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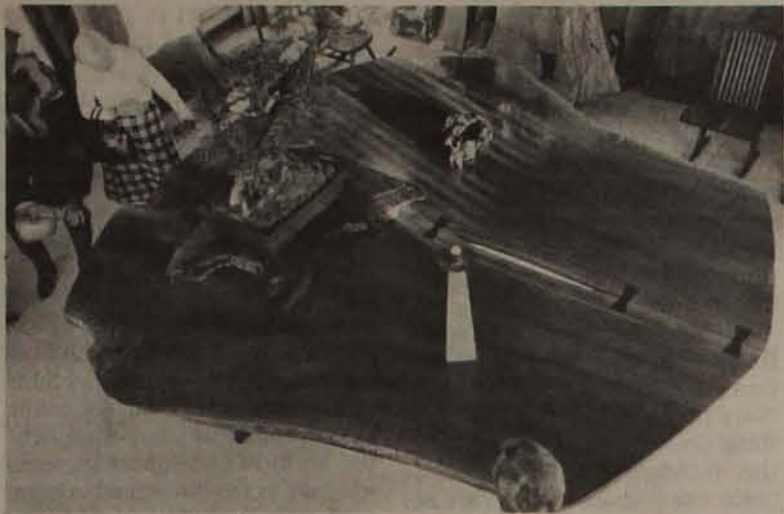
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The Altar of Peace before it was transported to a Manhattan cathedral.

'Altar of Peace' a Labor of Love for JA Woodworker

NEW YORK — A longtime dream was realized New Year's Eve as George Nakashima's "Altar of Peace" was dedicated at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. "We had a fair amount of difficulty transporting it—it was a wide load," the 81-year-old master woodworker said of the three-quarter-ton heart-shaped walnut altar, which made the trip from Nakashima's workshop in Bucks County, Pa., to Manhattan in a 40-foot flatbed truck.

Concert for Peace

About 5,000 people gathered in the cathedral, where they heard the blessing and dedication of the altar as part of the cathedral's fourth annual Concert for Peace.

Nakashima said that the symbolic genesis of the altar "was perhaps a thousand years ago in Japan, the time when the great forests with huge trees existed and the spirit of union of man and nature was deep and real." Having heard that the vast Gothic space was a bit drafty, Nakashima was atypically clad in a three-piece suit rather than his traditional Japanese coat.

Among those accompanying him were his wife Marion, son Kevin, daughter Mira Nakashima-Yarnall, her husband Jon, and their children Maria, Misha, Satoru and Shanti Amagasu.

Financed largely by Nakashima, the altar, which cost about \$10,000, is the final chapter of a saga that began three years ago, when one of Nakashima's loggers procured the tree from a Long Island estate.

Lengthy Process

The tree was hauled to North Carolina and back after a mill there informed Nakashima that no saw on the East Coast could cut the 125-foot tree into boards. Nakashima's friend Scott Wine-land flew from California to Philadelphia to cut the log with an eight-foot chain saw—a process that took a week.

After two years of air- and kiln-drying the logs, Nakashima spent another two-and-a-half months building the altar, which was carefully planed and sanded and then finished with his trademark



George Nakashima

butterfly rosewood inlays.

"I felt the peace movement needed a symbol, something tangible, something you can put your hands on," said Nakashima in an interview last year. "It was a great tree. Trees with this character should have a special meaning and special use."

Religions Represented

The altar, on top of which rests a bonsai tree, is flanked by two menorahs, a Moslem prayer rug and two Shinto vases, in keeping with the cathedral's mission as "a house of prayer for all nations." Also dedicated that night were an eternal flame from Hiroshima and a 14-foot painted cross by Carlos Sanchez Arias entitled "The Crucifixion of Nicaragua."

The concert featured a prayer read by actress Ellen Burstyn, remarks by composer and conductor Leonard Bernstein, and music that included Schubert's Mass in G, two meditations for cello by Bernstein and "Amazing Grace," sung by Odette.

"Let us commit ourselves, yet once again, to the vision of racial harmony and justice in this city," the Very Rev. James Parks Morton, dean of the cathedral, said in a prayer for peace. "We know by now where such discord can lead. We know by now that we must overcome. We must be one people in the city of New York. Let this

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Redress Co-Sponsor Sala Burton Dies at 61

WASHINGTON — Rep. Sala Burton (D-Calif.), a co-sponsor of House redress bill H.R. 442, died of colon cancer Feb. 1. She was 61.

Burton had represented the 5th District (San Francisco) since 1983, when she was elected to succeed her late husband, Rep. Phillip Burton. After undergoing surgery in August, she returned to the House.

But she made no public appearances during her reelection campaign, and when the 100th Congress convened she had to take the oath of office at her Washington home because of her weakened condition. She was again hospitalized Jan. 8.

A week before her death, she endorsed Nancy Pelosi, her campaign manager and former head of the state Democratic Party, for the 5th District seat.

'Caring Spirit'

Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Calif.) said that Burton "will be deeply missed by all who knew her."

"She had a caring spirit and she brought a sense of abiding concern and commitment to everything she did. She cared deeply about people and families and she cared about California and the nation. My wife, Doris, and I have lost a dear friend, and California has lost a gentle lady whose voice, though silent now, will never be forgotten."

"In 1983, I went through a cancer operation, but I was fortunate enough to have... the cancer removed," said Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.). "Unfortunately, the ravages of cancer have taken a very fine colleague from us."

'Laced With Love'

"But we can all look back to various ways in which we worked with her, whether it was the redress issue impacting on Americans of Japanese ancestry, to something that we will be doing tomorrow (Feb. 3), which is overriding the veto of the Clean Water Act by the President... But ev-



Rep. Sala Burton

everything she has been involved in has, as everyone has indicated here, been laced with love, her caring of things, her caring for people."

National JACL, in a written statement, called Burton "a consistent and sensitive supporter of

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Chair of Key House Subcommittee Named

WASHINGTON — Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) has been named the new chair of the congressional subcommittee that has jurisdiction over the Japanese American redress bill, Reps. Robert Matsui and Norman Mineta (both D-Calif.) announced Feb. 2.

Frank will chair the Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations, which held hearings on redress legislation last year. He is a co-sponsor of redress bill H.R. 442.

First elected in 1980, Frank represents Massachusetts' 4th District, which includes Newton, Brookline, Wellesley, Dover, At-

tleboro, Foxboro, Medfield, Natick, and Fall River.

"Congressman Frank has a reputation as a dedicated and staunch defender of constitutional and civil rights," said Matsui. "He is one of the most intelligent and effective members of the House of Representatives."

"I'm delighted that Congressman Frank is heading this subcommittee," said Mineta. "I look forward to a productive session with him."

Frank replaces Rep. Dan Glickman (D-Kan.), who will head the Agriculture Committee's Subcommittee on Wheat, Soybeans and Feed Grains.



Rep. Barney Frank



Photo by Sachi Yamamoto

In Los Angeles' Little Tokyo, homeless people line up outside vacant building being used as a temporary shelter.

Little Tokyo Opposes New Homeless Shelter

by J.K. Yamamoto

LOS ANGELES — Little Tokyo and Skid Row have long been next-door neighbors. A block away from the ornate New Otani Hotel, for example, men sleep in cardboard boxes on the sidewalk by the Midnight Mission.

But this close proximity suddenly became a topic of heated

debate when the City Council voted Jan. 21 to open a vacant print shop on 1st Street between Alameda and Central as a temporary shelter for the homeless—a move which members of the Little Tokyo community said would transform the block into an extension of Skid Row.

The action to open the build-

ing for up to 90 days was prompted by unusually low nighttime temperatures which had caused the deaths of four transients earlier that month. Some homeless people had been given temporary refuge in the council chambers and other city-owned structures.

Members of the Little Tokyo

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Broadcaster's Remarks Sparked Controversy

Philadelphia's Blacks, Asians Start Dialogue

PHILADELPHIA — The controversy over remarks about Asians by radio personality Georgie Woods (see Jan. 16 PC) has died down, but members of the Asian American community feel that there is much work to be done in improving relations with the Black community.

Woods, a longtime civil rights activist and host of a talk show on WDAS, became the center of attention in November and December because of his on-air statements that Asians, especially Koreans, who do business in Black neighborhoods are rude to customers and take money out of the community.

'They Suck Our Blood'

He has said of Asians, "They suck our blood. They don't like Black folks, but they take our money." He suggested that if they do not improve their treatment of Black customers, extremists in the community may settle the issue "with kerosene."

Woods was not the only one expressing resentment. Nazirah Bashir, a member of the United Black Business Association, has stated that Blacks are in an "all-out economic war" with Korean merchants, whom she called "the new Jews" (many of the Asian-owned stores were previously owned by Jews). Asked what the merchants should do if they are driven from the area, she said, "Tell them to go back to Korea."

'Stop the Hitlers'

Statements such as these were condemned by editorials in the Philadelphia Daily News and

the Philadelphia Inquirer, by Asian and Jewish leaders, and by some Black leaders as well.

Samuel Evans, head of the American Foundation for Negro Affairs and the Family of Leaders, said on Dec. 17 that the majority of Blacks "don't want to advance economically, educationally and otherwise at the expense of, or to the detriment of, other Americans."

"Since we have experienced over 250 years of slavery because of our race, thousands of lynchings because of our race, discrimination and separation because of our race, we should be the last persons" to practice discrimination, he said, urging community leaders to "stop the Hitlers during their budding period, to catch them before they bloom."

At a meeting of Black and Asian leaders called by the city's Commission on Human Relations on Dec. 19, Woods refused to apologize for his remarks: "I have done nothing that I have to apologize for when I try to enhance Black business people. Racism is not what I'm about. The Asians are not my enemies, but I do believe we have to control what exists in our community."

'Not a Racist'

But WDAS general manager Cody Anderson did apologize for Woods' statements, acknowledging that "they could be construed as racist."

And on Dec. 24, Woods himself issued an open letter, later carried in the Daily News, that read: "I am not a racist. If for any rea-

son anyone has interpreted my remarks as racist, I do humbly apologize. I am proud to say I am not a racist, for I have been fighting against racism all my life...

"My goal and objective is to stimulate the consciousness of the African American community towards economic development, taking advantage of the resources we have in the community. In addition, I wish freedom, justice and the same rights to all of humanity."

"I also encourage my listeners to concentrate on the positive and stray away from any prejudice or discriminatory language... for any misunderstanding concerning racism, I apologize."

Asians Assess Relations

Jill Mark Lee, executive director of the Chinese American Resource Center, was not completely satisfied with Woods' letter. "He did not apologize for what he said," she maintained.

She told the Pacific Citizen that the situation is "riding itself out," but added, "The fire's not out. There's still embers."

Ida Chen, an attorney and the only Asian member of the Human Relations Commission, told PC there has been "a lot of progress" in Black-Asian relations. Woods "was very, very hostile" at the December meeting, she said, but "He's singing a different tune now," going so far as to discuss the possibility of having a member of the Korean Business Association as a guest on his show. "Out of confrontation, sometimes there can be a good resolution," said Chen.

Sam Hwang of the Korean Association of Greater Philadelphia described the controversy as both a crisis and an opportunity.

"We certainly don't tolerate what happened, but I think what has come out of all this is a lot of support—from Asians and non-Asians and Blacks—for the cause for which we stand," he told PC.

Also, he said, "It gave us an opportunity to have a dialogue with certain elements within the Black community which had some bias and bad feelings against Asians."

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ALTAR OF PEACE

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be a special message from this gathering to our fellow New Yorkers on this New Year's Eve."

The cathedral's non-sectarian nature provided "an interesting sort of ambience" and was "quite unusual in our society... anything goes," Nakashima later told the Pacific Citizen.

Although he originally wanted the altar to be in the United Nations building, he found the UN "very political, you don't get anything done there." Furthermore, the building didn't have any "nice, open spaces... that are attractive."

Steven Rockefeller, dean and professor of religion at Middlebury (Vt.) College and Nakashima's friend and client, served as an intermediary between the woodworker and the cathedral, and headed a fund-raising committee for the project.

With the stock on hand to build other altars, Nakashima is considering Nagasaki as the site for the next project. "There's no starting date," he said. "We're just talking about it."

As with the UN, he discovered that the idea of placing the altar in Hiroshima "didn't work" because that city is "much more political than Nagasaki," due in part to factionalism among peace groups there.

Mentioning the Soviet Union and Jerusalem as other possible altar sites, he said, "I think we have enough material to do several extraordinary tables."

The Seattle-born Nakashima,

who describes himself as a "Hindu Catholic," earned an architectural degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology and studied in Paris, Tokyo and Pondicherry, India, where he lived in a Hindu ashram. After wartime internment in Minidoka, Idaho, he moved to New Hope, Pa., where he has been practicing the craft of furniture-making ever since.

Nakashima's works are included in the permanent collections of the American Craft Museum, the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the Victoria and Albert Museum in London, the National Museum of Modern Art in Tokyo, and elsewhere. He summed up his philosophy and technique in the 1981 book *The Soul of a Tree*.

JACL named him JA of the Biennium in the arts-literature-communications category in 1980.

Contributions Accepted

Nakashima said that contributions are still being accepted for the first altar. "If we have any surplus, we'll just put it into the second altar," he added.

Tax-deductible contributions can be made in the following "Honorary Woodworker" categories: East Indian Rosewood—\$1,000; Persian Walnut—\$500; English Oak Burl—\$100; Claro Walnut—\$50; Black Walnut—\$25. Address donations to: Nakashima Altar for Peace, Office of the Dean, Cathedral of St. John the Divine, 1047 Amsterdam Ave., New York, NY 10025.

—from reports by New York Times and Pacific Citizen staff

Attributing the conflict to a lack of communication between the two communities—"Each side is so ignorant of the other," he said—Hwang stressed the importance of maintaining a dialogue. Hwang is in touch with leaders of the Black clergy, and a member of his organization spoke at

a recent celebration of Martin Luther King's birthday.

As for Woods' apology, Hwang commented, "The letter, together with the way he has been acting, gives us a sense that he is truly apologetic about it."

—from reports by Philadelphia Daily News and Pacific Citizen staff

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Morikami Park Ceremony

Asian Americans in Florida Honor Onizuka

DELRAY BEACH, Fla. — A 7-foot, \$3,000 Japanese stone lantern, surrounded by trees in a small, grassy clearing between a lake and a hill in Morikami Park, was dedicated Jan. 25 in memory of astronaut Ellison Onizuka.

When the space shuttle Challenger went down on Jan. 28, 1986, few people knew that the first Asian American to travel in space was on board.

In the aftermath of the disaster, there was little mention of Onizuka's distinction, said Jack Curtiss, chairman of the Asian American Federation of Florida.

"It saddened the Asian community that only one publication reported he was the first astronaut of Asian descent," Curtiss said during the dedication of the memorial. "The Asian community of Florida is making a small gesture to overcome the oversight."

Secret Mission

Onizuka's first flight was on the Discovery in January 1985. Because he was on a secret Defense Department mission, Curtiss said, Onizuka did not receive the same media attention that the first woman and Black astronauts had gotten.

"It's an appropriate addition to our park because it's in keeping with the tradition," said Larry Rosensweig, director of the Morikami. "Lanterns such as this are often donated in memory of people."

The lantern, dedicated by the Asian American Federation of Florida (a coalition of 25 community groups) and the South Florida chapter of the Japan America Society, will be a lasting reminder of Onizuka's accomplishments.

Astronaut Franklin Chang-Diaz, a friend of Onizuka's, told the 150 people gathered at the outdoor dedication that Onizuka never strove for special recognition. "He never intended to be anyone's hero," said Chang-Diaz. "He just did his job."

Chang-Diaz said shuttle flights will resume in early 1988. When the next shuttle reaches 50,000 feet—the altitude at which the



The Japanese lantern dedicated to the memory of Astronaut Onizuka.

Challenger exploded—"Maybe the souls of the Challenger crew will reach out and... fly up with them, into space and on to the stars," he suggested.

Chang-Diaz flew on the shuttle Columbia just 10 days before the Challenger tragedy.

A Guide for Others

"I have no doubt his spirit will communicate with the new astronauts and guide them," said Pandit Narine Sharma of Florida Hindu Parishad.

"This lantern is a beacon of the light he shined on us, and a beacon to guide those to come so they can follow the example of this young hero."

The other major faiths of the Asian community—Christianity, Islam and Buddhism—were also represented. Onizuka was a Buddhist.

Lake Park resident Atsuko Lefcourt, vice president of the South Florida Japan America Society, was among those who wore traditional Asian clothing to the ceremony. "We are very proud of him," she said of Onizuka, "and want to do something for him."

Message From Family

Onizuka's wife Lorna did not attend the ceremony, but conveyed her appreciation in a letter read by Maki Fane, Miss Asian American Florida of 1986.

Palm Beach County Commissioner Dorothy Wilken and Broward County Commissioner Ed Kennedy were among the elected officials who attended.

—from reports by Delray Beach Times, Palm Beach Post and Miami Herald

SALA BURTON

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minority issues."

"Representing a district which included the National Headquarters of the JACL, she was a special friend, providing both support and leadership," the statement read. "Her passing will leave a great void."

JACL-LEC executive director Grace Uyehara said she was "saddened to hear of the great loss to the San Francisco community, to our nation, and to the organizations bound together to advance the basic human rights of all Americans."

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'What Youth Can Learn'

HONOLULU — Brian Chen, a junior at Kauai High and Intermediate School, has been named the grand prize winner in an essay contest on astronaut Ellison Onizuka sponsored by the Hawaii Department of Education and United Airlines.

Chen, who lives in Kapaa, Kauai, and his science teacher, Mieke Takabayashi, won an all-expenses-paid trip to the NASA facilities in Houston from Jan. 29 to Feb. 1, scheduled to coincide with the first anniversary of the Jan. 28, 1986 space shuttle explosion which took the lives of Onizuka and six other astronauts.

The essay contest drew 188 entries from juniors and seniors in Hawaii's public and private high schools. The topic was "What Hawaii's Youth Can Learn From Ellison Onizuka."

Runners-up were Thom Sakata, Ka'u H.S.; Kimberly Yaeger, Hilo H.S.; Leilani Benitez, Waipahu H.S.; and Kristi Lei Fukami, Baldwin H.S. The judges were Fumiyo Migimoto, retired English teacher; Cynthia Onizuka, Puuhale Elementary School teacher and a relative of the astronaut; and Art Kimura, Department of Education science teacher.

Chen's essay will be displayed at Keahole Airport, future site of the Onizuka Memorial Pavilion and Museum, in Kona, Onizuka's home town.

The winning essay is printed below:

"Eko Lu Mea Nui," three important things—Faith, Hope and Charity. These were the virtues that fueled Ellison Onizuka's passion to venture into the treacherous, unfathomable and unpredictable world beyond earth. Although his last voyage ended tragically, his spirit shall forever remain to guide those who understand the vision for which he gave his life.

An imaginative lad, Ellison grew up with "Space Cadet," "Flash Gordon," and the aspiration to become an astronaut. Despite the obstacles he faced, Onizuka tenaciously held on to his childhood dreams. His life quietly yet eloquently encourages us not to let the dark clouds dim our dreams and diminish our ambitions, but, in Christa McAuliffe's words, to keep on "reaching for the stars."

Chance alone did not rocket Ellison to the top—hope and faith to pursue the seemingly impossible guided him to a hard-earned triumph. These qualities and the love that accompanied them are the legacy left by Onizuka for the aspiring youth of Hawaii. They inspire those who are willing to pursue their dreams with courage and perseverance.

Ellison Onizuka dared to challenge space. He did so with a belief in and a hope for mankind. His was a life and labor of love, an inspiration transcending all physical boundaries to touch the heart of the world. Ellison was a special "Challenger" whose soul is surely among the stars.

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The Community Press: A Worthwhile Cause

by Ron Chew
Editor, International Examiner

Too often, well-meaning individuals ask me when I'll finally graduate to a "professional job" at a "real newspaper."

On a superficial level, I'm flattered because the question implies respect for my competence as a journalist. On a more important level, I'm disappointed because the question implies that the community press is merely a steppingstone to a more challenging media arena that deals more competently with issues of greater substance. Too many people, even Asian Americans, have accepted this glib lie.

I'm proud to work for a community newspaper. The community press is, after all, where the history of Asian Americans is written. Despite weaknesses created by sparse resources and training, the community press has consistently remained close to the issues that have been closest to the community, weaving an information net between people with common concerns, language and culture, and providing them with a voice to communicate their needs to the outside.

Heroes and Heroines

Our more substantial heroes and heroines are not the television news stars who have been deemed acculturated enough, attractive enough and innocuous enough to deliver the news to the general public. Our heroes and heroines are not even the Asian reporters whose names bedeck the top stories in large metropolitan dailies across the country.

Long before America gave them an opportunity to become professional journalists on general-circulation publications, Asian Americans, laboring without the lure of money and well-placed bylines, gathered and disseminated information for their communities. They used the rudimentary vehicle of a community newspaper, or the even more rudimentary vehicle of a newsletter or handbill. But this work, produced out of the need to communicate, advocate and inform, has always been more honest and useful than the processed gruel that now passes for objective journalism in larger, more prestigious publications.

I frequently hear arrogant, derisive comments about the quality of community news publications from Asian American "professional journalists" and Asian American authors who consider themselves artists with greater virtue, talent and vision than hack journalists. The "professional journalists" don't consider community journalists "professionals"; the artists don't consider community journalists "artists." Both are wrong.

The "professional" journalists should remember the many occasions when, staring down the barrel of a deadline on a major breaking news story, they've had to call on their brethren at the community "rags" to gather essential background and find out the names of appropriate sources.

Asian American artists, too obsessed with irrelevant standards of art, should be aware of how James Baldwin once described the response of an audience to Lorraine Hansberry's Play "A Raisin in the Sun": "The black people crowded around Lorraine, whether or not they considered her an artist, assuredly considered her a witness." By evidence of its many readers, the commu-

nity press has remained the most sensitive witness to the Asian American experience.

The JACL Reporter

In the late '70s, I frequently crossed paths with one of my heroes: Eira Nagaoka, an unremarkable-looking man in glasses, polyester suit and muffler, a large tape recorder slung over his shoulder. Invariably he was coming from or going to a meeting—or both.

For over 20 years, he produced the JACL Reporter, the monthly newsletter of Seattle JACL. The publication, a sheaf of pages with single-spaced typing, was as useful as any newspaper, crammed with significant gossip, notes of meetings, announcements and tidbits of news that hinted at issues beginning to develop. You couldn't find this stuff anywhere else.

During the time I knew Eira—until his death in 1983—he had already become a dinosaur, and he knew it. His old typewriter had long since given way to self-correcting electric models, and the mimeograph machine that printed the newsletter had long since yielded to the offset press. But he held fast, undeterred, driven by his almost ritual commitment to community service.

One of the last times I saw Eira, I bumped into him at the deli section of Uwajimaya. I told him, as I always did, how much I admired his tireless work on the JACL Reporter. He shrugged in a matter-of-fact way, as if to say, "Well, *someone* has to do it."

Then, adopting a familiar expression, he looked at me out of the side of his glasses, his lips pursing in a slight grin, and said, "You know, I can write about many things because I can also speak Japanese. The younger generation, they have a good education, but they can't communicate with the Issei."

'Dinosaur' With a Purpose

He was acknowledging that yes, he was a dinosaur, but even dinosaurs serve a purpose: they provide a bridge to the past.

Today, I still think about Eira's commitment and his extraordinary stamina—qualities found in far less abundance among the well-educated and precocious journalists of this current generation, whose work is inspired more by the promise of recognition, money and status.

I asked Cherry Kinoshita, a perennial activist who belongs to the earlier generation, if Eira ever got paid for his work on the JACL Reporter. The answer was ridiculously obvious; she laughed and said, "Oh, no. In our generation, nothing was a paid position."

Another community journalist of this generation is Emiliano Francisco, an undusted relic who has published a Filipino community newspaper in Seattle since 1933. His wry, earthy, corny humor—which I hear in the talk of the old Filipino men of the International District—always makes me laugh. I bump into him either coming from or going to the post office. He will usually remark on the volume of ads in the Examiner and ask me, tongue in cheek, "How's the millionaire?"

He's happy, he says, when he makes enough on ads to pay printing and typesetting bills and "have some coffee money left over."

His newspaper, the Filipino American Herald, is published once a month. He says he once published a weekly forerunner



to the Herald during the Depression and nearly "lost my shirt."

The Herald, now tired and time-worn, is filled with an odd grab-bag of press releases, columns, reprinted articles and muddy snapshots of community queen contestants and Filipino lodge members. The staff is now reduced to Francisco, who collects the mail and goes to community functions, and his wife, who handles the billing and does the paste-up ("She's good at filling up all those cubbyholes on the page," he says).

"My wife, she tells me, 'What happens when you die? There won't be any community newspaper,'" Francisco says. "Anyway, that's why I keep doing it."

Replenish the Tradition

My wish is that more Asian American journalists, armed with the education and resources not available to past generations, return to replenish the tradition of the community press. The community should never be left without the resources to rejuvenate an aging publication or to create a new publication where an old one has fallen.

I propose a toast to some of the fine community journalists across the country who've continued to nourish the tradition: Patty Wada and Julia Matisoo at the Hokubei Mainichi; Harry Honda, Bob Shimabukuro, Lynn Sakamoto-Chung and J.K. Yamamoto at the Pacific Citizen; Gil Roy Gorre at the Philippine American News; Sophia Kim at the Korea Times; and Penny Fujiko Willgerodt at the New York Nichibei. Closer to home, appreciation should go to the contributors whose unselfish work has sustained and enriched the International Examiner in the past year.

1000 Club Roll

(Year of Membership Shown)
* Century; ** Corporate; L Life;
M Memorial; C/L Century Life

Summary (Since Jan 1, 1987)

Active (previous total)180
Total this report: # 227
Current total207

Jan 19-23, 1987

Berkeley: 18-Robert T. Sugimoto.
Chicago: 14-Rose Marie Kurata, 4-Harry Onishi*, 27-Hiroshi Tanaka, 31-Chiye Tomihiro*.
Cleveland: 4-Dr Craig Shimizu.
Contra Costa: 22-Hiro Hirano.
Downtown LA: 32-Chester I. Katayama, 26-Kakuo Tanaka.
Fresno: 27-Paul N. Takahashi.
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Livingston Merced: 24-Agnes Winton, 30-Gordon H. Winton Jr.
Marysville: 11-Mark Iwanaga.
Mid Columbia: 26-Taro Asai.
Mile Hi: 7-Terry Nishida Sato.
New York: 12-Mary S. Wu.
San Fernando Valley: 32-Isamu Ueyehara.
Venice-Culver: 20-Dr Rodger T. Kame*, 31-Dr Takao Shishino.
Washington D.C.: 3-Richard K. Hayasaka*, 14-Hon William H. Mo Marumoto*, 1-Edward A. Sawada.
West Los Angeles: 20-Mas Miyakoda.
West Valley: 3-James Y. Sakamoto.
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4-Harry Onishi (Chi), 6-Chiye Tomihiro (Chi), 5-Dr Rodger T. Kame (Vnc), 3-Richard K Hayasaka (WDC), 13-William H Marumoto (WDC).

The LEC Fund Drive: A Progress Report

by Harry Kajihara
LEC Fund Drive Chair

The LEC Fund Drive Campaign was initiated June 7, 1985, and reached its midpoint Dec. 31, 1986. To date, more than \$300,000 has been raised through the dedicated efforts of prime solicitors, chapters and event chairs. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge those individuals and groups whose efforts have enabled LEC to continue its work for redress.

In addition, I would like to remind all of you that the campaign still has another year and a half to go. There is still much to be done, and I urge your continued support.

A listing of prime solicitors from the eight districts and monies raised are as follows:

LEC Fund Drive Summary: Dec. 31, 1986 PRIME SOLICITORS

Pacific Northwest

1. Cherry Kinoshita	\$11,775.00
2. Homer Yasui	6,050.00
3. San Nakagawa	2,902.34
4. Denny Yasurara	2,785.00
5. Bob Sato	2,400.00
6. Jim Tsujimura	1,125.00
7. Tomio Moriguchi	1,050.00
8. Gordon Yamaguchi	898.00
9. Harvey Watanabe	810.00
10. Lloyd Hara	100.00

North Cal-W Nev-P

1. Jerry Enomoto	\$2,750.00
2. Judy Nizawa	2,600.00
3. Molly Fujioka	2,341.00
4. Tad Hiroto	2,300.00
5. Violet De Christoforo	1,395.00
6. Ben Takeshita	1,200.00
7. Mike Hamachi	1,015.00
8. Cliff Uyeda	950.00
9. Mary Tsukamoto	560.00
10. Ichiro Nishida	555.00
11. Henry Tanda	525.00
12. James Tanda	475.00
13. George Furukawa	220.00
14. Harry Sakasegawa	150.00
15. Sumi Honami	100.00

Central CA

1. Tom Shimasaki	\$1,664.00
2. Peggy Liggett	1,000.00
3. Hiro Mayeda	683.00
4. Ben Nagatani	376.40

Pacific Southwest

1. Mas Hironaka	\$3,560.00
2. Harry Kajihara	3,521.37
3. Willie Takano	1,955.00
4. Rose Ochi	1,430.00
5. Frank Watake	1,250.00
6. Mary Ogawa	1,080.00
7. Junji Kumamoto	760.00

Intermountain

1. Mitsugi Kawai	\$1,985.00
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Mountain Plains

1. Min Yasui (deceased)	\$4,380.00
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Midwest

1. Henry Tanaka	\$5,265.00
2. Shig Wakamatsu	5,114.00
3. James Taguchi	4,670.00
4. Alan Hida	3,176.00
5. Kaz Mayeda	3,075.00
6. Jack Nakagawa	2,000.00
7. Ken Matsumoto	1,699.00
8. Thomas Kaihara	1,050.00
9. Art Morimitsu	890.00
10. Joseph Tanaka	800.00
11. Frank Sakamoto	600.00
12. Elizabeth Breyer	592.00
13. Paul Igasaki	500.00
14. Thomas Tokuhisa	375.00
15. Tom Nakao	300.00
16. Henry Tanabe	75.00

Eastern

1. Grayce Ueyehara	\$7,847.00
2. Lili Okura	6,540.00
3. Mike Suzuki	4,550.00
4. BJ/Ron Watanabe/Osajima	3,675.00
5. Tom Kometani	2,525.00
6. Jack Ozawa (deceased)	2,250.00
7. Charles Nagao	1,265.00
8. Tak Monuchi	1,000.00
9. Cherry Tsutsumida	140.00

Various chapters also volunteered to raise money for the pursuit of redress. Participating chapters and monies raised are as follows:

Pacific Northwest

1. Seattle Chap JACL	\$6,210.00
2. Puget Sound Vly	750.00
3. Lake Washington	501.00
4. Portland	162.00

North Cal-W Nev-P

1. Florin Chap	3,160.00
2. Diablo Vly	2,125.00
3. San Jose	2,000.00
4. Stockton Chap	1,760.00
5. San Jose JACL Dance	1,000.00
6. Contra Costa	700.00
7. French Camp	675.00
8. Eden Township	555.00
9. Berkeley 1000 Club	500.00
10. Marysville Chap	380.00

Central Cal

1. Fresno Chap	\$5,290.00
2. Clovis Chap	2,145.00
3. Sanger Chap	992.00
4. Delano Chap	376.40
5. Tulare Chap	150.00

Pacific Southwest

1. Selanoco Chap	\$9,000.00
2. San Fernando	6,705.00
3. San Diego JACL	3,560.00
4. Marina Chap	2,267.60
5. Greater LA Singles	1,713.00
6. Las Vegas Chap	1,121.00
7. Riverside JACL	760.00
8. Pasadena JACL	640.00
9. San Gabriel Vly	400.00
10. Orange County	331.00
11. Carson JACL	250.00

Mountain Plains

1. Houston Chap	\$200.00
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DISTRICT (Amount Received/Total Pledge)

Pac. S.W. (\$10,615/\$37,345)	28%
No. Cal./W. Nev. (\$42,680/\$42,655)	100%
Pac. Northwest (\$5,330/\$7,745)	69%
Mountain Plains (\$900/\$2,295)	39%
Eastern (\$4,137/\$4,025)	103%
Midwest (\$4,185/\$9,145)	46%
Cent. Cal. (\$5,480/\$7,465)	73%
Intermountain (\$1,500/\$5,570)	27%

Under the Weather, But Progressing

LEC
UPDATE

Grayce
Uyehara



The nation's capital came to a grinding and silent halt with much heavier than expected snowfall on Jan. 22. There was a repetition of this event on the following Sunday and Monday, with an increased amount registered.

Washington can't operate without public transportation—cabs, Metro system and airports. Because of inability to remove the snow, the individual drivers and their cars created a total gridlock pattern all around the city, and whatever snowplows and cinder-ing and salt trucks were available certainly were not seen on the streets.

The results were that appointments and meetings were cancelled and offices closed. The pristine beauty and tranquilizing silence which result from a heavy snowfall are to be appreciated, but in big cities it presents major problems and wastes valuable time.

The weather-related problems were most frustrating. H.R. 442 had been introduced Jan. 6. It was mainly the House that took the district work period from Jan. 9-17, while many of the Senate committees continued to meet.

The House bill should move forward under the leadership of Congressman Barney Frank, who has been a strong supporter of the redress issue from the beginning of the legislative efforts. LEC Legislative Chairman Grant Ujifusa and I have an appointment with Frank this week to discuss the movement of the redress bill during this first session of the 100th Congress.

Senate Bill

At the installation dinner of the Washington, D.C. JACL on Jan. 31, where Sen. Daniel Inouye was the key speaker, we were also honored with the presence of Sen. Spark Matsunaga and freshman Rep. Patricia Saiki of Hawaii.

Matsunaga announced that he now had 32 co-sponsors for the Senate bill. He intended to pursue contacts with his colleagues to aim for 51 co-sponsors so that the votes for the bill can be in place for serious consideration.

In my Feb. 2 meeting with the senator, I received the list of

Monthly Membership Totals: Report No. 3

JACL Membership Count : Jan. 1/Dec. 31, 1986

Month	Reg	Fam	TC-50	TC-100	Corp	Stdnt	Youth	Assoc	Total
Jan ...	1,841	614	189	13	1	31	4	-	2,693
Feb ...	1,671	882	276	22	2	28	2	8	2,891
Mar ...	2,261	1,317	243	16	-	48	6	2	3,893
Apr ...	1,226	637	234	16	-	39	2	-	2,154
May ...	916	416	104	10	-	27	2	1	1,476
Jun ...	689	327	152	13	-	37	9	1	1,238
Jul ...	886	212	104	13	-	20	1	-	1,236
Aug ...	456	189	65	4	g-1	8	3	1	727
Sep ...	534	319	56	4	s-1	10	2	-	926
Oct ...	326	163	89	10	d-1	6	1	2	598
Nov ...	240	87	123	10	-	11	-	3	474
Dec ...	459	187	66	9	-	18	2	2	743
YTD ...	11,515	5,350	1,701	140	6	283	34	20	19,049
1985 Final Membership	26,478								
1986 Year-to-Date (Each Family unit counts as two members)	24,399								
YTD Percentage of 1985	92.1%								

names, which had gone up to 33 co-sponsors. Since the bill has not yet been reintroduced, it does not have a Senate number. The senator plans to introduce the bill in February, and it will be essentially the same as S. 1053, introduced in the 99th Congress.

The list of senators who have agreed to co-sponsor the redress bill is as follows:

Alaska: Frank Murkowski (R)
Ted Stevens (R)
California: Alan Cranston (D)
Colorado: Tim Wirth (D)
Connecticut: Christopher Dodd (D)
Lowell Weicker (R)
Delaware: Joseph Biden (D)
Hawaii: Spark Matsunaga (D)
Daniel Inouye (D)
Illinois: Alan Dixon (D)
Iowa: Tom Harkin (D)
Maryland: Paul Sarbanes (D)
Barbara Mikulski (D)
Massachusetts: Edward Kennedy (D)
John Kerry (D)
Michigan: Carl Levin (D)
Donald Riegle (D)
Minnesota: Rudy Boschwitz (R)
Montana: John Melcher (D)
Nevada: Harry Reid (D)
New Jersey: Bill Bradley (D)
Frank Lautenberg (D)
New York: Daniel Moynihan (D)
Alfonse D'Amato (R)
North Dakota: Quentin Burdick (D)
Kent Conrad (D)
Ohio: Howard Metzenbaum (D)
Oregon: Mark Hatfield (R)
Pennsylvania: Arlen Specter (R)
South Dakota: Thomas Daschle (D)
Washington: Brock Adams (D)
Daniel Evans (R)
Wisconsin: William Proxmire (D)

Total: 33 (25 D, 8 R)

JACL-LEC is most appreciative of Sen. Matsunaga's personal support for the cause of redress. Just before the snowstorm, his office listed 18 co-sponsors; an incredible amount of work went into rounding up 15 more supporters during the following week.

Sen. Arlen Specter (R-Pa.) came on as a result of constituent lobbying. Other first-time co-sponsors are Brock Adams (D-Wash.), Kent

Conrad (D-N.D.), Tom Daschle (D-S.D.), Chris Dodd (D-Conn.), Barbara Mikulski (D-Md.), Harry Reid (D-Nev.), Tim Wirth (D-Colo.) and Joseph Biden (D-Del.).

Two supporting senators from the 99th Congress who are being followed up are James Exon (D-Neb.) and Paul Simon (D-Ill.).

Sen. John Glenn (D-Ohio) will be majority chair of the Government Affairs Committee, to which the bill will be assigned. The subcommittee on Civil Service, Post Office and General Services will have Sen. David Pryor (D-Ark.) as majority chair. At this time we do not have the minority chairs or the listing of the members of the committees.

Plan of Action

Both at the installation dinner and the Eastern District Council JACL meeting, where delegates were honored with the presence of Mike Masaoka, all those who are knowledgeable about the difficult work of getting bills passed focused on constituent contacts with members of Congress.

Masaoka urged that we mount a nationwide letter-writing campaign. He reminded us that in the campaign for passage of the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Naturalization Act in 1952, 15,000 letters and telegrams were sent. We will develop a letter-writing campaign to tie the redress bills to the bicentennial of the Constitution. The first coordinated effort will be made at the end of June, before the Independence Day district work period.

Matsunaga also made a strong appeal for constituents to organize the letter-writing campaign using the human and civil rights organizations and other groups that have passed resolutions to support redress. All of this must be done at the district level.

The big push for completion of the effort to seek redress will be made during the 100th Congress. Are you with us? We know we have our big chance now if

Fourth-Year Pledge Standings Through January 31, 1987

Chapter	Pledge (\$)	Rcd (\$)	Chapter	Pledge (\$)	Rcd (\$)
PACIFIC SOUTHWEST:					
Arizona	\$1670		West Valley	1515	1515
Carson	525	525	District Total:	42,655	42,680
Coachella Valley	545		PACIFIC NORTHWEST:		
Downtown Los Angeles	690	690	Gresham-Troutdale	\$ 660	660
East Los Angeles	3220	2000	Lake Washington	305	
Gardena Valley	4235		Mid-Columbia	870	
Greater L.A. Singles	865		Portland	780	800
Greater Pasadena	140		Olympia	205	210
Hollywood	1145		Puyallup Valley	940	
Imperial Valley	220		Seattle	3030	3030
Las Vegas	185		Spokane	610	630
Latin America	285		White River Valley	345	
Marina	665		District Total:	7745	5330
Nikkei Leadership Assn.			MOUNTAIN PLAINS:		
North San Diego	310	310	Arkansas Valley	\$ 370	
Orange County	2685		Fort Lupton	475	
Pacifica	260		Houston	170	170
Pan Asian	870	150	Mile High	435	435
Pasadena	635	705	New Mexico	300	
Progressive Westside	130		Omaha	545	295
Riverside	435	435	District Total:	2295	900
San Diego	2315		EASTERN:		
San Fernando Valley	1725	1725	New England	\$ 130	
San Gabriel Valley	930		New York	995	995
San Luis Obispo	415		Philadelphia	775	862
Santa Barbara	600	600	Seabrook	880	880
Santa Maria	430	300	Washington D.C.	1245	
Selanoco	1740	1740	District Total:	4025	4137
South Bay	885		MIDWEST:		
So. Cal. American Nikkei			Chicago	\$ 3915	
Torrance	225		Cincinnati	545	
Venice-Culver	1310	500	Cleveland	990	500
Ventura County	930	935	Dayton	505	505
West Los Angeles	5455		Detroit	885	850
Wilshire	670		Hoosier	355	355
District Total:	37,345	10,615	Milwaukee	515	515
N. Cal.-W. Nev.-Pacific/Japan:					
Alameda	\$1250	\$1250	St. Louis	555	555
Berkeley	1665	1665	Twin Cities	880	905
Contra Costa	2000	2000	District Total:	9145	4185
Cortez	990	990	CENTRAL CALIFORNIA:		
Diablo Valley	565	565	Clovis	\$ 625	625
Eden Township	1000	1000	Delano	200	200
Florin	600	600	Fowler	350	350
Fremont	500	595	Fresno	2075	2085
French Camp	720	720	Parlier	745	
Gilroy	675	675	Reedley	745	745
Golden Gate	190	190	Sanger	950	480
Honolulu	420	160	Selma	485	485
Japan	375	375	Tulare County	1290	510
Livingston-Merced	940	940	District Total:	7465	5480
Lodi	1450	1450	INTERMOUNTAIN:		
Marin County	425	425	District Council	\$5570	\$1500
Marysville	1360	1360	Boise Valley		
Monterey Peninsula			Idaho Falls		
Oakland	490	580	Mount Olympus		
Placer County	1370	1370	Pocatello/Blackfoot		
Reno	385	385	Salt Lake City		
Sacramento	4500	4500	Snake River		
Salinas Valley	1910	1910	Wasatch Front North		
San Benito County	365	365	District Total:	5570	1500
San Francisco	5000	5000	Grand Totals:	\$116,245	74,827
San Jose	3000	3000			
San Mateo	3200	3200			
Sequoia					
Solano County	275	275			
Sonoma County	1500	1500			
Stockton	2025	2125			
Tri-Valley	285	285			
Watsonville	1710	1710			

we can coordinate the grassroots lobbying throughout this nation.

Remembering Sala Burton

From her sickbed, the late Sala Burton co-sponsored H.R. 442 when it was introduced in the 100th Congress.

The cause to redress Americans of Japanese ancestry for their loss of freedom and for denial of their constitutional rights has lost a strong supporter.

I wonder if the congresswoman became an early supporter of redress—she co-sponsored the redress legislation in the 98th, 99th and 100th Congresses—because of her birth in Poland and her Jewish faith. Burton identified her profession as 'political activist.' There is no doubt about her identification, for she was a leading voice for the ERA and feminist issues, for peace efforts, for feeding the hungry—but mainly for seeing that democracy meant advocating for those without power.

Burton wrote in March 1984, "I am committed to work for passage of this legislation [H.R. 4110].... This bill is necessary to correct a grave injustice in our na-

tion's history, but its passage in Congress will be a long and difficult struggle. I will work with you to insure early consideration of this bill."

It's too bad that we took her support for granted, and that more of us did not let this valiant lady know how much we appreciated her willingness to work with us on this uphill struggle. We will further miss her support from the important Rules Committee.

The likes of Phillip Burton and Sala Burton are not easily replaced, and we join in mourning the loss of a champion for liberty and justice for all. We know Sala made a difference in the few years she served as a member of Congress.

Donations to Pacific Citizen For Typesetting Fund

As of Feb. 3, 1987: \$39,618.48 (907)
This week's total: \$ 327.94 (3)
Last week's total: \$39,290.54 (904)

\$10 from: Naomi Kashiwabara.
\$77.03 from: Interest.
\$240.91 from: Ted Nagata.

Thank You!

Florin Nikkei Hold Dinner for Tsukamoto

SACRAMENTO — More than 250 well-wishers gathered Jan. 9 at a special recognition dinner at the Sheraton Sunrise Hotel in Rancho Cordova to honor Mary Tsukamoto, JACLER of the Bien-nium.

Tsukamoto received a community recognition plaque from the Florin JACL Chapter and a bouquet of red roses from the greater Florin Japanese American community, the two co-sponsors of the event. Making the presentations were Tommy Kushi and Bill Kashiwagi, respectively.

Tsukamoto also received the Congressional Record from Michelle Nevas, staff assistant representing Rep. Robert T. Matsui. A congratulatory message from Rep. Norman Mineta was read.

Guest speakers for the evening were Andy Noguchi, compliance officer for the U.S. Department of Labor, and Dr. Kenneth H. Ozawa, family practitioner and member of the Medical Quality Review Committee of the Medical Quality Assurance Board.

Following the dinner, 1987 officers for the Florin JACL Chapter were installed by George Kondo, regional director.

General chairperson for the event was Kashiwagi. Master of ceremonies was Richard Uno. Musical selections were performed by Paul Ito.

AC Bd. President

OAKLAND — Roy Nakadegawa, who was reelected last year to the Alameda/Contra Costa County Transit District's board of directors, is the 1987 board president.

Nakadegawa, an engineer for the city of Richmond, assumed the honorary position on the seven-member board for the second time in his 14-year tenure, succeeding Linda Shepard. He represents an at-large district that encompasses much of the two counties.

Chapter Pulse

ARIZONA

•Chapter will co-sponsor the 1987 Matsuri Feb. 21 and 22, 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days, at Heritage Square, 6th Street and Monroe Avenue, Phoenix. Festival will feature artisans, craftsmen, entertainers and a variety of Japanese foods. Info: Masako Takiguchi, (602) 934-9637, or Uta Eto, (602) 934-8879.

CARSON

•Carson, Gardena and South Bay chapters are getting together for a day of bowling Feb. 15 at Bowl-O-Drome, 21915 S. Western Ave., Torrance. Registration will take place from 1:30 to 1:55 p.m., and games will begin promptly at 2 p.m. Cost for JACL members is \$5.75; non-members, \$7.50. Price includes three games, raffle ticket and shoe rental, if needed. Info: Judy Green, (213) 530-2425.

GREATER L.A. SINGLES

•Installation dinner dance will take place March 7 at the Alondra Country Club, 16400 S. Prairie Ave. For further information and reservations, call Annabelle Lee, (213) 327-0099.

SEATTLE

•Reno Night, the chapter's first fund-raiser for the 1988 JACL National Convention, will take place Feb. 15 from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Bush Garden, 614 Maynard Ave. South. Info: Jane Kumasaka, (206) 722-5683.

VENTURA

•Los Angeles Unified School District Board of Education candidate Warren Furutani will be guest speaker at the chapter's installation dinner Feb. 21 at the Holiday Inn, 450 E. Harbor Blvd. Cocktail hour will begin at 6 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person. Info: Janet Kajihara, (805) 983-2612.

RENO

•Scholarship Teriyaki Dinner and Sushi Sale will take place March 15 from noon to 4 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center, 9th and Sutro. Further information may be obtained by contacting event chairperson Linda Okada, (702) 825-0961 or 825-5511.

Friends of Redress Offering \$8,000 Prize at Fund-Raiser

NORWALK, Calif. — An \$8,000 grand prize will be awarded along with other prizes at a Feb. 28 Friends of Redress fund-raising dinner at the Southeast Japanese Community Center, 14615 S. Gridley Road.

Only 200 tickets will be sold at \$100 each. Ticket bearers are entitled to one dinner and a chance to win one of the cash prizes. Guests of \$100 ticket-holders are welcome to purchase dinner-only

tickets at \$5 per person.

The \$100 tickets may be purchased by several individuals, and more than one ticket may be purchased by an individual or a group. A representative must be present at the time of the drawing, however, to claim the prize.

Dinner is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. Drawing and program will begin at 7:30.

For further information regarding the dinner or ticket sales, please contact Peter Ota, (213) 943-1245.

Yanagita, Watanabe to Head West Valley JACL Chapter

SAN JOSE — More than 120 members and guests attended the Jan. 17 installation dinner of the West Valley JACL Chapter at the Moffett Naval Air Station Officers Club.

New officers sworn in by Superior Court Judge Taketsugu Takei are May Yanagita and Dr. Ronald Watanabe, president; Howard Watanabe, vice president; John Kaku, second vice president; Mas Kasahara, trea-

surer; Adele Hirose, recording secretary; and Michelle Shimada, corresponding secretary.

Guest speaker for the evening was Dr. William Takahashi of Boulder, Colo., who spoke on the subject of retirement. Invocation was given by the Rev. Gerald Sakamoto, San Jose Buddhist Church. Benediction was given by the Rev. David Hino, Peninsula Free Methodist Church.

— Bill Oda

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Judge Urges Vets to Keep Fighting Racism

LOS ANGELES — While proudly recalling the heroic and legendary record of Japanese American soldiers during WW2, Superior Court Judge Kathryn Doi Todd reminded her audience that the fight against anti-Asian violence and racism still remains. She was guest speaker at the 27th annual 100th/442nd Veterans Association dinner-dance Jan. 24 at the New Otani Hotel.

The supervising judge in juvenile division was introduced by retired Col. Young O. Kim, who had served with the 100th Infantry with distinction.

Judge Todd lauded the veterans whose wartime efforts "went miles and miles to influence our history and in the development of constitutional law."

She also recounted the highlights of Issei and Nisei history

in American law and politics. While the situation for Asian Americans in 1987 has improved, she said, racism is still very much alive. She urged veterans to reaffirm their vigilance and commitment to the community through the 100th/442nd Association.

Also speaking at the dinner was outgoing President George Nishinaka (H Company), who predicted that a woman would someday head the association. Bylaws permit spouses and children of 100th/442nd veterans to be association members, he explained.

Nishinaka is being succeeded by Sam Fujikawa (100th), a Hughes Aircraft engineer.

Special commendations were awarded to Torrance City Councilman George Nakano and Dr. George Mizushima for their roles

in the Torrance Armed Forces Day Parade last year. They were responsible for the participation of Nisei veterans. Mizushima, a Korean War veteran who collects vintage WW2 military rolling stock, also loaned some jeeps and a half-track carrier to the Nisei paraders.

The 100th/442nd Veterans Association was founded in 1961 to show that veterans were concerned about their community. The organization linked eight chapters of veterans that had been organized in the preceding decade.

This past year, a Future Goals Committee was established by the organization to ensure a continued program for the association through the year 2000.

—Harry Honda

Sac'to Pediatrician Posthumously Honored

SACRAMENTO — Family members, friends and colleagues of the late Dr. Yukio Uyeno gathered Dec. 8 to honor the pediatrician with a memorial tribute at Mercy Hospital of Sacramento.

The ceremony, officiated by Sister Bridget McCarthy, chief executive officer of Mercy Hospital, included the placement of two plaques (one in Japanese, one in English) in the pediatric unit, commemorating Uyeno's contributions to the hospital.

The program also included the presentation of funds from the Yukio Uyeno Memorial Fund to the hospital for enhancement and expansion of the pediatric unit.

Uyeno was eulogized by Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Sacramento), whose message was read by a local aide, and by Dr. Ian Kirson, chairman of Mercy Hospital's Pediatric Department. Father John Healy, Mercy's chaplain, gave the opening prayer and blessed the plaques. The tribute concluded with a closing period of meditation led by the Rev. Bob Oshita, associate minister of the Buddhist Church of Sacramento.

Uyeno, a native of California, received his medical degree at St. Louis University School of Medicine in 1955. After an internship at Sacramento County Hospital, he served for two years as a medical officer in the Air

Force.

Active in Community

From July 1961 until his death last year, Uyeno served the Sacramento community.

He was active in the Jan Ken Po Gakko and the Florin Japanese Language School Cultural Fair activities. He also devoted time to the Boy Scouts.

Following his death, a group of Mercy physicians joined forces to establish a memorial fund in his name. The fund could be used to provide monitoring equipment for the pediatric unit.

Individuals who wish to contribute to the memorial fund are asked to contact the Mercy Foundation at (916) 648-1000.

Asian Wins King Essay Contest

LOS ANGELES — Kevin Hui, 18, a senior at John Marshall High School, was named first-place winner in the second annual Martin Luther King Jr. Essay/Art Contest sponsored by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC).

Hui received a \$1,000 scholarship from the McDonald's Corporation at a special awards ceremony hosted Jan. 17 by SCLC in the Kinsey Auditorium of the Afro-American History Museum.

The contest was part of a week-long celebration commemorating the birthday of the slain civil rights leader. Students from throughout the Los Angeles Unified School District submitted essays and drawings depicting the theme, "Drugs, Killer of the Dream." Hui's pencil drawing was selected from more than

1,300 entries by a panel of judges that included officials from the Afro-American History Museum.

Hui arrived in the United States from Hong Kong in 1984. He plans on a career in architecture.

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Community Calendar

Feb. 7 — 22

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Feb. 22
4 to 7 p.m. Annual benefit crab feed sponsored by Japanese American Services of the East Bay will take place at Albany Veterans Memorial Hall, Portland Avenue and Ramona Street. Tickets are \$15. Info: Masako Sato, (415) 524-1313, or the JASEB Office, (415) 848-3560.

LOS ANGELES

Feb. 17-20 Japanese American Cultural Celebration will take place on the UCLA campus, sponsored by the Nikkei Student Union. Events will include a photo exhibit, screening of "Beacon Hill Boys" and "Conversations Before the War/After the War," performances by Kinnara Taiko and Cold Tofu and a Day of Remembrance program. For specific times, call Ken Wada, (213) 825-7184.

Feb. 21 Tritia Toyota, KCBS TV news anchor, will be the guest speaker at the installation dinner of the Japanese American Historical Society of Southern California at the New Otani Hotel. Tickets are \$25 per person. Info: (213) 326-0608.

GARDENA

Feb. 7
6:30 p.m. Pat Saiki, the newly elected congresswoman from the 1st District of Hawaii, will be the keynote speaker at the installation dinner of Japanese American Republicans at Kawafuku Restaurant, 1636 W. Redondo Beach Blvd. Cost is \$20 per person. Info: Lance Izumi, (213) 329-9838.

CHICAGO

Feb. 13
7:30 p.m. Day of Remembrance, sponsored by the Japanese American Redress Committee, will take place at the Northeastern University Commuter Center Building, Room 217, 5500 N. St. Louis Ave. William Hohri, chairperson of the National Council for Japanese American Redress, will present an update on the lawsuit pending in the Supreme Court.

SAN JOSE

Feb. 21
7 p.m. Asian American Social Club will host a Sushi Social, Asian Potluck and Game Night at the JACL Building, 565 N. 5th St. Tickets are \$3 per person. Info: (408) 289-1067 or (415) 854-1707.

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Feb. 21-22 Soh Daiko Japanese Drum Ensemble, Deems Tsutakawa and his contemporary jazz quintet from Seattle, classical dancer Chieko Mihori and the West Palm Beach Japan Karate School will be the featured performers at the 1987 Hatsume Fair at the Morikami, 4000 Morikami Park Road. General admission will be \$2. Children under 12 will be admitted free. Info: (305) 495-0233.

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Interested persons are asked to send their resume, writing samples and a short cover letter to: Lynn Sakamoto, Editor, Pacific Citizen, 941 E. Third St., Los Angeles, CA 90013. Deadline is March 1, 1987.

HOMELESS SHELTER

Continued from Front Page

Community Development Advisory Committee, meeting Jan. 22, agreed that "the presence of such a shelter in Little Tokyo for such a long period of time could have a disastrous impact on the senior citizens, merchants, and general public," according to Gerald Yoshitomi, executive director of the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, who urged JACCC tenants to attend a Jan. 23 City Council meeting to voice their objections.

Council members, not dissuaded by arguments from the community, voted instead to waive health and safety regulations so that the shelter, which accommodates 225 people, could open that evening. The possibility of opening another building several blocks away on Alameda Street was discussed, but no firm decisions were made.

'Shocked and Angry'

Pacific Southwest District JACL director John Saito was among those who attended the meeting. "People are going to be shocked and angry," he said.

While acknowledging that "there should be something done

for the homeless," he added, "To move in 200 people without talking to the community that's going to be receiving them is a drastic mistake."

JACCC executive secretary Kats Kunitsugu worried that the homeless "are going to wander around Little Tokyo" during the daytime and complained that the council had given "no thought to the impact it will have in Little Tokyo" and had made "no promise of more security."

Security Problems

Dr. Linda Morimoto, co-chair of the Little Tokyo Anti-Crime Association, said, "We have had an increasing security problem, and we have had hardly any increase in police protection."

She cited the murder of an Issei resident of Little Tokyo Towers in November. Some residents believe the killer was a transient, although no suspect has been identified or apprehended. Bonfires started by homeless people on cold nights pose another danger, said Morimoto. One such fire gutted an abandoned building on Los Angeles Street last year, killing two people.

The shelter opened without in-



Chris Naito, vice president, Little Tokyo Sales and Leasing, and Barry Daniels, president, Freeway Nissan, present a 1987 Nissan Pulsar NX to Toru Kurakawa, vice president, New Otani Hotel in Los Angeles, for the hotel's recent 6th annual golf tournament held at Green Rivers Country Club.

cident. A group of JA community leaders met that evening with Ted Hayes, organizer of Justiceville, a homeless rights group. "We are concerned for your safety and business, as we are for ours," Hayes was quoted as saying in the Rafu Shimpo. "It's not your fault, it's not our fault, but it's obvious that this problem won't just disappear."

He asked that Little Tokyo assist his job training program and suggested that if the ranks of the homeless continue to swell, the county might create labor camps. "It would be not unlike your situation in the 1940s—concentration camps," he said.

Arguments Not Heard

About 50 members of the Little Tokyo community, as well as a number of homeless people, went to City Hall on Jan. 30 to address the City Council. The council, however, abruptly adjourned without opening a public hearing. Council President Pat Russell, looking over the list of requests to speak, said simply, "They are the people we heard from before."

"How do we get such a large turnout and then not even be heard?" asked Brian Kito, owner of Fugetsudo, a bakery on 1st Street. "I don't understand that."

After hearing from his angry

Little Tokyo constituents, Councilman Gilbert Lindsay replied, "I'm doing everything I can... [to] get these homeless out of the print building now." Asked about the chances of opening a shelter at another location, he said, "I'll bring it up again... I hope they [other council members] don't walk out."

"I don't blame the Japanese community... for not wanting it near them, within a mile or 10 miles," Lindsay said. "I wouldn't want them [the homeless] within 10 miles of me... I know they're human beings, I will work to try to do something for them, but I'm not going to push them down anybody's throat."

Kito, whose business is one block from the shelter, said, "At night we have no business. And I think the restaurants even feel worse."

But not everyone thought the shelter was having a negative impact. "This shelter, in my observation, is the cleanest block in Little Tokyo," claimed Councilman Ernani Bernardi before the meeting adjourned.

Hayes, speaking to reporters on Feb. 3, said, "We were organized, clean. We turned around the fears of the Japanese... community that we would turn it into a slum. Instead, we have turned it into a very nice place, in fact becoming a buffer zone between the Little Tokyo community and the rest of the homeless people."

However, his group may vacate the building anyway—not because of objections from Little Tokyo but because the city had turned over operation of the facility to the Salvation Army. "They treat us like children, they paternalize us," he said, adding that if the homeless could not operate their own shelter, "We would rather be on the street."

Randy Horiuchi

Head of Utah Demos Seeks Second Term

SALT LAKE CITY — Randy Horiuchi is the first Utah Democratic Party chairman in a decade in a position—and still eager—to run for a second term, the Salt Lake Tribune reports.

He and his vice chair, Elizabeth Willey, announced Jan. 9 they would seek re-election at the June state party convention for two more years in office to manage organizational affairs for the 1988 general election.

Rebuilding Strength

Both were elected in 1985, when the party was at the bottom of its election fortunes. The Democrats hadn't won a congressional seat since 1978; their strength in the Legislature had dwindled to a relative handful; and they had just lost the governorship in 1984 after 20 years of Democratic rule. Since 1976, every party chairman had quit after one term.

But under Horiuchi's chairmanship, Democrats picked up 15 seats in the Legislature in 1986 (rebuilding to the strength they had 10 years ago), wrested the 2nd District congressional seat from the Republicans (defeating Salt Lake County Commissioner Tom Shimizu), and broke the GOP's eight-year hold on the Salt Lake County Commission.

'Funnest Year Ever'

"In 1988, the Democratic Party will be at parity once again," predicted Horiuchi. "It'll be the funnest year ever."

He offered former Salt Lake City Mayor Ted Wilson as a potential challenger to Gov. Norm Bangerter, saying, "There's a perception the wheels are falling off the governor's office," and said former Gov. Scott Matheson may take on Sen. Orrin Hatch.

"It will be our commitment to stress that the Democratic Party will provide common sense, moderate and mainstream leadership in the tradition of Scott Matheson and [former Gov.] Cal Rampton," said Horiuchi. "We feel the party needs to stick to the fundamental issues of education, sound economic policy and fair taxation."

A 1975 University of Utah graduate in communications, Horiuchi works as a government relations and real estate consultant. He was president of Salt Lake JACL in 1979.

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Mineta Tells N.Y. Times to Correct Error

WASHINGTON — Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) has demanded that the New York Times correct statistics on the 100th Congress which failed to include members of Asian Pacific ancestry.

In the Jan. 5 issue of the Times, a chart on the racial composition of Congress listed only whites, Blacks and Hispanics.

'Invisible' People

"It is outrageous and difficult to believe that an entire group of people is invisible to the New York Times," wrote Mineta in a letter to the editor of the Times.

"The illustrations indicate that the House is 5 percent Black and 3 percent Hispanic, which, to my knowledge, is accurate. However, the editor then apparently deduces that the rest of the House — 92 percent — is white. Unfortunately, this ignores a sizable and growing racial group in the United States which is represented in the Congress: Americans of Asian ancestry.

Percentages Off

"With two senators of Asian ancestry, the Honorable Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga, the Senate is not 100 percent white as the Times reported... With Reps. Robert Matsui, Patricia Saiki, Daniel Akaka and myself, the House is 1 percent of Asian/Pacific Island ancestry. This does not include delegates Fofu Sunia of American Samoa and Ben Blaz of Guam."

Mineta demanded that the Times print a correction.

Tell Them You Saw It In the Pacific Citizen

Nikkei Newsmakers



Tom Yokoyama of Cerritos, Calif., has been installed as president of the Rancho Los Cerritos Board of Realtors. In that position, he oversees the activities of 1,000 realtors. Yokoyama is owner/broker of Realty World - Wise Ol' Owl Realtors, and president/owner of California Horizons Escrows, both located in Cerritos.



Joy Yamasaki of Lakeview, Ill., has joined the staff of Chicago Mayor Harold Washington as assistant director of community relations. She worked previously for the Northwest Educational Cooperative, Project Work English, supplying English as a second language instruction to adult refugees.



Mas Fukai of Gardena has been appointed chief deputy to Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, succeeding Harry Marlow, who retired Jan. 5. Fukai has worked for Hahn for 12 years, the last eight as assistant chief deputy. He becomes the first Asian American chief deputy in Los Angeles County.

Deaths

Carol Santoki Dodd, 49, civic leader, author and director of information for Hawaii's judiciary for the past five years, died of cancer Dec. 30 in Honolulu. She was a pivotal contact for the media as judiciary spokesperson and arranged photographic coverage of court proceedings in an experimental program. She authored *The Richardson Years: 1966-1982*, a review of the Hawaii Supreme Court under Chief Justice William Richardson. She was president of Hawaii Legal Auxiliary in 1973-74 and of John Howard Association from 1979-82, and a board member of Crime-stoppers Inc., Sex Abuse Treatment Center, Neighborhood Justice Center, and other groups.

She is survived by husband William, son Michael, daughter Anna, parents Genji and Laura Santoki, brother Jeffrey and sister Lynette Hirose.

Dave Shigematsu, 46, basketball coach at Castlemont High School in Oakland from 1969-81 and at Skyline High School for the past year, died of an apparent heart attack Jan. 12 at San Leandro Hospital. During his tenure at Castlemont, he led his teams to seven Oakland Athletic League championships and compiled an overall win-loss record of 258-67. The Knights also won Tournament of Champions titles in 1969, 1976 and 1979. Shigematsu was named 1979 coach of the year by the California Coaches Association. He was himself a star player in basketball and baseball when he attended Oakland High School.

He is survived by wife Diane, son Douglas, and daughter Jill (a sophomore at Skyline).

Asian Named to N.Y. Human Rights Division

NEW YORK — Tzylai "Bill" Chong, member of the board of directors of Asian Americans for Equality, was appointed special assistant to the state Division of Human Rights on Jan. 8.

In his new full-time position, Chong is primarily responsible for fair housing.

His appointment was announced by Human Rights Commissioner Douglas H. White, who said Chong was selected "because of his involvement in community-based organizations and his intense commitment and dedication to civil rights."

Prior to his appointment, Chong was executive director of the Chinatown Tenant Organizing Project and helped to establish the Chinatown Tenants Council, a network of more than 20 associations.

He also served as a reporter with the Trans-Urban News Service and the City Sun; talk show host on WBAI radio; and editor of the monthly newspaper for Local 1199, a hospital workers' union.

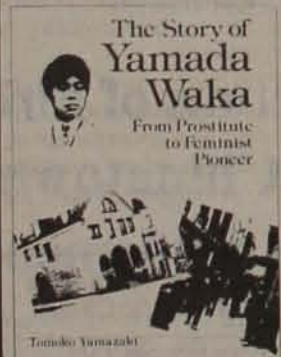
In addition, Chong played an active role in the filing of an AAFE inclusionary zoning lawsuit which argued that the city of New York has a responsibility to zone for affordable housing. The case, which is now in the courts, has resulted in a five-year moratorium on the building of luxury

condominiums in Chinatown.

AAFE is also building the first homeless shelter for Asian families in Chinatown. It is expected to open its doors next year.

Chong also is a member of the community relations board for the American Friends Service Committee, former co-chair of the Asian Pacific Caucus of the New York State Democratic Party, and a former member of the Community Planning Board for District 3 in Chinatown.

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UC Berkeley Denies Charges of Limiting Asian Enrollment

BERKELEY — UC Berkeley released a 16-page study Jan. 23 refuting claims that its admissions policies discriminate against Asian Americans.

B. Thomas Travers, assistant vice chancellor for undergraduate affairs, said the report shows that Asian enrollments are at an all-time high, second in the nation only to the University of Hawaii.

"Cal is proud of its record on Asian admissions, and continues to do everything it can to see that qualified Asian students are admitted," the report stated. "Cal does not, cannot and does not wish to set quotas.... There is neither discrimination by policy nor discrimination by practice in the admissions process at Cal."

Numbers in Dispute

Recent allegations from the Asian American community that changes in university admissions policies were designed to reduce Asian enrollment prompted the report, according to Travers.

The report says that while Asian Americans account for 6 percent of California's population, they make up 26 percent of both freshmen and undergraduates at UC Berkeley. Furthermore, Asian undergraduate enrollment climbed from 3,410 in 1975 to 5,509 in 1986.

Critics have countered that due to unannounced admissions changes in 1984, the number of Asian freshmen has dropped or remained static. Even with the release of the report, criticism of the university is unlikely to die down.

"Obviously we've raised enough questions in the past 12 to 18 months to get them to look at those

numbers," commented Henry Der, executive director of the San Francisco-based Chinese for Affirmative Action, one of the most vocal leaders from the Asian American community on this controversy.

"It's always been one of our chief concerns that they fully disclose those numbers, and we are going to take a very close look at them," said Der, adding that Chinese enrollment dropped by 30 percent when the new admissions changes were made.

Other Minorities Recruited

University officials emphasize that the university has for the past few years tried to recruit more underrepresented minorities such as Blacks and Hispanics, while the same time keeping class sizes stable.

In order to accomplish those goals, the enrollment of other groups, specifically Asians and whites, must go down, officials assert.

They also point out that enrollment of some Asian immigrant groups, such as Koreans and Filipinos, has increased significantly.

University officials say that another explanation for the decrease in Asians is that not all students who are admitted actually enroll.

The report also noted that each year, large numbers of highly qualified applicants have been turned away in the crush of applications.

Not Everyone Accepted

"Some people see that Cal does not accept every Asian who is qualified, and call that 'discrimination,'" stated the report. "Of course, Cal does not accept every white student who is eligible, either."

Shamisen Performance



Tateo Takahashi will be the principal performer in "The World of Tsugaru Shamisen," the first concert of Eastwind Sinfonia's "Music of Japan" series, Feb. 22, 2 p.m., at Zenshuji Temple Social Hall, 123 S. Hewitt, Los Angeles. Tickets range from \$5 to \$7, with discounts for senior citizens and students with identification. Info: (213) 202-7086, or (818) 286-5478.

"We knew all along the freshman class is shrinking," countered Der. "We know it's gotten very competitive. Our basic point is that whatever the size of the class and the quality of the competitors, let it be fair competition so everyone knows the rules."

Critics have also charged that UC Berkeley's new use of subjective admissions criteria, such as essays and extracurricular activities, hurts Asians, who generally do better on test scores and grades.

The report contradicted those charges, noting that a sampling of essays from last fall showed no disparity in the mean scores of whites and Asians. Plus, the same percentage of Asians and whites—37 percent—were admitted after being judged on subjective criteria.

—from a report by San Francisco Examiner

INS Official Explains Details of New Immigration Rules

by J.K. Yamamoto

LOS ANGELES — Responding to concerns in the Asian and Hispanic communities, INS District Director Ernest Gustafson met with the ethnic press Jan. 22 to explain how the employer sanctions and amnesty provisions of the new immigration law will be implemented.

Signed into law by President Reagan on Nov. 6, the immigration bill imposes penalties on employers who knowingly hire illegal aliens. From June 1, 1987 to May 31, 1988, there will be an "educational period" during which violators will be issued citations and warnings, said Gustafson. After that, violators will face fines and criminal prosecution.

One of the fears raised by this provision is that employers may discriminate against "foreign-looking" applicants.

From June, "Any of us... who are seeking employment," Gustafson announced, "have to produce some kind of documentation." By requiring employers to check all applicants for U.S. citizenship or authorization to work in this country, INS hopes to assuage fears "that only certain people would be asked for documentation because of their appearance," he said.

Citizens can prove their status with a passport, a legalization certificate or a driver's license together with a Social Security card.

Employers must also obtain documentation from workers hired since Nov. 6.

Amnesty Program

Those who have lived here illegally since before Jan. 1, 1982 may be eligible for legal status under the new law. Gustafson emphasized that anyone whose stay here began at a later date is "out of luck."

The one-year application period begins May 5. No one can file after that period, regardless of eligibility, he stated.

Of the nearly 100 legalization sites around the country, 15 will be in the Los Angeles area. In order to ensure "absolutely zero fear and zero concern" among potential applicants, said Gustafson, "There will not be any law enforcement presence at any of the 15 sites.... If your application is denied, you will be able to depart from that office."

He added that INS "cannot use any information from that application to seek out an individual at a later date."

'Come Out of Shadows'

The program will give those "that have been here 15 to 20 years... in fear of being detected" a chance to "finally come out of the shadows and become an active part of America," he said.

Gustafson urged applicants to "build your case" so that the "preponderance of evidence" shows continuous residence for the past five years. He suggested a wide range of items that could be used as proof—utility bills, traffic tickets, credit cards, rent receipts, children's school records. "As a last resort, we will accept affidavits," he said.

During a meeting with Gustafson in December, the Asian Pacific Liaison Committee, a group of representatives from community organizations, requested that assistance for applicants be provided in Asian languages. In response, the INS director said that bilingual ability would be "one of the qualifying factors" in hiring staff for the centers.

He said that he hoped for a 60-day turnaround in processing applications, but that 90 days would probably be required.

Certain regulations have not yet been firmly established. The application fee could range from \$100 to \$250, according to Gustafson. After input has been received from government bodies and public-interest groups, final rules will be issued in April.

Before addressing reporters at Berendo Street Baptist Church in Koreatown, Gustafson was introduced by Assemblyman Mike Roos (D-46th District).

Victims of Fire in Chinatown Get Settlement

NEW YORK — An out-of-court settlement for \$210,000 was reached Jan. 7 between 14 Chinese families and their former landlord for relocation costs incurred after a three-alarm fire swept through their building two years ago.

The settlement is believed to be the largest in a landlord-tenant dispute in Chinatown history.

The fire, which occurred Jan. 21, 1985, gutted the six-story tenement at 54 Eldridge St., leaving two dead and 115 homeless. It was, according to Doris Koo, executive director of Asian Americans for Equality (AAFE), "one of the worst tragedies in our community's history."

Koo and other AAFE staff and volunteers immediately stepped in to work with the Red Cross and other agencies to find temporary housing for the families. After 14 months, all of the families were relocated to permanent housing.

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Prejudice in Japan

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Certainly, any denial of rights based on race, a mere accident of birth carrying no intrinsic qualities other than the physical classification itself, is immoral, unscientific, and devastating to the victims, as we well know.

Japan is presented with an excellent opportunity to become a leader in humanitarian ideals in addition to the high economic position it holds in the Far East.

ERNEST M. MATSUNAGA
 Chicago

In Search Of...

I must sincerely thank you for printing my letter (Jan. 24, 1986 PC). I got several good responses and leads for internment camp and War Relocation Authority mail, including several kind people who sent photocopies.

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Being a relatively new reader of PC, I was curious about your readership. Among recent mail received attributable to your publication was: an offer to sell secret bonsai instructions; sushi

knives; ancient Kyoto bells; and macadamia nuts (I swear).

Keep up the good work. I appreciate your newspaper as the only source of really interesting news not covered generally here on the East Coast.

DAVID SALOVEY
 34 Hillside Ave.
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I see that the Letters to the Editor section of the Pacific Citizen is taking on a personals column look as older Nisei try to locate out-of-touch WW2-era friends.

I suggest that you institute a box in the Pacific Citizen to handle these requests and that you charge, say, \$5 for each inquiry, with the money going to the Typesetter Fund.

To start, I enclose \$10. Please tell me where Yukio Kimura of Brawley, Santa Anita Assembly Center and Rohwer Relocation Camp is today. Also, does anyone know the whereabouts of Horace "Junior" Sagara of the Santa Anita Assembly Center?

NAOMI KASHIWABARA
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CHINATOWN FIRE

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According to Koo, however, "The tragic fire... convinced us of the need to set up a homeless shelter geared to the special language and cultural problems of Asian families."

In response to broad community support for the project, the New York State Homeless Housing Assistance Program awarded AAFE a \$1 million contract to renovate a city-owned building in the Lower East Side for homeless families in the Asian American community. The doors of what will be known as Equality House are expected to open sometime next winter.

Bar Assn. Officers

SAN FRANCISCO — The Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area has announced the election of John Sugiyama as president-elect, Marilyn Wong as treasurer and Karen Kwong as secretary for 1987.

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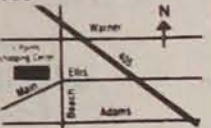
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