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Redress Will 'Reflect Unfavorably' Says S.I. Hayakawa

By George Johnston

Former U.S. Sen. S.I. Hayakawa (R-Calif.) believes that S. 1009, which passed 69-27 April 20 in the Senate, should be vetoed by President Reagan because if it were to pass, it would reflect unfavorably upon Japanese Americans. Hayakawa, one of the most vocal and prominent figures against the monetary portion of Japanese American redress, believes that since Japanese Americans are doing well as a whole, the money is unnecessary. "Japanese Americans have a higher income than others, including Whites. They're not in need," he said.

One of the reasons Hayakawa, 82, has historically been against redress is because he believes that the Issei generation was not consulted and was not an active participant in the redress movement. "The campaign for redress was conducted almost completely by American-born, English-speaking Japanese Americans, not the older, immigrant Japanese Americans," said the Canadian-born American.

"The immigrant Japanese, most of whom do not speak English well, were not included in the deliberations concerning redress, so the entire program was conducted by Nisei and Sansei, not the entire Japanese American community. For the Issei," Hayakawa added, "it would have never occurred to them to ask for money or redress. Most of them were grateful for the relocation, which kept them from danger in the event of an invasion by the Japanese military on the American mainland."



Pacific Citizen Photo By George Johnston

DANCING IN THE STREET—The Michiya Hanayagi dancers perform a classical Japanese dance during San Francisco's 21st Annual Cherry Blossom Festival Grand Parade, held April 24 in Nihon Machi.

'Wait and See Attitude'

NCJAR 'Skeptical' on Chances for Redress

By George Johnston

National Council for Japanese American Redress (NCJAR) President William Hohri last week expressed approval for the recent passage of S. 1009 in the U.S. Senate but he also admitted that he is "very sober, very skeptical about Reagan signing it." NCJAR is currently involved in a class action lawsuit against the government on behalf of Japanese Americans who were interned during WW2.

Hohri said that NCJAR has a "wait and see" attitude about the progress of the bill, which was approved 69-27 on April 20. "The bill is going to conference committee and apparently there is a great deal of interest in the 'extinguishment clause,'" he said. "We prefer the Senate version of the bill." The extinguishment clause refers to wording concerning the extinguishment of

claims against the government for monetary redress. No date has been set yet for when the conference committee will meet.

According to Hohri, the Senate version has a ten-year period for surviving internees to decide whether to go with legislative redress or the class action case. If an individual accepts money under the legislation, that person is ineligible to participate in the class action suit. In order to participate in the suit, the individual must refuse to accept payment under the legislation. Ten years would give an individual more time to monitor progress of the NCJAR suit and decide which course of action to take.

The House version, on the other hand, provides only six months for a person to decide his or her course of action. If an eligible person does not make a decision in six months, he automatically has decided to accept payment and "opt out" of the NCJAR lawsuit.

Furthermore, according to Hohri, the Senate version clarifies the intent of the legislation and doesn't impede NCJAR's class action suit against the government. If the bill should be enacted, however, NCJAR is recommending that everyone eligible accept the money.

Hohri bases his skepticism on the past few years. "Since 1980, the Department of Justice has consistently been the only major institution that opposes redress," he said. "It's unlikely the president will sign the bill. The one thing going for him is he's unpredictable. The probability is he will veto it, but that's just one man's opinion."

Clarification

The April 29, 1988 P.C. story entitled "Prompt Action Urged by JACL-LEC" contained confusing information. The phone number given is not the JACL-LEC mailgram hotline, it is a mailgram service operated by the Florin JACL Chapter.

The JACL-LEC hotline has not been activated yet. Information, including the phone number, will be distributed at a later date.

S. 1009

JACL-LEC Praises Efforts, Looks to Next Redress Hurdle

By Grayce Uyehara

WASHINGTON — After a decade of focusing on the redress issue, the impossible dream to petition our government may now be possible.

The JACL Legislative Education Committee (LEC) lauds the outstanding floor management role of Sen. Spark M. Matsunaga (D-Hawaii), who introduced S. 1009 on April 19, then worked through the long session of April 20 to advocate his position on the merits of this bill and its passage. His work commenced around 10 a.m. and continued until the vote was taken near 5 p.m. Through the first session of the 100th Congress, he spent much time in rounding up the co-sponsors for S. 1009. It was pointed out on the floor that the senator's leadership in securing so many senators to support the bill speaks of his relationship with his peers.

After the long and tiring day which went through the lunch hour, Matsunaga triumphed in getting H.R. 442, the new number of the Senate bill, passed with 69 to 27 votes. Matsunaga was ably assisted by Sen. Ted Stevens (R-Ark.) who was the minority floor manager. Without the appropriate responses during the debate on the amendments which would have cut out the individual payments, the bill would not have come through intact.

Reviews of the nationwide media response to the passage of H.R. 442 (S. 1009) on April 20 in the United States Senate shows there is much more support than opposition. There is a feeling that this bill is long overdue and that justice will be well served when the bill is signed by the president. There are also more letters from individuals who support this legislation.

The JACL-LEC Office received a copy of the April 29 noon White House briefing with Marlin Fitzwater, the president's press secretary. In answer to a reporter's question about the White House position on the Japanese American reparations bill and whether it was intended for a veto because of the money in it, Fitzwater said, "Oh no. It will be signed. I don't know when it's coming down. [aside] Do you know when it's coming down?" The questioning then moved to "Will he sign it?" The answer, "Well, we can't say for sure. You never say that in advance."

The last question was "Well, you've been supportive of offering an apology. But you've been opposed to offering money. Both bills would offer \$20,000 a person for people who were interned during the war. The question is, since each version contains the \$20,000 and amounts to over a billion dollars,

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Redress Chronology

Many of the notable events covered in the Pacific Citizen with respect to the redress effort are listed in the annual chronology published at the end of the year. It was from the P.C. Chronology that this special Redress Chronology was compiled.—Harry Honda.

1942

Feb. 19—Executive Order 9066 orders excludes Nikkei residents from the three West Coast states and Alaska.

March—JACL leaders decide that at some appropriate time, somewhere, somehow, the Japanese Americans would send a bill of particulars to the Congress of the United States and ask for redress for what they would suffer unjustly due to Evacuation.

1965

Oct. 1—Rice grower Keisaburo Koda's original evacuation claim of \$2,497,500, settled in the U.S. Court of Claims for \$362,500. This was the last of the 1948 Evacuation Claims Act cases.

1966

July 10—US Supreme Court Justice Tom Clark regrets his role in Evacuation. He had directed the Justice Dept. alien control administration.

Nov. 4—Retired Calif. Supreme Court Justice Gibson labels Evacuation as "black page of history" at NCJARC meeting.

Dec. 15—First special book dealing with Evacuation published: Bosworth's "American Concentration Camps" (Norton).

1967

July 15—Lessons of Evacuation spelled out in Jerry Enomoto talk at Washington, DC, before EDC meeting; WRA director Dillon Myer and others speak of "most difficult problems in WRA and how they were resolved."

1968

June 26—Nisei efforts to have U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren "publicly apologize" for his leading role in 1942 Evacuation starts in San Francisco.

Aug. 24—National JACL Convention at San Jose calls for repeal of Emergency Detention Act (Title II), 1950 Internal Security Act.

1969 (July: first men land on moon)

Feb. 11—Fred Korematsu, in rare public appearance, lectures on Evacuation before UC Berkeley Asian Studies class.

Apr. 18—Sen. Inouye co-sponsors bill to repeal Title II. Reps. Matsunaga & Hollifield co-sponsors in House.

Nov. 28—Bill Hosokawa's "Nisei: The Quiet Americans" (Morrow) published; 100-year story of Japanese Americans.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

ILWU Supports Redress

VANCOUVER, B.C. — After an appeal to the International Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union's (ILWU) 27th Convention by Elaine Black Yoneda of San Francisco Auxiliary No. 16, delegates voted on April 13 to support a resolution in favor of redress for Japanese and Aleutian victims of wartime internment. It was also urged that Canadian delegates participate in the redress movement for Japanese Canadians.

James Herman, ILWU national president, proposed that \$1,000 be given to the redress campaign. The proposal was adopted without opposition.

KCBS Airing APA Heritage Week Show

LOS ANGELES — KCBS-TV Channel 2 will profile people and events of the Tenth Annual Asian Pacific American Heritage Week (APAHW) during a special edition of the "2 the Point," a weekly public affairs interview series to be broadcast May 8, from 4:30-5:00 p.m.

Guests include comedienne Tamayo Otsuki, APAHW committee member Peter Kwong, actress Lisa Lu and actor Mako.

Ohio Mayor Resigns to Avoid Japanese

WAPAKONETA, Ohio — Wapakoneta Mayor William V. Lietz resigned from his post April 15 rather than deal with Japanese interested in investing in the city of 8,000.

"I was on a destroyer (in the South Pacific) that was sunk ... and I was in the hospital. I don't care if it would have been the Germans. I would have felt the same way. I'm an American and I love my country," said Lietz, 64. "I am just going out because I figure it's best for the town. I don't hate (the Japanese) at all, but I just don't want to have anything to do with them personally."

Lietz, who served as mayor for 13 years, issued a statement at a town council meeting in which he said that his personal views should not affect the city's economic development. "I think it is unfortunate that this is the way to end his service to Wapakoneta," said his successor, Charles Brading. "He has a right to his opinion concerning the Japanese." Wapakoneta is the hometown of astronaut Neil Armstrong.

Kinoshita Announces Bid for Public Affairs VP

SEATTLE — Cherry Kinoshita, incumbent JACL vice president for Public Affairs, has announced that she will run for a second term in the office.

In February, Kinoshita was confirmed to a 3-year term on the JACL-LEC Board.



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Past JACL Presidents

Looking to the Post Redress Horizon

By Laurie Mochidome

Five former JACL National presidents expressed mostly elation in a telephone interview with the Pacific Citizen over the Senate's passage of the redress legislation April 20. Shig Wakamatsu, Henry Tanaka, Clifford Uyeda, Frank Chuman and Jerry Enomoto also gave their opinions of where the JACL should be headed following its redress campaign.

The responses concerning the redress bill's success were varied. Wakamatsu, 1958-1960 national president and current LEC treasurer said, "The passage of S. 1009 and H.R. 442 confirms for us who have labored for redress that on the whole we were successful on getting the message across to the American people."

Tanaka, 1972-1974 national president, added that the success of the redress legislation "points up the fact that our form of government is fragile and passing the bill will prevent similar cases to occur in the future."

Uyeda, who served as national president from 1978 to 1980, expressed sadness for the timing of the redress bill's success and for the bill's terms. "I feel most strongly a sense of sadness because it's too late to help the Issei," said Uyeda. "The people who should be redressed are no longer with us."

Deaths

Dr. Chihiro Kikuchi, 73, of Ann Arbor, Mich., died March 6 after a long illness. Professor-emeritus of nuclear engineering at the University of Michigan, he pioneered laser technology that is now applied from life-saving surgery to supermarket check-out stands.

His more recent interests turned to issues of nuclear disarmament and nuclear peace, illustrating his great concern for the future of the human race, according to his colleague, Dr. Glenn F. Knoll, University of Michigan nuclear engineering department chairman.

Born in Seattle and a graduate of Broadway High, he graduated in physics from University of Washington in 1939, and conferred his doctorate in 1944 from the same school. As discoverer of the ruby maser, precursor of today's lasers, the Smithsonian Institution has a permanent exhibit which acknowledges his invention of the ruby maser.

In 1968, JACL cited him as one of the Nisei of the Biennium for his scientific achievements. He is survived by his wife Grace (sister of T. John Fujii in Tokyo), three children, Naomi (San Francisco), Carl (Washington, D.C.), and Gary (Bethesda); his mother Mitsuye (Schererville, Ind.), brothers Akira (Detroit), Atsushi (Chicago), Tadashi (Pittsburgh), sister Kiyoko Mori (Schererville), and Kikue Rich (Tacoma).

"I also noticed the [redress] bill has only \$50 million for the trust fund," he said. "This is not enough to do anything for the Japanese American community. I think the damage done to the community was pretty severe. Individual compensation will be made, but restitution to the community will be minimal."

JACL After Redress?

According to Wakamatsu, JACL's first priority after redress should be to continue to build a stronger national organization. JACL could attain a solid economic base and increase its membership, he said, if it received more financial contributions and JACLers gained more support from their non-JACL family members. The organization must strengthen itself first, said Wakamatsu, because it's "only in being effective and more cogent that we can help others."

Chuman, author of *Bamboo People: The Law and Japanese Americans* and national president from 1960 to 1962, said that after the fate of the redress legislation is determined the JACL should complete the "redress program by supporting the Hirabayashi and Hohri cases [if] they go to the Supreme Court."

"This would climax all the injustices that happened in the past and would close the injustices of WW2," said Chuman.

He also emphasized the need for

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will you or will you not accept the legislation?" Mr. Fitzwater answered, "I don't know. We'll check and see."

This briefing information copy was received from Mike Masaoka, who has this particular press service. It does indicate that there is discussion going on in the White House on the "Japanese American repara-

JACL to lend more of its support to other Asian American groups. "I think so far we've been challenged by our own redemption," he said. "I think it's time to take our place in the broader arena."

Immediate Concern

After the redress bill is signed, said Tanaka, JACL should assist with the "follow-up of the redress legislation to see that the distribution of funds is made and the public education fund is formed." The education fund is particularly important, said Tanaka, since its purpose is "to study other kinds of events that are unconstitutional and not sensitive to the rights of citizens."

Like Chuman, Tanaka voiced the

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tions" bill, but the answers are not clear at this time.

What Next?

The question which is in the forefront of the many individuals who are tracking the progress of redress legislation is, "What happens next?"

Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.), who is taking the major responsibility for the movement of the redress bill on the House side has decided that the two bills require "conferencing" because of the differences in the bills. The House conference committee will be comprised of representatives from the Judiciary Committee and will include Democrats Peter Rodino (chairman) of New Jersey, Frank, and Howard Berman of California. From the minority side are Republicans E. Clay Shaw (chair) of Florida, and Pat Swindall of Georgia.

The Senate is on recess this week and there has not been an official action of the Senate Conference Committee, but the following are expected to serve: Sens. John Glenn (Ohio); David Pryor (Ark.); and Matsunaga for the Majority. All except Matsunaga are members of the Governmental Affairs Committee to

which S. 1009 was assigned.

The conferees will have to reconcile the two bills from the House and the Senate before it can go to the president for his signature. There is not a time line on how long this process will take. After the president receives the bill for his action, he will have ten working days to sign the bill or veto it.

Payments

The JACL offices and the JACL-LEC office have been receiving calls about when and where the payments will be made on the \$20,000 individual payment.

We remind all those who are waiting for the passage of H.R. 442 that even if the president signs the redress bill into law, there is another step in the legislative process before payments can start. The funds will have to be appropriated for each year that payments are to be made. The payments are to be made starting with the oldest, as the two bill presently read. The determination will be made by birth dates.

At this time, the JACL-LEC Office does not know whether there will be any changes made in the bill when it goes to conference.

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Theater Review

Houston's 'Tea' Proves a Strong, Strange Brew

By George Johnston

An easy description of Velina Hasu Houston's play *Tea* might be "a Japanese 'war bride' *Big Chill*." Like that movie, *Tea* reunites a group of people because of the suicide of one of their own. Such a description, however, is too simplistic, ultimately doing a disservice to the play, although it gives you a vague idea of what it's about. *Tea* is much more than such a pat synopsis.

Tea is mainly the story of a clique of Japanese women who married American men during the U.S. occupation of Japan. The setting is Junction City, Kansas, a small town near Fort Riley, apparently where the army "exiles" its "international" (i.e., miscegenated) servicemen and dependents. Despite the obstacles and difficulties of their intercultural (and with one exception, interracial) marriages, these families have persevered—all except Himiko Hamilton's. The victim of a wife-beating husband, Hamilton kills herself, unable to cope with the incredibly bad hand her difficult life has dealt her.

Their only joy is with their families ...

In life, Hamilton never found harmony or peace because she was caught between nations and cultures. In death, she is also in limbo, remaining in her house as a ghost. A group of acquaintances, other Japanese wives who also married American men, gather to straighten Hamilton's house and have tea. The women—Setsuko, Atsuko, Teruko and Chizuye—married a "rainbow coalition" of Americans—Black, Japanese, Mexican and White.

Strangers in a Strange Land

As they sip tea and reminisce, gossip, snipe at each other and sometimes comfort one another, Hamilton's ghost listens in, observing and commenting about what she sees and feels. Soon, the women begin to reveal characteristics about themselves, sometimes not very flattering. Each woman is very well-defined and one gets the impression that had they lived in Japan and known each other, they might not have become friends. But, as strangers in the strange land in the great flat expanse of Kansas, they must come together.

Externally, the women appear to have reached at least some of the goals of the American Dream, with material success beyond what they might have reached in Japan. However, it is with great cost, as they all carry difficult burdens from years of having to deal with cultural difficulties and multi-pronged discrimination. Their only joy is with their families, their children.

In fact, one of the neat things about the play is that each actress, in addition to playing a Japanese 'international bride,' also briefly plays the role of the respective spouse and daughter. Although the chief story is that of the women, it is very interesting to see the perspective of the men and children who are also part of the story.

Still in Limbo

Through the years of stateside living, all the women have changed and acculturated with varying degrees of success. One scene has two of the women singing "Kimigayo,"



Photo By Will Gullette

TEA TIME—Diana Tanaka, Lily Mariye, Takayo Fischer (back to camera) and Shuko Akune are featured in the Old Globe Theatre's West Coast premiere of Velina Houston's *Tea*, a play about Japanese women who married U.S. servicemen. Not pictured: Gerriellani Miyazaki.

while two others sing "My Country 'Tis of Thee" as Himiko Hamilton's ghost stands between the two groups, confused and unable to choose a side, still in limbo.

Like another song says, however, "You can try to run, but you can't hide from what's inside of you." Despite their differences, they are still attached by their similar roots and the realization in the aftermath of Hamilton's suicide, that they are the only ones who care about the welfare of each other.

One of the reasons *Tea* is effective is because it broaches topics which are pretty much new territory, a different kind of Japanese American experience which is still virtually undocumented. Merely talking about a new topic is not enough, however. Fortunately, Houston has done a very good job of writing about this topic.

Although just speculation, Houston's writing of the play must have been a cathartic experience that dealt with a lot of pain, anger and hurt. *Tea* succeeds in being power-

ful, heartbreaking, funny and touching. Perhaps one of the few criticisms that could be made is that the dialogue is too good, that ordinary people don't speak so poetically and so eloquently. But, that's why it's called drama.

Also in the play's favor is the cast, which is exceptional through and through. The actresses—Shuko Akune, Takayo Fischer, Lily Mariye, Gerriellani Miyazaki and Diana Tanaka—are dynamite, far better than the acting seen on made for TV movies and nighttime soaps. The sound, the setting, the direction, the lighting ... it's all very good.

Tea, by dealing with situation of the immigrant bride, is an important step in documenting a phenomenon that began decades ago and is still in progress. It's a number one when measured by the "chill factor"—the kind that runs down your spine.

—*Tea plays until May 8 in San Diego at the Old Globe Theatre's Casus Carter Centre Stage. For reservations and other information, call (619) 239-2255*

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Jan. 31—Calif. Gov. Reagan supports repeal of Title II; signs Assembly Joint Resolution Feb. 19 urging repeal. California was first state to ask Congress. House begins hearings Mar. 23. JACL Pres. Enomoto reads Earl Warren's letter against Title II for the record.
Jun 28—NCWNDC initiates JACL push for nontaxable compensation for confinement in government incarceration during WW2 in camps. (Edison Uno author of resolution). Word used was "reparations".
July 20—National JACL convention at Chicago adopts its "in principle" a resolution calling for individual monetary compensation for WW2 evacuees.
1971
Jan. 25—Title II Repeal bill re-introduced as HR 234 by Rep. Spark Matsunaga with 148 co-sponsors.
Feb. 4—Sen Inouye with 24 co-sponsors reintroduces S 592 to repeal Title II.
Apr. 16—Seattle JACL's Pride & Shame exhibit on WW2 camp experience travels through Northwest.
Sept. 14—House passes HR234 by 356-49 vote: Senate concurs unanimously by vote Sept 16. President Nixon signs bill Sept. 25 in Portland, Ore., enroute to welcome Emperor Hirohito in Alaska on his first trip as emperor to Europe.
Oct. 22—Calif. Gov. Reagan greets 700 at JACL 1000 Club whing-ding in Tokyo; U.S. Ambassador Armin Meyer reads President Nixon's message citing contributions of Japanese in America.
Nov. 20—Gordon Hirabayashi challenges JACL to fight all inequities in main address of Central California District convention.
Dec. 7—Sansei produced (Barbara Inouye) TV essay "Fence at Minidoka" aired on Seattle's KOMO; wins local Emmy Award in May, 1972.
1972
Jan. 5—Calif. Historical Society inaugurates twin photo exhibit, "Executive Order 9066", for nationwide tour; backlash editorials appear. (One exhibit set now housed by JCCCC of No. Calif. at San Francisco.)
Jan. 18—Manzanar approved as California Historical Landmark.
Apr. 20—NBC-Los Angeles newscaster shocked by 55 hate calls in 10 minutes after expressing his viewpoint on 'Executive Order 9066' display opening at Pasadena.
May 12—PC reprints so-called Mrs. Dowlen document calling for recall of San Jose Mayor Mineta in wake of Executive Order 9066 exhibit in city; response to charges made by Atty. Jim Ono.
June 28-July 1—Washington, D.C. Chapter hosts 22nd biennial National JACL Convention; convention reaffirms 1970 resolution on reparations.
Sept. 10—Hollywood JACL to help publish Estelle Ishigo memoirs of Heart Mountain WRA Center.
Sept. 19—NBC-TV essay, "Guilty by Reason of Race", telecast.
Oct. 8—PNWDC resolution asking for evacuee reparations referred to National JACL legal counsel.
1974
June 28—Rep. Danielson (D-Calif.) introduces Relocation Benefits Commission bill.
Oct. 17—Ramsey Clark, former U.S. Attorney General, reaffirms view Evacuation was unconstitutional.
Nov. 9—Nat'l JACL Board hears new evacuation reparation concept from Seattle JACLer Henry Miyatake; income tax checkoff suggested for evacuees.
Nov. 14—San Francisco KRON-TV shows 30-minute report on Evacuation, "A Reason to Remember"; some in preview audience of community representatives wanted changes or have show cancelled.
1975
April 19—JACL political education committee airs legislative role for national organization and support redress bill push; Pacific Northwest, Eastern Midwest, Pacific Southwest, No. California Western Nev. Districts initiate redress education.
Sept. 4—House repeals Exec. Order 9066 (1942 proclamation calling for Evacuation of Japanese from West Coast) among dead laws.
Dec. 7—Seattle JACL puts reparation appeal on tape cassettes.
1976
Feb. 19—President Ford rescinds 1942 Executive Order 9066.
Mar. 11—NBC-TV airs "Farewell to Manzanar".
April 27—Michi Weglyn's "Years of Infamy" published.
May 1-2—National JACL reparations campaign committee drafts particulars for Convention.
June 22-26—Sacramento hosts 24th biennial National JACL Convention.
Sept. 14—President Ford signs National Emergencies Act, officially repeals Executive Order 9066.
1977
Mar. 17—State Parks and Recreation Director Herbert Rhodes approves text (containing controversial "concentration camp") for Tule Lake campsite, L.A. Times calls text "profound distortion", evacuees defend choice of words.
May 29—Earl Warren's "Memoirs" (Doubleday) confesses his wrong-doing for own role leading to internment of Japanese Americans in 1942.
Sept. 17-18—Nat'l JACL Executive Committee steps up JACL reparation campaign; Nov. survey indicates strong support by membership.
1978
July 23—Sen. S.I. Hayakawa's remarks calling JACL redress plan "ridiculous" shocks Convention delegates as statement not heard during speech; worldwide publicity given plan.
Aug. 15—Congress passes Mineta bill granting civil service retirement credit to Nisei spending time in internment camp; HR 9471 passed in House, Jan. 23, 366-12; in Senate Aug. 18 by unanimous vote; effective Oct. 1, 1978; signed by President Carter Sept. 22.
Nov. 25—Over 3,000 in 250 cars retrace Seattle trek to Camp Harmony in Day of Remembrance to kickoff JACL redress campaign.
1979
Feb. 1—JACL redress committee meets formally for the first time with Nikkei legislators in Washington.
Feb. 16—Calif. legislature condemns EO 9066 and urges observance of Feb. 19 as Day of Remembrance; similar action taken by city councils and mayors in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Salt Lake City, Denver, Portland, on Monterey Peninsula's Marina, Monterey, Del Rey Oaks; San Bruno, Richmond; Dayton, Ohio; New York.
Feb. 17-19—Day of Remembrance programs held at Portland's Expo Center, at Tanforan Park (Calif.) Shopping Center, and Walerga, Sacramento—all one time sites for WCCA assembly centers.
June 1—Nat'l JACL Board favors commission approach on redress bill.
Aug. 2—Senators Inouye, Matsunaga, Hayakawa, Cranston, Church and McClure introduce S. 1647: bill to establish commission to study wartime internment and relocation of citizens due to Exec. Order 9066 of 1942, and to determine remedy for any wrongs committed.
Nov. 28—Rep. Mike Lowry (D-Wash.) introduces Japanese American redress bill, to pay \$15,000 plus \$15 per day of internment.
1980
Mar. 17—Calif. State Assembly unanimously supports Bannai resolution in support of S1647/HR 5499 (JACL-backed bill for commission to investigate consequences of Executive Order 9066). State Senate passes June 1 resolution.
Mar. 18—First congressional hearing on S1647/HR5499 held by U.S. Senate committee chaired by Sen. Henry Jackson.
Mar. 22—JACL's \$100-a-plate American Testimonial dinner at Los Angeles to five Nikkei in Congress attracts 1,300 diners; funds raised for JACL redress campaign.
July 21—House of Representatives passes HR5499 (commission redress bill) 279-109 with 45 not-voting. Senate accepts House modifications July 27 and sends bill to White House.
July 31—President Carter signs S1647 (JACL's redress commission bill); JACL officials fly out from Nat'l convention at San Francisco for White House event.
Nov. 4—Gov. Ronald Reagan's election to Presidency recalls his 1945 speech citing Nisei in military service at United American rally in Santa Ana and 1971 appearance at JACL 1000 Club wingding in Tokyo; was first state governor in U.S. to back JACL's 'repeal Title II' campaign.
Dec. 16—Congress passes \$1 million appropriation for redress study commission.
1981
Jan. 7—President Carter nominates Judge William Marutani, Philadelphia, to Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC), Joan Bernstein and Dr. Arthur Flemming. Senate choices (ex-Sen. Edward Brooke of Mass. and Hugh Mitchell of Wash.) recorded in Congressional Record when the 97th Congress, 1st Sess., adjourned in December. House choices to follow.
Jan. 28—Congress expands CWRIC from 7 to 9-members, allowing House and Senate to appoint one more.

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members: House appointees Justice Arthur Goldberg, Rep. Dan Lundgren (R-Cal.), Fr. Robert Drinan; additional Senate appointee: Fr. Ishmael Gromoff ... Joan Bernstein, former general counsel, U.S. Dept. of Health, Human Services, elected commission chair.

May 1—CWRIC office opens in New Executive Office Bldg., #200, 726 Jackson Pl. NW, Washington, D.C. 20506 ... Ex-Calif. assemblyman Paul Bannai named executive director.

May 3—JACL redress coordinator John Tateishi reiterates JACL favors reparations but cannot spell out amount at this time.

June 15—San Francisco board of supervisors endorse monetary compensation for Japanese American redress; first major U.S. city endorsement of its kind, says JACL.

July 14, 16—CWRIC holds first of redress hearings in Senate Caucus Room; former federal officials testify about their role in 1942 evacuation.

July 15—Washington Post calls \$25,000 reparation figure for evacuees "extravagant and wrong" even if funds were available because of "monetary buyoff for affront" supposed.

Aug. 4-6—CWRIC holds second of redress hearings at Los Angeles; Sen. S.I. Hayakawa jeered for stating he was shamed and embarrassed by demands of redress groups.

Aug. 11-13—CWRIC holds third of redress hearings at San Francisco; Nikkei continue to tell own evacuation and camp ordeals.

Sept. 9-11—Fourth CWRIC hearings held at Seattle Central Community College; different from L.A. and S.F. as witnesses challenge wartime role of JACL and Nisei leadership; Nisei panel from Hawaii testifies.

Sept. 15, 17, 19—Fifth CWRIC Hearings held in Alaska, at Anchorage, Unalaska and Pribilof Islands; nearly 1,000 Aleuts were evacuated by U.S. gov't from ancestral homes during WW2 to makeshift camps in Alaskan panhandle.

Sept. 22-23—Sixth CWRIC hearings in Chicago spotlight U.S. "kidnap" of 1,800 Japanese Peruvians during WW2 ... Myron Kuropas, who recalled his role to have President Ford nullify E.O. 9066 in 1976, at hearings finds graffiti "Nip Lover" sprayed on his garage door.

Sept. 28—Washington, D.C. attorney Angus MacBeth appointed CWRIC special counsel to "complete hearing process and prepare report and recommendations for President and Congress"; succeeds director Paul Bannai, who was appointed to Veterans Administration post.

Nov. 2-3—Seventh CWRIC hearings back in Washington: John J. McCloy, Karl Bendetsen defend their WW2 decisions for evacuation holds evacuation was economically motivated; and Mike Masaoka responds to JACL critics.

Nov. 23—Eighth CWRIC hearing held in New York City; small "back to Africa" group testified against Nikkei redress; plight of evacuees at Seabrook told.

Dec. 9—Final (9) CWRIC hearings held at Harvard University; civil liberties and legal experts, constitutional lawyers and professors discuss ramifications, forms of redress, and how to prevent deprivation of rights in the future.

1982

May 20—JACL-LEC chartered in California as nonprofit corporation to lobby for redress.

Aug. 13—27th biennial National JACL Convention at Los Angeles authorizes up to \$300,000 for redress campaign at \$100,000 per year, underwritten by JACL Endowment Fund, individual \$5 pledge from membership starts.

Dec. 1—Rep. Mervyn Dymally (C-Calif.) introduces redress bill before closing days of 97th Congress.

Dec. 20—Congress extends life of CWRIC through June 30, 1983.

1983

Feb. 22—Initial findings of CWRIC Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians are released. A "grave injustice" has been done, the commissioners conclude.

Mar. 16—National Council for Japanese American Redress chair William Hohri files lawsuit against U.S. government in behalf of 25 Nikkei plaintiffs and NCJAR. Class action seeks \$10,000 per cause per action per individual. Total may exceed \$24 billion. (Theoretically, a detainee could seek in excess of \$200,000.)

May 16—The Justice Dept. files a motion in the U.S. District Court, Washington, D.C., to dismiss NCJAR \$25.2 billion class lawsuit.

June 15—Study conducted by ICF, Inc., consulting firm, for CWRIC, reveals as a result of evacuation, Nikkei lost between \$149/\$370 million in 1945 dollars; and \$810 million/\$2 billion in 1983 dollars (accounting for inflation).

June 16—CWRIC releases its "recommendations": (a) issue an apology, (b) Presidential pardons to those convicted for violating military orders based on ethnicity, (c) restitution of positions in U.S. government lost because of WW2, (d) education fund, and (e) individual payment of \$20,000 to 60,000 survivors now living. JACL endorses recommendations July 9.

June 22—Sen. Alan Cranston (D-Calif.); Rep. Michael Lowry (D-7th Wa.) and 24 other House members draft legislation on redress payments to Japanese American and Aleut descent evacuation victims. Cranston bill does not specify amount; H.R. 3877 calls for \$20,000 each to surviving camp victims.

Nov. 16—Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) with 13 colleagues introduces S 2116 which implements recommendations of CWRIC.

1984

Jan. 17—Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) hosts a briefing on S2116 for representatives of 45 civil rights, labor, veterans, and religious organizations in Wash. D.C.

Feb. 18-19—"Day of Remembrance" observances of the 42nd anniversary of Executive Order 9066 are held in JA communities in Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Jose, San Diego, Chicago, and New York.

The California State Legislature declares every Feb. 19 a "Day of Remembrance."

Feb. 19—A plaque designating the site of the Salinas Assembly Center as a California Registered Historical Landmark dedicated.

Mar. 9—Democratic presidential candidate Jesse Jackson announces his endorsement of redress.

Mar. 27—During a Washington, D.C. hearing, Democratic National Committee are urged to include a plank on redress in the party's platform.

Apr. 7—Organization of Chinese Americans endorses redress, has 3,500-members in chapters nationwide and a Washington lobbyist.

Apr. 18—Pawall St. House of Reps unanimously passes a resolution supporting redress.

June 18—U.S. Conference of Mayors, meeting in Philadelphia, approves a resolution supporting redress. Resolution was submitted by Mayor Charles Royer of Seattle.

June 20, 21, 27—House subcommittee holds hearings on HR 4110 in Washington, D.C. John Tateishi's book "And Justice for All: An Oral History of the Japanese American Detention Camps" is released, receives favorable reviews.

Aug. 7—American Bar Assn. passes a resolution urging Congress to "provide appropriate legislative recognition of those denied equal justice under law pursuant to Executive Order 9066," but does not directly promote reparations.

Aug. 13—"Yankee Samurai," an exhibit on the Nisei of the Military Intelligence Service in the Pacific, opens at the USS Arizona Memorial Museum in Hawaii. Sen. Spark Matsunaga is keynote speaker.

Aug. 16—Senate Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Civil Service, Post Office and General Services, chaired by Sen. Ted Stevens (R-Alaska), holds a hearing on S2116 in Los Angeles. Redress legislation endorsed by 230,000-member Calif. Teachers Assn. and 1.7 million-member National Education Assn.

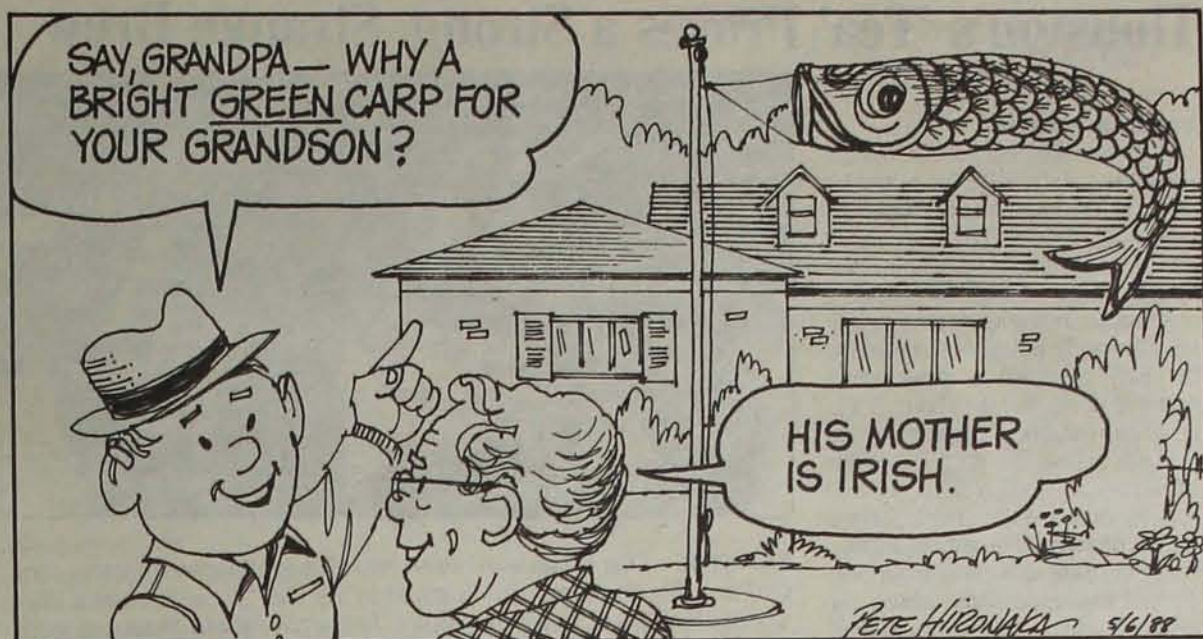
Aug. 20-24—Republican Party platform passed at national convention in Dallas includes a plank declaring that the WW2 internment was an injustice and that such an act will "never again be permitted."

Aug. 30—"Go for Broke" traveling exhibit in Denver, speakers include Colorado governor Richard Lamm and Denver mayor Federico Pena.

Sept. 3—American Legion passes "civil rights" resolution at national convention in Salt Lake City. Statement declaring the camps an injustice was originally adopted by Chicago Nisei Post 1183.

Oct. 4—"Born Free and Equal," an exhibit of photos taken at Manzanar by famed nature photographer Ansel Adams, goes on display at Fresno Metropolitan Museum. A book in

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Konjak

NO DOUBT, MANY of you out here have been doing the same thing as I've been doing for years: eating the stuff but not sure just what it's made of. I'm referring to *konnyaku*, that slightly translucent flabby whatever-it-is, found in *o-den*. Perhaps the most familiar form for many of us is *ito-konnyaku* ("string *konnyaku*") found in *sukiyaki*. For years I've been consuming the stuff, never sure just what it was made of. In fact, I recall in my *kozo*-days watching my mother make it: all I recall is that somewhere in the process she used lye.

Lye? Can that *kozo* be mistaken?

EVERY SO OFTEN while trying to pick up one of those slippery rascals with chopsticks—or in the case of *sukiyaki*, simply slurping it up a la noodle-style—I'll casually ask what it's made of. Always it's some mumble answer followed by an unhelpful "I think." Something about some "Japanese *imo*" (potato) or even *tororo-imo*, the latter being a long root which, when grated, takes on the consistency and appearance of stirred, raw eggs.

Oh, yes. Had to eat that stuff, too.

EAST WIND

Bill Marutani



Poured over hot rice. Even learned to like it.

SPEAKING OF ODEN, the frau will whip up that dish every so often. At times, I think she buys one of those packets that contain the various ingredients and she simply warms it up: *daikon* (horse-radish) thickly sliced, *sato-imo* (taro) which are slippery, *kamaboko* (Japanese-style gefilte fish), triangles of *aburage* (fried tofu), a bowtie of *konbu* (sea tangle), *koyadofu* (dried tofu) which I've always regarded as a piece of dried sponge or plastic—which may lead one to surmise that I usually pass up something that tastes like a blob of cotton in my mouth—as well as some sea foods.

The frau seems to like the various items. My choices are somewhat narrower being that I automatically eliminate *koyadofu* from the start with a few other things not too far behind.

I'VE OFTEN WONDERED whe-

ther there are foods that the Japanese eat but which their cultural ancestors, the Chinese, leave alone. I've been to what I believed were "authentic" Chinese dinners and to date, I've not been served with *uni* (sea urchin) *tako* (octopus) or *konnyaku*. For a while there, I thought only Japanese ate jellyfish, but I learned that Chinese relish the stuff, too. Notwithstanding my personal non-exposure at Chinese affairs, I have a hunch the Chinese also eat *uni* and *tako*.

SEEKING TO REMEDY an all-too-long ignorance of the derivation of *konnyaku*, I checked it in my (small) *jiten*. Of course, the first word I came across was *konyaku* ("marriage engagement") and I was about to give up until I checked back on double "n." The definition? "Paste made from *konjak* flour." I paused on that one, intrigued; for my guess is that *konnyaku* is the Japanization of the word "konjak," assuming the latter to be a non-Japanese word. But my little *jiten* shed no further light.

NOW, I DON'T know what "konjak" is. So until I come across a botanical dictionary (no, my Webster's unabridged was no help), I'll be eating those slippery devils in continued ignorance.

JACL After Redress: What Then?

Among the milestones of JACL success, none stands higher than congressional approval of redress legislation. The Congress of the United States, and through it the American people, have acknowledged a grievous wrong done to an American minority in the heat and hysteria of war.

The wrong is done and gone, and nothing can expunge the shame or mend the shattered pride that resulted from the injustice of the Evacuation. But the apology, voted by Congress, goes a long way toward eliminating scars that still exist. Somehow, it makes the sacrifice of Nisei soldiers and civilians who believed in their country more meaningful.

Comes now the question, whither JACL? What other dragons are there for this human rights organization to attack and slay?

JACL has been at its best when it led the community against a common peril, in search of common objectives such as survival in face of the Army's hysterical evacuation order, in the repeal of discriminatory land laws, equality in naturalization and immigration, elimination of Executive Order 9066 (even though it had vanished with other wartime measures when peace was restored)

FROM THE FRYING PAN

Bill Hosokawa



and the pardon of Iva Toguri. It has received least community support when no dragons breathed dangerous fire at the gates.

What, now, are the burning issues today and tomorrow for the Japanese American community? Back during the Evacuation period when Japanese Americans were scattering throughout the country, there were many who suggested that within the foreseeable future there would be no need for an advocacy organization like JACL. All of us would be quietly integrated into the American mainstream and there would be no more ethnic problems.

We couldn't have been more wrong. There was a pressing need for an organization like JACL to attack the problems that brought about the evacuation and most of them have been addressed.

Does a like situation exist today? I don't know. By some reckoning, redress may be the final chapter. Others contend JACL will manage to find justification for perpetual existence.

In any event, there should be no shortage of proposals. On the one hand, there are advocates of a low-cost, low profile role for JACL as watchdog of human rights. Others see new goals to pursue, such as leadership within an Asian-Pacific coalition addressing the special

concerns of this grouping. Some feel that rather than working as a Japanese American organization, the individuals would be more effective as leaders in broadly based human rights groups.

The future of JACL should be a lively topic at the National Convention in August. Basic to the discussions should be an assessment of the cohesiveness of the Japanese American community in which the Nisei are fading into the sunset. It is primarily Nisei dedication and Nisei money that supported the organization since its beginning. Sansei leadership has become more prominent, but what of Sansei following? Recently at a highly successful Day of Remembrance banquet in Sacramento, the chapter president was a thoughtful and thoroughly dedicated Sansei woman, but an overwhelming percentage of those attending were Nisei. What kinds of programs will draw Sansei and Yonsei support? Is it possible to come up with such programs? And what if the answer is in the negative?

JACL Chapters Offered Fund-Raising Premium

JACL chapters will be offered a JACL discount on the Mike Masaoka autobiography, *They Call Me Moses Masaoka* by Masaoka and Bill Hosokawa for fund-raising purposes when ordered from the Pacific Citizen in lots of 50 books per case.

Details have been mailed to the chapters.



Michael Nagaoka



Melvin Chiogioji



Tom Iino

► **Michael M. Nagaoka**, 41, was recently promoted to the rank of captain in the L.A. County Sheriff's Department, becoming the highest ranking Asian American law enforcement official in Southern

California. Nagaoka, a native of Chicago, is currently assigned to the Recruit Training Bureau at the Sheriff's Training Academy and Resource Service Center in Whittier.

► **Melvin H. Chiogioji** was recently chosen as Rear Admiral in the Civil Engineer Corps (CEC) of the U.S. Naval Reserve. He is one of only two Japanese American officers selected to date for flag rank in the U.S. Navy. Chiogioji's Naval assignments have included two tours as detachment officer in charge, as executive officer and commanding officer of Reserve Naval Mobile Construction Battalion 23, and as commander of the Eighth Reserve Naval Construction Regiment. His Naval decorations include three Meritorious Service Medals and two Navy Commendation Medals. In his civilian capacity, Chiogioji, who is an electrical engineer, is president of EFC, Inc., an auto repair firm.

► **Tom Iino**, a partner in the International accounting firm of Deloitte Haskins & Sells (DH&S) Los Angeles, has been chosen as the Small Business Accountant Advocate of the Year by the L.A. district office of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Iino is partner in charge of DH & S' National Japanese Client Services practice. He was nominated by the L.A. Area Chamber of Commerce for the award and was selected for, among other achievements, his application of creative solutions to the financial problems of small business firms. He will be honored by the SBA as part of a nationwide salute to small businesses.

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which Adams criticized the internment program is also re-released.

Oct. 12—JACL announces it will file a legal brief in support of NCJAR's appeal. Brief outlines reasons why suit could not have been filed earlier, such as government files closed to public until 1980s. NCJAR chair William Hohri praises JACL's show of solidarity.

Oct. 31—Chicago city council endorses redress.

Nov. 28—National League of Cities, meeting in Indianapolis, endorses redress. League includes mayors and council members of 15,000 U.S. cities.

1985

Jan. 3—HR 442, Civil Liberties Act of 1985 (named for 442 Regimental Combat Team), is introduced in House by Rep. Jim Wright (D-Texas) with 99 co-sponsors. Like its predecessor, HR 4110, it would implement Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians' 1983 recommendation of monetary compensation for JAs interned during WW2. No hearings are held on bill in 1985.

Feb. 9—Harry Kajiura presents fund-raising plan for Legislative Education Committee (LEC), JACL's redress lobbying arm.

Apr. 17—After heated debate and a 61-35 state house vote, Washington State Legislature sends joint resolution to Congress recommending passage of redress bills.

May 2—Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) introduces Senate redress bill S 1063 with 25 co-sponsors. Bill is similar to S 2116, which was introduced during previous session of Congress. No hearings are held on bill in 1985.

May 17—National JACL Board gives LEC full responsibility for redress lobbying.

Aug. 9—Chinese American Citizens Alliance, meeting in Los Angeles, passes resolution supporting redress bills.

Sept. 9—Episcopal Church, at convention in Anaheim, Calif., passes resolution supporting redress legislation.

Sept. 20—Grayce Uyehara becomes interim executive director of LEC; Grant Ujifusa presents LEC's formal legislative strategy for getting bills passed.

Dec. 7-11—National League of Cities, meeting in Seattle, passes pro-redress resolution.

1986

Feb. 5—Steve Okazaki's "Unfinished Business," a film about the Korematsu, Hirabayashi and Yasui cases, is nominated for best feature documentary Oscar. It loses on March 24 to "Broken Rainbow," a film about recent removal of Navajos from their native land.

March—Walter Mondale signs a letter supporting JACL's redress effort.

June 5—American Jewish Committee urges House subcommittee to support redress bill.

June 15—"Visible Target," a documentary on the Evacuation from Bainbridge Island, Wash., during WW2 is broadcast on PBS.

July 25—House Majority Leader Jim Wright, prime sponsor of HR 442, addresses JACL National Convention in Chicago. Resolution asking for \$200,000 for LEC is defeated. National Council calls for continuation of Endowment Fund line of credit.

Aug. 30—LEC chair Min Yasui resigns because of poor health. He dies on Nov. 12.

1987

Jan. 6—HR 442, the Civil Liberties Act of 1987 introduced in the House of Representatives on the first day of the 100th Congress by Rep. Tom Foley (D-Wash.), the new Majority Leader, and 124 co-sponsors.

April 10—Sen. Matsunaga introduces Senate bill S.1009 with 71 co-sponsors.

May 13—The House Judiciary Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations approves HR 442 by voice vote. Changes made in bill include a reduction in the amount to be appropriated, from \$1.5 billion to \$1.25 billion, leaving the \$20,000 individual payments intact but cutting the Educational Trust Fund. In addition, the Aleut portion of the bill is stricken and the language of the bill, explaining reasons for the internment, is changed to "resulted in part from racial prejudice."

June 17—The House Judiciary Committee and Federal Services, Post Office, and Civil Service Subcommittee of the Governmental Affairs Committee hold hearings on HR 442 and S.1009, respectively.

Redress bill S.1009 gains three-fourths of the Senate and the co-sponsorship of Sen. David Pryor (D-Ark.), bringing number of co-sponsors to 75.

Aug. 4—Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs, presided over by Sen. John Glenn (D-Ohio), passes S.1009 by unanimous voice vote. The bill's mark-up adds an amendment proposed by Sen. Bill Roth (R-Del.), which stretches out individual payments over five years.

Sept. 17—The House of Representatives passes HR 442 by a vote of 243-141. The bill includes provisions for a public apology from the U.S. government and \$20,000 to each surviving internee. Amendments intended to destroy the individual payments or to paying compensation on a "formula" basis introduced by Reps. Lungren and Shumway, are defeated. Lungren's amendment by a vote of 237 to 162 and Shumway's by voice vote.

October—Rep. Norman Mineta's office explains that the congressman voted "present—not voting" during the Sept. 17 House vote on HR 442 because he wanted to avoid a conflict of interest.

1988

Jan. 30—So. Calif. redress campaigners at Beverly Hills reception laud Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.) for his role moving HR 442 through critical House Judiciary Committee.

Feb. 12—JACL-LEC Board's forecast: redress "looks good" for passage, but uncertain about crossing the goal line. Board met at JACL HQ.

Feb. 19—Seattle's Day of Remembrance at Bush Asia Center cites pioneering efforts of Rep. Mike Lowry on redress bill.

Feb. 20—Eighth annual Los Angeles Day of Remembrance program at JACCC's theatre commemorates redress efforts and pays tribute to Sen. Matsunaga, Reps. Mineta and Matsui. San Francisco Bay Area program emphasizes push for Senate passage of S.1009 and defeat of Dan Lungren for state treasurer. Sacramento area program at Florin features talk on Smithsonian exhibit on Japanese Americans.

Apr. 11—JACL-LEC gears up campaign for President's signature on redress bill after passage in Senate.

Apr. 20—Senate votes \$1.3 billion for WW2 detainees; S. 1009 passes 69-27, goes to conference committee; reactions positive and happy with Senate action.

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Kim to Speak at PSWD Conference

LOS ANGELES — Yoon Hee Kim, president of the Korean American Coalition (KAC), has been scheduled to be the luncheon keynote speaker at the Pacific Southwest District (PSWD) JACL's May 14 conference, "Japanese American Community: Critical Issues/Critical Choices," to be held at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel.



Yoon Hee Kim

"We are very excited to have Yoon Hee Kim speak at the conference," said PSW Vice Governor Bill Kaneko. "She is a shining example of the brand of leadership that will be required as Asian Americans venture into the 21st century." Kaneko

was referring to Kim's recent leadership when the KAC effectively rallied community support in addressing the controversial statements about Koreans printed in a recent issue of *Rolling Stone* magazine.

Kim also serves as director of Asian Pacific Affairs for Sen. Pete Wilson (R-Calif.). She was recently listed by the *Los Angeles Times* Magazine as one of persons to have a significant impact within Los Angeles in 1988.

Community Concerns

The conference will address major concerns of the Asian American community, with eleven workshops on topics as political involvement, leadership development, social service needs and coalition building. The 25 panelists will include Carson City Councilman Michael Mitoma; KCBS-TV anchorwoman Tritia Toyota; Lilly Lee, chairman of Lilly Lee Enterprises, Inc.; and National JACL Director Ron Wakabayashi. The morning keynote address will be given by Los Angeles Board of Education member Warren Furutani.

The conference fee is \$25 and is open to the public. For more information, call Bill Kaneko or John Saito at (213) 626-4471.



GARDENA CANDIDATES—Pictured above are (back row, l-r) Helen Hatsuye Ota, Susan Carolle Iida, Candice Robin Miwa, (front row, l-r) Jo Ann Toshiko Kamada, Kathy Kim Len Wong and Gina Ritsuko Kamimura, all of whom vied for the Miss Gardena Valley JACL crown at the "Moonlight Serenade" held April 24. The winner, Iida, will represent Gardena Valley JACL for the Miss Nisei Week title in the summer.

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JACL CHAPTER NEWS

AADAP to Celebrate 15th Anniversary

LOS ANGELES — The Asian American Drug Abuse Program (AADAP) will celebrate its 15th year of services by honoring its three past executive directors at a May 21 fundraising dinner at the Los Angeles Downtown Hilton Hotel.

Ronald Wakabayashi, Tommy Chung and Patrick Ogawa will be recognized for their outstanding contributions in the development of Southern California's premier substance abuse treatment agency for Asian/Pacific Islanders.

Wakabayashi, AADAP's first executive director (1973-1975, 1980-1981), was a key community leader who helped found the agency in 1973 following a number of Asian American overdose deaths in the early '70s. During his directorship, AADAP launched satellite services in the Chinatown, Samoan, Filipino and Korean communities and founded the Pacific Asian Consortium on Employment (PACE) and the Korean Youth Center (KYC). Wakabayashi also played a major role in establishing AADAP's community Prevention/Education programs. He left AADAP in 1981 to become the current national executive director of the Japanese American Citizens League.

Chung served as AADAP's head from 1975-1980. He was executive director of Asian Joint Communication (AJC), a reentry, residential program for prison inmates, when AJC merged with AADAP's current facilities in the Crenshaw area. He also started the "Rice Paper," AADAP's newsletter on substance abuse education and Asian American issues. Chung is currently a community relations representative for the Southern California Rapid Transit District.

Ogawa worked himself up from an AADAP night-time residential caseworker to executive director between 1976 and 1981. He brought



Ron Wakabayashi

AADAP under the auspices of the United Way, drawing upon its funding and services. Ogawa is now chief research analyst for the planning department of L.A. County's Drug Abuse Program Office. He currently oversees a substance abuse education program for county employees and a study on AIDS among drug users.

"Ron, Tommy and Patrick were instrumental in AADAP's growth and survival," said AADAP's current executive director Mike Watanabe. "And they laid the ground work for a lot of other Asian American services which AADAP helped found or supported. They've made my work much easier."

Besides honoring the past executive directors, the May 21 fundraising dinner will also feature a special tribute to U.S. Congressman Robert Matsui and his wife, Doris. The evening's entertainment will include a performance by pianist Benny Yee.

Since 1973, the AADAP has provided culturally sensitive substance abuse treatment and education for Southern California's Asian Pacific American community. Its services

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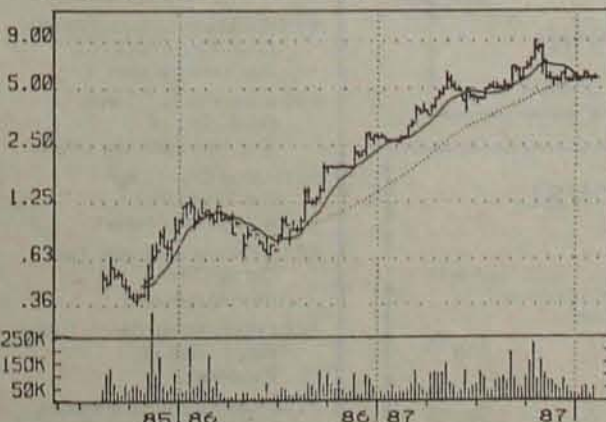
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need for the JACL to embrace the concerns of other Asian American groups. In addition, he advocated the creation of a coalition comprised of the JACL and other Asian American organizations. This, he said, "would have a greater impact on improving the quality of life and state of affairs for others as well as the Japanese American community."

Enomoto, 1966-1970 national president, stated that asking what issues he JACL should address after redress is "shortsighted" because "there are many areas JACL could be involved in."

"I have been involved as regional president of APAC/USA (Asian Pacific American Coalition)," said Enomoto. "We've gotten into helping people who suffer from job discrimination."

Calling employment discrimination "a form of violence," Enomoto also cited the increasing incidences of anti-Asian violence. "My experience tells me there's still a lot to be done," he said.

Uyeda stressed the importance of ensuring civil and human rights for all individuals, regardless of nationality. "The JACL was formed in 1928 primarily to protect the human and civil rights of Japanese Americans," he said. "We should go beyond that and become more concerned with the civil and human rights for everyone in the world."

"To me this is not being done," he continued. "We have only been doing this when it helps us. I hope JACL will be more outspoken [in the future] if it feels there's any action from the government or anyone against any group."

Interviews with other former JACL national presidents will appear in a subsequent issue.

JACL PULSE

GREATER L.A. SINGLES

• Monthly meeting, May 13, 7 pm, Founders Savings & Loan, Redondo Beach Blvd at Gramercy, Gardena. Features Ron Taniguchi, financial consultant.

• Nisei Singles/GLA JACL Joint Spaghetti Feast/Bowling Wingding, May 15, 11 am, Little Tokyo Bowl, 333 S. Alameda, Los Angeles. Cost: \$12; \$6, lunch only. Deadline: May 10. Info: 213 635-0510 or 213 935-8648.

IDAHO FALLS

• Idaho Falls JACL two-day reunion, July 30 & 31, 1988. Open to persons residing or who resided in the vicinity of Idaho Falls, regardless of the length of residency and includes persons who relocated to the area during the evacuation period. Info: Todd Ogawa, 1526 Westland Ave., Idaho Falls, ID, 83402; Sud Morishita, 1131 Bannock, Idaho Falls, ID 83402; or Martha Sakaguchi, 1059 Redwood, Idaho Falls, ID 83401.

MILWAUKEE

• Heritage Brunch, May 15, 11:30 am, International Institute. Reservation deadline: May 10. Info: Helen Jonokuchi, 414 672-672-5544 or Nami Shio, 414 355-2058.

TORRANCE

• Torrance JACL and the UCLA Asian American Studies Center present "Origins & Causes of Japanese Immigration," a six-week community class taught Thursdays by Professor Yuji Ichioka, May 12-June 16, 7:30-9:30 pm, Greenwood Park Center, 1520 Greenwood Ave., Torrance. Open to the public, donations requested. Info and advance registration: 213 825-1006.

VENTURA

• Annual Japanese Cemetery Clean-up, May 14, 8 am, corner of Pleasant Valley and Olds Road in Oxnard. Brings tools (hoes, rakes, shovels and gloves). Info: Yas Umeda, 805 484-1313.

WEST LOS ANGELES

• General meeting, May 9, 7 pm, followed by regular board meeting at 8 pm. Topic: Medical health insurance, led by chapter Insurance Chair Arnold Maeda.

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