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Redress ro

in many White House policies regarding Asian Americans—most recently the \$250 million budget request for redress payment.

Special to the Pacific Citizen
WASHINGTON—Bushadministration insiders give two Asian
American women a large part of
the credit for heightening White
House concerns about Asian
American issues, the latest being
the \$250 million budget request
for redress payments.

the \$250 million budget request for redress payments.

The two are Patricia Saiki, director of the Small Business Administration (SBA) and former Congresswoman from Hawaii, and Taiwan-born Elatine L. Chao, director of the Peace Corps. Chao is former chairwoman of the Pederal Maritime Commission and former deputy secretary of the

eral Maritime Commission and former deputy secretary of the Department of Transportation.

In preparing its budget the Justice Department, responsible for the redress program, consulted Sight. She confirmed that estimates of the number of surviving evacues had been too low and as a matter of simple justice money was needed to complete redress

payments as quickly as possible.
Despite heavy pressure to reduce government spending, the full request of \$250 million for redress payments was included in the \$1.5 trillion budget presented to Congress for the next fiscal year.

However, inclusion of an item in my administration studget is only the first step toward an appropriation. Congress has the final word on what funds will be provided and observers are uncertain about the fate of the redress request.

request.
Saiki is consulted regularly by
the White House staff on Asian
American matters. Last December she was in the presidential
party with Bush on his Air Force
One flight to the Peach Harbor
memorial ceremonies Asked to review Bush's speeches before they were delivered in Hawaii, she was able to correct some unintended

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DAYOFREMEMBRANCE

For the Japanese American community, 1992 marks the 50th anniversary of Ex-ecutive Order 9066 that forced the relocation and internment of more than 120,000 Japanese Americans into camps across the country. To commemorate that event and the internment experience, JACL and other organizations have sched-uled a variety of events, exhibits, symposia, entertain-ment, and other activities throughout the year. Pacific Citizen provides this partial calendar of the many Nikkei and non-Nikkei organizations sponsoring the various Day of Remembrance (DOR) programs.

Through Saturday, Feb.15 SAN FRANCISCO—'Images Be-hind Barbed Wire' (camp art ex-hibit), JCCCNC, 1840 Sutter St. hibit), JCCCN((415) 567-5505.

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Monday, Feb. 10-Friday, Feb.21
SAN FRANCISCO— Children of
Detention Camps 1942-46 (exhibit).
City Hall. National Japanese American
Historical Society, (415) 431-

5007.

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(503) 889-5493.
Seturday, Feb. 15
LOS ANGELES—Japanese
American Internment D.o.R. pro-gram, Japan America Theatre: 10
a.m.-Interfaith Program, 11:30
a.m.,NCRR Retrospective; 8 pm.,
Cultural Tribute: Night of Remembrance, (musicians, artists, dancers, DOR Band) \$20 orchestra,

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HISTORY—Among the many events commemorating the internment experience will be the film Manzanar, scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 16, and Saturday, Feb. 22, in Los Angeles.

JACL nominations for offices open

SAN FRANCISCO-Looking

SAN FRANCISCO—Looking ahead to Denver and its national convention, the JACL announced opening of nominations for national office positions.

Nominations are being accepted for the following elected positions: national president; vice president, public affairs; vice president, membership services/1000 Club; and secretary/treasurer. The national youth representative, elected by the National Youth Council at each biennial convention, also serve as national officers.

Elections will be held during

officers.

Elections will be held during the JACL national convention, scheduled Aug. 3-8, 1992, in Denver. Candidates for national office must attend the JACL national

convention.

Official nomination forms and campaign guidelines are available through the national JACL head-quarters. Forms must be completed and postmarked no later than May 1, 1992, and submitted to: Nominations Committee, continual JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St. San Francisco, CA. 94115-3297.

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'Buy America' controversy hits San Francisco

SANFRANCISCO-AsinLos SANFRANCISCO—Asin Los Angeles, the Juy American fer-vor has caight up with San Francisco's Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) rail system. According to the San Fran-cisco Chronicle, BART officials have to decide whether to favor

the American company Morrison Knudsen over Japa-nese bidders. Morrison Knudsen was the only American bidder in the Los Angeles Transporta-tion Commission's controversial decision to cancel the contract with Sumitomo Corp. of America to provide driverless However, unlike in Los Angeles, because the BART cars will be partially funded with federal money, 55 to 60 percent of each

car has to be American-made, according to Richard White, BART deputy general manager. BART wants to initially or-der 50 cars at a cost of more than \$2 million with an option

than \$2 million with an option to buy 200 more.

BART Director Michael Bernick said, 'I am getting the same reaction from my constituents and labor leaders in San Francisco. They want to know

why we can't find an American irm." Bernick added that defirm." Bernick added that despite growing pressure to contract with an American company, BART's obligations are to get the best deal for the public, and this means the best rail cars in terms of reliability, safety, and price."

In March, the members of the BART board are expected to approve a company following secret bidding and based on recommendations by BART staff. The two BART bidders from Japan are Kinki Shayro/Citoh and Kawasaki/Mitsui.

Murders started out as military game, teen says

PHOENIX—The brutal slayings of nine people Aug. 10, 1991, at the Wat Promkunaram temple started as a game of military strategy, according to statements made to police Ay a 17-year-old charged with nine counts of first degree murder.

nurder.
According to the Phoenix Gesette, the teen-ager, along with three other youths, went to the temple to try to breach the sensor security system. But robbery became a motive as the group,

clothed in paramilitary gear, rounded up the monks and ransacked the living quarters. The
incident turned violent after one
of the intruders was recognized
by novice monk, Matthew Miller.
"It was supposed to be a joke...
that went downhill," the teen reportedly told Maricopa County
police during questioning into his
involvement.
Court hearings began Jan. 27
to determine if the 17-year-old
was to stand trial for the mur-

ders. Defense attorney Peter Balkan claims that the teen was coerced and given promises of confidentiality during interrogation. Assecond youth, who is 16-yearsold, awaits determination whether he will stand trial on the charges. His hearing begins Feb. 25.

Earlier, the charges against four men arrested in the case were dismissed because of insufficient evidence. A number of them filled suits claiming that their confessions were coarced by the police.

Study: Few television roles for minorities

Minorities, including Asians, are nearly invisible on television. That's the conclusion of the Media Image Coalition of Minorities and Women (MIC) in its study evaluating. the portrayal of minorities during one week of the current prime time network television season. son.

vision season.

The MIC study, conducted the week of Oct. 28 through Nov. 3, found that Asians, Latinos, Arab Americans, Native Americans, people with physical and mental disabilities, gays and lesbians were extremely under-represented in TV programming.

At a scheduled announcement of the findings Feb. 7, MIC called on network executives and televi-sion producers to develop pro-grams that better reflect the di-versity of people who make up the American scene today.

The MIC is a coalition of professional media organizations, unions, civil rights groups, academicians and concerned individuals formed in association with the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations.

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Colorado

Denver

Aug. 3-8, 1992—JACL's 32nd Biennial National Convention, "JACL: Solid as the Rockies," Information: Denver. Information: 3 892-6003.San Francisco area

Brighton

Feb. 1-Mar. 31—"Kenjiro Nomura: An Artist's View of the Japanese American Internment," will/be at the Adams County Historical Society in Brighton. Catalog available. Information: Patricia Erger 303/659-7103.

Utah

Salt Lake City

Saturday, March 21, annual meeting of the National JACL Credit Union, 999 South Main, Salt Lake City, 6 p.m., cocktails, dinner, 6:30 p.m. Business meeting and Crty, 6 p.m., cocktails, dinner, 6:30 p.m. Business meeting and elections. Tickets: \$10, advanced reservations, members; \$12, non-members; \$15 at the door. Information:801/355-8040;800/ 544-8828

Arizona

Phoenix

Saturday-Sunday, Feb. 22-23— MATSURI—A Festival of Japan, Heritage Square, 11 am-4:30 pm, 7th St. and Monroe. Arts and cr food and performances. Free admission. Information: 602-534-

Friday-Seturday, May 15-17, 53rd Infantry Association's 32nd annual reunion, Safari Resort, Scottsdale, Information: Joe Allman. 602/942-2832.

California

San Francisco Area

Tuesday, Feb. 14-Yu-Ai Kai's Nikkei Forum, 7:30 p.m., at Yu-Ai Kai565 N. 5th St., Sán Jose, 95112. Forum will focus on memory loss. Information: 408/294-2505.

Sunday, Feb. 16—Peninsula Widowed Group meeting; speaker: Noell Kubota on "Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care; 2 p.m., San Mateo JACL Community Center, 415 South Claremont St., San Mateo. Information: 415/343-

Saturday, Feb. 29—Chab and Spaghetti feast, Sequoia Chapter, JACL, 5to 8p.m., Paio Alto Boddhist Hall Gym, 2751 Louis Road, Pal Alto. Donation: 515. Information: Tats Hori, 415/948-6575; Al Nakai, 415/322-6125; Aki Yamamoto, 415/ 965-0671

Sunday, Mar. 1—The Nisel Widowed Group will hold its monthly meeting 2-4 pm. New members welcome. Information: Elsie Uyeda Chung (S.F.) 415/221-0268 or Yuri Moriwaki (E.B.) 510/482-3280)

Fri.-Sun., Sept. 4-6—All Topaz 50th Reunion, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Burlingame. Cost: \$100, \$115 for reservations after May 15. Information: Tomi Gyotoku, 826 38th Ave., San Francisco 94121.

Saturday, Feb. 15—Day of Remembrance, sponsored by National Coalition for Redress/ Reparations, 2-4 p.m., Japanese Cultural & Community Center of Northern California, 1840 Sutter St., San Francisco: Speakers: Rep. Norm Mineta, ORA official; entertainment, exhibits. Information: 415/922-1534.

San Jose

Sat.-Sun., Feb. 29-Mar. 1— West Valley JACL young group, "The Next Generation" is hosting a coed volleyball tournament at San coed voleyball tournament at San Jose State University, Tournament is a benefit-fundraiser for the West Valley JACL Seniors Club. Cost: \$100 per team. JACL teams will have priority if registration received by Feb. 8. Tournament welcomes those with limited volleyball experience. Prizes awarded. Information: Mike Yoshidaday: 415/ 691-6479, eve: 408/296-3211.

Fresno

Wednesday, Feb. 19— Dedication of California State Historical Landmark, Fresno District Fairgrounds. Landmark morates Fresno Assembly Center. Program and speakers. Information: Dale Ikeda, 209/226-6484, or Mas Masumoto, 209/834-

July 31-Aug. 2, 1992—50th Anniversary Canal Camp Reunion, Fresno, Calif. Information: James Yamamoto: 2253 S. Temperance, Fresno, 93725, 209/264-7924 or Yo Misaki, 8126 S. Bethel, Selma, Ca. 93662, 209/896-2605.

Los Angeles

Sunday, Feb. 9—The Nikkei Widowed Group is having their annual Valentine Luncheon from armual valentine Luncheon from 1:30 pm. at the JACOC, 244 S. San Pedro St., Rm. 4B. Pot luck to be prepared by the men. New members welcome! Information: Jim Oka 213/ 327-8684 or Geri Oda 213/327-

Saturday, Feb. 15— and lelight memorial tribute to thos 15-A Saturday, Feb. 19—A candleight memorial tribute to those incarcerated and those who passed away in camp will be held from 5 pm. to 6 pm. at JACCC Plaza. Ceremony will include a procession through Little Tokyo.

Monday, Feb. 10—The apanese American Republicans is holding a general membership meeting with guest speaker Judge Rafael Galceran at the NBC Seafood Restaurant 404-A S. Atlantic Blvd. in Monterey Park. Information: Alvin Kusumoto 310 428-5369 evening, Kay Higashi 818/ 337-5707, Norma Tazoi 714/532-

Saturday, Feb. 22-Marina JACL is having a garage sale 6141 W. 76th St. L.A. in Westchester, 7 -2 p.m. Information: Alice Mito

Thursday, Feb. 27—The Asian Business League of Southern California will be holding its Winter California will be nobling its Winter Open House, 6:30 p.m., City Club on Bunker Hill, 333 S. Grand Ave., Ste. 5450, Wells Fargo Center, Los Angeles 90071: Admission \$6 members, \$10 non-members. Information: Naomi Kuromoto 213/ 626-5837 or Bridget Chi 213/380-

Saturday, Feb. 29 Installation dinner. Japanese American Historical Society of Southern California, 6:30 p.m., Holiday Inn, Torrance Gateway. Reservations: 210,236,260 310/326-0608

Thursday, March 5—Marina JACL general meeting and potluck, 7:30 p.m., Burton Chace Park, Marina Del Rey, Guest speaker: Isaac Hirano, "Investment Vehicles." Information: Alice Mito Vehicles." Into 310/324-0582.

Saturday, March 14 Improving planning and funding skills workshop for new and workshop for new developingAsian no non-profit organizations, sponsored by The Gast Company and the Asian Pacific Planning Council, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.; \$10 per person, including lunch, American Red Cross, 2700 WilshireBlvd, Information: 213/680

Sunday, March 29—E. San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center presents its 4th annual Spring Fling benefit dance, 7:30 p.m., E. San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center, 1203 W. Puente Ave., West Covina. Door prizes. Donation: \$10. Information: 818/960-2566 between 9 a.m.-noon Tues.-Fri. for table reservations (10 or more).

2nd and 4th Fridays, Every Month—The Legal Aid Founda-tion's legal clinic, Little Tokyo Service Center, 244 S. San Pedro St., Suite 411, 4to 6 p.m. Japanese language services available. Information: 213/680-3729.

Orange County

Saturday, March 28, So-Phil of Orange County annual fashion show luncheon, Anaheim Hilton and Towers. Charity event features fashion consultant Lois* O'Hern. Tickets: Arlene Ito, 714/531-2868.

Sacramento

Seturday, Feb. 22—9th Annual Crab Feed, 7235 Pritchard Road, Florin Y.B.A. Hall \$20 per person, cocktails, 5 pm. Information: 916/ cocktails, 383-1831.

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In his speech at the Arizona Memorial, Bush said he felt remorseful for those in America who were interned by their own country because of their Japanese ancestry and apologized for "the great injustice" done them.

However, Saiki credits Grant Ujifusa, Sansei senior editor at the Reader's Digest, for persuading Bush's speech writers to include recognition of Nisei in the U.S. military intelligence in the president's Punch Bowl National Cemetary speech.

Saiki's service in Congress also gives her access to decision-makers on the Hill. She is consulted regularly on Asian community affairs in the Domestic Policy

Council. In addition, administra-tion leaders know that Saiki as director of the Small Business Ad-ministration is a conduit between the government and Asian Ameri-can businessmen.

Chao is considered one Washington's more remarkable women. She came to the United women. She came to the United States at age 8, earned degrees from Mt. Holyoke College and Harvard Business School and was named a White House Fellow in 1963. She worked for Citicorp in New York and Bankamerica in San Francisco. In 1986 she was asked to return to Washington to serve as a financial troubleshooter in the Maritime Commission and her skills quickly became evident. She was named one of 10 Outstanding Women of America in 1988. Her presence in the Bush ad-

ministration, Chao says, heightens the government's sensitivity to Asian American concerns. "I try to help behind the scenes on these issues," she told an interthese issues," she told an inter-viewer. Tim very much concerned with basic issues like equality and justice. Of course, I'm deeply in-terested in redress and my con-nections with the White House may result in the matters I sup-port getting a little higher on the pile of business that needs to be addressed."

Chao urges Asian Americans, particularly women, to become involved in community affairs. "There are rich opportunities for service," she says, and we have a responsibility to become more ac-

CONVENTION

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The following are a listing of awards to be handed out at the JACL National Conventien:

George J. Inagaki Chapter Citizenship Award—Established in 1968 in honor of George Lagaski, a past National JACL president, the nurrose of this award is to the purpose of this award is to recognize JACL chapters that parrecognize JACL chapters that par-ticipate in social, civic, educa-tional, environmental, or legisla-tive activities, which result in the betterment of society as a whole. The awards are as follows: \$500 to the winning chapter, and an honorable mention award of \$400. All chapters are encouraged to submit applications. © Edison Uno Memorial Civil

● Edison Uno Memorial Civil Rights Award—Named after the late Edison Uno, a strong and vo-cal advocate of human and civil rights, the civil rights award was established at the JACL 29th bi-ennial National Convention. Pre-

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sented to a national civil rights organization or to individuals for outstanding activities or leadership in the field of civil rights, the 1990 recipient of this award was Ralph Neas, executive director of the Leadership Conference for Civil Rights, an umbrella civil rights group based in Washington, D.C.

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with input from its respective chapters, may nominate one can-didate; the nomination, however

didate; the nomination, noweer is not limited to the geographical area of the District Council.

• JACL/ER of the Biennium—
The recipient of this award is a JACL member who has done the most for the strength and growth of the national organization during the property of the patients of the strength and growth of the national organization during the patients of the national organization dur-ing the past biennium (1990-1992). The recipient receives an inscribed gold medallion and special scroll

While the National JACL Awards and Recognitions Com-mittee makes recommendations for the award, the final selection is determined by the National JACL Board. Further, the Na-

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Selection for this award is based on the following criteria:

1. All nominations shall be submitted on a JACL form, together with a supportive JACL sponsoring chapter recommendation, photograph, etc., to your District Governor or District Council Awards and Recognitions chairperson, and then on to the National JACL/Awards Recognition Committee.

2. Nominees shall have made outstanding contributions to the

outstanding contributions to the strength and growth of the JACL during the past biennium (1990-

3. Such contributions at a na-tional, district and chapter levelsare to be consistent with the purposes of the JACL.



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4. Any JACL chapter may submit more than one nominee at the district level. Each District Coun-cil may submit up to three nomi-nees and a ranking of them; if so desired, to the National Awards/ Recognition Committee for final determination by the National

5. Nominations shall be open to all JACL members, except for members of the National JACL Executive Committee (National President, National Vice Presi-dents, Secretary/ Treasurer, Governor's Caucus Chairperson and the National Youth 5. Nominations shall be open to and the Na Council Chair).

Council Chair).

6. For the purposes of administrative action, nominations for this award must be postmarked no later than May 1, 1992.

• Japanese American of the Biennium—The Japanese American of the Biennium Award, the highest public award of the National JACL, is presented to individuals whose achievements in various fields of endeavor have received fields of endeavor have received regional, national or international recognition, and whose contributions have added to the sum of human knowledge and/or en-hanced the quality of life in our

society. Since 1950, the National JACL has recognized outstanding Americans of Japanese ancestry at each biennial national convention. An engraved gold medallion

and personalized scroll citation will be awarded to at least one, and up to three individuals, in recognition of distinguished vement or community lead-

ership.
Candidates may be from any of the 50 states and its territories. A candidate need not be a member of the JACL. Key consideration will be given to the extent to which the candidate's contributions or achievments have made an impact upon society and/or influ-enced-an area of American life.

Nominations may be submitted from chapters, districts or by an individual JACL member with appropriate documentation. Nominations should be accompa-nied by a statement, not more than one-typed page, from the nominator stating:

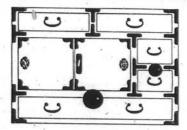
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 Particular reference as to how the nominator feel the individual fulfilled the award criteria. There should be no more than five supporting letters. The nominee must be consulted prior to the must be consulted prior to the submission of the nomination to avoid any withdrawals during the section process. Past recipients include Daniel K. Inouye (1960), Ellison Onizuka (1986), and Prof. Ronald Takaki, Congressman Robert Matsui, and Steven Okazāki (1990).

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Opinions



From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

Thousand Club 'Whing Dings'

Frank Sakamoto, retired optometrist and JACL loyalist, was in town re-cently to enjoy the company of his grand-children and to seek respite from the weather of Chicago where he lives. He suc-ceeded in both, but he also had something else on his mind.

That would be the traditional Thousand Club Whing Ding. Sakamoto is making a pitch for giving it a prominent part-in the national JACL convention to be held in Denver this coming summer.

On the assumption that both Thousand-Club and Whing Ding may not be familiar, let me give you some background.

Back during the war, when JACL was much smaller and more hard up than it is now, there were times when Treasurer Hito Okada didn't know how he was going to pay the rent and phone bill, let alone what was laughingly referred to salaries.

A call for help went out. About a hundred faithful members signed up for what was called the Buck a Month Club. They donated what they could, as little as 25 cents a month, to help keep national JACL head-

quarters affoat. The contribution of a quar ter made sense because postage was only 3 cents back then. The membership grew to several hundred, including many servicemen who set aside a dollar from their monthly \$21 checks.

I refer now to the book "JACL in Quest of ustice" to tell the story of the Thousand

"In 1950, about the time JACL was experiencing some of its greatest legislative triumphs, there wasn't enough money in the treasury to pay the staff. Paychecks hadn't been issued for three months. It was hadn't been issued for three months. It was at a district convention in Pocatello that Hito Okada, by then national president, came up with the idea for what was to become the Thousand Glub. The objective was to persuade each of 1,000 members to contribute \$25 annually, providing the na-tional organization with a dependable \$25,000 for operating expenses."

Good idea but philanthropists were hard to come by. It took nearly 10 years to sign up 1,000 members. Today there are more than 2,700 members, and the minimum contri-

bution is \$60.

One benefit from membership was a party at national JACL conventions. These were at national JACL conventions. These were fun affairs when serious concerns were set aside for an evening of good food and levity, mostly of the cornball variety. George Inagaki, as "Callahan," with phoney mustache, derby hat and arm garters, presided over a Thousand Club column in Pacific Citizen. Today, I'm afraid, someone would be offended by what would be criticized as insensitive stereotyping.

insensitive stereotyping.

Harold Gordon, a Chicago attorney and JACL member who had served in naval intelligence during the war, is credited with naming the 1,000 Club party a Whing Ding. His banjo playing was a feature of Whing Dings for many years. I'm not sure how Whing Ding came to be spelled that way, but my Webster says a "wingding" is a wild or lively or lavish party.

That's what Whing Dings were. They were a welcome way to relax when Nisei were younger and livelier. I wish Frank Sakamoto much success in his campaign to restore Whing Dings to their one-time glory.

Letters

PC letter policy

Letters should be brief and are subject to editing. Please sign your letter but make sure we are able to read your name, include mailing address and tele-phone number. You may tax letters to 213:656-8213 or mail them to Letters to the Editor, Pacific Citizen, 701 E. 3rd St., Ste. 201, Los Angeles, Calif. 90013.

Praise for Honor Roll

You are to be highly commended for your publication of 10 pages of approximately 13,000 Japanese American, Korean American and Caucasian names containing commingled living and deceased names and titled "Vest Honor Roll."

Today, thanks to the Pacific Citizen and the National Japanese American Citizen League, the 100th/42/nd/MIS World War II Memorial Foundation (100/44/nd/MISM.F.)

concept is correctly and prominently titled as a "Vets Honor Roll." The 100/442/MIS M.F. announces that it

is a producer of projects, one of which is the aforementioned "Vets Honor Roll."

aforementioned "Vets Honor Roll."

An Honor Roll is donated gratis by grateful citizens i.e. (group, city, county, state or nation) to honor its veterans, living and deceased. It is usually placed in a prominent place of honor, easily viewed by many but not to be confused with a memorial. The honorese (veterans) are not asked to solicit funds nor are they asked to contribute towards their shrine of honor. The veterans are not placed in a position of self-aggrandizement nor elitism. It is done for them by others who wish to bestow honor, uraise and others who wish to bestow honor, praise and gratitude to the veterans. The loyalty, pa-triotism, and self-sacrifice for their fellow triousm, and seit-sacrince for their fellow citizens as veterans, places one on the Honor Roll. Under these circumstances, perhaps many veterans will consent to have their names on this new 'Vets Honor Roll,' away from the First Street North Memorial Monu-ment site reserved for those who made the

from the First Street North Memorial Monument site reserved for those who made the lupreme sacrifice.

The majority of Japanese American veterans prefer that the "Vete Honor Roll" be exhibited in the Japanese American National Museum (JANM). This can be a joint venture of all concerned. A photograph and military biography of each veterans a deemed by the JANM and veterans organizations can be placed in a memory bank; easily retrieved by anyone on a computer screen. The Pacific Citizen and other media could help publicize such an endeavor.

We are most grateful to the Pacific Citizen, Editorial Board, for clarification, edification and publishing the "Vets Honor Roll."

It is truly a wonderful, compassionate compromise. We can now move forward as comrades and friends proceed forward on to other future projects.

Please join us in forming a coalition of organizations and individuals to develop funding and construction of a Japanese American Veterans' Memorial. We wish to cooperate with the City of Los Angeles, Barker-Patrinely Development Corporation and all others concerned with the First Street North Plaza Project. We shall announce our first organizational meeting very shortly.

shortly.

Robert Hayamizu

Chairman, NVCC Memorial Committee

Robert Wada

Chairman, Concerned JA Korean War Vets

Sam Shimoguchi President, Venice-Culver JACL

Editor's note: The 10 pages of veterans' names were paid for by the 100th/442nd MISMemorial Foundation.

Defending Hosokawa

In your Jan. 24, 1992 issue of the PC, Paul H. Ito wrote a letter criticizing Bill Hosokawa for his PC column of Nov. 29, 1991 praising the U.S. Military Intelligence Language School launched 50 years ago by four Nisei instructors.

School launched 50 years ago by four Nisei instructors.

Writer Ito stated that Hosokawa had scoffed at the book Yankee Samurai written by the late Joe Harrington as analogous to a telephone book according to some veterans interviewed by Ito.

Hosokawa does not need any protectors but as one of the three national officers of the Pettigrew Press the publisher of the documentary book Yankee Samurai along with Harrington and Shig Kihara, former MIS instructor, we know that some readers had compained that the book contained too many names of people interviewed by Harrington.

Unlike the well-known 442nd Regimental

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Guest editorial

By YUKIO MATSUYAMA

Freedom on trial

America's moral deterioration is a favorite topic in Japan. The author of this editorial, the former chairman of the editorial board of the Asahi Shimbun and a distinguished visiting fellow of Harvard university, describes the self-indulgence, declining standard of living and faltering work ethic of America.

American society is in trouble. That's my first impression as a visiting fellow at Harvard University, where I'm pondering changes in Japan-U.S. relations in the post-

changes in Japan-U.S. relations in the post-war era. Japan, plagued by financial scan-dals, is in pretty bad shape, too.

On a recent taxi ride from downtown Boston to the suburbs, I thought that the driver was going a bit fast and talking a bit much. When I paid the fare, I was shaken to smell liquor on his breath.

smell aduor on his breath.
Having traveled across the Pacific doz-lens of times in the past 30 years, I consid-ered myself fairly well-informed about the United States. But now that I am ensconced here again, I often feel that America is a less convenient and pleasant place to live than it used to be. Efficiency, service and courtesy have drastically declined. Unemployment, homelessness, crime and

Unemployment, homelessness, crime and drug use are rampant. In Cambridge many people ignore traffic signals, while in New York 6 percent of subway passengers reportedly jump the turnstiles and ride without paying.

out paying.

A Massachusetts locksmith told me that the recession was keeping him so busy that he didn't have time to turn around. Compa-

ondard of living and follering work of nies change all their locks when they lay off workers, he said. "Otherwise, former employees would use their keys to sneak in." There is something wrong with a country that extols "justice" in the Middle East and a "New World Order" but cannot maintain law and order within its own borders.

Despite victories in the Cold War and the Persian Gulf, Americans look dispirited and drawn. It's as if they had survived two serious operations but their blood pressure and cholesterol count were higher than ever. The national mood is a far cry from the exuberance I remember so well after the 1961 Cuban missile crisis.

Of course, the majority of Americans are cheerful, honest and open. They have many qualities worthy of emulation. But I can't understand how these wonderful people have let their country go to the dogs.

The American ideal of freedom has been perverted into "me-ism." Freedom can degenerate into irresponsibility and self-indulgence. Aware of this danger, Benjamin Franklin preached the virtues of diligence and discipline. "Early to bed and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy, and wise," he wrote.

Former New York Times columnist James Reston recently said he had come to appre-ciate the word "modesty." He seemed to be expressing the second thoughts many Americans are having about the excesses of Americans are their society.

Triumphant over fascism and commu-nism, the United States has yet to find the happy medium at home between individual rights and the public interest. A kind of Gresham's Law seems to be at work: the bad money of me-ism is driving out the good

bad money of me-ism is driving out the good currency of freedom.

To prevent liberty from turning into li-cense, Americans must at least restrict gun ownership and curb drug use. Surely Miss Liberty wouldn't object.

Liberty wouldn't object.

Japanese have no grounds for smug complacency, either. Although American managers envy the educational level and skills of our work force, there are ominous signs of trouble ahead. The younger generation, for example, turn up their noses at bluecollar jobs.

jobs.
The endless scandals of recent years show that Japanese politicians and businessmen
See FREEDOM/page 6



B.B. Chung King—risin' and rockin'

By MARTHA NAKAGAWA

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Special to the Pacific Citzen
As usual, B.B. Chung King and
the Screaming Buddah Heads
(BBCK & SBH) played to a standing-room-only crowd at the Roxy,
and no matter how many times
you hear them play, their act
times straight at you with high jumps straight at you with high rolling intensity. Each song is at-tacked with a fresh approach, and the band only gets better and

tighter.

Not only are fans flocking to their jam sessions, but so are an array of celebrities ranging from members of Guns N' Roses, Toto, Poison, Utopia, and most recently Hurricane. Hmmm... you wonder why the music executives haven't their je d into this talent that's rippin' chu

up Southern California.
Currently, they just finished a new video for their song, "Little Miss Lover," with a cameo appearance by Lou Diamond pearance by Lou Diamond Phillips. This spring another of B.B.'s songs, "Keep It To Your-self," will be featured in a Paramount Pictures' release "My Cousin Vinnie," starring Joe Pesci and Ralph Macchio.

and Ralph Macchio.

A short film, "Face Off," which is now under consideration for an Academy Award, features three of B.B.'s songs. The script evolved after the producer heard B.B.'s "Oneday This World Will Be "Oneday This World Kind," and the film is bas Kind," and the film is based around this simple yet powerfully inspirational song. When asked how Alan Miri-



LAN MIRIKITANI

kitani, the lead vocalist/gutarissongwriter of the band creates his music, he replied "I-write what I feel and from my experience." One particular song, "Government Language of the lead kitani, the lead vocalist/guitarist/ jeel and from my experience. One particular song, "Government Man," relates to his Japanese American heritage and the injustices of the internment camps during World War II.

As with many Nisei people, B.B.'s parents did not want to talk about their experiences in the in-ternment camps. His father's re-sponse was that it happened, they dealt with it, and it's time to move on. Never satisfied with such an answer, B.B. wrote "Government Man" which is a song that asks questions that the Nisei probably

er had a chance to ask openly and that the Sansei must pursue because, as he adds, "It could hap-

en again." Has B.B. ever been discours Has B.B. ever been discouraged because he is one of the few, if not the only, lead Asian American bluestrock n' roller currently in existence? As B.B. puts it, "If you believe in what you do and work hard at it, it'll happen."

A word of advice B.B. gives to Asian American and to exercise.

Asian Americans and to every in general pursuing music or other forms of art is "Do what you feel and be who you are. Have your eed and be who you are. Have your culture and appreciate your back-ground, but if you like rock music, play rock music. If you like blues, play the blues. If you like country western, play country western. Just keep at it. And as their song says, "oneday this world will be kind."

BBCK & SBH are Alan Mirikitani, lead vocals and gui-tar; Bobby Schneck, guitar and vocals; Mike Stover, bass; Ray Hernandez, drums; and Kellie Cotton, harmonica and vocals.

WHAT: Bud Dry Concert Series. WHO: B.B. Chung King and the Screaming Buddah Heads. WHEN: Saturday, February 22,

1992 (3rd year anniversary as a

WHERE: FM Station, 11702 Victory Blvd., No. Hollywood, Calif. INFORMATION: FM Station, 818/ 769-2220

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Agenda

Nikkei story unfolds at San Gabriel Center meeting

By HARRY HONDA

WEST COVINA, Calif. — Two personalities long associated with the San Gabriel Valley Japanese American community, Hazel Roberts and Kinu Yamashita, were sentimental favorites of Nisei pioneer Yoshio Sogioka of Chino, in his reflections of the Nikkei story covering the eastern side of Los Angeles County. He and Chiye Taniguchi of West Covina spoke of the 1920 '30s era and the role of Baldwin Park Japanese Language School at the annual installation dinner of East San Gabriel Valley WEST COVINA, Calif. - Two dinner of East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center Jan. 11 at Reuben's Restaurant.

Lillian Nishihara, program chair, said, "The time has come for the Nisei to pass on their

for the Nisei to pass on their stories to the younger Sansei and Yonsei generations."

And reflecting on the recent years, Fred Oda and Paul Imahara focused on how the center was established prewar at Sunset and Service Ave., adjacent to the San Service Ave., adjacent to the San Bernardino Freeway in what is today the West Covina Mall area. Issei had raised funds in 1936 to erect a school house on a plot of farmland donated by Eijiro

Sogioka recalled that Hazel Roberts, who founded the Cherry Roberts, who founded the Cherry Blossoms Girls Reserves in the late 1920s, was a staunch hakujin friend of the Nikkei during the war years. She was entrusted with a power of attorney to keep the Baldwin Park Japanese Language School intact. The school was leased to the West Covina school district during WWII to assure against vandalism.

Sogioka added, "The center could not have been revived without Hazel. She was like our second mother. During the war, she

was called a 'Jap-lover,' even by her friends at church."

A Plaque for Benefactors

The names of Roberts and Yamsshita, the Pomona Issei pio-neer who taught at the gakuen, should be emblazened in a proper way as benefactors at the center, Sogioka suggested. Both are resi-dents at the La Verne Convales-cent Home.

What might have been noted at this point were the nearby Santa Anita and Pomona Race Tracks, which were used as a first-stage which were used as a ITSI-STARY
internment center for persons of
Japanese ancestry in 1942. The
new daily publication for thoroughbred racing, Racing Times,
recalled in its Dec. 7, 1991, issue
with historic photos that "Racing
to 50 years are." went to war, too, 50 years ago."
And a history professor in Oklahoma is writing a book on the Nikkei who went to Pomona Assembly Center.

The Racing Times writer Jay Hovdey dovetails an interview with Sumiko (Sao) Seki of Long Beach, who was 16 years old at the time from San Pedro. She remembers being in Barn 88 and relates her family "slept in Seabiscuit's stall."

Seabiscuit's stail."

Between April and October, 1942, there were as many as, at one point, more than 18,000 interned there as a result of Executive Order 9066. The track was then turned over to the Army for the duration as a testing ground

Santa Anita Revisited Selir extra Hevisited
Selir returned to Santa Anita
with other representatives from a
Japanese American group campaigning for redress, requesting a
race be named in their honor as
part of a day of remembrance in
connection with Feb. 19, 1942, the
day E.O. 9066 was promulgated. The management politely turned

them down.

"We like to disassociate Santa
Anita Park from all that, only
because we think it was a sad
thing that happened, but also because it had nothing to with the
racetrack, Jane Goldstein, Santa Anita director of corporate com-munications, explained. "It was taken out of our hands."

Seki smiled and whispered to herself, "Shikataganai. I under-stood. But we tried, and then we went home."

Postwar, Chiye Hashimoto Taniguchi and Nobuo Sera, original grantees of the Sunset prop-erty, deeded the land to the ESGV Japanese American Association, reactivated under the leadership of Kim Hatakeyama, Frank Konno and Sogioka: By Feb. 6, 1951, the association was chartered as a nonprofit corporation to adminis

ter the property.
In the face of West Covina's redevelopment in 1966, the cenredevelopment in 1966, the center was moved to its present site at 1203 W. Puente Ave., where a social hall for the Lutheran Church was converted to house a Japanese language school. In 1972, through a building project chaired by Henry Miyata, three major buildings were constructed, including a gym. An annex was later added to the social hall.

Future of JCC

The outgoing 1989-91 president Dr. Roy Takemura stressed, The center needs more room, more center needs more room, more parking space and more commu-nity liaison as the Nikkei popula-tion increases in San Gabriel Val-ley." He raised the ever-present question: "Where are we going?" Incoming president Raymond Takai responded by assuring the question will be seriously studied during his term of office.

by Gwen Muranaka



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SAN FRANCISCO—DOR., '50 Years: From Internment to Redress and Beyond'; Rep. Norman Mineta, keynote speaker; JCCOKC, 1840 Sutter St., 2-4 p.m., (415) 922-1534.

Saturday, Feb. 15-Sunday,

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JACCC North Gallery, 10 a.m. 6 p.m.

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Saturday, Feb. 15-Saturday, May

SACRAMENTO—"Continuing Tra-ditions-Japanese Americana: Story of a People 1869-1992, 'History Museum, Stanford Building., Old Sacramento.

Sunday, Feb. 16 HONOLULU—DOR, Dale Minami, speaker, Ala Moana Hotel, 1-2:30 p.m.

speaker; Ala Moana Hotel, 1-2:30 p.m.

LOS ANGELES—Japanese
American Internment DOR Program, WWII Vets Film Series: "Nisei
Soldier, Colorof Honor, Go For Broke,"
10:30 a.m.-7 p.m., Japan America
Theatre, \$7, \$5 group sales, \$3 seniors, students & children; 11 a.m.-5
p.m., children's workshop, Union
Church, E. 3rd and S. San Fedro Sts.;
1-2:30 p.m.,JACCC Family Plaza, musical and Japanese folk' dances; 7
p.m., Glen Horiuchi's "Little Tokyo
Suite," Harbor College Recital Hall,
\$6.

"E.O. 9066: The Internment Experience on Film," 2-day retrospective of films by Japanese Americans, Japan America, 244 S. San Pedro St., Sunday, Feb. 16, noon and 4 p.m.; also Saturday, Feb. 22, 1 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. \$7 general admission; \$5, JACCC members and group sales; \$3 children, students, seniors; family days passes at \$25. Information: Visual Communications, 213/680-4462; Japan America Theatre, 213/680-3700.

SANTA BARBARA—Panel discussion featuring Cressey Nakagawa and Pred Korematsu, El Presidio Chapel, 129 E. Canon, Perdide St., Santa Barbara, 1 pm. Co-sponsored by the Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation and the Santa Barbara JACL. Suggested donation: \$4. Information: 8050855.009

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SAN JOSE—Nihonmachi Candle-light Procession, Passing the Torch of Justice, Rep. Norman Mineta, speaker, Buddhist Church gym, 6:30 p.m. (408)

287-9710, 292-6938.

SEATTLE—University of Puget Sound's Remembrance of JA. Internment: Sunday Night Jazz with Deems Tsutakawa and showing of Roger Shimamura's "Suite of Lithographers," 6 p.m., Rasmussen Rotunda, Student Union (206) 756-3360.

Monday, Feb. 17

SEATTLE—University of Puget Sound's DOR Opening Program: Gordon Hirabayashi, speaker, 7 p.m., Kilworth Memorial Chapt. Uuesday, Feb. 18

SEATTLE—University of Puget Sound's DOR Lectures: Shigeo Wakamatsu 42, Miyo Uchiyama, Robert Mirukami, Judge William Marutani, 4 p.m., Murray Board Room, Student Union; 8 p.m., Prof. Ronald Takaki, keynote speaker, Rasmussen Rotunda.

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FRESNO.—State Historical Landmark Dedication Ceremony for Fresno Assembly Center, noon, Fresno District Fairgrounds, Chance Ave. entrance, (209) 534-5468, (209) 226-5468.

ONTARIO, Ore.—Western Treasure Valley Cultural Center ground-breaking, 5-m., TVCC, John J. Easly Memorial Gymnasium, (503) 889-2423.

SAN DIEGO—E.O. 9066 Program,

SAN DIEGO—E.O. 9066 Program, Poston Internment slide presentation, UC San Diego.

SEATTLE—University of Puget Sound's DOR seminar: Legal Remedies: Coram Nobis, Redress through Legislation and Redress through Clud Action, panelista: Redney Kawakami, Cherry Kinoshita, William Hohri, 4p.m., Murray Beard Room, Student Union; "Puture of Civil Liberties in the Context of Japanese American Experience: Could It Happen Again?," panelista: Dr. Peter Irona, Peggy Nagin Lum, Prof. Michael McCann; Gordon Hirabayashi, speaker, 7p. m., Kilworth Memorial Chapel.

POMONA, Calif.—"A Half-Century Later. Executive Order 9068, noon, Wednesday, sthrough March 11, Cal Poly Pomona campus, 3801 West Temple Ave. Free: Information: 714'869-3567.

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Yearr Before and 50 Years After (100year history of Japanese in state of
Washington), Wing Luke Asian Museum, 407-7th Ave. South, \$2.50, \$1
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Thuraday, Feb. 20
WASHINGTON—American Ballet.
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Auditorium, National Museum of
American History Constitution Ave.
at 10th St. N.W., "30 p.m. (free), (202)
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Friday, Feb. 21-Saturday, Feb. 22WASHINGTON—Smithsonian Institution symposium, "J.A.s and E. O.
9066-Fifty Years After," (two-days in
conjunction with opening of new part
of "A More Perfect Union, Japanese
Americans and the U.S. Constitution", National Museum of American
History, Carmichael Auditorium, Friday session, I. 1:15 p.m., The E0 3066The Torn American Social Fabric'
(panelists: Roger Daniels, Yuji Lehloka,
William Marutani, Grayce Uyehara),
Session II, 3:15 p.m., The E0 3066The Torn American Social Fabric'
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Atty, Gen. John Dunne, William Hohri,
Philip Tajitsu Nash, Amy Iwasaki
Massy, Saturday Session I, 10:15 a.m.,
Sull Visible, Still Vulnerable' (panelists: Thomas P. Farner, Dennis
Hayashi, Mari Matsuda, Setsuko
Matsunaga Nishi), 1:30-4:30 p.m.,
Plims (Anderson/de Graffs "Visible
Target, 1986" Visual Communications "Hito Hata: Raise the Banner,
1980" and Griffins' Without Due Procea, 1990").
Saturday, Feb. 22
LOS ANGELES—Japanese American
Interment DOR Program, Camps
Film Series: "Hito Hata: "Conversations Before the War, After the War,
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You So, 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m., Japan
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SANFRANCISCO—Circle of Fire-jurz rectief by Mark Iu., Fort Mason Center Thester, Buchansn & Marina, 8 p.m., \$10, (415) 543-0520 informa-tion, 885-2750 tickets. Saturdsy, Feb. 29 LOS ANGELES—UCLA Nikkei Student Union presentation, "Walk-ing Against the Wind," Wadsworth Theater, dates to be set—presenta-tion of Wakake Yamauchi* play *12-1-A," Interethnic Relations campus program.

program.

Wednesday, March 4

POMONA—"Japanese and American Cultures: Search for Synthesis and Reconciliation"—Cal Poly Pomona forum, artist Hiro Kosaka, noon Union

forum. artist Hiro Kosaka, noon Union Lecture Room.
Seturday, March 7
LOS ANGELES—Civil Righta Conference, UCLA, Ackerman Union Grand Ballroom, (3 panels: Summary of Redress Movement, Broader Implications of Rodress, Theory and Practice in Civil Rights Movements).
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onday, March 8
OAKLAND—"International Impli-UAKLAND—Thternational Impli-cations: A Review of the Japanese Peruvian, Canadian Japanese and Aleut Indian World War II Experi-ences and Their Struggle for Redress; James Moore Theater, Oakland Mu-seum, 1000 Oak St., 1-5 p.m. (415) 431-5007.

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POMONA—Cal Poly Pomona forum: Reparations: How Does a Democratic Society Recompense Its Victime?, "Alan Nishio, CSU Long Beach, noon, Union Lecture Room.
Saturday, March 14
ISAN FRANCISCO—Bill of Rights and Japanese American Internment Cases, (High school teachers to present lesson plans), UC Hastings College of Law, 198 McAllister St., 2:30 a.m. 1:30 p.m. (415) 431-5007.
Saturday, March 14-Sunday, March 15
BERKELEY—50th Western Young Buddhist Logue conference.

BERKELEY—Soth Western Young Buddhist League conference. Sunday, March 15 SAN FRANCISCO—Asian American 1992 International Film Showcase, '(Rea Tajiri's 'History and Memory, 'John DeGraaf's 'APersonal Matter: Gordon Hirabayashi vs. U.S.') Kabuki 8 Theaters, 1881 Post St., 3 p.m. (415) 863-9814. Friday, March 27-Saturday, March 28 NEW HAYEN, Conn.—Undo Process: Legacy of J.A. Internment, 'Yale University D.o.R. (two-day program featuring Hisaye Yamamote, Don Nakanishi, Sue Embrey, Bert Nakano, Bill & Yuri Kochiyama, Grayce Uyehara and others TBA) (203) 436-0861, 436-1154.

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School, 1000 Jackson St., 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., \$5 registration includes bento and handouts, (510) 526-2884 day, 524-2968 eygs. Saturday, April 4 BERKELEY—Symposium: Intern-ment and the Japanese American Community (2 panels), UC Berkeley 145 Dwinelle Hall, 1 p.m. (510) 642-0605, (310) 652-8964.

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respect only the freedom to make money and care nothing about social justice. Townsend Harris, the first U.S. consul general in Japan, wrote in his diary that Japan was "more like the golden age of simplicity and honesty than I have ever seen in any other country."
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Today, that seemslike a fairy tale.
Like Reston, I want to advocate modesty for Japanese, too. But in Japan, individual liberty is often scrifted to group interests. Virtues like restraint and moderation may simply play into the hands of authority.
other countries often accuse us of national me-ism. Japan must See FREEDOM/page 7

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Combat Team, 100000 plus MiSers contacted who were scattered internationally, many declined to answer after they were contacted until they were assured that they would be mentioned. Also the MiSers were attached individually or to teams assigned to various military units covering the entire Pacific theater of war. Working on a publishing deadline and limited number of pages, Harrington obviously did not have the time or data to organize the book into the various theaters of operation as was described at a panel of the MIS 50th Anniversary Reunion at San Francisco last October.

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To my knowledge Hosokawa served as a war correspondent-during World War II and before John Aisopassed away Hosokawa had previously interviewed him in detail and also had agreed to work on a Japanese American Research Project (JARP) chaired by Shig Wakamatsu to collaborate with John Aiso on a book on the MIS. Unfortunately, because of lack of financial resources and of lack of financial resources and the untimely passing of John Aiso the project did not materialize.

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FREEDOM

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strike the right balance between national identity and internation-

Totalitarianism has been dis-Totalitarianism has been dis-credited, but freedom, too, is on trial in both Japan and the United States. If we don't make it work again soon, the victims of exces-sive liberty may embrace repres-

sive liberty may embrace repressive ideologies.

I'm often asked to speak to American groups. At this crucial turning point in history, unraveling the factional feuds in the ruling Liberal Democratic Party or the recentfinancial scandals seems trivial. Explaining our historical amnesia about the Pacific War is also a thankless task.

But if Japan is to be a truly free and democratic nation, we must admit candidly that our political and economic institutions are alling. We also have to schedule them for major surgery before it's too late.

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Mitsubishi Heavy Industry's 40,000 ton, state of the art cruise ship, the Crystal Harmony, just completed in 1990 for Japan's NYK Line, is Japan's first serious venture into the international cruise market. Despite its size, the ship is designed to carry only a maximum of 960 passengers. It has twice as much space allocated per passenger than mostcruise ships. To experienced cruise travelers, this means an uncrowded, very enjoyable ship.

Without question, this ship is targeted in every way to appeal to those who can afford and want the best. Judging by the result, it is clear they are close to reaching their objective. It may be the most luxurious ship affoat today. What makes a great cruise ship is not only, the physical attributes of the ship itself, but also the staff. The Crystal management was indeed fortunate that Royal Viking Line was in the process of down-scaling the number of ships in their fleet. This resulted in hundreds of trained employees trained in working aboard abuse. It has been suited by the passent of the ship in their fleet. This resulted in hundreds of trained employees trained in working aboard abusen. His previous quident wardish is used.

snips in their liest. This resulted in hundreds of trained employees trained in working aboard a luxury liner being suddenly available just at the time Crystal was in the process of hiring their ship staff. Thus, service is great. It is the type of service which you would have thought previously to be reserved only for the rich and famous.

I've been on many cruises in the past, but one difference I noted immediately was that the persons making up the rooms were not "cabin stewards" but hard-working "stewardfrom Scandinavian country

The entertainment is superb. Unlike other

lines whose live entertainment consists of the same revue each evening, the Crystal features talented performers in a variety of programs. There is also a comfortable theater featuring

the latest films

Other activities abound. If you wish rest and quiet, there is a 1500 volume library. They also have the latest videos which you can run on your television in the privacy of your cabin. your television in the privacy of your cabin. Plus, regularly scheduled on television are the latest movies, information programs, plus sev-eral channels showing the yiew from the ship. So, you don't even have to look out of your huge window or go on deck to watch when arriving at a port or when going through the Panama Canal. Just lay in your comfortable king-size bed and click the remote control.

The food is outstanding. In addition to the usual four major meals all cruise ships serve, Crystal offers extras. One favorite for most is Crystal offers extras. One favorite for most is the grill close to the swimming pool where you can order hot dogs and hamburgers at just about any time during the day. My favorite was the ice cream bar. But, by far the best was the option to take dinner at Kyoto, the Japanese dining room, or at Prego, the Italian dining room. When I was aboard, the Japanese chef was away, but you would not know it. The food was superb. The setting excellent. The only improvement would be to have Japanese waiteresses. The Italian dining room was likewise great. So good that we ate there twice. Not all is perfect. But, Crystal is working on making changes where required. The bathrooms are very small. To get into the tub for a

bath or shower, requires a real athletic feat.
There is some vibration when the ship is running at top speed. It was enough to wake me up, and that is saying something. And, lastly, the bullsheads and decks creak when your neighbor above or on the side of you moves around. It is just loud enough to be annoying. But, there has to be a few glitches in a brand new venture and I was assured that these shortcomings will be corrected the next time

new venture and I was assured that these shortcomings will be corrected the next time the ship is dry-docked.

So, if you haven't tried cruising yet, 1992 will be the year to treat yourself. All cruise lines will be offering discounts which your travel agent will be able to arrange for you. This type of bargain does not come around very often. Start studying brochures. You can't go wrong on Crystal Cruises or aboard my most favorite, Holland-America Lines.

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