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Making a point



Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar (right) meets with Gov. Klyoshi Kaneko of Niigata Prelegture, Japan, Illinois' sister state, during the Illinois State Fair recently held in Springfield. Edgar recently age of the Cogasawara (second front-left, pointing his finger), chairman of the Niigata Prefectural Assembly, Looking on is Mayor Nobuo Kumakura (left, background), Nakajo City, Niigata, and Gov. Klyoshi Kaneko, Niigata Prefectura.

Some Asian American groups oppose Supreme Court nominee

JACL says it will wait for conclusion of hearings to issue statement

As the hearings to confirm Clarence Thomas as a Supreme Court Judge continued last week, Asian American organizations have announced their opposition to the high court appointse.

The National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA) opposed the Thomas nomination, saying that the organization was particularly troubled with Thomas position on natural law and affirmative action, according to William C. Hou, chairmano NAPABA's legislative committee.

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The Organization of Chinese Americans said that 'should Judge Thomas be elevated to the U.S. Supreme Court, at least one of OCA's five mission goals, 'securing justice, equal treatment and equal opportunity' may be threat-

ened based on Judge Thomas' record as chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and his limited tenure as a federal judge and his extra-judicial writings.

Dale Minami, president of the Coalition of Asian Pacific Americans (CAPA), said that 'Mr. Thomas' views are far outside the mainstream and represent extremist positions inimical to the interests of Asian Pacific Americans, women and other minority groups."

fense and Education Fund sent testimony to the Senate Judiciary saying expressing its opposition. The interests of the Asian American community have not been served by his work at the Equal Employment Opportunity Com-

L.A. reapportionment fund-raiser set

mission and Department of Edu-cation, and we have every reason to believe that they will not be served if he ascends to the High Court, said Margaret Fung, ex-ecutive director of the organiza-

tion.

Meanwhile, JACL has issued a wait-and-see position on the Thomas nomination.

In a statement, JACL said,

In a statement, JACL said,
"Despite a strong concern over the
civil rights record of Judge Thomas, the JACL national board
has yet to issue its sense of the
Thomas nomination until it has
had an opportunity to have full
benefit of the hearing process in
order to gain a more insightful
and substantive grasp of his views
under scrutiny by the Senate Judiciary Committee."

The organization also said that
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Speakers highlight event

LOS ANGELES—The Central Los Angeles Coalition of Asian Pacific Americans for Fair Reaportionment has scheduled an event Wednesday, Sept. 25, to caise money to influence reapportionment in California.

Community leaders from the ur largest Asian ethnic groups forean, Pilipino, Japanese, and ninese) will speak on their ef-

WHO: Central Los Angeles Cos-lition of Asian Pacific Americans for Fair Reapportionment. WHAT: To raise money to influ-ence reapportionment in Cali-

VHEN: Wednesday, Sept. 25,

WHEN: Wedness, 530 p.m.
WHERE: Empress Pavilion, 988
N. Hill St., #201, Los Angeles.
SPEAKERS: March Fong Eu,
California secretary of state:
Michael Woo, La. oity councilman; Warran Fuutani, president,
LA. Unified School District Board
of Education; Joselyn Yop, soof Education; Joselyn Yop, so-

leader; and T.S. Chung, Korean American community leader. INFORMATION: (213) 748-



Five suspects are charged in Thai murders

PHOENIX.—A. breakthrough in the Arizona Thai Buddhist mur-der case, which came last week (Friday, Sept. 13) with the arrest

Friday, Sept. 13) with the arrest of five suspects, appears to have lightened the horror that the slayings were racially motivated. Top Arizona political, community and religious leaders were present at a special dinner attended by Thailand Ambassador ML. Birabhongse Kasemsri as the news broke. Maricopa County Attorney Richard Romley said he would vigorously pursue the prosecution. The proof is evident and the presumption is great, "according to K.C. Skull, chief of the Maricopa County Attorney's inajor felony bureau.

But the fact that it was not a

jor felony bureau.

But the fact that it was not a
hate crime "does not change the
horror," Madeline Ong-Sakata of
the Chinese American Citizens
Alliance said. Joyotpaul Chaudhuri, director of Asian Studies
Center at Arizons State, noted
the lack of evidence insufficient reason for eliminating hate as a motive. Members of the Buddhist community said they were relieved to learn the crime did not appear

charged with nine counts of murder in the Aug. 10 case plus a eral counts of armed robbery, c ery, conspiracy and first-degree burglary. Meanwhile, authorities continue their search for two and possible

three more suspects.
Superior Court Judge Ronald
Reinstein ordered the five men be held without bail after their ini-tial appearance Sept. 13 at his court. They are: Michael Lawrence court. They are: Michael Lawrence
McGraw, 24 (who said in a
jailhouse interview that he and
four others have been falsely accused; Victor P. Zarate, 28; Mark
Felix Nuñez, 19; Dante Parker,
20; and Leo Valdez Bruce, 28.

Information supplied to Tucson
authorities by an anonymous
caller on Tuesday/Sent. 10) helped

caller on Tuesday (Sept. 10) helped cracked the case. The suspects were taken into custody while their homes were searched for valuables, including jewelry, let-ters, personal effects, as well as equipment, religious articles and coins believed taken from the

Maricopa County Sheriff Tom Agnos theorized that the gang al-legedly came to sack the Thai Bud-dhist temple west of here, which

Second round of redress assured by ORA official

SEATTLE—Robert K. Bratt of the Office of Redress Administra-tion (ORA) announced at a work-shop session here Sept. 14 that the second diabursement of re-dress payments would begin on or about the first week in October. Some 22,700 eligible individu-als born before Jan. 1, 1928, have been verified for payment by the ORA.

Bratt noted that it is possible that two or more members of the same household who are sched-uled to receive recress payments in October may not receive checks

on the same day. He requested individuals to call the Help Line only if they have not rechecks by Oct. 21.

checks by Oct. 21.

Those individuals born before
Jan. 1, 1928, who have not received the letter of potential eligibility (pink letter) requesting documentation and have not yet received the green verification letter should also contact the Help
Line immediate to ascertain their

ORA changes appearance of letter of apology

Although the ORA was not able to effect any changes to the text of the presidential letter of apology as recommended by the JACL-LEC, the appearance of the document is expected to be more pleasing, according to Cherry Kincehita, national redress chairwoonan.

Kinoshita, national redress chairwoman.

Kinoshita, who was given a sample copy of the letter at a redress workshop in Seattle, Sept. 14, said the official presidential seal imprinted in gold will now appear on the letter of apology.

The letter has been enlarged to 8 1/2 x 11-inch size on heavier (quality paper.

A policy regarding issuance of the new letter to those individuals who have already received the first letter will be announced by the ORA in the near future, and those recipients in the 70 and older age group are saked to withheld their inquiries until such an announcement is made.

ORA Help Line

If a recipient has not re-ceived a check by Oct. 21, 1991, he or she may confact the ORA at a special Help Line phone number:

1/800/395-4672

Atelephone number for the hearing impaired is:

1/800/727-1886.

The phone numbers will be available from Oct. 21-25, rom 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Eastern

time.

If a person to whom an ORA letter is addressed has died; or if his or her current address is different from the one on the mailing label, ORA should be contacted immediately at the Help Line number or by writing to: Office of Hedress Administration, P.O. Box 66740, Warshington, D.C., 20035-6740.

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Information: JACL National
Headquarters, 415/921-5225.

Seattle

Saturday, September 21 through Sunday, September 29-Japan Week, a nine day event of cultural programs, exhibits, demonstrations, and children's workshops and games, Bellevue Square, Monday - Saturday 9:30 am to 9:30 pm, Sunday 11 am to 6 pm. Information: 206/454-2431.

Monday, September 23—Japan America Society's "Otsukini; Celebrating the harvest moon" obento dinner, wine tasting and concert of traditional Japanese music, Snoqualmie Wnery, 1000 Winery Rd, Snoqualmie. Cost: \$30 for members, \$35 for non-members. Information: 205/623-7900.

Tuesday, September 24— Japan America Society's seminar, "Housing in Japan: Opportunities and challenges for American firms," Bellevue Concourse, 505 108th Avg. NE, 11:30 am. Speaker: Paul Isaki, Director of Washington State Trade and Economic Development, Cost: Iupaḥean, \$17for members, \$20for non-members; Juncheon and reception, \$35 for members, \$50 for non-members, Information: 206/ members. Information: 206

Friday, October 4—International District Community Health Center's Annual Dinner, Seattle Trade Center, 2601 Elliot Ave., 5:30 pm. Speaker: Le Ly Haysilo, Vietnamese author. Tickets: \$45. Information: Jodi, 206/286-0589

Friday, November 1 and Saturday, November 2—Beyond the Barriers, "National Asian Pacific American Bar Association's Third Annual Convention, Stouffer Madison Hotel. Travel arrange-ments: Eric Hart, Global Express Travel, 206/682-3980. Information: Sharon Sakamoto, 206/682-9932 or Mimi Castillo, 206/624-1913.

Denver

Saturday, November 9—Mil Hi JACL's Election Pot Luck, Nis Post, 2019 Market St., Denver,

December 1991 Mile Hi JACL Ski Weekend, date and place to be announced. Information: 303/

August 3-8, 1992—JACL's 32nd Biennial National Convention, "JACL: Solid as the Rockies," Denver. Information: 303/892-8003.

California

San Francisco area

Saturday, September 21—San Francisco JACL's fund raising fashion show and lunchoon, Westin St. Francis Union Square, Feature fashions by Obliko." Tickets: \$50. Information: Les Hata, 415/ 653-7012 or Yo Hironaka, 415/ 751-1267.

Saturday, September 21—San Francisco Bay Area nikkel Singles* Whodunit in J-Town?* mudder wystery play, dinner an dance, Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California's Community Hall, 1840 Sutter St., San Francisco: Tickets: \$40, Information: 415/567-5505.

Richmond. Information: Natsúko Irel. 415/237-8730.

Saturday, September 28—Tri-Valley JACL's Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament, Cal State Hayward. Information and application form: 415/846-4165.

Sacramento

Saturday, September 28— Florin JACL's first Women's Day Forum, Sacramentol Harbormaster, Broadway and Front Stree, 8:45 am to 1:30 pm. Topics: Diabetes, AIDS, Family Mental Health and much more. Tickets: \$5for members. and \$15for non-members. Includes lunch. Information: Dr. Eileen Nambo Otsuiy, 916/427-2699 or Carol Hisatomi, 916/444-5827.

San Jose

Saturday, October 12—Yu-Ai Kai's 9 day 'Heritage of America' tour. Stops in New York City, Philadelphia, Amish Country, Virginia and Washington, D.C. Cost: \$1349 for twin. Information/ brochure: 408/294-2505.

San Benito County

Seturday, September 21—For-mer San Benito County residents' 1991 annual reunion, Ridgemark Country Club in Hollister, noon to 5 pm. Cost: \$25. Information: Tak Obata, 415/345-5565; Mitsugi Hane, 408/293-7108; Lily Yama-shita, 408/722-0282; Hiroshi Wada, 213/321-9761

Marysville-Yuba City

Friday, Sept. 27 through Sun-day, Sept. 29—Third Yuba, Sutter Butte and Colusa Counties' Nikkei Reunion. Newsletter, registration information: Mazie Sasaki, 938 Chestnut St., Yuba City, 95991.

Tule Lake

Friday, Sept. 27, through Sunday, Sept. 29—Tule Lake Pilgrimage. Tour of Tule Lake Campsite, Abalone Hill & Castle Rock tour Workshops, Memorial Service, cultural program. Information: San Exercises, Utility Laboration (1997). isco: Julie Hana, 415/221-eve.; East Bay: Stephanie niro, 415/524-2624; San Jose: Tom Izu, 408/292-6938; Sacra mento: Diane Tomoda, 916/443

Los Angeles area

Through Sunday, September 22—Amy Hill's "Tokyo Bound", East West-Piayers, 4424 Santa Monios Blod., Los Angeles. Showtimes: Thursdays at 8 pm, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 e and 10pm, Sundays at 2 and 7 pm. Tickets; \$10 on Thursday and Sunday, \$12 on Friday and Sunday, \$12 on Friday and Saturday, Information and reservations: 213/660-0366.

Saturday, September 21—The Chinese Historical Society of Southern California and the Chinese Chamber of Commerce's Chinese Moon Festival 1991, throughout Los Angeles Chinatown, 1 pm to 10 pm. Information: 213/617-0396.

Saturday, September 21—The Great Leap, Ind's fundralising event "It's a Marvelous Night for a Moondance", The Spiral Court, California Plaza, 300 S. Grand Ave., Downtown Los Angeles, 6 pm Information: 213/392-7937.

Saturday, September 28— Japanese American Historical Society of Southern California's Community Service/Achievement Awards Dinner, Shangri-La Restaurant, 6 pm. Honorees: East West Players, Shiro Nomura and Betty K. Mitson. Tickets: \$35. Taformation/reservation: Iku Kirlyams, 213/326-0508.

Saturdsy, September 28— SCAN JACL's "Pasta Night", Japa-nese Institute of Sawtelle, 2110 Corinth Ave., Los Angeles, 6 pm.

Proceeds will go towards the 1992 Scholarship Fund. Information: Jackie, 805/251-3962.

Saturday, September 28—50th Anniversary celebration, Theodore Roosevelt Senior High School, L.A., Classes of '41, '42, Marriott Hotel, LA. International Airport. Informa-tion: 800/244-6106 or write to Madeline Levine, 9603 Beverlywood St., L.A. 90034.

Saturday, September 28— Asian American Voters Coaliton's Workshop, CACA Meeting Hall, 415 Bamboo Lane, Chinatown, Los Angeles, 8:15 am. Topics: Redistricting and apportionment, cereer in politics, political awareness, voters educaton, and electivé political opportunities. Informátion: ivin Lal, 213735-1331.

Sunday, September 29— Orange County Sansei Singles' annual pionic, Cerritos Park East, 10 am to 4:30 pm. Cost: \$6 for members, \$4 for children, and \$9 non-members. Reservations by Sept. 23. Information: 213/ 715-6839, 213/649-5293, 714/ 891-4215, or 818/571-5571.

Thursday, October 17—Asian Pacific American Legal Center's 6th Annual Awards Dinner, Bittmore Hotel, Los Angeles. Honorees: Hitachi Ltd., Congressman Howard Berman, Frederick Hong, Maria Hsia, John Huang and Gioria Ochoa. Information/tickets: Stewart Kwohor Faith Chen, 213/748-2022.

Thursday, October 24 through Saturday, October 26—The Asia Society's National Symposium "The Asian American Experience: Looking Ahead," the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles. Explore the critical issues facing Asian Americans in the 1990s and the importance of these issues to American society at large. Information: 213/624-0945.

Calendar Items must be submitted at least THREE WEEKS in advance of the day of event. In-clude day or night phone num-bers for further information.

Reminders

Workshop sponsored by the Asian American Voters Coalition, Los Angeles Chapter, Saturday, Sept. 28, CACA Meeting Hall, Chinatown, 415 Bamboo Lane, Los Angeles. Topics: Redistricting and Apportionment; career in politics; Political awareness; voters education; elective political opportunities. Speakers: Gloria Ochoa, J.D. Hokoyama, Stuart Kwo, Mike Eng. Judy Chu, Jey Kim, Marissa Castro, David Lang. Registration, 815 a.m.; workshop, 9 a.m. Information: Irvin Lai, 213/785-1331.

 Author/poet David Mura gives a reading from his book Turning Japanese: Memoirs of a Sansei, Saturday, Sept. 28, 2p. m., Japanese American Cultural and Community Center (JACCO) as part of the Japa-

Community Center (JACC) as part of the Japanese American National Museum's 'Afternoon with the Museum' series. Event is free and open to the public. Information: 213/625-0414

0414.

• 50th anniversary celebration of the West Los Angeles Chapter, JACL, Sunday, Nov. 10, non, Holiday Inn Bay View Plaza, Senta Monica, Calif., in conjunction with installation of new officers for 1992, Keynote speaker: Cressoy Nakagawa, JACL national president. Information: V. Tominaga, 213/620-3562.

T. Kanegai, 213/620-3562.

Legislation

Asian American drug/alcohol bill passes California Legislature

SACRAMENTO—The California State Assembly and Senate approved legislation Sept. 13 aimed at preserving Asian Pacific American drug and alcohol pre-

American urus vention programs.
Assembly Bill 1955, authored by Assemblyman Xavier Becerra (D-Monterey Park), is now pending before Gov. Pete Wilson. If

O-Monterey Park), is now pending before Gov. Pete Wilson. If enacted, the measure would require the director of the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs to keep track of Asian Pacific Islander alcohol and drug abuse demonstration programs and exrify those that successfully meet the needs of the Asian Pacific population.

Becerra's proposal also calls on counties in which successful federally-funded demonstration programs exist to continue funding those programs.

The fact that AB 1955 passed through both houses reflects, in my mind, the growing impact of the Asian Pacific Islander community. Becerra said. Through this effort, community activists were able to send a clear message to the legislature. The Asian Pacific Islander community is becoming an integral part of the overall landscaps, and the increas-

ing substance abuse problems accompanying this growth cannot
be ignored by policymakers.

Becerra also noted that the bill
received bipartisan support in
both the Senate and Assembly. 'I
am hopeful that this factor, combined with solid community support throughout the state, willlead
the governor to look favorably
upon my bill and sign it into law,
he said.

A both Assembly and sign it into law,

he said.

AB 1955 has been endorsed by numerous organizations, including the Asian Pacific Flanning Council, Asian American Drug Abuse Program, Asian Youth Center, Chinatown Service Center, Korean Youth Center, Little To-kyo Service Center, National Asian Pacific American Families Against Substance Abuse United Cambodian Community, Visual Communications Search To In. Community, Visual ations, Search To In-Communications, Search To Involve Pilipino Americans, National Federation of Indian American Associations, Berkeley Asian Youth Center, Japanese Community Youth Council, Asian Youth Substance Abuse Project, Asian American Recovery Services, Union of Pan Asian Communities, United Cambodian Community. Vietnameses Youth Develoom nity, Vietnamese Youth Develop-ment Center, and others.

Illinois passes redress protection

An Illinois law that would exan innois aw that would ex-empt redress payments in deter-mining eligibility for public assis-tance and offer protection from legal judgment, attachment or distress for rent was signed into law Sept. 17 by Gov. Jim Edgar.

Senate Bill 442 amends the Illi-nois PublicAid Code and Code of Civil Procedure.

Protecting eligibility for general assistance and aid to the medically indigent does not affect many people, but this law is not only a symbolic gesture, it is imonthly a symbolic gesture, it is im-

portant that nobody suffer becau portant man nobody suffer because of compensation for a wrong done to them, said David Ignaski, president of JACs, Chicago Chapter, director of the Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Chicago Area, and principal advocate of the bill.

cate of the hill.

We are seigncially pleased that
the law also places the redress
payments under the state exemption law, which protects people
from fearing garniahment or attachment by creditors. This could
potentially affect every recipient,"
legaski said.

Biz notes

JETRO to assist American access to Japan market

LOSANGELES—The Japanese External Trade Organization (JETRO) has scheduled its 8th annual Import Fair "Leisure & Recreation 92" event in Tokyo, reation '92' ever rch 11-14, 1992.

March 11-14, 1992.

The organization's event is designed to help Americans establish business relationships with Japanese. American manufacturers of leisure and recreation items will display products directly to Japanese buyers at the fair. With more than 120 million consumers in Japan, 'Leisure and Recreation '92' is targeted to manufacturers of camping, wilderness living, motor sports, aircraft, boating, scubs diving, sports fishing, fitness, and other related items.

Registration deadline is Oct. 11, 1991. Information: Harumi Kamekawa or Nancy Carls, 213/ 624-8833.

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is concerned over portions of the career record of Thomas and over positions he has articulated relat-ing to civil rights issues, as well as

is position on affirmative action.

JACL said it will wait until the full Senate hearing process is completed before making a recommen dation on Thomas as a Supreme Court judge.

NAPABA said that it was disturbed by Thomas' belief that Asian Pacific Americans are not a minority group whose accomplish-ments prove that affirmative ac-tion is not needed as a remedy for discrimination.

Hou added that Thomas has characterized the Asian Pacific community as "overrepresented" in areas such as employment opportunities

Agenda

Community

© Celebrating the 19th annual Aki Matsuri in West Covina on Saturday, Oct. 5, 1 to 9 p.m., will be the East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center organizations (818960-2566) at the West Covina base at 1203 W. Puente Ave. Leroy Kawai and Ray Takai, co-chair, said proceeds will be benefit center organizations and its general fund. At 5 p.m. the West Covina Taiko Group will perform.

perform.

The annual food festival of the Buddhist Temple of San Diego will be held on Sunday, Sept. 29, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the temple (619/239-0896).

temple (619/239-0896).

San Jose Japantown Business Association (408/298-4303) announced Japantown's postal substation has reopened under new management at 141 Jackson St., open from 9:15 a.m. -4:30 p.m. weekdays, till 1 p.m. Saturday ... Hideo Kamimoto, who specializes in repair of stringed instruments and guitars, is back in Japantown at 609 N. 4th St. with Scott Cao as a partner. A musical instrument and guitars, is one in the Scott Cao as a partner. A musical instrument apprentice in the U.S. the past decade, Cao also fashions his own instruments, winning an international competition in 1986 for a viola be had made ... Yu.Ai Kai planned a mid-day 'scavenger hunt for all ages' trailing through San Jose's Nihonmachi and ending at the Wesley Church, where information and food booths and closing ceremony were slated. Special features of the hunt may be obtained from Evelyn Hori at Yu.Ai Kai (408/294-2505). The hunt was scheduled Sept. 21.

JoAnn Yamashirois the 1991-92 president of the So-Phis of Orange County, a Nikkei

women's group engaged in philianthropic works. Other officers include Jane Kobeyashi, Sumi Yakura, Shir Okuda, vice-presidents; Mae Nishie, Masako Matsuo, secretaries; Neiko Okazaki, treasurer; Jeanne Motokane, historian; Linda Honda, parliamentarian, and Patricia Nakata, publicity.

6 In San Fernando Valley, the SFV Japanese American Community Center announced its annual fund-raising dinner will be held Nov. 2 at Odyssey Restaurant, Granada Hills. Tickets are \$75 per person with RSVP on a first come-first-serve basis; care of the CC office, 12953 Branford

or the CC office, 12958 Branford St., Pacoima, CA, 91331, (818/899-9082)... Ground-breaking ceremo-nies for the new Hongwanji Bud-dhist Temple, 9450 Remick Ave., Pacoima, arc. slance. nies for the new Hong wanji Buddhist Temple, 9450 Remick Ave.,
Pacoima, was planned for Sept.
22 after the Ohigan Service. The
Rev. Kakuyei Tada is minister ...
The SEV Judo Club, part of the
center since it was established in
1959, has proposed a scholarship
program for its members in
memory of its founder, the late
Sego Murakami. Gool of securing
a \$20,000 CD and providing two
\$500 swards each year to a fulltime college freshmen have been
recommended. A supplemental
\$200 scholarship for a past recipiant is to be allowed if there are no
first-time applicants. Certain
qualifications apply, according to
Tim Whitesell, Judo Club
Pukeikai president.

JACL

San Diego

yard "geta" race at the recent San Diego JACL picnic made the Sep-tember headlines.

tember headlines.

Use of a community center has been obtained for resuming the JACL besketbell league for teenagers, men and women, and youth, according to chapter president David Kawamoto (619/287-7883) and Susan Shimomaye (720-1854). About 15 years ago, the JACL community league played at the old San Diego High School gym, but Proposition 13 tax cut-backs intervened and the league was terminated. We are nowlooking to reactivate the league. ing to reactivate the league," Kawamoto said. "JACL also wants hawamoto said. JACL also wants to establish a Little League age baseball team for play against other chapters." other chapter

other chapters."

Setting the new record in the "guta" race of 38.64 seconds is the team comprised of Darren Sugioka, Anthony Quon, Tony Gill, Mayko Moncrief, Laurraine McMillan, Cellami Mataumoto, Jennifer Sugioka, Maurice Hagio and John Harvey. The old record was 45.72 seconds. Other teams intending to break the record may call Robert Ito (619:560-0411) for gear and information.

Contra Costa

In wake of the turn of recent international events, will the tar-get of world hostility turn from the Soviet Union to Japan. If so, what will this mean to the Japa-ness Americans? Will the "Nikkei Be Scapegoats, Again?"

These are the concerns National JACL President Cressey Naka-gawa will address at a Contra Costa JACL 1000 Club luncheon

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From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

Bill of Rights exhibit silent on evacuation

The 200th anniversary of the ratification of the Bill of Rights—'the heart and soul of our liberty—is being celebrated this year. In observation of the event the Philip Morris companies are sponsoring a nationwide tour of an exhibit that features one of the 12 known remaining original copies.

I went to see the exhibit when it came to Denver and was both moved and disappointed. Moved, because of the document's significance in the history of civilization. Disappointed because no mention was made of the deventating assault on the Bill of Rights in 1942 which demonstrated what a fragile document it is without the what a fragile document it is without the constant vigilance and support of the

constant vigilance and support of the people.

That vigilance and support vanished in the war hysteria that followed Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor. Ten weeks later the civil rights guaranteed by the Bill of Rights weresuspended for 120,000 members of a racial minority—two-thirds citizens by birth—by the signing of a presidential executive order. They were herded into detention camps without being accused of anything other than that they cused of anything other than that they

were of the same racial stock as the Japa-

nese enemy.

Few of their fellow citizens protested.

Few realized that when the rights of some are violated, the rights of all are endangered. That is the lesson the Philip Morris exhibit should have underscored, and failed to do. Instead, the exhibit focused simply or provided to the control of the cont

or reminding clizens what a precious docu-ment the Bill of Rights is.

But the reality is that the principles enunciated in the Bill of Rights are mean-ingless unless the people demand that they be applied. This did not happen in 1942.

For example:
The 5th Amendment states that no person shall be "deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law." Soldiers with beyonets, not due process, forced Japanese Americans from their homes and

Japanese Americans from their homes and into detention camps.

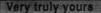
The 6th Amendment provides that "in all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial... and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation..."
It can be argued that "criminal prosecution" was not involved in the imprison-

ment of Japanese Americans. True, they were not charged with any crime. They were simply accused, en masse, of being a potential danger to the national security because of race. They were imprisoned without trail in an effort to thwart that potential danger, but at what violence to the Bill of Rights?

The 14th Amendment repeats the 5th Amendment's provision for "due process" and further provides that no person shall be denied 'the equal protection of the laws. The laws were not applied equally to an American minority that simply had a physical resemblance to the hated enemy. Some contend that guaranteed freedoms may have to be suspended temporarily in a

may have to be suspended temporarily in a national emergency, such as war, but the argument rings hollow when the suspen-sion is applied selectively on a racial basis as it was in 1942.

The freedoms embraced by the Bill of Rights are basic concepts but they are not simple. They are strongly idealistic but at the same time, frail without public understanding and determination to preserve See HOSOKAWA/page 5



By HARRY HONDA

As Warren went in '50s, so goes Thomas today

The hue and cry over Clarence Thomas to the U.S. Supreme Court is reminiscent of time President Dwight Eisenhower nominated Gov. Earl Warren to be chief justice of the high court in 1983. Chief Justice Fred Vinson had died a month before the court's 1983-84 term was to open and Warren was sworn into office when the court opened the first Monday in October. There was repercusion over the appointment.

To provide background to the times, Pacific Citizen ran stories about Sgt. Hiroshi Miyamura being released from the North Korean POW camp and being named for the Congressional Medal of Honor; Issei being naturalized around the country, and national JaCC. headquarters returning to San Francisco after a wartime decade in Salt Lake City. Erstwhile P.C. editor Larry Tajiri (Vagaries' column of Sept. 18, 1983) was the first Nisei to recall Warren's public record, especially the early years when he made "gill the noises of a professional Jap-baiter" as Alameds County district autorney (1925-1989), as California attorney general (1939-1989), as California attorney general (1939-1989), as California attorney general (1939-1943) and as governor (1943-1951) until the early period of anti-Japanese racism in California, the "yellow perli" and local politics that culminated in the demand for the mass evacuation and continued exclusion of persons of Japanese ancestry from the West evacuation and continued exclusion of per-sons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast. Warren was a politician of this school.

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There was a time when a suggestion that Earl Warren be appointed Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court would have been greeted with consternation by the Nisei, Tajiri commented. Mike Masaoka, in his Washington Newsletter, soon after Warren was sworn to the bench, similarly noted that the Nisei must have experienced mixed emotions. (Warren's) record, as it relates to the Japanese, ran the gamut as a public official: from one who was probably most responsible for influencing General John DeWitt's order for the arbitrary evacuation of all citizen and alien Japanese from the West Coast in 1942 to (being) the first governor to appoint a Nisei to the bench in 1953. (He was the late Judge John Aiso, who was named to a Los Angeles municipal court and retired in 1973 as an appellate court justice.)

Massoka hoped the appointment of Aiso represented the maturing of a once expedient politician into a statesman worthy of the chief justiceship. All signs indicate that.

In Tajiri's eye, the governor had aban-

In Tajiri's eye, the governor had abandoned his racist fervor in 1945 when the Army reopened the West Coast to evacuees. It is also possible that Gov. Warren's change-of-mind was forced by the forthright demonstration of loyalty on the part of the Nisei, particularly the well-publicized exploits of Nisei fighting men.

Whatever the reason, Gov. Warren's conduct in complying with the Army's decision to reopen the West Coast was statesmanip. He supported moves of former evacues of the state to regain their seniority and he has also signed other remedial legislation which benefited the evacues group. The governor's visit to Japan two years ago and his cordial reception of visiting Japanese are other evidence of change.

"Gov. Warren's qualifications, though lacking a judicial background, are far better than some of the appointments to the recent court, including those of Justices Burton, Minton and Clark."

The Pocific Citisen, in its Oct. 9, 1953, editorial, first noted Warren was born in 1891 in what soon became Little Tokyo, where Dai Ichi Gakuen stood through the prewar years. The P.C. reminded that neither Eisenhower been elected to a political office nor Warren sat on the bench although he was experienced in administration with a wide knowledge of the law. In this day and age of specialist, one is led to think specialist or technicians are, the only ones capable of handling a situation. As complex as society has become, we still cannot forget that we are human. At times we feel the age has become cluttered with specialists and technicians. They are so narrow in thinking that they forget the wider horizon of humanity. The appointment of Earl Warren recalls the days of the Founding Fathers who were imbued with the spirit that all men are created equal and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights. That was the oxtent of the JACL record when Warren became chief justice.



East Wind

BILL MARUTANI

'Illegal' workers in Japan

A BOUT SIXTEEN MONTHS ago,
Japan tightened its Immigration
Control Law to clamp down on illegal
aliens employed in Nippon. Among other
things, the revised law subjected employers to three years imprisonment or a fine
up to ¥2 million (about \$13,500 U.S.) if
convicted of hiring illegal aliens. Also
some 20,000 illegal workers, mostly
Bangladeshis and Pakistanis, fearing
harsh deportation measures, surrendered
to Japanese immigration authorities and
were deported to their native lands. Today, sixteen months later, both the various foreign embassies as well as the Japanese immigration authorities estimate ous foreign embassies as well as the Japa-nese immigration authorities estimate that there are some 100,000 illegals in Japan. With world-wide recession and the displacements caused by the Gulf War, the influx of illegal workers into

Japan continues.
CONSIDERING FILIPINO NA-TIONALS alone, the estimate by the Philippine Embassy in Tokyois 80-85,000 Philippine nationals in Japan, which in-cludes illegals. The Japanese Ministry of Justice's official figure for 1990 for Filipi-nos is about half of that figure, at 43,374. Women illegals from the Philippines and Thailand reportedly often end up working in so-called "massage parlors" or as "enter-

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OTHER ESTIMATES for illegals in Japan: some 10,000 Iranians; Pakistanis 6,000 (official figure: 1,909). Some 30-50,000 Latin Americans of Japanese ancestry are also in Japan, but as legal entrants-indeed, on a preferential basis, one might say. For Japanese Latinos are granted long-term residency status. One such Latino who was a lieutenant in the police in Peru earns in Japan ten times what he earned back home. Many such Latinos reportedly work in auto manufacturing. Then there are foreign students who, under Japanese laws, are permitted to work up to 20 hours per week; not unexpectedly many work more hours than the 20 hour maximum.

ne 20 hour maximum.

THE AVERAGE STAY of these illegals
about three years and most work in
nall factories, restaurants and in con-

struction, earning about Y1,000 an hour.

Many live in extremely crowded conditions, as many as ten to an eight-tatami room. According to some prevailing custom in Japan of having to pay the landlord a "gift" for leasing accommodations, as much as Y100,000 may be charged (that's about \$ 700 U.S.) which is deducted from the illegal lange Archeogue of the lillegal lange. about \$ 700 U.S.) which is deducted from the illegal's pay. And because of the illegal's precarious status, (s) he is hardly in a position to register a complaint with any of the authorities. Indeed, fearful of being discovered, it is said that the illegals do not send savings to their homeland through banking facilities or even the mails; instead, they entrust monies to friends returning to their native country.

It is reported that many of these folks feel quite isolated. As one Iranian woman, fluent in both English and Japanese, expressed it: "The Japanese live to close physically and so far apart mentally." Also it is reported that some Japanese doctors refuse to treat these Asians.

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IF SOME OF THIS sounds a bit famil-



Music review

B.B., the beat, and the blues . . .

This summer, when B.B. played at the Lotus Festival, an Asian American celebration, audience

at the Louis restivai, an Asian American celebration, audience response was so positive that they were called back out for an encorre—the only baid to do so during this two-day event. B.B. explained that the band got its name because one of B.B.'s role models happens to be B.B. King, and although "buddah heads" is a term of endearment used mostly among Japanese Americans, he considered his non-Asian band members buddah heads too.

Among the bands repertoire was the song entitled "442" in refembrance of the most decorated unit in the United States army. He dedicated "Movin' Mountains" to his father, who had encouraged him to pursue his musical career.

him to pursue his musical career, despite what others had said. B.B. explained that in third grade his teacher had asked the class what they wanted to be when they grew

By Martha Nakagawa With a name like B.B. Chung King and the Screaming Buddah Heads, you may wonder just what sort of music this band plays. This is not your medio-cre wannabe Guns and Roses band— These musicians have talent.

The band combines the blues, a The band combines the blues, a predominately black music form, with hard rock, a format dominated mostly by white musicians. It is headed by Alan Mirikitani (B.B. Chung King), a Japanese American, who can play the guitar with an intensity and nession areas were at head of the production of the second production of the s play the guitar with an intensity and passion rarely seen on the Sunset Strip these days. He is joined by guitarist Bobby Schneck with whom B.B. harmonizes very well. Mike Stover is on bass, Ray Hernandez, on drums, and Kellie Rucker, on harmonica. Rucker, the 90 pound newest addition to the band, can blast her ungs blast her out on the harmonica, and new dimension to the band's ungs harmonica, and

parents won't think I am legitimate until my name gets in the P.C.

-B.B. Chung King

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when to be by content series.
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on Sunday, Oct. 13, 12:30 p.m. at Spenger's Fish Grotto, 1414-4th St., Berkeley. Reservations at \$12 (breast of Reservations at \$42 (breas or chicken or red snapper) per per-son will be taken until Cct. 4 by Yoshiro Tokiwa, 2859 Loyola Ave., Richmond, CA 94806. Chapter president Joanne Mukai will be emcee. Information: Tom Arima (510/525-9615).

St. Louis

Despite the cutdown to one weekend and a morning rain Sun-day, the 17th annual Japanese

HOSOKAWA

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One additional point. The 1st Amendment guarantees the right of the people "to petition the government for a redress of grievances." Many years after their imprisonment, Japanese Americas. Under their prodding Congress in 1988 passed a law calling for restitution and apology to Japanese Americans. It was signed by President Reagan. Less than a year ago President Reagan. Less than a year ago President Bush formalized the apology with a renewed commitment to the ideals of freedom, equality, and justice."

Thus a democracy demonstrated it could correct its errors.

Thus a democracy demonstration of the could correct its errors. This is the lesson that the Philip Morris exhibit should have brought to Americans. In glorifying the ideals, but ignoring the realities, the project fell short. It was glitzy and shallow, like so much of our divilization these days, a great opportunity to pro-



(from left to right): Mike Stover Bobby Schneck; Ray Hernandez.

up. B.B. answered that he wanted to be like Elvis Presley, and the whole class had laughed at him. During break, another kid came up to him and told him that "You can never be like Elvis Presley because you're a Jap.* Later, B.B. asked his father if he could ever be like Elvis Presley although he wasn't white. His father replied, Son, you can move mountains. n move them out to the s You can be what the hell you want

And B.B. is becoming exactly what he wanted to be. B.B. Chung King and the Screaming Buddah Heads has been playing to stand-ing room only crowds all across ing room only crowds all across Los Angeles, with ever-increasing fans from all ages and ethnic backgrounds. Recently they placed number I out of 1,500 contestants to win a Budweiser "Concert Series" sponsorship. Their song, "Miser Blues" (written with Floyd Dixon) has been featured on an episode of Midnight Caller, and there are talks of other possible NBC projects in the future. So why hasn't this band been

So why hasn't this band been igned with a major record label? signed with a major record label? Perhaps the executives in the music industry don't quite know what to do with a band that has a talented lead Japanese American musician who can sing, play, and write music. Or perhaps, as B.B. puts it, "my parents won't think I am legitimate until my name gets in the P.C."

festival at the Missouri Botanical Garden Aug. 3-4 united the JACLers to all pitch in for a com-mon cause—the local chapter, it was noted by chapter president Steve Mitori. Income was expected to down, but complaints were SanFernando Valley

As a preliminary bout with fac-ing the 50th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor come Dec. 7, there will be a chapter JACL oral history evening on Saturday, Oct. 19, 7:30 p.m., at the SFV Japanese American Community heard.

The festival co-chairpersons, Shawn Tiemeier and Ben Uyesato, who put in long hours before and during the event, "made our fundraiser a success," Mitori added. Also acknowledged in particular were the dedicated volunteers, the Osuwa Taiko group, Central California Kendo Federation, the San Francisco Taiko Dojo, and the traditional festival performers, Daido Gei, from Tokyo.

Nikkei on the West Coast and Hawaii who remember the dis-ruption and the hardship of the evacuation that followed are ex-pected to share their experiences in six groups: (1) life between Dec. 7 and the evacuation order, (2) life In az groups: (1) life oetween Dec. 7 and the evacuation order, (2) life in camp, (3) wartime resettlement after leaving camp, (4) G.I. experiences, (5) redress, and (6) Sansei-Yonsei perceptions. Wartime memorabilia and pictures are being requested for display. For information, call Phil Shigekuni (818/893-1581).

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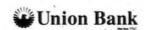
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children.

Pukunaga, Tatsumi, 79, Huntington Beach, Aug. 28; Kauai-born, survived by wife Shirue, daughters Keiko
Webb, Emiko Dubby (Orlando, Fla.),
grandchildren.

Webb, Emiko Dubby (Orlando, Fla.), grandchildren.
Fukuyama, Janet, 54, Los Angeles, Aug. 22, San Martin, Calif.-born, survived by husband Thomas, sons David, Keith, daughter Kris Minakawa, 11 brothers and sisters.
Goto, Takayuki, 71, Montobello, Aug. 21; Santa Ana-born, owner of Unique Flower Shop, survived by daughter Cheryl, Gall Lake (Whittier), son Kelly, brothers Toshi (Las Vegas), Ray (Culver City), sisters Masse Nomura, Mich Naruo, Echo (Los Angeles), 3 grandchildren.
Grace, Nobuko, 70, San Francisco, Aug. 3; Kanazawa-born imaster instructor of Puljimoto kai, survived by husband Robert, brothers Rye, Kohei.
Harrano, Massakhi, 74, Chicago, July 24; survived by wife Takeko, son Ross, daughter Cathy Anderson, sisters Sue Yamazaki, Tomi Sollen, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Miyazaki, Sueko, 79, Gardena, Aug. 22; Kauai-born, survived by daughters Jean Okazaki, Bessie Miyazaki, Susan Yamashiro, 3 grand-

Miyazaki, Susan I amasınırı, o graun-children. Morimoto, Clarence Y, 88, Los Angeles, Aug. 28; Kauai-born, survived by son Stanley, daughter Gioria Ige, 12 grandchildren, 13 great grand-chil-dren, brother Ben, aisters Yachi Uyenmo, Alko Rieda, Yuri Yamaguchi (all of Hawaii). Morimoto, Hiroshi, 72, Oxnard, Aug. 12; Los Angeles-born, survived by sons Shoji, Kamhiro, daughters Eriko Nishimori, Hanako, 3 grand-children, bruther and 3 sisters. Moerri, Tokio, 88, Torranco, Aug. 16; Kunamoto-born, survived by son Kunio, daughters Elico Arati, 4 grand-children, bruther Elico Arati, 4 grand-children, 4 great-grandchildren.

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Aug. 2; survived by sisters Sami, Nakanishi, Masashei Sam, 72, Mhite Bear Lake, Minn., Aug. 29; Los Angeles-born WWII veteran, survived by wife Yoneho, son Paul (St. Paul), Fred (Atlanta), Joe (Chicago), 3 grand-children, brothers Yasubei (San Gabriel, Calif.), Yohei (Diamond Bar), sisters-in-lew Kacaru Sunuki, Chieko Teragawa, Sachike Ende. Nakane, Shigewa, Sd. San Francisco, Aug. 25; Hawaii-born, survived by wife Shirou, son Rosa, daughter May. Nilyama, Shigewa, Sd. San Carlos, aug. 5; Stockno-born, survived by wife Karen, son Rosa, daughter Eris, parents Yakuchi and Ayako, brothers Minoru, Masaru, eister Tomiko Tanimasa.

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Hishima. Bilya, 72, Los Angeles,
Aug. 26; Stockton-born, survived by
husband Hideo, daughter-index Aug. 26; Stockton-born, survived by

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Yasuda, Bruce Akiye, 95, Monterey Park, Aug. 6; Pukushima-born naturalized U.S. citisin, survived by daughter Yee Yasuda, 4grandchidren (all in Japah).

Yasuhire, Tamotsu, 72, Los Angeles, Aug. 9; Brighton, Cole-born WWII veteran, member of AlMaiakah Shrine Temple and Royal Order of Jesters, survived by wife Lucy, brothers James Y (El Cerrito), George M. sieiser Hatsubo Tuda (San Mateo), Ruby Kawada (Honolulu).

Yokomi, Itsute, 81, Los Angeles, Aug. 28; Bowles-born, survived by wife Misako, sons Ted, Richard, daughter Jean Minami, 6 grandchildren, brother George, brother-in-law Massru Okamoto.

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Yorita, Fumio, \$8, Sesside, Aug.
26; Fowler-born, survived by wife
Toiniko, sons Steven, Ronald, 2 grand-children, brother Shigeto, sisters Toshie Kurokawa, brother-in-law John

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Yoshizaki, Akike, 45, Westminster, Aug. 5, Seshrock-born Sansei, survived by husband Tadao, son Scott, daughters Akike, Chiye, sisters-June Igarashi, Judy Matsushima, Helen Ando, sisters-in-law Judy Nakawatase, (San Jose), Elaine Kunihiro (Walnut Creek), brother-in-law Wayne Yoshiraki, parents-in-law Tadashi and Fumi Yoshiraki.
Yumori, Isamu, 71, Culver City, July 31; Imperial Valley-born 6th degree black belt judoist, 53-year amsteur radio operator, survived by wife Yukiko, sons Dr. Roy (Hawaii), Dr. Ronald (San Diego), Dr. Randali, 6 grandchildren, mother Shiho, brothers Ben, Osamu, sister Tsuyako Naruse (Utah).

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Evacuation for me was Tanforan and Topaz. Through the efforts of the National Japanese-American Student Pelocation Council (NSRC), I received a scholarship to Japanese-American Student Pelocation Council (NSRC), I received a scholarship to attend college. They arranged everything —entry into college, a place to live, and, most important, my exit from camp. As it turns out, this group, the NSRC, expedited the departure of all college—bound students from all relocation camps whether on scholarship or not. Without the NSRC's quiet and unselfish effor, I believe the post-WWII history of the JA's would be different. Today, in contrast to pre-war America, Nisei are represented in fields such as government, science, the arts, education, and the corporate world. In my eyes, this is a living testimonial to the contribution made to our society by the wartime NSRC program that helped us leave camp for a campus.

In-1980, a group of former NSRC beneficiaries formed the Nisei Student Relocation In 1990, a group of former NSING DEBETEARING TOTTLE STATES STATES AND A STATES OF THE STATES WITH THE STATES WITH THE STATES AND A STATES WITH THE STATES AND A S Americans get a college education the same way they were supported by the NSRC.

When the redress bill passed, this unexpected event created an opportunity for me to make a significant gesture towards all those who have helped me achieve some measure of success and to repay my debt to society. This redress money has given me the privilege to help unknown students go for their education just as I was helped by those unknown to me at the wartime NSRC. In so doing, I have great satisfaction in supporting a legacy born out of our traumatic wartime experience of evacuation which is a permanent national educational foundation bearing the name, Nisei Student Relocation permanent national educational foundation bearing the name, Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund. What better legacy can any of us evacuees leave than this? If you are of like mind, will you consider supporting this effort with a portion of your redress

Sincerely,

Yutaka Kobayashi

P.S. If you wish, a named scholarship fund to honor a person of your choosing may be established with a gift of \$2,000 or more.

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