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JACL news

On the legislative fronts

By KAREN NARASAKI aton D.C., representative

In addition to the redress legislation and the Justice for Wards Cove Workers and the sustice for wards Cove Workers
Act, JACL is supporting several bills as
Congress begins its September rush to
recess. The following is a summary of
new items on JACL's September agenda.
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the JACL Washinton D.C. office at 202/
223,1240 if you went a small better. 223-1240, if you want a sample letter or more information about any of these bills.

The Family and Medical Leave Act, S.5/H.R.2—At the JACL Convention in Denver, the delegates voted to support the 'Family and Medical Leave Act' which provides up to 12 weeks of unpaid. which provides up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job-protected leave per year for the birth or adoption of a child, or the serious of the employee or an immediate member. Small businesses are family mer exempt and there are several eligibility requirements. The Senate-House Conrequirements. The Senate-House Con-ference report is pending before the full House and action is expected in early September; the Senate woeld to approve it before the August recess. The Admin-istration is threatening a presidential veto so it is vitally important to increase the number of House supporters so that any veto can be overridden. JACL is urging members to call or write their Representatives and request support and also to call or write the President to urge him not to veto the legislation. The White House comment line is 202/456-1111.

Amendment to Immigration and Nationality Act, H.R. 5693-In 1990, JACL played a key role in passing the Immigration and Nationality Act. Sec-tion 701 of that Act, commonly called the battered spouse waiver," waives the joint

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Hirabayashi video is now available

SAN FRANCISCO- A 30-minute videotape and teacher guide (grades 6-12), "A Personal Matter: Gordon Hirabayashi Aresona matter Gordon Hirabayash va. the U.S., "is being offered through June SO, 1993, by San Francisco Chapter, JACL, at the premotional price of \$50, according to Greg Marutani, chapter

board member.

The video, pro-duced by Cross Cur-rent Media, focuses on the Hirabayashi which teste dthe WWII curfew im-

Japanese. Ithus been favorably reviewed by the San Francisco Unified School District and the National

Unified School District and the National JACL Education Committee.

Dr. Les Hata, chapter president, announced use of its first-year allocation from the JACL Legacy Fund to pay the packing and shipping costs for the video. The package lists at \$125. Flyers above a \$99 special price. The JACL promotional price is \$50, shipping and handling included. Information: Marutani (415/641-1697 evenings), for orders: "Constitution Video," San Francisco, JACL, P.O. Box 22425, San Francisco, CA, 94122.





PANELISTS-From left, Bill Hosokawa, Sen Nishiyama, Cressey Nakagawa, and Dick Yamashita at U.S-Japan seminar at the 32nd

U.S.-Japan relations

Trying to uncomplicate the complicated

By HARRY HONDA

ditor emeritus

DENVER —It's one of those things you DENVER—Its one of those things you can argue forever. You can go on and on; there are seemingly as many opinions as there are seemingly as many opinions as these are people interacted in the subject. Nonetheless, tough as it is, a group of panelists tackled the broad and emotional

spectrum of U.S.-Japan relations at a

seminar at the recent JACL national biennial convention in Denver.

It was a distinguished panel. Japanese Ambassador Takakazu Kuriyama opened

MORE ONU.S. JAPANRELATIONS Hosokawa gives his thoughts on the p discussion in his column on page 8.

the event by discussing a wide range of U.S. Japan issues (see PC, Aug. 28, 1992 edition). "The time has come for the United States and Japan, the two largest industrial democracies, to assume major re-sponsibilities for building a new interna-tional order," Kuriyama said, setting the

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Education key to coalitions, panelists say

By HARRY HONDA Editor emeritus

essing along what he of at the recent Urban rue convention, National JACL Director Dennis Hayashi reminded that "we

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Understanding needs of bi-racial children

By GWEN MURANAKA

As more Japanese Americans marry non-Japanese Americans, what are the special needs of their bi-racial, bi-cultural children? How can a parent or a grandparent help a bi-racial child find their own unique identity? racial child find their own unique identity? At the Aug. 7 JACL Convention workshop on bi-racial children, Dr. Jerry Hashimoto, a clinical psychologist at the Cherry Cree Public Schools in Denver and Dr. Richard Onizuka, a clinical psychologist with Kaiser Permanente, helped the audience understand the unique difficulties bi-racial children have with society's desire to place people in cat-

According to Dr. Onizuka, there are a number of "ethnic dos and don its" that each child learns from their parents. Bi-racial, bicultural children, have to struggle with both these invisible cultural attributes of their upbringing and their visible physical char-acteristics. Increasingly, more families will

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Cultural taboos are tough on Asian gays

By FRED Y. HOSHIYAMA

nice-Culver Chapter, JACL,

It's sometimes tough being an Asian. It's always tough being gay. And being both can really be traumatic.

That was part of the message at one of the JACL convention workshops on Aug. 7 that addressed the issues faced by the Japanese American community, and how traditional cultural taboos hinder the progress of per-sonal growth, self-acceptance and the confi-dence of persons "coming out" and "being out."
The three-member panel of Vicki
Taniwaki, moderator, her mother, Marge
Yamada Taniwaki, and Martin Hiraga, grass
roots organizer of support groups for the
Washington, D.C.-based National Gay/Lesbian Task Force, shared their own intimate
feelings of experiences before an audience of

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Redress amendment effort gets helping hands

By KAREN NARASAKI hington, D.C. Repres

Many national religious and civil rights organizations have been assisting the advo-cacy efforts of JACL on the Civil Libertes Act Amendments of 1992, H.R. 4551/8.2553. The United Church of Christ, the National Council of Churches of Christ, the General Council of Churches of Christ, the General Council of Churches, of the Brethren, the Council of Churches of Christ, the General Board of the Church of the Brethren, the Unitarian Universalist Association of Con-gregations, the Presbyterian Church (USA), and the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights (LCCR) recently sent letters of sup-port to all of the Senators urging their support of 8.2563.

Representatives from the American Jew-

ish Committee, Anti-Defamation League, Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund, Chinese American Citizens Alliance, Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund, the Organization of Chinese Americans, and the National Asian Pacific Americans and sasociation are sending letters, making calls, and lending assistance to JACL's Washington, D.C. office.
Other supporters who have a mietters or signed onto the LCCR letters include American Baptist Churches USA. American

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Committee, B'nai B'rith Women, Center for Women Policy Studies, Friends Committee on National Legislation, International Ledies Garment Workers Union, National Committee on Repressive Legislation, National Council of Churches, National Council of Churches, National Council of Jewish Women, National Council of Le Raza, Project Equality, Service Employees International Union, and Women's International League for Peace and Preedom.

As we have learned in previous redress efforts, it will take a broad baseddupport to win successful passage of the 1992 Amendments. Please encourage your local civic and religious groups to send in letters of support. Committee, B'nai B'rith Won

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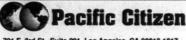
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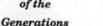
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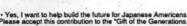
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Seattle, 6:30 pm. Entry. 'SS. Dinner\$12. Information: John Matsumoto, 2320412; Don Meshawa, 746-3399; Shox
Tokita, 641-6512.

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Thursday, Sept. 10—San Jose and Sequoia JACL chapters' Forum on Hata-Crimes, Wesley Methodist Church, 556 N. 5th St, 7:30 pm. Speakers include: Dennis Hayashi, Tom Shigemasa and Tak Takei. Information: Kay Ono 408/ 295-1250 Saturd

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Sunday, Sept. 20—7th annual Shin Zen Run at Woodward Park, Mountain View Shelter. Sponsored by Fresiro JACL, Central Fish Co., and Peps. 1th run for kids, 7:15 am; 2 mile run and 2 mile walk, 7:30 am; 10K run, 8 am. Children's run and wheelchair divisions.

before Sept. 10,\$13(\$7 for 1K kids run) San Diego

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Sunday, Sept. 13—South Bay JACL
chapter's luncheon meeting, Velvet
Turtie Restaurant, 3210 Sepulveda
Blod, Torrance. Speaker: Dr. Steve
Kobayashi, psychologist Cost: \$20. Information and reservations: Joe or
Ruthie Salkamoto 310/328-6842.

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Sunday, Sept. 13—Japan American Society beach party, Bolsa Chica State Beach, off PCH between Warner Ave and Golden West St, meet near life-guard station #20, noon-sunset. Cost: \$6 adults, \$4 children. Information: 310/

590-0311. Sunday, Sept. 13—26th Annual Bazaar of the Sycamore Congregational Church, 1111 Navellier St., El Cerrito, noon to 6 p.m., Japanese and American food, craft. Information Jan Fabini, 510/

Sunday, Sept. 13—"Why are Japa-nese Super Achievers," Dr. Steve Kobayashi, dinical psychologist, speaks

at tuncheon, Velvet Turtis, 3210 W. Sepulveda Blvd., Torrance, CA, 12:30 p.m., sponsored by the Carson, Gardona, Greater LA. Singles, Marina and South Bay Chapters, JACL \$20 per penon includes tax and tip. Make checks to South Bay, JACL, PO Box 4185, Torrance, CA, 90510, Deadline: Sept 4, 1992, Information: Ed Mitoma, 310:541-

6698. Thursday, Sept. 17—Lewitzky Dance Company presents Bella Lewitzky Retrospective, 8 p.fh., Japan America Theatre, 244 South San Pedro St., Little Tokyo, Los Angeles. Ticket information: 213/680-3700

Saturday, Sept. 19—Author Theima Change autographs her book 1 Can Never Forget: Men of the 100th/442nd, Knokuniya Book Store, 123 Onizuka St.; Los Angeles.

Sunday, Sept 20—ABCC 4th Annual Reunion, Dojima An Japanese Restau-rant, 23737 Hawthorne Blvd, Torrance, CA, 90505, noon. Reservations by Sept. 10. Call Dr. Y as Tatsuno, 310/327-6400;Frank Cohita, 818/281-4757; Hro Takeda, 805/687-1712.

Monday, Sept. 21—Center for the Pacific-Asian Family first annual fund-naising event, Beverly Hilton Hotel, Beverly Hilts, CA. Center is for battered non-English-speak. ing Pacific-Asian women and their children. Reception 6 p. m., dinner and awards 7.15 p.m. Informa-tion: Vickie Roddcharoen, 818/ 307-0444; Rice Burton, 219-6-8-696; Julie Lee, 213/653-4045.

LEGISLATIVE

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petition requirement for perma-nent residency where an immi-grant spouse can demonstrate that he or she entered into marriage ne or she entered into marriage with a U.S. citizen or resident in good faith and can establish through credible evidence that he or she was battered or subjected to extreme cruelty by that spouse. This provision recognizes that immigrant spouses are especially vulnerable to the exploitation, intimidation and control inherent to situations of domestic violence. This has long been a problem, although generally an unspoken one, in the sian community.

Despite the extensive legislative history of this provision, the INS has issued restrictive regulations which require waiver applicants to have the abused verified by a licensed mental health professional. The vast majority of abused immigrant spouses are women. As Congresswoman Louise Slaughter (D-NY) testified before the House Subcommittee on International Law, Immigrationand Refugees, 'As anyone who works with the immigrant and battered populations will tell you, it is pure fantasy to expect that a battered foreign woman will have access to the services of such a licensed professional. H.R. 5693 would amend the Act to prevent the INS from restricting use of the waiver by requiring overly stringest records stream smalls. re history of this provision, the

vent the INS from restricting use of the waiver by requiring overly stringent proof of extreme cruelty. H.R. 5693 is before the House Judiciary Committee. Concerned members should write to their Representatives and to the members of the Judiciary Committee and urge their support.

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JACL convention seminars

Artists seek self-identity in their work

By KEN & ANN YABUSAKI Berkeley Chapter, JACL Delegates

ee Sansei artists revealed to JACL members attending the seminar session at the national convention in Denver that their artistic forms of expression were part of their search for self-iden-tity as a result in part to the prejudices of growing up Japanese American

Both Philip Gotanda and Amy Hill shared their experiences of living in Japan and not being ac-cepted as "Japanese." Here are some impressions of the Aug. 8 JACL Convention workshop, entitled: Celebration of the Creative and Artistic Spirit in Japanese

mericans. It was facilitated by Nancy Araki of the Japanese American National Museum. Panel members included Gotanda, well known playwright and director; Hill, a writer and actress; and Dr. Lawson Inada, professor of English, writer and poet from Southern Oregon University.

Philip Gotanda shared video excerpts that were clipped from the film version of his play, The Wash, and Wayne Wong's Dim Sum. He then read moving mono-





ARTISTS—Philip Gotanda and Amy Hill shared their creative experiences as Asian Americans involved in writing and theater.

logues by one of the characters in his play, Fish Head Soup.

Amy Hill started by sharing excerpts from her single act performance, Tokyo Bound. Hill ended by revealing why she created the production, Tokyo Bound. Lawson Inada shared some of

the poems Nisei wrote during their internment in the camps as well as his own poetry. He gave a very moving presentation by first giv-ing the background of the poetry and then reading his poem that was inscribed in stone at a monument/park dedicated to the Japanese American internment experience in Portland, Oregon.

Lively discussion between the udience and panelists followed One audience member asked the panelists if creative talent was

Inada responded that "each of us has the skill to write.

Hill added, "It was taking risks to be yourself and speaking your own voice that interferes with our creative abilities."

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The psychological side of internment

By HARRY K, HONDA

Nisei, who were interned as Nisei, who were interned as young adults, are now seeking to learn the psychological impact of what occurred 50 years ago. At the Aug. 7 workshop devoted to the psychological impact of the camps, many of the panel ists related similar experiences and feelings as they recalled the internment camp

The well-attended workshop was moderated by Joyce Kobayashi, MD, associate profes-sor in psychiatry at the Univer-sity of Colorado Health Science sty of Colorado Health Science and a director of the Out-patient Psychiatric Consulation Services. She commented that the anguish is there among many Nikkei. But these stories still rankle and can-not be forgotten," she said. Panelist Tom Masamori, then a

Jose State when Pearl Harbor was bombed, said his family was evacu-ated to Poston II. He was drafted ated to Poston II. He was drafted in '44 and served with the 442nd Infantry in France and after the war stopped off in Denver and has been here since. Rather than dwell on what happened, he forged ahead and settled down with his

life and family.
In sharing his experiences, Dr.
M. Suzuki asked how many knew

But these stories still rankle and cannotbe forgotten !

Joyce Kobayashi

that Japanese Americans were also detained at Ellis Island, N.Y., during WWII—a camp seldom during WWII—a camp seldom cited on maps pinpointing where the concentration camps were. Only one hand was raised. A Mitsubishi company employee in New York, Suzuki recalled as many 300 Issei-Nisei were interned as dangerous enemy aliens at the well-known immigration station. Of his 30-month internet. Suzuki now view it as ** ment, Suzuki now views it as "a comedy of errors."

Of value was the Erik K.

Yamamoto paper (Denver Jour-nal of International Law and Policy, p. 223-242, 1992) discuss-ing the social meanings of redress from a legal perspective. It was

available at the close of the work-

An associate professor of law at the University of Hawaii Richardson School of Law, Yamamoto has noted critical view

on redress payments emerging:
(a) The principal criticism is that the salutary views (one being that wrongs against a racial group can be made right) are often conveyed from mainstream America as a "societal victory." What may veyed from mainstream America as a "societal victory," What may further the general interests of mainstream America and the gov-ernmental structure that supports redress/reparations "may in pratical effect undermine the struggles and dreams of those outside the cultural mainstream" [citing Mari J. Matsuda, also a professor in law]. (b) Redress legislation has the

potential of becoming civil rights law that at best delivers far less than it promises and that at worst creates illusions of progress, func-tioning as a hegemonic device to preserve the status quo.

In a review of attitudes toward Asian Americans, Yamamoto noted that redress limited to Japanese American internees "tends to highlight . . . a potential rift between Asian Americans and other minority groups."

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have to deal with the special needs of bi-racial children. According to the 1990 Census, there are 52.3 the 1990 Census, there are 52.3 million married couples in America and 799,000 interracial couples. Unfortanizely, the Census Bureau dosen tkeep information on bi-racial children, but in the Japanese American community 40%-80% of all marriages are interracial. In another interesting statistic, Asian women marry non-Asian men by a 2-1 ratio.

To the giggles of some in the audience, Hashimoto and

To the piggies or some maderne, Hashimoto and Oniruka used footage from the Oprak Winfrey Show and the Phil Donahus Show to present the perspective of bi-racial children. In one segment, writer Velina Hasu Houston explained how her father encouraged her to revel in her multi-cultural identity. When she asked as a child what she her

identity was if her Native American/African American father was "chocolate" and her Japanese mother was "vanilla," Houston's father got a bowl of Neopolitan ice cream and mixed it up to show that Houston was a mix of many

cultures.

The psychologists stressed that each child has to struggle with their cultural identity from a very early age. By the time a child is 3 years old, he or she can place a person in their proper ethnic category. By the ages of 7 or 9 years old, the process of forming attitudes about race is complete. Dr. Hashimoto, relating some of his work with school children, presented the case of a 7 year old gird who was having problems dealing with her bi-racial identity. Kida at acholo called her 'anowball' because she was half-Japanes-half-Caucasian. The girl didn't want to go to school and was unsure how she should behave to her

Japanese mother, who the girl thought was responsible for her predicament. In this case, Dr. Hashimoto said the important thing was to counsel the parents to help them deal with the problems the girl would inevitably face.

Both psychologists emphasized that the process of finding one's identity could be very painful, but stressed that the parents, grand-parents and other relatives can do a lot to ease the socialization process. Inevitably, the child will process. Inevitably, the child was decide his or her own identity. One audience member who is married to a German American related how among his three chil-dren, one thought of himself as Japanese American, another iden-tified himself as German American and the third as a mix of the two cultures. For parents and grandparents of bi-racial children, grandparents of bi-racial children, it is important to support them and encourage them to explore all of their identities



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More convention short takes

94 Convention at Salt Lake City - Mt. Olympus JACLer Shake Ushio, who was the leading light and co-founder of the Na tional JACL Credit Union in 1942 is an old-hand with national JACL conventions in Salt Lake City where more national JACL con-ventions have been staged. He said his role this time would be as an adviser, but he noticed and would report - for better participation d attendance mia JACLers at this convention were enjoying the all-day sightseeing trips the Convention had schedwhile the younger delegates handled business at the hectic council sessions. The place and date: Salt Lake City Marriott Aug. 4-5-6, 1994.

About Proxy Voting — Pio-neer JACLer Fred Hirasuna, who represented Fresno JACL at the ounding 1930 national convention at Seattle, was happy to see the anti-proxy resolution (New York) withdrawn from the Council floor. The urban chapters would quickly appreciate the proxy by-law if a national convention were held in the winter - when the farming areas have more free time. Upon special introduction by toast-master Bill Hosokawa at the Aug. 6 Awards and Recognitions Banquet. Hirasuna amazed the younger delegates when he said he was 84 years old. They remem-ber him sitting through the National Council session as a Selma arlier delegate by proxy and engaging in discussions

Convention Count - According to the convention registration co-chairs Karen Matsushima and Lorraine Hisamoto, the "sold out" sign was posted for the Aug. 8 Sayonara Banquet when the 550plus mark was reached. It indiated the strong support the Mile Hi chapter enjoys.

Convention Material - Less than 10% of the seats in back of the Council chamber were open for Convention "boosters," who were unaware but vitally interested in the debate or discussion on the floor. Mari (Sabusawa) Michener, wife of the famed au-thor James and onetime National

Board member who attended the first postwar JACL Convention in Denver in 1946, suggested the material (if available) be shared with "those of us in the back row."

Convention Minutes — The 95-page bound minutes of the 1990 convention at San Diego was adopted with but two words cor-rected which Cherry Kinoshita detected in her report on page 22, line 8: "too many" grants should read "two other" grants. Phew! Copies are available at National Headquarters.

Council Officials Shinkawa, onetime Mountain-Plains district governor from Aus-tin, Texas, was designated by the Board as the parliamentarian. However, there was no sergeantat-arms, the official who would assure all delegates were summoned when a vote was pending or order had to be maintained on the council floor. The late Tak Kawagoe of Gardena Valley and the late Lefty Miyanaga of Salinas Valley were among the colorful sergeants-at-arms in the past.

Fresno Nihonmachi - Roy Takeno, retired Denver newspaerman who was born in Fres Calif., was invited by JACLer Elisa Kamimoto, associate curator at the Fresno Metropolitan Museum, to an "Old Fresno Nihomachi" reunion scheduled for Sept. 25-27 at the Holiday Inn Center Plaza At the sam the CSU-Fresno, the local JACL and the Museum have scheduled a teach-in on the Evacuation story in Nov. 20-21. "We can't wait for this story to appear in the text-books, "Kamimote explained dur-ing a break at the National Coun-

Hearing Aids -James Taguchi (then of Dayton and now of Mile-Hi) who led the campaign for the "No Smoking" rule to be adopted for the Na-tional Council while in session [See Rule 24, Rules of Procedure]. "The time has come for the Coun-cil floor to have a special hearing-aid section," old-timer Clarence Nishizu of Selanoco JACL agreed with other delegates seen wear-

ing hearing-aids. There should be no need to put this up as a rule of procedure."

In-Family Delegates rospect that keeps on growing at nese JACL convention floor are the in-family Nisei-Sansei delthe in-family Niser-Sanser del-egates. For 1992, prominent were West Los Angeles delegates Galen and Phyllis Murakawa and their daughter and delegate Trishs of the Asian Pacific Alliance Net-work who west or the all-size. work, who went on to be elected national vice-president for plan ning & development.

Japan Chapter Plus— The P.C. chapter code for this chapter is TYO, or Tokyo, or numerically *130.* Chapter president Caroline Kawashima, electrified by her first convention experience, envisions formation of at least three more chapters inside Japan to estabw district council in western Pacific. FUK, NGO, OKA, OSA, coming up? A new chapter needs only 25 members to start.

Yasui Stories - Doctoral candidate Barbara Upp in history at the University of Oregon is in her last year of researching the lead-ership and role of late Min Yasui. She was in Denver Aug. 7-8 at the JACL Convention exhibitors' area whear from those who could recall his redress campaign philoso-phy, his leadership style and the WWII Yasui case. Gardena Valley JACLer Ron Shiozaki, a prewar resident of Portland among those remembering Min Yasui

Youth/Student Issue - Besides trying to have youth involved in human and civil rights issues. one unresolved point dwelled on interpreting the JACL Bylaws for "students" and "youth". The youth covers members below age 18 or who are high school seniors. The students are those enrolled in a trade school, business college, college, university or other institu-tion of higher learning at either the undergraduate or graduate level. The successful youth coun-cil candidate (Kerry Kaneichi) had called for an age limit of 25.

- HARRY K HONDA

COALITIONS

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the same boat, so let's row together." One panelist, however, commented that Native Ameri-cans and Latinos might question that

Asians seem "left out" when-ever the black-white race problem comes up for discussion, Hayashi pointed out, when Asian A ans have shared in the history of discrimination. JACL can educate each other, he added, especially in the press through articles that breakdown misperceptions about Asian Americans

Tom Jenkins, president of the Urban League of Metropolitan Denver, noted blacks know less about Asians today while the civil rights movement of the 1960s has made Asians know more about blacks. Education, he stressed, would address that issue and pro-

mote coalition building.
"More importantly, we need to
prepare our children for when they prepare our children for when they enter the job markets around the year 2000-about the sa ost of the children of immigrants

most of the children of immigrants today will be, "he added.

Ron Wakabayashi, executive director of the Los Angeles City Human Rights Commission, emphasized the value of the Pacific Citizen in the education process; "especially by getting rid of the trivia." He said that Asian America can groups are going through th can groups are going in rough their growing-up process, through a complex of multicultural diversity, which begs for serious assessment rather than just talking about getting-together. As a front-line city official during the front-line city official during the Los Angeles riots in wake of the Rodney King court case, he called the 50,000 people demonstrating on Olympic Boulevard in Los An-geles "the greatest Asian American demonstration in the coun-

br. Audrey Alvarado, director of affirmative action at Univer-sity of Colorado, Denver, urged coalition-building work along lines of commonality though cross-cultural communication was es tial. "We have to accept diversity, though it's easier to be within our own," she said. "Let's not (however) fall into the trap of 'us vs.

A Navajo, Suzanne Benally of the Western Interstate Commisthe West sion of Higher Education, noted the current infrastructure prevents true coalition-building her campus work with Native ricans. She also remembered the WRA isolation camp at Leupp,

Peggy Lore, director of the Asian American Student Services, Uni-versity of Colorado-Denver, was facilitator.

TABOOS

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about 25-30 conventioners.
The exchange between mother and daughter (like role-playing in the audience — only this and daugnter transfer — only this front of the audience — only this was a real life situation) revealed was a real life situation) revealed that the traditional Japanese cul-tural reticence and fear of bring-ing shame (haji) to the family name prevented openness and made the daughter's "coming out

of the closet" extremely difficult.

After Vicki told her mother of
the long, painful and agonizing

struggle within herself to say that she was a lesbian, Marge Taniwaki responded by saying and said, "I know it."

and said, "I know it.

Even in the Japanese American society and culture, open and
frank communication is not only
possible but should be encouraged,

possible but should be encouraged, the panelists said. While it seemed as if mothers may not want to admit that their daughter is "gay" but somehow daugnter is 'gay but somehow come to accept it, telling a father is harder. In Vicki's case, divorce had separated her from her father so she hasn't confronted him. Martin Hiraga moved away

3,000 miles to live his life. He feels that Asian Americans have a double burden in being gay in their society. He said it was very difficult to find gay partners. All lesbians and gays need support groups. 'Japanese Americans need support groups in a strong sense because of the racism we have in society with relation to others and the cultural taboos in the Japanese Americans society.' the Japanese America.
the Japanese America.
he pointed out.
In anylarge city where the Japanese American population exists, the homosexual population is established to the ABOOS/page 10

Conference focuses on future of JA community

The future of the Japanese American community is the focus of a conference scheduled for Oct. 10 at the Biltmore Hotel in Downtown Los Angeles.

The conference, the culmina-

tion of a year-long series of events commemorating the 50th anni-versary of the signing of Execu-tive Order 9066, will include workshops on political empowerment, interracial relationships, the me-dia, the glass ceiling, and gay and leabin Nikkei. In addition, there will be a special workshop dealing with youth issues and also a tour of Los Angeles area colleges Oct. 9

U.S.-JAPAN

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tone for the seminar session. The workshop, titled "U.S.-Ja-pan Relations, Myths, Perceptions and Realities," was conducted by

and Realities," was conducted by Cressey Nakagawa. Panelists in-cluded: Bill Hosokawa and Shinsaku Sogo, both of Denver; Sen Nishiyama and Dick Yama-shita, both of Tokyo.

Two samplings in the press about Japan-bashing were offered by Denver journalist Hosokawa. One was a doggerel poetry from the New York Times,—"enough to make you sick a little bit," as Hosokawa put it.—and the other

make you sick a little bit, as Hosokawa put it—and the other was a Denver Post column by Chuck Green last Feb. 2, when Japan-bashing was more severe. Green told Hosokawa he was

Green told Hosokawa he was bombarded by phone calls pro and con for that piece, "Ignorance is behind cries of "Buy American"." Green listed such foreign com-panies as (British, Dutch, French

panies as (British, Dutch, French or Italian-owned companies) sell-ing "patriotic-sounding producta" like Lipton, tea, Orange Crush soda, Mrs. Butterworth's jellies and jams, Green Giant wegetables, Stouffeurs frozen dinners, Sunkist orange juice or Country Crock butter; and products made in foreign countries by foreign workers (Alpo dog food, Friskies cat food, Kool eignettee, BF Goodrich tires, Texaco gasoline, Dodge Caravan, Plymouth Voyager, Jege Wrangler, Buick Regal, Chevy Celebrity, etc.). He was led to conclude that "it's becoming un-American to own a Honda, Toyota or Sanyo made by Japanese companies."

to own a Honda, Toyota or Sanyo made by Japanese companies." Even wineries in Napa Valley-(Almaden, Beringer, Inglenook, Christian Brothers, etc.) are owned by companies in England, Switzer: and, Germany and France. Reading over that column, Hosokawa wondered "fithere isn't-a bit of racism involved in the entil Ingeneer productions situs.

anti-Japanese productions situa-Sees Better Times

Sees Better Times
Nishiyama is a prewar Utah
University Nisei graduate in physics who became a Japanese citzen to work as a research engineer
in Japan during WWII. He was

in Japan during WWII. He was also a postwar adviser to the U.S. Informt-ion Service and U.S. Em-bassy in Tokyo through 1972. Commenting on the changes cited by Ambassador Kuriyama, he said, There are changes from year to year. The result of these will be for

for college-bound Nikkei.

Speakere include: Warren
Furutani, Loe Angeles Board of
Education; Kathy Imahara, Anian
Pacific American Legal Center;
Dr. Don Nakanishi, UCLA Asian
American Studies Center; and
Dick Osumi, Japanese American
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Bar Association.

With the theme, 'Seize the Future,' this conference will provide a unique opportunity to bring together members of the community to discuss issues and share their perspectives on the future for Japanese Americans in an increasingly complex and culturally

diverse society," said Alan Nishio, conference organizer.

The event is sponsored by the Los Angeles Community Coali-tion to Commemorate the 50 Year Remembrance: Japanese American Internment.

can Internment.

Early registration fees (cost of meals only) are \$30. Students and seniors (60 years and up) may register for \$20. After Sept. 30, registration fees will be \$40, \$30 for students and seniors. Information: Ken Wada 213/626-4471, 50 Year Remembrance, 244 S. San Pedro St, \$507. Los Angeles, California, 90012.



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Y. Komura of Los Angeles; Massahi Urin of Gardena, California; and Natsuko irei of Richmond, California will sach receive \$100 in cash.
National JACL extanded its congratulations to the winners, and thanked all JACL members who participated in the Swespetakes.
Contributions to the National Support Fund benefit JACL national programs and survices.

better U.S. Japan relations." Nishiyama spoke of the Japan today with its population density of 125 million people crowded into only 20% of the land and of the kind of foreign policy and economic policy it would need "to try to keep

policy it would need to try to keep its standard of living up as high as possible and what kind of trade policy the country seeks.

"The huge population has his-torically—even today—had one keynote theme and that's sur-vival." The Japanese appreciate how much Buddhism and Confu-lencing heave played in defining cianism have played in defining the behavior of individuals, set-ting the balance between compe-tition and cooperation and being tition and cooperation and being in harmony with the rest of na-ture, he added.

ture, he added.
Understanding Japan
Sogo, now retired from the Japan External Trade Organization
(JETRO) and president of the Inter-Pacific Institute for Communication, reviewed his 33 years with the semi-governmental or-ganization to promote Japan's in-ternational trade. Recent emphasis, he explained, has been re-fined to promoting products to people, where its original push

people," where its original push was to promote Japanese exports.
When U.S. Japan trade imbalance became a critical matter more than a decade ago (1978) in the U.S., there were voices in the Japan Diet asserting JETRO's mission had been accomplished and should therefore be resolved.

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As IPIC president, Segostarted,
standing Japan, 'introducing the
lives of "ordinary Japanese." If

there are Americans interested in "these ordinary matters of the Japanese, I can believe that the future relationship between the U.S. and Japan can be healthy." An Academic Stance

As the last panelist to be intro-duced, Yamashita wasn't about to answer the problems of U.S.-Japan, as challenged by facilita-tor Nakagawa.

"But I like to think that over

But I like to think that over the 17 years in Japan I have been able to develop some answers and programs — with help like Mr. Sogo who was my Japan co-chair on intercultural and non-verbal, and non-verbal cultural communication. I do not profess to b

nication. I do not profess to be a specialist on Japan. I do not kid myself," he declared.

The global changes happening in Japan, he stressed, are "beyond imagination."

Yamashita called the global changes "a paradigm shift"—viewing Japan as "moving away from the greater in tome hard; to high the agrarian to mechancial to high technology and (now) into ultra-high technology as part of the Information Age.

There were several graphs ac-

There were several graphs ac-companying his presentation. One was the annual Gallup poll (1980-1992) comparing U.S. distrust of Japan with U.S. growth in GNP 'distrust is up when GNP is down). Another showed U.S. policy in-terest in a changing Asia from high in 1900, dipping down to the WWII low-point and rising up-wards since then. Yamashita feared the pattern may be a 40wards since then. I amashta feared the pattern may be a 40-year cycle with U.S. policy inter-est dipping in view of the SII prob-lems looming by 1980. The "SII is difficult as it is intangible and abstract," he said.

" he snid. See U.S.-JAPAN/page 6

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Mental health leaders to meet in Washington, D.C.

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Ten po-tential leaders in the Asian Pacific American community were cific American community were recently chosen to go to the nation's capitol Sept. 13-19 in the 2nd annual Week in Washington's seni-nar. Sponsored by the Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation, the Week in Washington program' encourages Asian Pacific American leadership in the Solde of recent health and social fields of mental health and social

The finalists were: Frances

Mika Inouye, doctoral candidate-psychology, Colorado State Uni-versity; Russell Mark Jeung, doc-toral candidate-sociology, UC Berkeley; Helen M. Kim, project co-ordinator, Korean Youth Center, ordinator, Korean Youth Center, Los Angeles; Kerniy J. Kitano, doctoral candidate, social welfare, lellow in geropsychiatry, McLean Hospital, Belmont, Mass., Halaevalue Ofahengaue, MSW candidate-social work, University of Hawaii- Manoa;

Schulze, program director, Japa Schulze, program director, Japa-nese Community Youth Council, San Francisco; Dung Kim Tran, assistant program director, Na-tional Asian Pacific American Families Against Substance Abuse, Los Angeles; Emi Mizuki Yamasaki, program analyst, King County Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Service, Seattle and Mieko Yoshihama, LCSW, ACSW, project coordinator, Didi Hirsch Community Mental Health Center, Culver City, Calif. (2)

Illinois amendment gives aid to Asian American students

CHICAGO-Asian American and Native American students will receive scholarship assistance under an amendment to the Minority Teachers of Illinois Scholarship Aid Program recently signed into law by Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar.

Previously, Asian Americans and Native Americans were not included in the definition of mi-nority students for state funded

teacher scholarships in Illinois.
"It is hoped that this amendment to the Minority Teachers of Illinois Scholarship Aid Program will diminish financial barriers that might otherwise prevent Asian American and Native Asian American and Native American students from pursu-ing teaching degrees," said Rob-ert Hatch, co-chair of the Asian American Bar Association of the Creater Chicago Area's (AABA) legislative and judicial developments committee

AABA launched a campaign to include the updated amendment in the minority teachers legisla-

Under the new amendment, students will now be able to re-ceive up to \$5,000 annually and must agree to teach for one year for each year of assistance.

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Q&A Session

Besides immediate questions at Yamashita to explain "paradigm shift" in simple terms, Hosokawa reported how the state of Colo-rado and other state governments are attracting Japanese invest-ments. Nishiyama explained nonverbal communication in Japan, which he said might "even be the inflection of the voice" or sitting

with both knees together indicat-ing non-uptight behavior. When asked where Japanese

investments might increase in the U.S., Yamashita felt they would be in telecommunications, information, multimedia and comput-ers. Sogo said they probably would be with smaller and medium-sized

companies.
Following up, Nakagawa aaked
the panelists if they thought the
Americans of Japanese ancestry hing with a decrease in Japa-

nese investments. Nishiyama said that the thrust of Japanese corpo-rations is to become good corpoate citizens in the commun where they are investing. Compasuch as Nintendo and the Seattle Mariners might be the trend, he said. "We in Japan need trend, ne said. We in Japan need to learn more of (these kinds of enterprises)."

A 30-year Sony Corporation em-ployee in New York, Chris Wada,

aid he was not as optimistic as the panelists were over Japan-bashing because of the U.S. Ja-pan trade imbalance. It's a sore point (that) I don't think will go away soon." Now working for American Electronics Association, American Electronics Association, he felt since U.S. firms are losing their defense business, they will look at the business of the Japase market in the U.S. The JACL ould be aware of what is coming, he advised. Role of Concerned JAs

Observing so many in atten-dance, Hosokawa said it 'indicates you are very concerned about what we as Japanese Americans can do to help improve the situa-tion" and added that much of the information out there is not being absorbed or is imbalanced. "It is very important we understand what our role should be. If anybody has any ideas on how we can do that, I am willing to listen."

Referring to his Quantum Cul-ture and paradigm shift, Yamashita saw one answer: We have to think in terms of Adam Smith"—the 18th century Scot-tish economist. Sogo said: "What can Japanese do to contribute to both countries?" and repeated the Japanese role of good corporate citizenship to stimulate and fa-cilitate understanding.

Nishiyama won applause when he suggested to have JaCL in crease its membership and to

crease its monocarup and as support JACL in ameliorating the Japan-bashing load through its alert network and to have members in key places defusing what appears in the press.

Hosokawa responded, "That was a great commercial." He re-

was a great commercial." He membered the prewar situati when the Nisei accepted the pro-paganda from Japan, of the failpaganda from Japan, of the failure of Nisei to cry out against Japanese militarism in 1941, and now that he is honorary consul general of Japan giving talks to various civic groups on U.S. Japan relations, he is known as "that provocative Nisei" for having criticized Japanese policies at the annual meetings in Washington.

"I want to add to what Bill (Hosokawa) said about being critical of Japan," Nishiyama said. "I agree... but when you are critical and get out to the public and press, make darn sure you are on Largei, make darn sure you are on Largei. Because a lot of things said here in the U.S. that appear in the Japanese press are off target." ©



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Personally speaking

APPOINTMENTS

• Kelly Shintaku, a sopho-nore at the University of Southern California majoring in English, has been named an intern in the office of Los Angeles County Supervisor Mike Antonovich

 Wayne K. Tanda has been promoted to the position of San Jose director of Streets and Traffic, responsible for traffic engineering, parking and mainte-nance of streets, sewers and streetscape functions Tanda is a registered civil engineer, and is a board member of the San Jose Chapter, JACL. He is currently nittee chair for the chapter's 70th anniversary celebration scheduled for 1993.

RETIREMENT

Reggie Okamura, 56, has retired from the Hawaii Volcano Observatory staff where he has been an employee since 1958. He was chief of operations, the radio voice informing the public on the ongoing Kilauea eruptions. His r brother. Arnold, who foled him in 1961, is succeeding

him as operations chief.

• Kei Kokubun, retiring director of the Los Angeles County Department of Community and ior Citizens Service Center in recently honored in for his two decades of service. "helping thousands of people in need, for his compassion and com-. . and as a great role model," County Supervisor Ken-neth Hahn declared in his scroll of nmendation.

 Marie Kurihara, graduate of Cornell University, New York Hospital School of Nursing, was honored with the 1992 Distinguished Alumnus Award at the guished Alumnus Award at an eschool's recent annual luncheen. She was recognized for her many accomplishments and contributions to the nursing profession, patient, and health care. She is chief of nursing service, Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center. San Prancisco.

Center, San Francisco.

The University of Texas M.D.
Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, has awarded the 1992 Visitor Award nam Dr. W.W. Sutow [1912-1981] to Dr. W.W. Sutow [1812-1801] to Dr. Joseph Fraumeni Jr., director of the epidemiology and biostatis-tics program at the National Can-cer Institute. Sutow, who began his medical career just after World War II, was director of pediatic research for the Atomic Bomb Casualty Commission until 1954. He settled in Houston to form the pediatrics section at Anderson Hospital with his ABCC col-leagues. A lifelong JACL sup-porter, Sutow's findings in pedi-atric oncology are in medical text-books. While making the rounds, he often decorated the hands or feet of his young patients with pen-drawn butterfly or a flower.

Marilyn Schlief of Garden City, Mich., was recently honored with the 1992 Christa McAuliffe Educator by the National Foundation for the Improvement of Education and its Christa uliffe Institute for Educa-

McAuliffe Institute for Educa-tional Pioneering.
Schlief is helping elementary, middle and high school students gain a globel perspective on the world in which they live through the use of advanced technologies. The 23-year classroom veteran, who serves as teacher-consultant for foreign language and K-8 so-cial studies classes, teaches Japa-nese and guides students in learn-ing projects that incorporate ad-vanced technologies. Telecommu-nications will help prepare stu-dents for a world that's a system of integrated communities," she says.

Akiko Kurose, a first-grade

L.A. writer wins Clavell award

Denise Uyehara, a Los Angeles writer and performer, won the 14th annual Jamese Clavell American-Japanese

Literary Award. Uyehara, 26, on the \$1,000 prize for her Chasing Air-planes," a story planes," a story about a family dealing with th repercussions of a grandmother's At UC, Irvin



DENISE UYEHARA

Uyehara edited East West Ties, an Asian American news magazine, and Points West, the campus literary journal. She has also written, directed and per-formed at Highways Perfor-

mance Space in Santa Monica, Calif.; for Jude Narita's "Tiger on the Right, Dragopn On the Left"; in the Asian American Theater Project at the Los Ange-les Theater Center; and at the Lee Strasberg Theater Insti-

tute in Hollywood for the Fringe Festival

teacher at Laurelhurst Elementary School in the Seattle area, was honored with the Presiden-tial Award for Excellence in Sci-ence Teaching and as a member of the President's Advisory Council on Education for Underprivileged

Voters in Hawaii will be asked this November to amend the state constitution to have either the state board of education or the governor appoint the school superintendent.Currently. arles Toguchi has been re tained by the board for another ar. Appointed in 1987, he has pushed to restructure the department so that more resources and decision-making powers go to in-

dividual schools.

• Yori Wada, who served 15 ars as regent to the University of California, was recognized by the regents at his recent retirement event, and was also awarded a UC, San Francisco, Medical School Medal at its Founders Day dinner. The medal is for outstand ing service in the field of civil rights and affirmative action.

Children

 California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, President Bob Suzuki was named an honorary member of the Gold National Honor Society. The or-ganization was created to unite diverse individuals while nurturing and rewarding the efforts of top students in all disciplines.
Suzuki was named president of
the college in May, 1991.

Tom Ogawa of Idaho Falls,

Idaho, was recently nominated for the John Justin Standard of the West Award, a prestigious award made only to committee chair-man of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association. The organization's Rodeo Committee will vote for the most outstanding olunteer at the end of the ye volunteer at the end of the year.
Ogawa has been chairman of hte
local PRCA for the last 13 years.
He is also first vice president of
the Idaho Falls Chapter, JACL.

The 1991 Hawaii Award for

Literature went to Lahaina-born Milton Murayama, 69, who es-tablished a beachhead for Asian tablished a beachness its rasion.

American writers with his 1959 short story, "I'll Crack Your Head Kotsun" (Arizona Quarterly), which was later expanded into a which was later expanded into a novel, "All I Asking For Is My Body"(1975). An MIS weteran with a BA in English (1947) University of Hawaii, Manoa, and MA in Asian Studies (1950) from Columbia, is a retired U.S. Customs Se bia, is a retired U.S. Customs Service employee living in San Francisco, and recently said he wants to be remembered as "a distinctive voice who created a truthful portrait of a certain time and place." His 1975 novel describes life of a Japanese American family on a Hawaii sugar plantation during the 1930s.

• Jonathan Kaji was praesati.

Jonathan Kaji was recently elected president of the board of

directors of the Los Angeles Baptist City Mission Society, the first Asian American president in the 86-year history of the organiza-tion. The society serves 134 congregations and more than 35,000

embers in the Los Angeles area.

• Malis Yoshida of Portland's Wilson High School was chosen the 1992 "Roseria" queen for the ual Rose Festival. She was the first Japanese American to be selected. A number of them in the past have been princesses at their

ctive schools.

Drs. Takao Shishino, ald Matsumoto, and dall Yumori of the Pacific Eyecare Center in Culver City, Eyecare Center in Culver City, Calif., were featured on a cable television talk show, Vision and You, sponsored by the Southern California College of Optometry. They are all graduates of the University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry. Four honors, ees cited at the 1992 Downtown L.A. Chapter, JACL Nanka Fujinkai annual Women of the Year Iuncheon were Sachiko Tengan, Hawaiian-born Pacific War widow of an Okinawan phy-War widow of an Okinawan phyician who singlehandedly rai two daughters, promoted Okinawa letters, arts and poetry while working until her retire-ment from Savon Corp. in 1983. Kumamoto-born Haruko Shida, a seamstress trained in making kimonos and a long active member of Union Church of Los Angeles, where she was ordained a deacon; Boyle Heights native and Manzanar resident Rose Etsuko Honda, now of West L.A., who pioneered the first public pre-school PTA and established the Lab Center programs for prepar-ing childhood education teachers and Salinas-born Anna Mae Tamaki, a Japanese Community Pioneer Center board member and volunteer responsible for its bridge club and an assistant instructor for Kansuma-Kai.

COURTROOM

• The Hawaii state senate unanimously confirmed in late April Honolulu lawyers Gail C. atani, 43, and Paula A. Nakatani, 43, and Paula A. Nakayama, 38, as judges on the Oahu circuit court. They have a 10-year term. Also appointed by Gov. John Waihee were family court judge Frances Wong to the Oahu circuit court and deputy attorney general Corinne Watanabe to the three-member state intermediate court of apneals.

ORGANIZATIONS

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Peace Corps director Elaine
Chao, 29, of Alexandria, Va., was
named Aug. 26 to head the United
Way of America as president and
CEO, a \$195,000 a year position.
Her predecessor, William Aramony, was ousted in February
amidcharges offinancial mismanagement and lavish spending. He

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Opinions



From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

JACL's provocative U.S.-Japan workshop

t the recent national JACL conven-At the recent national JACL conven-tion in Denver the workshop on U.S.-Japan relations drew a large and attentive audience. Obviously the "myths, percep-tions and realities" that stand in the way of smooth, relations between the two coun-tries weigh heavily on the minds of thought-fol. Japanese Americans. ful Japanese Americans.

If the workshop provided few answers, it rovoked much thought.

provoked much thought.

At the end, panelist Sen Nishiyama made a very important statement that may have been missed by many in the audience because of the confusion at the time. I'd like to discuss it a bit in this space.

Sen's remarks were in reference to some-thing I had said earlier. Back in the 1930s, I said, we Nissi were so young and so naive that we accepted as truth almost every-thing that came out of Japan. We failed to speak up in condemnation of Japanese ag-gression. In 1941 and 1942, when war came, gression. In 1941 and 1942, when war came there were Americans who questioned why we had been silent about the Japanese

attack on China and they wanted to know

I went on to say that our failure to under-stand what the Japanese military was do-ing, our failure to take a stand and speak out, had much to do with what happened to out, had much to so with what nappened to us in 1942. And now at the present point in history, I said, we should try to understand reasons for friction between the two coun-tries and be outspoken where necessary, including criticism of Japan when we be-lieve Japan to be wrong.

Nishiyama's point was that while there was nothing wrong with being critical, we must know what we're talking about. "Make sure you know what Japan is doing," he said, "what the situation is in Japan, and then speak as an American talking about a sovereign nation."

But making sure we kn talking about is not easy. Newspaper re-ports are usually incomplete and some-times unbalanced. Magazines may be less an objective. And the subjects at is

may be so complex that they defy understanding by all but specialists.

This last point was underscored by Glen Fukushima, formerly Japan trade special-istin the U.S. Trade Representative's office and currently director of public policy and business development for AT&T Japan. Fukushima happened to be in De days after the JACL convention ened to be in Denver a few

Trade experts, he said, can study Japan-U.S. trade matters for years, agree on the facts, and yet disagree completely on their meaning. In other words, it is not easy to e truth. That's not reassuring for those of us who are likely to be confused by shades of gray between the black and white

If the workshop didn't provide easy an-swers, and it didn't, it served its purpose by illuminating the difficulties inherent in the issues. I came away with the suspicion that the bashers on both sides of the ocean don't ally know what they're talking about. E

Letters

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Takes exception to logic of Lillian Baker

I wish to thank Pacific Citizen for publishing my recent letter. Its publication has provided me the opportunity to learn about Mrs. Lillian Baker and Mr. Ralph Willis, whom I was previously unaware of. Mrs. Lillian Baker, I have learned, is a former hatpin cataloguer now living in Gardena. Mr. Willis lives in Hemet. Both responded Mr. Wills lives in Hemet. Both responded on y Pacific Citizen (5uly 3rd) letter in lengthy arguments. In return I have re-plied in rebuttal. Copies of our correspon-dence can be viewed by computer-modem accessing the Correspondence (COR) Wing of the Japanese American World War II Electronic Library.

entofMrs. Baker's After detailed as weak arguments I have been forced to con-clude that Mrs. Baker is neither an histoclude that Mrs. Baker is neither an histo-rian or a revelationist, but rather an un-qualified, yet devoted, semanticist. Mrs. Baker's circular pursuit to define and re-define the terminology associated with the Japanese American World War II experi-ence, and overflowing her study into that history itself, has sadly resulted in her endless endeavor to revise history to sub-mit to her narrowly facused definition of it. Pherefore she nor her arguments can it. Therefore she nor her arguments can be considered resources of credible debate or revelation

Mrs. Baker's obscure, former Mrs. Baker sooscure, former protession of inspecting and cataloging the minute details and differences between hatpins could well have provided the psychological basis for her current obsession with seman-tics. Simply put, the abrupt extinction of hat-wearing forced Mrs. Baker to run out of hatpins to analyze. Her new devotion, the hatpins to analyze. Her new devotion, the semantic study of the Japanese American internment, is self-perpetuating because she refuses to acknowledge historical facts that powerfully contradict her. However, I have no doubt that if women's fashion designers suddenly re-incorporated hats into their ensembles, and the need for hatpins re-emerged, we should see Mrs. Baker quickly disappear from the Japanese American WWII discussion.

Those of us engaged in serious, credible

Those of us engaged in serious, credible historic investigation should not be distracted by arm-chair revisionists like Mrs. Baker and her associates. Their arguments are nothing more than a nuisance factor which unfortunately provides an entry level for deeply-rooted racists and anti-Asian elements to express their prejudices.

Phill Coleman

Senior Librarian
Japanese American WWII Electronic Library Lomita, Calif.

Republicans declare war on minorities

Did anyone else notice the Republican Party's declaration of cultural and reli-gious war against Asians, Africans, Arabs and others who do not belong to the Judeo-Christian tradition of Pat Buchanan. Did

Christian tradition of Pat Buchanan. Did you notice the cheers and wild applause this declaration evoked? Why haven't the Republican candidates issues a denia? With "ethnic cleaning" on the evening news, their silence is telling.

Instead, the Republicans now proudly tout "family values," their code word for religious exclusion. Preacher Pat Robertson ringingly declares that family values come from Almighty God, Really? The Confucian-Asian tradition of family and filial piety has been around a lot longer than Christianity.

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piety has been around a lot longer than Christianity.
What Pugliist Pat and Preacher Pat don't get is that their elevation of a religious requirement in a presidential campaign contravenes the constitutional rule: "but now religious teat shall ever be required" for public office.
What I don't get is how those who would thus subwert the Constitution and foster religious "cleansing" are able to pass as patriots and conservatives.

William Hohri Chicago, Ill.



East Wind

BILL MARUTANI

Tokyo (Imperial) University

I T'S KNOWN AS "Todai" (Toh-dai) in Nippon, short for "Tokyo Dai-gaku" (university), the creme de la creme of higher education in the Land of the Rising Sun. None of the elite institutions of higher learning in the U.S.—Harvard, Princeton or Yale, to name a few-has a comparable or late, to find a few man a Todai enjoys in Japan. Depending on the source of the opinion, in the U.S. the surmise is that opinion, in the U.S. the surmise is that graduates from Ivy League universities predominate in positions of influence in our government. (As a non-lvy Leaguer, my retort might be: "That explains the mess we're in.") In Japan, a graduate of Todoi is assured of a position of hisher choice, the best for several reasons; the screening probest. for several reasons: the screening pro-cess is so rigid that only the best are ac-cepted and graduates from such a presti-gious institution are deemed, without more, to be the best; those making the selection are themselves often alumni of Toda and the "oldboy network" very much comes into

Just as it does here in the U.S.

OVER THE YEARS the pattern of Todai graduates continuously is becoming en-sconced in prestigious and powerful posi-tions—for example, current Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa is a graduate from the law faculty of Todai—has been deemed winhealthy, that a continuous incestuous perpetuation of powerbrokers coming from the same school must be severed; that many bright graduates from lesser but excellent universities as discovered. origin graduates from lesser but excellent universities are discouraged from even ap-plying to the more desirable power slots such as the Ministry of Finance, Home Affairs, and the National Police Agency. So influential are these bureaucrats that it is said that the government of Japan is actually run and controlled by them, not by the elected politicians. This assessment must be true because the elected politicians are

heard to so complain.

But back to *Todai*.

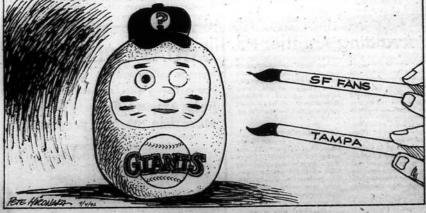
TOKYO (IMPERIAL) UNIVERSITY, Todai, was established about a century ago, precisely to train government bureau crats for emerging Japan's entry into the modern world, its graduates going into the nighest levels of government and commerce. indeed, this base is often credited with Japan's current economic success and posi-

tion on the world scene. So successful has been the effort that some of the Government's more prestigious agencies' ranks are saturated by 70% by Todai people,

some as high as 80-90%. For example, in this year's hiring by the Ministry of Fi-nance of 24 graduates, 22, or more than 90%, were from Todai. THE PRIME MINISTER, who, as men-

tioned before, is himself a product of Todat, allowed that this presented an unhealthy situation overall and declared that the percentage must be lowered. On the heels of Prime Minister Miyazawa's declaration, Prime Minister Miyazawa's declaration, Chief Cabinet Secretary Koichi Kato—yes, you guessed, himself also a Todai alumnus—set out a declared limit of 50% to be achieved over the next five years. There apparently is grumbling within the public, it being pointed out that government scandals—such as the Recruit Cosmos stock scandal in which a number of elected officials were involved resulting in the resignals were involved resulting in the resignals. cials were involved, resulting in the resig-nation of the then-Prime Minister Takeshita: the banking scandal wherein a high-operating restaurateur managed to borrow billions of yen without comparable resources—that such scandals took place while these bright whiz-kids from Todas

vere keeping watch. Which only proves that cerebral agility is by no means confined to some Ivy-League Japanese institution.



IN-SIGHT

Working at the 'Y'

By LILLIAN C. KIMURA National President, JACL

I want to share with you some of my career experience because I think it has relevance to the JACL. One of the main reasons I decided to work at the YWCA of the USA was because the organization had as part of its mission, "to thrust our collec-tive power toward the elimination of racism ver it exists and by any means neces-

At each triennial convention, our delegates gather to take action around the critical issues of the time. In 1970, the YWCA recommended work on seven issues. I wc.A recommended work on seven issues. They were: "eliminate poverty, combat ra-cial injustice, end war/build peace, reshape the quality of the environment, involve youth intentionally in leadership and decision making, revolutionize society's expectation of women and their own self perception and risk involvement, driven by the barrier breaking love of God."

Prior to that convention 500 black women of the YWCA met to discuss these issues and they concluded that combatting racial injustice was inherent in all of the above jectives. Thus the thrust for the trien-

nium became the elimination of racism.

To implement the actions of the conven-

tion, the National Board of the YWCA undertook a process of organizanal renewal. Prima rily a white middle class women's movement, the National Board adopted an affirmative action stance to be more inclu-sive on the Board and staff levels. It was at this point I became a program consultant for the organization in the Chicago regional office. Since that time I have

been given increasingly more responsibility. I became a director of a reigonal office, execu-tive director of the Field

Services operations, as- Y experiences of sistant executive director and finally one of two Associate National Executive Directors. The units or divisions that provide services to our 400 local YWCAs came uner my supervision. These services included model program development, health pro-motion, U.S. Olympic Committee relation-



LILLIAN KIMURA

management training for executive di-rector and mission/stew ardship training for volunteers, a training program for women who want to run for public development, and ongo ing and regular commu-nications plan with asso-

I have been the staff ssociate to the commit-se which determines the criteria for being a YWCA and monitors the health and strength of the move ment by conducting an evaluating process. I worked with the Board on a new governance pro

cedure and with the constitution and by laws committee. The National Nominating nittee and the Board Nominating Co mittee have been in my portfolio as we try to identify women who will lead us into the 21st century. I worked on all aspects of our conventions and related meetings which help to determine the convention agenda. As of Nov.1, I will be taking early retire ment, but I will continue to work on special projects as an executive consultant for the YWCA. One of these projects will be the

1994 YWCA convention.

My career with the YWCA has given me insight into many aspects concerning the operations of a nonprofit organization. As in many associations, JACL and the YWCA share many similarities in organization purpose, structure, governance, and fulfill-ing affiliate and membership needs. They are also two very different organizations with different histories and traditions and serving different constituencies. I hope that I can take some of what I have learned from rean take some or what I have learned from y staff experience at the YWCA and combine it with my volunteer experience in JACL and other nonprofit management groups to advance this organization for the betterment of our members.

JACL National President Lillian Kimura's IN-SIGHT column appears regularly in Pacific Citizen

Voices

Political correctness and censorship of the U.S.-Japan relationship

By STEVEN C. CLEMONS

Executive Director, Japan America Society of Southern California

When Michael Crichton published his recent bestselling work, Rising Sun, hardly did he expect to trigger such an assault from the brotherhood of American Japan-handiers.' Crichton has been vilified as a seething, vicious racist; as a person who treats Japanese the same way in his fiction that an anti-Semitic author might denigrate Jews. In a manner that is becoming all too Jews. In a manner that is becoming all too common, Crichton has been quickly discredited as a "Japan-basher," his critics believe that Rising San s pop culture treatment of U.S. Japan affairs can be shrouded as morally reprehensible and thus ignored. The phenomenon is not extraordinary.

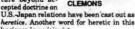
Those individuals, the very few whom there are, who have challenged politically correct perspectives about Japan, who have pondered the consequences of Japan's emerging economic might as well as

pondered the consequences of Japan's emerging economic might as well as America's diminishing economic base; and argued for rethinking the Japan-American relationship because of an undeniably different world, have also been labeled Japan-bashers. This process serve neither nation interests. The strained state of affairs between Japan and the United States is a signal of the need for inspection, recalibration and adjustment of the relationship recalibration and adjustment of the rela-tionship.

recalibration and any tionship.

More than a decade has past since former ambassador to Japan Mike Mansfield crafted the Japan-Handler's Slogan. He stated, of course, that the U.S.-Japan relationship was the "single most important bilateral relationship in the world, bar none."

And since then, most Japan-watchers have extended him the sort of infallibility enjoyed by Pope John Paul II in the Roman Catholic Church. Those who have dared to deal with taboo subjects that ven-ture beyond ac-



usiness is revisionist..

The so-called godfather of revisionists, ers Johns rs Johnson, one of America's lead-plars on China as well as Japan, wrote his most famous work on Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI). He illustrated how industrial policy can work in a nation, in fact, how it did work in Japan. In subsequent remarks, Johnson has committed the heresy of inquiring about the consequences to the American economy if Japan's highly tuned, competitive government-business partner-ship continues to thrive against the less successful "keystone cops" approach to na-tional economic policy in Washington. He argues that in the absence of policy direc-tion from Capitol Hill, Japan and other nations are free to devour market share in this country and fillet alive the U.S. manu-

facturing base. This is not racist; this is not Japan-bashing. This shows Japan's health and America's poor sense. Johnson is not advocating change in Japan; he is arguing that our government-industry relationship is deplorable and needful of serious restrucis deplorable and needful of serious restructuring. Maybe when the American manufacturing base has completely disappeared. Johnson will be credited for his foresight. That is the Washington way.

What is Japan-bashing? When does one see it? What does one not? When does one cross the line from being a well-meaning critic into the territory of Japan-bashing? Former Prime Minister Nakasone stated

Former Prime Minister Nakasone stated that Japan-bashing is something caused by bad feeling when important American cultural or national properties are bought by Japanese companies." A former Japa-nese Foreign Ministry official more candidly states that "Japan-bashing is racism, pure and simple." What is evident in these arks in the disturbing re the Chalmers Johnsons of the world into the same pot as those who would vandalize a Buddhist temple or commit hate crimes against people of Japanese descent. The concept of Japan-bashing has been manipuconcept of Japan-pasting has been manipulated to invalidate those Americans who have run against politically correct concepts of U.S.-Japan affairs.

To set the record straight, Michael

To set the record straight, Michael Crichton's message in Rising Sun is that a healthy, long-term U.S.-Japan relationship is impossible if the United States is perpetually weak and dependent on Japan. The Japanese have been telling their Ameri-

can counterparts for more than a decade of the importance of correcting huge govern ment deficits, promoting savings, inspiring corporations to think long-term, and investing more in basic research. Crichton, a pop-culture revisionist, agrees and argues that we must recognize the cause of Ameri-can decline and learn lessons from Japan's success. We must then adjust ourselves and reemerge in a position of strength, or at minimum, healthy mutual dependence. As Crichton writes: "The Japanese are not our saviors. They are our competitors. We should not forget it." While politically correct Janot torget it. While politically correct Ja-pan handlers view these lines as anti-Japa-nese, these with enlightened perspective sense that his view is healthy, based in competitive spirit, good for both nations, and at least what we used to believe was the American way.

What is essential to resolving many of the difficulties troubling the U.S.-Japan relationship is to obliterate the term "Japanbasher from our lexicon. Let racists be described as what they are, and give critics the attention that the relationship deserves. Uncensored candor is what both nations need now. Rather than serving as instru-ments of thought control on U.S. Japan affairs, defenders of the faith like Japan affairs, defenders of the faith like Japan America societies, academics, businesspeople and others intimate with Japan should promote new questions and perspectives about U.S.-Japan relations. Political correctness only keeps us from hearing the wake-up call that Crichton has issued and keeps Americans shrouded in ignorance.



CLEMONS

Guest editorial

The trade imbalance continues to be a The trade imbalance continues to be a focus of resentment between the U.S. and Japan. An economist for the Nihon Keizai Shimbun argues in this editorial that Japan must endorse the free-trade system and make common cause with the U.S. on human rights and democratic changes in East Asia. Partnership, not confrontation, must be Tökyo's

By NAOKI TANAKA, economist

From Washington's perspective, Japan seems to be masterminding a regional plot to dominate world markets at the expense of American jobs and living standards. Not contents or on up a huge standards. Not content to run up a huge surplus with the United States, this country has also un-leashed other Asian "tigers" to prey on American markets. While their exports in-tensify U.S. trade woes, Japan rings up

Avoiding Another Pacific War

dditional sales to its Asian disciples. Brisk growth in Asia's rapidly industrial-ing economies has expanded their trade ining economies has expanded their trade with Japan. In 1980, 22% of Japan exports went to Hong Kong, South Korea, Taiwan and the member states of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) – Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand

and Thailand
In a few years' time, East Asia is likely to
absorb a third of Japan's total export volume. Meanwhile, the share sold to the U.S.
market has been dwindling—front 39 percent in 1986 to 31 percent in 1980.
Reflecting this shift, more Japanese politicians and pundite have called for a reordering of Tokyo's polity priorities. Such
rhetoric is sure to arouse American alarm
and suspicious.

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In the long run, ASEAN may well prove more effective than the European Commu-

nity in bringing cohesion and order to an ethnically diverse area. Meanwhile, Wash-ington has steadily lost clout in the region. Washington has used foreign aid to prop

Washington has used foreign aid to prop up allies in key trouble spots. A frequent result of this strategy is that as Japanese influence swells, the American presence recedes. Despite this pattern, Japan's sud-den rise to preeminence in East Asia seems to have caught the United States offguard. Japan aroused American wrath in 1941 wattempting to impose its own order on a

by attempting to impose its own order on a politically and economically immature. East politically and economically immanure, san-Asia. Today, the Bush administration watches with apprehension as an increas-ingly strong and mature East Asia willingly strengthens ties with Japan, leaving the United States out in the cold.

Faced with the prospect of a plummeting standard of living, Americans are suscep-tible to demagoguery. Rabble-rousers can

find all the evidence they need in East Asia to concoct a Japanese conspiracy to impov-

Japan must head off a U.S. backlash by demonstrating in concrete terms, through major concessions, its support for the free

The Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) is a crucial test of Tokyo's commitment. Washington has offered to liberalize imports of sugar and peanuts, currently covered by GATT waiver clauses. Japan must respond by agreeing to partial opening of its rice

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was paid \$390,000 a year.

SPORTS

Nicole Okino, 19, 5 ft.-2 freshman at University of Hawaii, Manoa, upset the two top seeds in the recent NCAA judo champion-ships at Texas A&M to win a gold snips at Texas A&M to win a gold medal and the 106-pound title. With no judo team at UH, Okino has been a student of the sport for the past eight years at Shobukan Judo Club, under the eye of its head instructor Lloyd Migita, whom she credits for much of her success that includes six junior ational titles.

• Gymnast Richard Ikeda,

17, recently won the British Co-lumbia junior men's competition and was headed for the nationals at Laval, Quebec.

 Internationally recognized judo coach and San Jose State associate professor Yosh Uchida was recently honored at the University's annual Tower Award dinner for distinguished service to the university, which dates from 1946, while a senior in biological sciences, when he coached the SJSU judo team. He coached the U.S. Olympic judo team for the 1964 Tokyo Games, has mentored 1964 Tokyo Games, has mentored to Olympians including two silver medalists and two Olympic coaches. SJSU teams have won 27 NCAA tournaments. In 1986, he was decorated by Japan with the Order of Sacred Treasure, by the National Council of Christians and Jews with Martin Luther Vice I. Cool. Asierbox. Luther King Jr. Good Neighbor Award and by national JACL with its "Nisei of the Biennium" silver

 The Southern California Chapter of the National Multiple Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Glendale, hon-ored Yukiyasu Togo, board chairman of Toyota Motor Sales USA Inc., for his support of MS campaigns and as a leader among orate philanthropists at a re cent "dinner of champions" event in Beverly Hills.

 As part of the 100-year history of volunteerism, the Family Service of Greater Saint Paul, Minn., designated its top award to recognize direct service volunteers, the Ruth Tanbara Diamond Award, which was recently presented to a volunteer, Sylvia Carty, who has donated more than 900 hours providing information and referrals. Tanbara, a long-time Twin Cities JACLer and Family Service board member, and her husband Earl moved to St. Paul in 1942, to assist evacuee

· Remnants of the two Manzanar Camp's entrance guard shacks were in need of repair— the roof was in disrepair, the inte-gior reeked of urine, the doors and windows were long gone. In late May, John Cox, 16, of Northridge led a group of 20 Scouts from Troop 99, their parents and National Park Service employees for a weekend camping trip to patch the roof, clean out the interior, nail plywood to the doors and pla ets in the windows and an-up the camp area as a comrecent up the camp area as a com-munity service for his Eagle Scout badge. Besides the emetery ceno-taph, the auditorium being used by the Inyo County read mainte-nance crew is the only other build-ing standing since the camp was closed in October, 1945.

 Recently elected president of the Asian Business League of San Francisco, Cynthia Futa Mas-lanik, president/managing direc-tor of Hemisphere Marketing, San Francisco, received the 1992 Small Business of the Year award for her company, in the category of 25 employees or less, on its financial performance, unique nature of business and contribution to the

community. A full-service adver-tising and marketing firm deal-ing with the Pacific Rim, the coming with the Pacific Rim, the com-pany began in 1986 and now has billings in the seven-figure range. Clients include the Asian Wall Street Journal Weekly, United Nations, McGraw-Hill, the Cana-dian government and Institute dian government and Institu-tional Investor. She is the Sansei daughter of the Tom Futas of

yenne, Wyo. Making the Circle of Achieve ment at the Sacramento Bee were two Nikkei employees among the 21 for outstanding performances this year: Randall Ishida, circu lation for the past five years; Debbie Shizuko Cunningh city home delivery. Award includes a \$250 check, certificate and a set of etched C of A glasses.

The Manhattan Japanese

The Manhattan Japanese clothing store on Fifth Avenue near 20th St., Matsuda, USA Inc., was used as a site of the Paramount film, "Boomerang," where Eddie Murphy and to other black actors enter the store andare treated shabbily by a white salesman who assumes they can't afford the merchandise Matsuda executives, after read-ing the script, agreed to the film-ing: "We pride ourselves on the ethnic diversity of staff and clientele. We are aware that th discrimination portrayed in the scene is a contemporary issue in America. With our participation in this project, we are recognizing and raising the awareness of this problem," the New York Times reported.

GOVERNMENT

Clayton S. Fong is the new White House deputy assistant for public liaison, coming from a year-long stint at Health and Human Services, where he was deputy director for consumer affairs. Fong previously served the White House as deputy associate director of presidential personnel (1989-

Or. Terry Yamauchi, 50, of Little Rock, recently resigned as the director of Arkansas Depart-ment of Human Services after 29 months on the job. The Sansei surgeon said he will pursue other career opportunities.

TABOOS

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timated at 10%, which is par with the mainstream population. Hiraga indicated that cities such as New York, Chicago, Los Ange-les, and San Francisco have each n nearly 75 to 85 full blown AIDS victims who are Asian

Hiraga devotes full time energies to assisting those who are HIV-positive. He provides inin organiz formation, assistance in organiz-ing aupport groups for homosexu-als, lectures and writes. He also assists the heterosexual commu-nity to better understand gays, lesbians, and bisexuals who want to be accepted with the same love care all human beings need and want.

and want.

Ten years ago, many would agree that this kind of discussion would not have happened at a JACL-event, but this event showed that times have changed.

The openness of Vicki and Martin helped members better understand and perhaps lend support to gays, leabians, and bisexuals.

Each member of the panel, including Mrs. Taniwaki, made a special plea for assistance to the Japanese American homosexuals.

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sted reader who wants to interested reader who wants to learn more about and have a bet-ter understanding of the homo-sexual community. "Can We Un-derstand?"—a guide for parents prepared by the New York City Parents and Friends of Lesbians Farents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays—costs \$1 (or 10 copies for \$5), by writing to PFLAG Family and Chapter Support Office, P.O. Box 27605, Washington, D.C. 20038. ☼

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but came to Adams County when a year old,
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Edde, Victor, Gaughter Chiyeko Suo, 4 gc.
Kishimura, Hayame, 88, Giroy, May 20;
Hawai-born, survived by sons George, 80b,
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Kimurs, Kikune, 88, Chicago, March 18; Japan-born, survived by sons Lloyd, Mike, daughters Noriko Kato, Kazue Fukumoto, 6 grandchidren.

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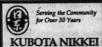
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