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JACL Concerns Examined at Reno Tri-District Conference

By George Johnston

RENO, Nev. — Anyone wagering on the success of the JACL Tri-District Conference held at the Peppermill Hotel Casino April 21, 22 and 23 would be a winner. The meeting brought together three JACL districts—Pacific Southwest, Central California and Northern California—Western Nevada Pacific—for informal meetings, workshops, updates and recreational probabilities analysis.

Following Friday night's mixer, Saturday's schedule of workshops included sessions on Education & Textbooks, Long Range Planning, Contemporary JACL Issues, Pacific Citizen and Leadership Development. Leading those workshops were Dale Shimasaki, Hank Tanaka, Les Hata, Greg Marutani and B.J. Watanabe, respectively.

Before dispersing to the different workshops, the 130 participants were addressed by the governors of the representative districts, Yosh Nakashima (NCWNP), Dale Ikeda (CCDC), and J.D. Hokoyama (PSW). JACL National President Cressey Nakagawa also made a few remarks as did JACL-LEC Chair Jerry Enomoto.

Redress Update

In his redress update, Enomoto announced the JACL-LEC "Redress Monitor" newsletter will be sent to JACL-LEC NCWNPDC contributors, thanks to the computer program expertise of Bacon Sakatani of West Covina. He also acknowledged the efforts of outgoing JACL-LEC Executive Director Rita Takahashi, as well as Harry Kajihara, Mae Takahashi, and Mollie Fujioka.

Enomoto announced that Peggy Liggett has agreed to succeed Gene

Takamine as JACL-LEC legal counsel. Speaking about the redress movement, Enomoto emphasized that JACL-LEC was not in competition with other groups, but that redress was and continues to be a community effort. "We need to continue to raise money, we need to continue the letter writing," stressed Enomoto in regard to JACL-LEC's redress efforts.

Rep. Matsui Drops By

At the luncheon, Cressey Nakagawa introduced a guest to the conference, Ralph Levenberg, executive secretary of the Presidential Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War and the past national commander of the Survivors of Bataan and Corregidor. Despite claims of veteran resistance to redress by such groups as the American War Veterans War Relief Association, Nakagawa noted the how Levenberg's presence belied these claims.

Rep. Robert Matsui (D-Calif.) highlighted the day with a quick appearance during the luncheon before jetting off to additional commitments. Prior taking questions from the audience, Matsui spoke about redress, the present atmosphere in Washington, D.C. and the future of Japanese Americans.

Most notably, Matsui spoke of what he termed the two recent "defining events" in the Japanese American community, the signing of the redress bill, and the defeat of former Rep. Daniel Lungren in his bid for California state treasurer. The influence the Nikkei community exerted in mobilizing a coalition that opposed Lungren showed political sophistication, yet Matsui warned, "We could squander that power."

Matsui, looking into the future, noted that the 1990 census would demand reapportionment and that California would be 10% Asian American. According to Matsui, this could mean an opportunity for a California assemblyperson of Japanese or Asian ancestry; currently there is none. At the congressional level, Matsui added that Rep. Norman Mineta and himself would not "be there forever."

Saying that redress is on "auto-pilot," Matsui related that possibly JACL could now look at U.S.-Japan relations as a program. Saying that it was "in our interest," Matsui believed that Japanese Americans could influence Japanese behavior in a positive way. Also, he felt that Japanese Americans could teach the Japanese that the U.S. is a multi-ethnic society.

At Saturday's closing session, a presentation was made by Brent Baramento of the U.S. Census Bureau's Seattle regional office. Stan Takemoto of Sumitomo Bank of California updated the progress of the JACL Visa program. According to Takemoto, in the six months since the program, \$7,000 has been earned for National JACL. He announced a goal of 2,000 card-holders by the end of the year and presented Cressey Nakagawa a check for \$4,000.

Ford Kuramoto of the Aging and

Retirement Committee then told the audience that the JACL applied for federal funds for aging and retirement education and that the application was "in the hopper."

Finally, program coordinator and National JACL Treasurer Alan Nishi reminded the audience about JACL's Washington, D.C. leadership program, which was coming up soon.

After the conference, Nishi said, "It turned out better than I expected . . . I was impressed with the interest of the participants in the workshops. The feedback that I got was very positive."

The conference was hosted by the NCWNPDC, with assistance by the Placer County JACL Chapter. It will be Central California's turn next in 1991.



Pacific Citizen Photo By George Johnston

RENO TRI-DISTRICT—Rep. Robert Matsui addressed participants of the Reno Tri-District Conference on April 22 during the luncheon. About 130 people attended. Pictured (l-r) are CCDC Gov. Dale Ikeda, JACL Treasurer Alan Nishi, Matsui and JACL President Cressey Nakagawa.

Go For Broke National Veterans Association Preparing Gala Golden Anniversary Program for 1993 in Washington

BUENA PARK, Calif.—With 45 delegates representing eight states and the District of Columbia at the organizational meeting here at Buena Park Hotel April 14-16, the Go For Broke National Veterans Association authorized the filing of by-laws and incorporation papers as a California non-profit public benefit corporation and deferred election of permanent officers to a special session now set for Tuesday, June 6, at the Comstock Hotel, Reno.

For the interim, the temporary officers will continue in office. They are: Paul T. Bannai, Gardena, Calif., pres.; Jun Yamamoto, Hollywood, initial corporate agent; Toro Hirose, Washington, D.C., sec.; Dr. Harold Harada, Culver City, Calif., treas.

The articles of incorporation and bylaws establishing GFBNVA as a war veterans charitable organization and providing special tax exemptions for both the corporation and tax deductions to all contributors were explained by Leonard Castro, partner of GFBNVA pro bono legal counsel Mark Kiguchi, Los Angeles.

As an Umbrella Group

The new organization, it was emphasized, would be an umbrella-type association of World War II veterans who were with the 100th, 442nd RCT, Military Intelligence Service, and others; plus veterans of other U.S. wars such as the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

Dues would be nominal. Most programs are expected to be funded from public, government and foundation sources, since it was well understood that most WWII veterans are retired, on pension and fixed incomes.

As provided in the bylaws, some 30 veterans present were named to the temporary board of trustees until permanent successors are elected to three-year terms on a rotating basis.

The nominations committee, chaired by Yae Tokuyama Herman (WAC) of San Francisco, had recommended a slate of 12 to serve as officers:

president, executive v.p., eight regional vice presidents, secretary and treasurer. Wilson and Marga Makabe of Reno, who chaired last summer's memorable National AJA Reunion there, volunteered to help set up the June 6 election session.

Redress Impact on Vets

Luncheon speaker Robert Bratt, administrator of the Justice Department's Office of Redress Administration, updated the redress program and noted the Nisei veterans had played a most significant role in the enactment of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988.

During the discussion phase, GFBNVA proposed three amendments to the current law, two related to veterans eligibility for individual payment. As argued by Mike Masaoka, GFBNVA Washington representative, Nisei GIs from Hawaii either in the then Territory of Hawaii or in the eventual exclusion areas designated by the Western Defense Command prior to Feb. 19, 1942 (when E.O. 9066 was promulgated), "should be considered as an eligible individual to receive the token redress payment. Most of those to be benefitted by this interpretation would be members of the MIS and 100th Infantry."

Masaoka added Nisei veterans, unlike other U.S. servicemen of WWII, were not often allowed to pass through or return to their homes in the prohibited zones to visit their parents prior to going overseas and/or were denied hospitalization in the excluded zone, solely on the basis of their ancestry.

"Because these were official actions of military and/or government officials," Masaoka continued, "and were directed only against those of Japanese ethnicity, they were unlawfully deprived of their liberty, including that of remaining in, leaving, or committing any act in military areas or zones, simply because of their race and ancestry."

"As Americans, freedom of travel

and movement are basic and fundamental rights and should not have been denied and/or deprived these American servicemen solely on account of their ancestry," Masaoka said.

Individual Apologies to All

The third recommendation would apply to all evacuees, living or dead, their immediate family members regardless of whether they receive redress payments. It called for the President of the United States, Speaker of the House and the Presiding Officer of the Senate to issue a certificate, suitable for framing, to affirm the recipient as a loyal and faithful citizen of the United States to whom the government, through the President and the Congress, had deprived and denied human and civil rights to Americans of Japanese ancestry because of race during World War II, and formally apologize for the action.

As Masaoka explained, the accident of death and timing of the president's signing of the redress bill should not deny these evacuees an official apology and validation of their fidelity and loyalty to the nation.

"Such an official statement could prevent misunderstanding and even injustice should any Japanese American be accused or charged with disloyalty because he or she had not received a token redress payment from the government," Masaoka pointed out.

Bratt said he would give serious consideration to the recommendations, which he felt to be in keeping with the intent of the law as he understood them but he reminded that official interpretations of the law are made by other officials in the Justice Department.

The 1993 Gala

GFBNVA also considered major events in Washington in 1993, when the golden anniversary will be observed of the landing of 100th Infantry

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Neal Taniguchi Quits JACL Post

SAN FRANCISCO — JACL Administrative Director Neal Taniguchi resigned today to begin working for the San Francisco Budget Analyst's Office. His new job at the Harvey M. Rose Accountancy Corp. is actually a return to the company he worked for prior to his tenure at JACL Headquarters. His new job title will be management consultant, and he said his duties will include working on the budget of the city and county of San Francisco, agenda items for the board of supervisors and management audits. He began his employment with the JACL in November of 1987. He was in charge of the Washington, D.C. Leadership Conference.

Taniguchi's educational background includes a bachelor's degree in economics and a master's in public policy, both from UC-Berkeley. Asked why he was moving to a new job, Taniguchi said, "The person I'm working for made me an offer I couldn't refuse."



Photo by Jern Lew

CIVIC VOLUNTEERISM—Dr. Harold Harada (left), Culver City dentist and Go For Broke Nisei Veterans Association treasurer, thanks Torrance City Councilman George Nakano with memento after calling for greater commitment by Japanese Americans to be willing to serve on governmental committees in the cities and counties. Nakano was guest speaker April 15 at the GFBNVA conference dinner at Buena Park.

Rep. Matsui to Speak at Downtown L.A.'s 60th Anny. Celebration

LOS ANGELES — Rep. Robert T. Matsui will be the keynote speaker at the 60th Anniversary celebration of the Downtown Los Angeles Chapter of the JACL. The celebration is set for Oct. 14 at the Biltmore Hotel and will commemorate the chapter's service to the Little Tokyo community and its surrounding areas.

According to chapter President Kitty Sankey, the proceeds from the celebration will go towards the chapter's annual scholarship program. The honorary co-chairs are Takito Yamaguma and Tats Kushida. For more information, call Lillian at (213) 822-3363 or Jimmy at (213) 734-4273.

4th Annual JACL Singles Confab Set

TORRANCE, Calif. — Early registration forms for the 4th Annual JACL Singles Convention over the Labor Day holidays at the Torrance Marriott are due April 30 to: B.K. Yanase, 1525 Eagle Rock Rd., Hacienda Heights, CA 91745.

Registration (not including hotel, \$90) covers Friday Nite Mixer, Saturday workshops, Banquet and Dance, and Sunday Brunch.

For the out-of-towners, the per night room rate is \$60 if received by the Torrance Marriott by Aug. 18.

The Convention program includes golf and sightseeing.

The "meat" of the convention will be the workshops and lectures on Saturday. Among the topics to be discussed will be:

"Man Talk/Woman Talk", "Practical Self-defense for Singles", "The Graying of America", "Is Love Enough?", "Legal Aspects of Living Together", and "Intimacy". An in-depth description of the workshops and the lecturers will be in the convention packets.

San Diego JACL Steps Up '90 Convention Planning

SAN DIEGO — Plans for the 1990 National JACL Convention June 17-23 at the San Diego Princess Resort were accelerated by the host San Diego JACL chapter as Robert Itoh assumed the chair recently relinquished by Vernon Yoshioka.

The April issue of the chapter newsletter Borderline revealed the annual Fourth of July community picnic will be combined as a welcome beach party. Other attractions include a national golf tournament, fishing trips, family bowling night, luncheons, dinners, sightseeing to the Zoo, Sea World, Wild Animal Park and Tijuana.

To insure a first class convention, Itoh called upon local Nikkei leaders, active and retired, students and working San Diegans to help as it had in 1966, the last time the chapter hosted a national convention.

"I also believe in asking for help when it is needed," Itoh said. "Someone will be calling . . . to help in some aspect of convention planning," he promised.

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AND REST OF THE CABINET—Appointed to the chapter committee chair are (from left) Debra Hatanaka, memb.; Nancy Baba, pub., newsltr; Sam Ishihara, schol.; Mabel Okuno, cult. heritage; Ruby Dobana, pub., newsltr; Mitzie Baba, social; back—Yutaka Watanabe, 1000 Club; Carrie Dobana, pub., newsltr; Nelson Nagai, schol.; George Matsumoto, ins.; Mary Kusama, hist.; and Hito Nishi, aging/retirement.

New HAPPA Group Launched at Hughes

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. — A new organization within the Hughes Aircraft Co. catering to Asian Pacific American employees was recently formed.

The organization, the Hughes Asian Pacific Professional Association (HAPPA), is sponsored by the Hughes Employees Association and is open to all employees interested in promoting a progressive environment for career growth and recognition, personal development, appropriate utilization of qualified employees and cultural awareness to enhance the image of Asian Pacific professionals.

The group's president is Mary Yasui and the vice president is Mel Quan, the secretary is Dick Obayashi and the treasurer is Paul Gee. On June 26, the meeting's speaker will be educator William Ouchi.

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Can America learn anything from the Japanese experience, an American reporter recently wondered.

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Asian Cultural Park Planned in Baltimore

BALTIMORE, Md. — An Asian cultural theme park is being developed at Middle River, opposite Martin State Airport near U.S. 40 and Interstate 95, for completion by 1992, according to Dean L. Gitter, developer.

Originally intended to be a Chinese trade project, inquiries from Japanese, South Korean, Indian and Vietnamese communities resulted in the name change from China-USA to Asia-USA. Replicas of the Great Wall and the Forbidden City will be the core exhibit surrounded by other Asian cultures. The Chinese government is a minority partner in the park development, Gitter added.

—From the Baltimore Sun, March 17

Poston II Camp Reunion on Sept. 29-Oct. 1

MONTEREY, Calif. — Poston II reunion over the Sept. 29-Oct. 1 weekend at the Doubletree Hotel here is being planned by a committee members from Salinas, Watsonville and Monterey.

Program includes tour of the world-famous Monterey Aquarium, golf, Friday mixer, Saturday banquet and Sayonara Sunday brunch. For registration and details, write or call Otis Kadani, 780 Prescott Ave., Monterey, CA 93940; (408) 372-1354.

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for combat in Italy, the formation of the 442nd, and the first Army disclosure of Nisei interpreters in the Pacific Theater.

Various projects were discussed, including a heroic monument or tribute by Key Kobayashi, issuance of commemorative postage stamps by Ben Obata, special grave markers for Nisei veterans, presidential and congressional tributes, memorial services at Arlington National Cemetery and at the Tomb of the Unknowns, special luncheons and dinners.

The GFBNVA is dedicated to the proposition that inasmuch as no organization of Japanese Americans has undertaken such a national program, "it has the duty to do so in order that our Nisei soldiers shall not have died in vain," Bannai said.

GFBNVA Dinner

Torrance City Councilman George

Nakano, guest speaker at the conference dinner, told of the behind-the-scenes move to have the Nisei veterans appear in the annual Torrance parade in honor of Armed Forces Day, one of the nation's largest, in 1986. He related the city's action in support of redress legislation last year, to tell the area's congressman, Dan Lungren who opposed individual payments, what the city's official position was.

He also encouraged Japanese Americans to educate the public about what happened during WWII and cited the need for Nikkei to be committed to their respective communities by volunteering to serve on municipal committees.

Frank Omatsu was master of ceremony. Father John Yamazaki of St. Mary's Episcopal Church gave the invocation and benediction. Paul Bannai, conference chair, and Mike Masaka commented on the GFBNVA establishment. The Kotobuki Band, directed by Duncan Ogata, entertained.



CHILDREN-ONLY CHIBI-K RUN—Long Beach-Pacific JACL's third annual Chibi-K Run kicks off the day-long Children's Day festivities on Sunday, May 7, 7:30 a.m. at the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center. Participants from age 4 to 12 will run (rain or shine) for T-shirt, bag of goodies and refreshments plus being treated to the Japanese American Optimist pancake breakfast. There is a \$10 registration fee plus a new toy for the less fortunate. Call: (213) 6287-2725.



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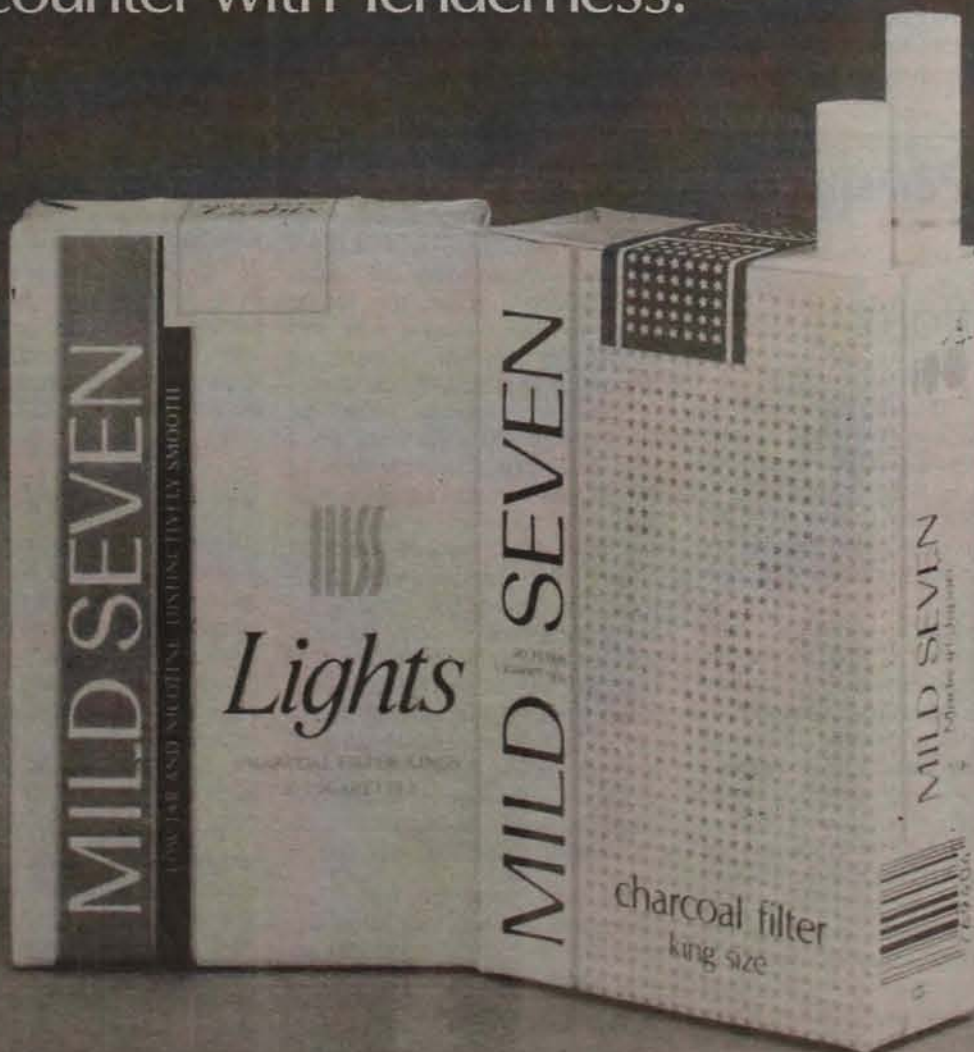
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Recent Trend Shows Need for JACL

IN RECENT weeks the newspaper with America's largest circulation, and a nationally syndicated columnist, have recognized the alarming resurgence of anti-Asian racism. *The Wall Street Journal*, with a circulation of more than two million daily, featured on its editorial page an essay on the subject by David Boaz, vice president of the Cato Institute in Washington. Shortly afterward, George F. Will of the Washington Post Writers Group wrote a column decrying efforts to restrict Asian American enrollment in universities.

After reciting a long and sorry litany of discriminatory acts against Asian Americans (he called President Roosevelt's Executive Order 9066 "the most egregious example of anti-Japanese racism") Boaz wrote:

"Like anti-Semitism, much of the prejudice against Asian Americans is based on resentment of the academic and economic success of the group. Rather than admire or emulate the characteristics—hard work, self-discipline, stable families, respect for education—that have made Jews and Asians so successful in America, some Americans convince themselves the alien groups must have somehow 'cheated' and deserve to be punished."

Boaz deplores the rising tendency to describe economic competition with Japan as war: "Already Japan's eagerness to sell Americans quality products at good prices is described in military terms: 'aggressive' investors, an 'invasion' of Toyotas, 'an economic Pearl Harbor'."

Will focused on the University of California at Berkeley which has indicated alarm over the growing number of Asian American "over-achievers". His conclusion:

"Universities are incubators of future elites and some Americans resent Asian Americans storming the citadels of status. However, Asian Americans lead all other ethnic groups, including WASPs, in educational attainments. America needs more university students like them. At a time of high anxiety about declining educational standards and rising competition from abroad, especially the Pacific Rim, it is lunatic to punish Asian Americans, the nation's model minority, for their passion to excel."

Both observers reach similar conclusions: Racist discrimination against Asian Americans not only exists but is spreading, is wrong, and damaging to the nation as well as the direct victims. They and their publishers have done a service by drawing public attention to a problem that, unchecked, can do untold damage. The disgraceful record is visible for all to see. It must not be repeated.

The Japanese American Citizens League has been the leading opponent of discrimination against Asian Americans. Some have questioned the need for its perpetuation, now that Redress has been legislated into law. Boaz and Will have reminded us that anti-Asian activity is proliferating. There is still much for JACL to do.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

HANK TANAKA

Coordinating Efforts

On April 1, a special "issues" meeting was called by National JACL President Cressey Nakagawa. Those who were requested to attend are responsible for the planning and development of major programs which will be implemented by JACL program staff. Each program discussed has long term implications: Higher Education, Membership Development, Ways and Means, Pacific Citizen, Anti-Asian Violence and Long Range Planning.

This was the first attempt to address these issues collectively and to determine their interrelationships in the program planning and development process. Technical assistance and operational knowledge were provided by the national program staff members, using the "Program for Action" plan as a reference document.

It was a stimulating and invigorating meeting. National chairpersons present included Dale Shimasaki (Higher Education), Steve Okamoto/Helen

Kawagoe (Membership Development), Jon Kaji (Ways and Means), Lillian Kimura (Pacific Citizen) and myself (Long Range Planning).

What took place is what I hope will happen at the various district long range planning workshops to be held this year.

Knowledgeable and skilled individuals in areas of strategic planning and development are being recruited to serve on the national committee. To date, three highly qualified individuals who are experienced JACL leaders at all levels have volunteered. They are Ron Osajima, vice president, Western Division, Volt Delta Resources, Inc. of Orange, Calif.; Dave Okimoto, director, Department of Human Services, Seattle, Wash., and Grayce Uye-hara, former executive director of JACL-LEC, and retired Philadelphia school administrator who now lives in New Jersey.

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THE SUMOISTS' FAVORITE SHOW



FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

Japan's Post-War Success: The Nisei Connection



It has become something of a tradition that when I get to Tokyo, Barry Saiki and Kay Tateishi telephone some old friends and we all get together at the Foreign Correspondents Club to share a meal and some interesting conversation. Alas, Barry will be leaving Japan in a year or so, and every Nisei's reliable Tokyo connection will no longer be available.

Among those present at the most recent gathering, early in April, was Sen Ishiyama who grew up in Salt Lake City and moved to Japan back in the '30s with an unused master's degree in electrical engineering. It was after the war that Nishiyama found his real calling during a period as public affairs specialist at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo. He devised a system of simultaneously translating English into Japanese and vice versa, something scholars had said was impossible because of the difference in the grammar of the two languages. As simultaneous interpreter, he served eight American ambassadors with great distinction.

Nishiyama lives now in busy retire-

ment, playing tennis and working on several books in Japanese. When these particular writing projects are completed, he wants to write a book about the Issei and Nisei record in the United States that, in his estimation, did more than anything else to give Japan post-war respectability and acceptance in America.

"It wasn't Japan's economic clout alone that gave this country respectability," Nishiyama contends. "Of course that and many other factors were involved. But I believe it was the forbearance, sacrifice, accomplishments and loyalty of Japanese Americans that made Japan truly acceptable to the United States. The Japanese people should be made aware of history."

Interesting theory. There is no one better able to explore and prove it, and I look forward to Nishiyama's work which, unfortunately for Japanese Americans, will be written originally in Japanese. The flip side of the story is the role Nisei had in making the U.S. Occupation a success, and I hope

Nishiyama will get into that part of history, too.

One of the perennial subjects at our Tokyo get-togethers is the importance of recording the stories of Japanese Americans who, for a variety of reasons, spent the war years in Japan. Some of their experiences are unbelievable, all are fascinating. Example: Nisei who were captured by the Soviets in Manchuria and managed to survive Siberian slave labor camps. Enough time has passed so that most of the Nisei are willing to talk about what they did, and why they did what they did.

Unfortunately time flies. Memory of details grows dim. Death waits for no one. Unless this project is begun without delay, the sources of many stories will be lost forever. I think it would be a dream assignment to go to Japan for a month or six weeks to interview and tape the recollections of Nisei expatriates with the help of people like Barry, Kay and Sen, and then put the material in a book. Does anyone know of a foundation that might be interested in such a project?

EAST WIND

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Tokyo's 24th Ward



NEW YORK'S METROPOLITAN area reportedly has some 60,000 Japanese residents, giving rise to the tongue-in-cheek reference to the area as "Tokyo's 24th Ward" (there being 23 wards in Tokyo). As for the number of Japanese restaurants, when the count passed 200 some years ago, I gave up counting. Japanese financial interests have invested heavily in New York City, surpassing those in either Los Angeles or Honolulu—some \$7 billion dollars worth according to the *New Yorker* magazine. Among the buildings owned by the Japanese: ABC, Algonquin Hotel, part of Citicorp Center, Essex, Exxon, Mobil, Tiffany and (Tiffany & Co.) and so on. The prices are phenomenal: \$500 a sq. ft. for the Tower 49, which I thought was the standing record, was surpassed when Dai-Ichi paid almost "\$1,000 per" for the Tiffany property.

But then I recall that land in the Ginza area (this was long before Recurit Cosmos) sold for \$18,000 per square foot.

THE TEN LARGEST banks (measured by deposits) are Japanese. While domestic American banking institu-

tions have \$415 billion in assets, the 38 Japanese banks alone in New York have \$203 billion. And Japanese tourists are expected to double the 1986 figure of half million, thereby surpassing the British who had held the first spot.

Not only that, but it is said that the Nippon-jin's are more generous spenders: average \$500 a day.

I UNDERSTAND THAT Japanese tourists tend to attract purse-snatchers and muggers. I must confess here that whenever I go into New York City (or any major metropolitan area), I try not to look like a tourist from Japan—starting with not carrying a camera around my neck. (By the way, do the Japanese use those *hara-maki* to stash cash as some Issei used to do?)

The Japanese are being less naive and more wary; the *New Yorker* article reports that during the bus trip from JFK International into Manhattan, the tourist group will receive cautionary warnings (with my Nihongo interpolations): "The bus driver sometimes drives violently, so *chui-onegai-shimasu*. Just because it's daytime, *yudan-subekarazu*. If you wander into

the 42nd through 58th St.-area on the west side, I cannot guarantee your *in-ochi*. Even in the Waldorf, trust no one." (I'd go further and say trust no one anywhere.) There's also another one that I'll remain alert for: "On 5th Ave. and 57th, gangs throw ketchup at Japanese; while you try to clean it off, they rob you . . ."

WE DON'T GO into New York City that often. Just the \$25 parking fee somehow seems, well, *bakarashii*. We do, however, go up near the George Washington Bridge but remain on the Jersey side. A few miles south, along the river's edge, there is a large Japanese shopping center: supermarket with all kinds of *tsukemono*, *zuke*, seafood, etc.; foodstands serving sushi, udon, teriyaki; stores displaying household appliances, smaller furniture pieces, ceramics, clothing, toys, and a Kinokuniya bookstore. On weekends, if you get there later than 11:00 a.m., you'll have a difficult time finding a parking spot.

Many of the denizens from the 24th Ward make it a day's outing with the family.

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Speculation on JACL's Future

I would like to present some thoughts regarding the goals of the JACL. No matter what the eventual goals might be, the JACL will have to have members to carry them out. The present Nisei members together with some Sansei members might be able to carry on for the next decade but beyond that the organization's continued existence is doubtful since most of present Nisei members are near retirement or are in fact retired.

If the main goals of the JACL are to pursue successful payment of redress, promote historical projects, preserve and maintain the artifacts and memorabilia of the evacuation, provide a social outlet with pot lucks and reunions, provide some scholarships, and be vigilant for signs of discrimination and prejudice, then most of these goals could be carried out by the present grey membership for the next decade.

However, with the attrition of present membership . . . mostly through old age . . . I wonder who will carry on. The target population seems to be the offspring of the pre-WWII Japanese since JACL requires that members have U.S. citizenship.

I observe that young people are not joining or becoming involved with JACL. If you can't get "full-blooded" Sansei and Yonsei to take much interest in the JACL, I don't see any real prospect of getting young people who are 1/8 or 1/16 Japanese interested in the JACL. One-quarter Japanese is very common now. One solution might be to establish closer ties with the new Japanese immigrants.

These post-WWII Issei range in age from children and adolescents to

adults. The new immigrants roughly parallel in age the Nisei who were born after WWII, the Sansei born to the older Nisei and the Nisei's grandchildren. I do see some Sansei like Bill Yoshino who are actively interested in the JACL, but the bulk of the JACL members are Nisei who are retired or approaching retirement.

Recruitment of new members young and old must be initiated if JACL is to survive and carry on since membership dues run the national organization. There is some talk about some redress money being donated for a large endowment fund to carry on the goals of the JACL in the future. My concern is that to raise that magnitude of an endowment from the Nisei members of the JACL might be difficult because of the small membership base.

Would non-JACL member Nisei give up large amounts of their redress money for such a fund? Perhaps they might if they have positive feelings about JACL and its goals. At the present time it seems that the JACL is vague about its goals, so why should non-member recipients of redress suddenly contribute large donations to the JACL when many members don't know why they should? My main concern is formulating goals that would have strong universal appeal for the present members and the many non-members and would induce them to part with a large chunk of their redress money.

Counting on redress money alone, however, may not be wise since the money might not be forthcoming for years. If the primary goal of the JACL is for a better life for Americans of Japanese ancestry, then some of the

energies of the JACL must be diverted to recruiting new members outside of the target population. I believe that the time has come for the JACL to recognize that there is another group of Japanese who are fast becoming U.S. citizens. The question is, "Do we welcome the 'green bananas' to become JACL members?" If citizenship is a requirement for membership, then many will become eligible in the near future. Is it wise to wait?

This goal for the JACL means we must help the new group because we are the most experienced in dealing with the problems that new immigrants face. I also think we need to pass along the help we received when we were in dire need to the new group so that they can achieve a better life too. If the JACL's goal is to continue serving mostly the descendants of the pre-WWII Japanese, then its life expectancy may be short.

Education and public relations must be among the goals of the JACL for many reasons. We need to relate to the new Japanese immigrants and let them know what we are all about. We need to start at the grass roots level and actively seek out the new Japanese immigrants and court them. We cannot afford to stand by and ignore the new immigrant Japanese in the U.S.A.

In many communities the new post-war Japanese who work in Japanese-owned industrial plants are highly visible. We also need to reach the pre-WWII Nisei and their offspring who are scattered and for the most part content with the "most successful minority group" image and who maintain a low profile in upper middle class suburbs without getting involved.

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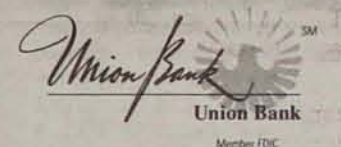
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THE NEWSMAKERS

► **Nobby Ishikawa** participated in nine-employee office pool to split a \$5 million Lotto 6/49 jackpot March 18 in Vancouver, B.C. They work with a engineering consulting firm, which they did not want to identify.

► **Herbert G. Kawahara, 69**, resigned as president of the Pacific Stock Exchange, effective June 1 after being on the job for a year. He was E.F. Hutton's top official in Los Angeles when he joined the exchange. He continues to live in Los Angeles.

► **Lenn Sakata, 35** (36 in June), who played professional baseball for 13 seasons in the major leagues after starring at Kalani High School and college ball at Gonzaga (where he had attended on a

► **KRCA-TV (3) Sandra Gin Yip** of Sacramento wrote and produced the 25-minute feature, "Locke: Lost Landmark," which was screened April 7-9 in New York City during the 7th annual Asian American International Video Festival. She looks at the residents of Locke, one the last surviving wild west-styled Chinatowns along the Sacramento River, who are torn between keeping Locke as a historic community and tourist attraction and those yielding to developers who consider it prime real estate property. Yip, an Emmy Award-winning reporter has been with KRCA since 1979 and was recently nominated for her documentary, "Forgotten Sons," about Asian American Vietnam veterans.

► **Brian Yamamura**, son of Stockton JACLers Ron and Eileen Yamamura, earned his Eagle Scout badge recently at the Troop 148 honors night. He is remembered for his work with the summer 1987 Eagle project of restoring Japanese headstones and nameplates erased by the elements of graves in the Stockton Rural Cemetery. The project was under auspices of the Calvary Presbyterian Church, Stockton Buddhist Temple and Stockton JACL. Parents, fellow scouts and friends participated in the restoration project.

► **Jon Kimura Parker**, the Canadian-born pianist, and conductor Peter McCoppin of the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra world-premiered Michael Conway Baker's 15-minute orchestral piece "Through the Lion's Gate" April 2 at the Orpheum, Vancouver, B.C., a

musical kaleidoscope conjuring images of Vancouver's rain, downtown skyline and the mountains.

► **Lori Mae Matsumura, 22**, senior marketing major at the Univ. of Hawaii, was chosen the 37th Cherry Blossom Festival queen at the March 19 pageant. She is a Yonsei and the daughter of Herbert and Janet Matsumura. There were 15 aspirants this year.

► **Calif. Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy** has appointed to the Calif. Commission for Economic Development Advisory Council on Asia four new members: **Diana S. Kang**, trade consultant; **Pius Lee**, San Francisco realty firm owner; **James T. Riady**, president of the Indonesia Business Society in the U.S.; and **Eddy Yang**, so. Calif. furniture manufacturer.

► **Lenn Sakata, 35** (36 in June), who played professional baseball for 13 seasons in the major leagues after starring at Kalani High School and college ball at Gonzaga (where he had attended on a baseball scholarship), completed his first year as manager of the Southern Oregon team, a Class A Oakland farm team at Medford, last year with a 46-30 record, the best performance for the club in the short-season Northwest League. For that, he earned the league's manager of the year award. He was promoted this past month to manage Modesto in the higher Class A California League and now lives with his family in Merced. Keith Lieppman, director of instruction in the Oakland training camp, told a *Honolulu Advertiser* sports writer that "Lenn's greatest strength is his ability to instruct. No one works better one-on-one than he does." After two years in the minors with the Brewers, starting in the Eastern League at Thetford Mines/Quebec, he was called up by Milwaukee in 1977 and was the only Japanese American player in the majors as a back-up second baseman at Milwaukee.

► **Christian Hosoi, 21**, professional skateboard performer who grew up in Los Angeles (his folks hail from Hawaii; his grandfather runs Hosoi Mortuary in Honolulu) is making over a \$100,000 a year, bought himself a house in Hollywood with an acre of land, big enough to install a skateboard ramp. He is second-seeded in national and international skateboard competition behind his longtime pal and rival Tony Hawk. Hosoi said there are 15 million skaters in the U.S., many more elsewhere. There are professional associations in England, Japan, Australia, Sweden and Germany, and a growing interest in Brazil, Jakarta and South Africa. Like most kids, the pros started before they were 10. Hosoi bought his board to deliver morning papers when he was 7 years old. By the time he was in high school, he was skating the walks at Venice and turned pro at age 14, forming his own Hosoi Enterprises, Inc., to design wheels and boards.

DEATHS

► **Yoshimi Kimura, 96**, of Fresno, Calif., died Feb. 22. Matriarch of one of Fresno's Japanese pioneer families, she is survived by s Robert, Jiro, 1 gc, 2 ggc.

► **Toyomo Teraoka, 89**, of Fresno, passed away on March 6. Survivors are s Masaki, Masaji, Henry, d Toki Inoue, Masaye Okada. Mitsuko Nakamura; 21 gc, 15 ggc.

► **Jiro Omata, 79**, of Fresno, passed away March 7 in Seattle while visiting his sister-in-law Patsy Omata. A member of the pioneer Omata family in Hanford, he was associated with the Mikimoto pearl business as one of its California representatives and a longtime Fresno JACLer.

(—Fresno JACL Newsletter, March, 1989)

► **Stephen C. Ning, 38**, Boston-born filmmaker of New York City, died suddenly March 4 of an aneurysm. He and his wife, videomaker Yuet Fung Ho, had produced *Freckled Rice* and was working on *Spirit of the Laundry*, both covering Chinese American history but set in historic non-Asian places.

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LOS ANGELES AREA

► Present—May 7—AJA 4, an exhibit at the JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. Tues.—Fri.: noon-5 pm. Sat. & Sun.: 11 am-4 pm. Closed Monds. Free. Info: 213 628-2725.

► Present—May 7—Mark Taper Forum presents Hiroshima in Sansei, 135 N. Grand Ave. Tickets: 213 410-1062 or 714 634-1300. Info: 213 972-7373.F

► Present—May 14—Asian American improvisational comedy group Cold Tofu presents "Living Tofu," Harmon Ave. Theatre, 522 N. La Brea Ave. Fri. & Sat.: 8 pm. Sun.: 3:30 pm. Tickets: \$14; April 22 opening night performance and reception, \$50; seniors and groups of 10 or more, \$12. Info and reservations: 213 739-4142.

► Present—May 23—UCLA Extension's "Literary Encounters with Leading Asian American Writers." Speakers: Momoko Iko, May 2; Maxine Hong Kingston, May 9; Geraldine Kudaka with Sesshu Foster, May 16; David Henry Hwang, May 23. Admission: \$10, single; series, \$55; \$5, single, students with full-time ID. Info: 213 206-8154.

► May 2 & May 15—Pasadena City College presents a speech by KCB5-TV anchorwoman Tritia Toyota and a screening of *A Great Wall* in conjunction with Asian Pacific American Heritage Month. May 2: Toyota speech, noon-1 pm, Building C, Room 301. May 15: Movie, 7:30-9:30 pm, PCC Forum, corner of Bonnie Ave. & Sierra Bonita Ave. Info: 818 578-7221.

► May 1, 4, 7, 11 & 14—The 4th Annual Chamber Music/L.A. Festival featuring the chamber works of Brahms in various forms ranging from a duo to the sextet, Japan American Theatre, 244 S. San Pedro St. May 1, 4 & 11: 8 pm. May 7 & 14: 2 pm. Info: 213 850-8064.

► May 4—Commemoration of the Bicentennial of Chinese Immigration to America, sponsored by the Asian Business Association and Asian American Architects/Engineers, Golden Palace Restaurant, 911 N. Broadway. Cocktails: 11:30 am. Dim sum Luncheon: Noon. Cost: \$45/ea. at the door. Reservations: 213 933-1151.

► May 5—Asian Law Day, sponsored by the Japanese American Bar Association, the Little Tokyo Services Center, the Asian Pacific American Legal Center and the Los Angeles County Bar Association, 1-3 pm, community rm., Little Tokyo Towers, 455 E. 3rd St. Featured speaker: Bert Kawahara. Info: Martin Tachiki, 211 458-8336 or Dee Hayashi, 213 620-5402. Info: 213 629-2238.

► May 6—Arigato Bazaar, 11 am-7 pm, Centenary United Methodist Church, 300 S. Central Ave. Free admittance. Info: 213 617-9097.

► May 14, 15, 16, 23, 27, 28, 30 and June 3—The Fourth Annual Los Angeles Asian Pacific American International Film Festival, UCLA Melnitz Theatre, UCLA campus. Sponsored by Visual Communications, the UCLA Film & Television Archive, the UCLA Asian American Studies Center and the Mayor's Asian Pacific American Heritage Week Committee. Tickets available at the Melnitz Theater Box Office on day of the screening only. Price: \$4, public; \$2.50 students, seniors and Friends of Visual Communication members (membership ID required); series passes, \$25, \$15, students, seniors and Friends of VC (with ID). Info: 213 206-8013 or 213 580-4462.

NEW YORK

► May 21-June 30—"Memory in Progress: A Mother/Daughter Project, silkscreen Prints of Asian American Women by Tomie Arai," New York Chinatown History Project, 70 Mulberry St., 2nd fl. Hours: Sun.—Fri., noon-5 pm. Info: 212 619-4784.

PORTLAND

► Present—May 21—Yankee Dawg You

Die, Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, 5340 N. Interstate Ave. Info: 503 243-7930.

SACRAMENTO

► May 9—"I Think I Love You," Take a Bow Productions performance of four play vignettes, Hoi Sing Restaurant. Info: 916 422-4270.

► May 21—Reunion of all the past Florin AC baseball teams, Wakano Ura Restaurant, 2217 10th St. Mixer: \$5 pm. Dinner & program: Dinner & program. Info: (all 916) Shiro Tahara, 428-0494; Walt Menda, 392-1896; or Bill Tsukamoto, 421-6249.

SALT LAKE CITY

► May 6—1989 Asian Arts Festival, 11 am-8 pm, Salt Palace Assembly Hall. Events: Presentation by Miss Asian of Utah, Arts, Crafts and Cooking Demonstrations, Fashion Show of Asian Costumes, Art and Photography Contest, Cultural Performances, Children's Games, Asian Trade Fair, Foods. Admission: Under 5, free; 5-11 yrs., 50¢; 12-59, \$2, 60 and over, \$1. Info: 801 486-5987.

SAN DIEGO

► May 6—Union of Pan Asian Communities 6th annual dinner, La Jolla Marriott. Guest speaker: Velina Hasu Houston. Tickets: \$75/ea. Info: 619 232-6454.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

► May 6—The 8th Asian American Jazz Festival, AMC Kabuki Theatre, 1881 Post St., featuring the Toshiko Akiyoshi Trio, Eddie Marshall and Ned Mann, \$15 advance, \$18 at the door; benefit for the JCCCNC. Info, charge by phone: 415 552-3656.

► May 7—Nisei Widowed Group meeting, 2-4 pm. New members welcome. Info: Elsie Uyeda Chung (San Francisco) 415 221-0268 or Yuri Moriaki (East Bay), 415 482-3280.

► May 8—Speech by playwright Philip Kan Gotanda, 7-9:50 pm, rm. 250, School of Creative Arts Bldg., 1600 Holloway Ave., San Francisco State University. The lecture

is part of the Arts and Artists series. Free. Info: 415 338-1478.

► May 13—"Preparing for Incapacity: Legal and Financial Aspects," Nisei and Retirement meeting, 1-3:30 pm, Community Room, 1st fl., Nihonmachi Terrace, 1615 Sutter St. Info: Jim Kojiwara, 415 731-2967.

► May 13—Nisei Ski Club presents "Wild Thing," 9 pm-1:30 am, Oakland Airport Hyatt, 455 Hegenberger Rd., Oakland. Admission: \$10, member; \$12, non-member; \$15 at the door. Music: Nightshift. Make checks payable to: Nisei Ski Club, c/o Alan Tani, 129 Madera Ave., San Carlos, CA 94070. Deadline: May 1.

► May 20—Asian American Social Club Spring Banquet, 7 pm, the Olive Garden, Farwell Dr. at the Mowry East Shopping Center, Fremont. RSVP and info: Rhonda Masuda, 415 656-7417 or Joyce Gee, 415 793-5962.

► May 20—"In Defense of Civil Rights," 17th Anniversary Celebration of the Asian Law Caucus, Inc., Cabernet Ballroom, Meridian Hotel. Keynote speaker: David Henry Hwang. Cocktail Reception: 7 pm. Program: 8 pm. Dancing: 9 pm. Music: Nightshift. Tickets: \$40, general admission; \$20, students and seniors. Info: Joe Lucero, 415 835-1474.

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- Japanese Game Night, May 6, Midwest Buddhist Temple, 435 W. Menomonee, 7-10 pm. Games: Hana, Gonarabe, Karuta. Cost: \$2, \$3 for non-JACL members; senior citizens, free.

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The search continues for other volunteers to serve on the National Long Range Planning Committee. The committee is scheduled to convene during a weekend in early 1990 to hammer out a comprehensive strategic plan. The proposed plan will be based on the collective information and input from JACL participants of various district long range planning workshops which will be held during 1989.

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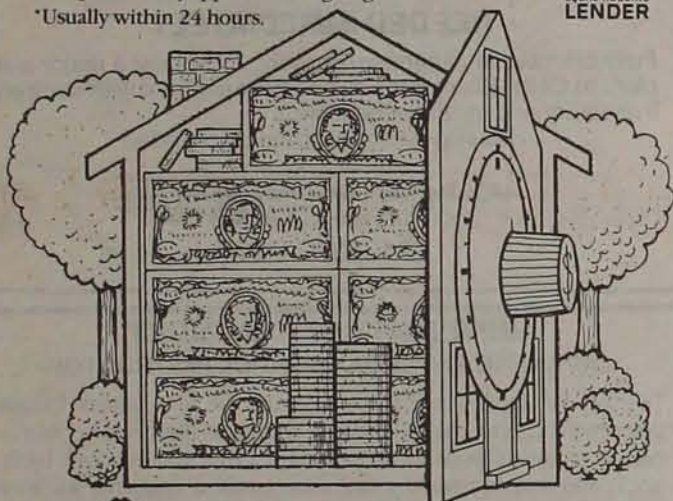
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