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Professor Fasts to Fight Violence **Against Asians**

STORRS, Conn. - A Chinese American professor has started a hunger strike to fight anti-Asian violence, Asian Week reports.

Paul Brock, a professor of engineering, began his fast at the University of Connecticut at Storrs on Aug. 12 to draw attention to his demands.

Since last December, when two Asian American students were harassed and spat upon by two Caucasian students, Asian American faculty, students and community activists have been demanding action from the university administration.

Brock said he wants President John T. Casteen III and Provost Thomas Tighe to include at least one course on Asian American studies in the curriculum and wants the university to address problems faced by Asian American resident students.

Brock said he had been pressing his demands for the past six weeks but had received no reponse from the president other than a message from a spokesman.

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Mineta Supports **Bill Naturalizing** Filipino WW2 Vets

SAN JOSE, Calif. - Rep. Norman Y. Mineta (D-Calif.) urged the House of Representatives on Aug. 30 to move quickly on legislation which would naturalize Filipino veterans of WW2.

The bill, H.R. 1244, was introduced by Rep. Mervyn Dymally. It is now being considered by the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugee and International Law.

"These courageous veterans deserve our gratitude and assistance," said Mineta. "When the United States needed help during WW2, the Filipinos galantly served in our armed services. Now, despite their loyalty and commendable record, they are encountering difficulty in seeking the citizenship they have earned. The Supreme Court has left this task to the Congress and we must act responsibly and swiftly."

In addition to co-sponsoring the legislation, Mineta has introduced another bill, H.R. 2383, which amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide special immigrant status for Filipinos serving at least four ars in the U.S. Armed Ford

All aliens must be admitted to this country for permanent residence before they may enlist in the U.S. military, said Mineta. Upon admission for permanent residence and completion of four years of honorable service, a provision of law allows these aliens to be naturalized.

Under the terms of the military base agreement between the U.S. and the Republic of the Philippines, however, Filipinos may enlist in the U.S. Navy from the Republic of the Philippines without first obtaining residence in the United States. Many Filipinos who have enlisted in the U.S. Navy are unable to qualify for naturalization under existing law because they have not first been admitted for permanent residence in the United States. Thus, these Filipinos have no immigrant status at all, said the congressman.

Encouraging House colleagues to support the measures, Mineta stated that passage of the bills will "remedy the current inequity between loyal Filipino service members and other alien armed services enlistees."



DELEGATES HONORED-About 100 people showed up at a Aug. 25 buffet reception to honor the California Asian/Pacific American delegates from the Democratic National Convention in Atlanta, Held by the Council of Asian/Pacific American Democrats, the dinner took place at the Burton Chase Park Recreation Center in Marina del Rey, Calif., and was emceed by attorney Art Song. Pictured are (from I to r) Song and guest speakers L.A. Councilman Mike Woo, Calif. Secretary of State March Fong Eu and Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.).

Circulating Verification Forms Confuse Ex-Internees

By J.K. Yamamoto Hokubei Mainichi

Although the government has not issued application forms for payments under the redress bill signed Aug. 10 by President Reagan, verification forms being circulated in the Japanese American community are creating confusion among former internees.

One such form, which does not bear the name of the responsible individual or group, is addressed to an official of the Civil Archives and Records Service of the Central Services Administration

in Washington, D.C.

It reads, "Please send me verification for the dates of my internment and release during WW2. At the time of Evacuation in 1942, I lived in (blank) California, and was sent to (blank) Relocation Center. My birthdate is (blank). Thank you for your prompt

More blanks are provided for the sender's name, address, Social Security number and maiden name.

A note at the bottom of the form reads, "Each person should send a separate inquiry . . . There is no charge for this service. It is best to get this information now

John Ota of National Coalition for Redress/Reparations noted that "different types of forms (have) come from all over the place" over the last few

There's no official form at all, said Ota. "There's not even anybody (in the government) who's in charge

Tsuyako "Sox" Kitashima, also of NCRR, said that when asked, she gives forms to former internees to help them obtain documentation of intern-

"I explain to them that this is not (for) claiming the money," she emphasized, adding that it is not an official NCRR form.

Kitashima said the people asking for the forms simply want to be prepared in case they have to prove their eligibility for payment.

Carole Hayashino, acting deputy director of JACL, said the forms are 'creating a lot of confusion

"The Attorney General has access to all of those same records. All the Department of Justice needs to know is name, current address, that kind of information . . . They (eligible individuals) shouldn't feel compelled to do it in order to apply for their repara-

Under Section 105 of the redress bill, the process for locating eligible individuals is described as follows:

The Attorney General shall identify and locate, without requiring any application for pay-ment and using records already in the possession of the United States government, each elig-

"The Attorney General should use funds and resources available to the Attorney Gento attempt to complete such identification and location within 12 months after the date of enactment of this act.

"Any eligible individual may notify the At-torney General that such individual is an eligible individual, and may provide documentation

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Mulroney Calls Internment a 'Tragedy', but Refuses to Follow U.S. Example

TORONTO - Prime Minister Brian Mulroney said Aug. 11 that failure to redress the internment of 12,000 Japanese Canadians during WW2 is a blot on the nation's honor but he refused to follow the U.S. example and promise cash compensation.

Although their homes, fishing boats and belongings were sold off, the internees were never discovered to have aided Japan or hurt Canada. Nevertheless, successive governments until now defended the intermment as a necessary wartime precaution.

Mulroney termed the internments a "tragedy" and said discussions with Japanese Canadians were making progress. "It is a very serious [blot] on Canada's honor," he said.

The president of the National Association of Japanese Canadians, Art Miki, said passage of the U.S. bill gave Japanese Canadians renewed hope, "The American precedent certainly strengthens our case," he said.

Miki also said Japanese Canadians have a stronger case than Japanese Americans because the Canadians were not allowed to return to their

He said his group wants 25,000 (20,500 U.S. dollars) compensation for each of the 12,000 survivors, a formal apology and a community project fund of 50 million (41 million U.S. dollars), instead of the 12 million (9.8 million U.S. dollars) proposed by the government.

Study Finds Discrimination Against Asian Workers in Decline

WASHINGTON - Based on an Korean American men make an averanalysis of income levels, discrimination against Asians has declined dramatically since the 1960s and does not appear to be widespread in the American labor market, according to a study by the United States Commission on Civil Rights.

The study, conducted by staff economist Harriet O. Duleep, analyzed the native-born and foreignborn populations separately and studied various populations according to the country of origin.

The study, "The Economic Status of Americans of Asian Descent," looks at an Asian American population of 3.26 million, making up about 1.5 percent of the U.S. population.

The key finding of the report, which was based mainly on 1980 census data, was that the income of American-born and immigrant Asians is not significantly different from non-Hispanic White workers of similar skills.

Lower Income for Indian Men For example, non-Hispanic White men earn \$20,445 a year on average.

age of \$23,173; Japanese American men earn \$21,059 and Chinese American men make \$21,301. But Filipino American and Indian men make less than non-Hispanic Whites, earning an average of \$16,805 and \$16,341 a year respectively.

Even when the numbers were adjusted to account for characteristics like age, skill level and experience, the study did not find evidence of across-the-board discrimination.

Less Detail on Asian Women

The data on Asian women is less detailed. In general, however, the study found that, based on income levels, both foreign-born and American-born Asian women are not subject to discrimination.

The study also found that Asians were underrepresented in corporate managerial positions. It could not determine if this was because of discrimination or because many chose not to seek such jobs. The study recommended further research of executive employment.

Congressional Record

Lungren's & Bork's Viewpoints on Redress Revealed

WASHINGTON - On Aug. 3, 1988, the House of Representatives voted 257-156, with 18 not voting, to give final approval to the Conference Report of H.R. 442. The Congressional Record of that day yielded some interesting comments and stories regarding final approval of the conference report on H.R. 442.

Rep. Daniel Lungren (R-Calif.), who voted for the bill, said, "What we need to do is to learn the lessons of the past, to make sure it does not happen again, and we need to, as one of our colleagues said, remove any vestige of a stigma that attaches to those loyal Americans and non-Americans who happened to be taken away in those camps.

Lungren, who was vice-chair of the Commission on Wartime Internment and Relocation of Civilians which investigated the West Coast removal and incarceration of Japanese Americans during WWII, continued, saying. "When I was on the Commission, I voted with all other commissioners in favor of the overall report, although I dissented with respect to the recommendations with respect to individual reparations.

Symbol Important

"In the Congress of the United States you do not have the luxury of voting and at the same time dissenting and having that recorded. I did that in some way when this bill was first up," Lungren said. When the House version of H.R. 442 was voted on in September of 1987, Lungren voted against it. "I had hoped we might be able to work further toward a discussion of the final ramifications of individual reparations and the precedent it might set. I did my best on that. Others felt that that was not the case, including the president of the United States," he

Lungren concluded his statement, and said, "Therefore, Mr. Speaker, at this time I think this ought to be supported even though I still hold reservations with respect to some parts of it. The symbol is more important than the question of money, I believe.'

Lungren was appointed by California's governor to fill the vacant post of state treasurer earlier this year. His appointment was approved by the state Assembly but rejected by the state Senate. Because of vague wording in California's Constitution, a decsion had to be made by the state Supreme Court, which ruled against him. Because of Lungren's vote against H.R. 442 in September of 1987, a number of Asian Americans lobbied against his appointment, which some believe was a major factor that led to the Statehouse

Bentley's Comments

Also included in the Congressional Record were comments by Rep. Helen D. Bentley (R-Md.), who said, "Last night when I arrived home, my husband, who served in the Army during the Korean War, came into the kitchen shaking his head and muttering, 'If you want a fast divorce, you vote for that outrageous expenditure of our money. I was not sure what he was talking about. I asked him.

"He responded that he had been watching C-SPAN and had heard the floor debate concerning the reparations to those persons who had been incarcerated during World War II. 'That was wartime,' he shouted, 'and we did not start the war. If anyone should get anything, it should be the American prisoners who were treated cruelly and frequently tortured, sometimes tortured to death."

Bentley concluded and said, "Mr. Speaker, my veteran husband, Bill Bentley, like all the veterans in my district, oppose this legislation, as do

Swindall and Bork

In response to Bentley's remarks, Rep. Patrick Swindall (R-Ga.) said, "The gentlewoman from Maryland made the statement that one of her constituents said we did not start this war. Let me remind those who make that argument that neither did these individuals who were interned. We cannot simply transfer the wrongs of the Japa-

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Robert Cray Guitarist Kaihatsu Turns On the Blues

By George Johnston

LOS ANGELES - At 42, Tim Kaihatsu is likely the only Asian American musician presently appearing in a new music video. He's the cooled out guitarist with the beard and shades seen in the Robert Cray Band's video "Don't Be Afraid of the Dark," from the new album with the same name.

Although he has been playing the guitar "seriously" since 1961, the son of Arthur and Lillian Kaihatsu has been getting a lot of exposure just recenly. It started when Robert Cray, an old acquaintance, began receiving critical acclaim resulting from his last album, Strong Persuader. When the band started playing ahead of acts like Huey Lewis and the News and Eric Clapton. Kaihatsu was hired as a guitarist for the tour.

The new video is actually his second with the band, even though Kaihatsu is a member of the road band only and didn't actually play on Don't Be Afraid of the Dark. But the exposure he has received may have helped him get cast in an upcoming Michelob beer commercial. He also just made an appearance on a network morning show.

Early Years

As a result of the removal of Japanese Americans from the West Coast, Kaihatsu was born in Minneapolis, Minn., but grew up in San Diego. Before WW2, his father was a scholarship athlete at UCLA, before ending up in Heart Mountain, Wyo. His mother went to Gila Bend, Ariz. These days, according to Tim, "Most of the Kaihatsus live in Chicago." His early interest in music came from his parents, who played the ukelele

As he learned the guitar, Kaihatsu, known for his blues and r & b guitar playing, was influenced by musicians like Chet Atkins, Merle Travis, the Rev. Gary Davis, Muddy Waters, Otis Rush, B.B. King, Albert Collins, Steve Cropper, Cornell Dupree, Gordon Edwards and Bobby Womack. Not only successful musically, he graduated early from high school in Tacoma, Wash, then went on to the University of California, Berkeley. It was in the Bay area that his musical career began to grow

His association with Cray began a few years ago when Kaihatsu, whose home is in Oakland, was running Larry Blake's Club in Berkeley. Kaihatsu consistently booked the Cray band, sometimes playing with them. "Robert and I have a real rapport about what we like," said Kaihatsu. It turned out

Kaihatsu from a Buddy Guy record he played rhythm guitar on. "He wondered who that Japanese guy was," related Kaihatsu.

World Tour

According to Kaihatsu, the Robert Cray Band is currently on a tour that will literally take them around the world in 80 days. Having just left New York, the band was scheduled to go to Eugene, Ore., Canada, the Midwest, Seattle, Japan, Thailand, Germany, London, Holland, back to the U.S., Australia and New Zealand, returning a month before Christmas.

Despite the opportunity to travel, Kaihatsu doesn't much like life on the road. "Touring is not fun. It quickly loses its flavor," asserted Kaihatsu, who was on tour most of last year. He does allow that touring can allow a musician "to make a lot of money in a short amount of time." He also feels, however, that on the road "you age three days for every one.

Is there a good side of life on the road? "I'm overwhelmed by the really decent people who work in this business," said Kaihatsu. "It's really surprising." As for "perks" of being a part of one of today's most popular music acts, he finds meeting interesting people among them. Just recently, he met actor Dustin Hoffman, musician Phil Collins and got to "pound beers" with Clapton.

Mixed Feelings

During the current tour, Kaihatsu will make his second trip with the band to Japan. Although he visited Japan in 1978 with members of his family, he came away from his recent trip there with the band with the conclusion that. "Japan was very weird for me." On one hand, there were the Japanese who, as tourists in the U.S., recognized him from playing in the Bay area. "The Japanese music fans were in awe to meet someone who actually knew Eric Clapton.'

On the flip side, however, Kaihatsu said, "I got treated very hostilely by the Japanese. They didn't know how to treat me, so they ended up snubbing me . . . I ended up getting fairly angry about it." He added, "The Japanese are very close-minded when it comes to social relations . . . Some American girls I met over there said the Japanese were dumbfounded when they could speak Japanese." As for the scheduled dates in Japan, he said, "It's gonna be interesting." He summed up his feelings on Japan by saying, "Japan is a

that Cray was already familiar with nice place to visit, but I couldn't live there.

Future Plans

In addition to being a musician, Kaihatsu has been a music journalist for years, having written articles for magazines such as Guitar Player. In the past, he also worked as a substitute teacher. For now, he wants to complete the tour, nurse the ankle he twisted during a recent night on the town, visit his apartment someday, write a book and possibly put out a solo album.

Kaihatsu also finds time to encourage younger Japanese Americans to pursue music. He doesn't find many interested in the blues, though. "Most of the kids I know are into jazz fusion and soul music," he said. Perhaps as a result of seeing Tim Kaihatsu playing with a star like Robert Cray, however, some Japanese American kid will be inspired to play the blues.

Three Day Fresno Reunion Set for Sept. 23-25

FRESNO, Calif. - Co-chairmen Morito Nakamoto and Michio Toshiyuki have announced that their various committees working on the second post-war Fresno reunion have set Sept. 23-25 for a three-day funfest of greetings, remembrances, and events.

The reunion will headquarter at the Fresno Holiday Inn Centre Plaza Hotel, with most activity revolving around there. Additionally, outings are planned for nearby Roeding Zoo at Woodward Park. The highlight of the gathering will be at Saturday's banquet at the Holiday Inn, where some 500 current and pre-war delegates are expected to gather in an evening of songfests, dancing, and greetings.

Committee assignments have all been made with the total registration package, including the dinner, priced at \$40 per person. All pre-war Issei members are to be charged a special registration fee of \$20. A special preregistration packet has been prepared and can be obtained by request from the registrar, Chisato Ohara at 1041 N. Eighth St., Fresno, Calif. 93702.

The hospitality room, located at the hotel will be open from noon on Friday, Sept. 23. Special refreshments including homemade cookies and cakes will be available at the hospitality room through the three days of the reunion.



Yuji Ichioka will read and sign their newest books at the Midnight Special Bookstore, 1350 Santa Monica Mall in Santa Monica, Calif., on Sept. 11, at 5 p.m. Brainard will read from Woman with Horns and Other Stories and Ichioka will discuss The Issei: The World of the First Generation of Japanese Immigrants, 1885-1924. For more information, contact Midnight Special at (213) 393-2923.

Partial List of A.B. 4087 Beneficiaries Named

SACRAMENTO — California Assemblyman Patrick Johnston (D-Stockton) is seeking Japanese Americans who may be eligible to file a claim with the state of California for \$5,000. Assembly Bill 4087, authored by Johnston, provides for the payment of \$5,000 to spouses of Japanese Americans who were fired from their jobs by the State of California in 1942, and who died before Jan. 1, 1983.

The following is a partial list of employees who are believed to meet the eligibility criteria:

George Arita, Tom Hayashi, Sachiko Masahuru Ikumi, Shigeki Ishida, Masaki Itogawa, Sue Kanemasu, Paul Kanow, Kenneth Nishimura, Dave Okada, Joseph Sasaki, Kay Satow, Frances Sugiyama, Fred Tanaka and Akashi Yokota.

Spouses of employees who were dismissed from a permanent or temporary position, rejected during their probationary period, or voluntarily resigned in lieu of dismissal from state civil service, or were employed by the University of California, between Jan. 19, 1942 and June 1, 1942, may be eligible to file a claim. Employees must have passed away before Jan. 1,

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1983, and surviving spouses must have been married to the employee at the time of their death.

"The state of California is not required to find eligible individuals-it is the responsibility of the surviving spouse to notify the state of California of their whereabouts and their interest in filing a claim," said Johnston.

Interested persons should write Priscilla Ouchida, Assemblyman Patrick Johnston's Office, State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814. Surviving spouses should give their name, address, telephone number, name of the employee, and any information which may be of assistance in verifying their spouse's employment.

Assemblyman Patrick Johnston's office will send claim forms out in December 1988. Claims may be filed after Jan. 1, 1989, and checks will be processed in July 1989.



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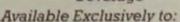
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FLORIN JACL CELEBRATION-At an Aug. 12 gathering held in the Florin Buddhist Church to celebrate the enactment of H.R. 442, Florin JACL and Nisei Post No. 8985 honored all Nikkei in a champagne toast. Pictured (from I to r) are Joe Isosaki, Gary Shiota, Kaoru Shibata, Yosh Matsuhara, Twila Tomita, Roy Sato, Al Tsukamoto, Mary Tsukamoto and Florin JACL Chapter President Rick Uno.

VERIFICATION

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"The Attorney General shall maintain a list of all individuals who submit such notification and documentation, and shall, subject to the availability of funds appropriated for such purpose, encourage, through a public awareness campaign, each eligible individual to submit his or her current address to such officer or employee . . . "Failure to be identified and located by the

end of the 12-month period . . . shall not preclude an eligible individual from receiving payment under this section

The Attorney General shall, when funds are appropriated. . . for payments to an eligible in-dividual under this section, notify that eligible individual in writing of his or her eligibility for payment under this section."

Hayashino noted that the money for the payments will not be appropriated until next year and that the first payments will probably not be received until 1990.

OBITUARIES

Yuso Nohara, 63, of Honolulu died June 16 at home. Nohara, who was born in Peahi, Maui, was a self-employed accountant and a WW2 veteran.

He is survived by his wife Chiyo, daughters Irene and Cynthia, mother Ushi, brother Yubun, and sisters Mitsuki, Barbara, Katsuko, Nobuko and Yoshiko.

Sam Kuwahara, 77 longtime farmer and Cortez, Calif., community leader, died at home of an apparent heart attack July 6. Active with the Cortez Growers Association during its prewar years and manager from 1932-1948, Kuwahara was involved with the Cortez JACL and Cortez Presbyterian Church, the California Canning Peach Association and the California Almond Growers Exchange.

Kuwahara is survived by wife Florice and sisters May Sakaguchi (Turlock) and Yuki Kamayatsu (Los Angeles).

Akira "Flash" Fujiki, 67, died July 21 in Queen's Hospital in Honolulu, Hawaii. He was a retired senior vice president of Hawaiian Pacific Resorts and a veteran of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. One of the 1,566 soldiers who sailed to the mainland in April, 1943, he kept a diary on the trip. The soldiers' diaries, seized by the military, were returned to the veterans and their families last August.

Surviving Fujiki are his wife Miyeko, son Randall, daughter Faye E. Dung, brother Stanley, and sisters Doris T. Tamura and Helen K. Hosaka.

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Florin JAs Toast Redress Vindication

By Andy Noguchi

SACRAMENTO - Gathering in the same Florin Buddhist Church where they had heard the devastating news of internment 46 years before, almost 300 Japanese Americans and their supporters met again on Aug. 12, this time to celebrate their long-overdue vindi-

Twila Tomita, redress committee member, stated in a champagne toast honoring the Issei and Nisei who endured the internment, and the Sansei and Yonsei who helped achieve this victory, "At last we have come full circle." The evening's program, sponsored by the Florin JACL, started with a color guard and flag salute by the Nisei veterans of the 442nd and MIS from VFW Post 8985. An invocation by Pastor Faith Whitmore, a redress supporter of the Florin United Methodist Church, followed.

Greeted by a standing ovation, national redress leader Mary Tsukamoto described the emotional Washington, D.C. bill-signing ceremony that she and 200 others had attended just two days before. With tears in her eyes she related that she "only wished that all the oilsans and obasans, young fellows who died in the service, and Nisei who are no longer with us today had known that their nation had finally admitted that Japanese Americans were never guilty of a thing," adding that "democracy and equal rights had finally triumphed for all Americans."

Rick Uno, local attorney and president of the Florin JACL, distributed to the audience copies of the final redress bill, obtained courtesy of Rep. Robert Matsui's office. In providing a much-needed clarification of the bill, he emphasized that "although the president signed the bill, Congress must yet appropriate the money over the next 10 years. Redress is not over. We still need to work for the \$500 million maximum appropriation next year."

State Redress Law at Hand

Continuing with this theme, Georgette Imura of State Sen. David Roberti's Office of Asian Pacific Affairs explained that AB 4087, authored

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by Assemblyman Patrick Johnston, had gone to Calif. Gov. Deukmejian's office. The bill, which was later signed on Aug. 24, conforms state law to federal law, making redress payments exempt from state taxes, Medi-Cal,

Revealing the broad support that redress built, many political and community leaders attended the event and were acknowledged for their roles. These included Reiko Kawakami of Matsui's office, Sacramento Mayor Anne Rudin, County Supervisor Illa Collin, and Georgette Imura of Sen. David Roberti's office.

Special tribute was also paid to the grassroots supporters who provided the foundation for the redress movement over the years. General coordinators for the event were Irene Uno, Mary Tsukamoto, and Andy Noguchi. Master of Ceremonies for the program was Nisei veteran Bill Kashiwagi.

Aki Matsuri Bazaar to Be Held Sept. 17 in 'Japantown'

SAN JOSE - The San Jose Wesley United Methodist Church is holding its annual Aki Matsuri Bazaar on Sept 17, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The public is cordially invited to the festivities, which will take place in San Jose's Japantown at 566 North 5th St.

Those planning to attend can expect to munch on Japanese food such as sushi, sashimi, beef and chicken teriyaki, yaki soba, udon, and manju, in addition to buttered com on the cob and homemade baked goods.

Handmade crafts, fresh produce, house plants, and flowers will be available for sale and there will be special children's activities and cultural and community entertainment, including performances by the Subaru Band, the Bando Odori dance group, and the San Jose Taiko Group.

Tickets for take-home chicken teriyaki dinners can be purchased for \$5 each from church members or by calling the church at (408) 295-0367.

LUNGREN, BORK

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nese Government to the wrongs of individuals that are descendents.

Swindall also made the following statements earlier during the discussion, and said, "This bill is not about Japanese Americans. This bill is about the Constitution of the United States of America. This bill is about what each and every one of us does as our first official act when we walk into this Chamber. We raise our right hand and we take an oath of office that says that we will uphold and defend the Constitution.

Continuing, Swindall said, "The Fifth Amendment to the Constitution is what specifically this bill is all about. The fifth amendment says no person can be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law. We are a nation not of men but of laws."

In Swindall's conclusion, he said, "I had breakfast this morning with Judge Robert Bork-I should say former Judge Robert Bork. We all know that Judge Bork's views are fairly clear in terms of the Constitution.

"I said, 'Judge Bork, we are going to be debating a bill today on the floor, the Japanese intermment bill.' He said, Yes, I am familiar with it.' I said, 'Let me ask you a question. I know you are an individual who believes in strict construction, original understanding. What is your opinion about that?' His answer in a nutshell was that he thinks it is a constitutionally correct thing to do."

Bork was appointed by President Reagan in 1987 to fill a vacant slot in the U.S. Supreme Court, but was rejected by Congress, which many attributed to his conservative views on the Constitution and civil rights.

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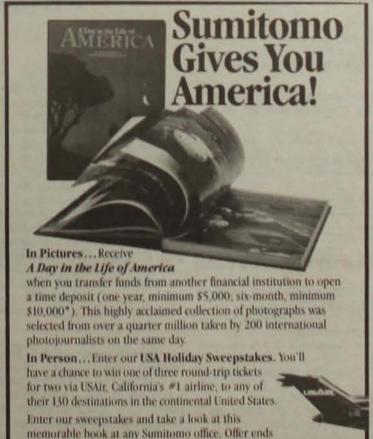
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EDITORIAL OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN:

Education Still the Best Solution

NEARLY A half century after World War II, Japanese Americans are still vulnerable to any glitch in relations between Japan and the United States. Italian Americans are not faulted for an unfortunate incident in Rome, nor German Americans for an unpleasantness in Bonn. But in spite of years of trying to educate their fellow Americans, Japanese Americans continue to be seen as Japanese rather than Americans by many of their fellow citizens, particularly when Japan draws U.S. ire.

The latest flap was touched off by a disparaging remark about U.S. Blacks by Michio Watanabe, policy chief of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic party. He apologized, but before the furor died down, it was revealed that grossly caricatured black dolls were being made and sold in Japan.

Americans had a right to be outraged, some protested to Japanese diplomatic officials, which was proper. But others misdirected their complaints at Japanese Americans, particularly the Japanese American Citizens League. This underscores once more the need to continue our campaign here at home against racism; identifying Japanese Americans with the Japanese when an unpleasantness arises in Japan is nothing but racism.

Beyond that, Japanese Americans have an obligation to do everything they can to educate the Japanese themselves about racism. We believe Japanese denigration of other races is thoughtless rather than malicious. Their insensitivity is the result of ignorance more than arrogance. Education is the answer to the problem.

Admittedly, the United States has a sorry history of racism. This nation is attempting, with not unsubstantial success, to overcome that dark record. In trying to make up for the past, Americans may exhibit the zeal of the reformed alcoholic who condemns drinking; we Americans are inclined tend to be hypercritical of others who have not progressed as far.

In searching for ways in which we can improve trans-Pacific relations, Japanese Americans can make an important contribution by helping to educate our Japanese friends about racism. We can speak from experience for we have been victims of racism's malevolence. We continue to be its victims. We can help the Japanese, as well as ourselves, by helping them to understand that insensitivity about racial differences is not only outdated, but unacceptable.

Past Efforts at a Redress Bill

The redress bill had many incarnations and was introduced several times before passage of the conference report in the Congress and signing of the bill Aug. 10:

November 1979: Rep. Mike Lowry, (D-Wash.), introduces H.R. 5977, a bill providing \$15,000 plus \$15 per day and formal apology to Japanese Americans interned during World War II... Referred to the Judiciary Committee and assigned to subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations. Died in subcommittee.

Similar efforts in Senate also fail.

1980: Congress creates the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, which holds hearings across the country to study the internment and make recommendations.

December 1982: Rep. Mervyn Dymally, (D-Calif.), introduces a redress bill

February 1983: Personal Justice Denied commission report concludes the internment was wrong, being a function of "race prejudice, war hysteria and a failure of political leadership."

June 1983: Commission report recommends individual payments of \$20,000, a governmental apology and an educational fund to disseminate information about the intermental

October 1983: H.R. 4110, the Civil Liberties Act of 1983 introduced by then House majority leader Jim Wright, (D-Texas); provided for \$20,000 each for redress, a governmental apology and an education fund. Bill dies in the Administrative Law and Governmental Relations subcommittee.

January 1985: H.R. 442—Civil Liberties Act of 1985 re-introduced by Jim Wright. Died in the Administrative Law and Governmental Relations subcommittee.

January 1987: H.R. 442—Civil Liberties Act of 1987 re-introduced by House majority leader Thomas Foley, (D-Wash.), with 124 co-sponsors. April 1987: Sen. Spark Matsunaga, (D-Hawaii), introduces S.1009, Senate version

of the redress bill, with 75 co-sponsors.

May 1987: H.R. 442 clears Administrative Law and Governmental Relations sub-

committee.

June 1987: H.R. 442 approved by House Judiciary Committee.

Sept. 17, 1987: House of Representatives approves H.R. 442 by vote of 243 to 141.

April 1988: Senate votes 69 to 27 to approve redress bill \$1009.

July 26, 1988: Conference committee reconciles different Senate and House

July 26, 1988: Conference committee reconciles different Senate and House versions of the bill without changing key provisions.

July 27, 1988: Senate passes conference committee report to redress bill with unanimous voice vote.

Aug. 3, 1988: Houses passes same Conference report to redress bill by vote of 257.

Aug. 3, 1988: Houses passes same Conference report to redress bill by vote of 257 to 156 . . . H.R. 442 is sent to the White House.

Aug. 10, 1988: President Reagan signs H.R. 442.





FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

What's in a (Mispronounced) Name?

Several visitors from Japan at the recent JACL convention in Seattle were too polite to say much about it, but they noticed a somewhat peculiar situation:

Some Sansei speaking from the podium were stumbling over the pronunciation of Japanese names, while Seattle Mayor Charles Royer and former Ambassador William C. Sherman had no problem at all with them. (Royer had learned to handle difficult names as a radio and television reporter. Sherman had studied Japanese during World War II at the Navy language schools in Boulder, Colo., and Stillwater, Okla., and had spent several tours of duty in Japan.)

Ironic. During one long convention session practitioners in the field of U.S.-Japan relations—like Glen Fukushima, deputy assistant U.S. trade representative for Japan and China, and lobbyist Mike Masaoka—had urged Americans to learn the Japanese language. One of Masaoka's points was that Americans must recognize Japanese as a "modern language," and make it more available in the nation's high schools.

Even though English is something

of an international language, Americans obviously are at a disadvantage if they cannot communicate with the Japanese in their tongue. (I read somewhere that in one square mile of downtown Tokyo there are more Japanese who understand English than there are Americans in the entire U.S. of A. who understand Japanese. I don't know how they figured that out, but I don't doubt the claim.)

It's obvious why not many Nisei speak Japanese fluently. They grew up in a period when society was urging the U.S.-born offspring of immigrants to shun their cultural roots in order to become 100 percent Americans. We realize now this didn't make sense. Back then German, French and Spanish were taught in high schools, but little was done to encourage the second generation of any immigrant group to learn the parental language. Consequently many Nisei knew more about modern European languages than Japanese.

The Issei were aware of the importance of teaching Japanese to their children, but their efforts were ineffective. Many Nisei were required to attend Japanese language classes while their Caucasian friends were out playing. That didn't make for enthusiasm about learning the intricacies of kanji. At home, conversation between parents and children seldom rose above the level of Japanese baby talk. More often, it was a strange mixture of the two languages, a mixture that exists to this day.

(Some observers believe Nisei as a group—with exceptions of course—are relatively inarticulate because as children they had so much difficulty communicating with their parents. With extremely limited knowledge of each other's primary language, the two generations were unable to discuss politics, literature, history, sports, or even the day's news the way other families did. In fact, Nisei had trouble making their parents understand what had happened in school that day.)

With this kind of background, Nisei were ineffective language teachers for their Sansei children. No wonder, then, that many Sansei cannot even pronounce Japanese names correctly.

Maybe there is hope that thanks to changing values the Yonsei in public school classes will learn to say their own surnames properly.

EAST WIND

BILL MARUTANI

Ryūgaku: Studying Abroad



SOMEWHERE I READ that among foreign languages taught at American universities, nihongo has been on a dramatic rise. I'm not sure just what it is that students are taught in those university classes and, more importantly, what the students do to develop and hone their skills. Classroom studying and practice are fine, but what a student really needs is to be immersed, constantly, where the action is: Japan. Ask any MIS (Military Intelligence Service) veteran who worked his tail off in multi-month, intensive courses and then had the opportunity to use some of it in the field; but today, he recalls few kanji and whatever speaking ability he retains is

. well, quaint. Ask me; I know.

SO IT IS that a number of foreign students, including those from the United States, sojourn to Japan for several years of study at some university there. As an American, I might have surmised that if Americans were not among the highest in number studying in Japan, they were surely in the top two, certainly top three. Not so. At least four other countries have more students studying in Japan. Rounding off the numbers: China (PRC) 5,600; Taiwan 5,300; South Korea 4,800;

Maylaysia 1,100; then us, the U.S., 934 exactly, followed by Thailand 730; Indonesia 540; Hong Kong 400; Philippines 260; Brazil 230; and "others" 2,090.

ARE DISTRIBUTED THEY among numerous universities, both state and private. The University of Tokyo (state) has the largest enrollment of all with about 1,100 foreign students out of a total student enrollment of almost 20,000-or about 5 percent of the total. The next two highest are private universities: Waseda University with 750 out of 46,730 (about 1.6 percent), and Nihon University, 730 out of 82,000 (less than 1/10 of a percent). I'd never heard of Nihon University (Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo), but that 82,000 enrollment figure impresses this country boy.

Mightily.

AT THE OTHER end of the spectrum of sizes are some private universities with a more manageable student body. The smallest is Reitaku (Chiba Prefecture) which specializes in language studies; its student body, 750. Close behind is Hakuoh (Tochigi Prefecture) with 800, specializing in business administration. Among the stateowned universities of the smaller size

are: Tokyo University of Foreign Studies at 3,100; Hitotsubashi (Kunitachi-shi, Tokyo) with 4,670; and Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology (Fuchu-shi, Tokyo) with

THOSE OF YOU who have been daring enough to take a trip to Japan within the past two or so years, especially at your own expense rather than a company or government account, know how ex-pen-sive it can be to eat and sleep in Japan. Well, the foreign students in *Nihon* are suffering, daily, by the rise in the value of the yen. So much so that in some instances, some of the well-meaning, concerned citizens have been given to taking up collections to help out these *ryūgakusei*. And part time jobs, even menial ones, are hard to come by.

SOMEWHAT INTERESTINGLY, SEVERAL Japanese-Brazilian students study in Japan thanks to kenjinkai (prefectural association) sponsorships. No, not Brazilian kenjin-kai but, rather, those in Japan which maintain contacts with those in Brazil and in prefectural pride sponsor an offspring whose parents came from the same prefecture.

I wonder if there are any sponsors from Hiroshima-ken?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dissidents Believed in Freedom, Fair Play

I was deeply touched by Clifford Uyeda's appeal for reconciliation of the wartime dissidents and JACL. (P.C. Aug. 15). It is the spirit of reconciliation such as this that makes JACL worthwhile to be a member.

In Rohwer camp, I still remember the harsh feelings which existed between the dissidents and so-called "loyalists", apparently backed by JACL. Subsequently, the dissidents were segregated to Tule Lake Camp and the loyalists were drafted into the U.S. Army.

At the time, I myself thought the dissidents were the troublemakers. But, as I reminisce on past events, I realize now that these people were actually the rugged individuals who believed in the American spirit of freedom, fair play, and above all human rights. I wholeheartedly support Cliff's appeal for the reconciliation.

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'Untrustworthy' Japanese

I read with dismay "The 'Untrustworthy' Japanese" article (P.C. June 17). Mr. Hayashi writes: "In (American) eyes we are an untrustworthy people." In one broad stroke of his brush Mr. Hayashi has painted everyone (I assume he means North Americans) including me as narrow minded, fearful bigots. It just isn't so.

On the contrary, there is admiration for Japan, which has surged economically beyond all expectation. All humanity was diminished by atrocities in World War II and we continue to suffer scars from present day acts of obscene violence, regardless of the ethnic background of the perpetrator. Yet, Mr. Hayashi's conclusions in a literary sense stigmatize all Americans. Isn't this the very thing about which he complains?

I hope Mr. Hayashi writes another article for the Tokyo Shimbun and tones down his generalized portrait of Americans' thinking. In the meantime, if I come across any of those Americans who carry "intense animosity" against the Japanese, I will continue to do my best to tone them down. LOUIS E. SELTZER

Philadelphia, Pa.

Faith Reaffirmed

On Aug. 10, President Reagan signed the historic redress bill, culminating an all-out effort by Japanese Americans and their numerous supporters to rectify the internment of American citizens of Japanese ancestry who were ousted from their homes after the outbreak of the Pacific War.

The National JACL, urged by its membership, had begun the herculean task of convincing members of Congress that a great injustice was done when President Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066.

At the National JACL Convention in Seattle, JACL-LEC Legislative Strategist Grant Ujifusa stated that without the efforts of the veterans there would not have been any redress. The Roper Poll, in an article published in the National American Legion Magazine, stated that the nation's lobbyists stated that the veterans groups had the most credibility, more than religious, civil rights or social welfare groups, because they represented every facet of the American public.

During the redress bill debates, even arch-conservative Sen. Jesse Helms stated that although he was against monetary payment he would swear to the patriotism of Japanese Americans like Sen. Spark Matsunaga.

Since over 12,000 bills are presented in Congress every year and only 700 plus are passed by Congress, the passage and signing of the redress bills

amounted to a major miracle.

Much credit should go to every organization that supported the redress bills and to all supporters of the Japanese Americans who achieved this tremendous victory through individual grassroots efforts.

It took 46 years, but our faith in the United States has been reaffirmed.

ARTHUR T. MORIMITSU Chairman, National JACL Veterans Affairs Committee Chicago, III.

Meaning of 'Yogore'

This is in response to Roy Yamahiro's letter (P.C., Aug. 19-26, 1988) on the meaning of "yogore." It is a Japanese term for stain, blemish or soiled spot, physical as well as figura-

When applied to Japanese cultural behavior, the term refers to the disgrace or stigma brought upon a family, for example, by the behavior of a delinquent or failing child, and as such, it is supposed to be corrected and/or eliminated by all means in order to maintain the family honor.

CHAOTE LIN Professor of Japanese West Valley JACL San Jose, Calif.

Anti-redress Vets Wrong

Understandably, veterans of World War II recalling the atrocities, fears and angers associated with Japanese Armed Forces can rightfully have long and deep memories of their experiences. However, for so many of them to protest reparation payments to interned Japanese Americans underscores the wisdom of the Congress's specific proposals to review criminal convictions and authorize education and research focusing on the relocation and internment program.

These protests also demonstrate the "cancerous nature" of racism. During the Korean War, I recall my mother coming home many times in tears because a female co-worker labeled by mother a "Chinese Communist" in venting her anger over the death of her son in Korea. A decade later, as I wore the uniform of a U.S. Air Force officer, I sometimes wondered whether that woman would be "shocked" or "delighted" to see me-an Oriental American-in that uniform.

I also recall that as a graduate student at Northwestern University in Chicago, I learned that America was NOT the only country with internment camps. My "lab mate," Roy Hori, was a Japanese Canadian born in a Canadian internment camp. To be sure, Roy also filled me in on the Japanese American experience.

We recently commemorated the 25th anniversary of the 1963 March on Washington. In presenting his "Dream," Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. gave us a prescription for combatting m. The Congress and Presiden Reagan deserve our thanks for judging the internees "by the content of their character" and their denouncing of the tragedies caused by judging internees mainly by the "color of their skin."

RONALD M. ENG Washington, D.C.

Don't Forget the Vets

If we all had sat out of the war.

Sgt. K. Otani/DSC of the 442nd would be alive today. Sgt. M. Shibata need not have died in the Okinawa campaign . . , and many others including volunteers from the camps would be alive today.

But I wonder, without the splendid accomplishments of the 100th/442nd and the MIS, would we have those two great Americans, Inouye and Matsunaga, in the U.S. Senate? I doubt it. If you are wondering, just examine the recent public uproar caused by the latest vice presidential candidate's service record.

With the superb leadership in the House and Senate, and countless hours of work done by tireless volunteers, the redress bill was passed and signed by the president.

Isn't it time to forgive and forget? Let's quit all the finger pointing and get on with some worthwhile project. I am not even mad at Gen. DeWitt's comment anymore.

Let's remember the supreme sacrifices made by the ment of the 100th/ 442nd and the MIS, not only on Memorial Day, but always.

DON C. OKA North Hollywood, Calif.

Idaho Centennial

In conjuction with the Idaho Centennial Celebration the Intermountain District Council of the JACL is working toward the completion of the Minidoka Relocation Center Project.

Minidoka was nominated to the National Register of Historical Places on Aug. 18, 1979. Our goal, in addition to the remains of the original guard station and visitor's reception center, is to build an overlook and monument with the trail system and interpretive signs as to how the camp was built and used. Also the area will become a part of the State Park system.

We have applied for and have been awarded a grant from the Ethnic Heritage Committee of the Idaho Centennial Commission. We must raise a matching fund by December 1988 to receive this grant.

We are therefore contacting all JACL chapters in hopes of reaching all interested parties to participate in this worthy project.

Pending the availability of funds, plans for a donor's plaque as well as a memorial plaque for the volunteers to the armed services from the Minidoka Camp is being considered.

Please send your donations to: IDC-JACL Minidoka Relocation Project, Bob Endo, Treasurer, 339 South Grant, Pocatello, Idaho 83204.

Thank you for your generous consideration in this matter.

MASA TSUKAMOTO AND HERO SHIOSAKI Co-chairmen Pocatello, Idaho

Common Goals

Anger, sadness and shame were just a few of the many feelings I felt while reading the article "American Blacks Upset by Japanese Politician, 'Sambo' Dolls" (P.C., Aug. 19-26, 1988), I am glad to see this article because there is a need to continuously remind people of all races to be proud of their own

MOSHI MOSHI

JIN KONOMI

Racism in Japan

At the Versailles Peace Conference of 1919 Prince Saionji, chief delegate of Japan, proposed in a resolution the equality of all races of mankind. Japan had long chafed under the stigma of having its people treated as an inferior race, and the peace conference was an ideal forum to air its grievance. I doubt if Saionji had any high expectation for the success of his resolution, but he was putting Japan on record as champion of all the non-White peoples of the world.

Where, when and how was that ideal lost? Today, 70 years later, Japan has become a racist society, as so blatantly demonstrated by the two recent cases of gratuitous insult to Blacks. In one, the Sogo Department Store of Tokyo displayed and sold dolls caricaturing Black people as grotesquely comical primitives; in the other, a prominent political figure made a derogatory speech characterizing "the Blacks and so on" as irresponsible, totally blase about going into bankruptcy, thus contributing to the diffi-

heritage while showing respect to others. In a complex world that yearns to achieve a peaceful coexistence among peoples, mixed messages, such as those mentioned in the article by both groups, shows racism that would make the already difficult goal harder to accomplish.

Both the Japanese and the Blacks have fought oppression in the past. Today, both groups are establishing themselves and their histories in the modern world. With the redress bill signed by Reagan and the disapproving awareness of racism in South Africa, it is evident that both groups are making progress . . . so far. Only by disregarding stereotypes and by working together instead of against each other, can all people of all races actually move toward that never-ending ideal: unity, equality, prosperity and peace. DEMETRA D. BARR

San Diego, Calif.

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No less guilty, the public showed callous insensitivity by tacitly condoning such an uncalled for breach of international courtesy. Not a voice was raised from the customers in objection. Newspaper columnists and TV commentators were singularly silent. The Foreign Office did not act until the Washington embassy reported on the angry reactions in America.

These cases have, without question, indelibly stamped racism as an added ugly feature on the image of the Japanese in the perception of Black Amer-

Where did the Japanese get their prejudice against the Blacks?

There is a view that it was one unfortunate legacy of U.S. Occupation of Japan after the war. Until then, what they had known about Black Americans had been derived mostly through random and opportunistic readings. They saw how under the Occupation, Black soldiers were housed in segregated barracks and given segregated facilities, and in general treated by the White personnel with contempt.

During this period, a number of untoward incidents instigated by Blacks, such as assault, rape, robbery and other crimes, tended to justify for the Japanese whatever rationalization offered by the Whites for the treatment of the Blacks. Eventually the Japanese came to accept the White attitude as a matter of course

Plausible, but it is not the whole story, for it does not explain the other racial prejudices the Japanese have shown since a long time ago toward the Ainu, Koreans, South Sea Islanders, and recently toward the Southeast

Whatever the sources of their race prejudices, I wish they would realize that racist attitudes are not worthy of them as a leading great nation of the world. Probably it is none of our business, but I would like to point out that Japanese Americans are directly involved. Whenever some unpleasantness arises between United States and Japan, it is we, the Japanese Americans, who must bear the full force of the backlash. At this moment, we are just shaking off the trauma of one horrendous backlash which had hit us forty years ago.

Tokyo and Seoul: Unfriendly Neighbors

By Akira Tanaka Professor, Institute of Foreign Affairs Takushoku University Asahi Shimbun

Half of all South Koreans hate Japan, according to a bilateral opinion poll. But despite persistent mutual prejudices, the two peoples share similar views about their societies.

The survey, the second since 1984, was conducted by Japan's Asahi newspaper and South Korea's Tonga Ilbo newspaper in May. About 2,000 people were interviewed in each coun-

When asked their feeling about Japan, 51 percent of Korean respondents said they disliked the country, a 12 point jump from the first poll. In Japan, only about one out of five of those polled in both surveys expressed antipathy toward South Korea.

The question, "Do you think Japanese-Korean relations are smooth?" showed another significant change on the Korean side. In 1984, half those polled said yes, and now only a quarter

One possible explanation is that the 1984 poll coincided with former president Chun Doo Hwan's visit to Japan, when the bilateral relationship seemed

rosy. But Japan's loss of favor in the second poll is probably a more accurate indication of Korean attitudes.

When Koreans were asked what's the first thing that comes to mind when you think of Japan?" Twenty-nine percent mentioned Japan's "cruel" colonial rule from 1910-45. This resentment is deep-rooted, despite indications in the 1984 poll that resentment may have waned.

To the same question about South Korea, Japanese mentioned the upcoming Olympic Games, followed by spicy pickles (kimchi) and barbecue, traditional dress and folk dances. These answers suggest that interest in Korea is still only superficial, despite the expanded media coverage of political and economic changes there.

Japanese and Koreans regard each other in stereotyped ways. This perception gap, summed up in the colonization-vs.-pickles responses, continues despite remarkably similar selfperceptions.

Questions concerning lifestyle and government evoked identical responses in South Korea and Japan. About 60 percent of people in both countries expressed dissatisfaction with domestic politics; the same percentage said they were content with their present standard of living.

"Inequality" was the word a quarter of Japanese and Koreans surveyed

Concerning working hours and salary, Korean responses differed from the 1984 poll and more closely resembled those of Japanese. Earlier, three out of four said they would choose higher wages over shorter working hours. Now, 42 percent prefer shorter working hours, double the earlier ratio and almost on a par with the Japanese

These attitudinal shifts are a result of South Korea's metamorphosis into an industrial power. The traditional order is collapsing, the political process is more democratic and open, and the economy is booming. South Korea is becoming the world's next affluent

The everyday concerns of South Koreans are increasingly like those of Japanese, but this convergence has not yet produced friendship. If anything, familiarity seems to be breeding con-

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THE CALENDAR

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■ Present—Oct. 23—"Containing Beauty: Japanese Bamboo Flower Baskets," UCLA Museum of Cultural History, museum gallery, rm. 2, noon—5 pm. Free. Parking is \$3. Info: 213 825-4361.

■ Sept. 10–Oct. 30—"One with Zen: The Art of Hakuo Kano," the Pacific Asia Museum, 46 N. Robles Ave., Pasadena. Opening reception, Sept. 10, 2–4 pm. Info: 818 449-2742.

Sept. 11—Nikkei Widowed Group meeting, 1:30–4:30, JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. Speaker: Vince Okamoto. Topic: Vietnam War. Info: Tak Shibuya, 213 822-8070

■ Sept. 13—"LEAP (Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics) Forum," 1010 Wilshire Blvd., sponsored by Pacific Bell, featuring Robert Lee, executive vp, Marketing, Pacific Bell, on "Understanding the Asian Pacific Market and Personal Perspectives on Upward Mobility." 5:30 pm—reception, 6:30 pm—program. Cost: \$15, non-members; \$10, LEAP members; \$20 at the door. RSVP by Sept. 6. Info: J.D. Hokoyama, 213 726-8549.

Sept. 16—Final U.S. performance of the Noh Shakespeare Group, California State University, Dominguez Hills, Carson, 8 pm, University Theatre. Admission:\$7. Info. 213 516-3589.

■ Sept. 17–Oct. 4—Japan Week L.A., held throughout the Los Angeles area. Events include Japanese speech contest, Japanese dance, taiko, films, calligraphy, ceramics, woodblock prints, lectures, bunraku, judo, orchids, etc. Info: 213 433-2731

■ Sept. 17–18—"Martial Arts Festival," 11:30 am-6:30 pm, Japanese Village Plaza between 1st & 2nd and Central & Plaza Sts. Styles: Aikido, hwarang do, kali, kendo, kung fu, tae kwan do and vovinam. Free. Info: 213 620-8860.

■ Sept. 21—"Elder Abuse, the Law and Resources," 11:45 am, West Los Angeles Buddhist Church, 2003 Carinth Ave. Cosponsored by the Western Region Asian American Program and the West Los Angeles Buddhist Church. Featured Speaker: David Unoura. Info: Emily Take-uchi or Baunphong Phomthavang, 213 455-4224

Sept. 24—"How to Do Business in Japan: A Practical Guide," 9 am—12:30 pm, Santa Monica College. Topics: Negotiation, contracts, use of interpreters, locating decisionmakers, etc. Info: Naginata Associates, 213.452-9214.

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■ Sept. 25—"The 11th Annual Festival of the Autumn Moon Open House and Silent Auction," benefitting the Pacific Asia Museum, 4:30–7:30 pm, 46 N. Robles Ave., Pasadena. Admission: \$25. Festival concludes Oct. 1 with a gala dinner and fine art auction. Info: 818 449-2742.

■ Sept. 26-Dec. 5—"Traditional Japanese Architecture and Interiors," offered by UCLA's Extension's Interior and Environmental Design program. Course fee: \$295. Info: 213 825-9061.

Sept. 29-Dec. 8—"Japanese Woodblock Prints," a 10-session workshop offered by UCLA Extension, Extension Art Studio, 1450 2nd St., Santa Monica, 7-10 pm. Instructor: Yoshio Ikezaki, Fee: \$250. Info: 213 206-8503.

MARYSVILLE

 Sept. 23–25.—The second Yuba, Sutter, Butte and Colusa Counties reunion. Info: Mazie Sasaki, 918 Chestnut St., Yuba City, CA 95991 or cal 916 617-1909.

SACRAMENTO

■ Sept. 24—The 2nd annual fundraiser benefitting the Asian Community Center and the Asian Community Nursing Home of Sacromento, 6–9 pm, at Confucius Hall. This year's honoree is Rep. Bob Matsui. Tickets: \$50. Info: 916 393-9026.

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■ Sept. 17—Kimochi Bowl-A-Thon, a benefit for Kimochi Senior Center, 12–6 pm, second floor, Japantown Bowl. A special drawing for prizes will be held, as well as awards for person with the most sponsors and the highest score. Entry forms: Kimochi office, 1840 Sutter St. #208 or call 415 931-2294

■ Sept. 16 & 17—"Japan's Children: What Can We Learn From Them?," a two-day conference, Palo Alto Medical Clinic Auditonum, 920 Bryant St., Palo Alto. Sept. 16: 6-10 pm. Sept. 17: 8 am-5 pm. Sponsored by Foothill Callege's Child Development Program and the Palo Alto Medical Foundation. Cost: \$16.50 Info: Gail Lee, 415 969-6544.

SAN JOSE

 Sept. 17—"Aki Matsuri Bazoar," 1–6 pm, 566 N. 5th St., sponsored byt the San Jose Wesley United Methodist Church. Variety of foods will be available, with entertainment by the Subaru Band, the Bando Odori dance group and the San Jose Taiko Group. Tickets and info: 408 295-0367.

SEATTLE

■ Present-Oct. 9—"Turning Leaves, the Family Albums of Two Japanese American Families," photos from the turn of the century to the present of a Los Angeles family and a New Mexico family, Wing Luke Museum 407 7th Ave. S. Admission: \$1.50; seniors/students, .50¢; free Thurs. Tues.—Fri., 11 am—4:30 pm; Sat., noon—4pm. Info: 206 623-5124.

Sept. 17—Sukiyaki Dinner, 4—7 pm sponsored by Seattle First Hill Lions Club, Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church. Proceeds to Scholarship Fund. \$5, adults, \$4, children under 10 and seniors. Info: 206 621-1900 (day), 206 323-7729 (eve.).

■ Sept. 24—Hands-on workshop on family albums with Lynne Horiuchi, project director of the Japanese Family. Album Project, Wing Luke Museum, 407 7th Ave. 5., 10 am-naon. Cost: \$3 members, \$5 nonmembers. Reservations. 206 623-5124.

VACAVILLE

■ Present—Nov. 27—"From Rising Sun to Golden Hills, the Japanese American Experience in Solano County" exhibit, Vacaville Museum. Exhibit includes artifacts and photographs depicting the Japanese experience in Solano County from the 1890s to the post WW2 years. Hrs. 1—4:30 pm, Wed.—Sun. Fee. Adults, \$1; students, 50g. Wed. free. Into: 707.447-4513.

WASHINGTON, D.C.

■ Sept. 24 &24—"A Delicate Balance of Rights and Powers: The United States Constitution and Japanese Americans," a symposium at the National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution, Carmichael Auditorium, Constitution Ave. at 14th St., NW. Day 1—1 pm, opening remarks. 1:15—2:45 pm, "Out of Balance: A Heavy Price for Japanese Americans." 3—4:30 pm, "Restoring the Balance: The Unfinished Task." Day 2—10 am, opening remarks. 10:15—noon, "Keeping Our Balance: Eternal Vigilance. Noon-12:15 pm, closing remarks. 1—4 pm, films. Info. 202. 357-2700.

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PROFESSOR FASTS

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In exasperation, the professor began a public fast in the center of campus and drew substantial media attention.

Casteen and Tighe gave in and met with Brock for about an hour on Aug. 17 to discuss his demands. The meeting established a "dialogue," but did not fully resolve the issues," said Brock. "There has been some progress. We have gone two steps down the road, but there is still a long journey ahead of us."

Deborah Burns, executive assistant to Casteen, called the discussion "constructive" but said it would be "impossible" to include an Asian American course in the fall schedule.

"You have to address the problem in a systematic way—putting a Band Aid on it isn't going to make it go away," she said.

The administration will review Asian American programs at other universities and will consult with other members of the Asian American community before taking any action, Burns added. "We can't rely on the word of only one professor who does not necessarily represent the views of the rest of the Asian American community."

Virgina Kee, a Chinese American activist in New York, said Brock's contributions to the community date back to 1965, when New York's Chinatown Planning Council was founded. He has always been in the "forefront of the struggle for ethnic equality," she said.

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.

Brock's wife, Phoebe, said her husband has also received support from Asian American Resource Workshop in Boston and Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund in New York.

A native of Baltimore, the 61-yearold Brock said that other faculty members, students, janitors and even the chief of campus police have responded warmly to his crusade.

Phoebe Brock said the campus doctor is monitoring her husband's condition.

JA Optimists Presenting Second Annual Fashion Show

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese American Optimist Club (JAO) of Los Angeles will present its second annual fashion show/luncheon, "A Fashion Affaire," on Oct. 9, beginning at 11 a.m., at the Biltmore Hotel, 506 S. Grand Avenue.

This year's benefit, which will be hosted by Actress Tamlyn Tomita and Actor Brian Tochi, features Japanese Americans from the motion picture and broadcast news worlds wearing the latest in fashionable attire from Bullocks, Alex Sebastian, Devon-Beck and Tadashi. Actor Pat Morita of

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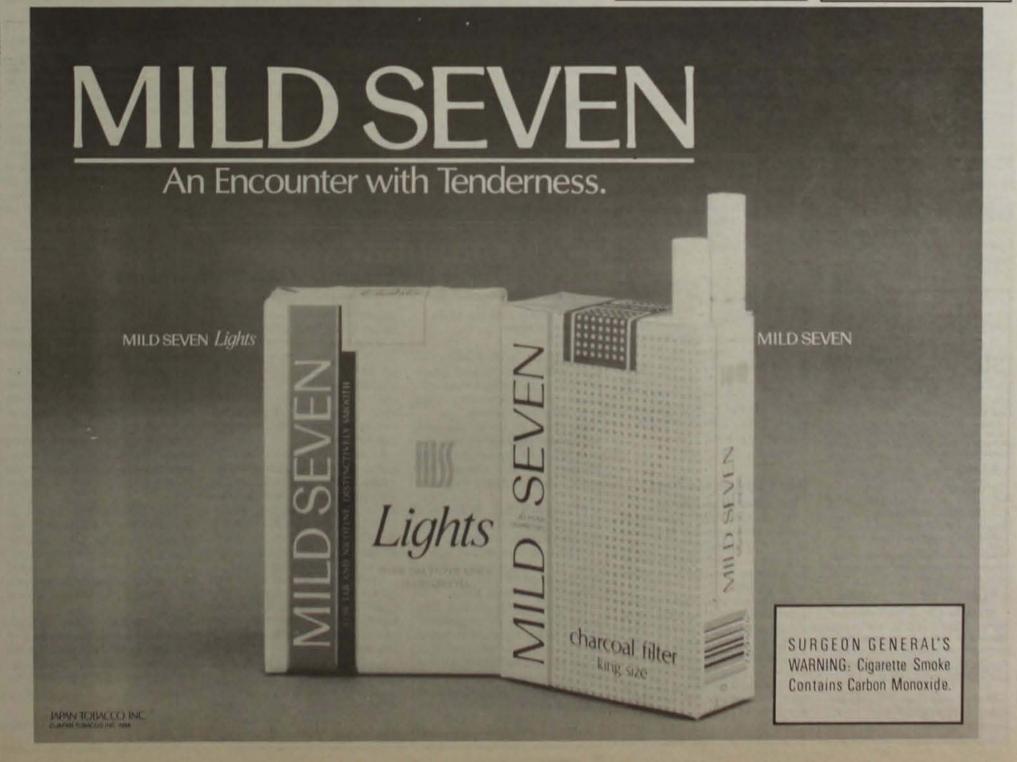
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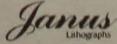
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• "All Singles Picnic," Sept. 18, 11 am-5 pm, Anderson Park, 19101, S. Wilmington Ave., Carson. Cost: \$7. Deadline Sept. 14. Co-sponsored by the Nikkei Singles Coalition. Info and reservations: 213 477-6997.

NLA

 PSW JACL Open House Reception, Oct. 5, 6:30-8:30 pm (tent.), Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, 244 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles. The event will introduce the PSW Board members and its new national officers and will serve as an introduction of JACL to those who are not familiar with JACL. Info: Trisha, 213 822-7470.

SAN FERNANDO

 "55 Alive," a program for drivers over 50, Sept. 17, 7:30 pm, JAC Center, 12953 Branford St., Pacoima. Presentation by Mable Yoshizaki, assistant state director of AARP, and Kenji Yotsuya. Films, re-freshments. Info: Betty, 818 360-9274 or Sono, 818 782-4765.

· "Annual Barbecue," this year celebrating the passage of H.R. 442, Oct. 1, 6:30 pm, 12953 Branford St., Pacoima Cost \$5/adults, \$3/children. Info: Hiroshi, 818 360-9902 or Art, 818 997-0266

SAN JOSE

 Picnic, Angel Island, Sept. 17, departs 8 am, Issei Memorial Building. Return time: 5 pm. Cost: \$5, free if participants wish to bring a dish to share with others. Reservations and info; Bob Fudenna, 408 294-2505.

. "Day at the Races," Oct. 2, Bay Meadows Race Track. Admission: \$25, includes program, reserved seating in the Turf Club and a buffet. Gates open at 11 am; first race at 12:30 pm. Roundtrip trainfare from San Jose: \$4, \$2 for 60 and over. Tickets and info: Joe Hironaka, 408 292-2914 or the JACL office, 408 295-

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 Senior Citizens Appreciation Luncheon, Sept. 25, 11:30 am, Amfac Hotel, 8601 Lincoln Blvd. Info: 213 820-5250 (day) or 213 207-5951 (eve.).

FASHION SHOW

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ABC-TV's "Ohara" and anchorwoman Joanne Ishimine of Channel 7 News will be among the celebrity mod-

The program also includes a rattle, which is offering a grand prize of two roundtrip tickets to Japan via Singapore Airlines, and a slide show of the event's three beneficiaries. All proceeds are going to the Japanese Retirement Home Development Fund, the Little Tokyo Service Center and the JAO Youth Program.

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THE NEWSMAKERS



Susan H. Kamei

➤ Susan H. Kamei of Pasadena, Calif., an attorney, has been named deputy director of the University of Southern California's Lusk Center for Real Estate Development, which is located within USC's School of Urban and Regional Planning. Formerly Southern California counsel for Mobil Land Development Corp., Kamei will work closely with the Lusk Center's growing membership and its advisory council to develop and oversee the center's program of activities and publications. Kamei currently serves as JACL National deputy legal counsel.

 George Nonomura, 30, has gone to Seoul as a member of the U.S. Olympic Fencing Team. Nonomura, who comes from a family of fencers in San Francisco, will be competing as a member of the foil team, which uses a sword with a narrow blade and small guard barely protecting the hand. A former member of the U.S. National Fencing Squad, he has recently competed at the championship tournament of the North American Fencing Circuit, which ranked him fifth in the na-

 Eiko Nobel was recently praised by the founder and president of Fred Sands Realtors for her continuing involvement as a special consultant to agency's Pacific Rim Division. Nobel, a world traveler and former tri-continent resident, was commended for developing the division, which was established two years ago to assist Asian investors with their Southern California real estate investments. Nobel was named the office's "Top Producer, Sales" in April.

Robin Tanabe, a recent graduate of Cupertino High School with a G.P.A. of 3.98, won this year's West Valley Scholarship Award. A gold award recipient in journalism, social studies and student government, she served as president of ASB. Tanabe will be attending Swarthmore College on scholarship this fall, where she will major in orthodontics. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tanabe of Cupertino, Calif.

▶ Dr. Florence Ueda Miyahara was recently installed as commander of Nisei Post No. 185, becoming the first woman to lead the predominantly Nisci member legion post. Miyahara, who was born and raised in Sacramento, served in the Air Force Nurse Corp. from 1948 to 1952. Following her discharge, she earned her medical degree at Colorado University Medical School. Miyahara is currently director of the Primary Care Clinic at Children's Hospital in Denver,

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Dean Ito Taylor, an attorney, has been selected as executive director of the Nihonmachi Legal Outreach (NLO), a nonprofit legal service organization based in San Francisco's Japantown, Taylor, a founder of NLO, will assume the responsibilities of director and will continue to practice law with the San Francisco Neighborhood Legal Assistance Foundation, which he joined in 1978. Taylor, who was honored in 1978 as the first recipient of the Paul Wada Memorial Scholarship, teaches at New College School



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► Sherwin T. Chan of San Marino. Calif., has become the first Asian American appointed by President Reagan to sit on the U.S. Civil Rights Commission since it was formed in 1957. Chan, 65, was named to fill a seat formerly held by Clarence M. Pendleton, Jr., who died in June. Chan will serve the remainder of Pendleton's term which expires in November in 1989. An engineering specialist with the aircraft division of the Northrup Corporation and current national vice president of the Gee How Oak Tin Association of America, Chan has served on the President's Committee for the National Medal of Science since 1987 and is vice chair of the board for the California Maritime Academy. A voting delegate at the 1988 Republican National Convention from California, Chan is co-chair of Chinese Americans for George Bush for President and Chinese co-chair of Asians for Bush for President.

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