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In Memory
of those
who have
passed away



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DAY OF REMEMBRANCE '89—The 9th Annual Los Angeles Day of Remembrance was held at the Los Angeles Trade Technical College Feb. 19. The event attracted over 300 people. In the top photo, Rev. Shunichi Thomas Kurai (far right) and Rev. Grant Hagiya (far left) preside over a ceremony honoring Nikkei who have died since the signing of H.R. 442. Below left, Rep. Robert Matsui addresses the audience. Below right, a member of the Zenshuji Zendeko taiko group is a blur as he drums away for the audience.

Los Angeles

First Day of Remembrance Since H.R. 442 Passage Held

By George Johnston

LOS ANGELES — The thunderous drums of the Zenshuji Zendeko taiko group ushered in the first Day of Remembrance since the signing of H.R. 442 in August of last year. But if the overcast and rainy weather dampened the mood of the Feb. 19 celebration, so did the thought of small redress appropriations, as well as the sobering statistic that over 1,000 possibly eligible redress have died since the law was passed.

The ninth annual commemoration for Los Angeles, which was held on the same day that President Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066 which began the process of evacuating, relocating and incarcerating Japanese Americans 47 years earlier, was held at the auditorium of the Los Angeles Trade Technical College and attracted over 300 people. The main speakers at the event, sponsored by the National Coalition of Redress/Reparations, were Assistant Attorney General James Turner of the Justice Department, Robert K. Bratt, administrator of the Office of Redress Administration, Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Calif.).

'Recognition of Wrongs'

Turner praised Japanese Americans for fighting for their rights and for redressing their grievances, saying, "Perhaps the greatest benefit derived from the entire redress effort was that it strengthened the nation's Constitu-

tion by reaffirming the inalienability of our civil rights. Whether in a time of peace or a time of war, our country's belief in the constitutional rights of its citizens is a value that must always be guarded vigilantly."

Turner also added that "... recognition of wrongs is imperative for individuals and nations because any wrong, when unaddressed, eats at the core of those values on which we base our lives and institutions."

ORA Update

Bratt spoke next, and he updated the eligibility requirements for redress. He explained that initially, the ORA thought that the redress payments would apply to just those who were interned. "As we learned through our extensive research, there's possibly a larger group that may be eligible for redress," Bratt explained.

"First were the veterans who were in the service who were denied access to their families. There's another group of Peruvians and other people from the Americas that were brought up with our government's consent and their government's consent... and held in the United States," said Bratt. He also mentioned others in the "gray area" who were in an orphanage in San Francisco and a Southern California mental institution. Bratt mentioned that the regulations for eligibility will be available soon, with publication set for the spring.

Outreach

As for the budget, Bratt felt that there would probably be no difference between the Reagan budget redress figure of \$20 million and the Bush budget figure, which hasn't been revealed yet. He also announced that as of last week, the ORA had collected 52,000 names of possibly eligible redress recipients, although some may be repeats. The next major phase of the redress outreach will be to try and contact possible recipients who are now living in Japan (see related story this issue).

The next speaker was Matsui, who was announced by his colleague, Rep. Mervyn Dymally (D-Calif.). Matsui spoke of his recollection of the signing of H.R. 442 and the struggle it took to get to that point. "In my opinion, it was the defining event in the Japanese American community, because as all of you know... 10 or 15 years

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Nisei VFW Reunion Witnesses Nat'l JACL-LEC Honoring Vets

LOS ANGELES—Special JACL presentations in appreciation and acknowledgement of the meaningful role rendered by the veterans during the redress campaign were made Sunday (Feb. 19) at the 39th annual Nisei VFW Reunion luncheon at the Stouffer Concourse Hotel near the L.A. airport.

On hand were National JACL president Cressey Nakagawa, who bestowed a bronze plaque to the Veterans of Foreign War and accepted by commander-in-chief Larry W. Rivers of

Louisiana; Jerry Enomoto, JACL-LEC chair, to Calif. VFW Dept. Commander Jim Rowaldt and to the Calif. Department of the American Legion (Henry Sugai, past commander of Post 325); immediate past national JACL president Harry Kajihara, to the Nisei VFW Coalition (Hiroshi Tadakuma of Gardena) and So. Calif. Nisei Veterans Coordinating Council (Jim Mita, SCNVC pres.) and Art Morimitsu of Chicago to the So. Calif. MIS (Jack K. Nagano).

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JANM Annual Meeting

Smithsonian May Extend Its Exhibit on Japanese Americans Another Five Years

By Harry K. Honda

LOS ANGELES—One of most popular exhibits at the Smithsonian Institution has been about the Japanese Americans and the Constitution, "A More Perfect Union," it was revealed by Edward C. Ezell, supervising curator at the Smithsonian who delivered the keynote address at the annual meeting Feb. 18 of the Japanese American National Museum.

He felt that the exhibit, which is scheduled to close in 1992 on the bicentennial of the Bill of Rights, will stay another five years. Over 800 objects are on display within 1,400 square feet of space at the National Museum of American History at an assembling cost in excess of a million dollars, he added. The exhibit opened Oct. 1, 1987.

Flashing of slides from this exhibit

highlighted his talk on ethnic American museums as a historical and cultural resource of a people.

Ezell noted U.S. history thus far has been largely white and European in content. It is changing now, he continued, with exhibits at the Smithsonian and other museums addressing the gender, ethnic and religious aspects of America. "Our history will be a tapestry, not of a single people, not a homogenous nation, but a series of histories," he declared.

He predicted the role of the Japanese American National Museum will be important as it addresses the nation from Los Angeles, where a vital connection with peoples of the Pacific Rim can also be made.

First Street North Project

Another luncheon slide lecture by Michael Barker of First Street Plaza

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Pacific Citizen Photo by Harry Honda

NEW: ANTHURIUM ONIZUKA—On display for the first time on the Mainland is a new tropical flower variety, an all-white Anthurium Onizuka, decorating the altar at the fourth annual Lt. Col. Ellison Onizuka memorial service observed Feb. 18 at a Los Angeles gathering.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Ex-Slave Reparations Bill Proposed

BOSTON — A one-paragraph bill to have Massachusetts compensate Blacks for the injustices of slavery and racism has been proposed by Sen. Bill Owens (D-Boston), the Associated Press reported Feb. 16. Modeled after the redress bill passed last year for Japanese Americans, it calls for creation of a commission to "negotiate with legitimate representatives of African descendants." While lawmakers in the state are not expected to approve the measure, a Harvard law professor observed it should spark a worthwhile debate.

Canada to Send Out 100 Redress Checks Daily

OTTAWA — The Japanese Canadian Redress Secretariat Office has received nearly 10,000 claims from Japanese Canadians seeking redress for WWII internment, the *New Canadian* reported (Feb. 14), and the office is expected to start mailing out 100 checks of \$21,000 tax-free each day. Priority has been given to those born before 1915 or who are terminally ill. The National Association of Japanese Canadians has held some 30 redress information meetings across the country for the elderly Issei-Nisei to restore their confidence in the Canadian government. The first 10 checks were mailed last Dec. 30 to test the process.



GREATER L.A. SINGLES '89—The Greater Los Angeles Singles Chapter of the JACL held its installation dinner/dance Jan. 28 at the Holiday Inn in Long Beach. Pictured above are (l-r) Kei Ishigami, president; Frank Hattori, v.p. program; Louise Sakamoto, v.p. membership; Miyo Yasukochi, v.p. legislative; Joyce Binz, recording secretary; Bea Fujimoto, corresponding secretary & newsletter editor; Lucy Yoshihara-Nakamura, insurance commissioner; Annabelle Lee, treasurer; Fred Mishima, board member; Lilly Ikegami, publicity/historian; Dan Kawamorita, board member; Janet Okubo, board member; Emy Sakamoto, scholarship chairperson and board member; Ted Tamizato, board member; and Avie Ige, cheer committee chairperson and board member. Board members not pictured: Jerry Hinaga, Sam Hayakawa and Kaz Fujioka.

ORA Tries Outreach to Possible Redress-Eligibles Living in Japan

WASHINGTON — In an aggressive effort to locate persons living in Japan who may be eligible for redress, the Office of Redress Administration (ORA) held a press conference at the National Press Building here on Feb. 15. Members of the Japanese press were present to receive information and to raise questions.

On hand to brief the Japanese press and to answer questions were James Turner, acting assistant attorney general and Bob Bratt, ORA administrator. Turner explained that the ORA needed help in locating persons living in Japan who may be eligible for redress payments. He said that now the

U.S. is attempting to do what it can to rectify a wrong. While the mistakes cannot be condoned, he said that at least something can be done if we believe in our Constitution.

Turner said that they have reason to believe that a significant number of eligible persons may be living in Japan. He acknowledged that some individuals may have sailed to Japan after World War II and may, therefore, be eligible. As a part of their outreach work, Turner announced that printed materials and voluntary forms are available at the U.S. Embassy in Japan, as well as consulates (in Osaka, Kobe, Sapporo, and Fukuoka and Okinawa).

Among the printed material in the press packet, the following statement was included:

"Although the majority of eligible individuals currently reside in the United States, a number of individuals now reside outside the U.S., particularly in Japan. While estimates regarding the number of potential eligibles

in Japan are unavailable, such individuals are believed to reside in the major metropolitan centers of Japan and in the southern prefectures since the majority of Japanese immigrants

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Torrance the Site for 1990 Nisei VFW Reunion

TORRANCE, Calif.—Gardena 4th District Nisei Memorial Post 1961 will host the next Nisei VFW reunion Feb. 16-18, 1990, at the Marriott Hotel here. Tom Miyawaki and George Kobayashi are co-chairmen. Details: 1964 W. 162nd St., P.O. Box 2281, Gardena, CA 90247, (213) 327-4491.

Rates for the reunion (\$65 member, \$60 spouse) and rooms (\$69/night, 1 to 3 persons, free parking, no corkage fee) are firm, it was added by Paul Bannai. Package registration is due Jan. 10, 1990.



CORPORATE GIFT—Frank Omatsu (left), senior vice president for Sumitomo Bank of California, presents a \$7,000 corporate check to United Way Executive Vice President Norman O. Taylor for the United Way Campaign. The gift will go toward the 1988-89 goal of \$89 million.

DEATHS

The Rev. Gordon Kimball Chapman, died Jan. 30 in San Jose, Calif., where he had resided following 20 years in Japan as a Presbyterian missionary. When the San Jose marked the 25th anniversary of the WW2 evacuation from the West Coast in 1967, he was one of those recognized by the JACL "for upholding the principles of democracy; for faith in Japanese Americans . . . for facilitating their return; and for services on their behalf." Though an active foe of Japanese imperialism, upon his retirement in 1967 the Japanese government bestowed its Order of the Sacred Treasure, 4th Class, for service to the people of Japan and to Japanese Americans. His medical missionary wife Katherine Denman predeceased him in 1978. He is survived by five children, 10 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

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Annual AAPAA Awards 1989 'Jimmie' Awardees Revealed

LOS ANGELES — Motion picture and television stars Lloyd Bridges and Robert Loggia and California Secretary of State March Fong Eu have announced the winners of the Association of Asian Pacific American Artists' (AAPAA) 5th Annual Jimmie Awards.

The honorees of the 1989 Jimmie Awards are: Michael Landon Productions for the "Aloha" episode of NBC's "Highway to Heaven"; New World TV for the ABC television series "Murphy's Law"; Alice Films for the film *The Moderns*; American Playhouse for the film *The Wash*; Renee Tajima and Christine Choy, producers of the film *Who Killed Vincent Chin?*; playwright/dramatist Philip Kan Gotanda (*The Wash* and *Yankee Dawg You Die*); playwright David Henry Hwang for his Tony award winning play *M. Butterfly*; Jude Narita for her play *"Coming Into Passion"*; New York-based film/media group Asian Cinevision; talent agent Bessie Loo, who will receive a special "Pioneer" award;

TRW for the "Corporate" award; and television personality Yue Sai Kan, who will receive the "Lifetime Achievement" award.

Named after Academy Award winning cinematographer James Wong Howe, the "Jimmie's" are presented annually by AAPAA to those in the arts and entertainment industries who have made a commitment to creating a more realistic portrayal of Asian/Pacific Americans reflect their true presence in the mainstream of life.

The winners will receive their awards during the 5th Annual Jimmie Awards gala, Monday, March 27, 1989, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. Serving as this year's honorary chairperson is actor Kirk Douglas, and as dinner chairperson is Peter Coors, president of the brewing division for the Adolph Coors Co. The event is being produced by radio and television personality Mario Machado, and co-produced by writer/producer Parke Perine.

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How to Improve Minority Growth in Colleges Told

WASHINGTON — The American Council on Education (ACE) released on Jan. 30 its new book which addresses strategies that colleges and universities may use to increase minority participation in higher education. The ACE hopes that such strategies will reduce the trend of declining minority participation in higher education.

On hand to answer questions were U.S. Secretary of Education, Lauro F. Cavazos and ACE President Robert H. Atwell. Secretary Cavazos announced the publication of ACE's book, Atwell said that "this volume brings together for the first time the full range of actions needed to make the campus a hospitable and supportive place for minority students, faculty, and administrators."

Despite some efforts, by various institutions across the nation, to institute recruitment policies and programs to enhance minority participation, "the gap between the participation rates of white students and minority students is growing, and attribution is a major problem."

The book aims to help institutions improve recruitment and retention of minority faculty, students, and administrators. Strategies are identified, and ways to improve higher education climates are discussed. Examples of efforts instituted by three institutions (University of Massachusetts, Boston; Miami-Dade Community College; and Mount St. Mary's College in Los Angeles) are profiled.

The publication is available through the American Council on Education, Publications Department M2, One Dupont Circle, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. For single copies, the cost is \$17.50; for quantity discounts call (202) 939-9380.

Next AJA Veterans Reunion in Kona Set

KONA, Hawaii—Arrangements for the 15th National AJA (Nisei) Veterans Reunion at Kailua-Kona June 27-30, 1990, have been virtually completed with four hotels selected and the main events and memorial service outdoor scheduled at Kona Surf Resort-Hotel.

Approximately 1,100 rooms have been blocked, according to Claude Onizuka and Lynn Sato, (800) 634-8818, reunion contact persons at Kona International Travel Service. Registration material will be ready by June, 1989. Deadline is April 15, 1990. For details: P.O. Box 1927, Kailua-Kona, HI 96745. (808) 329-1634.



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NISEI VETERANS CONTINUE TRADITIONS—Though the numbers of attendees continue to dwindle with each passing reunion, the spirit and warmth of annual California Nisei VFW Reunion celebrated over the Feb. 17-20 weekend at Los Angeles soars unabated. (At left) National VFW commander-in-chief Larry Rivers bids the 39th annual reunion Sayonara at the luncheon. Seated at left is Jun Yamamoto, emcee.

SMITHSONIAN

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Partners featured the key role the museum will play in phase II-redevelopment plans for First Street North after the former Nishi Hongwanji Temple has been refurbished as the museum, scheduled to open in late 1990.

Phase II involves eight acres adjacent to the temple and is scheduled to be developed after 1992. A pavilion is being projected for the museum.

Rep. Norman Mineta delivered the keynote address at the Saturday dinner attended by JANM board of trustees, governors and staff.

The JANM with the Onizuka Memorial Committee observed the fourth annual memorial service Saturday afternoon for Lt. Col. Ellison S. Onizuka at the hotel theater. The Rev. Akira Hata of the West Los Angeles Buddhist Church conducted the service with Dr. Ryo Muneoka chairing the half-hour rites attended by the astronaut's family members including his wife Lorna, mother and brother, museum members and Nisei VFW veterans.

A bower of all-white anthuriums, named Onizuka, decorated the simple altar for the service. The showy leaf and flower, propagated on the Big Island where the Onizukas live, are usually red.

A 60-minute videotape on Onizuka's life and his dreams was shown at the JANM hospitality room.

Workshop Themes

Six workshops delving into the role of the museum in particular and the public in general attracted wide interest and attendance as the meetings were open. Many from the Nisei VFW Reunion being held concurrently in the same hotel and on the same level sat in the morning and afternoon workshops.

The themes and panelists at the six workshops were:

1. *National Outreach: How individuals are working within communities to promote the museum.* Siegfried S. Kagawa, chmn. & CEO, Occidental Underwriters of Hawaii, Ltd.; Mo Marumoto, founder/pres., Interface Group, Ltd.; George Teraoka, Teraoka Farms, Inc. (Fresno); Young O. Kim, convener.
2. *Project-Exhibit Development: What will*



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be necessary for development of the Issei pioneer exhibit? How will public program, exhibitory and collection be integrated? Vincent Ciulla, pres., Carol Enselki, senior exhibit designer, Vincent Ciulla Design, New York; Gary Okihira, Ph.D., director, ethnic studies, Santa Clara University; Mary Worthington, associate director, L.A. Children's Museum; Akemi Kikumura, Ph.D., facilitator.

3. *Economic Development: What ventures will the museum develop? What criteria will be used? What will the gift shop include?* Rich Gross, Nat'l Economic Development and Law Center; Kay Inose, convener; Suzanne Kawahara, facilitator.

4. *Marketing: How will the museum attract the broadest audience of visitors?* Bud Barnes, DCA Advertising, Inc.; Min Tonai, convener; Judy Show, facilitator.

5. *Future of the Japanese American community: What is the museum's role? How should the museum work with other organizations and institutions?* Cressey Nakagawa, nat'l pres., JACL; Alan Nishio, So. Calif. co-chair, NCRP; Gerald Yoshitomi, exec. dir., JACCC; Fred Hoshiyama, convener; Karen Ishizuka, director of development, Pacifica Foundation, facilitator.

6. *Establishing a Family History Project: What types of family history project should the*



(At right) National JACL President Cressey Nakagawa reiterates the appreciation of JACL for the valued and solid efforts shown by veterans toward the successful passage of the Japanese American redress bill. JACL-Legislative Education Committee plaques were then presented to six veteran groups, national, state and local. Seated at right is David Monji of Nisei VFW Post 9938, reunion chair. Trophies in the foreground went to bowlers from Gardena, site of the 1990 Nisei VFW Reunion.

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In response, Nagano, commander of the host reunion post, Nisei Memorial Post 9938, said the plaques represent both a lasting memorial for the Nisei who died and a living tribute to the Nisei veterans who pushed to see H.R. 442 pass and be signed by the president.

museum develop? What other types should be developed? Bernice Hirai, pres., Hawaii Hiroshima Heritage Group; Dr. Takashi Makinodan, convener; Harry Kawahara, prof., Asian American studies, Pasadena City College, facilitator.

Bruce Kaji, JANM president, conducted the general and executive sessions. Director Irene Hirano opened with her state of the museum report; Yoshio Nishimoto, William Ellinger and James McElwain, the architects' report.

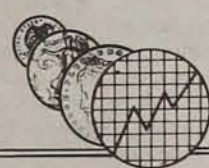
The workshops and meetings were all held at the Stouffer Concourse Hotel.

The Sunday morning memorial service was chaired by Toshi Nakayama with the Rev. Paul Nakamura of the Lutheran Memorial Church, Gardena, delivering the message. Lighting of memorial candles, the roll call and sounding of Taps unfailingly added to the solemnity of occasion.

Jun Yamamoto emceed the Sayonara awards luncheon. As a luncheon finale, reunion chair David Monji of Post 9938 acknowledged the year-long support of his committee and then handed over a huge, plaque-imbbed gavel to Paul Bannai of Post 1961, which will host the next reunion Feb. 16-18, 1990, at the Torrance Marriott Hotel. The reunion ended with the crowd joining hands and singing Auld Lang Syne.

Close to 800 attended the reunion, traditionally held over the President's Holiday weekend for members, spouses and friends of 14 Nisei VFW posts throughout the state.

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EDITORIAL OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN:

Yoshino Up to the Challenge

WHEN AN organization, JACL in this instance, seems to be moving ahead without major problems, riding out the inevitable bumps and lurches, change is not expected. Thus it was something of a shock last July when Ron Wakabayashi, after seven progressive years of JACL's national director, announced he was resigning to take up other challenges.

National President Harry Kajihara quickly named Bill Yoshino, then head of JACL's Midwest regional office, to take over as acting director. Carole Hayashino, national public information officer, was named deputy director. While Hayashino was at headquarters in San Francisco, Yoshino remained in Chicago. That they overcame the problems of separation by some 2,000 miles and two time zones was testimony to their adaptability.

Earlier this month JACL's national personnel committee recommended offering the directorship to Yoshino, a 10-year employee of the organization. It was a popular choice; the National Board approved the recommendation unanimously.

Yoshino will not be without challenges in the post-Redress era. Not least among them will be to provide the high level of programs and services needed to counter the expected fall-off of interest in JACL following the Redress victory. Nor is it necessary to remind ourselves that not one cent of Redress money has been appropriated.

Yoshino brings Sansei energy and dedication to a very important position in the Japanese American community. JACLers wish him well.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Redress Interest

Hasn't the clock started to run? When Congress passed the redress bill and it was signed by then President Reagan promising to pay \$20,000 to each living evacuee, this created an obligation of the United States government. Thus each recipient is entitled to the \$20,000 plus any accrued interest. The rate of interest should be indexed to the rate that the Internal Revenue Services charge the tax payer for late or other penalties. This is not in course of special treatment.

PAUL HOSHI
San Diego, Calif.

Romaji's Superiority

Bill Marutani's columns on the Japanese language are much beyond me but it got me to thinking that ideograph-based writing is a handicap in general and more so in the modern world of computers and telecommunications. Consider the English language, which has twenty-six letters as building blocks for literally millions of words. This versatility is the power of the alphabetic system. Several decades ago some misguided educators luckily failed in their attempt to impose sight reading upon our children which essentially would have been a retrogression to a form of ideographic language. It did create a generation of Americans who had difficulty in spelling.

The difference between ideographs and alphabets can roughly be compared with using Roman numerals and Arabic numerals in mathematics. One is cumbersome and unwieldy and the other versatile and simple. Where typing and printing is a simple matter in English it is a major task in Japanese.

Thus, when I read that computers have not taken hold in Japan as much as here, one can understand why when a Japanese computer user not only has to tackle a complex machine but has to learn a foreign language besides to operate it! (The keyboard is like a typewriter.)

I often wonder how dictionaries can be made and how words can be found without an alphabetic system. To illustrate the difference in languages I can write Japanese in romaji without difficulty and without knowing the meaning of the words. I can

then read it back, send it by telegram, telex or teletype. No problem. Then there is the extraordinary amount of time Japanese children must allocate to memorizing ideographs. The adoption of romaji would allow better time use. It doesn't have to supplant ideographs but it certainly can supplement it although they could rationalize the change by recalling that their system came from China originally and is not indigenous. Ideographic writing is an anachronism in the modern age.

SHIGEO YUGE
Los Angeles, Calif.

Guilty

While Japanese American bigwigs debate over who deserves the most credit for the passage of H.R. 442, may I ask an obvious question: Who was the lowbrow that figured out the dollar/evacuee plan in the first place?

He must have had a childish mind to figure out something so plain and uncomplicated. Previous to 1976 our geniuses concocted brilliant redress plans with sophisticated legal jargon and algebraic formulas that would overload megabit computers. Then out of clear blue sky, the powers-that-be in the national JACL comes up with this \$25,000/evacuee concoction; and every chapter approved it unanimously.

If no one else pleads guilty to this numbskullery, I feel obliged to confess that in a moment of weakness I wrote a note to the P.C. outlining such a plan, suggesting a laughable sum of \$1000/evacuee, with ideas for implementation. The damning evidence can be found in the March 19, 1976 issue.

Some people in our organization must have known that I was the dimwitted author, because no one paid heed to anything I said thereafter. Thanks a lot for helping me clear my conscience.

MAS ODOI
Federal Way, Wash.

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EAST WIND

BILL MARUTANI

Bonds and "Kutsu's"

SORELY DEFICIENT as I am generally in *nihongo*, when it comes to business and legal terms, I am completely at loss. But it's not for loss of trying; I try. Take for example the Japanese term for PERFORMANCE BOND, an agreement whereby a party guarantees performance of a proposal and backs it up by a funded guaranty. Well, if one does not know the word to start with (which is the situation in my case), one looks up the literal meaning.

So I started with "performance" and moved on to "bond."

THE KANJI for PERFORMANCE is *ri-kō*, a compound comprised of the kanji for *haku* (put on) or *kutsu*, also *fu(mu)*. The "*kō*" is one of those kanji's that has many meanings, the most familiar one being *yu(ku)*—to go; or *oko(nau)*, to carry out. I initially thought that that was a somewhat strange compound for the term "performance," but come to think of it, it does make sense. Sort of, anyway. It means, one might conclude, to put on your shoes and get moving. "Perform; step on it."

In military jargon, we had a somewhat less delicate way of putting it.

IF YOU HAPPEN to look up the compound in your *jitān*, you will note, as I did, that the kanji for "kutsu" was not quite familiar. This "kutsu" is a combination of the radical *shikabane* (meaning "corpse") which envelops the kanji *fuku*, meaning "repeat" (*fuatabi*). So I checked my hunch and looked up the *kutsu* (shoes) that I was familiar with, and sure enough it looked a bit more familiar. The "kutsu" that most of us are acquainted with is a kanji with radicals *kawa* (animal hide) on the left and *ba(keru)*—meaning to change—on the right. And so, the hunch reasons, this "kutsu" is to take animal hide and change it (*bakeru*) into leather boots.

Well, that'll have to do until some authoritative source corrects it.

BUT, THEN, this leaves unanswered the question of what the first *kutsu*, the one that also is read as *haku* and *fu(mu)* means. Are there two "kutsu's"? Well, it is true that in English we do have words such as "shoes," "footgear" and so on. And they refer to covering for the feet, although in fact not so limited. There are "brake shoes," "camera shoes," "horse shoes" and

you can continue from there.

Well, since we're freely speculating, why stop here? Our third hunch is that the "kutsu" that most of us are familiar with was one that the Japanese adopted when Admiral Perry opened up the doors of Edo with his Black Ships and introduced Western footgear. They weren't the types of *kutsu* that the Nippon-jins (or Yamato's?) were familiar with, so they created a new word for "kutsu" by taking the radical for (animal) "hide" and combining it with "change" (*bakeru*).

THIS LEAVES the word for BOND. (No, "bon-do" would be too easy an out.) I came across the compound *shō-ken*, a combination of the kanji *shō(suru)*—to prove or guarantee, and *ken*, meaning "ticket" or "coupon." That's probably a too literal an application of the term for "performance bond."

Hunch number four is that probably *shō* is combined with the kanji *jō*, meaning "letter, form, state." It is the *jō* as in *jōtai*, meaning "condition."

This last one is a real "flyer" and should elicit some remedial messages. And I welcome them in the learning process.

FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

Tanks, Spies & Smoked Salmon



Things you can learn from reading: Janice Kunitsugu-Goodrow, all of 5-foot-3, may be the only Sansei woman driver of U.S. military tanks. Some of them weigh up to 60 tons.

She's an engineer for the Airborne Adverse Weather Weapons System project for Martin Marietta Aerospace in Orlando, Fla. The project gathers radar and infrared characteristics of tanks for use in a high tech system that identifies vehicles on a battlefield as friendly or unfriendly.

This information appeared in the Nisei Veterans Committee newsletter of Seattle, which picked up the story from the Martin Marietta Newsletter. Janice is the daughter of Bill Kunitsugu of Seattle.

As a not infrequent reader of accounts about the tragic Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, I've run across the name of Takeo Yoshikawa from time to time. He was the Japanese naval officer assigned to the consulate general in Honolulu under the cover name of Vice-Consul Morimura, and his job was to report movements of U.S. warships in Pearl Harbor. Apparently his role as a spy was not detected and

Yoshikawa-Morimura was sent back to Japan after the outbreak of war when the U.S. and Japan exchanged diplomats. I've often wondered what happened to him.

Now I know, thanks to a clipping from the Advertiser, supplied by Ted Tsukiyama of Honolulu. In 1969 Buck Buchwach, now editor of the Advertiser, tracked Yoshikawa to the island of Shikoku. The story Buchwach wrote at that time was updated and reprinted last December, and that was what Tsukiyama sent me.

Buchwach found Yoshikawa a non-person, a naval officer who never saw action after his espionage mission. He had never been rewarded for the success of his assignment, never decorated, never promoted, never granted a pension. He ran a small hotel and plumbing supply business in his town until he suffered a minor stroke in 1980 at age 68. The latest information was that Yoshikawa had been bed-ridden for at least the past three years.

Nathan Hale, America's best-remembered spy, was hanged by the British and is considered a hero. Yoshikawa got nothing until an American sought him out. Well, that's not

quite right. Yoshikawa got a free trip to an Arizona relocation camp, he told Buchwach, before he was repatriated in August, 1942 on the liner Gripsholm.

Some weeks ago I wrote about paying what seemed to be an outrageous price for pale canned salmon of a grade that used to be catfood. The best kind, I recalled, was sockeye salmon characterized by red flesh.

Two nice things happened. Sylvia Kobayashi of Anchorage, Alaska, sent me some delicious smoked salmon. I can't share that with you-all, but I can share the other, a delightful story from Hi Nakamura of La Jolla, Calif. Back in the mid-30s he was a grad student at Scripps Institution of Oceanography at La Jolla. He was working on a project involving carotinoid pigments—the orange or red coloration of plants and flesh—when they discovered an amazing example of truth in advertising.

Someone was marketing a very anemic-looking and cheap grade of salmon with a label that promised: "This Product Absolutely Guaranteed Not to Turn Red in the Can."

3,726,440 Asian/Pacific Counted in 1980

Excerpts from "We, the Asian and Pacific Islander Americans," a booklet published by the Commerce Department's Census Bureau last year and released Dec. 23. Information is based on the 1980 census.

We, the Asians and Pacific Islanders are as diverse as the lands of our ancestors. Although we have been coming to the United States for more than a century, our numbers and diversity have grown more rapidly in recent years. We numbered more than 3.7 million in 1980, a considerable increase over the 1970 figure of 1.5 million. Our proportion of the total population doubled from 0.8% to 1.6% during this 10-year period.

Immigration was one major factor accounting for this increase as large numbers of us came to the United States from China, India, Korea, the Philippines, and other Asian and Pacific Island areas following the adoption of the Immigration Act of 1965. Also, more than 400,000 Southeast Asian refugees came to America between 1975 and 1980 under the Refugee Resettlement Program.

In addition to immigration and natural increase, part of the growth of our numbers during the 1970s occurred because of changes in the census race definition to include more groups. More than 20 Asian and Pacific Islander population groups were identified in the 1980 census, compared with only five in the 1970 census.

Over 20 Asian-Pacific Island Population Groups Identified in 1980 Census

The 1980 census counted 3,466,874 Asians. The largest groups ranked by size were: (1) Chinese 812,178, (2) Filipino 781,894, (3) Japanese 716,331, (4) Asian Indian 387,223, (5) Korean 357,393.

The census also counted 259,566 Pacific Islanders. This group includes the Pacific Islands cultural groups of Polynesians, who had the largest popu-

lation, followed by Micronesians and Melanesians.

Many Asians and Pacific Islanders are recent immigrants. In 1980, 6% of the total U.S. population was foreign-born, compared with 59% of the Asians and Pacific Islanders. About 62% of the Asians were born in foreign countries, whereas relatively few (12%) of the Pacific Islanders were foreign-born. And of course, Hawaiians are native to this land.

Where We Live

And 58% of the Asian and Pacific Islander population lived in the West in 1980, compared with 19% of the total population. Among the six largest Asian groups—Chinese, Japanese, Filipino, Asian Indian, Korean, and Vietnamese—the heaviest population concentrations were in the West for each group with the exception of the Asian Indian population who resided primarily in the Northeast.

About 80% of the Japanese population lived in the West, compared with 19% of Asian Indians. The overwhelming majority of Pacific Islanders lived in the West.

Approximately 70% of Asians and Pacific Islanders lived in just five States—California, Hawaii, New York, Illinois, and Texas. (The P.C. Chart shows individual ratios.)

About 90% of the Asian and Pacific Islander population lived in urban areas in 1980, about equally divided between central cities and their suburbs. Over 45% lived in just five metropolitan areas in 1980—Los Angeles—Long Beach, San Francisco—Oakland, New York, Chicago, and Honolulu.

We Are Young

Asians and Pacific Islanders had a median age of 28.4 years in 1980—that is, half were younger and half older than that figure. The median age was 30.0 for the Nation. Only 6% were 65 years and older compared with 11% for the total U.S. population.

In 1980, Japanese had the oldest median age of 33.5 years, partly because they were among the earliest immigrants. The Vietnamese, with their

large proportion of recent immigrants and higher birth rates than most other groups, were the youngest Asians with a median age of 21.5 years. Pacific Islanders also had relatively young populations; Samoans were the youngest, with a median age of 19.2 years.

About 51% of the U.S. population was female as of the 1980 census. Among Asians, Koreans had the highest percentage of females at 58% and Vietnamese the lowest at 48%. For Pacific Islanders, Hawaiians had the highest percent of females at 51% while Guamanians and Samoans had 49% each.

Asian-Pacific Islander Families Larger than U.S. Average: 3.98% - 3.27%

The average family size for Asian and Pacific Islander families was 3.8 persons. This was larger than the average U.S. family at 3.3 persons.

Asian and Pacific Islander families were larger partly because a higher percentage of their children under age 18 lived with both parents, compared with the general population—85% versus 77%. Also, more elders were part of Asian and Pacific Islander family households. For example, among Asians and Pacific Islanders aged 60 and over, 79% lived in families, compared with 69% nationally.

The proportion of Asian and Pacific Islander families maintained by a husband and wife was 84%, about the same as the national figure of 83%. Among Asians, the proportion varied from 91% of Asian Indian families to 73% for Vietnamese families. For Pacific Islanders, the range was from 80% for Guamanians and 78% for Samoans to 73% for Hawaiians.

Education: a High Priority

Education is highly valued in Asian and Pacific Islander communities. In 1980, 75% of all Asians and Pacific Islanders aged 25 years and over were at least high school graduates; the national rate was 66%.

Among Asian groups, the proportions who completed high school varied from 82% for Japanese to 62% for Vietnamese. Among Pacific Islanders, the range was from 68% for Hawaiians and Guamanians to 61% for Samoans.

About 79% of Asian and Pacific Islander men were high school graduates, compared with 71% of women. All groups except Filipinos had larger proportions of their men than their women graduating from high school.

In addition, 33% of Asians and Pacific Islanders were college graduates, compared with 16% of the total population. About half of Asian Indians had completed college in contrast to only 13% of Vietnamese. Pacific Islanders, however, had much lower proportions completing college, ranging from 10% for Hawaiians to 8% for Guamanians and 7% for Samoans.

The Jobs We Have

The 1980 census showed that Asians and Pacific Islanders participated in the labor force in larger proportions than the total population, 67% as compared with 62%. Only Vietnamese and Samoans were below the national average.

About 58% of Asian and Pacific Islander women were in the labor force, compared with about half of all women in the United States. More than 2 out of 3 Filipino women were in the labor force, the highest of any of the groups.

Asians and Pacific Islanders were more likely to be in a managerial and professional specialty and service occupations than the total population, but less likely to be in precision production or operators, fabricators, and laborers.

We're in Business

According to the 1982 Survey of Minority-Owned Business Enterprises, Asians and Pacific Islanders owned more than 200,000 firms or about 2% of the 12 million U.S. firms (excluding large corporations). The largest number of these firms were owned by Chinese (52,839), Japanese (49,039), and Koreans (31,769).

Gross receipts for Asian and Pacific Islander firms totaled \$16 billion or about 2% of receipts for all firms. Businesses owned by Chinese accounted for over a third of all gross receipts from Asian and Pacific Islander firms (\$6 billion), while those owned by Japanese and Koreans total \$3 billion each.

The vast majority of Asian and Pacific Islander companies were concentrated in service and retail trade industries, such as health and personal services, eating and drinking places, and food stores.

And 92% of the companies owned by Asians and Pacific Islanders were operated as individual proprietorships, while 6% were partnerships, and 2% were corporations. The comparable proportions for all businesses were 84%, 11%, and 5%, respectively.

Japanese Median Family Income Highest at \$27,400; U.S. National Average: \$19,900

In 1979, the Asian and Pacific Islander median family money income was \$22,700 as compared with the national median of \$19,900. Family incomes were affected by educational attainment and by the proportion of family members in the work force.

There were differences in family money income among Asian and Pacific Islander groups. Japanese had the highest median family income at \$27,400; Vietnamese, the most recent Asian immigrants, were the lowest at \$12,800.

As was the case nationally, Asian and Pacific Islander families maintained by women without husbands present had a lower median income at \$12,100 than married-couple families at \$24,500.

About 500,000 or 13% of Asian and Pacific Islander persons were in poverty in 1979, a rate slightly higher than the 12% for the entire United States. Among Asians, the rate ranged from 35% for Vietnamese to 7% for Japanese and Filipinos.

The federally defined poverty level does not include any noncash benefits such as housing, food, and medical assistance:

— 11% or 90,000 Asian and Pacific Islander families were in poverty in 1979.

— 26% of families in poverty were maintained by women without husbands present; 86% of these families had related children under age 18.

Home Ownership

Asians and Pacific Islanders lagged behind the total population in home-ownership in 1980; just over half (52%) owned or were buying their homes; 64% of the U.S. total population either owned their homes or were paying off a mortgage on one.

Asian and Pacific Islander homeowners had residences with a much higher median value at \$83,900 than did all U.S. homeowners at \$47,200. Asians and Pacific Islanders were concentrated in the West and in urban areas where homes were more expensive.

Profile of Our Groups

This narrative has presented a statistical profile of the largest Japanese and the largest Pacific Islander groups in the United States.

The booklet features tables data from the 1980 census on selected social and economic characteristics for specific Asian groups with more than 5,000 persons and all Pacific Islander groups with more than 2,500 persons.

Copies are available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Discounts are available for bulk orders. Or consult your local telephone book for a U.S. GPO outlet in your area.

'We, the Asian and Pacific Islander Americans'

Information and Figures Based Upon the 1980 U.S. Census

Group	Number	% Foreign Born	% Distrib. in U.S.	% Where Do We Live?					% Median Age	% Persons per Family	% HS Grad. Over 25	% In Labor Force	'79: Median Family Income	% '79 Home Owner-Occ	'79: Median Value of Home	% 2nd Lang. spoken-home
				CA	HI	NY	IL	TX								
Asians	3,466,874		100.0						28.8	3.9	75.3	66.7	\$23,100			93.0
Chinese	812,178	63.3	23.4	40.1	6.9	18.1	3.6	3.3	29.8	3.7	71.3	66.4	\$23,700	54	\$79,400	80.6
Filipino	781,894	64.7	22.6	45.8	16.9	4.6	5.7	2.0	28.5	4.2	74.2	72.5	22,600	56	89,600	67.4
Japanese	716,331	28.4	20.7	37.5	33.5	3.5	2.6	1.7	33.5	3.6	81.6	67.8	27,400	59	93,100	44.1
Asian Indian	387,223	70.4	11.2	15.4	0.2	17.5	9.7	6.0	29.6	3.5	80.1	65.4	25,000	51	74,300	68.9
Korean	357,393	81.9	10.3	28.7	4.9	9.3	6.8	3.9	26.0	4.9	78.1	63.9	20,500	45	86,100	79.5
Vietnamese	245,025	90.5	7.1	34.8	1.4	2.4	2.6	11.3	21.5	5.2	62.2	57.3	12,800	27	56,800	93.0
Laotian	47,683	93.7	1.4						16.9	5.4	31.4	39.8	5,200			96.6
Thai	45,279	82.1	1.3						27.1	5.1	72.4	65.0	19,400			82.8
Indonesian	9,618	83.4	0.3						27.2	3.3	89.8	60.7	21,000			76.7
Hmong	5,204	90.5	0.1						16.3	5.8	22.3	32.7	5,000			94.6
Kampuchean	16,044	93.9	4.6						22.4	3.5	42.6	50.8	8,700			95.2
Pakistani	15,792	85.1	4.5						26.8	3.3	87.0	69.4	21,000			90.5
Pacific Islanders	259,566		100						23.1	4.2	67.2	64.7	18,000			28.8
Polynesian	220,278	1.6							23.2	4.3	67.3	64.2	18,150			23.9
Hawaiian	172,346	35.6	66.4	14.1	68.6	1.1	0.6	1.4	24.2	4.1	68.4	64.7	19,200	47	79,200	9.9
Samoan	39,520		15.2	45.8	36.3	0.4	0.2	1.0	19.2	5.2	61.2	60.2	14,200	29	72,900	76.8
Tongan	6,226	74.7	2.4						18.9	4.8	66.1	71.3	16,700			87.5
Micronesian	35,508	14.1	13.7						22.8	4.0	68.3	67.8	17,400			53.5
Guamanian	30,695	9.5	11.8	55.4	5.3	3.3	1.2	4.0	22.6	3.9	67.9	69.9	18,200	44	71,100	49.7
Melanesian	3,311	80.9	1.3						23.1	4.3	47.4	54.0	16,300			85.7
Fijian	2,834		1.1													
Total: US	226,545,805	6.2							30.0	3.27	66.5	62.0	19,900		47,200	11.0
Total: As/P Is	3,726,440	58.6	1.6						28.4	3.98	74.8	66.6	22,700		83,900	66.8

THE CALENDAR

HONOLULU

■ March 4—"Great American Salute," benefit for the Honolulu Symphony honoring Sen. Daniel Inouye, Illiaki Pacific Ballroom. Cocktail Hour: 6 pm. Dinner: 7 pm. 8:30 pm: Musical Tribute. Tickets: individuals, \$200; tables, \$5,000 (maestro's table) & \$2,000 (concertmaster's table). Reservations and info: 808 942-2200.

LOS ANGELES AREA

■ March 2—The Eighth Annual Woman Warrior Awards Banquet, Dorothy Chandler Music Center, 165 N. Grand Ave. Cocktails: 6:30 pm. Dinner: 7:30 pm. RSVP and info: 213 748-2022.
 ■ March 4—"Asian Americans: A Family Affair 1990," a one-day UCLA Extension symposium, 9 am-5 pm at UCLA. Admission: \$85/person, \$150/couples, parents. Info: UCLA Extension, 213 206-8154.
 ■ March 4—East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center Spring Dance, 8 pm, ESGV JCC, 1203 W. Puente Ave., West Covina. Admission: \$8. Door prizes. Music: Dr. Howard Sato. Info: 818 337-9123.
 ■ March 5—Hina doll festival, or Peach festival, New Otani Hotel & Garden. Info: 213 629-1200, ext. 53.
 ■ March 10—An evening of short stories by women writers, including Cecilia Manguerra Brainard, 8 pm, the Woman's Building, 1727 N. Spring St. Admission: \$5, \$4 for Woman's Building members. Reservations and info: 213 221-6161.

NEW YORK

■ Present—March 14—"14 Summer Days in Hangzhou, China," photos by Susan Yung, Shneyer & Shen, 250 W. 100th St., Mon.-Fri., 9 am-5 pm; Sat. (except Feb. 4), 1-5 pm. Info: Ric Chervin, 212 316-2700 or Susan Yung, 212 769-5656.
 ■ Present—March 31—"Turning Leaves: The Family Albums of Two Japanese American Families," New York Chinatown History Project, 70 Mulberry St., 2nd fl. Sun.-Fri., noon-5 pm. Opening celebration: Feb. 5, 2-5 pm. Info: 212 619-4785.

SACRAMENTO AREA

■ April 1—Dragon Run '89, the Asian Pacific Community Counseling 8k run and 2 mile walkathon. Info: 916 452-7836.

SAN FRANCISCO AREA

■ March 5—Nisei Widowed Group, 2-4 pm, at the home of Jan Lew. New members welcome. Info: Elsie Uyeda Chung, 415 221-0268 or Yuri Moriaki, 415 482-3280.
 ■ March 5—Japanese American Services of the East Bay (JASEB) 10th Annual Be-

nefit Crab Feed, 4-7 pm, Albany Veteran's Memorial Hall, Portland Ave. at Romana St., Albany (behind Albany High School). Donation: \$15. No host sake. Tickets and info: 415 848-3560.

■ March 11—Gala benefit performance of *Sansei*, a new play by Hiroshima, Mark Taper Forum, Los Angeles Music Center. 6:30 pm: Los Angeles-Hiroshima opening ceremony and entertainment (the Music Center). 8 pm: *Sansei* performance. 10 pm: Benefit celebration buffet dinner (the Pavilion Restaurant). Tickets and info: 213 972-7680.

■ March 12—Screening of *Pak Bueng on Fire*, a film by Supachai Surongsain in association with Visual Communications, Los Feliz Theater, 1822 N. Vermont Ave., Hollywood. Tickets: \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Info: 213 680-4462.

■ March 13—"Family Care of the Elderly in Japan," a free lecture by Daisaku Maeda, director of the Department of Sociology, Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Gerontology, 7 pm, Dodd Hall, Rm. 200, UCLA campus. Info: 213 206-1459.

■ March 14—"Japan's Response to It's Rapidly Aging Population," a free lecture by Daisaku Maeda, noon, Dodd Hall, Rm. 200, UCLA campus. Info: 213 206-1459.

■ March 10—JASEB/East Bay Nikkei Singles combined bingo night, Southern Alameda Buddhist Church, 32975 Alvarado Niles Road, Union City, 7 pm. Info: Terry Ushijima, 415 352-8668.

■ April 8—"J-Town Revue," AMC Kabuki Theatres in Japantown. Proceeds to go towards the Japanese Cultural and Community Center. Volunteers & info: 415 567-5505.

SEATTLE

■ March 4—Blaine Memorial Methodist Church's annual sukiyaki dinner, 3001 24th Ave. S., 4-7 pm. Dinner, *mochi*, and baked goods sale, doll and bonsai exhibits. Those who come before 5 pm and eat at the church are eligible for door prizes. Take-out available. Tickets: \$6, adults; \$4, children 11 and under and seniors 71 and over. Info: Amy, 206 641-7544 (e), 206 723-1536 (d).

■ Present—March 5—"Rage, Power and Fulfillment: The Male Journey in Japanese Prints," 125 woodblock prints of the Edo and Meiji periods depicting the 5 stages of a man's life, Seattle Art Museum, Volunteer Park. Tues.-Sat., 10 am-5 pm; Thurs. until 9 pm; Sun., noon-5 pm. Info: 206 625-8900.

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REMEMBRANCE

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ago, we couldn't talk about the internment of Japanese Americans." Matsui also related how his father, who was in his 20s when he was interned, cannot talk about his experience even today, and how his late mother revealed to him before she died that she would periodically have nightmares of still being locked up in camp.

Further Empowerment

Matsui related how he believed that Asian Americans should use the success of Aug. 10, 1988, to think about furthering political empowerment by participating in politics in the future. "It's going to be incumbent upon each and every one of you to make sure that a state assembly district, a state senate district or a congressional district down in the Los Angeles area is one in which an Asian American can possibly win," said Matsui.

"I think that it will be important that more people begin to look to run for public office," Matsui continued, "because until you're willing to make that step and take that risk, you will really not have the kind of power and influence that you deserve in the area of government, both at the state and local, and certainly at the national level."

The congressman spoke then about the monetary authorization for redress could go up to \$500 million in 1990. Although hopeful for increasing the redress appropriations, Matsui said, "We, along with other groups, will have to take into consideration some of the budget problems in Washington, D.C. . . . we won't go for the entire \$500 million." While he mentioned that he wanted a "substantial amount" for the Issei and older Nisei, that it was important for Japanese Americans to share the burden of the deficit with other Americans.

Other Highlights

Earlier in the program, a candlelight ceremony, led by Rev. Grant Hagiya of the North Gardena United Methodist Church and Rev. Shunichi Thomas Kurai of the Sozenji Temple, was held for those Nikkei who have died since Aug. 10 and will be unable to receive redress payments. Bob Bratt estimated that about 1,200 possibly eligible Japanese Americans have died between then and now. The Nikkei Student Union of UCLA then presented excerpts of a skit, which they performed in its entirety the previous

night during their Japanese American Cultural Celebration at their campus. Also earlier in the program, remarks were made by J.D. Hokoyama, governor of the Pacific Southwest District of the JACL. Final remarks were made by Alan Nishio, NCR's Southern California regional co-chair.

JAPAN OUTREACH

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to the U.S. were from the southern portions of Japan. Potential eligibles *must not have* relocated during the period beginning on Dec. 7, 1941 and ending on Sept. 2, 1945, during which time the United States was at war with that country."

Bob Bratt provided information about ORA's administration and overall efforts. He indicated that in the three phases which ORA will pass through (identification of potential eligible persons, verification of eligibility, and

payment), Bratt addressed the actions taken in the first phase. As a result of their efficient efforts, approximately 52,000 addresses (of potentially eligible persons) are now on file (some of which may be duplicates).

The ORA also established two telephone numbers in Japan, which may be called for information and for forms. The numbers are (03) 505-3514 and (03) 505-3652. In addition to the Embassy and consulates, ORA has been working closely with the State Department.

In talking about the potential number of eligible persons in Japan, Bratt said that there were approximately 20 vessels which sailed to Japan during the 1940s. He said it was difficult to guess how many eligible persons live in Japan, but he gave a rough guess of between 4,000 and 6,000. Of this number, only a "handful" (between five and 10) have submitted voluntary forms.



CENTER HONORED—Los Angeles City Councilman Gilbert Lindsay of the 9th District recently presented a certificate of honor to Katsumi Kunitisugu, coordinator of the Little Tokyo Entertainment Center, for her contributions to the Eastman Kodak Co. sponsored Entertainment Center located at San Pedro & 2nd Sts. along the 26.5 mile course of the City of Los Angeles Marathon. Pictured from the left are John E. Nowlan, Eastman Kodak Co., Whittier; Councilman Lindsay; Katsumi Kunitisugu; and Neil A. McEachren of Kodak's Washington, D.C. office.



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MARINA

• Film presentation and discussion of Asian in media by Robert Nakamura, associate professor of film, UCLA and Karen Ishizuka, director of Development, Pacifica Foundation, March 2, 7:30 pm. Burton Chace Park in Marina del Rey. Info: Stan, 213 826-0216 or Shirley, 213 558-4255.

NEW MEXICO

• Banquet commemorating the passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, March 18. Albuquerque Hilton. No host cocktails: 6 pm. Dinner: 6:30 pm. Cost: \$30/ea. Info: Ron Shibata, 505 275-2111.

RENO

• Annual Scholarship Fund Teriyaki Dinner/Sushi Sale, April 16, noon-4 pm, Senior Citizen Center, 9th & Sutro, Reno. Info: Jane Yamamoto, 702 853-2741.

SAN JOSE

• JACL '89 Dinner Dance, March 4, Fairmont Hotel. No host cocktails; 6:30 pm. Dinner & program: 7:30 pm. Dancing: 9 pm-1 am. Also includes art show featuring the works of Hisashi Otsuka. Donation: \$50/ea. Proceeds to benefit the chapter and the Japanese American Community Foundation. Black tie optional. Info: 408 295-1250 or Images West, 408 970-0925.

SANTA BARBARA

• Annual installation dinner, March 5, Montecito Country Club. Keynote Speaker: Rep. Norman Mineta. Tickets: \$20. RSVP by Feb. 27. Info: Bernice Ohashi, 805 966-6029 or Jane Uyesaka, 805 967-2526.

WEST VALLEY

• Membership get-together honoring new members, March 11, 6 pm at the clubhouse. Please bring a dish to share and own table service. Dessert will be furnished. New members will be guests. Telephone committee will be contacting members. Info: John Kaku, 408 253-818.

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

New Mexico JACL to Commemorate Redress Bill Passage

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — To commemorate the passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988, the New Mexico JACL Chapter will host an appreciation banquet on March 18 for the members of the New Mexico congressional delegation.

The banquet will be held to coincide with the spring meeting of the Moun-



F. ROBERT NAKA

• F. Robert Naka, Sc.D., of Boston has been elected to the Aerospace Corp. board of trustees, headquartered at El Segundo, Calif. The director at Northeastern University's Center for Electromagnetic Research Associates, he has served on the NASA space program advisory council, Univ. of Missouri engineering advisory council and several Air Force scientific and technical boards. He received the Distinguished Service Award in Engineering from his alma mater, Univ. of Missouri, in 1971, the Exceptional Civilian Service Award from the Air Force in 1972 and 1978, and served with GTE government systems group from 1982 until going to Northeastern last year.

• A Green Beret member and a Foreign Area Specialist (Northeast Asia), Lt. Col. Danwill Aoki Lee, of Arlington, Va., was selected to attend the prestigious Japanese National Institute for Defence Study in Tokyo for the 1989-90 term. A West Point graduate of 1969, who was nominated by Sen. Daniel Inouye to the academy, taught history at the Point and later studied Japanese at the Foreign Service Institute in Yokohama. His parents, William and Esther Lee are natives of Maui. William retired from the Army in grade of colonel; Esther is a longtime Capitol staff member of Sen. Spark Matsunaga.

• Steven J. Doi, 60, San Francisco attorney and JACLer, was reappointed by Gov. Deukmejian to the 5th District Agricultural Assn., which operates the San Francisco fair and exposition. His term expires Jan. 15, 1993.

• Hisato Tsuchiya, son of Masuo and Miyoko Tsuchiya of Los Angeles, graduated Jan. 9 from the L.A. county sheriff's department academy and was deputized.

tain Plains District Council at the Albuquerque Hilton Inn with no host cocktails at 6:30 p.m. and dinner at 7

Tickets are \$30 per person. Tickets may be purchased via telephone using Visa or Mastercard. Deadline is March 11. Room reservations may be made by contacting the Albuquerque Hilton Hotel (505) 884-2500. Please specify that you will be attending the New Mexico Chapter JACL.

For more information contact Ray Naegele (505) 883-5057 or Ronald Shibata (505) 275-2111.

THE NEWSMAKERS



WILLIAM "MO" MARUMOTO

• William "Mo" Marumoto founded Interface Group, Ltd., in 1973 as a national executive search firm in Washington, D.C. This past November, his firm was ranked among the top 50 in the nation by Executive Recruiter News, Fitzwilliam, N.H., of some 2,500 search firms in the country. It was the third time that Interface Group was so recognized and the only one headquartered in the nation's capital. A 1957 graduate of Whittier College, he served as special assistant to President Nixon, recruiting cabinet and subcabinet officers.

• Robert C. Nakasone, 41, president of Toys "R" Us Inc.'s U.S. toy store division, was promoted vice chairman of the Paramus, N.J.-based firm. He has been overseeing the international store division as well since January. In March, he and the other vice chairman Michael Goldstein, 47, will share responsibilities for the general operations.

• Yoshio Nakashima of San Francisco and George Yamamoto, of San Leandro were honored by the American College of Dentists at the annual meeting of the Northern California Section. Nakashima received the Meritorious Service Award for his leadership in professional and civic affairs; Yamamoto, a 26-year 1000 Clubber and just retired, heads the section this year and was recognized by the Calif. state senate for his work with the state and county dental associations, church and civic groups. Besides Nakashima and Yamamoto, other Nikkei dentists invited to the College (comprised of 5% of the dental population) were Harry Hatasaka of Palo Alto; Wynn Matsumura, Donald Nakahata of San Francisco in the N.C. section; Harold Harada and his son, Ken Harada of Culver City, Osamu Miyamoto of San Gabriel, Terry Tanaka of Chula Vista, and Roy Yanase of Torrance in the So. Calif. section.

• Among the candidates nominated by Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy at Kings Point, N.Y. are Kendall M. Amazaki, Jr., of Honolulu and now attending New Mexico Military Institute, and Tate T. Tsukamoto of Aiea High School; to the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colo., Linton K. Honda of Kalani High, Honolulu; to the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Kenneth Toyokichi Matsuda of Iolani School, son of the Milton Matsudas of Pearl City.

• NAIA wrestling honors went to Kurtis Saiki, Molokai High wrestling coach and a past NAIA collegiate All-American while at Pacific University, Forest Grove, Ore. He was inducted into the district hall of fame last year for athletic achievement, citizenship and community contributions for athletes who had graduated 10 or more years from one of the NAIA colleges in Oregon and Idaho.

• Math whizzes and principal Stan Seki, and vice principal Hideyasu Fukuhara at Honolulu's McKinley High School have credited math teacher Lovelyn Sugi for capturing eight of the last 10 annual Oahu Math League championships. She is completing her fifth year as head coach.

• Philanthropist Yehan Numata, 91, founder-chairman of Mitutoyo Mfg. of Japan, was conferred the honorary doctorate during Univ. of Hawaii's fall commencement last year. In 1965 he founded the Buddhist Promoting Foundation to spread the teachings of Buddhism and promote world peace through a book, which is now translated into more than 30 languages with over 3 million copies distributed.

• David Morikawa, executive director of the West San Gabriel Valley chapter of the American Red Cross, last Jan. 11 accepted a \$5,000 check from So. Cal. Edison to aid victims of the Armenia earthquake. With him were Montebello chairman Minas Markarian of the Armenian National Committee.

• Hollywood TV talk-show hostess Sumi Haru of Channel 5 has been recognized by the National Conference of Christians and Jews for developing the Asian/Pacific Focus program with the NCCJ since she undertook the volunteer role as program vice chair in 1985.



DR. PAUL TSUKAHARA

• Dr. Paul Tsukahara of Gardena, Calif., was named Citizen of the Year by the L.A. Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, at an awards dinner for his commitment to scouting and community-at-large. A native of Santa Barbara, he has been a Gardena city councilman for several terms.

• John S. Oda, 56, of Berkeley, Calif., was appointed Jan. 3 by Gov. Deukmejian to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board, a \$79,122 position which requires senate confirmation. A UC Berkeley graduate in 1960 with a law degree from Hastings in 1963, Oda served as Contra Costa deputy district attorney (1964-73), assistant d.a. (1974-86) and municipal court judge (1986-88) at Albany. He is a Republican; the term expires in four years.

• George M. Hishida, 93, retired in August, 1988, after 66 years in business as a photographer. He resides at Elk Grove, Calif. He has been a Fresno JACLer since 1976.

S.F. JACL Elects Greg Marutani

SAN FRANCISCO—San Francisco JACL installed president Greg Marutani and his cabinet at a joint installation dinner-dance Jan. 14 with San Mateo JACL at the Airport Hilton Hotel in Burlingame.

Yo Hironaka was recognized for her meritorious work with the chapter and community. Cressey Nakagawa, who served as chapter president for four years before being elected national president last summer, was also recognized.

George Kondo, regional director, swore in the officers. The San Mateo JACL is being led by Niles Tanakat-subo, 1989 president.

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