Inouye to Head Iran Investigation

WASHINGTON — Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) was named Dec. 16 to head an 11-member Senate panel that will study the Reagan Administration’s secret arms deals with Iran and the diversion of the profits to the contra forces in Nicaragua. The committee was formally established when Congress reconvened Jan. 6.

First elected to the Senate in 1962 and now the third-ranking Senate Democrat, Inouye served on the special Senate committee that investigated the Watergate scandal during the Nixon Administration and became the first chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in 1976.

Onizuka’s Family Gets Settlement

WASHINGTON — The families of four astronauts killed in the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger last year—Ellison Onizuka, Francis Scobee, Christa McAuliffe, and Gregory Jarvis—have reached a settlement with government, NASA or Morton Thiokol, and the settlement precludes an exact amount of the settlement, it is believed to be at least $750,000 per family because the agreement was signed by Deputy Attorney General Arnold Burns, who must approve civil agreements exceeding that amount.

None of the four families had brought legal action against the government, NASA or Morton Thiokol, and the settlement precludes any future claims. The families of astronauts Ronald McNair and Michael Smith have filed suit, and no settlement has been reached with survivors of astronauts Judy Resnik.

The settlement is meant to “provide adequate financial security” for the families, the Justice Department said. Onizuka is survived by his wife Lorna and daughters Janelle and Daren.

Court Upholds Noguchi’s Demotion

LOS ANGELES — The state Court of Appeal decided Dec. 12 to uphold the 1983 demotion of Dr. Thomas Noguchi, who had been county coroner for 14 years.

Noguchi was removed from his position in 1982 by the Board of Supervisors, which charged him with mismanagement and using his office to promote his outside activities. In March 1983, the Civil Service Commission voted 4 to 1 to uphold the supervisors’ action, and Superior Court Judge Norman Epstein later upheld the commission’s decision. Noguchi was demoted to physician-specialist and transferred to County-USC Medical Center.

In a 3-1 vote, the Appeals Court called Noguchi “an outstanding pathologist and forensic scientist” but added that “he lacks the managerial skills and administrative ability to run the coroner’s office.”

Politicos, Entertainers Turn Out for Redress Fund-Raiser

WASHINGTON — More than 800 people attended the “Japanese American Redress Event” sponsored by Americans for Fairness on Nov. 29 at the Sacramento City College auditorium.

The program was both a fundraiser and an educational forum intended to give the Sacramento Valley communities a greater awareness of the issue of redress for Japanese-Americans interned during WWII.

A total of $20,000 was raised to support efforts by LEF to secure passage of redress legislation in Congress.

The event attracted multi-ethnic support, and elected officials and representatives of other community organizations participated. Nathaniel Collie, Sr., a noted Sacramento civil rights lawyer, later asked the committee to recommend that redress was prerequisite to any resolution of the internment issue.


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Fair Relationship

“Just as we have challenged General Motors and Ford and Chrysler to be fair in employment and management, we expect a new and fair relationship with the Japanese companies,” he said.

Alluding to calls that have been made for a boycott of Japanese products by the Black community, he said, “We have to use economic leverage to redefine our relationship with Japanese companies. Those that support us, we should support their businesses.”

Asian Coalition to Examine Racial Violence in Schools

Oakland, Calif. — The Break the Silence Coalition, sponsor of a conference on anti-Japanese violence held last May at UC Berkeley, has targeted racial violence in schools as one of its primary issues for investigation in 1987.

Sam Caca, project coordinator of the Community Violence Prevention Project at Asian Community Mental Health Services in Oakland and chair of the Violence Against Asians Task Force, has been monitoring tensions between Blacks and Asians. He feels that there has been an increase in charity motivated assaults in the Oakland public schools.

Commenting, he said, “We have to continue to examine the issue of violence against Asians in schools.”

The coalition, whose members include JACL, Chinese for Affirmative Action and Asian Law Caucus, provides information on anti-Japanese violence through a quarterly newsletter, educational presentations and regular meetings.

Copies of the proceedings from last year’s conference, which list individuals and organizations involved in the issue, are available for $5.

For more information about the conference, call Rachel Shigekane or Robin Wu at Chinese for Affirmative Action, (415) 983-0001.

D.C.-Area Jewish Community Group Endorses Redress Bills

WASHINGTON — The Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington passed on Nov. 12 a resolution supporting redress legislation pending in Congress.

The resolution was brought to the council’s executive board by the Intergroup Relations Committee, chaired by Ira Hartfield, who met with JACL Eastern District Governor Mike Suzuki on Oct. 21.

Referring to the wartime uprooting and internment of Japanese Americans, Council President Norman Goldstein said, “We understand these acts as violations of constitutionally guaranteed liberties, as well as taking steps to redress the injustices, are essential for protecting these rights in the future.”

The test of the resolution reads: “Our concern for the guarantee of rights provided for by the United States Constitution, the Jewish Community Council Continued on Page 13
developed by 14-year-old Jeff Ota of San Jose and fellow student Kevin Kishimoto, was then presented.

Reps. Norman Mineta of San Jose and Robert Matsui of Sacramento introduced by Assemblyman Philip Isenberg gave an update on the status of the redress bills.

Mineta recently elected to his seventh term, expressed strong optimism: "I state a simple belief that not only should it pass but it will be a decent bill we could be proud of...Yes, I will contain individual compensation." He acknowledged that there are obstacles we face on the pending bill, but urged the audience not to give up. "We must continue to be motivated. We can redouble our efforts, we can succeed. We are going to win a historic victory to make our children proud, and all Americans more secure as citizens.

Mineta stated that the makeup of the 100th Congress is very encouraging. With the sponsor of the House bill, Mayor Jim Wright of Texas, moving up to become Speaker of the House, the House bill, Majority Leader Minority Leader.

Matsui, who was touted by Mineta as a potential Senate candidate, expressed appreciation for the redress issue by such Sacramento figures as Isenberg, Rudlin, Councilman Terry Kadani, and LCB Board member Jerry Enomoto.

Referring to area congressmen, he said, "We need your help, your grassroots involvement. Talk to Wally Herger, talk to Norman Shumway, who is a Stockton ACLA member. If we are to succeed, we must have their involvement. We need more support from Republican members of Congress if we expect President Reagan to sign the bill.

Matsui spoke about a recent Sacramento Bee article on psychological damage resulting from the internment and pointed to his own experience, as a grade schooler, of having felt a sense of guilt every time Pearl Harbor was mentioned.

"We were ashamed of our heritage," he said. "I would think, "Why did we have to do that?" We harbored the guilt." Today, he places the blame and shame of the camps squarely on the U.S. government.

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For the Record

In the holiday issue: In the portion of Edna Ikeda's article "Asian Americans and the Model Minority Myth" on p. B-12, the first three paragraphs were transposed with the last three paragraphs.

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NEW YORK — Raymond Cruz was sentenced Dec. 12 to 1½ to 4½ years in state prison for a racially motivated assault on a Chinese American.

On May 31, Cruz was one of four Hispanic teenagers who saw Gary Moy and a friend walking near the New York Aquarium. One of the teenagers shouted, "Those Chinks don't belong in this neighborhood," and another, Cruz's girlfriend, said, "Let's get those Chinks out of here." Cruz knocked Moy to the ground and stabbed him in the back, critically injuring him.

"Gratuitous" Attack

Cruz pleaded guilty in October to charges of assault, criminal possession of a weapon, aggravated harassment, and discrimination.

Assistant District Attorney Andrea Lekiworski said that a 34-year-old Asian man, "a definitely more appropriate" because of the "gratuitous" nature of the attack, Moy was stabbed while "defenseless and on the ground," she said.

The defendant's lawyer, Salvatore Pisano, pleaded for leniency because Cruz was "extremely remorseful" and had no prior criminal record.

"I Lost My Mind"

Cruz said, "I apologize to the family and individuals...It happened so fast I lost my mind."

Judge Alan Brouer, saying that "Mr. Moy was stabbed for no other reason except that he was Chinese," asked Cruz if he would like it if someone came into his neighborhood, made racial remarks, and told him to get out. Cruz mumbled in reply, "No.

This crime has nasty overtones because of the racial disparities involved," said Brouer. "What you did was terrible and wrong. Now I'm going to send you to jail to think about what you did, so when you get out, you can resolve to never do this again.

Cruz must serve a minimum of one year for the knife attack and six months for the discrimination charge.

—from a report by New York Nichibei
Nothing Left in My Hands
by Kazuko Nakane (Young Pine Press, 110 pp., $11.95)
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Portrait of One Nisei
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The Harvest of Hate
by Georgia Day Robertson (California State University, Fullerton, Oral History Program, Japanese American Project, 590 pp., 352 original handwritten pages, 1946) Originally written in 1946, this book recounts the WRA evacuation and incarceration of more than 110,000 Japanese American citizens and resident aliens. The story centers on the post-Pearl Harbor uprooting of the Sato family from their Southern California farm and their wartime plight. To order, call (714) 773-3300, or write: Japanese American National Historical Society, Library 440, California State University Fullerton, Fullerton, CA 92834.

Barefoot Gem: A Cartoon Story of Hiroshima
by Reiji Nakazawa (New Society Publishers, 234 pp., $29.95)

Village Scene, Village Herd
by Yasuo Sasaki (Balcony Press, 74 pp., $4) A richly illustrated book of "volumes 1945-1960 and sequel" by Dr. Yasuo Sasaki, who started the Nisei literary magazine Reimei in 1941. Copies can be ordered from Balcony Press, 2000 Cherry St., Berkeley, CA 94704.

The Technopols Strategy: Japan, High Technology and the Control of the 21st Century
by Sheridan Tatsuno (Bradley-Premiere Hall Press, $10.95)
This book offers an industry analyst for Datquest’s Japanese Semiconductor Industry Strategy, looks at Japan’s plans to achieve a high-tech advantage for the next century by building Silicon Valley-type research labs in Japan. The author is a native Japanese and fluent in English.

Keeper of Concentration Camps: Dillon S. Meyer and American Racism
by Richard Driminon (University of California Press, 340 pp., $24.95)
The author takes a clear cut analysis of the career of Dillon Meyer, who headed the War Relocation Authority (1942-46) and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (1960-93), drawing parallels between his actions and attitudes toward the two minority groups.

San Francisco — More than 700 new members have joined the National Japanese American Historical Society (NJAHS), head-quartered at 1855 Folsom St., San Francisco, as the nation’s first membership drive in early December. The drive, under the direction of Dr. Clifford Uyeda, NJAHS vice president and former JACL national president, and John Tsuchida, former JACL re­director, kicked off with a nationwide advertisement mailing to more than 20,000 Japanese American households.

The historical society has existed on a limited membership basis for the past six years, and has amassed one of the largest and most comprehensive private collections of Japanese American artifacts and photographs in the country. The collection has a current estimated value of more than $500,000. Founded as the For Broke Inc. in 1981 to tell the story of the Nisei veteran through an exhibit which premiered at the National Japanese American Historical Society, the organization has maintained a steady focus in its first two years of existence. After those first two years, however, the organization saw a need to preserve more than just the "show focus of the veterans' story. When began as one exhibit soon expanded into a commitment by the organization to collect and preserve the entire story of Japanese Americans.

Consequently, the historical society named was adopted in 1985 to reflect the organization’s change in purpose.

In addition to its extensive national and local museums, the collection, NJAHS has also maintained two traveling photo exhibitions which have been seen by more than 3 million Americans, par­ticularly in the production of two dozen documentaries which have aired on PBS stations throughout the country, and began work on what has been described as the most comprehensive and extensive Japa­nese American oral history collec­tion in the country.

The most widely acclaimed project by the historical society to date is its effort to place a major exhibit about the Japanese American experience in the Smithsonian Institution. The ex­hibit, scheduled to opened in Oc­tober, will be the Smithsonian’s centerpiece for the nation’s bicentennial celebration of the U.S. Constitution.

Membership is open to all. Fee for special membership package is as follows: student, $15; regular, $25; family, $55; supporting, $100; and corporate, $400, and patron, $1,000. Life memberships are also avail­able for a one-time payment of $1,000. Checks, made payable to NJAHS, should be sent to the his­torial society, 1855 Folsom St., Suite 161, San Francisco, CA 94103.

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FROM THE FRINGE PAN

Bill Hosokawa

Back in March of 1983, a symposium on the Japanese American internment experience was held at the University of Utah. Scholars, writers, observers and just ordinary folk gathered to deliver papers about prewar Japanese American communities, the internment, the postwar era. If the forum didn't attract a great deal of notice, it produced a lot of new and interesting material, much of it from observers who hadn't been in the public print. Three academics—Roger Daniels of the University of Cincinnati, Sandra C. Taylor of the University of Utah, and Harry Kitani of UCLA—have worked some of that material into a conference, plus a lot of other material desirable for rounding out the picture, into a book. The book is called Japanese Americans: From Relocation to Resurgence. It has been published by the University of Utah Press. It took the editors more than three years to get the job done—putting a book together is an excruciatingly slow business—but in my estimation, the product is worth the effort. The book is a remarkably succinct and simple review of history. It includes many first-person accounts that haven't been heard before. Eleanor Gerhard Schenker, for instance, has been a practicing trial lawyer who was in the Okanogan relocation center. Of particular interest is two chapters on the treatment of Issei in the camps. According to one survey, 98 percent of Black parents, want their children to read and write English well. Adult English classes have a long waiting list of Asians and Latinos; in Las Angeles County alone, some 30,000 are on the waiting list. As we Nisei parents in particular know, by the next generation precious few can speak anything other than English anyway. Among Mexican Americans, it is reported by the second generation that half can speak Spanish. And here I am, working fervently to learn rhyming.

The 'English First' Mentality

PC's New Board Chair: A Self-Introduction

by Peggy Sasashima Liggett

Let me introduce myself. I am a Sansei daughter, a second-generation American. By profession, I am a civil litigation attorney, a trial lawyer practicing primarily in the state and federal courts. My background is specialized in personal injury, products liability, agricultural losses, construction accidents and wrongful termination employment cases. As long as I can remember, I have wanted to practice law—to be part of our system of justice. Having a birthdate of Dec. 7 has a special significance to me regarding the need to protect freedoms available in this country. My career before law was as a bureaucler, supervising several hundred staff reviewing federal and state regulations, developing policies and procedures to implement those regulations and evaluating program effectiveness and quality control systems. On a personal note, I am one of those rare people to attend cross-cultural marriages that failed. The two children of that marriage remain with me while I entered the legal profession.

Clarification

This is to clarify that JACL's contracting with Japanse American Research Project (JARP), which has within the past seven years published several books and study guides, is a program sponsored by JARP recently--its first big push--last year, published in 1983--but its work of gathering and publishing material of historical importance continues.

Exclusive Rights

I am writing about Robert Shimbukuro's article "Exclusive Rights to JAL's Stories Raise Questions," Of course as a producer of PBS documentaries, I was very interested in the claim by Inner Circle producer Gerry Nakagawa that "it is customary to pay homage to the major participants" of a documentary. In my experience, it is not customary to pay people who appear in a documentary, and it is the policy of PBS not to pay those participants. To do so would seem to imply that the participant was paid to make a statement, and that implication would undermine the integrity of the statement. The PBS guideline seeks to avoid the appearance of orientation of influence on the part of both participant and producer. It is the policy which we followed when we interviewed people for the Smithsonian exhibit, "With Liberty and Justice for All: Japanese Americans and the U.S. Constitution." I recognize that the procedures for a PBS documentary, or a film, must be different from those for a film for commercial distribution. There is a legitimate reason for those differences and I think that the public can only benefit from the diversity of forums available to the historical record.

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In Search Of... A Self-Introduction

I am a graduate student in the history department at Maxwell School, Syracuse University, re-
My daughter is an honors graduate from Mt. St. Mary's College and has worked her way through school with minimal financial assistance from me. She wanted to feel that she had chosen her own career and not feel bound to follow me in law. Her plan is to teach English, one of her two college majors, the other being international business.

My son, impatient with the tedium of college general education, wanted to join the Air Force. His heart's desire is to become the first singing astronaut.

He tells me music is the language of the soul, and he writes to me.

I am currently serving on the board of the Central California District Chapter. In my home town I have been interested in journalism, its role and responsibilities since my elementary school days, when I organized and edited the school's first newspaper. During high school, I served as editor of the school paper, and in college, I worked on the paper's staff.

As Pacifist Citizen board chair for the 1985-86 biennium, the staff and I have identified specific goals. They are as follows:

1. Accurately report news of interest to members of the Japanese American Citizens League.
2. Reflect, on a more representative basis, international news that is relevant to the Japanese American and Asian communities, both in hard news and in features.
3. Explore issues editorially that challenge the membership to pursue the goals of JACL.
4. Establish historical archives with photographs and memorabilia from Pacific Citizen files to be available to historians, students and all interested persons.

5. Develop the income resources of Pacific Citizen to make it as financially independent as possible.

Several staff meetings have already been conducted to identify means by which these goals can be accomplished.

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GREET EY, Colo. - Assistant City Manager Susan Sasaki performed double duties recently when he filled in for both the city manager and the police chief in this city of 63,000.

After City Manager Pete Morrell resigned Oct. 31, the City Council appointed Sasaki acting city manager effective Nov. 1. A permanent replacement for Morrell was not immediately found.

Sasaki was also acting police chief during the first week of November because of the retirement of Police Chief R.J. Englund. In order to allow Sasaki to concentrate on his job as manager, Mayor Bob Markless pressed the search for a new police chief, and one was hired Nov. 5.

Sasaki became assistant city manager in 1983. In that capacity he oversaw 237 employees and worked with the finance director on the budget.

He was a city planner in Brighton before coming to Greley in 1977 to become director of the city's Community Development Department.

JA Named VP of Insurance Co.

DAVIS, Calif. — Jerry Tamurn has been elected vice president of the claims department at Pacific Standard Life Insurance Co.

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CARSON

Installation dinner will take place Jan. 17 at the Reef Restaurant, 390 Harbor Scenic Drive, Long Beach. Cocktail hour will begin at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6 p.m. Installation of new officers will begin at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be President Puyallup Valley, director of the Asian Law Caucus. Tickets are $16 per person.

CONTRA COSTA

Chapter's installation dinner will take place Jan. 24 at Yeti Wal Restaurant, 20000 Highway 40. No-host cocktail hour will begin at 5 p.m. followed by dinner at 6 p.m. Installation of new officers will begin at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be President Puyallup Valley, director of the Asian Law Caucus. Tickets are $16 per person.

MIAMI

Installation of 1987 officers will take place Jan. 18 at the Country Gardens Restaurant, 911 W. Layton. Cocktail hour will begin at 5 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Cost is $10 per person. For reservations, call Tom Tanaka, (703) 972-7756.

LAS VEGAS

Chapter's installation dinner will take place Jan. 11 at Chinatown Cuisine, 3000 E. Charleston Blvd. Cocktail hour will begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Cost is $10 per person. For reservations or further information, call Dr. Sing K. Lo, (702) 431-6012.

NEW ENGLAND PENINSULA

Installation dinner will take place Jan. 17 at Rancho Canada Golf Club. Cocktail hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., and dinner is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. Judge Robert Moody of the Municipal Court will install new officers. U.S. Rep. Leon Panetta will deliver the keynote address. Tickets are $75 per person.

SEATTLE

Chapter's installation banquet will take place Jan. 24 at the Admiral, 5750 16th Ave. No-host cocktail hour will begin at 5 p.m., followed by dinner at 6 p.m. Tickets are $20 per person and may be obtained by sending check, payable to Seattle JACL, to Ayako Hurd, 940 Meridian North, Seattle, WA 98103.

SELANO

Grant Ujifusa, JACL-LEC acting chair, will be guest speaker at the chapter's installation dinner Jan. 31 at the Ft. Myer Officers Club in Arlington, Va. Cocktails will be served from 6:45 to 8 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Tickets are $40 for members, $20 for non-members and $16 for students. For reservations, call Barbara Nekoda, (703) 300-4620, or Katherine Matsuki (703) 946-4605.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

U.S. Sen. Daniel K. Inouye will be guest speaker at the chapter's installation dinner-dance Jan. 31 at the Ft. Myer Officers Club in Arlington, Va. Cocktails will be served from 6:45 to 8 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. Tickets are $40 for members, $20 for non-members and $16 for students. For reservations, call Barbara Nekoda, (703) 300-4620, or Katherine Matsuki (703) 946-4605.

WEST VALLEY

Installation dinner will take place Jan. 17 at the Officers Club at Nas Moffett Field, Mountain View. Cocktail hour will begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Guest speaker will be Dr. William Y. Takashahi of the Mile-Hi Chapter. Tickets are $15 for prime rib dinner and $12 for baked red snapper. Info: Susie Sakamoto, (408) 252-0722.

Puyallup, Olympia JACL Pay Tribute to Ellises

TACOMA, Wash. - JACL Life Achievement Awards were presented to Dr. Paul and Edna Ellis by the Puyallup Valley and Olympia chapters during their Oct. 19 Pacific Northwest District Council meeting.

Among those in attendance was National JACL President Harry Kajihara, who thanked the Ellises for their contributions to the JACL and especially for their work in the Olympia chapter. He said "is very special to me, for I was born in Olympia."

Also on hand to honor the couple was PNW District Gov. Denny Yasuhara, who called the Ellises an "inspiration to me" for all their work as members of the PNW District Council over the last 20 years. He thanked them for being "the backbone of the district council" and for the "foundation of love they've given us." For the Ellises began their involvement with the Japanese American community in Salem, Ore., where they worked with youth groups before WWII. In 1942, they moved to New York, where Dr. Ellis earned his doctorate in economics at Columbia University. They played a part in the formation of the New York JACL chapter, and became the organization's first associate members.

During the war, they assisted evacuees in the relocation camps and also provided aid to students who left camp to attend college.

After the war, the Ellises moved to the West Coast, settling in Washington state. In 1967, they joined the Puyallup Valley chapter, and in 1983, they helped to start the Olympia JACL chapter. Paul Ellis served as Puyallup Valley president in 1990, and he also served as the organization's national governor.

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We wish to express our appreciation to friends for their thoughtfulness and sympathy on the death of mother.

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Housing Project for Seniors, Disabled Near Completion

PORTLAND, Ore. - Construction of Bee-si-Terrace, a housing residence for retired citizens, is scheduled for completion in March, and applications for subsidized housing in one of its 35 units are being accepted.

The apartment complex, initiated in 1982 by the Portland JACL and Nikkeijinkai, is located one block west of the intersection of S.E. Oak Grove Boulevard and River Road, just south of the suburb of Milwaukie.

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it, this is the time for the old
JACL to make way for the new.

This is not always easy, for
there is a tendency on the part
of the old to adhere to the com-
fort of the tried-and-true old
ways, wary of new concepts, new
proposals and new directions that
the new wave would seek to
introduce.

This is not to say that in
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But on a broad scale, we con-
tinue to be in the throes of the
shifting change which does not
always come easily. Perhaps a
toial at this level of superintendence,
so as to help bring those in
the younger generation to
derstand (and perhaps lead to
better understanding be-
 tween and among us.)

The Nisei Generation

My generation experienced a
trauma of rejection by our own
government when it rounded
up and incarcerated some 115,000
Issei and Nisei into hard-wired bar-
ges. This trauma, which has
remained unemaded ever since,
continues to ripple and to
ripple effect, and whether we're
willing to acknowledge it or not,
continues to have a ripple effect
on the well-being of all Japanese
Americans today and those to
come.

Indeed, the ripple effect
rocks Asians other than those of
Japanese ancestry. The conti-
nued trauma of the Vietnam War
and Japanese Peruvians as well
just to name two other groups.
And, of course, the episode tar-
ted the tranquility and pride of
what we call America, and thus
affects all of us, regardless of
race, and until meaningful re-
turn to the well-being of the
people who remain as a shameful
blemish that every American
who takes pride in this country
will wish to see removed.

And so, if the Nisei, many of
them round us "ain't much" as a re-
sult, continue to adhere to the
old ways which somehow permit-
us to survive, and cause us to
shy away from bold steps, we
may well come out of this
process with some understand-
ing of what our potential
is. Perhaps it may not go
very far--

Inevitability of Change

On the other hand, the Nisei
with the "I'm sure going"
and the "we're going"
--in turn--may not always agree
with the new. Yes, even if we at
times choose to believe in
"change for the sake of change"
we are unlikely, however, to
be "made if" and then relax.
None of these groups, although
I have no doubt whatsoever as
to our capabilities and qualifica-
tions. Yet, these are accomplish-
ments attained by our brethren
of the Jewish faith and they,
in our Judeo-Christian heritage,
we have pioneered in not only
in maintaining and continuing to
serve the best for dignity.
Among others, the Anti-
Defamation League remains fully
guarded and active, thereby bene-
serving all, including you and me.

If, after completion of our
re-dress program, we move on to
some other issue--we cannot com-
prehend that there are many, many
other hurdles to surmount to
ward gaining that minimal qual-
in that we have so far
are, ultimately, we shall be
subjected to second-class status.

But I do not choose to believe
that such is the makeup of the
AJAs. We've already sacrificed too
much to permit such a fate to
settle upon us.

Minimal Involvement

And so let us go back to the in-
tial issue that we are at the cross-
roads of generations. Our
Changes does not come easily. But
change we must. The thrust for
change, by the way, is not neces-
sarily confined to a generation as
such, for there exist timid and
non-accomplishing" among the
rest of us. But old or new, we must
begin to work and beyond acting for
the transition. It is inevitable.

Non-Deductible Contributions

Clarification of LEC Fund-Raising

by Harry Kajihara
LEC Fund Drive Chair

To clarify fund-raising pro-
cedures for LEC, a memorandum
developed and reviewed by the
National JACL has been
published, sent to chapter,
LEC and not
sent directly to LEC and not
through the (o) or JACL.

Example: If the chapter puts
on a spaghetti dinner to raise
money for LEC, the purchasers
of the spaghetti dinner should
have the money as a charitable
donation.

All literature relating to the
spaghetti dinner should state
that "contributions are non-
deductible" and should not
mention "LEC Fund Drive"
account. The checks should be
made out to JACL-LEC and funds
sent directly to LEC and not
through the (o) or JACL.
A Look Back: 1986-Year-End Reports

A Broad Range of Legal Talent

by Gene Takamine
National Legal Counsel

Since assuming the position of National Legal Counsel, I have been working on a new organization for this office. I planned to implement the expansion of the National Legal Counsel with the use of many of the good attorneys in this organization.

With regard to geographical distribution and to the distribution of expertise in various areas of the law, I have asked the following people to serve as deputy legal counselors, and they have accepted. This is crucial, and I believe they will act in a capacity to work with and advise me that I may “pass upon, review, ratify and correct all legal matters pertaining to this organization and my opinions on law and legislation.”

Pacific Southwest: Susan Kam (Secretary, Los Angeles); Fla, northern California Western Nevada: Pacific Northwest: Negi, Kodama, A. Nishina, M. Nishina, B. Aoki, R. Iti, M. Nakatsuka, H. Tanaka, K. Tori.}

As a special note, Bill Marutani who served with the title of Honorary National Legal Counsel, being a former National Legal Counsel, a former judge and an emeritus attorney, is a great addition to the pool of legal knowledge in the group. The use of the legal talent in JACL, in this manner has already borne fruit. The varied legal background of this fine group provides a broad range of legal material that has been utilized in matters of employment and tax. The other areas of expertise include immigration law, corporate law, non-profit corporate law, and constitutional law.

The many facets of the legal life of JACL has not only created a wide range of expertise that it is no longer reasonable to think that one attorney can be on the ground to correctly advise the President and National Board. The situation is such that a legal team was developed by Bill Marutani, who suggested that the JACL Constitution have the Sub-Legal Counsel embodied in its text. Thus, reorganized legal counsel, finding the tool to expand this office already in place made the task simpler in the matter of recruitment and plans. The Joint Committee has such a wealth of talent that it is not necessary to seek outside counsel for their legal talents. The joint committee is the answer if one wishes to make the JACL organization successful and well-run as the Chicago convention and hopefully attract those who are interested in the future of the 86th convention.

Come Home to Seattle in ’86!

by Tim K. Otani
PNW Regional Director

With the success of the Chicago convention and the Seattle Chapter is well on its way to providing all JACL members with an equally multifaceted approach that will include utilizing the facilities of the University of Washington campus as the site of the convention. This site will allow us to offer rates for housing and off campus at extremely affordable rates. In addition, we will be showing off the beautiful campus which Rand McVally rates as the number one vacation area in America.

The co-chairs for the ’86 convention are Tomoriko and Ben Nakagawa. Both are past presidents that will hopefully achieve the goals of these multifaceted events. These activities will include golf and tennis tournaments, reunions, sightseeing trips, workshops, and an expanded youth convention.

The local youth group, the Seattle Chapter, is working on a program package that will offer a variety of events and activities that should make this one of the largest youth conventions in many years. This gathering will be held concurrently with the National Convention, thus making it possible for the entire family to enjoy all that Seattle has to offer.

The goal is to provide a convention program that we hope to make the most successful and well-run as the Chicago convention.

Come home to Seattle in ’86!
Redress Legislation


Remembrance of JA WW2 Experience

Marketer at Crystal City camp site


Coral Nobis Cases

Feb. 10 — After hearing arguments from both sides in the reopining of Gordon Hirabayashi's wartime Supreme Court case, U.S. District Judge Douglas W. Hofmann "reaffirms the government's conceded evidence that the installation of JA exclusion orders was necessitated in order to sustain its claim of military necessity. He vacates Hirabayashi's conviction for violation of exclusion orders but lets stand the conviction for violating the curfew which was "relatively mild." An evidentiary hearing on the issue of due process will be held in the future.

March 14 — Judge Voorhees denies both requests from both sides to reconsider his decision. The government, which has defended the conviction, requests an evidentiary hearing for violation of exclusion. Hirabayashi's attorneys seek to have the conviction vacated on the ground that the curfew itself was unconstitutional.

May 5 — In Portland, U.S. District Judge Robert Bork denies the government's application for an extension of time for appeal. In 1984, Bellows agreed to vacate Yasui's wartime conviction for violation of curfew, but the government was guilty of misconduct; Yasui filed an appeal, but the Court of Appeals ruled that he had filed too late. The granting of an extension has been vacated.

Sept. 30 — Hirabayashi files his appeal of the trial court's order up to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. The government is required to submit a reply brief.

Nov. 12 — Plaintiff Yasui dies of illness.

Nov. 17 — Government attorney Victor Borne moves to dismiss Yasui's petition.

Dec. 4 — Members of Yasui's legal team and other supporters declare they will pursue the case until a final determination of misconduct.

Class Action Suit

Jan. 31 — A panel of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia has vacated the lower court's decision of the class action lawsuit filed in federal court by Nat'l Council for JA REDRESS, led by Ralph Wright and Huber Bader Ginsburg

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Photograph by Sam Tani
U.S. government rues San Timelapse UCLA will also sign petitioning Starr, Laurence Silberman, James a dissenting opinion, maintaining that including various constitutional viola­
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tions in current House Bill 8700 is improper. The petition and New York Times articles are being released, and in January, currently, only claim dealing with property loss remains.

Oct. 10—Asian-American Legal Defense & Education Fund files brief urging Supreme Court to review case of 21 claims, including various constitutional violations, that an Asian American did not receive in January, currently, only claim dealing with property loss remains.

June 15—In Los Angeles, Civil Rights Act of 1968 declared unconstitutional by U.S. District Court. The plaintiffs, a group of Asian-Americans, allege that the Act violated their rights to freedom of speech and assembly. The decision is made on NRG's petition.

Linda Wong (at podium) speaks at rally of Asians, Hispanics and others opposed to Monterey Park City Council's endorsement of "Official English." (Photo by Frank A. Manzanita)
Asians May Be Largest Minority in Washington State

by Jackie Janero

International Examiner

23EAP-121 When blacks and Hispanics had sur- passed them in Washington's population and geographic growth, Japanese had been the second largest group in the state, according to two recent reports.

The most recent report, released in August by the state Office of Economic Opportunity, shows that the number of Asians in Washington State increased 35.8 percent from 1980 to 1986, compared to 25.4 percent for blacks, 10.5 percent for Hispanics, and 7.5 percent for the overall population. From 1970 to 1980, the Japanese population grew an astounding 144 percent.

Included in the Asian tabulation are the Koreans, Japanese, Vietnamese and Hmong Southeast Asian refugees, and Chinese, as well as Filipinos, Vietnamese, Cambodians, and Laotians.

Population estimates for 1986 place the number of Asians in the state at 116,612, followed by 123,438 Blacks and 132,409 persons of Hispanic origin. As a result, out of a total state population of 3,419,000, there were 5,391,572 whites and 438,852 persons of other races.

The statistics are significant, said Lois Hayasaka, director of the state Commission on Asian American Affairs, because they help others realize that Asians exist and have unique problems deserving of attention.

She cited such problems as underrepresentation in high levels of government decision-making and sentiment and violence, and few academic achievements and high dropout rates among certain subgroups of Asians.

In addition, Hayasaka said, recent studies have resulted in the concentration of Asians in small businesses, mom-and-pop stores, and restaurants. Asians are not participating in larger numbers in the wider economic sphere, she said. "Society needs to be aware of our presence. We have a great deal to contribute...there's a lot we have contributed and continue to contribute..."

A July 1986 report by the Labor and Employment Research, a branch of the state Employment Security Department also documents that Asians are the largest growing segment of the population. Asians and Pacific Islanders raised their share of the state population from 27 percent in 1960 to 29 percent in 1984, according to a 1987 U.S. Census report.

Over the 20-year period, the Asian population in the state of Washington increased from 193,000 in 1960 to 600,000 in 1984. 1986 projections indicate that the Asian population will increase to 700,000, a 15 percent increase.

Federal and state officials have raised concern over the lack of job opportunities available to Asian people. In the Seattle area, the number of unemployed Japanese-American workers is estimated to be 5 percent of the total unemployment rate of 14 percent.

Hayanaka countered, "Asians are often overlooked." She says, "We are simply too small to be a target. I believe we can begin to get attention..."
Sheriff's Order Angers Blacks, Pleases Whites

NEW ORLEANS — Hurry Lee, the Chinese American sheriff of Jefferson Parish, has drawn fire for a remark about Blacks—and received approval from his predominantly white constituents, the New Orleans Times reports. In a recent interview Lee announced that he would combat a sharp increase in crime by having officers "stop everybody that we think has no business in the neighborhood." If there are some young Blacks driving a car late at night in a predominately white area, they will be stopped.

The statement was assailed by a number of blacks, and Black ministers called for a boycott of Jefferson Parish stores. Lee responded to his next day and apologized, saying he probably should tell Blacks only "for probable cause."

But many whites supported Lee. "Everyone's gun for him," said Jefferson Parish resident Dale Star, who added, "He should not have said 'blacks.' He should have said suspicious character. He should have known who he meant."

Starr said she and a companion were recently stopped by two Blacks on the front porch of her home. Lee's public relations agent, Bernard Klein, said that telephone calls, letters and telegrams Lee has received have included 700 positive and 55 negative.

A survey conducted by the ABC-TV affiliate in New Orleans found that 68 percent had a favorable opinion of Lee.

Some of Lee's sheriff's supporters is New Breed Civic Association president Leon Williams, who is on Lee's staff. "I'm binding that Lee is not a bigot, said that the white community Lee is not a bigot, said that the white community"

He proposed a meeting of Black leaders to "put this whole thing to rest."

Martha Kepel, executive director of the Louisiana chapter of the NAACP, commented that Lee is not a bigot, said that the white community Lee is not a bigot, said that the white community. "The thing that upset me," she said, "is Lee's words. Mr. Lee seems to be picking up support from his constituency."

Japanese Minorities

Jackson said that he pressed the South Korean government to "extend democratic freedoms, release its political detainees, and describe its preparation for his re-election campaign."

While in Japan, Jackson met with representatives of Korean, Ainu and Burakumin rights organizations. He compared the treatment of these minorities to that of African American, and other non-Japanese residents with South Africa's pass book system.

"If the Japanese fail to lift discrimination against minorities and change their behavior toward South Africa," he warned, "their economic juggernaut will face the mortal scrutiny of the world's peoples, who are tired of democratic values being used to cloak discrimination."

South Korean Reforms

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Nikkei Appointed

SACRAMENTO — Glenn Y. Yocum, pastor of Rolling Hills Baptist Church, has been appointed to the California State Board of Pharmacy by Gov. George Deukmejian. Yocum, 48, replaces Clarence K. Huynh of Los Angeles, whose term expired.

Major Hank Washington is applauded as he addresses the Chicago JACL Chapter during its Nov. 15 inaugural Dinner at the Fireside Inn in Morton Grove. Shown with the mayor are, from left, Mrs. Yoshio (Noshi) Karta; Yoshio Karta, the new Japanese consul general in Chicago; Tina Adachi, radio talk show host; and Paul Igaskiy, chapter president and Asian American liaison for the city's Commission on Human Relations. Mayor Washington said that he found parts of J

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although some may worry about the expense of compensation, said Matsumoto, "This is not a question of budgetary priorities, but an emergency, a matter which this country rests... We are here because of a greater purpose — to correct a wrong of 44 years ago.

Justice must remain vital and strong. A democratic government believes in the right of individuals to live fairly without government interference because of a person's race, color, or creed. If we succeed in the effort, we can say democracy works.

Lane Nakashima of San Francisco and a former mayor of Japanese American life on the streets in his San Francisco style, commented on his city's performance. His performance consisted of excerpts from his one-man play, "Life in the Fast Lane."

Kim Miyori, formerly of the TV series "ST Elswhere," gave a profile of her life as an actress. "I speak from my heart," she said. "I am here tonight because I have a spirit of an artist, a spirit to be free to perform regardless of what body we are filled with." — a reference to limitations she has faced as an Asian American actress. She expressed the belief that support from the community is a major role in the role of Asian American roles would be helpful in making an impact on the entertain industry.

Enomoto, co-chair of Americans for Fairness, called for a moment of silence in remembrance of former LEC chair Min Yasui. Americans for Fairness is a grassroot committee formed by LEC chapter chairs meeting in San Francisco. Japan and other Asian Americans in the community are part of the delegation.

JEWISH COUNCIL

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The Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington is the national representative of 220 Jewish organizations in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, and is a member agency of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council.

Harry Kodoshima, an employer, board member and active volunteer at Nikkei Concerns in Seattle, receives the Making a Difference Award from Pat Finkle and Cliff Lenz, co-hosts of KING-TV Channel 5's "Good Company program, during Oct. 24 award ceremonies at the Bellevue Red Lion. The awards, sponsored by KING-TV, Metropolitan YMCA and Pacific Northwest Bell, honor outstanding community volunteers. Kodoshima is also an advisor and active member of the Japanese Community Service, Chinese Nursing Home Society, Mayor's Small Business Task Force and Association of City Treasurers.
The image contains a page from a newspaper article, likely a news section. The text is in English and appears to be a collection of obituaries or announcements related to various individuals. The names, dates, and brief biographical details are listed, indicating a variety of achievements and contributions by these individuals. The text is formatted in a typical newspaper style, with dates, names, and short paragraphs detailing the lives and accomplishments of the individuals mentioned.

**Example Obituary:**

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<td>July 4</td>
<td>Native of Japan, died in his jail cell.</td>
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<td>Yoko</td>
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<td>President of JACL, died in a plane crash.</td>
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<td>Tom</td>
<td>May 25</td>
<td>Co-founder of the 442nd Regiment.</td>
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**Note:** The text is too extensive to replicate in full, and additional context or legibility issues might affect the accuracy of the transcription.
JA Incorporates Ethnic Background Into Ad

by Jane B. Kaihatu

The next time you are sitting in your favorite optometrist's or ophthalmologist's office, find and flip through some of the time issues of the trade magazine, like Varilux. In an advertisement for the eyeglass manufacturer Varilux, you'll find a Nisei woman with her flowers. 

With the slogan, "We Have a Special Way of Seeing Things," the elegant pink orchid arrangement and the serene Japanese American femininity represent a ground-breaking idea in trade advertising. This is perhaps one of the few times that an ethnic minority and an unusual hobby have been used to present a comparable identity.

This bold, yet successful concept was initiated by senior art director Wayne Kosaka, a Sansei who is also at Impact, a division of the advertising agency Foote, Cone & Belding.

Kosaka is an award-winning professional who has worked on corporate logos, packaging, and a television spot for Pacific Bell, was assigned to a campaign aiming to convey Varilux as a company concerned with quality and leadership in the eye care industry. As an art director, Kosaka's primary responsibility is to effectively convey the client's image through visual communication.

"Because of Varilux's dedication to quality, I chose an unusual hobby that would capture a quick, identifiable, high-level commitment to quality and execution, as opposed to something trendy," said Kosaka. "I thought that Ikebana would be a perfect example of this—something that you could completely understand and be excited about in yourself because you believe in it."

"I also felt that flower arrangement creativity and its sensitivity to that which is special and unique met every single criteria for this particular concept for this client."

For a concept to reach the point of a printed advertisement, many steps are taken, including selling the idea to account execu- tives and the client. Although it is a collective effort, Kosaka stated, art directors tries to get the largest percentage of his original idea to the final printed stage. He was prepared and willing to defend his contribution because "whenever you take a chance and put something out of the mainstream, like an ethnic, you never know what the reaction will be."

Before his presentation, Kosaka reviewed his rationale of the use of the idea, and the potential impact of doing ikebana. He decided that he would change the concept if necessary, but would not do so reluctantly. He entered the meeting prepared to fight a battle which, unbeknownst to him, had no opponent.

"Varilux was all for it," he recalled. "I had absolutely no resistance/" Both his fellow account executives and the agency and client were extremely supportive of the ikebana concept and the use of the Nisei woman.

"I thought they understood immediately and that its visual appeal is trying to convey, I was told that the concept met every single require- ment in their marketing strategy and exceeded their expectations."

He also credits his co-workers and the client's management side at Impact for supporting his idea. "Because they are aware of the image of Japanese Americans and how it has changed over the years, they viewed the Nisei woman in a positive light. Their awareness and flexibility allowed them to be open and look beyond racial connotations, like Pearl Harbor or Japan trade problems...I got 100% of my idea. I was lucky.

Just why did Kosaka decide to use that particular idea? He felt that at this point in his career he could not afford to put anything back into the advertising industry which would detract from his Japanese heritage. "I wanted to put my profession into its best light to further our image to its highest quality and best advantage," he said.

The Hawaiian-born, Los Angeles-based artist remembered a strong Japanese cultural influence during his upbringing. His father had grown orchids as a hobby and his mother arranged those flowers.

Kosaka bought a first-degree black belt in karate and has studied kendo. He feels that through some of the traditional cultural associations which emphasized beauty, quality and commitment, he has learned subliminal lessons about the way of doing things and how culture is really an impor- tant part of his life.

Thus, many aspects, both personal and professional, came to- gether for Kosaka in the Varilux ad. He was shot in Los Angeles by photographer Carl Furuta. The woman featured was L.A. resi- dent Tomoko Bristol, and home- grown family orchids were used.

"I don't often get the chance to explore the emotional side in this business along with the rational," he reflected. "And I have feelings, emotional thoughts I'd like to see expressed. I'm sure that advertising every day—why not take a chance?"

If Kosaka can continue to play a significant role in the business, for his career and for the por- trayal of Japanese Americans in advertising, chances are he will be headed for even more spec- ial things.

Deaths

Takuyo Okano, 80, member of the San Jose JACL Chapter, died Oct. 28 in Campbell, Calif. Okano, a native of Hawaii, also was a member of the San Jose Pujikai and the San Jose Bud- dhist Church Betsuin. She is survived by three daughters, Satomi Hashimoto, Rumiko Kanaya and Elsie M. Stoyer, two sons, Richard and Howard, and eight grandchildren.

Novo Kato, 72, of Bellflower, Calif., died Nov. 16 following a brief illness. Kato, originally from Idaho, was a founding member of the Poca- tola-Blackcreek chapter. He later served as a member of the Long Beach and Salinas chapters. He was survived by his daughters Sharon Kato Palmer and Bonnie Kato Stern; sisters Miyoko Naka- mura, Asae Nishimoto, Junio Kato and Sachi Magome; and grandchildren Shasti Mictor Palmer and Sarah Kato Stern.

Pacific Business Bank Offers "No-Delay" Mortgage Money

If you are looking for a low interest home loan, Pacific Business Bank has one offer—and four guarantees—you cannot refuse. Because of the drop in rates, most banks have been delayed with applications for new home loans or refinancing of existing trust deeds...and consumers have found endless delays. 

1. At Pacific Business Bank, however, there are no delays—and we guarantee it.
2. At Pacific, we guarantee you will be accepted.
3. We guarantee that once you qualify, we will have money in your hands within 60 days.
4. We guarantee one other thing—Pacific's service will be the best of any bank you have ever visited, because you talk to people, not departments.

Now that offer... If we fail to live up to those guarantees, and the delay is our fault, we will give you $100 for the inconvenience.

Don't delay. Interest rates will not remain low forever. Find out how you can finance or refinance your home—without a delay—today.

Call Tom Hirano, who heads our Mortgage Banking Department, at 633-1456. Or stop in at our office 421 W. Carson Street in Carson.
By Andrew Y. Kuroda

It is said that some 100 ethnic groups are represented in the United States of America. How many can they know that the first American citizen of their own ethnic group? Japanese Americans are fortunate in that they know that Joseph Heco (1837-1907) was born in Japan, became an American citizen there, and to a degree, that Japanese to become an American version exactly in the order it happened. Born at Aoyama University, his college, his life, and his death, at Aoyama in Tokyo for graveside memorial we have great difficulty in conveying an abstract idea to them, and it is almost impossible to speak figuratively to them.

Sir Raffles Alcock, the first British minister to Japan, also mentioned in his memoir, Peter's Capital of the Tycoon (1883, Vol. I, p. 102), that "the interpreters in Yokohama have only spoken Dutch — the Dutch of two centuries back — and very embittered by their being little used and the language as spoken by traders Chikamori was told at the office in Tokyo for graveside memorial we have great difficulty in conveying an abstract idea to them, and it is almost impossible to speak figuratively to them.

Joseph Heco Society

The Joseph Heco Society was founded by Haruoji Chikamori, who graduated from Tokyo University, began his newspaper career as a reporter with the Mainichi (Osaka) newspaper, and retired from the Yokuri (Osaka) newspaper as an editorial writer. While he was with the Yokuri, he researched the history of Japanese newspapers and discovered that Heco was the principal author of the first Japanese newspaper in Japan.

Interested in the life of Heco, Chikamori met him in 1972, and found a sign asking anyone with knowledge of relatives of the deceased to report to the office. Chikamori was told at the office that the man had a grave in Hawaii, but he had not been paid for years. Alarmed at the possible removal of the grave, he paid the man's fee and started a campaign to save the grave of the "Father of Japanese Newpapers. Thus, the Society for the Preservation of the Tomb of Joseph Heco was founded in 1972. The society changed its name to the Joseph Heco Society in 1972.

For 221 years, during the so-called period of national isolation, Japan had no diplomatic relations with foreign nations, except Korea. Curiously, the relations with Korea were largely ceremonial in that official correspondence was conducted in the respective capital cities when a new king was enthroned in Korea or a new shogun was enthroned in Japan.

An insignificant trade was conducted at the Japan House in Pusan, Korea, between Korea and the Tsushima Clan. Far greater but still limited trade was allowed with the Dutch and Chinese merchants in Nagasaki, Dutch, therefore, was the only Western language that the Japanese knew during those two centuries. It was in this language that American, English and other Western nations had to conduct their diplomatic negotiations with Japan in the turbulent decades of the mid-19th century. Townsend Harris, the first American minister to Japan, noted in his journal (April 29, 1857) that Japanese interpreters were "so absurd as to wish to have every word changed in the English version exactly in the order it stands in the Japanese... it was the interpreter's duty of perfection. They have learned the language as spoken by traders and sailors, and the Dutch they use is not only that of 250 years ago, but it is limited to the subjects above referred to; hence, we have great difficulty in conveying an abstract idea to them, and it is almost impossible to speak figuratively to them.

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When the hospital called, I was bewildered. They said they had a man there—70 years old—whose name they wanted me to come right away. I didn't know any Itch Taka. And too, I wondered why they had given me his name. I presumed it was because I was living near the hospital, was a member of the Japanese American Citizens League, and was probably a regular visitor. The nurse and phone number were on the cardboard backing of a card, and I added more and more adhesive and so­ lidifying, bonding them tightly and making it difficult to find them. The bond seemed to transcend more interest and concerns. I was involved in community services at the hospital. I didn't know what had happened. I was a little thinner than I had remembered him being. He had white hair and a gray moustache, but essentially, he was the same guy. His name was Ichio Tanaka.

His eyes were closed and his high cheekbones were more noticeable with his skin pulled taut and free of wrinkles, except for a few lines around his eyes and mouth. There were tubes entering his right eye. His left eye was swollen and black. His left nostril was broad nostrils. He was lying on a hospital bed, but it was not in the slum area either.

They lived in a three-room apartment with an alcove and a kitchen. The apartment was clean and neat and even had a couple of flowering plants. A flat screen TV was placed on the floor. There was a coffee table. On the wall was a TV screen, with a rock and a roll of paper. The TV gave me was not too helpful. They all named Itch Taka and Jon gave the hospital all the information they could— which was not much. His assailant or assailants were unknown and the police didn't have any leads. How he got there, no one seemed to know. It seemed Itch had rung George Taylor and Jon saw him, they had come directly to Berkeley.

I was in that setting that first met. I met. He had come from the camp at Jerome, Ark, Block 30, had just come from Jerome, Block 7, the Long Beach block, but I didn't know him there. We both were 20 or 21 then. Both young, eager, full of anti-war dreams, hopes and somewhat idealistic. Itch had come to Detroit about a month ago. I, and I had already found myself a job. He knew his way around Detroit a little, but he spent most of his time at 233, either walking his crew or working. I didn't really know this was because he was saving his money, didn't care to room around, or just wasn't an outgoing guy.

I saw him quite often and said "Hi" once in a while, but I really didn't get to know him until one night when we got to talking about camp, our folks, home and what we grew up. I found we got together quite often. We began going out to shows, started going to theaters and even dating. Once we went out to Dearborn, took a car, and drove to the foot of Jefferson. It was strange to note that featured in the movie, "Hi", that part of it, was south of Detroit. It was really an attic made of a three-story wooden structure overshadowed by a bigger brick building right next to it. It was quite modest by any standard, but still there was a certain magic to it. It was strictly private. He said it like an afterthought, after saying that's a word I had heard all my life. I think my folks used it a lot in Shibe Park. But the family used to say, "Don't ever do wrong, because it will bring harm on you, and it's a word of God." I guess it never did come to Nikkei. You are always a reason, a cause, and you have to accept some things. Even if you have to find them, they were all saying the same thing. If there wasn't, they certainly were one of a kind.

Ichio continued, "I don't think you should lay such a burden on a little kid. Maybe I'm wrong, but boy, it's too much. He paused, then continued. "Maybe it builds character? Maybe that's what's missing. It helps you grow, but you can't be helped, and you (fortune-teller) is all about? They help people to endure."

He said like an afterthought, then continued as if arguing with himself. "Sure, but get this, it doesn't mean to just lay back and let the waves of change wash over you, doing nothing. Things don't happen out of the blue. There's always a reason, a cause, and you have to look for it. And then, don't always stay the same. They change. All things change. You make it on your own.

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got along after he arrived at San Francisco on his second voyage to the United States. Heo stayed temporarily on the Frede, a revenue cutter, until he found there was no place to put the ship departed for San Diego on an emergency order. Heo was accepted as a member of the crew, but he worked as hard as he could in a similar circumstance.

Impressed by the way Heo worked, the consul was suggested to the captain that some remuneration be given Heco after the ship returned to home port. The captain rejected the suggestion, and Heco did not know enough English, and the free meals and bed were not enough for him. Angrily by the captain's insensitivity, the two officers told Heo to find a job elsewhere as soon as possible, and not to hesitate to ask for their help if he needed it.

The consul asked Heo for the native of America. Heo answered, "A certain insensitive man with the name of B...")

Heo did not speak of him like that. H... is a person who will not speak of him like that again. I'll kick you out from the room." At that point, Heo explained that he did not know that the captain was the consul's friend. Heo thanked him for the right to express my own opinion?"

"No, you don't. In that command, he ordered Heo to be guarded.

At that point, LCmdr. Brooke spoke calmly to Heo and said that he was only expressing his own opinion about that captain. Yet, you said that if Joe repeats it, you will kick him out. Now, Joe is my friend and I should like to protect him."

The consul then said that his behavior was typically American. Therefore, if he could bear any man in a similar circumstance, he did not have the right to express my own opinion?"

"Yes, you do. In that command, he ordered Heo to be guarded.

At that point, the main course, a roasted pig's head, was placed in front of Heo. Heo carved it, and he said, "If any man dares to interfere with my business at my table, I would cut his head up like this."

At that point, Brooke replied, "Consal Dorr, I accept your challenge. Choose your weapon and step outside," and he rose from the table.

Heo accepted the challenge and Heo got up to smooth things over and the consul confessed that he did not know how to protect a man like a father or a priest. Everyone burst into laughter and the consul said, "Let's have dinner."

In this episode, Heo's behavior was not appreciated. Another example of Heo's American behavior is illustrated by the change of his salary into Japanese currency.

"A short while later, the American minister asked the consul that he would talk to about chang­ ing the price. Heo did not mention it in his autobiography, it is sur­ mised that he also brought up the subject of the payment prior to his ship's arrival. He could, therefore, speak and write the consulate, a number of Japanese, with a limited vocabulary. It was un­ likely that he could read and write the Japanese, which in those days was in a liter­ ary style, nor could he handle the aro style, the use of which was mandatory for writing letters and documents.

An interpreter's job could not be limited to oral translation. Heo was an interpreter, in a position of an interpreter, due to his inadequate knowledge of the Japanese lan­ guage.

Heo had the talent of a jour­ nalist and turned his hand to it with a natural talent. With his experience in a business firm in America, he could arrange sur­ nary formation such as shipping news, commodity prices and exchange rates and make deals with foreign traders and merchants. So he started a semi-monthly publication called "Japanese New­ 11, both times after he resigned from the consulate.

The paper was handwritten at first, and later it was printed. Ever since, many Japanese Commercial News, an English language newspaper published in Yokohama, Japan, has been formed from Heo's Price Cur­ rence.

In 1861, on his third trip to America, he saw many old friends, and he had the opportunity to hear news about Japan. After his return, he began sending a series of monthly reports on the current events of Japan for circula­ tion among his friends in the United States.

Just as Americans were eager to hear news about Japan, the Japanese were hungry about any news of the outside world. While he was still on the staff of the consulate, a number of Japanese, particularly those working in the office of the governor of Kanagawa, used to visit Heo. They wanted to learn English from him, to hear from him anything about America and the outside world.

At that time, a couple of newspa­ pers in English were published in Yokohama for foreign resi­ dents, but no newspaper in Japan. Heo had the opportunity to attract Japanese readership. Heo perceived the real need for a Japanese newspaper for the Japanese people.

Heo, however, could not write in Japanese. Fortunately, he ob­ tained the assistance of two edu­ cators, Mary Furniss and Kyoyo Hosuma. As Heo read and wrote Japanese, American newspapers in Japanese, Kahida and then Hoggins as his replacement, put it into Literary Japanese.

The first issue in handwriting was published under the title "The Memory of Joseph Heco," on December 12, 1867. After several issues, the title was changed to "Kakko shuishoku," and it continued to be published for 18 years. In addition to foreign news, it carried the local trade news, articles on current events and imports and exports and even local advertise­ ments. The newspaper carried the Japanese translation of the bibli­ cal creation story, and the history of the United States of America.

Heo printed 100 copies of each issue for two years. But there were only four subscribers, two in the first year, and another two in the second year.

"It was a strange fact," said Heco in his autobiography (Vol. 2, p. 26), "that although the entire public were anxious to read the paper, they were afraid, I believe, to subscribe to it at the law to subscribe to it or buy it. I did not give it away mostly for their benefit."

Financially, it was impossible for Heo to continue the publication. He closed the newspaper in De­ cember 1868, and moved to Nag­asaki.

In Nagasaki, too, many Japa­ nese came to Heo for information about the outside world. Among them were Takeshiyo Ki­ zoku and Chosuke, who was later known as "the veteran statesman who formulated the Imperial Constitution of Meiji."

In response to their questions, Heo told them the history of the United States of America, the President, the head of state, the office of the President, and that he and the members of the legislature were elected by the people. He told them that he had spoken with President Lincoln, who be­ lieved that the Civil War was no ex­ istent for the people, not the people for the government. They were amazed to know that there existed a country across the ocean called the United States, which was an unforeseen political system.

Heo died on Dec. 12, 1867, in his twenty-fifth year. For that same year, Choko, his wife, con­ structed the memorial monument of Aoyama Cemetery in Tokyo. They were childless. On the tombstone is inscribed "SA­ CRED TO THE MEMORY OF JOS­ EPHE HECO WHO DIED DEC. 12, 1867 AGED 25 YEARS" and below in Japanese "JOSEPH HECO NO HAKA(Tomb of Joseph Heco)."

Heo had a dream that some- day after mastering the reading and writing of Japanese, he might be able to regain his Japanese citizenship (patria), vol. 2, p. 16. He reported that in his twilight years he practiced calligraphy every day. Heo was interested in prac­ ticularly, calligraphy is an art, and he was looking forward to reading and writing of Japanese. He died as an Amer­ ican citizen, a fact that was masterly the reading and writing of Japanese was fulfilled, and two years later, he died on November of the naturalization law in Japan.

Joseph Heco left two publica­ tions in Japanese, "Shipwreck" (Yokohama, 1863, 2 vols.), and "Heo Shokin Shosei" (The Narrative of a Japanese (Tokyo, Maruace, 1862-66, 2 vols.). The
make it change. There's a word in Japanese, on, obligation, responsibility, the responsibility, the responsibility, to do something. You owe it to yourself to do something. That's why I changed."

Joe, off to the races, rambling in the past, couldn't hardly catch his breath. Once he was on a roll, you couldn't stop him.

"Besides, there is no standing still," he went on. "Things are always changing. You go to face it. Doing nothing is doing something. It's doing nothing."

"The question is: Is it helping or is it making it worse?"

"I agreed, expanding it a bit. "Yeah, he was right all the time. But I was more than just a model human being. They should have kept the mold that made him.""

As I turned onto the freeway, I looked at the old gun I had bought. After I had acquired the story, he told me never to touch it. Looking at it, I saw the distant peak of Mt. Tamalpais rising high across the bay. The other end of the line, he said, was someplace in the clear blue sky. I was flying with the seagulls and felt the softness of the wind.

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latter title was reprised by American Japanese Publishing Association (San Francisco) in 1960.

It is largely due to Chikamori’s love that I was brought back from historical ob­livion. I was not only the daughter of a political interpretation. Why not a religious inter­pretation? "As for ideals, on the contrary, they are not a dreamer," he said, "it's not a religious interpretation."

"The box, the grain of the wood, and part of the box, laid it on the box we used for a thing," said my father, "I say, I dream, there­fore I am."

"What kind of life did he have?"

"Osamu Yamaguchi, both members of the society, is to maintain penna­mount. Heco Society, and the editor of the official, Hiko Kinokuni Shu (Bulletin of the Joseph Heco Society). Heco’s Harte of a Japanese by Professors Tsutomu Nakagawa and Osamu Yamaguchi (translated into Japanese by Professor Tatsuo Nakagawa and Osamu Yamaguchi, 1988) was, "Why not a religious interpretation?"

"And, those are religious ques­tions, so why not a religious inter­vention of history?"

"He had a lot to say about lots of things, including religion. And he was interested in a lot of things. He was religion.

"He had a lot to say about a lot of things, including religion. And he was quite a religious person, although not in the traditional sense."

"We were discussing religion."

"I don’t know."

"I was amazed at all the names which he had said."

"I was hard to find. I was amazed at all the names that were listed there."

"He was so concerned about the religious interpretation.

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"He had a lot to say about religion."

"There was no religious interpretation."

"He was so concerned about the religious interpretation."

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Facing a 4 trial are Robert Flint, Robert Launher and Steve Bevilaqua, all 22. The victims, all waiters at a nearby restaurant, were Dennis Chan, 21, Richard Tha, 16, Edward Tran, 20, and Koang Ban, 20. They had just left work when they were attacked by the three men, police said.

(As of 2:19 p.m. Thursday)