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Reagan's Civil Rights Veto Overridden

WASHINGTON — On March 22, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives voted to override President Reagan's veto of the Civil Rights Restoration Act. The act, which reverses the Supreme Court's ruling in the 1984 case of *Grove City College v. Bell*, applies federal anti-discrimination laws to institutions if any part of them receives federal aid. President Reagan had vetoed the legislation on March 16.

Accepted by a vote of 78 to 13 in the Senate and a vote of 292 to 133 in the House, the legislation overturns the Supreme Court ruling by amending Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the Education Amendments, the Rehabilitation Act and the Age Discrimination Act.

Grove City College v. Bell

In the case of *Grove City College v. Bell*, the court had held that federal laws barring discrimination do not apply to entire institutions, but only to the program or activity receiving federal aid. This ruling had reversed previous interpretations, which held that federal anti-discrimination laws applied to the entire institution if any part of it received federal aid.

Although the *Grove City* ruling dealt directly only with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which prohibited sex discrimination, the ruling also affected other federal anti-discrimination laws. These include the Civil Rights Act of 1964, which prohibited discrimination based on race; the Rehabilitation Act of 1974, which prohibited discrimination against disabled persons; and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, which prohibited discrimination against the elderly. Because these laws applied only to recipients of federal aid, the *Grove City* ruling meant that institutions such as schools, hospitals and businesses would have to halt discrimination only in those specific programs receiving federal aid. They could, thus, discriminate in other divisions of the same institutions.

Reagan Vetoes Bill

In his veto message, Reagan

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Photo By Martie Quan

SATISFACTION—*Rolling Stone* executive editor Robert Wallace appeared with Korean American Coalition President Yoon Hee Kim after an agreement was negotiated to reconcile problems caused because of perceptions of insensitivity caused by the article "Seoul Brothers."

Asian Americans Get 'Satisfaction' From Rolling Stone

LOS ANGELES — A mutually satisfactory agreement between the Asian American Community Coalition and *Rolling Stone* magazine was negotiated March 15 as a result of an article published in the Feb. 11, 1988 issue of the magazine. The article, "Seoul Brothers," raised the ire of Korean and other Asian Americans because the author, P.J. O'Rourke, wrote that Koreans "... really do all look alike." The satirical article also made fun of Korean food and the sound of the Korean language.

Three-Point Agreement

Part one of the three-point agreement calls for a minimum of 2 articles—one on Koreans, the other on Korean Americans—to run within a year of March 15, with suggestions on the topics and authors coming from the Asian American Community Coalition. Part one also provides for an ongoing commitment from *Rolling Stone* "to cover Asian American issues on an on-going basis," as well as a commitment to educate the magazine's staff on such issues.

Part two calls for *Rolling Stone* to commit itself to establishing an ongoing, paid internship program for Asian American journalism students, set to begin in the summer of

1988. The internship program will be established and implemented with the cooperation of the Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA).

The last point of the agreement calls for *Rolling Stone* to publish a full page of letters to the editor strictly on the topic of the "Seoul Brothers" article. The letters page is set to appear within a month and a half from March 15 and will also include an apology from *Rolling Stone* for publishing the article.

Community Representatives

Appearing at the meeting on behalf of *Rolling Stone* was its executive editor, Robert Wallace. Appearing as key negotiators at the meeting were Yoon Hee Kim, president of the Korean American Coalition; Richard Han, president of the Occidental College Korean Students Association; and Tong Suhr, past president of the Korean American Bar Association.

Also attending the meeting were U-Sang Kim of the Korean Youth Center; Stewart Kwok of the Asian Pacific American Legal Center; Young Lim of the Korean American Coalition; John Saito of the Pacific Southwest District Council of the JAAC; and Bill Sing, past national president of the AAJA.

S. 1009 Still On Senate Agenda

By Grayce Uyehara

WASHINGTON, D.C. — In spite of concerns that S. 1009 has been stalled in the Senate, the bill is on the Senate calendar of business for the week of March 21. On March 17, Mike Masaoka, Washington liaison for Go for Broke, Inc., reported to the JACL-LEC office a conversation with Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.), majority whip and an original sponsor and stalwart supporter of redress. Masaoka was told that S. 1009 will be scheduled for a Senate vote. Cranston said, "For the first time, the Senate leadership has S. 1009 on the short agenda list."

According to Masaoka, "This means we are scheduled and we should receive notification soon on the date. There is still the possibility of filibuster, but the decision is to go ahead."

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Census Bureau Reverses Plan to Lump Asian Americans Together

WASHINGTON — In reversal of its previous plan, the U.S. Census Bureau says it will now conduct a complete and detailed count of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in its 1990 census. Rep. Robert T. Matsui (D-Calif.) announced March 17.

The recent decision reverses the bureau's earlier plan not to tabulate Asian subgroups for its 1990 census from the questionnaire it sends out to every household. The bureau expected to rely on information from its sample questionnaire, which only goes to one in every six households. The effect would have been a lumping of all Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders into one category.

Critics of the initial decision had charged that in order for government agencies and private organizations to improve on the delivery of social services to specific Asian groups a complete and accurate census count of each subgroup was necessary. In December, Matsui introduced legislation to force the bureau to conduct a complete count by separate ethnic groups. His bill, H.R. 3828, has already gained bipartisan support of more than 40 members of Congress.

Thursday's decision, said the congressman, was an "excellent development for justice."

"Given the facts, the Census Bureau made the only decision it could have and that was to eliminate its original plan," said Matsui. "I commend its decision makers for acknowledging the serious impact that accurate data has on the community."

"Before we can claim complete victory, there are further issues and questions I plan to discuss with the bureau," he continued. "But at this time it appears to be a very positive development."

One issue Matsui intends to raise regards the timeliness of making census data available. Reportedly, valuable information from the 1980 census concerning Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders has still not been made available to the public. Matsui's bill includes a time requirement for public disclosure.

At a March 18 press conference, held at the Cockatoo Inn in Hawthorne, Calif., Rep. Mervyn Dymally (D-Calif.) also heralded the bureau's decision as a "major victory." Dymally, who chairs the U.S. House Subcommittee on Census and Population, is one of the original co-sponsors of H.R. 3828. He and Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) are credited by Matsui as being instrumental to the bureau's recent decision. Dymally, however, expressed caution in calling the matter closed. The bureau may only count the larger subgroups of Asian Americans, said Dymally. "We [still] need to be sure that some of the smaller groups are also counted."

Among those applauding the bureau's reversal are Reps. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.) and Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.), both co-sponsors of H.R. 3828.

Said Boxer: "It pleases me that the Census Bureau has responded to community and congressional calls for a full, accurate and honest census count of Asian Americans. It is essential that a full count be conducted so that these citizens can be represented and their special needs be addressed."

Pelosi stated, "I applaud Congressman Matsui in his successful attempt to ensure that all Asian and Pacific Americans are included in the census. Because of Mr. Matsui, these Americans will be counted with full recognition of their ethnic heritage."

NEWS IN BRIEF

N.Y. Anti-Asian Fliers Reappear

NEW YORK — Sparked by a second wave of anti-Asian fliers, the South Brooklyn Committee of the Coalition Against Anti-Asian Violence met March 2 with the Brooklyn District Attorney's office, the directors of the Investigations Bureau, Citizen Action Center and Community Relations to discuss concerns of Asian residents.

The most recent fliers, signed by a John Russo, asked people to "please boycott Oriental Stores." The first appearance of fliers with anti-Asian sentiments reportedly numbered 700,000 and occurred over four months ago.

L.A. Human Relations Commission Supports S.1009

LOS ANGELES — In an article printed in the spring 1988 *In Touch*, the newsletter of the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations, the Commission has recommended that the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors support S. 1009. The article stated, "The Commission on Wartime Relocations in 1983 accurately and completely described the exclusion, relocation and internment of Japanese Americans and individuals of Aleut ancestry." It also stated, "The County Commission on Human Relations has recommended that the Board of Supervisors support S. 1009."

Wilson Votes Against Kennedy Immigration Act

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Sen. Pete Wilson (R-Calif.) voted against the Kennedy/Simpson Immigration Act on March 15, citing changes in the fifth preference category as unfair and anti-family. Wilson strongly objected to the provision of the bill restricting fifth preference visas to unmarried brothers and sisters of adult U.S. citizens, even though the status of those who have already applied for a visa before the bill was adopted will not change. Wilson believes the reduction in the number of visas available under this category will severely limit the chances for those individuals to obtain visas.



Pacific Citizen Photo By George Johnston

AAPAA HONORS INOUE—The Association of Asian Pacific American Artists (AAPAA) bestowed its Lifetime Achievement Award upon Sen. Daniel Inouye for his impact as a positive role model March 23 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in Beverly Hills at the AAPAA Media Awards.



PICTURE THIS—Joey P. Manlapaz (l) of Washington, D.C., recently presented Sen. Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hawaii) with an oil portrait of himself. Manlapaz, a Filipino American, eventually hopes to complete a series of portraits of all of the Asian American members of Congress.

L.A. Dinner to Honor JA Vietnam Veterans

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese American Vietnam Veterans Dinner Committee in co-sponsorship with Keiro Health Services, a charitable, nonprofit organization, will be holding a testimonial dinner, "Born in the U.S.A.: A Salute to Japanese American Vietnam Veterans and Vincent Okamoto," on June 2, 7:30 p.m., at the Bonaventure Hotel, 404 S. Figueroa.

The event publicly recognizes Americans of Japanese descent who answered the call to duty during America's longest and most controversial war. Two Japanese Americans won the Medal of Honor in Vietnam, ninety-eight died there and fifteen are still listed as "MIA," missing-in-action.

Selected as the Veterans representative honoree is Vincent Okamoto. He is founder, chairman and C.E.O. of Pacific Heritage Bank and one of the most highly decorated Japanese Americans of the Vietnam conflict. Winning thirteen combat decorations, Okamoto is the recipient of, among other awards, the Distinguished Service Cross, the nation's second highest award for valor.

The event is being co-chaired by George Aratani, Tom Fujimoto and Tom Okamura. Proceeds will be used to establish a memorial plaque at the Japanese American National Museum honoring the Japanese American Vietnam veterans. The balance of the funds will be donated to Keiro Health Services to establish a wing at the Japanese Retirement Home in Los Angeles in memory of the late Justice and Lt. Col. John F. Aiso.

Dinner tickets are priced at \$100 per person and \$1,000 per table of ten. A special attempt is being made to contact all of the Japanese Americans who served in Vietnam and the families who lost loved-ones in the war.

For more information, contact Tom Okamura, (213) 540-3060; Ron Wasserman, (213) 540-3315; or Sumi Shimazaki, (213) 225-1501.

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Nikkei Women Photo Exhibit Planned

SAN FRANCISCO — The National Japanese American Historical Society (NJAHS) has announced plans for a fall opening of a photo exhibit on the history of Japanese American women. It will be the first exhibit of its kind on the subject, according to the Historical Society.

The exhibit, which will be sponsored by NJAHS, is being planned and developed by a community based committee of Japanese American women from the San Francisco Bay area.

At its first meeting, the committee worked with the conceptual parameters for the exhibit. Much of the discussion focused on the general concepts to be developed into exhibit form and on the philosophical perspectives of Japanese American women in a tri-generational past.

Although the Historical Society has a number of useful photographs already in its archival collections, one of the major tasks facing the committee will be to collect enough additional photos from any sources available to allow for an adequate selection process. It's expected that the exhibit will contain approximately 100 photos.

"This is an extremely important

and significant exhibit about which we're very excited," said Rosalyn Tonai, NJAHS administrative director and staff coordinator for the project. "We have both a fascinating subject matter that's been ignored too long and an outstanding group of women to help develop it," she added.

"In fact," she concluded, "some of the women on the committee should probably be included in the exhibit."

In addition to Tonai, committee members attending the first meeting were:

Anne Saito Howden, Chizu Iiyama, Mei Nakano, Patty Wada, Peggy Saika, Dianne Yamashiro-Omi, Janice Kawamoto, Karen Kai, Kathleen Hirooka, Daisy Satoda, Kiku Funabiki, and Harriet Ishimoto.

The committee is soliciting any photographs that may have relevance for the women's exhibit from the Japanese American community. Anyone willing to provide photographs for consideration (either on loan or as a donation), please contact Rosalyn Tonai at the NJAHS office in San Francisco, 1855 Folsom St., Room 161, San Francisco, 94103 or phone (415) 431-5007. Donations toward the costs of this project will be gratefully accepted as well.

Little Tokyo Celebrates Patriarch's 99th Birthday

LOS ANGELES — Mitsuhiro Shimizu celebrated his 99th birthday with family and Little Tokyo Business Association members Feb. 26 at New Otani Hotel.

Founder of Asahi Shoe & Dry Goods Store in 1912 and still active at the Little Tokyo business fixture with his son Dennis, the occasion

with Matao Uwate, emcee, was marked by greetings from:

Mayor Tom Bradley, Councilman Gil Lindsay, Supervisor Ed Edelman, State Sen. Art Torres, Bill Nakasaki of Wakayama Kenjinkai, Archie Miyatake of LTBA, and Hiroshi Goto, Japanese Chamber of Commerce.

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Challenger Families' Settlements Disclosed

WASHINGTON — According to Justice Department documents released March 7, the family of the late Lt. Col. Ellison Onizuka, crew member of the 1986 Challenger space shuttle disaster, will receive part of a \$7.7 million settlement.

In an agreement reached fifteen months ago, the Onizuka family and three other families of Challenger crew members agreed to the settlement, which will be paid in long-term, interest-bearing accounts.

The federal government will pay approximately \$3,094,000, with Morton Thiokol, Inc., expected to pay \$4,641,000. Morton Thiokol, Inc., is the maker of the space shuttle's solid-fuel booster rockets. A presidential commission blamed the shuttle's explosion on a jet of hot gas that leaked through a joint in a booster rocket.

The families stand to receive more than \$7.7 million because payments from the annuities, which accrue interest, are stretched out over many years. The total amount the families will receive and the breakdown by family were not released.

Settlements involving cash payments plus the annuities were reached with the families of Onizuka, 39, mission specialist and the first Japanese American in space; Dick Scobee, 46, spacecraft commander; Gregory Jarvis, 41, payload specialist; and Christa McAuliffe, 37, a Concord, N.H., high school teacher who was to be America's first private citizen in space.

Other disclosures of the Justice

Department documents are:

—The four families used no lawyers in the negotiations but relied on informal advice from Leo B. Lind, Jr., the law partner of McAuliffe's husband and executor of her estate.

—The Justice Department did all negotiating for Morton Thiokol as well as the government. Lind said in an affidavit that no member of any of the families spoke with company representatives.

—Although the Justice Department takes the position that the government may not be sued by survivors of military or federal civilian employees who die on duty, it contributed 40 percent of each of the settlements. Only the Jarvis and McAuliffe relatives had a right to sue the government; all the astronauts' families could sue Morton Thiokol.

The other three astronauts who died in the Jan. 28, 1986, explosion were Ron McNair, Judith Resnik and Michael J. Smith. Their families have filed separate suits, all against Morton Thiokol only.

Onizuka, a native of Kealahou, Hawaii, is survived by his wife, Lorna, and two children, Janelle, 18 and Darien, 12.

—Taken from reports published in the Hokuhei Mainichi and Rafu Shimpo.

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EDITORIAL OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN:

Iditarod Trail's Issei Pioneer

THE IDITAROD TRAIL, registered as a national historic trail, courses some 1,050 miles through Alaska's interior from Anchorage to Nome. Thanks to USA TODAY, it has been in the news in recent weeks as Susan Butcher, 34, mushed her dog team over the finish line after 11 days, 11 hours and 41 minutes to win her third consecutive race—the first person to do so. The energetic woman who breeds and trains huskies for running long distances is talking about entering again next March to win in the record-breaking time of 10 days. Her record of 11 days, 2 hours, 5 minutes and 13 seconds was made in 1986.

Iditarod Trail was an unsurveyed inland waste to a mining camp named Iditarod, midway between Anchorage and Nome in the mountains until an Issei in Alaska was asked to establish the route.

And who was he? This incredible story of Jujiro Wada (1872-1937), who had been staked by citizens of Seward on the Kenai Peninsula during the 1909-1910 gold stampede to establish a trail to Iditarod, was submitted as a P.C. Holiday Issue feature to be retold. It was too long for 1987. (National Geographic Magazine's 1984 map of Alaska shows the trail as a dotted line. It helps to appreciate the distances Wada had negotiated with his dog teams over Alaska ranging from Nome, Fairbanks to Dawson and Herschel Island in the Arctic Ocean in the Canadian Yukon.)

A good part of the story by R.N. DeArmond, courtesy Norio Mitsuoka, starts with recollections of Frank Cotter, news editor for the Alaska Weekly, who had written about his Issei friend Wada as an exclusive for Jimmie Sakamoto's Japanese American Courier in 1937 soon after Cotter had learned his friend had passed away in San Diego.

An abbreviated DeArmond version, "This Is My Country," in the March 1988 Alaska magazine dovetails with the cover story on Susan Butcher, now the three-time Iditarod champ.

Because Wada's colorful story ranged up and down the Yukon Territory from Hershel Island to Dawson, the Japanese Canadians have also adopted him as one of their early pioneers. An unsigned story in the Continental Times 1957 New Year issue knew him only as "Alaska" Wada. "It appears that he spent just as much time in the U.S. as in Canada," the Canadian writer commented, as Wada frequently visited Vancouver, mushed his dog teams to Fort Norman on gold prospecting trips in the Northwest Territory and down to Edmonton in 1919, when oil was discovered in Alberta at the time.

History buff Norio Mitsuoka, a Seattle Nisei now retired in Orange County, Calif., came to the Pacific Citizen last summer with the exciting yet little known saga of this Issei pioneer in Alaska, whose achievements began before Alaska gained territorial status in 1912.

Another P.C. reader in Alaska, Ron Inouye (a Colorado-born Sansei), has added stories of other Issei pioneers to our files, which also contains a seven-part series of recollections as a youth in Juneau by New York travel agent and onetime newspaperman Tooru Kanazawa. "During his lifetime (Wada) set unmatched records for endurance and survival," Kanazawa summarized. Wada was the "most famous." He was a prospector, dog musher, mail carrier and once was almost lynched by infuriated miners. This incident, DeArmond recalls, made Wada infamous for instigating the midwinter stampede from Dawson to Fairbanks in 1903. Some accounts say the miners who didn't like what they found became angry and voted to hang Wada, but threw him out of town instead. Wada claimed they never threatened him, but that he left for business reasons.

As DeArmond puts it, Wada was the subject of many newspaper stories after this. His contribution for the Holiday Issue was too long because of these details, but with interest in wake of the Iditarod Trail race, it ought to be published for the record. At least we feel that way... Meantime, secure a current copy of Alaska, hear the call of the last American frontier and be set for an unusual Issei story.

The Continental Times' Tale

THE UNSIGNED REPORT in the Jan. 1, 1957, Continental Times (now known as Canada Times and published in Toronto) has a personal twist in that Wada's adventures had attracted Yasushi Yamasaki, later the publisher of the Continental Daily News (Tairiku Nippo) in Vancouver in 1908 which became the largest Japanese vernacular newspaper in Canada.

While Wada's exploits prospecting for gold were assumed by the Japanese at the time (1900-1915) to be exaggerated, the thought that his successes could be duplicated crossed the minds of many adventurous Issei—most of them in their 20s. One of these men was Yamasaki who got wind of the fabulous luck of Alaska Wada while working in the salmon industry at Skeena in the late '90s. (DeArmond's account puts Wada spending his first three winters in Alaska and Canadian Arctic from 1891 aboard an American whaler.)

Yamasaki and his friends had purchased the usual tools and provisions that prospectors required and headed for Skagway, the mouth of the Klondike. Money, gold dust and liquor flowed in all directions there in wake of the Klondike strike. Unlucky, no doubt, at Skagway, Yamasaki ventured further northward to Seward on the Kenai Peninsula to pan for gold. Yamasaki later recalled to his friends in Vancouver, "The only difference between Wada and myself is that Wada struck it rich and I didn't."

As late as 1930, Japanese Canadian Issei had ventured on expeditions to the north in search of gold. One group met an Eskimo, this article notes, in Beaver, 50 miles south of Fort Yukon, who remembered the help of a generous Japanese trader who had married one of their women in Point Barrow. Here, the Ron Inouye story comes into play. It's about Frank Kyosuke Yasuda (1868-1958), whose story was made into a prize-winning Japanese novel and a Toho movie, Alaska Monogatari, in 1978.

The Issei role in Alaska and the Canadian Arctic may be imbedded on ice but the pack is starting to melt.

Letters to the Editor

Letters to the editor should be typewritten (double-spaced) or legibly hand-printed and no more than 200 words. A contact phone number and address must be included or P.C. will not print the letter. Letters may be subject to editing.

Adoption of Chinese Spelling Standards Silly

The article by Marutani on the origin of "Japan" was interesting but embodied within it was something that has bothered me for some time. It was the proclamation by the PRC that henceforth the spelling of its cities and names should conform to its notion of combining the Western alphabetic characters according to an arbitrary phonetic system. What surprised me is that our media meekly accepted the new standards. This, in spite of the fact that we have resisted to this day spelling European cities in accordance with their native spelling even though the Europeans use a similar alphabet (Slavs excepted) to ours. Would we recognize Florence, Venice, Cologne or Vienna as Firenze, Venezia, Koln, or Vienna? Most of us wouldn't. So, why cater to the PRC?

Japan had (has?) a similar movement like the PRC's where words like "chichibu" would be spelled "titibu". That should die a-borning.

So far as I am concerned, Mao Tse-tung has disappeared from history and some interloper called Mao Zedong has taken his place. That could happen in China but it shouldn't happen here. I can foresee unnecessary confusion in reference books and needless waste of time deciphering the new uses of "X's" and "Z's," etc.

SHIGEO YUGE
Los Angeles, Calif.

JACL Must Guard Against Oppression

As a member of JACL since 1946,

I am deeply distressed by the JACL National Board's decision to defer any action pertaining to joining a lawsuit or submitting a brief in the American Arab Anti-Discrimination case challenging the Walter-McCarran Act or the refusal to speak out on the Bork nomination.

I became a life member of JACL after serving as a volunteer in Poston Concentration Camp II in the summer of 1945. My experience caused me to join JACL in order to become directly involved in the struggle against discrimination and stereotyping. The recent actions of the National Board of Directors strike me as a direct contradiction of the very purpose of JACL; to be in the forefront of the fight to end discrimination and to speak out unequivocally on behalf of human rights for all people. Any student of American history should recognize that Arab people have joined the Black slaves and the "yellow peril" as the latest in a long line of victims of American bigotry and racism.

The U.S. has often successfully divided people of color by pitting one group against another. In 1943, many groups refused to deal with the issue of Executive Order 9066 and the evacuation, waiting until "all the facts are known." The NAACP is proud to be the first civil rights organization to object, and it did so immediately. It recognized the symptoms of American prejudice and had the courage to take an extremely unpopular stand. The American Friends Service Committee and the International Longshoremen's Union also objected... If JACL is not prepared to take the risk of joining with other people of color when they are the victims of discrimination, we are a disgrace to that legacy of courage.

We were proud of Sen. Inouye as the chair of the Iran-contra hearings... We were outraged to read about the scurrilous racial slurs

sent to him and other members of the committee. How hollow our righteous indignation becomes when we remain silent about legislation that very well may condemn another group to the same treatment Japanese Americans experienced during WW2.

I sincerely implore the members of the JACL board to reconsider their decision and submit an amicus brief, if it is not too late, in the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee case. It is unthinkable that we would keep silent on an issue as closely related to our own struggle as this. Redress will not lose because of support for others' civil liberties. President Reagan will sign or not sign based on his own beliefs, including his understanding of racial discrimination (and his record has been weak). If he vetoes, Congress can override his veto.

Using phrases like "such time as all the facts are known" is a transparent dodge which is a direct reaction to fear of being labeled un-American. Exactly what facts are we expecting to emerge before we take a stand against injustice.

As Congressman George Crockett said, "Every lawyer who defended alleged communists or fifth amendment liberals in the McCarthy era, every civil rights activist, every judge who made an unpopular decision against police lawlessness and upholding individual rights, and every man or woman involved in the business of defending our constitutional right to free speech and assembly for the unpopular causes in our society has at one time or another been the subject of attacks accusing them of being un-American." If that is what we are afraid of, heaven help us and our children.

Some oppressed people become oppressors. We must guard against that.

MARYANN MAHAFFEY, ACSW,
City Council member
Detroit, Mich.

Japan's 'Image' Is Not the Problem

While I appreciated the basic sentiment expressed in Bill Hosokawa's column entitled "Racial Discrimination Hurts Japan's Image," (PC, 2-26-88), I was disconcerted by his glaring omission of racial discrimination already present in Japan. Japanese of Korean descent have been suffering from widespread abuse for nearly one hundred years.

Of course, the Japanese government does not recognize these persons as Japanese citizens: this is exactly the problem. Regarded as "aliens," Japanese-born persons of Korean ancestry are subjected to the dehumanization of fingerprinting and are required to carry identification cards at all times. The discrimination spreads into all areas of life in Japan—striking especially cruel blows in the areas of education and jobs and social status (all are related).


According to Hosokawa, Professor Nishio claims that Japan enjoys "social harmony... that should not be endangered by... allowing an alien underclass to enter the country as immigrants."

Why don't the Korean Japanese simply go home? But as we Asian Americans can identify with "home" can be an elusive place. For second- and third-generation Korean Japanese, Japan is home, and shouldn't it be? As Asian Americans fighting racial injustice in the United States, let us not worry so much about "image," but address the plight that Japanese persons of Korean ancestry have faced for so many years.

DAVID YOO
Member of JACL, Seabrook Chapter
Princeton, N.J.

Pre-Convention Info for JACLers

THE BEAR FACTS



Neal Taniguchi

The National Convention is four and a half months away, but this biennial event is fast approaching. I am excited about this convention for I have never attended a JACL National Convention in any official capacity, although my parents dragged me along to the Portland convention in 1974.

While I do not remember much about the Portland convention, I do remember my father tip-toeing into our hotel room at one or two in the morning after a long arduous business session. For my brother, mother, and I, our trip to Portland was fun and entertaining; for my father, the trip was a week of hell.

With the Seattle convention approaching, I want to remind JACL chapters and members of some important pre-convention information.

During February, all chapters received information on the various awards and recognitions to be granted at the National Convention. They include the Japanese American of the Biennium, the JACLer of the Biennium, the George J. Inagaki Chapter Award, and the Edison Uno Civil Rights Award. With the exception of the JACLer of the Biennium award, all award nominations must be submitted to their respective committees by May 20, 1988. JACLer of the Biennium award nominations must be submitted by April 23, 1988, as both the Awards

and Recognitions Committee chaired by Lily Okura and the National Board must approve of the nominee selected from the pool of applications.

Also during February, our office mailed out to chapters nomination packets for National offices. All interested JACL members must submit their completed nomination forms and related information to the Nominations Committee chaired by Teresa Maebori by May 6, 1988.

During March, all chapters received information regarding resolutions procedures. This packet included a resolution procedure, resolution forms, and a codification of National Council resolutions through 1986. All proposed resolutions must be sent to National Headquarters by June 6, 1988. No resolutions except emergency resolutions will be accepted after this deadline. Emergency resolutions must be submitted by August 7, 1988. Emergency resolutions must meet the criteria outlined in the procedures sent to chapters.

By the end of March, the National office will mail to chapters information regarding credentials, including delegate and proxy designations, and chapter dues. The deadline for all chapter dues, delegate and proxy designations, and other credentials related materials is June 6, 1988, sixty days before the convention. Staff needs time to assemble convention information and send this information to the delegates thirty days before the convention. Failure to submit chapter credentials information before the June 6, 1988, deadline may result in a failure on our part to mail out convention information to that chapter in a timely manner. Please heed the June 6, 1988, deadline.

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For Quakers: Nothing Is Too Small

AMONG THE PAPERS issued by the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), something caught my eye: it was the word "Palau." I looked it up. Situated east of the southern tip of the Philippine Islands and north of New Guinea are the archipelagoes of the Carolines and Marshalls, often referred to as "Micronesia." Along with Peleilu, Truk and Yap, Palau forms the Carolines. If the names recall battles during WW2, your memory is on target.

But first, to place matters into a brief historical setting.

BACK IN 1885, the Carolines, Marshalls and the Marianas were claimed by Germany. After the outbreak of WW1, Japan took control of the three archipelagoes; after the conclusion of that war, the League of Nations turned over mandate to Japan. After WW2, however, the archipelagoes were turned over by United Nations action to the U.S. There is a high commissioner appointed by the president of the United States, the commissioner maintaining his headquarters on Saipan. There is a legislative body, with limited powers, known as the Congress of Micronesia. However, the various local entities of Micronesia have their own locally-elected governments, including a legislature, which have preempted the

EAST WIND

Bill Marutani



Congress of Micronesia. A U.S. offer of commonwealth status—a status proceeding with the Marianas—was rejected in 1970 by the Micronesian leaders.

So where does the AFSC enter into the picture, and why?

IT SEEMS THAT, as as I interpreted the papers which caught my eye, there is a movement underfoot to establish what is referred to as "Compact of Free Association" between the U.S. and the trust territories of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau. I glanced at the papers and it certainly seemed fair enough to me: "free association" to be voted upon by the indigenous folks and by Congress. Who could quarrel with that? And, anyway, who could care that much about some little group of islands in the South Pacific?

Well, the AFSC, for one. Why? I read on.

UNDER THE COMPACT of this free association, the U.S. would assume responsibility for the defense

of Palau. That seems just fine, particularly for the Palauans. Their Constitution, adopted in 1979, contains a nuclear-free provision which cannot be amended without an affirmative vote of 75 percent. Well, it seems that there are forces working to amend the Constitution, the first step being to remove the 75 percent requirement. Some suits were filed, threats reportedly made, people injured and at least one killed, suits withdrawn without consent of at least some of the plaintiffs. Incidentally, one of the threats was reportedly directed at the presiding judge, a Judge Nakamura.

I WOULD ASSUME that in terms of numbers or political leverage, Palauans have little. According to an item I saw, apparently there is a community of Palauans in Portland, Ore., and they have sought to enlist the support of Sen. Mark Hatfield. The AFSC, through its Friends Committee on National Legislation, presented testimony to the Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, in opposition to S.J. Resolution 23, which would approve the compact. In fact, the AFSC also submitted a petition to the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations.

I must admit that I wonder about the efficacy of all this. And then I think back to 1942.

Easy Generalizations Only Give Partial Picture

I've just gotten around to reading *Occupation*, John Toland's 1987 novel based on the war crimes trials in Tokyo after the Japanese surrender. I can't tell you how it all comes out because there are a number of chapters yet to go. But I did run across a fascinating passage about the Japanese character and I hope Toland, who won a Pulitzer prize for his history, *The Rising Sun*, will not mind if I share it with you.

These are the circumstances: Chauncy Snow, a young attorney who knows nothing about Japan, is sent to Tokyo to join the defense team in the war crimes trials. Seeking an understanding of the Japanese people, she goes for help to Professor Frank McGlynn, a Japan scholar attached to Gen. MacArthur's headquarters. This is what he tells her:

"In everyday life, Japanese instinctively practice the concept of the contradiction of opposites, and the means of harmonizing with them. Right and wrong, spirit and

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Bill Hosokawa



matter, God and man—all these opposing elements are harmoniously united in a Japanese. That's why a thing can be good and bad at the same time. We Westerners think in terms of black or white. This is how I always explain it to my students: Western logic is like a suitcase, defined and limited. Eastern logic is like the *furoshiki*, that cloth the Japanese carry for wrapping all sorts of things. It can be large or small according to needs, and afterward can be folded and put in the pocket."

Professor McGlynn goes on: "We look at a Japanese and conclude he's utterly inscrutable... He will

often attempt to convey his ideas to you by misdirection, discussing details in a devious, tortuous manner. He can treat you with exaggerated politeness in his home and rudely shove you aside to get into a train where he'll take off his shoes and put his stocking feet on the seat in front. He has even been known to assassinate a man and later apologize to the servants for messing up the house."

Remember, McGlynn is talking of the prewar Japanese. Later in the conversation he says: "Beliefs rooted in the Judeo-Christian tradition dictate that once you commit a crime, you must bear the consequences for as long as you live. Oriental teachers, however, preach that if you admit your wrongs, apologize and atone for them, you can start fresh. We Westerners always remember our errors and sins, but the Japanese is taught that his errors are predestined. He must cleanse himself of past mistakes, so he will be able to adapt himself to new possibilities."

Of course it's impossible to analyze Japanese thought in a few short paragraphs. Like all generalizations, McGlynn's contain elements of truth along with rather dubious conclusions. If nothing else, these passages underscore the problem of trying to understand cultures other than our own, a critically important matter when after four decades of peace the two nations still have difficulty understanding exactly why they have disagreements.

CONVENTION

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Well, having said that, I think the Seattle convention will be an entertaining event, or so the Seattle Convention Planning Committee promises. My parents are even thinking of going to Seattle for the convention. However, the irony is that if they do plan to attend, I suspect that my parents will have a great time, and I will experience one week of hell.

For The Record

A story that appeared on page one of the March 11, 1988 P.C. entitled "Bay Area Remembers E.O. 9066" should have had a byline crediting its writer, Mark Jue.

The photo caption that appeared on the lower righthand corner of the March 18, 1988 P.C. gave the wrong designation for H.R. 3828, misidentifying it as H.R. 3868.

No Reparations for Nisei Internees

By James Kilpatrick

Now pending on the Senate's calendar, subject to floor debate at any time, is a bad bill that comes to us laden with good intentions. At a cost of \$1.2 billion, the bill would pay \$20,000 each to those surviving Americans of Japanese ancestry who were interned on the West Coast in World War II. The measure ought to be quietly retired.

It is not easy—it is probably futile—to oppose the Senate bill. Only a heart of stone, it is said, could fail to be moved by the injustice visited upon loyal American citizens 46 years ago; it is time to apologize, we are told; it is time to make amends.

Two generations have grown up since the Japanese launched their attack on Pearl Harbor. Today we count the Japanese as friends and allies. In the winter of 1941-42 they were enemies. Today it seems absurd to imagine that the Japanese might have invaded California. This seemed not at all absurd at the time. In 1988 we scarcely can imagine risks of sabotage and espionage. Reasonable men vividly perceived them.

Acting upon these fears, Congress authorized President Roosevelt to issue what became Executive Order 9066. Pursuant to that order, the commanding general of West Coast forces proclaimed Civilian Exclusion Order No. 34. After May 9, 1942, more than 110,000 U.S. citizens of Japanese descent were to be uprooted from their homes. They were taken by train to internment camps. There they remained until the war's end in 1945. An estimated 60,000 survive.

The Myth of 'Military Necessity'

By Ronald Takaki

In his "No Reparations for Nisei Internees," James Kilpatrick betrays his ignorance of the facts. His argument against the reparations bill now pending in the Senate rests upon the premise that "reasonable men" after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor "vividly perceived" the "risks of sabotage and espionage." They saw the Japanese population in the United States as a threat to our military security and the mass internment of 110,000 Japanese Americans in concentration camps as a "military necessity."

Who exactly were these "reasonable men"? Actually the men who made the internment decision *knew* there was no military need to evacuate Japanese Americans from the West Coast. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Navy Secretary Frank Knox, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, Assistant Secretary of War John J. McCloy, Provost Marshal General Allen Gullion, and Lieutenant General John L. DeWitt all had access to then-confidential reports by the Office of Naval Intelligence as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which confirmed Japanese American loyalty to the U.S. and concluded there was no need for mass removal of Japanese Americans. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the F.B.I., informed the attorney general on Feb. 2, 1942, that the proposed internment of the Japanese could not be justified for security reasons: "The necessity of mass evacuation is based primarily upon public and political pressure rather than factual data." Even Stimson knew this. In his diary, he wrote on Feb. 10, 1942, before President Roosevelt signed the executive order nine days later: "The second generation Japanese can only be evacuated either as part of a total evacuation... or by frankly trying to put them out on the ground that their racial characteristics are such that we cannot understand or trust even the citizen Japanese. This latter is the fact but I am afraid it will make a tremendous hole in our constitutional system to apply it."

Tragically, for Japanese Amer-

icans and for our Constitution, "reasonable men" like Stimson himself and President Roosevelt were willing to make such a tremendous hole.

Significantly, in Hawaii where military action did in fact take place and where one would expect even greater concern for military security relative to the large Japanese population (37 percent of the territory), mass internment did *not* occur. There General Delos Emmons, the military governor, was truly a "reasonable man." Two weeks after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, he declared in a radio address to the public: "There is no intention or desire on the part of the federal authorities to operate mass concentration camps. No person, be he citizen or alien, need worry, provided he is not connected with subversive elements... While we have been subjected to a serious attack... we must remember that this is America and we must do things the American way. We must distinguish between loyalty and disloyalty among our people."

Ironically, after Japanese American internment had been completed on the mainland, General Emmons replaced General DeWitt as head of the Western Command. On Nov. 5, 1943, Assistant Secretary of War John J. McCloy wrote Emmons: "The situation in California is not the same (as in Hawaii). You have no doubt become aware of the existence of active and powerful minority groups in California whose main interest in the war seems to take the form of a desire for permanent exclusion of all Japanese, loyal or disloyal, citizen or alien, from the West Coast or at least, from California... This means that considerations other than of mere military necessity enter into any proposal for the removal of the present restrictions (the barring of Japanese from designated military zones on the West Coast)."

Rep. Bill Frenzel of Minnesota made the same point in the House debate: "What a funny way to ask us to rub ashes on our heads! The bill asks us to purge ourselves of someone else's guilt with another generation's money." No penance, no payments and no apology are required. The past is past. Let it stay that way.

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Ronald Takaki is Professor of Asian American Studies at UC Berkeley. He is originally from Hawaii and was not evacuated during WW2.



Norman Mineta

► **Stuart B. Shim**, an MBA candidate from Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. was honored with a summer fellowship through Sony's International Management Program in Tokyo. The fellowship includes a small stipend and housing in Tokyo from June 1, 1988 to Aug. 1, 1988. Shim is also a member of the New York JACL.

► **Allen A. Asakura** of Montebello, Calif., was among 40 persons honored at the 1988 Man of the Year Award Dinner held Feb. 17 in New York City. Asakura, chief of the earthquake division for the Los Angeles Building and Safety Department, was cited for leading the program that strengthened hundreds of unreinforced masonry buildings before the Oct. 1, 1987, earthquake in Los Angeles. The award was sponsored by ENR, McGraw-Hill's construction weekly.

► **Dr. Thomas Ishii, P.E.** is the 35th recipient to be honored with the En-



Stewart Kwoh

gineer of the Year award which is given annually by the Engineers & Scientists of Milwaukee to a Milwaukee area engineer or scientist in recognition of the distinguished contributions to the engineering profession.

► **Usami Komatsu** was recently honored by the Los Angeles Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America with the Silver Beaver Award, the highest recognition a local Boy Scout Council can award for distinguished service to youth.

► **Robert Ozaki**, 41, of Honolulu, was recently named chairman of Amfac Hawaii.

► **H. Cooke Sunoo** of Los Angeles was named by the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) as the new Hollywood project manager on March 15. Sunoo, 42, was project manager for the Little Tokyo Project of the CRA and will now be in charge of CRA's largest redevelopment project outside the Central



Stuart B. Shim

Business District.

► **U.S. Rep. Norman K. Mineta** will receive the National Air Transportation Association's 1988 Distinguished Service Award on April 24. The award will be presented in a special ceremony during NATA's 1988 Convention in Santa Clara, Calif.

► **Reiko P. Uchida** of Torrance, Calif., was one of 92 selected to participate in the final adjudications of the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts' (NFAA) Arts Recognition and Talent Search. Uchida, a keyboardist, was one of nearly 6,000 nationwide applicants.

► **Stewart Kwoh**, executive director of the Asian Pacific American Legal Center, was appointed to the Board of Los Angeles' Human Relation Commission by Mayor Tom Bradley, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of commission member John Saito.

AALDEF Salutes Asian American Standouts

By Teru Kanazawa Sheehan

NEW YORK — Welcoming in the year of the dragon, 4686, the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF), on Feb. 11, honored three Asian Americans, Aiko Herzig-Yoshinaga, Japanese American redress advocate; Irene Natividad, National Chair of the National Women's Political Caucus (NWPC); and Anthony M. Tung, member of the New York City Landmarks Commission.

This year marks AALDEF's 14th year of operation as the city's premier Asian American legal rights organization. As Master of Ceremonies Arthur Soong, AALDEF president, described it, the organization had "very humble beginnings." Even at the present time, he continued, the budget is "woefully small" and the organization must depend financially to a great extent on events like the annual awards dinner, now in its sixth year.

A host of city and state governmental figures were on hand to share in the festivities, including two of last year's "Justice in Action" award recipients, Philadelphia's Judge William Marutani and author Michi Weglyn.

National Coalition for Japanese American Redress Chair William Hohri presented the first award to Herzig-Yoshinaga, who travelled all the way from the nation's capital to attend the event. Hohri summed up his remarks, saying, "Without Aiko and her husband, Jack, there would not have been a 'new voice' in Congress, a class action lawsuit, or the *coram nobis* cases." She was, he continued, "our woman on the ground."

Herzig-Yoshinaga, holding up her plaque, said receiving the award was a "truly exhilarating experience" and that she "never dreamt my activities would receive such

public acknowledgement." Describing her activist work over the past two decades, she concluded that "people must fight for social justice."

Honoree Irene Natividad, chair of the NWPC, was introduced by Elinor Guggenheimer who said, "Everyone talks of (her) as a great lady."

In her remarks, Natividad described herself as a native Filipino who has come to appreciate the gift that American citizenship brings but added that "equal representation is still a dream and not a reality."

Councilwoman Susan Molinari introduced Anthony M. Tung as a "symbol of the fire-breathing dragon in New York City." Tung described his year-long fight to remain a member of the Landmark Commission in the face of opposition from Mayor Koch, who attempted to displace him in late 1986 for his "independent" positions. Tung said his eight years of service have taught him that "freedom of expression is necessary for truthfulness and necessary for good government."

Soong later expressed appreciation to the dinner chair Fay Chew Matsuda and the eight committee members, one of whom AALDEF outreach coordinator Lillian Ling, was given a birthday party.

AALDEF is entering its 14th year "doing well" according to program director Stan Mark. It presently has four full-time staff members including Executive Director Margaret Fung and nine people in rotation in its legal advice clinic.

A recent emphasis of the operation has been a move "beyond casework to policy," says Mark. Redress and immigration are two of the issues under focus and handouts were well in evidence at the dinner.

SCHOLARSHIP

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ble to Japanese Americans through various community organizations and churches, the NSU feels that there can never be enough money to support the education of our youth.

"A college education is extremely important for advancement in our society, and we must help to provide our youth with financial support if we expect them to become our future leaders," stated Gann Matsuda, director of the NSU Scholarship Fund. Thus far, the scholarship fund has received considerable community support and their endorsement list continues to grow.

"Honorary Advisory Board" members include Warren Furutani, Los Angeles Board of Education, Aiko Herzig-Yoshinaga, National Council for Japanese American Redress, Don Nakanishi, UCLA School of Education, Dale Minami, attorney at law and lead counsel for Fred Korematsu, and Congressmen Robert Matsui and Norman Mineta (both D-Calif.).

The NSU also credits the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council, SCAN JACL and the JACL Selanoco chapter for its monetary start-up support.

Those wishing to donate to the NSU Scholarship Fund should make their checks payable to the

"Regents of the University of California." Donations, which are tax-deductible, should be sent to: UCLA Nikkei Student Union Scholarship Fund, 3232 Campbell Hall, L.A., CA 90024-1546.

Students interested in applying for the scholarship should send a self-addressed stamped envelope, marked (ATTN: Applications), to the above address as soon as possible.

For more information, call the UCLA Nikkei Student Union Scholarship Fund, (213) 825-7184, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday; or call the UCLA Asian American Studies Center, (213) 825-1006.

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Community Calendar

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■ April 7-10—The National Association for Asian and Pacific American Education's 10th annual conference, the Radisson Hotel. Featured speakers: Warren Furutani, Irene Natividad, Colorado Gov. Roy Romer and Denver Mayor Federico Peña. Info: Russell Endo, 303 443-9587.

■ June 11—The Japanese American Community Graduation Banquet honoring graduating high school seniors in the greater metro Denver area. Info: Pat Hayashi, 303 987-8849.

FRESNO

■ April 23—Community Service Award Luncheon for Mae Takahashi, sponsored by Central California Asian/Pacific Women, 11:30 am, Roger Rock's Good Company Music Hall, 1226 N. Wishon Ave. Fee: \$15/ea. Reservations required. Info: Karen Nishio, 209 294-2041 (W) or 209 439-8525 (H).

IRVINE

■ April 6—Kōdōmō Microoperas by Collage Ensemble, 8 pm, Fine Arts Concert Hall, University of California, Irvine. Tickets: \$5 general admission, \$3 for UCI students. Tickets available at the Fine Arts Box Office and Ticketron. Info: 714 856-6616.

LOS ANGELES AREA

■ Present—April 3—"Paris in Japan: The Japanese Encounter with European Painting," UCLA's Wright Gallery (lower level), Tues., 11 am-8 pm; Wed.-Fri., 11 am-5 pm; Sat. & Sun. 1-5 pm; closed Mon. Free. Parking: \$3. Sponsors: Washington University Gallery of Art, St. Louis and the Japan Foundation. Info: 213 825-9345.

■ Present—May 1—"The Scenic Art of Setsu Asakura," contemporary Japanese Stage Design, Doizaki Gallery, Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, 244 S. San Pedro St. Noon-5 pm daily, closed Mon. Weekends, 11 am-4 pm.

■ March 28-June 13—UCLA Extension's "Japanese Civilization," a survey of the development of Japanese culture and its relationship to the Asian mainland, a 12-part series, 7-10 pm, Mondays, 2160 Bunche Hall, UCLA. Instructor: Dr. Herbert E. Plutschow. Fees and other info: 213 825-2272.

■ March 29 & April 17—The Western Region Asian American Project's "Parenting Issues: Child Rearing Practices," two free community education programs. March 29—7:30 pm, Tongan Seventh Day Adventist Church, 8025 Somerset Blvd., Paramount.

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The Pacific Citizen, official publication of the Japanese American Citizens League, a 27,000 member human and civil rights organization, is seeking a full-time editor and a business manager to work in its Los Angeles office.

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■ March 29-June 14—UCLA Extension's "The Art of Cartooning," a 12-session course taught by award winning artist Neal Yamamoto, Tuesdays, 7-10 pm, Westwood United Methodist Church, 10497 Wilshire Blvd. Fees and other info: 213 206-8503.

■ March 30-June 1—UCLA Extension's "Japanese Brush Painting," taught by Koichi Kawana, MFA, Wednesdays, 7-10 pm, 6250 Dickson Art Center. Fees and other info: 213 206-8503.

■ March 31-April 28—UCLA Extension's "Japanese Flower Arrangement," led by Yoshio Ikezaki, MFA, Thursdays, 7-10 pm, Westwood United Methodist Church, 10497 Wilshire Blvd. Fee and other info: 213 206-8503.

■ March 31—The Korean American Coalition's 5th Anniversary Reception, 6-8:30 pm, Siyeon Restaurant, 721 S. Western Ave. R.S.V.P. to the KAC Office, 213 380-6175.

■ April 7—Opening night of East West Players' *Mishima*, 8 pm, 4424 Santa Monica Blvd. Cost: \$15. Info: 213 660-0366.

■ April 15—The Asian Pacific Family Center's first annual fundraising awards dinner/dance. Info: Gladys Lee, LCSW director, 818 573-3322.

■ April 16—"An Evening in the Far East," a unique blend of performing and martial artists representing China, Japan and Korea, 7:30 pm, the Wadsworth Theatre. Tickets: \$10, \$6 for UCLA students with valid I.D. Presented by the UCLA Student Commit-

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■ March 28—Meeting of the East Bay Nikkei Singles, 8 pm, California First Bank, Oakland. Speaker: Suko Oji. Topic: The Nikkei Retirement Housing Project. Public invited. Free.

■ April 13—"Asians in the Media," an informal panel discussion, featuring filmmaker Steven Okazaki, TV reporter David Louie, actress Judy Nihei and TV producer Gayle Yamada, 7:30 pm Western Addition Branch, 1550 Scott St. Free.

■ May 13-15—The 8th Annual Nikkei Boy Scout Camporee, Camp Tamarancho, near Fairfax, Marin County. Host Troop: Troop 58. Info: Les Tokushige, 847 245th Ave., San Francisco, CA 94121 or call 415 221-7088.

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S. 1009

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Responding to the concerns about the status of S. 1009, Sen. Matsunaga said, "I have no doubt whatsoever that S. 1009 will be passed by the United States Senate in the second session of the 100th Congress."

"Sen. Robert Byrd, majority leader, has assured me that S. 1009 will be scheduled for floor action early in this session. All 74 co-sponsors remain committed to this legislation and several non-co-sponsors will also vote for its passage in the Senate. Sen. Byrd is a co-sponsor of this bill," added Matsunaga.

Other Legislation

The only other major bill which is on the Senate calendar of busi-

ness for this week is S. 79. Known as the "high risk" bill, it would require employers to notify workers who are exposed to hazardous substances which pose a substantial risk to the workers' health.

There is the possibility of a fight on S. 79 and numerous amendments may be offered. If there is a protracted floor fight, S. 1009 may be pushed further back.

Meanwhile, the JACL-LEC office has been working since last December on a list of Republican senators who put a hold on S. 1009. Since that time, through Sen. Matsunaga's office and the work of JACL-LEC, some progress has been made to reduce the number of senators on hold.

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MARINA/GARDENA

• "Conquer the Bridge 8K Run" organizational meeting, 7:30 pm, March 30, JACL PSWD office, 244 S. San Pedro St. #507, or call Shirley Chami, 213 558-4255; Neal Natsumeda, 213 329-8034; or Deena Koda, 213 318-5353.

NCWNP

• "Decisionmaking '88: A Leadership Development Program," sponsored by the Northern California/Western Nevada Pacific District Council, April 23-25, Sacramento Inn, Sacramento, Calif. Registration: April 23, 5-7:30 pm. Fee: \$50, includes Sunday lunch and dinner. Info: Alan Nishi, 916 866-8166 (w), or 916 753-5424 (h).

PSWD

• "Japanese American Community: Critical Issues—Critical Choices," a one-day conference, May 14, the Westin Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles. Workshop topics include health, leadership, direction of JACL, political involvement, Asian Americans and the Pacific Rim, the JA superwoman, racial discrimination, male/female relationships, coalition building, Asian stereotypes, JA community organizations, generational transition and the JA male (man or mouse). Expected attendance—500. Registration Fee: \$25. Info: Bill Kaneko or John Saito, 213 626-4471.

• "Thought into Action," a conference for individuals wanting to get involved in the community to achieve a social and/or political end for Asian Americans, April 30, 8:30

am-5 pm, the Nakaoka Community Center, 1700 W. 162nd St., Gardena. Registration fee: \$15, includes lunch. Info: Jimmy Tokeshi, 213 734-4273, or Trisha Murakawa, 213 822-7440.

SAN MATEO

• 1988 Scholarship Program—the chapter will award freshman scholarships to deserving students from the local area, with top applications to be forwarded to National JACL HQ. Applications: Local San Mateo County high schools and community colleges as well as from the JACL Community Center, 415 South Claremont in San Mateo. Deadline: April 1. Info: 415 343-2793.

VENTURA

• Singles Bowling/Breakfast, 8:30 am, April 10, Wagon Wheel Bowl, located at 2801 Wagon Wheel Rd. in Oxnard. All JACL members, family and friends welcome. Singles meeting at 11 am, following bowling. Info: Stan Mukai.

Items publicizing JACL events should be typewritten (double-spaced) or legibly hand-printed and mailed at least THREE WEEKS IN ADVANCE to the P.C. office. Please include contact phone numbers, addresses, etc.

Watanabe Speaks at Ventura Installation

By Bill Kaneko

OXNARD, Calif. — Bill Watanabe, executive director of the Little Tokyo Service Center in Los Angeles, was the guest speaker at the Ventura County JACL Installation Dinner, held Feb. 20 at the Lobster Trap Restaurant.

JACLers were treated to Watanabe's slide presentation, which highlighted the mission and history of the eight-year-old social service agency. This year's dinner was also marked by the support of outlying JACL chapters. Members from the Santa Barbara and San Fernando Valley chapters were present to hear National JACL President Harry Kajihara, also in attendance, outline his tenure since he took office a year and a half ago.

Bill Kaneko, vice governor of the JACL Pacific Southwest District Council, swore in the following officers for 1988-89:

Chuck Kuniyoshi—president; Stan Mukai and Teri Komatsu—vice president; Anne Asaoka—treasurer; Janet Kajihara—secretary; Joanne Nakano—public relations; Yas Umeda—historian; Dorene Tsukida—scholarship; and Gary Mayeda—youth.

ACLU Recognizes San Diego JACL

SAN DIEGO — In recognition of the San Diego chapter's work in support of the redress legislation now pending in Congress, the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of San Diego and Imperial Counties honored the chapter at its annual Bill of Rights Dinner on Feb. 27 at the Hotel del Coronado.

Marleen Kawahara, redress chair for the chapter and Pacific Southwest District Council, accepted the award along with Carol Kawamoto, chapter president. Kawahara stressed the need for "continued support until redress reaches a just conclusion."

Ira Glasser, national director of

ACLU, was keynote speaker of the event which also presented an organization award to the San Diego Immigration Law Coalition. The coalition was honored for helping to ensure that the legalization program under the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 is implemented in San Diego in a generous manner, consistent with Congressional intent.

Individual recognitions went to Sol Price, a longtime advocate of changes in the criminal justice system to protect individual liberties, and to Linda and Carlos LeGerrette, who have been active advocates of minority rights.

'88 Chapter Board Elections

CINCINNATI

Jacqueline Vidourek, pres; Chie Weil, mem at lg; Mitzi Kato, sec; Benny Okura, treas; Catherine Yoshikawa, mem at lg; Dennis Kato, ex officio; Ruth Takeuchi, schlrshp chr; Jacqueline Vidourek, otc dele; Jo Okura, hist; Fred Morioka, (ed); Frances Tojo, Gordon Yoshikawa, newstr.

CLEVELAND JACL

Gary Yano, pres; Sachie Tanaka, pres elec prog; Peggy Tanji, vp mem; Asae Honda, treas; Kirk Yano, sec; Mits Teraguchi, schlrshp; Jim Mix, newstr; Mary Obata, mem; Suzi Nakashige, ways/means; Harry Taketa, Shig Kanai, holiday fair; Donna Nakamoto, health fair; Hank Tanaka, red.

Board of Directors—Asae Honda, Suzi Nakashige, Hank Tanaka, Gary Yano, Mary Obata, Sachie Tanaka, Mitsuo Teraguchi, Kirk Yano, Shig Kanai, Jim Mix, Donna Nakamoto, Harry Taketa, Peggy Tanji.

DETROIT

Lisa Archer, pres; Scott Yamazaki, vp chmn elect/sec; Mary Kamidori, treas; Gerry Shimura, social; Bob Tera, newstr; Toshi Shimura, newstr ed; Jean Izumi, news asst ed; George Iwaki/Dave Fukuzawa, schlrshp; Walter Miyao, ways/means; Frank Watanabe, awards, recogn; Kokubo loan fund; Pete Fujioka, mem; Kaz Mayeda, red; Dave Maxon, human rights.

DIABLO VALLEY

Donald Ikeda, pres; Hannah Yasuda, 1st vp prog; Maya Shirokawa, 2nd vp mem; Sam Cohen, rec

sec; Sharon Ikeda-Chan, treas; Jim Yamasaki, newstr ed.

Board Members—Ben Fukutome, Chieko Tahira, Mae Hirasuna, Isabel Oshiro, Mary Ann Utsumi, Bill Utsumi, Dorothy Nakagawa, Akiko Tonyama, Jack Nakashima.

FRESNO

Donald Kanesaki, pres; Kathy Suda Cederquist, 1st vp activities; Hiro Kusakai, 2nd vp mem; Kathy Kaneichi, rec sec; Debbie Abe Ball, treas; Henry Kazato, 1000 chr; Marlene Kubota, schlrshp chr; Ken Yokota, red chr; Ellen Kubokawa, otc dele.

IDAHO FALLS

Martha Sakaguchi, pres; Sadao Morishita, 1st vp; George Nukaya, 2nd vp; Connie Morishita, rec/corr sec; Todd Ogawa, treas; Kuniko Kobayashi, Harumi Nukaya, prog/activities chr; Yuki Harada, hospitality.

RIVERSIDE CHAPTER

William Takano, pres; Francis Fujioka, vp; Loma Nakamura, treas; Doris Higa, rec sec; Michiko Yoshimura, mem; Meiko Inaba, hist; Irene Ogata, mem at lg; Katherine Kumamoto, newstr; Sumi Harada, sunshine; Gen Ogata, 1000 Cl; Junji Kumamoto, red/civ rts; Douglas Urata, ins; Michiko Yoshimura, schlrshp.

SPOKANE

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For the Record

Omitted from the listing of board motions from the Feb. 13-14 JACL National Board meeting in San Francisco were the following:

Census 1990

(Kinoshita/Nishimoto) Move that the National JACL take a position in support of H.R. 3828. Vote: Unanimous.

Education Subcommittee

(Kinoshita/S. Hasegawa) Move that the National Board establish a subcommittee on Education, under Ethnic Concerns, for the balance of the current biennium, and that the National Board recommend to the National Council that there be established a national standing committee called "Education" (separate from Ethnic Concerns), which will encompass Asian American issues as related to the education field, and among other responsibilities, develop a multicultural education focus for a preventive and/or proactive approach to the human/civil rights goals of the JACL. Vote: Unanimous. (See March 11 issue of P.C.)

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- #11a Spain, Portugal & Morocco
Jun 23 - Jul 9
Alyce Komoto, escort
- #12 Alaska and the Yukon
Jul 4 - Jul 16
Toy Kanegai, escort
- #12a See South America
Jul 13 - Jul 28
Masako Kobayashi, escort
- #12b Scandinavia & Russia
Jul 21 - Aug 11
Alyce Komoto, escort
- #12c Old World Classics-Europe
Aug 5 - Aug 25
Escorted.
- #13 Canadian Rockies Tour
Aug 9 - Aug 20
Bill Sakurai, escort
- #14 Japan August Tour
Aug 12 - Aug 26
Nancy Takeda
- #14a Nat'l Parks and Canyon Country, Sep 3 - Sep 15
Veronica Ohara, escort
- #15 Yangtze River / China
Sep 7 - Sep 28
Jiro Mochizuki, escort
- #15a India & Nepal
Sep 10 - Sept 28
Alyce Komoto, escort
- #16 Europe Highlights Tour
Sep 22 - Oct 9
Galen Murakawa, escort
- #17 Fall Foliage Tour:
New England/Canada
Oct 1 - Oct 14
Yuki Sato, escort
- #18 New Orleans - Deep South
Sep 17 - Sep 25
Veronica Ohara, escort
- #18a Europe Interlude
Sep 17 - Oct 6
Phyllis Murakawa, escort
- #19 Hokkaido/Nagoya Festival Tour - Oct 6 - Oct 20
Toy Kanegai, escort
- #20 Australia, N.Z., Tahiti
Oct 6 - Oct 24
Eric Abe/Veronica Ohara
- #21 Japan Basic Tour
Oct 7 - Oct 22
Bill Sakurai, escort
- #22 Okinawa & Kyushu Tour
Oct 22 - Nov 4
Ray Ishii, escort

#22b Hong Kong, Seoul, Tokyo
Nov 1 - Nov 11
Escorted.

#22c Kuala Lumpur, Malacca, Penang, Bangkok, Singapore, Tokyo, Nov 3 - Nov 18
Toy Kanegai, escort

#23 Orient Holiday Tour
Dec 19 - Jan 2
George Kanegai, escort

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