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**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT**—Three Pacific Southwest District Council JACLeers were presented Lifetime Achievement awards for JACL activity on March 4 at the biennial PSWDC Recognitions Luncheon held at Lawry's California Center in Los Angeles. Pictured from the left are J.D. Hokoyama, PSWDC governor; Ken Hayashi; Alice Nishikawa; George Kanegai (accepting for his wife, Toy Kanegai); and actress Marilyn Tokuda, who served as mistress of ceremony for the luncheon.

## Biennial Recognitions Luncheon

### Pacific Southwest District Honors Its Best

By George Johnston

**LOS ANGELES** — The JACL's largest district, the Pacific Southwest District Council, held its second biennial recognitions luncheon March 4.

The luncheon, which attracted about 225 people, took place at Lawry's California Center, and was an opportunity for the district to recognize its most dedicated and active members.

The district presented Toy Kanegai, Alice Nishikawa and Ken Hayashi with Lifetime Achievement awards for their

years of service to the district and the JACL. George Kanegai accepted the award for his wife, Toy, who was unable to attend.

Distinguished Service awards were presented by Sharon Kumagai to Carrie Okamura, Sandi Kawasaki, and George Ogawa. Also, Rose Ochi, on behalf of the mayor's office, made a presentation from Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley to the PSWDC for its dedication to civil rights and Redress. The award was accepted by PSWDC Gov. J.D. Hokoyama.

#### Hokoyama's Comments

Hokoyama then presented an award to the Downtown Los Angeles Chapter of the JACL as the Distinguished Chapter of the Biennium. He also spoke of the need to discuss the future of the JACL, especially with the Redress struggle reaching its conclusion. He felt that the PSWDC, as the "best, strongest

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## Toll-Free Help Line on Redress Questions: (800) 395-4672

**WASHINGTON** — The Department of Justice's Office of Redress Administration (ORA) has installed a toll-free Help Line (800) 395-4672 to call with questions on submitting documentation for Japanese Americans and U.S. permanent resident aliens of Japanese ancestry evacuated or interned by the United States during World War II. The documentation is required to establish identity, after ORA notifies potential recipients that it has made a preliminary determination that they are eligible.

"Our goal is to make the documentation process as easy as a toll-free Help-Line [800-395-4672] administrator for Redress. "We recently revised our letters and instructions on documentation after analyzing the most common mistakes and frequently asked questions. But we don't want anyone to hesitate to call us, if they have questions. That's why we made the Help Line toll-free."

ORA has ordered a toll-free line for use by hearing-impaired individuals, which is scheduled to be in operation by the end of the month. In the interim, the TDD number is (202) 786-5986. The Help Line operates Monday through Friday, from 9:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

## Most States Tell JACL-LEC Redress Payments Will be Exempt from Income Tax; Follow-up Urged

By JoAnne H. Kagiwada

WASHINGTON

All states that responded to the letters from the Washington JACL-LEC Office, except for Mississippi, have stated that redress payments will be exempt from state income tax. A follow-up letter was sent to Mississippi requesting them to look at other sections of their tax code and to revise their position.

Especially critical for the first group of Redress recipients—many of whom are likely to be beneficiaries of social services or assistance programs for the elderly—is the matter of whether Redress payments will be counted as income or resources in determining eligibility for those programs, or the amount of the benefits. If redress payments are counted either as income or resources, some individuals may lose their eligibility for these benefits, or have reduced benefits, until the redress payment is completely gone. For elderly recipients, this could be a devastating loss.

Federally funded programs should follow federal guidelines and exempt redress payments from determination of eligibility or benefit level. However, this needs to be confirmed, because some states indicated they were waiting for additional federal regulations. There is a wide variation in the number and types of state programs available.

Recipients were advised to work and organize a "follow-up procedure" in contacting the respective state office or agency for further information. The JACL-LEC Office [(202) 223-1240] may be contacted for specific information.

#### Summary of Responses

A summary of the responses follows. For some states, there is a number in the left margin, and a number in parentheses at the right.

The number at left indicates the state's ranking (for the first 20 only) according to the number of contacts

### Over 10,000 Redress Prospects Over Age 75 Identified by ORA

**WASHINGTON** — ORA is presently sending out identity verification packets to eligible persons who are age 75 and older. Over 10,300 letters have been sent out so far.

Those who are easiest to identify as eligible will be receiving packets from ORA sooner than those cases where more research is necessary to determine eligibility.

A special verification unit is in operation to do the extra research on "hard" cases, where the paper trail is not as clear cut or complete.

the ORA has recorded for that state. The number in parentheses at right indicates the number of contacts through December 1989. Those states that have no number have had fewer than 100 recorded contacts.

In reporting the position of the states, the summary contains, as much as possible the language in the letters from the state offices. In some instances, this has meant using abbreviations or acronyms for some of the benefit programs. If you have questions, please contact your local officials.

#### SUMMARY OF STATES

- 1—Exempt From Taxes
- 2—Exempt From Benefits Determination
- Alabama**
- 1—No response
- 2—No response
- Alaska**
- 1—Yes - no personal income tax.
- 2—Yes for federally funded programs.
- For State programs, the Department of Health & Social Services is currently researching the need for changes in statutes or regulations—"presently supportive" of excluding payments. (Contact: Director of Division of Public Assistance.)
- Arizona** (441)
- 1—Yes—based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.
- 2—No response to this question.
- Arkansas**
- 1—Yes, follows federal law, exempts damages for human suffering.
- 2—Yes for federally funded programs; excluded from gross income for state tax programs for senior citizens (property tax) and low income households (sales tax exemptions on electricity).
- California** (54,266)
- 1—Yes—by State law, excluded as damages for human suffering.
- 2—Yes for federally funded programs; excluded as income or resources for determining eligibility to receive Medi-Cal or public assistance, or the amount of those benefits.
- Colorado** (1,362)
- 1—Yes—based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.
- 2—No response to this question.
- Connecticut**
- 1—Yes—no state personal income tax except on capital gains, dividends and interest.
- 2—Yes for federally funded programs (food stamps, public assistance); no exclusion for State programs.
- Delaware**
- 1—Yes based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.
- 2—Yes for AFDC based on federal eligibility regulations. No standards established for other programs because "no claims for

Delaware General Assistance have been made by recipients" of redress payments.

**Florida** (224)

- 1—Yes, no State income tax.
- 2—Yes for federal programs (AFDC, food stamps, Medicaid).

#### Georgia

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Yes for federally funded programs.

**Hawaii** (1,962)

- 1—Yes, by State Law.
- 2—Yes for AFDC, food stamps, general assistance, & social service programs; yes for state social and economic programs, including agricultural and natural disaster loan programs.

**Idaho** (369)

1—Yes, follows Federal Law.

2—Yes, not considered as income for programs administered by State Tax Commission; e.g., property tax reduction program. (Contact Idaho Dept. of Health and Welfare about programs under their administration.)

**Illinois** (2,993)

1—Yes, not income under State law.

2—Payments may affect "entitlement privileges," making redress recipients ineligible for services which they are now receiving.

#### Indiana

1—Yes, follows federal law; exempts damages for human suffering.

2—Contact Welfare Department as to impact on eligibility for benefits and services.

#### Iowa

1—Yes, excluded as satisfaction of a claim against the US for deprivation of liberty or property.

2—Yes, excluded as income or asset in determining eligibility for state or local government benefit or entitlement program. Liens, except liens for child support, are not enforceable against these payments.

#### Kansas

1—No response.

2—No response.

#### Kentucky

1—Yes, follows federal law; exempts damages for human suffering.

2—No response to this question.

#### Louisiana

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Contact the Department of Social Services.

#### Maine

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—No response to this question.

**Maryland** (224)

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Contact each state agency which provides the particular services and/or benefits.

#### Massachusetts

1—Probably yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income, but advised to request Letter Ruling to verify. (Contact Dept. of Revenue, Rulings and Regulations Bureau.)

2—Yes for food stamps, but as of 17 July 1989, hadn't been advised as to other federal programs. Generally, all income is included, unless explicitly excluded. (Contact Dept. of Public Welfare.)

**Michigan** (447)

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross Income.

2—Yes, generally follow federal guidelines for eligibility for services and benefits provided by the State.

**Minnesota** (268)

1—Yes, follows Federal law; damages for personal injury are not taxed.

2—Yes, excluded as income and resources for Food Stamps, AFDC, SSI and State programs for Family MA, GA and GAMC; also MSA, MA for aged, blind

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**DAY OF REMEMBRANCE, HAWAIIAN STYLE**—Hawaii Gov. John Waihee, the Hawaii House of Representatives, and the city and county of Honolulu formally recognized the 1990 Day of Remembrance in Hawaii on Feb. 19, the 48th anniversary of Executive Order 9066. Waihee also signed a proclamation recognizing Feb. 19 as "Day of Remembrance in Hawaii." The Hawaii House of Representatives applauded the Honolulu JACL for its diligence in "reminding Hawaii's citizen's of their obligation to defend their constitutional rights to life, liberty and property." Pictured from the left are Honolulu JACL members Alicyn Hikida, v.p.; Bill Kaneko, president; May Horio, a former internee; Earl Nishimura, board member; and Hawaii state Rep. Noboru Yonamine.

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## JANM Workshop:

## 'Buddaheads' vs. 'Kotonks': Cultures of Hawaiian and Mainland Nikkei Explored

By Harry K. Honda

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif.—The most obvious difference between the Nisei-Sansei in Hawaii and the Mainland is that "We (in Hawaii) don't use *Japanese American*; the oldtimers will use *AJA*, and most say *Japanese* when asked their identity." So began Dr. Franklin Odo, now teaching at the University of Hawaii at Manoa after many years on the Mainland at California State University at Long Beach.

It was an opening line to an interesting workshop on "Hawaii and the Mainland Experience: Similarities and Differences," held during the 1990 annual meeting of the Japanese American National Museum here at the Sheraton Newport Beach, Feb. 16-17.

He was joined by Gary Okihiro, Gail Nomura and Ronald Takaki—leading scholars in Japanese American history who also all happen to have grown up in Hawaii and "infiltrated ethnic studies on the Mainland," to quote Dr. Okihiro now teaching Asian American Studies at Cornell University.

Though not stated, the manner of speech was another difference as Okihiro was almost speaking in "pidgin" about five minutes into his discussion on how he grew up in Honolulu.

For a light moment of strictly local color, Okihiro said Dr. Takaki became a "foremost" scholar and "we who played with him never expected him to be so."

"Foremost in Hawaii," he quipped, "always meant cows, milk and a dairy company."

## Tri-Cultural Nikkei in Hawaii

The Japanese in Hawaii can be truly "tri-cultural," Okihiro acknowledged, knowing the Mainland Japanese, Hawaiian Japanese and America as a whole.

Odo said that having grown up in Hawaii, dealing with Sansei from Gardena and Torrance at Cal State-Long Beach where he was teaching ethnic studies in the early '70s was awfully new and "thus I learned more about myself."

After returning in 1978 to teach at the Hawaii-Manoa campus, Odo realized that the Japanese in Hawaii can learn much from the Mainland Nikkei whom he regarded as being "very much

ahead." "The Mainland Nisei," he said, "has greater experience in coping with minorities. The Nisei in Hawaii can learn that from them." The growth and reality of the Japanese American National Museum is another sign.

Odo also noted the tremendous Okinawan force in Hawaii, and its ethnic cohesion, strength in politics and community. He added that the subject begs to be studied in a scholarly fashion.

## Plantation Life

Dr. Nomura, director of Asian-Pacific American studies at Washington State University and now moving in the fall to the University of Michigan to initiate a similar program, found the paternalism in Hawaii a big difference in the Japanese American experiences in the two areas.

"Plantation lifestyle is unknown on the Mainland. (Such as) there are no mangoes over here that you pick off a tree here," she added. The political atmospheres are obviously different in the two Nikkei arenas, she said.

Dr. Takaki, who was the keynote speaker at the JANM luncheon, recalled what it was like to be a "minority" for the first time when he entered as a freshman in Wooster College in southern Ohio. Until then, growing up in Honolulu, he felt part of the "majority" and didn't think himself as an AJA either (American of Japanese ancestry, which some of the older Nisei were using after the bombing of Pearl Harbor to emphasize their identity).

## Nisei Sports Stars

Takaki noted that when he was growing up, weightlifter Tommy Kono of Olympic fame was regarded as a Hawaiian and only much later did he learn he was a Mainlander (from Sacramento).

On the same note, raised by Brian Niiya from the floor, Mainland Nisei-Sansei don't know who the great Hawaiian Nisei athletes, such as Wally Yonamine, Ford Konno, etc., are.

Takaki, who initially taught Black history at UCLA, said that to really know the Japanese American experience, one must include the Hawaii where "we knew we were all Americans" though it's different on the Mainland.

He also explained another difference. The "union mentality" of the Japanese in Hawaii—and not found on the Mainland—was because 75% of the plantation labor at one time was Japanese and 40% of Hawaiian industry was agricultural. In California, a Japanese could rise as an individual, unlike in Hawaii where the Japanese rose as a group.

## Other Workshop Topics

Open to JANM members and friends, there were workshops on the Issei Pioneers Exhibit led by Dr. James Hirabayashi, curator; Mary Worthington of the L.A. Children's Museum exploring the learning experiences in a museum; on family photographs led by Lynne Horiuchi, Bob Nakamura and Karen Ishizuka; the question of Japanese American culture with Dr. Stephen Sumida (Washington State University associate professor in Asian/Pacific American Studies) and an overview of community history through oral histories led by Dr. Arthur Hansen, director of the Japanese American Project at CSU-Fullerton.

## Once-in-a-Lifetime Chance

Main speaker at the dinner, Siegfried S. Kagawa, chairman of the Occidental Underwriters of Hawaii and board chair of the Bishop Museum, which is marking its 100th anniversary, said being a part of the Japanese American National Museum at this initial stage is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity he wouldn't want to miss and that there is still time for others to join in this significant and historic endeavor to preserve the story of the Japanese in America. He is a member of the JANM Board of Governors.

The museum is scheduled to commence construction in mid-1990.

Dr. Luis Kobashi of Santa Ana was luncheon emcee. George Takei was toastmaster at the dinner.

The new JANM officers on the Board of Trustees are:

Henry Ota, chmn.; George Aratani, v. chmn.; Noby Yamakoshi, v.p.; Chiyeo Chen, treas.

Also sworn in were three new members of the board of trustees:

George I. Azumano of Portland; Yoshihiro Uchida, San Jose; and Elaine Y. Yamagata of Fort Worth, Texas.

## Chairman Ota's Remarks

Ota, a Sansei attorney who is a partner of the world's largest law firm, Baker & McKenzie, commented the momentum has begun to make this a most exciting year with the opening of the museum later this year. "My mission is in part personal (as) I have two teen-aged daughters and I feel they need the opportunity to learn about the history of Japanese in America."

A distinguished Nisei community leader, Aratani pictured the museum will be a tribute to the Issei, of the hard times they had in coming over and of the difficulties they had to overcome. "It's important to know and understand the progress made by the Issei."

Founding JANM president, Bruce T. Kaji, was warmly recognized at the same dinner. "We wouldn't be here where we are today without him," noted Col. Young O. Kim, installing officer and also a founding JANM member.

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**PORTLAND'S 1990 JACL**—The Portland Chapter of the JACL held its 1990 installation of officers and board Jan. 13 at the Epworth United Methodist Church in conjunction with their annual Oshogatsu potluck. Pacific Northwest District Council Gov. Bob Sato served as the installing officer. Pictured are (standing, l-r) Harold Onishi; George Katagiri; Joe Wahl, del.; Al Abe; Sato; Homer Yasui; Scott Sakamoto, president; Walt Sakai; June Schumann, v.p.; Elliott Sakamoto; and Susie Sakai. Seated (l-r) are Patsy Abe; Teruko Richardson, treas.; Jean Matsumoto, sec.; and Mickey Yasui. Not pictured: Joan Kurowski and Jim Tsujimura.

## Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month Sought in Sen. Matsunaga Bill

WASHINGTON — Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) introduced S.2111, which would extend Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week to a month-long observance in May. The bill has 22 cosponsors:

**DEMOCRATS**—Dan Inouye (Hawaii), Paul Simon (Ill.), Brock Adams (Wash.), Lloyd Bentsen (Texas), Bill Bradley (N.J.), Richard Bryan (Nev.), Thomas Daschle (S.D.), Quentin Burdick (N.D.), Kent Conrad (N.D.), Dennis DeConcini (Ariz.), Christopher Dodd (Conn.), Howell Heflin (Ala.), Ernest Hollings (S.C.), Carl M. Levin (Mich.).

**REPUBLICANS**—Robert Dole (Kan.), Pete Wilson (Calif.), John Chafee (R.I.), Thad Cochran (Miss.), Alfonse D'Amato (N.Y.), Slade Gorton (Wash.), Richard Lugar (Ind.), Frank Murkowski (Alaska), Ted Stevens (Alaska).

Matsunaga introduced the original bill in 1977 for a week-long observance. The 1990 amendment allows government agencies and private

groups more flexibility in planning events, "and is also consistent with the annual observance of Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Month," he explained.

"The observance of Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month would help make their achievements more visible to their fellow Americans and also engender a greater appreciation of their ancestral roots."

## Intensive Study of Asia for Journalists Funded

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A University of Hawaii fellowship program that offers U.S. journalists a year of intensive study about Asia has received a \$178,500 grant from the Gannett Foundation.

The grant to the University of Hawaii at Manoa will fund the 1990-91 Gannett Foundation Asian Studies Fellowships. In the program, six U.S. journalists and one senior journalist from the People's Republic of China spend an academic year studying Asian culture, economics and politics at the university before returning to their respective newspapers.

For information about the fellowship, write to Daniel Kwok, Chairman, Gannett Foundation Fellowship Program, 1890 East-West Road, Moore Hall 215, Honolulu, HI 96822.

## Convention Booklet Ad Deadline Extended

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Deadline for advertising in the official commemorative publication of the 1990 National JACL Convention June 17-June 23 has been extended to April 1. For order forms, call (619) 230-0314. Rates:

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## Annual Nat'l JACL Credit Union Meeting Set for Saturday, March 17

SALT LAKE CITY — The National JACL Credit Union will hold its annual meeting on March 17 at the Salt Lake Airport Hilton, 5151 Wiley Post Way in the International Center.

Social hour is 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. Call the Credit Union [(801) 355-8040] for reservations by March 14.

The Credit Union has two openings for board members. Interested members should file a short resume to reach the Credit Union 24 hours before the meeting. Applicants must be 21 years of age; must be bondable; and be able to attend 75% of all board meetings.

The cost \$10 for Credit Union members with reservations, \$12 for members without reservations, \$13 for non-members with reservations and \$15 for non-members without reservations. Special entertainment will be by Michael Endo of Oakland, Calif.

## Minority Opportunities in Journalism Supported

WASHINGTON — The Gannett Foundation announced a \$100,000 grant Feb. 9 to the American Newspaper Publishers Association (ANPA) Foundation to improve minority opportunities in newspapering.

"Successful newspapers in the 1990s must have staffs that reflect the diversity of their readership," said Charles L. Overby, Gannett Foundation president and chief executive officer.

The grant supports ANPA's Industry-wide Task Force on Minorities in Newspapers, a coalition of 41 national and regional newspaper organizations spearheading integration efforts in all newspaper departments.

"The ANPA Foundation has a unique leadership position in the effort to enhance opportunities for minority men and women throughout the newspaper business," said Donald E. Newhouse, ANPA Foundation chairman and president and general manager of the *Newark (N.J.) Star-Ledger*.

A 1988 ANPA survey confirmed that minorities continue to be under-represented at newspapers and that by the year 2000, 85% of people entering the workforce will be minorities and women.



REV. JITSUO MORIKAWA

## Rev. Morikawa Memorial Celebration Set April 7

ALHAMBRA, Calif. — The late Rev. Jitsuo Morikawa, a JACL Nisei of the Biennium in 1954, will be honored at the Morikawa Memorial Celebration on Saturday, April 7, at the Almansor Court, 700 S. Almansor St., Alhambra, Calif. Fellowship hour is at 5:30 p.m., and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$30 per person. For reservations call Aiko Inouye (213) 479-0867; Minoru Fujita (818) 573-5183; or Dave Nakagawa (818) 287-1622.

## April 9 Deadline Near for Little Tokyo Memorial for WW2 Nisei Servicemen

LOS ANGELES — Requests for guidelines to create entries for the World War II Japanese American Veterans Memorial international design competition, sponsored by the 100th/442nd/MIS World War II Memorial Foundation, have reportedly been received from all regions of the country.

The memorial will be built in the main plaza of First Street Plaza, located in the heart of downtown Los Angeles. The project will link Little Tokyo with the municipal complex, the Museum of Contemporary Art's Temporary Contemporary space, and the new Japanese American National Museum.

The competition is blind and open to anyone interested in submitting a design. Submission deadline is April 9, 1990, and winners will be announced as part of the 1990 Memorial Day celebrations. Design competition guidelines are available by written request from: The 100th/442nd/MIS World War II Memorial Design Committee, 1888 Century Park East, Suite 330, Los Angeles, CA 90067.

## 'Dragon' Runners/Walkers to Help Sacramento APCC

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The 8K "Dragon Run '90" and two-mile walkathon in the Greenhaven green belt and Sacramento River area for Asian Pacific Community Counseling (APCC) will commence Saturday, March 31, from 8:20 a.m. at Caroline Wenzel Elementary School, 6870 Greenhaven Dr.

South Sacramento's TAC-sanctioned and certified 8K-course run benefits APCC's bilingual and bicultural mental health services to the Asian and Pacific Islander communities of Sacramento.

Every registered runner and walker will receive a T-shirt. A special award will be presented to the top male and female finisher and medals to the top male and female finishers in six age divisions. Walkathon prizes will be awarded to the highest pledge earners. Pre-registration is \$10. Registration on the day of the race is \$15. For more information, call APCC at (916) 452-7836.

## Japanese-Speaking Society of America Speechfest Winner:

## UC Santa Cruz Senior Who Neither Read or Wrote Nihongo Wins

By Joan Ward

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. — Lizanne Kaiser, who could neither read nor write a word of Japanese when she entered the UC Santa Cruz, as a language studies major in the fall of 1985, won first-place honors and a \$600 prize in the 16th annual speech contest sponsored by the Japanese-Speaking Society of America (JSSA). Thirty-one contestants in all entered the western regional competition held recently in San Francisco.

Competitors spoke in Japanese on a topic of his or her own choosing. The presentations were evaluated by a panel of judges, including:

Hiroshi Nawata, vice consul at the Consulate General of Japan in San Francisco; Misako Okamura, editor-in-chief of *Hokubei Mainichi*; Tsutomu Umezumi, vice president of *Nichibei Times*; Makoto Hirasaki, principal of the San Francisco Japanese Language Class; Kazuko Mitsumori, president of Satsuki Kai; Kazuaki Kuwada, president of Nichibei Kai; and Daisaburo Mihara, regional manager of Japan Airlines.

Higashi Fukawa, JSSA president, presented the awards. Kimihiro Ota chaired the contest committee.

In her talk, "The Motoshima Speech and Democracy," Kaiser weighted the relative importance of freedom of speech and the protection of national symbols. As examples, she used two highly controversial subjects: the recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling on the burning of the American flag and a speech given a year ago by Hitoshi Motoshima, then the mayor of Nagasaki, in which he suggested that Emperor Hirohito—a symbol of unity to the people of postwar Japan—bears some responsibility for World War II.

Kaiser's prize-winning speech was drawn from her senior thesis, written for her major in language studies, where she analyzed the furor generated by the Motoshima speech, included English translations of various Japanese newspaper and journal articles concerning it, and outlined the linguistic difficulties involved in translating Japanese into English.

"When I first came to UCSC, I wasn't sure of a major, but I knew I wanted to study in the field of international relations," says Kaiser, an alumna of UCSC's Stevenson College. "Then someone mentioned the program in Japanese, and I decided to take some classes in it." She began her studies with Chiyoko Ishibashi, lecturer in Japanese, and completed all but one course for the major with her. Spending her junior year at the International Christian University under the auspices of the UC Education Abroad Program and "home stays" with Japanese families during school breaks further enhanced her grasp, not only of the language and literature of Japan, but of the country's culture, as well.

Along with a B.A. degree received

at UC Santa Cruz this past December (1989), Kaiser has been awarded honors in the major, thesis honors, and general honors for overall academic achievement. As for her future, the

young scholar plans to work for one year, then apply to graduate schools for study in anthropology. "Eventually, I'd like to do research in Japanese cultural anthropology," she says.

## L.A. City Attorney Renews Move to Avoid Minorities Census Undercounting of 1980

LOS ANGELES — Accusing the U.S. Department of Commerce of "bad faith," City Attorney Jim Hahn Feb. 1 warned the agency that further legal action will be taken unless the proposed guidelines are rewritten for a procedure in the 1990 census to end the chronic undercounting of minorities and people living in poverty.

In the 1980 census, for example, Los Angeles was undercounted 4.6% citywide, as compared to a national average of 1.4%. The undercount of Blacks in Los Angeles was about 9.1%, Hispanics 9.8% and Asian Americans 7.3%.

"If these guidelines are not changed dramatically, we have no choice but to go back to court," Hahn said as he made public a letter he sent to the Commerce Department in which he urged the agency to make revisions.

The federal agency had agreed last July to use the new procedure—a post-enumeration survey of 150,000 households nationwide—to attempt to resolve a lawsuit filed in the fall of 1988 by the city of Los Angeles and other plaintiffs concerned about the chronic undercounting, which left almost 10% of Blacks and Hispanics out of the 1980 tally of Los Angeles residents.

However, Hahn called the guidelines drafted by the agency in the wake of the settlement "disappointing," charged that "none of the criteria lends itself to objective analysis," and declared that "each proposed guideline appears to be aimed at providing a convenient excuse to avoid adjustment of the 1990 decennial census."

Hahn said that use of the post-enumeration survey is of "critical importance to Los Angeles, because chronically undercounted segments of society tend to be the invisible population of our inner city—residents of ethnic and minority neighborhoods, documented and undocumented immigrants, the homeless, persons who do not read and speak English well, and people living in poverty and high-crime areas."

Hahn described the post-enumeration survey as a "tested and proven statistical technique designed to correct census counts in order to get the most accurate population figures possible and end this kind of undercounting."

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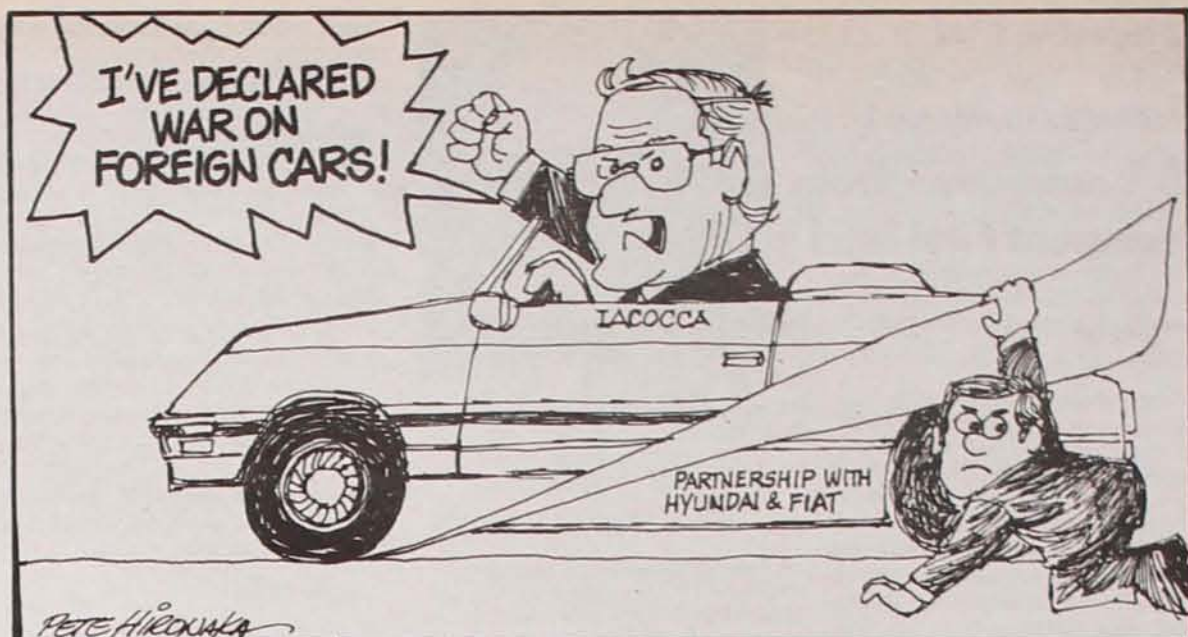
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## FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

### A Quiet Change

Another milestone passed virtually unnoticed recently, and perhaps principal preferred it that way. Without fanfare a few weeks ago, Harry Honda stepped down as general manager of Pacific Citizen. His new title is contributing editor. Mark S. Osaki took over as editor-in-chief. You will hear more of him later. This column is about Honda.

Harry Honda is one of the last remaining links between the era of Nisei youth, innocence, naivete and struggle, and the contemporary Nikkei society where standards of both achievement and aspiration are at a higher elevation.

For a moment, let us trace the history of Pacific Citizen. Its origin is in *Nikkei Shimin*, a sporadically published paper sponsored by the New American Citizens League of San Francisco, beginning Oct. 13, 1929, nearly a year before JACL became reality. The name was soon changed to *Pacific Citizen*, but it proved to be an anemic journal of small influence and importance.

When Evacuation was ordered in 1942, the indomitable Larry Tajiri was recruited as editor and *Pacific Citizen* set up shop in Salt Lake City. Tajiri

made "P.C.," as it came to be known, an important and highly regarded newspaper. As much as anything, P.C. held the Nisei community together during its wartime travail. In 1952, Tajiri resigned to take on other challenges, P.C. was moved to Los Angeles, and Honda became editor.

Honda had begun working on English sections of Japanese language newspapers in Los Angeles and San Francisco since 1936, a tenure interrupted by military service and college on the GI Bill. He brought to P.C. an encyclopedic knowledge of Nikkei history, a typical Nisei dedication to long hours and hard work, and a puppy-dog friendliness that endeared him to JACLers all over the country. JACL presidents would come and go, but Honda and P.C. were unchanging reminders of permanence.

But nothing is permanent. As the years passed there were sporadic attempts to replace Honda with a younger editor more attuned to the times. But always in a pinch—and there were many of them—it was Honda who would see that P.C. was published and sent off to the post office for delivery.

Honda was more than editor. He took on the duties of general manager and he knew which bills had to be paid and what papers had to be filed, and where, in the vast jumble of information accumulated over the years, vital bits of information about Nikkei history could be found and confirmed.

In this last sense Honda is an irreplaceable resource. He has been asked to organize P.C.'s "morgue," a newspaper's library where the past is buried. This work will be of immense value in making details of our history available to researchers and historians.

But there is an equally valuable store of information inside Honda's head— anecdotes and insights and recollections that never reached print. I hope that as contributing editor, Honda will make the time to record the untold and forgotten vignettes of Nisei history during an uncommon time so important to the Japanese American community, and yes, of the broader American community.

Honda served the community loyally and well for 40, these many years. He can provide one final and lasting service.

## MOSHI MOSHI

JIN KONOMI

### Mencken No Anti-Semite



I am in full agreement with Bill Hosokawa on the irrelevancy of a presentist criticism of the Nisei leaders for their compliance with the government's evacuation and incarceration orders. I am no presentist.

About Thomas Jefferson, however, I have a different opinion.

Even after making allowances for the prevailing racism of the time, there still remains the matter of his treatment of Sally Hemmings, his wife's half-sister and his slave mistress. It was utterly selfish and callously inhuman.

The savage invectives and lampoons heaped on him were no doubt politically motivated. But I suspect that at bottom they were based on the detractors' perception of the essential shabbiness of the relationship.

If Jefferson truly loved Sally he could have done better for her, I think. For instance he could have married her, or he could have freed her in France, where her French was perfect, and where she could have passed as White. He kept his five children by Sally as slaves in his household, and did not free them until very late in his life.

Intellectually he was head and shoulders above his contemporaries. Too bad he did not rise above them morally.

For any one interested, I would like to recommend Barbara Chase-Ridout's *Sally Hemmings* (1979), a fic-

tionalized account of the Jefferson-Hemmings affair. According to a librarian, who seemed knowledgeable, it hews closely to fact.

About H.L. Mencken's anti-Semitism I was shocked and deeply disappointed, for whatever little of his I had read, I used to enjoy and I used to respect him. I quote the following letter to the *Tribune*, Oakland, Calif., Jan. 21, in hope it will throw a kindlier light on this great critic and satirist.

#### Rash Judgments Concerning Mencken

"The few uncouth remarks about Jews in H.L. Mencken's diary have shown up many American journalists as the same milk sops that Mencken thought most of his colleagues to be. The mere accusation of anti-Semitism has sent them to the sand without even reading the bill of indictment. Even those who set out to defend him ended up pleading guilty on his behalf. Meanwhile a member of the board of the National Press Club proposed removing the sage's name from its reading room and a former winner of the Mencken Award returned it with a promise to send back the prize money.

"Few have asked whether there is anything to the charge, which is easy to make and difficult to rebut—particularly for the departed. Mencken was an iconoclast, and I wouldn't claim to be

able to explain everything he wrote about the Jews. But after surveying his conduct and corpus, I can dismiss some explanations. Anti-Semitism is one.

"In letters and newspaper columns one can find not only respect for Jews, but concern. Visiting Germany in 1922, he wrote in a letter,

"Every intelligent man looks for a catastrophe. If it comes there will be a colossal massacre of Jews."

"That is the remark of a man distraught. Many people saw catastrophe from the punishment of Germany after World War I. How many worried that the Jews would get the brunt?

"When the catastrophe came—but before the massacre occurred—Mencken was out front. His *Evening Sun* column of Jan. 1, 1939, savaged the United States for its sham regarding the German Jews:

"It would be much more honest and much more humane to tackle the problem without further ado. Either we are willing to give refuge to German Jews, or we are not willing. If the former, then here is one vote for bringing them in by the first available ships... (The initiative) should be taken by the political mountebanks who fill the air with hollow denunciations of Hitler, and yet never lift a hand to help an actual Jew."

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## EDITORIALS OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

### The Nikkei Stake in Trade Matters

With characteristic lack of perspective where Japan is concerned, some segments of the U.S. press looked forward to the recent Bush-Kaifu summit at a California desert resort as the opening act of a bare-fists showdown on trade problems.

It turned out to be just what more reasoning observers expected—an opportunity for President Bush to reiterate American concerns about serious economic issues. The response from the Japanese prime minister also was predictable: His country would do everything possible to speed up reforms which, by their nature, stubbornly resist a quick fix.

It was unrealistic to expect much more from the hastily convened summit. Yet the rhetoric on both sides of the Pacific—immoderate Japan-bashing in Washington and angry response in Tokyo—was approaching the point where something had to be done to quiet the shouting.

The respite brought about by the meeting will give more reasonable viewpoints in the U.S. a chance to be heard. At the same time Japan should demonstrate that it can deliver on its promises.

All this is of critical importance to Japanese American, not only because we are Americans but, on a very personal basis, because too many Americans still would bash us while bashing Japan. In the broad view we have a continuing stake in good relations between the two countries—as Americans and as Japanese Americans. At this point in history, a mutually satisfactory settlement of trade problems is paramount to restoring a vital relationship.

### Iacocca's 'Japan-Bashing'

Lee Iacocca is barking up the wrong tree when he tries to restore the Chrysler Corp.'s fortunes by bashing Japan. Chrysler's after-tax loss last quarter was \$664 million. Recently, on a national tour to promote Chrysler products, he took some vigorous swipes at his Japanese competitors, among them the charge that Japanese markets are closed to Americans.

A more accurate view was presented by Robert McElwaine, president emeritus of the American International Automobile Dealers Association. He asserted the U.S. is not making enough effort to develop the Japanese market. Other commentators point out that on a per capita basis, the average Japanese consumer buys \$366 worth of U.S. products, about the same as the average Briton, and far more than the \$277 in West Germany and \$288 in Mexico.

Observers less emotional than Iacocca have urged Americans to face up to domestic deficiencies that damage our ability to compete in the world market. They declare the nation must rebuild our industrial structure, improve our education system, find solutions for crime and drug problems, eliminate the federal budget deficit and reduce the national debt, draw up a vigorous export program. These are necessary and realistic goals.

There are many sides to a problem as complex as the drop-off in U.S. balance of payments. They need to be addressed thoughtfully and carefully. Angry bashing of a convenient target offers no solutions.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Affirmative Action I

I heartily applaud the *Pacific Citizen's* editorial "Affirmative Action Quotas" (Feb. 16). The article was one of the most courageous and clear-headed pieces I have read in an Asian publication in ages.

As the editorial points out, quotas hurt Asians in two important ways. First, if colleges reserve a quota of university admissions for non-Asian minorities (based purely upon racial considerations), this means that by definition (given a finite number of admissions) many qualified Asians who have proved their merit through hard work, high GPA's and high test scores will not receive admission. And as if it isn't bad enough that Asians are prevented from competing for 100% of the spaces in colleges on merit grounds, colleges are now allegedly using limit quotas to place an ar-

tificial lid on the number of Asian admittees. Racially-based quotas, therefore, are a double whammy against Asian Americans.

Possibly the most outrageous aspect of the quota controversy, however, is the willingness of liberal Asian "leaders" to not only wink at this situation, but to actively support the racial quota concept. In the name of racial solidarity with equally out-of-touch "leaders" in other minority communities, these liberal Asians want to continue the practice of reserving a significant number of college spaces for non-merit, non-Asian minority admissions, thereby hurting the very constituency they claim to represent. Thus one has the repugnant spectacle of liberal Asians attacking Arthur Hu

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## PLANTED IN GOOD SOIL

## EXCERPTS: CHAPTER XVII

## 20 Young Men from Kochi Prefecture Represent First Issei in Georgia in 1880

By Masakazu Iwata

Continued from the Previous Week

If the suburbs of Jacksonville were to become an ideal site for residences, the area south of Lake Okeechobee, situated about 50 miles west of Palm Beach, was to prove far less profitable to the Issei who settled there. The American Cane Sugar Company located at Clewiston was the catalyst that served to focus the eyes of Issei farmers on the Okeechobee region.

Anxious to secure Japanese to open up its land, the company extended the invitation which Toranosuke Watanabe, a Dener, Colorado, boarding house operator, accepted and in 1912 brought in 30 Issei. They discovered a primitive area with communication facilities so bad that boats were the only means of transportation to get from Fort Meyer on the west coast to Palm Beach on the east coast of Florida. They were awestruck by the swarms of mosquitoes that were borne eastward by the winds off of the Gulf of Mexico, mosquitoes that were so dense as to darken the sun overhead, choke cows to death as they fled open-mouthed and ingesting and/or inhaling the insects, cause horses to turn blood red as their tails switched frantically from one side of their bodies to the other mashing the blood-filled insects.

The harsh environment forced this band of Issei to depart before long. But even here there was one family that stubbornly remained on their 80 acres of land.

## Sukeji Morikami Enterprise

On the east coast of Florida, among those who remained behind after the Yamato Colony interlude, was Sukeji Morikami who became a Delray Beach distributor of fruits and vegetables. He had come from Japan to Seattle in 1906 at the age of 20, crossed the continent by train to Florida, and by wagon entered the "jungle" that was the site of the colony, all the while contrasting the hot humid climate with that of his native home Kyoto, the beautiful and historic culture center of Japan.

For several years he labored in the pineapple fields, then left to study English, and returned to the colony once more to cultivate pineapples and later vegetables.

During his farming career, Morikami sensed the dire need of more sympathetic distributors of the Issei farm products, who at that time were exclusively white commission merchants interested only in their own profit.

Entering the field, he established the George S. Morikami Company, Inc., express and carlot shippers. Determined to remain in Florida, he used his profits to purchase up to 1,000 acres of wild land which in time he sold during and after World War II at high prices. The remaining 200 acres he had planned to donate to the city of Delray. [It has been made into a city park for the Morikami Museum and a Japanese teahouse.]

A Christian bachelor, Morikami was recognized for his philanthropic work in the area of Japanese education and cited by the Japanese government in 1960.

## Pair of Civic Minded Issei

Another civic-minded Issei in Florida was Kōtarō Suto, known for beautifying the city of Miami Beach. He, along with Shigezō Tashiro, was responsible for landscaping the fill-area of Miami with palm trees and unique tropical plants lending an Oriental air to that section of the city.

After the completion of this project, the two men entered the nursery business together, and in 1932 upon the request of the mayor beautified the roadways of the city with plants and flowers, all of which they donated. The story of this Issei has been written up in newspapers, magazines, and portrayed on film—all a tribute to a Japanese horticulturalist in Florida.

## Issei Population Table

The Japanese population in Florida was never large, as the following figures indicate, but the Issei who went there were extraordinarily courageous and can be likened to the present breed of Japanese pioneers in Brazil and

Paraguay in South America who are hewing down trees and carving out farms in the jungles:

| Year       | 1900 | 1910 | 1920 | 1930 | 1940 | 1950 |
|------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Population | 1    | 50   | 106  | 153  | 154  | 238  |

## Georgia

The history of the Japanese in Georgia is an interesting one extending to 1880 when an English trader in Savannah, whom Japanese documents refer to as Frank Aiken, unable after the emancipation of the slaves to rely on Black labor, introduced about 20 Issei from Kochi prefecture as laborers on a rice plantation located outside of Brunswick in Glynn County. This is considered the first case of group immigration of Japanese to the East Coast of the United States.

But for some large agricultural operations that developed, Georgia is not significant from the standpoint of Japanese immigration as such as demographic statistics indicate:

| Year       | 1900 | '10 | '20 | '30 | '40 | '50 | '60 |
|------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Population | 1    | 4   | 9   | 32  | 31  | 128 | 885 |

Outside of White Oak, Georgia, the location of the Maryfield Plantation operated by Issei Sachihiko Butsuyen and Ichirō Ōmaye and Atlanta, the capital city, the Japanese population was almost non-existent until the influx of war-brides and other Japanese from Japan as well as the United States after World War II.

## The Butsuyen Saga

The center of Issei agriculture was the model farm, Maryfield Plantation, at White Oak, established in 1938 in what was cypress forest. The farm specialized in spring and fall lettuce production. Since World War II other families settled on the farm until it comprised a half dozen or more households.

The history of the plantation goes back to 1931 when Butsuyen came to Georgia and settled in Brunswick where he secured several hundred acres of land and raised watermelons, onions, and tomatoes with considerable success. This led him to White Oak and the development of that enterprise.

Butsuyen, a practical visionary, was an extraordinarily peripatetic Issei who throughout the Issei era when the Issei were bearing the brunt of discrimination on the Pacific Coast traveled the length and breadth of America endeavoring to plant settlements in the Midwest and East.

In 1924, the year of the Immigration Act, he proposed the development of Japanese colonies in Iowa, South Dakota, and Missouri without successfully following through on them. Again in 1926, he conceived a 70,000 acre settlement in Greenville, Mississippi, about 80 miles northwest of Jackson, but interest was lacking among the Issei.

## Once a Slave Economy

In Georgia, the motive behind those who encouraged the Japanese was the reestablishment at Maryfield Plantation of agricultural activities, that were originally terminated by the destruction of the slave economy, through the introduction of Issei farmers and their methodology. Butsuyen was to all intents and purposes invited in on this basis.

Butsuyen's career is an interesting one and pictures the spirit of venture-someness and determination of the Issei. Born in Hiroshima in 1887, he came to the United States in 1906. He worked in Portland, Oregon, as a school-boy for several years. Then in 1909, at the age of 22, he founded with two other partners the Columbia Shokusan Kaisha, a joint-stock company, through which he recruited thirty Japanese to develop 2,900 acres of farm land at Boyd in The Dalles. The lack of water aborted the venture.

Later he took over the management of affairs for 240 Japanese miners at Kemmerer, Wyoming, and, after a year, became an inspector for a sugar factory at Sterling, Colorado. Thereafter he took ten men to western Colorado where he worked in the sugar beet fields, picked fruit and undertook the labor on water projects in the Delta district. Subsequently he farmed several

hundred acres at Montrose. He remained in western Colorado as a grower and community leader until 1920.

## In the Corn Belt

From 1920 to 1931, he was in Iowa, growing potatoes, corn, and wheat on a 4,200-acre farm situated at Modale, just north of Omaha and across the Nebraska-Iowa border. Concurrently, Butsuyen had several hundred acres of onions at Hollandale, southwest of Madison in Iowa County, as well as a similar acreage in vegetables at South Bend, Indiana. He was during this period associated with a wholesale produce venture in Chicago.

It was in 1931 that he went to Brunswick, Georgia, and in 1938 purchased [the plantation] with Ichirō Ōmaye, the son of Kyujirō Ōmaye who in 1913 had settled near Jacksonville, Florida, came at his father's bidding to the United States in 1917 where he settled on the 40-acre farmstead on Parental Home Road.

A few years later in 1921 the 22-year-old youth from Japan had the sorrowful task of burying his father and a month later his uncle Tsuruzō, partners in farming, who died of typhoid fever. Eiko Ōmaye Yamamoto notes that Kyujirō Ōmaye, her grandfather, "sat up in his hospital bed, shook hands with Ichirō and said, 'Plant more, plant more.' Then he collapsed and died."

With money owing to the doctor and hospital as well as to the mortician for two funerals, Ichirō Ōmaye, now alone in a strange land with no knowledge of English, was exhausted emotionally and physically with no person seemingly to turn to. But fortunately his father's faithful Black employee, Tom Gray, noting Ichirō's plight agreed to assist in retaining the farm. The subsequent ten years, however, were difficult ones as Ichirō, pouring over his father's diary to ascertain precisely when he planted and harvested his crops, continued to operate the farm.

After an interlude during the depression years in business in Jacksonville, Ōmaye who in 1931 had married Shizuko Tamaki, a Nisei born in Jacksonville, consented in 1938 to join Butsuyen together with the Ozakis in the Maryfield Plantation venture. Until 1941 he commuted to Georgia regularly after weekends spent with his growing family in Jacksonville.

Pearl Harbor forced him to put the Jacksonville property in the name of Tom Gray and the plantation property in that of his friend Phil Brown, the former owner of the plantation. [He moved] his family to Maryfield Plantation to wait out the war before once more returning to Jacksonville.

## Naturalized Citizen Ōmaye

In 1962, after becoming a naturalized citizen, Ōmaye returned to live at home and raise just enough vegetables to keep him active. He died of cancer while visiting his children in California on Dec. 7, 1972.

The Issei farmer who himself had built his farming enterprise while standing on the shoulders of his own father and uncle, true to form, displayed the virtue of the Japanese immigrant farmers—the virtue of a Man of which Kipling sang:

If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew  
To serve your turn long after they  
are gone,  
And so hold on when there is nothing  
in you,  
Except the Will which says to them:  
'hold on',  
Yours is the Earth and everything  
that's in it,  
And—which is more—  
you'll be a Man, my son!

The 1,000-acre Maryfield Plantation utilized from 75 to 100 Filipino and Black laborers in growing lettuce on 300 acres of land under cultivation, had three pumps for irrigation water, a large packing house, several buses, 12 tractors, and 14 trailers. The scientifically raised crop that made the producers the Georgia "lettuce kings" was harvested, packed in iced crates, and hauled to the Woodbine station and shipped by rail to markets across the United States. The plantation was rationally organized with Butsuyen handling the public relations, Ōmaye overseeing labor and marketing, and Frank Ozaki taking care of the books. The field foremen oversaw the workers' routine.

But despite the efficient organization, other factors such as the minimum wage laws, high taxes, shortage of labor, and the fluctuating market prices brought to a termination in 1962 the southern plantation whose masters were a handful of Issei born in Japan.

## REDRESS STATE TAX EXEMPTIONS

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and disabled and GMAC for single adults and married couples without dependent children; and GA/WR programs.

## Mississippi

1—NO, taxed on all income unless specifically excluded. Follow-up letter sent 23 February 1990 requesting review of position.

2—Yes, follows federal guidelines for eligibility for AFDC and food assistance.

## Missouri

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income, but advised to review regularly.

2—Yes for food stamps; other programs don't have regulations written yet.

## Montana

1—Yes, follows federal law, damages are not taxed.

2—Yes, payments are not included in determining eligibility for any "tax incentives or credits presently in place in Montana."

## Nebraska

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Yes for federally funded assistance, medical, or service benefits.

15) Nevada (300)  
1—Yes, no State personal income tax.  
2—Yes for federally funded programs;—"benefits paid by (State agencies) would be unaffected by the payments as well."

## New Hampshire

1—Yes, no state personal income tax, except on dividends and interest.

2—Yes for federally funded programs and State programs; Aid to the Disabled.

## LETTERS

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instead of congratulating him for advancing the cause, not only of Asian Americans, but a color blind society.

John Bunzel, former U.S. Civil Rights commissioner, has said that universities "should make it clear that no student will be rejected because of his or her race in favor of another who is less qualified, and that no application will be held to a different standard because of race." Bunzel's statement makes absolute common sense. Racial quotas, regardless of the good intentions behind them, are pernicious. Arthur Hu and the *Pacific Citizen* are to be commended on their sharp-eyed recognition of this basic fact.

LANCE T. IZUMI  
Sacramento, Calif.

## Affirmative Action II

The *Pacific Citizen* editorial in your Feb. 16 issue is of special significance to the Jewish community. The brief but most telling historical capsule underscores today's concerns. Not unlike the Asian American community, American Jews have a long memory. Perhaps this is why we so readily identify with the sense of frustration and anger which quotas generate in Asian Americans.

If, as the evidence indicates, merit has been so devalued in American society, the voices of those who are penalized by quotas must be heard. Collectively, we can spotlight such abuses and prevail with those institutions which employ them.

ERNEST H. WEINER  
Executive Director  
The American Jewish Committee  
San Francisco, Calif.

## Olympia JACLers

I have just received my Feb. 16 issue and want to thank you for including the picture from the Olympia Chapter of the JACL on the front page, especially since two of the senior citizens honored are my parents, Susumu and Miyoko Sato. However, I was shocked to read the caption under the picture, which (1) left out my dad's name but, even worse (2) listed my parents as deceased honorees. They are both very much alive. Therefore, on behalf of myself and the Board of Directors of the Olympia JACL, a correction is in order for the next issue.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

NANCY (SATO) WICKER  
Lacey, Wash.

Our apologies for the error. We are happy to make this correction.

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

Aid to the Needy Blind, and Old Age Assistance.

10) New Jersey (495)  
1—Yes, not included in categories of taxable income.

2—Yes for federally funded programs, legislation has been introduced to cover State PAAD program.

## New Mexico

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—No for State program; included in calculating modified gross income for purposes of Low Income Food and Medical Tax Rebate, Comprehensive Tax Rebate, and Property Tax Rebate. (Contact Human Services Department about AFDC, Medicare/Medicaid, etc.)

8) New York (696)  
1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Yes for Public Assistance and food stamps. For State social services, Bill in State Assembly, but no action. No sponsor in State Senate. (Needs strong lobbying campaign before close of 1990 session in May.)

## North Carolina

1—Yes, by State law.

2—Yes for AFDC, food stamps.

## North Dakota

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Yes for AFDC, food stamps, Medicaid, Energy Assistance.

9) Ohio (562)

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross Income; damages not taxed.

2—No response to this question.

## Oklahoma

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—(Contact Department of Human Services)

5) Oregon (1,523)

1—Legislation to be introduced (as of January 1989) to exempt redress.

2—Yes for federally funded programs.

19) Pennsylvania (223)

1—Yes, not within eight taxable classes of income.

2—Yes for federally funded programs including AFDC, Social Security, Medicaid, food stamps, and housing assistance. But redress included as income in "determining forgiveness under special state tax provisions for poverty."

## Rhode Island

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—No response to this question.

## South Carolina

1—No response.

2—No response.

## South Dakota

1—Yes, no state income tax; "not taxable under our present tax structure."

2—Yes for all "social services" programs.

## Tennessee

1—Yes, state taxes only on interest and dividends.

2—No response to this question.

14) Texas (311)

1—No response to this question.

2—Yes, not counted as "resources" for eligibility determination by Dept. of Social Service.

7) Utah (888)

1—Yes, by state law.

2—Yes for all benefits available through the Department of Human Services.

## Vermont

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Yes, not counted as resources by agency of Human Services.

20) Virginia (208)

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Yes for federally funded programs such as Medicaid, food stamps, WIC, AFDC, School lunches.

2) Washington (5,051)

1—Yes, no State personal income tax.

2—Yes, for public assistance and nursing home care, payments are exempt, "including all income and resources derived therefrom."

## West Virginia

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Yes for federally funded programs.

## Wisconsin (more than 100)

1—Yes, based on Federal Adjusted Gross income.

2—Yes for federally funded programs and property tax relief programs.

## Wyoming

1—Yes, no state income tax.

2—Yes, follow federal guidelines.

NOT INCLUDED IN PREVIOUS SURVEY: Puerto Rico, American Samoa, District of Columbia, Guam, Virgin Islands.



## THE NEWSMAKERS



## MARGO DIAMOND

► A Yonsei daughter of Steven and Eiko Diamond of Briarcliff Manor, N.Y., Margo Diamond recorded the nation's best time in 1989 for a 10-and-under girl in the 100 yard butterfly at 1:05.11, according to the *Swimming World* magazine. Her 29.46s in the 50 butterfly was the second best nationally last year. A sixth-grader, she ranks ninth in the 100 individual medley, 13th in the 100 backstroke. She also competed in eight events at the '89 Eastern Zone finals at the Yale University pool, garnering four gold and two silver medals. She is the granddaughter of Tom / Mary Ujifusa and niece of JACL/LEC strategy chair Grant Ujifusa.

## DEATHS

Sue Tachikawa, 99, Nihongo Teacher  
Honolulu, Feb. 14. Sensei to several generations of students at Hawaii Jogakko of the Jodo Mission in Kakaako (until 1925 when her husband, the Rev. Shinkyo Tachikawa died) and then resumed as the Tachikawa Jogakko Girls School; during WWII, like other Japanese schools in Hawaii, her school was closed. It reopened after the war as the coeducational Tachikawa Japanese Language School. She retired in 1972. She was decorated in 1973 with the Order of the Sacred Treasure, 5th Class.

Ichiro Masuhara, 87, Yamaguchi resident of West Sacramento, Dec. 9. Surviving: w. Shizuko, d. Norma Ito, Edna Onodera, Amy Nishimura, Aileen Nishio, 9 gcs, br. Sam, sis. Camille Matsui, Violet Ono.

Masuji Katano, 91, Visalia, no date reported. Surviving: w. Kameko, s. Dr. Sam, d. Miyoko Mitsuka, 3gc, 2ggc.

Mitsuko Utsumi, 95, Hiroshima resident of San Francisco, Jan. 6. Surviving: Takeo, d. Yukiko Morimoto, Sumiye Akiyama, Hiroko Noguchi, 8gc, 4ggc.

Masaharu Munesato, 71, Gardena, Jan. 14. Surviving: w. Alyse, s. Chris, Marty, d. Robin Shinoda, Yukino, in-law Janice Overman, 5gc, br. Taka, Sam, sos. Yaeiko Kawazoye, Sumiye Takayama, in-law: br. Shigeo Shiotani (Watsonville), m. Yukino Hiki (Sacramento).

G. Nobuyoshi Inouye, 65, Torrance, Dec. 8; survived by w. Yoko, s. Arthur (Florida), Glenn, d. Diana Nakashima, sis. Mary Sasaki, Toyoko Ito, Hatsuko Endo (Japan).

Saku Ishida, 91, San Gabriel, Nov. 26; survived by s. Atsushi, Takashi, d. Masae Matsuba, Ruby Hoshino, 13 gc, 13 ggc.

Keichi Ito, 68, Sacramento-born resident of Los Angeles, Nov. 20; survived by w. Daisy, d. Roxanne, d. Fumi, br. Tom (Lodi), sis. Fumi Shiozaki.

Keiko Iwata, 77, Los Angeles-born resident of Los Angeles, Dec. 5; s. Ken, Jiro, Rick (Santa Rosa), d. Cheri Meko Sakai, Catherine Iwata, 10 gc, 1 ggc, sis. May Fukuzawa (Albuquerque), in-law sis. Betty Nakashima.

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## MIKE WATANABE

► Michael Watanabe, executive director of Asian American Drug Abuse Program, Los Angeles, was honored by the County Task Force to Promote Self-Esteem and Personal and Social Responsibility at a Feb. 14 rally at the Civic Center Mall. "Under his leadership, hundreds of individuals have regained their self-esteem at AADAP," chief deputy Mas Fukai of Supervisor Kenneth Hahn's office declared.

► Thomas Yamamoto, three-time Washington state prep wrestling champion at 108 lbs. from Richland High, was eliminated in his bid to become the first four-time state champ by James Stephens of Everett High in a 115-pound quarter-finals bout Feb. 16 at the Tacoma Dome. Yamamoto had beaten Stephens in the championship round last year.

► Scott Oki of Seattle is part of the corporate leadership at Microsoft as senior vice president, U.S. sales and marketing. The trade papers are speculating he is in the field of four at the company who might succeed chairman/co-founder Bill Gates, 34, when he retires in June, as company president.

► Chiyo Ishikawa has become Seattle Art Museum's first curator of its European collection. She divides her time lecturing art history at the University of Washington. She earned her Ph.D. from Bryn Mawr and has worked at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. Her priorities for acquisitions will be northern Renaissance, southern Baroque and 18th-century English works.

► Cindi Shiota, 36, temporary director for nearly two years, was appointed permanent director of Seattle Aquarium from a national field search of 175 applicants. A Harborfront city parks and recreation facility with a staff of 43, she will be handling a \$2.4 million budget.

► In honoring Sato Kurosaka, 85, for her 62 years of business experience at Lake George, N.Y., this lakeside village board renamed Lower James Street to Kurosaka Lane in August, 1988. Friends, relatives and friends had gathered for the brief ceremony at the Nara Gift Shop, which her late husband George began in 1926. (The shop was in a stone building built in 1819.) She came in 1927 and the Kurosakas raised two sons: George, a Queensbury town councilman, and Robert, who teaches math at Massachusetts Bay Community College in Wellsley. The village is a popular stopover point for fall foliage tourists.



## HELEN NAKANO

► The Gardena Valley Japanese Cultural Institute board of directors elected its first woman president, Helen Nakano, a fourth degree black belt instructor in naginata and a Torrance JACler. She will be assisted by Tom Hiram, Ken Kamiya, v.p.; Mike Hama, sec., C. Glen Higuchi, treas. Nakano is also active with the Torrance Salvation Army, Torrance Historical Society, YWCA, League of Women Voters, Torrance Rose Float Association and Sister City Association. She currently serves as executive secretary of the U.S. Naginata Federation.

► Sakai Osaki, 89, of Kauai and a 1923 graduate of the Territorial Trade School in Palama (predecessor of the Honolulu Community College), was honored as HCC's distinguished alumnus at the Feb. 12 alumni celebration. Because he couldn't carry a tune and not lead students in singing, he transferred from the Normal School which provided a two-year course of instruction in how to be a school teacher to the Palama Trade School, where he took up mathematics and carpentry. Since graduation, Osaki has been a carpenter on Kauai for the state, private contractors and the Army Corps of Engineers.

► The Hawaii state senate Feb. 8 confirmed Circuit Judge Ronald T.Y. Moon, 49, to be a Hawaii Supreme Court associate justice by a 24-0 vote. Gov. John Waihee's first appointee to the high tribunal, Moon is the first Korean American to sit on any state supreme court in the country. He succeeds retired Supreme Court Associate Justice Edward Nakamura. A 1958 graduate of Mid-Pacific Institute, Moon studied psychology and sociology at Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and finished law school at the University of Iowa. He returned to Honolulu in 1965, was a law clerk for U.S. District Judge Martin Pence, joined the city's prosecutor's office, entered private practice in 1968. In 1982 he was named to the bench by Gov. George Ariyoshi.

► Karen Kai, executive director of Friends of Hibakusha, assumed the chairmanship of the 10-member San Francisco Human Rights Commission in January. She was appointed by Mayor Art Agnos last year. She was on the legal team that reopened the Fred Korematsu case and is on the Asian Law Caucus board. A native of San Jose, graduate of San Francisco State and USF, she is married to Bob Rusky. Both are attorneys.

► Gardena City Councilman Mas Fukai was joined by supporters at Gardena City Hall on Jan. 8, when he took out his papers for re-election. Offering their support were Ryo Komai, Sue Okabe, Roger Uchida, honorary mayor of Gardena Ed Russ, Los Angeles Unified School District board member Warren Furutani, and George Higashi. Fukai also serves as chief deputy to Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn.

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## THE CALENDAR

## DELRAY BEACH, FLA.

► Present—April 15—"The Cult of Tea: An Exhibit Commemorating the 400th Anniversary of the Death of Sen no Rikyu," the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd.

## LOS ANGELES AREA

► Present—March 25—Jude Narita's *Coming into Passion, Song for a Sansei*, Whitefire Theatre, 13500 Ventura Blvd., Sherman Oaks. Info: Gretchen Weber, 213 463-7590.

► Present—17—USC's 11th annual Asian Pacific Heritage Festival, featuring taiko drummers, Filipino dancers, martial arts, volleyball tournament and picnic, jazz fusion, performances by Great Leap, Inc. and Cold Tofu, and a Hawaiian Luau. Info: (both 213) Terry Stever or Lee Ann Wong, 743-6921, or USC's Asian Pacific American Student Services Department, 213 743-4999.

► March 17—The Amerasian League's 1st Annual Forum on Multi-Racial Asian Culture, 9-9 pm, UCLA Ackerman Union. Variety of sessions. Keynote speakers: Velina Hasu Houston, Philip Tajitsu Nash. Info: 213 478-6141.

► March 17—Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics sponsored discussion featuring UC Berkeley professor and author Ron Takaki on the topic of Asian immigration, 5-4 pm, USC Andrus Gerontology Center. Free. Reservations, info: 213 485-1422.

► March 17—JACCC's Community Programs Department's Kokoro Concert Series presents Keiko and Kazu Matsui in concert, 8-8 pm, Japan America Theatre, 244 S. San Pedro St. Tickets: Reserved seats, \$20/ea. (orchestra section) & \$18/ea. (balcony). Info: 213 680-3700.

► March 18—The fifth annual JACCC Franklin D. Murphy Library & Japanese

Language Teachers of Southern California co-sponsored Japanese Speech Contest, Su, 1 pm, JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. Grand Prize: Two trips to Japan. Requirements, application forms: Kats Kunitsugu, 213 628-2725.

## SACRAMENTO

► March 31—The 4th Annual Dragon Run, Caroline Wenzel Elementary School. Info: 916 452-7836.

## SAN DIEGO

► March 14—Pacific Rim Film Tour, co-sponsored by Hawaii's East-West Center and the Department of Telecommunications and Film of San Diego State University, La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art, 7:30 pm, Yun's Town. Free. Info: 619 594-6575.

## SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

► Present—May 13—"Strength & Diversity: Japanese American Women, 1885-1990," an exhibition co-sponsored by the National Japanese American Historical Society and the Oakland Museum, 1000 Oak St., Oakland. Hours: W-S, 10 am-5 pm; Su, noon-7 pm. Free admission. Info: (all 415) NJAHS, 431-5007; Oakland Museum, 273-3842 or 273-3401.

## SAN JOSE AREA

► March 25—Jackson-Taylor Business & Professional Associations' 1990 Annual Dinner, Su, Bini's Bar & Grille, 337 E. Taylor St. Cocktails: 6 pm. Dinner: 6:30 pm. Info: 408 298-4303.

## SAN LEANDRO

► March 31—Japanese Evangelical Missionary Society's first Northern California Women's Luncheon, S, 9:30 am-1 pm, San Lorenzo Japanese Christian Church, 615 Lewelling Blvd. Guest speaker: Sue Tatsui. Cost: \$7/ea. Info: Sylvia Chow, 210 Jenay Ct., Martinez CA 94553 or call 415 228-9448.

## SEATTLE

► March 17—Nippon Kan Heritage Association presents "Celebration of Spring in Japan," 7:30 pm, Nippon Kan Theatre, 628 S. Washington St., shamisen and koto music, tea ceremony, spring songs and Fujima-style dances. Tickets: \$8/ea., \$15/for two, general; \$5/ea., seniors & students; 75 and over, free; groups of 8 or more, half price; available at Uwajimaya, House of Rice or at the door. Info: 206 624-8801.

## MOSHI MOSHI

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"It's all in the record. Now please, let Mr. Mencken rest."

SHELDON L. RICHMAN  
Washington, D.C.

I do not know who Mr. Richman is. I do not understand his writing to the *Tribune* instead of some national publication. But it does not matter. He really makes a case for Mencken's broader humanity than can be negated by a few incautious outpourings of momentary irritation at some particular Jews or Jewish bodies.

I am most curious as to what he had to say about the government's wartime treatment of the Japanese Americans.

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# St. Louis JACL Inaugural Dinner:

## Nikkei Veterans of WWII, Korea, Vietnam Honored by City, Officials, JACL Chapter

By Nikki Hara

ST. LOUIS — The St. Louis JACL held its 44th Inaugural Dinner at Garavelli's Restaurant on Feb. 3. Cressy Nakagawa, National JACL president, gave a stirring speech about the relationship between Japan and the United States. Henry Tanaka, Midwest District governor, updated the audience on the Midwest District activities and the Rohwer project.

The special segment of the program was a tribute to St. Louis JACL veterans. Dr. Peggy Adeboi, executive director of the St. Louis Center for International Relations, and representing the mayor's office, presented the official proclamation by St. Louis Mayor Vincent C. Schoemhl, which declared Feb. 3, as Japanese American Veterans Day. She also presented copies of the proclamation to 26 veterans of the chapter.

Joe Tanaka, chairman of the Veterans Recognition Program and a 442nd veteran, read several congratulatory letters honoring the St. Louis chapter veterans from:

Sens. Daniel Inouye, Spark Matsunaga; Reps. Norman Mineta, Robert Matsui, and Patricia Saiki; St. Louis County Supervisor H.C. Milford; Major Gen. Charles M. Kieffer, Missouri National Guard; Arthur Morimitsu, JACL Veterans Affairs Committee; and from Chester Tanaka, also a 442nd veteran, author of *Go For Broke*, and brother of Joe Tanaka.

A large, beautiful banner reading "JACL Salutes Its Veterans" was designed and made by Joe Tanaka for this memorable occasion.

### Other Chapter Recognitions

Recognitions of Appreciation were made to Bill Ryba, who handles the publicity and distribution of the *Nisei Kitchen* cookbook, and to Sue and Martha Yakushiji, Sunshine chairpersons, whose duties involve sending cards and/or flowers to members for special occasions.

Eden Theological Seminary was presented a donation in appreciation for its more than 40 years association with St. Louis JACL as the site for the annual

chapter's July 4 picnics. The presentation was made by Sam Nakano, who gave a short historical account, giving credit to George Shingu who worked at Eden Seminary for many years.

The pictorial display with *shoji* framework depicting historical scenes of Japanese American events from the immigration years through redress was organized by Joe Tanaka and Dr. John Hara.

T.C. Peng, president of the Organization of Chinese Americans, and Kevin Welsh, director of the Japan America Society, with his wife Kaori, were honored guests who gave short talks on their respective organizations.

The members of St. Louis JACL Board were installed by Nakagawa to end a very memorable affair. The organizers of the inaugural dinner were:

## PSWDC

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and biggest district in the organization," had to "be in the forefront" in discussing issues such as civil rights, leadership development, anti-Asian violence, public policy, and coalition building.

Hokoyama said that issues of pressing concern to the district were: (1) the upcoming district board and chapter retreat on March 24 and 25 at Dana Point, (2) the June retirement of PSWDC Regional Director John Saito, and (3) the National JACL Convention June 17-23 in San Diego.

### Other Awards

Also during the awards presentation, former PSWDC governor, Ken Inouye, recognized Mary Ogawa for her calligraphic contributions to the luncheon and to John and Carol Saito, who staff the PSWDC regional office.

Chapter awards to individuals for outstanding services were presented by Doug Urata and Linda Hara to:

Richard Matsushita, Arizona; Fumiko Takahashi, Carson; Kitty Sankey, Downtown; Michi Obi, East Los Angeles; Bea Fujimoto, Greater Los Angeles Singles; George Goto, Las Vegas; Luis Yamakawa, Latin America; Roxanne Tanioka, Marina; Denny Sunabe, Nikkei Leadership Association; Ben Shimazu, Orange County; Mack Yamaguchi, Pasadena; Gen & Dolly Ogata, Riverside; Carol Kawamoto, San Diego; Betty Yamaoka, San Fernando Valley;

Steve Mitori and Dr. Al Morioka; Bob Mitori, master of ceremonies; Anne Mitori and Ted Hirabayashi, fin. - memb.

The 1990 St. Louis JACL Board of Directors are:

Nikki Hara, pres.; Linda Oishi, v.p. prog.; Steve Kishi, sec.; Ted Hirabayashi, treas.; Steve Mitori, memb.; John Hara, ethnic concerns/speakers bureau/hist.; Sam Nakano, Redress/LEC; Richard Henmi, Joseph Yokota, George Uchiyama, bd. membs., and Michael Hoshiko, ex officio.

M/M Sandy Roll, JAYS advisers; Miwa Takano, JAYS pres.; Bill Ryba, Nisei Cookbook, Rohwer Proj.; George Sakaguchi, Nat'l awards/recognition; M/M Robert Mitori, JACL Library; Martha & Sue Yakushiji, Sunshine Comm.; Dr./Mrs. John Hara, and Sherry Shimamoto, View editors; N. Hara, Japanese Festival; Jim Hayashi, taiko drummers; Nancy Itogawa, bowling; Sam Nakano, Hinode Golf.

### St. Louis JACL's Veterans

Henry Ema, Robert Eilers, Milton Fujita, John Hara, George Hasegawa, Robert Hattori, Ted Hattori, Harry Hayashi, Richard Henmi, Ted Hirabayashi, Kenjo Itoku, Frank Itogawa, Nick Lesinski;

Charles Marshall, Robert Mitori, Henry Mizuki, Yuki Rikimaru, Bill Ryba, Mits Saito, George Sakaguchi, Ed Tanaka, George Tanaka, Joseph Tanaka, Arthur Towata, George Uchiyama, and Joseph Yokota.

Jun Fukushima, SELANOCO; Edwin Mitoma, South Bay; Phyllis Murakawa, Southern California American Nikkei; Frances Kitagawa, Venice Culver; Janet Kajihara, Ventura County; Steve Yagi, West Los Angeles; and Tut Yata, Wilshire.

Miyo Senzaki, Pasadena JACL, was presented an award that was missed two years ago at the last awards luncheon.

Special achievement awards were presented to individuals who were active in different areas of concern. Cited were:

Phyllis Murakawa and Mable Yoshizaki, Aging and Retirement; B.J. Watanabe, Leadership Development; Marleen Kawahara and Clarence Nishizu, Redress; Trisha Murakawa, Jimmy Tokeshi, Douglas Utrach, Civil Rights; and Gary Tadano, Chapter Outreach.

Urata also presented an award to Roxanne Tanioka for her work in the Conquer the Bridge Run, an annual JACL-sponsored 10-kilometer road race over the Vincent Thomas Bridge in San Pedro, Calif. Proceeds go to fighting illiteracy.

The luncheon co-chairs were Ken Inouye, Linda Hara, Sharon Kumagai and Doug Urata. Serving as mistress of ceremonies was stage and screen actress Marilyn Tokuda, who also serves as the artistic director of the comedy group, Cold Tofu. Entertainment was provided by another actress, Ren Hanami, who sang "The Wind Beneath My Wings" and "When You Wish Upon a Star," with musical accompaniment by pianist Scott Nagatani.

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## ARIZONA

• Bingo/Bento Night, Sun., March 18. Reservation deadline: March 15. Info: (both 602) M. Takiguchi, 934-9637 or H. Tanita, 944-2050.

• Scholarship Awards Banquet, Sun., April 29, Fountain Suites Hotel, 2577 W. Greenway Rd., Phoenix. Info: 602 861-2638.

## EDC

• Meeting of the Eastern District Council of the JACL, Sat., March 31, Community Bldg., Red Room, Medford Leas, N.J. Schedule: Coffee, 10 am; meeting: 10:30 am; lunch, 1 pm, served in the Garden Dining Room, \$9/ea. (includes tip); workshop, "Stress Management in Leadership Positions, 2-3:45 pm; relax at the Ueyeharas, 4-4:30 pm; Philadelphia JACL Installation and Graduate Recognition Dinner, 6 pm. Info: 609 953-7413.

## FRESNO

• "A Musical Potpourri," a benefit concert for the Nikkei Service Center, sponsored by the chapter, Fri., March 16, 8 pm, Wahlberg Recital Hall, Music Building, CSUF. Performers: Miles M. Ishigaki, Ritchie Clendenin, Virginia Houser, Eiji Maruko, Alex Molnar & Peggy Sears. Donation: \$5/ea. Info, tickets: (all 209) 237-4006; 233-0591; 226-7900.

• "The Myths and Realities of U.S.-Japan Relations," the first in a series of dinner meeting discussions, Mon., April 2, 7 pm, Daruma #2, Shaw and West. Panelists: Dr. Rufus Waters, professor of International Business, CSUF; Dr. Izumi Taniguchi, professor of economics, CSUF; and Dr. Frank Nishio, moderator, Dr. Mae Takahashi. Cost: \$10/ea. Reservation deadline: March 26. Info: (both 209) P. Liggett, 266-2204 or F. Nishio, 439-8525.

## MARINA

• Wine/Cheese Safari, Fri., March 30, the Aquarium, 5403 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City. View sea anemone, mini coral reef and sea gardens while sipping wine & nibbling cheese. Info: Shirley Chami, 213 390-1240.

## NEW YORK

• New members party, Sat., March 24, 2:30 pm, the Japanese American United Church, 7th Ave., 2:30 pm.

## PHILADELPHIA

• The 1990 Philadelphia JACL Installation and Graduate Recognition Dinner, Sat., March 31, Meiji-En Restaurant (215 592-7100), Philadelphia Marine Center, Pier 19 North, Delaware Ave. at Callowhill St. Social Hour: 6 pm. Dinner: 7 pm. Program: 8:30 pm. Keynote speaker: Judge Ida Chen. Cost: \$30/ea. Send checks payable to the Philadelphia JACL by March 31 to Mas Yamatani, 1925 Gibson Dr., Hatboro, PA 19040. Info: 609 953-7413.

## RENO

• Scholarship Teriyaki Dinner/Sushi Sale, Sun., March 19, noon-4pm, Senior Citizen Center, 9th & Sutro St., Reno. Help needed for food preparation. Volunteers: J. Sun, 702 331-2097.

## VENTURA COUNTY

• Cooking demonstration by Cherry Abe, Sun., March 19, 1 pm, Oxnard or Hueneme High School. Info: Doug Doi, (both 805) 650-1705 (H) or 989-7816 (W).

• Applications for Ventura County JACL scholarships due April 1. Info: Doug Doi, 805 650-1705.

• Redress information meeting with ORA Executive Director Bob Bratt, Thurs., May 17, Casa Serena, 3605 Peninsula Rd., Oxnard. Info: Stan Mukai, (both 805) 650-1705 (H) or 989-4502 (W).

## WEST L.A.

• "Japanese American Youth: Careers and Community in the 1990s," Tues., March 27, 7:30 pm, West Los Angeles Buddhist Church, corner of Corinth & La Grange. Panelists: Carol Yoneda, Karen Tanji and Susan Roe. Endorsed by the UCLA Asian American Studies Center. Free. Info: G. Omatsu, 213 825-3415.

Items publicizing JACL events should be type-written (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.

## 1000 Club Photo Contest Rules Set

CHICAGO — Japan Airline does it again! The 1000 Club photo contest is on as JAL has donated two round-trip tickets to Tokyo—from any of its U.S. stops. Rules of the contest are:

(1) Open to all JACLers interested in amateur photography, and pictures must have been taken in Japan on prior trips. Entry fee: \$20.

(2) Categories: a. Most scenic; b. Human interest; c. Most comical; d. Best subject matter.

(3) Participants need not be present at the Convention.

(4) Entries should be mounted or matted 8x10.

(5) No more than four pictures per entry.

(6) Please supply return envelopes and postage if you wish to have pictures returned.

(7) Mail all entries by May 25, to Frank Sakamoto, 5423 N. Clark, Chicago, IL 60640; (312) 561-2221.

## Judging Prior to Convention

Judging will be held in Chicago on June 1 and winners will be announced at the Opening Mixer on June 17. Judges are:

Mary Koga (Chr.), Richard Izui and Gene Mayeda.

## AAPAA 'Jimmie Awards' Nights to Honor Four Producers and Company

LOS ANGELES — The Association of Asian Pacific American Artists will recognize only four production companies for contributing to the responsible and balanced portrayals of Asian Pacific American characters and issues in the entertainment media this year at its March 19 "Jimmie Awards" dinner.

The following four production companies will receive awards.

(1) Saatchi & Saatchi DFS Inc. for their "Legs" commercial; (2) NBC Television Network for their special, "To Be An American"; (3) Arthur Dong, producer, "Forbidden City, U.S.A.;" and (4) Landon Productions/NBC, "Choices."

Three special awards will be given for:

(1) Lifetime Achievement: Actress producer Beulah Quo, professional and community accomplishments; (2) Corporate: Security Pacific National Bank, outstanding community involvement; and (3) Theatrical Organization: Mark Taper Forum, outstanding theatrical presentations featuring Asian Pacific American themes.

For information and dinner reservations: call AAPAA, (213) 874-0786.

## No. Calif. to Host Japanese Canadian Singer

OAKLAND, Calif. — Japanese Canadian singer/songwriter Terry Watada will make a rare Bay Area appearance on Saturday, March 10, at 8 p.m. at the local Ohana Cultural Center, 4345 Telegraph Ave. Admission is \$8.

A Toronto-resident, Watada, whose albums include *Runaway Horses* and *Birds on the Wing*, is currently finishing up his latest album in New York City.

Ohana recently celebrated its fifth anniversary as one of the only pan-Asian Pacific cultural centers in the United States. Its newly renovated space is also available for rental for meetings, performances, and conferences. For more information, call (415) 658-1868.

## Jude Narita Play Back for L.A. Reopening

SHERMAN OAKS, Calif. — Actress Jude Narita's *Coming into Passion, Song for a Sansei* reopened at the Whitefire Theatre, 13500 Ventura Blvd., Sherman Oaks, Friday, Feb. 23 and runs Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 8 p.m. with Sunday matinees at 3 p.m. through March 25. Tickets are \$15. Discounts are available Thursdays and Sundays for groups, seniors and full time students (except last two weeks). Reservations may be made through Theatix (213) 466-1767.

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## 'J-Town Revue' Amateurs to Perform at Benefit Show

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The fundraiser is expected to highlight the "hidden" talent that lies within the J-Town community. Individuals or groups interested in performing, non- and semi-professionals in traditional and contemporary entertainment, are encouraged to take part. The program is open to all ages and welcomes those

living outside of San Francisco.

Proceeds will go toward the operations of the center, which provides community services, programs, and activities.

For more information and/or to volunteer as a performer, visit the JCCCNC office, 1840 Sutter St., or contact Cary Matsumura, (415) 567-5505.

## Nikkei Benefit Cruise in Caribbean Announced

SAN FRANCISCO — The Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California and the Japanese Community Youth Council have joined forces to promote a seven-day "1990 Nikkei Caribbean Cruise" fundraiser aboard the Italian-registered ship, Costa Riviera, sailing Oct. 27 from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

The seven-day cruise to the western Caribbean with stops in Ocho Rios, Jamaica; Grand Cayman, Playa del Carmen and Cozumel, Mexico, ends Saturday, Nov. 3, at the same port.

For every person who participates in the cruise, a tax deductible \$150 donation will be made in their name to a joint JCCCNC/JCYC fund. The prices start at \$1,182 to \$1,502 (per person, double occupancy) and include round-trip air from most cities. A \$100 deposit is required no later than March 30. For information or reservation, call:

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