Mongolian) boy led his elders through our corridor to the dining car. As he passed he gave us a wordless salute. I felt a Mongolian kinship with this almond-eyed lad and his family.

Toilet paper is hoarded on the train. At one time the dining car steward gave us paper napkins. In return my wife gave him a bagful of Bic razors and he thankfully kissed my wife's hand.

In the penultimate analysis, riding the Trans-Siberian Express is like climbing Mount Fuji in Japan. One time is an experience. Those who do it twice are fools.

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● **Christmas Shopping—Seoul & Hong Kong Bargain Spree - 9 days.** JATC Departure: Nov. 28, 1986. Features: Round trip air, \$3 U.S. departure tax plus airport/hotel transfers, 3 nights hotel - Seoul, 4 nights hotel - Hong Kong, 1/2 day guided city tour at each city. Escorted to fabulous shopping bargain areas. Price from L.A. \$1,002 p/prsn/twin. Weekend & seasonal air surcharges, extra cost.

● **New Zealand Bargain - 8 days.** Weekly Thu departure from any West Coast gateway city on United Airlines via Honolulu to Auckland. Features round trip air, \$3 U.S. departure tax, airport/hotel transfers, and 5 nights accom at Hyatt Kingsgate Hotel. \$902 p/prsn/twin. Travel fr Oct 1, 1986; add \$20 NZ Sv tax and \$60 accom surcharges.

● **Rotorua Extension - 3 days.** \$199 p/prsn/twin. Add \$19 NZ Sv tax and \$40 accom surcharges from Oct 1, 1986.

● **Christchurch & Queenstown Scenic South Island Extension - 4 days.** \$438 p/prsn/twin. Travel fr Oct 1, 1986; add \$37 NZ Sv tax and \$40 accom surcharges.

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HAWAII

● **Oahu One-Week Vacation - 8 days.** Tu / Wed Departures from Los Angeles, \$369 p/prsn/twin. Other departure dates available at slightly higher prices. Prices subject to change without notice. Featuring 7 nights accommodation at 6 Waikiki Beach Hotels of your choice, round trip, transfers between airport and hotel at Oahu, includes baggage tips, flower lei greeting and color memory album. Please call for details.

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ORIENT

● **Seasons of Japan - 11 days.** Fri Departures: Jul 25, Aug 22, Sep 19, Oct 17. Visiting Tokyo, Kamakura, Hakone, Kashikojima, Nara & Kyoto. Meals: 18 plus in-flight. Price from West Coast gateway city: \$2,514 p/prsn/twin. \$100 less for Nov 14, Dec 12 tour departures. Optional Extension - 4 days. Visiting: Hiroshima, Inland Sea, Osaka, Tokyo & Nikko. Price for option: \$1,087 p/prsn/twin.

● **Japan and Hong Kong - 15 days.** Sat Departures: Sept 6 & 20, Oct 4 & 18, Nov 1 & 15. Visiting Tokyo, Kamakura, Hakone, Kashikojima, Nara, Kyoto & Hong Kong. Meals: 23 plus in-flight. Price from West Coast gateway city: \$2,676 p/prsn/twin.

● **Orient and China - 15 days.** JATC Group Departures: Aug 15, Sept 12, Sept 26. Visiting Tokyo, Kamakura, Hakone, Kyoto, Beijing & Hong Kong. Meals: 24 plus in-flight. Price from West Coast gateway city: \$3,038 p/prsn/twin. Price \$150 less for Oct 10, Oct 24 and Nov 7 tour departures.

● **Orient Highlights - 16 days.** Sat Departures: Aug 2, Sep 6. Visiting Tokyo, Kamakura, Hakone, Nara, Kyoto, Bangkok, Singapore & Hong Kong. Meals: 24 plus in-flight. Price from West Coast gateway city: \$2,989 p/prsn/twin. Price \$40 less for Oct 18, Nov 8 tour departures.

● **Orient Splendors - 21 days.** Thu Departures: Aug 14, Sep 11, Sep 25. Visiting Tokyo, Beijing, Bangkok, Singapore, Bali & Hong Kong. Meals: 35 plus in-flight. Price from West Coast gateway city: \$3,640 p/prsn/twin. Price \$100 less for Oct 9, Oct 23 tour departures.

● **Blue Jade - 21 days.** Tue Departures: Sep 2, Sep 23. Visiting Beijing, Xian, Nanjing, Suzhou, Shanghai, Guilin, Guangzhou & Hong Kong. Meals: 50 plus in-flight. Price from West Coast gateway city: \$3,471 p/prsn/twin. Price \$30 more for Oct 14 tour departure.

CANADA

● **Canadian Rockies - Autumn Values - 7 days.** Departures on even dates Sept. to mid-Oct. Visiting Yoho, Banff and Jasper National Parks, Moraine Lake, Kicking Horse Pass, Lake Louise, Athabasca Glacier and Sulphur Mt. gondola ride. Meals: 6 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 6 dinners. Price \$879 p/prsn/twin plus airfare fr hometown city.

GOLF

● **Come & Join Paul Bannai - 15 days.** New Zealand & Australia tour including 5 days of golfing (3 in NZ, 2 in Australia). Visit Auckland, Rotorua, Te Anau, Queenstown, Christchurch, Melbourne & Sydney. Price from LAX for land and air: \$2,649 p/prsn/twin. Nongolfers deduct \$174 from above price.

● **Paul Bannai Will Conduct - 15 days.** Group departure Oct. 4 on Asian Charms tour including 8 days of golfing (2 ea in Manila, Singapore, Bangkok and Hong Kong) and visiting the same. Price from LAX for land and air: \$2,595 p/prsn/twin. Nongolfers deduct \$500 from above price.

● **Join Ms. Sami Kushida - 8 days.** Departures late Sept/early Oct on Waikiki Holiday, includes 4 days of golf on the island of Oahu. Price from LAX inclusive of land & air based on per person sharing room. Call Sami at JATC for cost and details.

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SOUTH AMERICA

● **Classic South American Tour - 19 days.** JATC Group Departure Nov 5 from Los Angeles. Visiting Lima, Cuzco, excursion to Machu Picchu, Santiago, Buenos Aires, Iguassu Falls, Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro, Brasilia and Manaus. Meals: 9 American brkfst, 9 Brazilian brkfst, 1 lunch, 8 dnrs. Price: \$2,947 p/prsn/twin.

FISHING

● **Loreto - 4 days.** Tue/Wed departures from Los Angeles. Features 3 nights accom at El Presidente Hotel, hotel tax, transfers, round trip between airport and hotel. One-day skiff fishing (up to 4 persons), all equip, bait & fishing license. Price from LAX: \$245 p/prsn/twin plus \$3 US departure tax.

● **Los Cabos - 4 days.** Midweek departures from Los Angeles. Features 3 nights accom at Hotel Calinda/Aquamarine, 3 dnrs, hotel tax, transfers, round trip between airport and hotel. One-day skiff fishing, all equip, bait & fishing license. Price from LAX: \$279 p/prsn/twin.

● **British Columbia, River's Inlet/Canada - 5 days.** Fri departures w/late Mon afternoon return from June thru mid-Sept. Features 3 nights lodging on Floating Barge, round trip amphibian-float plane flight from Vancouver South Terminal to River's Inlet; all beverages, meals at River's Inlet. Boats, bait & fishing license. Price from Vancouver: \$1,095 p/prsn/twin plus air. NOTE: Monday AM departure from Vancouver with late Friday afternoon return also available at \$1,265 p/prsn/twin plus air. Not included—one night accom at Vancouver required prior to embarking on fishing trip.

● **New Zealand - 10 days.** JATC departure: Nov 11 (Mon), return Nov 20 (Thu). Features based on six fishermen per charter—big game at Bay of Islands, light tackle at Bay of Plenty & freshwater fishing at Rotorua lakes & streams. Price includes round trip airfare from LAX, all transfers and transportation, 7 nights first class accom (for deluxe accom, add \$550 p/prsn), sightseeing in Auckland, Waitomo Caves and Rotorua. \$1,650 p/prsn/twin, nonfishers deduct \$400.

FALL FOLIAGE U.S./CANADA

● **Niagara Falls & Ontario, Canada - 7 days.** Sat/Sun/Mon Departures until Oct 20 from New York. Visiting Adirondack Mountains, Ottawa, Thousand Island Cruise, Ontario Place, Corning Glass Museum, & Pocono Mountains. Meals: 6 brkfst, 4 lunches, 4 dinners. Price \$655 p/prsn/twin plus airfare from hometown city.

● **Montreal-Quebec-Vermont-New Hampshire - 7 days.** Sat/Sun/Mon/Tu/Wed Departures until Oct 20 from New York. Overnight New York accom required prior to commencement of tour, visiting Old Deerfield, Dartmouth College, Green Mountains, Montmorency Falls, Norman Rockwell Museum, Connecticut River Valley. Meals: 6 brkfst, 4 lunches, 4 dnrs. Price: \$699 p/prsn/twin plus airfare from hometown city.

● **Fall Foliage / Historic American Heritage - 15 days.** JATC Group Departure Sept 24 (open to 10 couples or 20 members) fr Buffalo, NY. Overnight stay at Niagara Hilton, get-acquainted dnr at the famous revolving Skylon Tower overlooking the beautiful illuminated falls. See vivid colors of the foliage in Vermont & New Hampshire, Boston, historic Quincy, cruise New York's Manhattan Island, Valley Forge, Gettysburg, Washington D.C.'s White House, colonial Williamsburg and Charlottesville. Meals: 7 brkfst, 3 lunches, 4 dnrs. Price: \$1,549 p/prsn/twin plus airfare from hometown city.

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SOUTH PACIFIC

● **New Zealand-Australia Pacific Escapade - 15 days.** Monthly Sat departures until Dec 27, 1986. Professionally escorted; visit Auckland, Queenstown, Christchurch, Melbourne, Sydney, Waitomo Glow Worm Caves, Rotorua, Whakarewarewa tour, Milford Sound launch cruise, Waratah Koala Park, Sydney Harbor cruise and other extras. Meals: 24 plus in-flight. Low Season price from LAX: \$2,355 p/prsn/twin. Shoulder Season (Oct 25-Nov 29, 1986) \$2,517 p/prsn/twin. High Season (Dec 6 - Dec 27, 1986) \$2,828 p/prsn/twin.

● **Tahiti, New Zealand & Australia Outback - 18 days.** Monthly Fri departures thru Dec. 5, 1986. Features same as 15-day Pacific Escapade (excluding Christchurch), Tahiti Circle tour, Alice Springs, Ayers Rock and other extras. Meals: 30 plus in-flight. Low Season departure price from L.A. \$2,849 p/prsn/twin. Shoulder Season (Oct 24-Nov 14, 1986) \$3,017 p/prsn/twin. High Season (Nov 28-Dec 5, 1986) \$3,304 p/prsn/twin.

● **New Guinea & Hong Kong - 14 days.** JATC departure Oct 11 (Sat), return Oct 24 (Fri). Features roundtrip airfare from LAX or SFO, 5-nights Sepik River cruise with stops at native villages, guided tour of Central highlands, tour of old and new Manila & Hong Kong. Meals: 3 in New Guinea, American breakfasts in Manila, Hong Kong. JATC tour conductor with 15 or more adult members. \$2,899 p/prsn/sharing a hotel room or ship's cabin.

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their time to the largest degree. Any summation of the dollars and hours contributed by the West Coast Japanese Americans for all these efforts would be an education for those people who believe the West Coast Japanese Americans are not helping Asian Pacifics or are not as altruistic as the East Coast Japanese Americans.

JEAN M. USHLJIMA
Los Angeles

Well Deserved Attention

Now that Native American issues have become newsworthy at Pacific Citizen and the media have been focusing on the Navajo relocation, I am glad that attention is being paid to these problems.

As a Sansei who has worked within the Indian community for 10 years in the Southwest and on the Northcoast (of California), I hope that this concern continues.

The Navajo issue is one of many affecting Native Americans nationally and on the Northcoast; so-called Indian disputes and claims are everyday realities (Jessie Short case, Indian fishing rights, acute and chronic poverty, and other problems), and these issues are present in Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Hawaii, and in any state which has tribal groups present. The Navajo issue is the tip of the iceberg.

I have personally witnessed what I perceive to be a genocidal governmental Indian policy, whether that genocide is in the educational system, economic instability, substance abuse, family-related problems, cultural conflicts, relocation (removal), or other destructive policies of the non-Indian society.

In my own experience as a Japanese American, I have developed a bridge of understanding with Native Americans, and have high regard for their culture, strong family ties and respect for the land and nature.

The reservation concept is not unlike apartheid in South Africa, and the striking similarities with the Japanese American relocation are evident. Both are designed as war camps to hold the relocatees in check. Both are a direct result of the Dept. of Interior, in concert with the now-defunct Dept. of War.

In respect to the Navajo situation, please read about the "Long Walk" of Navajos and the Treaty of 1868 and you will begin to see that the problem today is historical in nature.

THOMAS OKAZAKI
Arcata, Calif.

A Sincere Attempt

This is in response to a letter from a reader criticizing the Houston JACL's acceptance of a fundraising grant from the Adolph Coors Co. (May 30 PC).

I would like to compliment the reader on a thoroughly documented indictment of Coors' past actions. As a Houston Chapter member, it is not my intention to apologize or attempt to excuse the actions of Coors. However, I find it incumbent to point out the

critical necessity for our organization to encourage all people and entities to behave in ways which are more tolerant of the diversities within our society.

Coors, as a corporate citizen, has represented to us that they would like to help minority organizations which promote good citizenship ideals, such as JACL and OCA (Organization of Chinese Americans). This would appear to be a departure from Coors' past practices, and, if sincere, a welcome one as well.

I believe that by accepting this grant under the conditions by which it was offered, the Houston Chapter would be benefiting itself as well as Coors. This is important because by providing a benefit to Coors, we are demonstrating to them that they have more to gain in their public image from helping minorities than by hindering them. If Coors finds that this enlightened attitude is indeed more beneficial, it will have a reason to improve its attitude toward minorities in other contexts as well. If Coors is rejected, it will be encouraged to revert to its past Nineteenth Century attitudes.

We are not, by accepting this grant, endorsing the Coors products, its business practices, or the political opinions of its owners. We are thanking it for making an effort to help our work in the community and we are trying to return some positive reinforcement for improving its corporate attitudes.

The Houston Chapter is making a single assumption which is fundamental to the success or failure of this venture: that Coors is sincere in its attempt to assist minority organizations. We believe that this assumption is both sound and responsible. If we are right, then we will have established a threshold for a dialog with this one corporate citizen. If we are wrong, only the Houston Chapter and Coors will suffer, and not the rest of JACL. We are, in effect, negotiating the future relationship between our organization and a possible antagonist.

Your reader has obviously opposed this vehemently and without reservation. However, I would urge that Coors be given the benefit of a doubt insofar as its intentions have been stated. Coors, after all, is an American company, owned by Americans and disbursing American money. We as an organization owe an obligation to all Americans of Japanese ancestry to further the interests of our people. I do not believe that we can carry out our obligation by building walls around ourselves or around our

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enemies. Rather, we must build bridges to span the differences of bigotry and intolerance and thereby join the disparate islands of our society.

Our future, and indeed the future of any multiracial society, is dependent upon the ability of its people to tolerate and accept the differences between themselves. If we encourage intolerance between ourselves and our opponents, then we are as much a part of the problem as they are. We owe it to our future to make this a better world to live in rather than a worse one.

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As Japan's trade surplus with the U.S. approaches the \$50 billion mark and American protectionist sentiment continues to grow, Japanese philanthropic contributions in this country are on the rise, especially contributions to American universities and research groups, according to reports by Associated Press and the L.A. Herald Examiner.

In addition to improving their image in this country, Japanese corporations are supporting research because such contributions are encouraged by U.S. tax laws, unlike those in Japan.

Cultural Grants

Last fall, Hitachi Ltd. of Tokyo endowed a new Hitachi Foundation in Washington, D.C. with \$20 million to promote friendly U.S.-Japan relations and cultural understanding. The American Honda Motor Co. will give close to \$1 million this year to improve youth and science education in U.S. schools, while Matsushita Foundation was launched in New Jersey last year with a \$10 million endowment to improve American public schools.

The E. Nakamichi Foundation, with \$25 million in assets, is dedicated to promoting baroque music and will sponsor a week-

long music festival this summer at UCLA. And the Japanese American Cultural & Community Center has been the recipient of many grants from companies like Mazda to introduce Japanese visual and performing artists to American audiences.

While the "goodwill" and cultural grants are nothing to be scoffed at, a far greater amount is being pumped into scientific research.

Schools Look to Japan

In the 1970s, after former Prime Minister Kakuei Tanaka visited the U.S. and gave \$1 million each to 10 U.S. universities, including Harvard, Princeton and Chicago, universities began to look toward Japan as a source of funding. Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Johns Hopkins are setting up permanent offices in Tokyo, and other universities are expected to follow.

Japanese companies have endowed nine chairs at \$1 million each at MIT, while MIT's media lab, which conducts research in advanced communications technology, is reportedly the recipient of large amounts of Japanese corporate money. At the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Toray Industries and Toyo Soda Manufacturing Com-



From left: Steven Doi, JACL-LEC Dinner Committee, JACL national director Ron Wakabayashi, and Cressey Nakagawa, JACL-LEC Dinner Committee, accept check from Kikkoman International vice president and general manager Yoshihiro Nagayama and Kikkoman vice president Itsuto Matsumoto.

pany contributed \$40,000 each to a research program aimed at developing a synthetic material that could improve catalytic converters in automobiles.

Toshiba Corp. has invested \$3.5 million into a project at the University of Arizona on digital radiography, which combines computer technology with X-ray equipment for detailed medical diagnoses.

Of course, there is much more than philanthropy involved. Research contracts often give sponsors the right to market any equipment developed as a result of it, and contracts made with MIT's media lab, for example, give the Japanese sponsors a royalty-free, perpetual, non-exclusive license to any technology coming out of the lab.

Competition Feared

Kenneth Smith, vice president for research at MIT, said that this kind of contract worries U.S. industry, especially those in electronics, because of the competitive edge any foreign company might obtain as a result of their investments in U.S. universities.

But with universities looking for research sponsors following cutbacks in U.S. federal government aid, Japanese corporations are filling a vacuum. Paul Capp, head of the department of radiology at the University of Arizona at Tucson, said it is nearly impossible to undertake a research program at a university without outside help. American and foreign competitors were invited to bid to support his project, but only the Japanese companies responded, he said.

Incentive to Contribute

Because there is a 60 percent tax on contributions in Japan, and corporate contributions in the U.S. are deducted from their taxable income, these corporations find it much more desirable to fund research at American universities.

"The Japanese are boosting funding opportunities and spurring American corporations to give more," said Craig Smith, editor of the Corporate Philanthropy Report. "It is one kind of competition most Americans should welcome."

LEC DINNER

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a campaign to correct a 40-year-old injustice, and in so doing, uphold the fundamental principles of the Constitution."

Mineta traced the legislative accomplishments in the redress campaign. "Let me state a simple belief that I have had since we began this effort. Not only should redress pass, but it will pass. And not only will we pass a decent bill, we will pass a bill that we will all be enormously proud of. And yes, it will contain significant individual compensation."

Mineta underscored his optimism by stating, "We are going to win a historic victory, one that we can be proud of for all of our days... We are going to win and if you don't want to help in this march to victory, then get out of the way... We have been at this battle for a long time. Victory is in sight. Now is the time to redouble our efforts."

He commended the members of JACL and LEC, particularly LEC executive director Grayce Uyehara, for their continued efforts in the campaign.

The dinner attracted a cross-section of prominent individuals, including Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gallo; Rev. Cecil Williams of Glide Memorial Church; Rep. George Miller (D-Calif.); State Sens. John Garamendi, Nicholas Petris, Milton Marks and Dan McCorquodale; and Assemblyman Lou Papan. Although unable to attend, Assembly Speaker Willie Brown made a generous contribution.

Following the dinner, Nakagawa commended the No. Calif.-W. Nev.-Pacific JACL chapters for their assistance. "As always, the support of the Bay Area JACL chapters was extremely crucial to our success."

"Because we have a vested interest in the redress issue, it is imperative that the Japanese American community be involved. At the same time, we must reach out to all segments of the community and encourage the broad support and participation of all individuals concerned with human and civil rights in this country. I think Americans for Fairness did that."

Major support for the dinner was provided by Kikkoman International, E.J. Gallo Winery, San Francisco JACL, Alba Witkin, AT&T, Chevron USA, Frank and Judy Damrell, Walter Gleason, Mike Iwasaki, the Koret Foundation, Cressey Nakagawa, Edwin Nakamura, David Nino-miya, PG&E, Mrs. Walter Rosenberg, Sumitomo Bank, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Swig. Co-chairs of Americans for Fairness were Frank Damrell, Patricia DiGior-gio, Pamela Duffy, and Jerome Falk.

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Records set at Nisei Relays

by Harry Honda

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Orange County JACL won its tenth consecutive Pacific Southwest JACL Nisei Relays championships at the CSU Long Beach athletic field June 15.

Close to 200 athletes competed, making it one of the lowest turnouts in recent years, according to Carrie Okamura and Russ Hiroto, co-chair of the 35th annual track and field meet.

Five records were set—three being new events, though it would have been a wholesale change in the track events, which had distances converted from yards to meters this year. The standing records were converted

to metric, according to track regulations.

Notes: Regarding the forthcoming Mexico City Japanese athletic meet Aug. 5, at least 35 youngsters through high school are to be selected from track, swimming and tennis. Info: Carrie Okamura, (714) 874-9092. Dr. Robert Watanabe, competing in the Men's 40+, won the 400 meters in 61.6s, seconds behind the world record of 58s in the men's 60+ category. Thanks to Leslie and Carrie Saito of Gardena, who attend and run for CSU Long Beach, the JACL Nisei Relays was able to move from Santa Ana College to the park-like setting next to the ocean at CSU Long Beach.

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Ven-Culver	350
East L.A.	122
Gardena Vly	84

Deaths

Tadafumi Mikuriya, 87, of Yardley, Pa., died Apr. 1 at the Villa Mission Nursing Home in San Francisco. Services were held at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Trenton, N.J. He was a 1921 graduate of Kumamoto Engineering College in Japan and received a bachelor's and master's degree from Univ. of Pa. He was a structural engineer with American Bridge Co., 1927-45; chief engineer for Keystone Structural Steel Co., 1945-48; and formed Tada Engineering Co. of Trenton in 1948. He retired in 1975. In 1964, he was honored as Engineer of the Year by Professional Engineering Society of Mercer County. He belonged to American Society of Civil Engineers, Nat'l Society of Production Engineers, JACL, Trenton Rotary Club and Trenton Historical Society. Survivors: w Anna Schwenk Mikuriya; s Tod of Berkeley, Calif.; d Mary Jane Jungherr of S.F. and Beverly Anne Godfrey of Haverford, Pa.; b Mitsuo and Haruo, both of Japan; and five g.c.

Rev. Chonen Terakawa, 68, of San Francisco, Buddhist Churches of America minister emeritus, died in his home Apr. 17. He was born in Shiga-ken, Japan, and served BCA Kyodan beginning at Walnut Grove Buddhist Church in 1937 and retiring in 1975 from Honeyville Buddhist Temple, Utah. Services were held Apr. 30 at Buddhist Church of S.F. Survivors: w Kiyoko, s Hiroshi of San Jose, and d Sumiko of S.F.

George Kodama, 66, of San Diego, died Apr. 19 at Sharp Memorial Hospital after a prolonged illness. He was 1955 chapter president of S.D. JACL. Services were held Apr. 25 at S.D. Buddhist Church. Survivors: w Takeko; s Gary; and sis Masaye Ninomiya, Fujiye Nakagawa and Itsuye Sugita.

Tom "Lefty" Miyanaaga, 67, died June 5 after a prolonged illness. He was a farmer in Salinas, Calif. and the only member of Salinas JACL to be awarded both the Sapphire and Silver Pin. He was also a member of Monterey

County Historical Society, Monterey Parks & Recreation Commission, Salinas Elks Lodge No. 614, VFW, Salinas Ramblers Motorcycle Club, and Native Sons of the Golden West. Survivors: sis Miya Oshita and Mitsuko Kubo of Salinas and Fusako Nakai of Atherton.

"The Pacific Citizen has lost a stout friend in 'Lefty' Miyanaaga, who carried the PC cause on the JACL National Council floor over the past 25 years, as well as spearheaded many a Holiday Issue campaign in the Salinas Valley area," said PC gen. mgr. Harry Honda.

Mary Naka Takeyama, 86, of Monterey Park, Calif., died June 5 at her home of heart failure. She was the widow of the second National JACL president, Dr. George Takeyama. Services were held June 11 at Rose Hills Memorial Chapel in Whittier. Survivors: s George; d Joy Hashimoto; b Harry Naka of Conyers, Ga.; three g.c. and two great g.c.

Dan Aoki, 68, of Honolulu, died in his sleep June 12. He was a 442 vet and was instrumental in rebuilding Hawaii's Democratic Party. He served as chief Washington aide to Delegate to Congress John Burns prior to statehood, and served three terms as chief aide to Burns after the latter was elected governor in 1962. Survivors: s Paul and Michael of Honolulu, and sis Esther Lee of Arlington, Va.

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Breaking Down Barriers

by Yoshito Kawahara, Ph.D.

A panel experienced in administrative and community issues focused its attention on leadership during the Pacific Southwest JACL regional meeting held in San Diego on May 3.

Dr. Bob Suzuki, vice-president at Cal State University Northridge, was the keynote speaker. He was joined by Dr. Kenji Ima, sociologist at San Diego State University; Dr. Kimiko Fukuda, director of S.D. Unified School District's Race & Human Relations Dept.; and Barbara Takashima of the same department.

Suzuki observed that Asian Americans face two general problems. First, labeled inaccurately as a successful "model minority" by the mass media, Asian Americans are being excluded as a protected minority group at the federal level, in education, and in private foundations. Second, in the job market, Asian Americans have little problem with equal access to employment but may encounter roadblocks to promotions.

Three types of roadblocks to promotion were described by Suzuki. The first is that promotions are based on the subjective judgments of dominant-culture individuals who may have stereotypes of quiet, wishy-washy Asians who are not leadership "types." A second may come from Asian Americans themselves. Many may believe that, because of past dis-

crimination, it is too much of a hassle to fight for promotion and so give up or never try. The third type of roadblock is the cross-cultural differences in leadership styles. Because differences are often seen as deficits, Asian Americans who exhibit Asian styles of leadership may not be perceived by dominant-culture individuals as effective leaders.

The challenges for Asian Americans, Suzuki stated, include interacting with the dominant culture to break down myths and stereotypes, working with younger Asian Americans to teach them leadership styles and the rules of the dominant culture so they can compete with anyone, and taking more risks and assuming more responsibility for leadership ourselves because we cannot wait for others to remove barriers for us.

Ima talked about expanding leadership opportunities related to increasing numbers of Asian Americans in California and the link to the "politics of promotion." As one prominent example, the increasing population of Asian Americans has led the local unified school district to establish a recruitment and promotion goal of increasing the presence of these groups on its staff. The opportunities for promotion are opening up.

"The playing field is now more level for us," said Ima. "I notice that some Nikkei deny that bar-

riers have existed for themselves. Some like to think that their promotion is dependent entirely upon themselves. Those who think that way do not know the history of our community. Individuals are rarely judged solely on individual merits."

Ima referred to Nikkei who were passed over for promotion in years past because there was more political pressure to promote others. "It is our responsibility to recognize past inequities and continuing barriers for Nikkei and for all Asian Americans, and to continue to work to ensure that the playing fields of America become increasingly level for all of us. Since our future tends to be tied to perceptions of Asian Americans in general, we should see the new opportunities for leadership as new chances for all Asian Americans which Nikkei can be instrumental in advancing."

Fukuda saw a double barrier for Asian American women competing for leadership positions: the stereotypes surrounding women and Asian Americans both work against receiving credit for one's individual abilities. One of the effective ways to work against such stereotypes, she said, is to present oneself as assertive, decisive, and verbally fluent—characteristics of the dominant culture.

Does that mean that one has to turn one's back on Asian American leadership and communication styles? Does one have to choose between being Asian American or being "white?" Fukuda answered "No" to both questions and emphasized the concept of situationality to explain how Asian Americans can be adaptive in bicultural settings. One can be true to one's Nikkei heritage in family and commun-

ity settings, and one can be true to one's educational and professional background in job and interview settings, she said.

To be true to one's present reality is not being two-faced nor devious; it is being realistically in touch with the social environment and being adaptive to it, said Fukuda. She felt that it is important to hit misperceptions about Asian Americans head on, and to be willing to be more assertive than usual at times which call for outspokenness.

Both Fukuda and Takashima stated that there was a relative lack of strong Asian American women leaders in their early experience. As they expanded the scope of their acquaintances around the local and state areas, they met Asian American women leaders who taught them through word and example that they too could be effective in influential policy-making positions.

In order to provide both role models and a support system, Fukuda and Takashima helped form the San Diego Asian Women's Leadership Network.

Takashima saw as one important dynamic for young Sansei the development of an integrated personality which has a healthy sense of and a positive regard for one's Asian American identity along with leadership qualities which incorporate dominant-culture perspectives. Rejecting either the Nikkei or the "white" aspects of one's bicultural identity would surely result in the diminishment of one's potential, she said, adding that Sansei are in a unique position to help the Nikkei community and other Asian Americans because they are third generation Americans with the knowledge and skills needed to be effective within the dominant

culture.

Sansei have many opportunities at their doorstep, but along with the opportunities come the responsibility to be prepared, to take advantage of opportunity when it comes, to acknowledge the role of the Asian American community in helping to create the opportunities, and to be willing to stand up as a part of a supportive system or role model for others, she said.

NAVAJO-HOPI

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In the film, Jerry Kammer, author of *The Second Long Walk: The Navajo-Hopi Land Dispute*, claims that the dispute is a myth. That view was strongly endorsed by two Hopi representatives who spoke during the reception after the film.

"Our job is to inform the public that there is no dispute," said Marilyn Harris, a Hopi from Second Mesa. She and fellow Hopi representative Orlon Tewa are working to repeal Public Law 93-531, which mandates the relocation of Navajos and Hopis from their homelands.

Their primary objection to the way the government is handling the problem is that the elders' and religious leaders' wishes are not being considered. The tribal councils involved in the dispute, they stated, do not represent the people. The present Hopi tribal chairman was elected by only 8% of the Hopi population, or 11% of those of voting age, they claimed.

"If Japanese Americans mean what they say—that one of the primary objectives of our present redress campaign is to prevent the forced mass evacuation of any group of innocent Americans from their homes," said Uyeda, "then we must realize that it is again happening right now to thousands of Native Americans in Arizona."

The audience was urged to write to Congress to stop the forced relocation.

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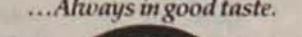
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Chapter Pulse

West Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES—West L.A. JACL and Auxiliary held their annual scholarship awards dinner at Yamato Restaurant in Century City on June 8. Five high school

seniors were each awarded \$500 scholarships.

The Auxiliary's **Taye Isono Memorial Award** went to Mayumi Lynn Smith, Palisades H.S. Other recipients were Amy Muraki and Soichi Takata, University H.S.;

Lance Kiyoshi Tomikawa, Venice H.S.; and Sherri Tamiko Matsumiya, Santa Monica H.S., who spoke on behalf of the recipients.

Steve Seto, a past recipient, and Dr. Jack Fujimoto, on leave as West L.A. College president, were guest speakers. Members of the 1986 Scholarship Committee were Kiyo Teramaye and Steve Yagi, co-chairs, Sid Yamazaki, Mary Ishizuka, Galen Murakawa, Helen Ishikawa and Emily Takeuchi.

East Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES—The East L.A. JACL 1986 Scholarship Award recipients are: Karen Imahara, Alhambra H.S.; Kenneth Kobayashi, Garfield H.S.; Mona Nakaoka, Mark Keppel H.S.; Jeffrey Naka-

date, Montebello H.S.; Sherry Tamura, Roosevelt H.S.; Anne Ogata, Schurr H.S.; and Stacey Shindo, Woodrow Wilson H.S. Serving on the scholarship committee were June Kurisu, Michi Obi, Miki Himeno and Mable Yoshizaki.

The chapter holds its 15th annual Japanese Welfare Rights Organization and chapter scholarship benefit steak fry on July 13, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., at Barnes Park, 400 McPherrin Ave. in Monterey Park. Admission: \$5 adults, \$2.50 for children five to 12 for a steak with all the trimmings. JWRO is a

grass-roots advisory unit for Nikkei seniors and others needing social services and public assistance. Info: Sid Inouye, 261-9202, or Mable Yoshizaki, 263-8469.

Sequoia

PALO ALTO, Calif.—JACL Women's Group presents "Conquer Your Fears of Osteoporosis" with guest speaker Karen Lunde, RN, director of Palo Alto Clinic at Fremont, on July 8, 7:30 p.m., at Issei Hall, 2751 Louis Rd. There will be refreshments and a question-and-answer period.

Reunions

Sawtelle

CULVER CITY, Calif.—Forty-four years have passed since residents of Sawtelle (now known as West Los Angeles), Santa Monica and Ocean Park were loaded onto buses and taken to Manzanar. Much has happened and most have gone their separate ways.

Recently, a committee was formed to discuss plans for a get-together for prewar residents of those communities. The event will also be an opportunity to honor pioneers who are 80 years old and over.

The affair is to be a luncheon on Sept. 28, 12 noon, at the Pacific Hotel, 616 Centinela Ave. (near Sepulveda).

The committee is updating a roster of persons who lived in the three communities and is seeking the names and addresses of those whose 80th birthday is on or before Sept. 28. Also being sought are photos and written narratives of prewar life in the area. The photos will be used in a slide presentation.

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NCJAR SUIT

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because only then could plaintiffs have known that the government itself had doubts about the legality of the internment.

The government, contending that the former internees could have filed suit soon after the war but failed to do so, petitioned for a rehearing by the full Court of Appeals on March 7.

Although this petition was denied, a 24-page dissenting opinion was written by Judge Robert Bork, joined by judges Antonin Scalia (recently nominated by President Reagan to fill a Supreme Court vacancy), Kenneth Starr, Laurence Silberman, and James Buckley.

'Facts Known by 1950'

Bork concurred with the government that "had plaintiffs filed their claim earlier, they would have been able to use the relevant documents, most of which were already in the public domain, in building their case... the essential facts for a legal challenge were well known by 1950."

The reasoning Wright and Ginsburg used to grant NCJAR's appeal sets a bad precedent because

it "means that a claim of military necessity, once made and upheld [as in the *Korematsu* and *Hirabayashi* Supreme Court cases], may never be challenged in court, no matter what the facts are proved to be, until a political branch states that the claim was known to be baseless when made," Bork charged.

He concluded that the decision "has created an unprecedented rule of absolute deference to the political branches whenever 'military necessity' is claimed."

Bork also agreed with the government's claim that the Court of Appeals had no jurisdiction in the case to begin with.

In a six-page response, Wright and Ginsburg wrote that "the dissenters overlook this reality: litigants do not have the academic luxury of indulging the belief that they can lay a solid foundation for their in-court pleas by insisting that the Supreme Court does not really mean what it says, or that a peacetime Court should... repudiate a wartime Court."

In view of the wartime Court decisions upholding the government's actions, Wright and Ginsburg maintained, the former internees needed "a green light from the 'war-making branches'" in order to file suit.

Kawagoe heads city clerks' group

CARSON, Calif.—City Clerk Helen Kawagoe has been elected president of International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC), becoming the first Carson official to head a professional group.

Kawagoe took the office during the IIMC's 40th annual conference in Boston. She will serve one year as head of the professional development organiza-

tion, whose 7,800 members work in the U.S. and more than a dozen other countries.

She said her goals are to strengthen IIMC's Educational Foundation and to pursue interaction with related groups, particularly the National League of Cities and International City Management Assn. A certified municipal clerk, Kawagoe wants

better funding for the foundation, which provides scholarships for city clerks who want to pursue the education necessary to earn certification.

First elected city clerk in 1974, Kawagoe is only the second person to serve in that capacity since the city was incorporated in 1968. She is a former president of the City Clerks Dept. of the League of California Cities and has been a board member of IIMC since 1982.

MONTEREY PARK

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must "solve some thorny local problems before they provide guidance for the United States Congress... The resolution to make English the official language of the United States is a quantum leap from making English the official language of Monterey Park." He recommended that the council "expand and improve the teaching of English in our schools" rather than passing "rhetorical resolutions."

Linda Wong, staff attorney of Mexican American Legal Defense & Education Fund, was critical of the manner in which the resolution was passed. "What they should have done is... to invite feedback and opinions of local residents, as well as to soli-

cite the opinions and recommendations and research of those experts in the area of immigration policy and enforcement. But none of that action was taken... They decided to take steps that to me smack of back-room politics."

CHAAMP co-chair Lucy Rios, noting that Asians and Latinos together make up nearly 80% of the city's population, told the crowd, "Let's take this town back and put it in the hands of people who represent us."

Resolution Stands

After the rally, opponents of the resolution packed the council chambers to give their views directly to those who had passed it.

Hatch, Reichenberger and Briglio denied any racial motivation. "I'm just speaking about

obeying the laws of this land and I will uphold this forever," said Hatch, who authored the resolution. "I wouldn't rescind this resolution on my life."

In addition to leaders of the coalition, speakers urging rescission included former councilmen David Almada and Rudy Peralta, City Planning Commission chair Johnny Li, and Garvey School Board member Judy Chu.

Richard Carlblom, who had unsuccessfully pushed for an "Official English" measure in nearby Arcadia, said Asian immigrants are themselves racist "because they refuse to use English and to assimilate."

Although Houseman joined Manibog in voting to rescind the resolution, they were still outvoted by the other three council members.

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