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No money appropriated for Redress **Education Fund**

Congress failed to include any money for the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund in its appropriations for fiscal year 1994, even though President Clinton had included a \$5 million request for the fund in the proposed budget he sent to Congress earlier this year. However, \$100 million was approved for the

However, \$100 million was approved for the individual redress payments.

The House of Representatives initial appropriations bill did contain a provision that attempted to authorize the Department of Justice to transfer to the Education Fund any Justice to transfer to the Education Fail and my money left over from the \$100 million individual redress appropriation. The initial Senate version of the bill contained no mention of the Education Fund.

The House language did not work for technical reasons. Congressmen Robert Matsui (D-Calif.) and Norman Mineta (D-Calif.), with the help of the Japanese American Citizens League, convinced the House members of the Conference Committee to consider including some funding in the Conference Committee's compromise bill.

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The Conference Committee failed to include appropriations for the Civil Liberties Act Public Education Fund after Sen. Hollings (D.S.C.) indicated his intent to block funding,

(D-S.C.) indicated his intent to block funding, despite Sen.Daniel Inouye's (D.-Hawaii) support for it. The Conference bill passed the House and the Senate last week.

JACL Washington Representative Karen Narasaki stated, "This is a disappointing setback for the Education Fund. Unfortunately, Sen. Hollings has long been a staunch opponent to reduces and sing position to block any

Sen. Hollings has long been a statum opponent to redress and is in a position to block any appropriation."

JACL National Director Randy Senzaki stated, "The Education Fund is critical to ensuring that the lessons of the World War Hinternment of Americans are never forgot-ten. JACL remains committed to making the Education Fund a reality."

Sacramento Chapter, JACL re-opens

The Sacramento Chapter, JACL, reopened its offices Oct. 27 at 2124 10th Street (10th Street of "U" Street). The facility was firebombed and destroyed by an unknown perpetrator on Saturday, Oct. 2, 1993.

Public officials, other civil rights groups, and members of the Japanese American community attended event.

To respond to its membership needs.

American community attended event. To respond to its membership needs, the office will reopen with a small staff. The office will be open every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Sacramento Chapter telephone number is 016/43/2021 is 916/447-0231.

is 916' 44'-U231.

The chapter extends its appreciation to the Sacramento Human Hights/Fair Housing Commission for the temporary use of its office and staff, said chapter President Randy Imai.

U.S.-Japan relations



PANEL—From left, Peter Berton, Mike Mochizuki, David Arase, Fred Notehoffer and Steve Clemons discuss U.S.-Japan relations at the Oct. 24 forum in Gardena, Calif.

Still seeking solutions

Forum continues to examine new and better approaches to bringing the U.S. and Japan closer on trade and other issues . . .

By GWEN MURANAKA

Assistant editor GARDENA—Calif. —Searching for new solutions, but coming up against

old problems

ord problems.
That was the message at the forum on U.S. Japan relations held here Oct. 24. Speaking before a largely Japanese American audience, David Arase, professor of political science, Pomona College, said that the JACL and Japanese American send to work the Japanese Americans need to work to keep discus-sion of U.S.-Japan issues focused on policies rather than racial or cultural stereotypes.

The event was sponsored by the PSW District Council, Carson Chapter, Gardena Valley Chapter, Greater L.A. Singles Chapter and South Bay Chap-

The question before panelists was "what's in it for you?" Arase answered, "The bottom line issue is, frictions between the U.S. and Japan result in anti-Asian violence. As relations worsen, we might want to think about what we ant to do to manage the situation."
While issues of racism and prejudice

are nothing new to Japanese Ameri-cans, Prof. Fred Notehelfer, professor of history, Japan Studies Department, UCLA, summed up a new era and a new attitude in Japan toward America with attitude in Japan toward America with the words of a Kobe taxi driver who said to him in 1987, "Gaijin wa aho da" ("Foreigners are stupid"). Notehelfer said unlike Japan during the post-war era, more people in Japan are willing to criticize America like the taxi driver or political writer Shintaro Ishihara, who said racism in America was at the core of problems in U.S.-Japan relations. "It is important for American to realize that the post-war is over. The changed

paradigm calls for new models and poli-cies. It's time that the Japanese people restore sovereignty over their own security," said Notehelfer.

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Other speakers included: Mike
Mochizuki, senier policy analyst, Rand Corporation; Peter Berton, professor of International Relations, USC; and moderator Steve Clemons, executive director, Institute for Independent Japanese Studies.

Arase said that Japanese Americans must work to counter criticism of Ja-

pan, but he made some qualifications.

"First, we must distinguish between valid and invalid criticism of Japan, valid and invalid criticism of Japan, said Arase. The professor said that criti-cism of government laws or corporate policy is valid but not "blanket condem-nations of the culture."

Arase said JACL should focus atten-

tion, without silencing discussion, on the fact that vocal critics of Japan can sometimes lead to violence against Asian Americans.
"JACL can play a role

in how media covers these issues, said Arase, noting that anti-Asian violence is often not covered by the mainstream media:

Clemons said that JACL has a role in Clemons said that JACL has a role in media coverage of U.S.-Japan issues, but needs to use its opportunities wisely. Recalling the press coverage JACL received in the spring of 1992 during a particularly bad period in U.S.-Japan relations, Clemons said, "The leadership of JACL was regularly on McNeil-Lehrer. On these programs, JACL said any discussion of U.S.-Japan relations

promotes hate crimes. It was a major mistake.JACL had the spotlight to talk about more relevant issues. When JACL is fortunate enough to be part of the mainstream dialogue, they need to dis-tinguish between racism and policy is-

While not discussing the specific inciwhile not discussing the specific incidents Clemons raised, Arase said, "I don't think Japanese Americans are more or less informed on U.S. Japan relations. To view any criticism of Japan as racist is a mistake."

He said that Japanese Americans

He said that Japanese Americans should become more educated about U.S. Japan issues and be critical of both ides, not serving as an advocate for

sides, not serving as an advocate for Japan.

"Japanese Americans can help keep debate centered on policy rather than culture," said Arase.

Giving an example, Arase said, "The problems in the case of the auto indusproblems in the case of the auto indus-try is that when you look at political cartoons, they try to capture the es-sence of conflict using images of Pearl-Harbor-or sneaky Japanese. It adds an emotional element to policy issues." Mochizuki added, "It is important for Japanese Americans to make them-

selves aware of the issues. If relations between the United States and Japan begin to unravel the consequences will be enormous." enormous

Mochizuki, who briefed Bill Clinton during his presidential campaign on U.S.-Japan issues, criticized the president's economic policies toward Japan. "In the Clinton Administration, there

is a complete disconnect between do-mestic and foreign economic policy. We need to move toward an export economy," said Mochizuki.

Citing Notehelfer's taxi driver inci-dent, Mochizuki said, "What is critical is that we have not communicated clearly what the U.S. message is to Japan, that's why we get comments like the taxi driver or Ishihara. The appear-

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-David Arase

ance is that we are trying to punish Japan. What we are trying to do is give the Japanese people the fruits of their labor. It gets translated into heavy-handedness."

Asked why Japanese Americans aren't more involved, on the policy-mak-ing level in these issues, Mochizuki said, There are two issues. One, the ablence

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New IDC officers

New officers were elected for the Intermoun tain District Council Oct. 16 at its meeting in Jackpot, Nev. They are:

Governor: Jeff Itami First vice governor: Hid Hasegawa Second vice governor:

Larry Grant. Seiichi Treasurer: Hayashida

ecretary: Alice Kas Ex-officio/education chair: Randy Harano.



JACL critical of anti-immigrant initiatives

JACL has criticized immigration legis-JACL has criticized immigration legis-lation proposed by the Clinton Adminis-tration and by various members of Con-gress. The House and the Senate intro-duced versions of the president's Expe-dited Exclusion and Alien Smuggling En-hanced Penalties Act of 1993 intended to prevent illegal immigrants with fraudu-lent documents from applying for political asylum.

The JACL supports the anti-smuggling provisions that would subject convicted smugglers to enhanced sentences and pen-alties, but objects to some of the asylum process restrictions being proposed. The legislation would give the Immi and Naturalization Service (INS) gener-ally unfettered discretion in screening prospective asylum applicants at airports and other borders. It also removes judicial review on the merits and bars class action lawsuits challenging the imple-mentation of the system.

mentation of the system.

"Given the INS record for making the
wrong decisions in these kinds of cases,
the elimination of impartial judicial review on the merits would make the asylum system a mockery," said JACL Washington Representative Karen Narasaki.

JACL also objects to plans being pro-

osed by California government officials that would deny citizenship to children of illegal immigrants and deny these chil-dren education, health care and other social services.

JACL National Director Randy Senzaki stated, "of any community, the Japanese American community is most sensitive to the issue of citizenship."

the issue of citizenship.

"It is not that long ago that discriminatory laws barred our grandparents from obtaining citizenship. All too often, our country's immigration and naturalization of the property o policies have been used as tools of dis-

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Calendar

Northeast U.S. **New York**

Sat. Nov. 6—100th Anniversary exhibit and Thanksgiving open house, Japa-nese American United Church, 255 7th Ave. (24th St.), New York City, Information: 212/242-9444.

Florida Del Ray Beach

Through Nov. 7—Smithsonian-NJAHS-Oakland Museum, exhibit Strength and Diversity, Japa-nese American Women 1885-1990, The Morikami, west of Jog Rd (btwn Linton Blvd, and Clint Moore Rd.), 407/ 0233, closed Mondays. [Permanent exhibit on "Yamato Colony" to be added this fall 1

Missouri St. Louis

Sat.-Sun. Nov. 6-7—International Folklest of 60 ethnic and international groups, Webster University, St. Louis Information, International

Wisconsin Milwaukee

Sat. Oct. 30—The 6th Annual Asian Awareness Conference. 'Asian Emer-gence and Civil Rights in the Nineties,' 5 p.m., Alumni Memorial Union, Marquette University, 1422 W Wiscon-sin Ave. Information: Allan Hida 414/

Colorado Denver

Tue. Nov. 2—Japan America Society dinner, 7 p.m., Westin Hotel, Downtown Denver, Information: Barbara Kelfy (303) 295-8862. NOTE—Yukio Okamoto, former director of National Security Af-tairs Division, speaker, "Questioning the Fundamentals" Political or Economic Reforms in Japan and the Implications for U.S. Japan Relations.*

Oregon Portland-

Through Jan, 16—JANMexhibit: 'Japanese Pioneers of Oregon,' Oregon Historical Society, 1200 SW Park Ave., Portland. 503/222-1741. Thu. admis-Portland. 503/22-1/41. Thu admis-sion free to seniors over age 60. Monthly lecturers, all Thursdays, 7:30 p.m. Nov. 18—"Memories, Visions and Realities (with Hood River Issel].* Dr. Linda Tamura; Dec. 9—"Spacious Dreams [of growing up in Hood River]." Dr. Lauren Kessler, Dr. Homer Yasui; Jan. 13— "Between [Minidoka] Camp and Home," Dr. Robert Sims.

Arizona Phoenix

Wed. Nov. 3—Japan-America Society of Phoenix's "Questioning the Fundamentals: Political and Economic Reform in Japan and the Implications for U.S.-Japan Refations," 11:30 a.m., Phoenix Country(clib, 7 ht St. and Thomas, Phoenix Speaker: Yukio Okamoto, president. Okamoto, Sexpiates Inc. president, Okamoto Associates, Inc. Information: 602/893-0599.

Nevada Las Vegas

Fri-Sun. Nov. 5-7—JACL PSWDC Conference, Boardwalk Hotel, 3750 Las Vegas Blvd South (btwn Flamingo and Tropicana), 702/735-1167; SAT: dinner. Information: PSW JACL Office 213/ 626-4471, Bill Endow 702/878-1589

California Sacramento Valley

Sat. Nov. 6-Sacramento Nichiren Bud Small kid time

dhist Church's Fall Food Bazaar, 11 a.m.-5p.m., 5191 24th St. Menu chicken teriyaki, sushi, tempura, udon, curry rice, etc. Information: Rev. Igarashi 916/456

Thu. Nov. 18—JACL Sacramento 1994 installation dinner, 6 p.m., Hoi Sing Restaurant, 7007 S. Land Park Dr., Lillian Kimura, speaker, information, 916/ 447-0231. NOTE—This will be Lillian Kimura's first visit to the n Valley s ilisi ento≃San

Sonoma-Marin

Sun. Nov. 7—JACL NCWNP session, 9 a.m., Enmanji Temple, Sebastopol, hosted by Sonoma County Chapter Information: Patty Wada 415/931-4671

San Francisco

Fri. Oct. 29-The Japanese A National Library's "Evening of Topaz," 7 p.m., Hinode Tower, 1619 Sutter St. Introduction of two new books, "Jewel of the Desert: Japanese American Intern-ment at Topaz" by Prof. Sandra C. Tayment at Topaz" by Prot. Seriole Japa-lor, "Generations and Identity: The Japa-nese American" by Prof. Harry H.L. Kitano, Information: Karl Matsusha, 415/

Tue. Nov. 2—MIS NorCal dedicatory program of the first Military Intelligence Service language school, 11 a.m., Presidio of San Francisco, Crissey Field: NOTE-Luncheon follows by invitation

only. Sun. Nov. 7—Nisei Widowed Group, 2-4 p.m. Information: Elsie Chung 4l5/ 221-0268 or Yun Moriwaki 510/3280.

Peninsula

Sat. Oct. 30—JACL San Mateo Mon-ster Bash, 9 p.m.-1 a.m., music by Gary More's "KYA Road Show." Central Park Recreation Center

Set, Oct. 30—JASEB Awards dinner, 5 p.m. no host cocktails, 6 p.m. dinner, Oakland Airport Hilton, information JASEB 510/848-3560. NOTE—George Yasukochi, JASEB Community Service Award honoree.

San Jose-Monterey

Frl. Nov. 12—JACL San Jose ele-tions, Issei Memorial Hall. Information 408/295-1250

Fresno-Central Cal

Sat. Nov. 6—VFW Sierra Nisei Post dinner, Lt. Col. Barry Saiki/(ret.) of MIS, speaker; 7 p.m., Airport Holiday Inn, tickets \$25, Information: Frank Isogawa

tickets \$25, Information-Frank Isogawa 209/896-1738, Nob Togioka 209/897-2002, Hiro Isoagawa 209/222-7083, Tom Teramoto 209/227-1293. Sat. Nov. 13—Central California Dis-trict Council JACL's 44th Annual Instal-lation Banquet "Women in the 90's, 6 p.m., Airport Holiday Inn, 5090E. Clinton, Fresno. Keynotte speaker: Grayce Uyehara. Information: CCDC office, 209/ 486-6815.

Los Angeles-Orange

Mon-Sat. Oct. 25-30—L.A. County Music Center's Cultural Diversity Week, information: Diane Liu Miller 213/972-

Sat. Oct. 30-Asian American Journal Sat. Oct. 30—Asian American Journal-ists Assn. skills training conference, 8:30 a.m.-6.p.m., USC Annenberg Bidg, 3415 S. Figueroa St. RSVP / Informa-tion: Julia Kim 213/217-1561, NOTE— Breaking tige Silence: Censorship in the Asian American Ethnic Press, Paul K. McMasters. of Freedom Forum, Vandenhit: Lien-Chi Wann LIC Revise. Vanderbilt, Ling-Chi Wang, UC Berke-

Sat. Oct. 30—Cultural performance, *Beside Myself by Amy Hill, 2 p.m., JANM, 369 E. 1st St., Little Tokyo, 213/ 625-0414

Sun. Oct. 31—Kanojo fashion show, noon-5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Churchhall, 961 S. Mariposa Ave., L.A., Information: Ida Kunitsugu 818/765-4473, NOTE—Guestartisan Leslie Yee-Murata of San Francisco.

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Sun. Oct. 31—Storytelling: "Japanese

Ghost Tales" with actor Gedde

Ghost-Tales" with actor Gedde Watanabe, 2 p.m., JANM, 369 E. 1st St., Little Tokyo, 213/625-0414. Mon. Nov. 1—Japan America Society. Japan Foundation presents "The Poignant Story of Japan's First Vassar Graduate," 6-7:30 p.m., Water Garden, 2425 W. Olympic Blvd, Santa Monica, RSVP 213.627-6217x15.

Tue. Nov. 2—Environmental walk at Soka University, 10-11 a.m., 26800 W Mutholland Hwy, Calabasas. RSVP 818/ 880-4649. NOT)E—Future walks on first Tuesday; the Seka school system main-tains five environmental preserves tains

tains five environmental preserves throughout Japan. Tue. Nov. 2—Photo exhibit re-opening California Historical Society's "Executive Order 9066", JANN, 369 E. 1st St., Little Tokyo, 213/625-0414. Thu. Nov. 4—Asian Business League of Southern California's general meeting, 6:30 p.m., McCormich & Schmicks Seafood Restaurant, 6:33 W. Sth. St., Los Angeles. Keynote speaker: Mr. Gowlin Beal, Acting Principal Officer, Phillipine Consulate General. Sat. Nov. 6—Issel Pioneer lecture: Dr. Takashi, Makinodan, "Cross-Culture Perspective on Aging and Health", 1:30:30 p.m., JANN, 369 E. 1st St., Little Tokyo, 213/625-0414. Sat. Nov. 6—East Sam Gabnel Valley JCC benefit-dance, 7:30-11:30 p.m.

JCC benefit dance, 7:30-11:30 p.m. ESGV Community Center 1203 W Puente Ave, West Covina; information Paul 310/692-3369, Herb 818/336-9962

Alaska Anchorage

Week of Nov. 7-13—Veterans Day con-ference, symposium, mAnchorage Mu-seum of History and Art and Sheraton Anchorage Hotel, Information: Georgie Reynolds, 907/753-2712 NOTE—Reg-istration for Alaska at War, 1317 North-em Lights #522, Anchorage, AK 99503

Canada Toronto

Sat. Nov. 7—Tribute dinner for the late Japanese Consul in Kovno, Lithuania, in 1940, Senpo Sugihara (1900-1986), 6 p.m., Regal Constellation Hotel, 900 Dixon Rd., Toronto, Co-sponsors: Canadian Jewish Congress, NAJC Toronto. NOTE—Dr. David Suzuki, keynote speaker, Mrs. Yukiko Sugihara and her son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Hiroki Sugihara in attendance. Informa-tion: 4600 Bathurst St., Willowdale, Ont M2R 3V2

Japan Tokyo

Thu. Nov. 18—JACL Japan chapter elections, 7 p.m., Tokyo Union Church, Omotesando. Information: Kenta Takamori, (03) 3585-3211x1737.

RELATIONS

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of Japan specialists and two, the absence of Japanese Americans in the White House."

the White House."
"There first has been the case since the post-war period because Japan hasn't been perceived as a problem. The people who manage Japan policy are not very well-informed. Many don't read or speak Japanese," said Mochizuki. Speaking specifically about the Japanese American community, Mochizuki said, There are very few Japanese Americans who want

few Japanese Americans who want to get involved in foreign policy. There are very few in Japanese studies. Japanese Americans tend to go into secure occupations like dentistry or medicine, not govern-ment service."

Gwen Muranaka



Chapter news

Media images of minority groups were part of a discussion titled, "Ah so homeboy ... Racial and Cultural Stereotyping in the Media," Oct. 13 at the North Berkeley Senior Center.

Sponsored by the chapter; Oakland Chapter, NAACP; Jewish Community Relations Council; and the Vietnamese Fisherman Association, the forum addressed.

Association, the forum addressed portrayals of stereotypes, social attitudes and perceptions in the media. About 50 people attended the discussion.

Panelists included Arthur Ward, African American actor, Berkeley Black Reportory Group, Berkiely Black Reportory Group, Inc.; Janis Plotkin, director, Jew-ish Film Festival; Philip Bui, Viet-namese writer, LAT Times and San Jose Mercury News and mod-erator, Bill Wong, columnist, Oak-land Tribune and Asian Week. San Francisco

The San Francisco Chapter, JACL, recently donated a number of copies of the video, "A Personal Matter: Gordon Hirabayashi vs. the United States," to the San

Francisco Unified School District. The district purchased 20 copies, but was unable to pay for all of them, so the chapter donated the "This provides at least one copy for each high school in the district and some copies for the video li-brary," said Les Hata, chapter president.

Hirabayashi video available

"A Personal Matter: Gordon Hirabayashi vs. the United States," may still be bought at a reduced price, according to Greg Marutani, San Francisco Chapter, JACL. The video will be available to JACL chapters for \$50 rather than the regular price \$125 through June 30, 1994.

Marutani credited Michael

Marutani credited Michael Jeung, CrossCurrent Media, with the decision.

"Michael was impressed with the results of the JACL effort. With the extension, we expect the sales of the videotape to continue because the groundwork has been laid by many individuals across the country." individuals across the country said Marutani.

relocation center, Kochiyama vol-unteered to fight in "Company K" of the 442nd Regimental Combat

He and his wife, Mary Yuri

Kochiyama were long known for their activism in civil rights is-sues. In 1981, Kochiyama was among those who testified before

the Commission on Wartime Re-

the Commission on Wartime Re-location and Internment of Civil-ians in Washington, D.C. Long-time residents of Harlem, N.Y., the Kochiyamas recently partici-pated in the March on Washing-

The chapter is seeking dona-tions to help defray the costs of shipping and selling the vid-eos. Marutani said the chapter has sold 85 tapes so far and expects to sell more with the

expects to sell more with the extension of the lower price. "While chapter Legacy Fund returns have covered the expenses for mailing the videos and paying the sales tax, we could use financial support from our members and individuals for this special project," seld Merutani. said Marutani

said Marutani.
Donations: Education Pro-ject, San Francisco Chapter, JACL, P.O. Box 22425 San Francisco, CA, 94122-0425. In-formation: Greg Marutani, 415/ 641-1697, evenings.

City's Day of Remembrance for their contributions to Japanese

American redress and repara-tions. He was also involved with the David Wong Support Com-

Kochiyama is survived by his wife, Yuri; three sons, Eddie, Jimmy and Tommy; daughter Audee Holman; and seven grand-

At press time, memorial ser-vices had not been formalized. In

lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to a char-

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Asian American activist and member of the 442nd, William Kochiyama passed away October 25 at St. Luke's Hospital in New York. He was 72 and died of mul-

tiple cardiac complications.
Kochiyama was born May 10,
1921, as one of only a few Japa-

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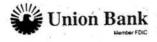
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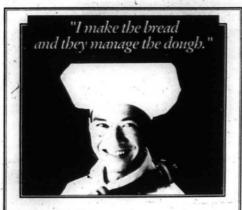
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On the Legacy Fund

By GRAYCE UYEHARA

Where earnings should go

As the chairwoman of the JACL Legacy Fund Campaign Committee, originally the Steering Committee, I believe I have the responsibility to clarify Jonathan Kaji's "By the Board" article in the Pacific Citizen, Oct. 15-21 issue, headlined "Explaining JACL funds."
The report covers all of the various JACL funds which are classified as restricted and endowment

fied as restricted and endowment funds. There are 14 restricted and seven endowment funds. "All of these funds are restricted either because of specific requests which were made by the donors or because of the terms under which

cause of the terms under which the funds were solicited," Kaji says in his article.

I find the listing of only one assigned allotment from the an-nual earnings disbursement from the Legacy Fund under the re-stricted funds to be somehwat

stricted lundo confusing.

Among the seven endowment funds listed in Kaji's article we note the Legacy Endowment (\$3 804,817) — "65% of earnings - "65% of earnings (em-(\$3,804,817) — "65% of earnings go to general operations (em-phasis mine) . . ." The earnings disbussement formula was ac-cepted by the 1990 National Councepted by the 1990 National Coun-cil at San Diego. It seems to me that once the disbusement for-mula was set, the total earnings from the Legacy Fund should be considered restricted. The earnings must be distributed as set by National Council. Thus, the re-stricted funds should show the total disbursement from earnings from the 1992 earnings as \$120,311:70. The disbursement

formula is a clear restriction

The National Board adopted a more detailed JACL Legacy Fund Statement at the July 12 and 14, 1991, meeting for the purpose of filling out the original statement. filling out the original statement. This statement states that the earnings from the Legacy Fund are to be used "to implement the organization's mission, its purposes and its biennial Program for Action." No where in the official Legacy Fund Statement on the use of the 65% of earnings to National does it say that the allocation is for "general operations." At the 1992 Denver convention, the National Council approved the extension of the campaign to a five-vear period, ending in 1995. states that the

five-year period, ending in 1995. Further, the campaign commit-Further, the campaign commit-tee composition was to change to a committee appointed by the National president and approved by the National Board. The change was to place the Legacy Fund campaign under the board. Rightfully, fund-raising is one of the major responsibilities of board members in most organizations. As officers elected by the chap-ters, vis-a-vis the National Coun-cil, the Board has responsibiliy for the Legacy Fund. The secretary-treasurer serves on the Cam-paign and Endowment Invest-ment Committee of the Legacy

Here is a key excerpt from the National JACL Legacy Fund Statement:

I. Purposes of the Fund The purposes of the JACL Legacy
Fund is to establish a perpetual
endowment from which only the earnings will be used to imple-ment the organization's missions, its purpose and its biennial Pro-gram for Action.

• 55% of the annual earnings will be distributed to the National

• 20% of the annual earnings 20% of the annual earnings will be distributed to the chapters through the district councils in direct proportion to the amounts raised by the chapters.

10% of the annual earnings

will be set aside for chapters and district councils for programs that are consistent with the goals of the

JACL Program for Action.

• 5% of the annual earnings will be reinvested by the fund.

I hope that this official case statement makes clear that the purpose of the Legacy Fund earn-ings is to support programs and not general operations. There are two other endowments that were established for earnings to be used for general operations—the Life Membership Endowment and the National Endowment. But, at no

National Endowment. But, at no time, in my review of the fundraising-plan for the Legacy Fund, was the \$10 million campaign goal and its earnings identified for "general operations" purposes. Cherry Kinoshita's Ad Hoc Committee to develop the fundraising plan specified that the income from the endowment fund would be utilized for sustaining JACLand for programmatic goals. The campaign committee in its The campaign committee in its campaign materials has informed the chapters and the general pub-lic that the earnings will be used for JACL's Program for Action.

The Program for Action is the roadmap for JACL programs de-termined by National Council Action. Certainly, all the pro-grams listed cannot be developed during the biennium. It would

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Opinions



From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

Enough is enough

w, enough is enough. Let's see if we can't bring order and reason to this disgraceful screaming eatfight between JACL's National Board and paid headquarters staff on one side, and Pacific Citizen and its staff and board on the other, and their respective support-

So many charges have been flung, actions precipitated and egos bruised that I'm not sure the situation can be resolved. But it had better be, or JACL as a viable national organization is finished. So we'd bet-

First, let's review the facts.

Some members of the National Board and the headquarters staff had been un-happy with Pacific Citizen's treatment of the news. Their dissatisfaction was aired at a National Board meeting in San Francisco Sept. 25-26. The PC side left the meeting the first day thinking progress had been made toward understanding. Not so. Dis-cussion returned to PC the second day with renewed fervor. Tempers flared and some inflammatory remarks were made. JACL President Lillian Kimura directed Paul M. Shinkawa, chair of the PC board, not to publish a detailed account of the proceed-

ings. -Shinkawa, citing the opinion of JACL's legal counsel, interpreted Kimura's order as a violation of JACL's constitution which places responsibility for PC on the PC board. He considered the gag order an attempt to keep important information from the membership and declined to carry it out. Kimura asked for Shinkawa's resignation, which she had authority to do, and he tendered it. In the absence of orders from Shinkawa's

successor, Editor Richard Suenaga pro-ceeded to publish a lengthy account of the meeting on the grounds that the member-ship was entitled to know what was going

on. It was not pretty.

Neither was the aftermath, which con-

tinues to rage.
The issue is what PC should be. The PC Board and the By-laws provide for an independent newspaper. The National Board and staff see PC as abusing its independent newspaper. dence by carping at the leadership and some of the policies of the organization that

The PC sees its mandate from the JACL membership as including freedom to report

or comment as it sees fit and let the chips fall where they may. Sometimes it is diffi-cult to be both independent and a cheer-leader for JACL.

How to solve that dilemma was the genda for the San Francisco meeting. Unfortunately, while a firm and fair hand was required of the chair, the meeting according to those present was allowed to deteriorate into an immoderate and largely one-sided shouting match. Some feel this disorder was a set-up for getting rid of Shinkawa whose views were seen as intolerable. Whatever the reason, his ouster was an error. It resolved nothing. It only was an error. It resolves the chair's polarized the rift. And whether it was meant that way or not, it also signaled the chair's position that Shinkawa was the issue. Goodby Paul, goodby problem. The reality is that Shinkawa needed to be, not the scapegoat driven from the conference room, but a part of the solution-seeking process

The meeting was adjourned but the de bate has deteriorated into a print war which

is no substitute for discussion.

Perhaps PC's longstanding role as a militant and independent publication, executed

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Come-on Sense

KARL K. NOBUYUKI

What was National's Rising Sun rationale?

hough it hasn't been specifically stated, it appears that much of the disconcerts by the JACL National disconcerts by the JACL National Board about the PC was the Rising Sun brouhaha that lead to the subsequent firing of the PC board chair. It was noted that Paul M. Shinkawa's freedom of speech policy flurt' the League's credibility with its coalition. Evidently, this so-called coalition was formed to provide a unified front to oppose the book and motion picture of racial grounds. This was to be a classical case of "Japan bashing" and Asian violence. The issue of the Rising Sun is still repeatedly referenced in articles and editorials from the National president to the National staff. It is pointed to as the proverbial straw that broke the came!'s back. And, although I felt that the issue was "behind"

although I felt that the issue was behind us the actions of the National Board against

the PC have forced this regurgitation.

I don't understand the rationale behind
the Rising Sun coalition. Granted, there was an impressive list of groups, but what was the long-term objective? Was the coalition formed to address the issue of media images, Japan bashing, anti-Asian violence, or what? One needs to ask the questions

Experienced coalition builders recognize that at times coalition members may not be able to fully meet expectations. That's the nature of a coalition. Nonetheless, these experienced persons will also contend that the long-term objective is what will deter-mine if the coalition was/is viable or not. Likewise, these same experts will admit that at times a coalition is built only for a short-term objective or single issue objec-tive. What was ours?

In the specific case of the Rising Sun coalition it does not appear that the League's participation warranted the drastic action that the National Board took against the PC. Only those inexperienced and overly sensitive to public disclosure would react to censorship and seeking the sacrificial lamb. Criticism comes with the territory of lead-

ership.

My chapter president passed on to me National JACL's position paper and support documents regarding the Rising Sun issue. They were very disappointing. There was no objective analysis as to why the Rising Sun was so awful. The documents consisted of testimonials of persons who

were the spokespersons of the coalition and a chronology of events. The statements were virtually all conclusions. No comments were identifiable to the Japanese reaction. Basically, there was a leaping conclusion that the book and movie were bad, a faits accomplis. As reported by other writers in the PC, the National Board was silent and did not take a specific action to oppose the

did not take a specine action to oppose the book or motion picture.

Later, after the JACL debacle in September, it appeared that the National Board was more upset about the "loss of credibility" that JACL suffered from its effort to build this "coalition" than it was about the contents of the book or motion picture. Talk

about bad PR .

I had to ask myself, at what time did JACL elect to serve as movie critic vis-a-vis its main mission, and how the formation of this coalition became more important than trus coanuon became more important than the League's commitment to civil rights. I had to also ask what the specific objective of National staff was in formulating/partici-pating in this coalition, on the basis of what authority, what analytical premise and what end? Did the end (forming/participat-

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Letters

Are we to expect censorship, reader asks

After reading news of the recent firing of Paul M. Shinkawa, I am confused, upset and plain befudded. Do these events mean that National JACL will censor the information that is reported to us by PC? Does this mean that only 'official information will be passed on to the members and that only "official" opinions will be heard?

Am I to believe that the "official" opinion of Rising Sun is that its recist? (I and many of my JACL friends do not believe it is) And that gays belong in the military? Whose

of my JACL friends do not believe It is) And that gays belong in the military? Whose view will be the "official" one? Will the members have some sort of say or will "officialdom" be determined by one's position on the JACL National Board?

I, for one, was beginning to really enjoy reading PC-and found it to be revitatized, refreshing, stimulating and livelier than it has ever been. Paul M. Shinkawa has my thanks and my respect for his integrity and

thanks and my respect for his integrity and for the objective, informative journalism he brought to the *Pacific Citizen*. His leaving is

more our loss than his, I'm afraid.

If the JACL Board desires merely a vehicle to voice its own opinions, it should not have a newspaper — but rather should have a newspaper — but rather should presents its views via a newsletter. How-ever, is the JACL Board so insecure that information must be spoon fed to its mem-bers in such a manner as to be always unquestioned? It is a sorry occasion when we are treated like ignoramuses by the very

Barbara Nekoba Alexandria Va

Shinkawa firing was petty, reader says

I recently subscribed to the Pacific Citi-zen so that I could read the latest happen-ings of the Japanese people in general across

ings of the Japanese people in general across the states.

I am appalled at the political climate existing within the boards. I refer to the firing of a very good man by the JACL National President. It boils down to pure wational President it bons down to pure egotism, vanity, and personal pettirless. Who can fire her? Too much power is a thing of evil. And she just happens to be a woman to boot! Ugh! I may not renew my subscription

Jean y. Yen

If PC censored, reader will cancel membership

I am very disappointed by the course of events regarding the *Pacific Citizen* that transpired at the last national board meet-

As a JACL member for the past 12 years and a former national youth council chair, I have regularly read the PC to keep up with

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By the board

By NEAL TANIGUCHI

The irresponsible use of the free press

Bill Hosokawa believes that the National Board "emasculated" the newspaper. The Board sought to "usurp the *Pacific Citizen's* constitutionally mandated right of editoconstitutionally mandated right of editorial independence and convert it into a docile mouthpiece for the National Board and the paid staff," he writes. Richard Suenaga, editor, refers to the National Board as, "leadership lost," all because he believes that the National Board is attempting to strip the PC of its Free Press rights. NOT!!

WEONC!! Suppage 1 Heeckage as well as wRONCI Suenaga, Hosokawa, as well as other solicited supporters of the PC refuse to admit to the real issue: RESPONSIBLE PRESS AND THE ROLE OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN IN THE JACL.

The PC is irresponsibly using its Free Press rights to assert a JACL role, for which it was never intended.

was never intended.

I, as a member of the National Board, do not argue with the constitutional right of free press, but I strongly argue for the responsible use of those rights, especially in the context of the PC's role and place in the

the context of the PU's role and place in and JACL.

The Pacific Citizen is not an independent newspaper, as some PC Board members and staff want to believe. The PC is an integral part of the JACL corporation. The PC is the official publication of the JACL, as its masthead proclaims. The Constitution and By-laws confer upon it the role of the educational and public relations vehicle of the JACL. Those same Constitution and the JACL. Those same Constitution and By-laws also give the PC a degree of editorial independence, so that a "free expres-sion of ideas, criticism, and analysis" can

What does all of this mean to you as a member of the JACL? Well, the PC's reponsible use of its free press rights should be measured by its place in the JACL corpo-ation, its role as the official publication of the JACL, its role as the educational and public relations yehicle of the JACL, and its role as an editorially independent publication of the JACL. Responsible press in the PC context means that all of its articles and editorials must exhibit a balance of all of these roles.

these roles.

Unfortunately, the PC has failed miserably. Suenaga, Hosokawa, Shinkawa, and others push for an extremely narrow role of complete editorial independence, with the PC acting as a "watch dog" over the National Board and staff. The PC is trying to assume a "counter-balance" role to offset the National Board and staff. In the process, it has gradually begun to ignore its other roles as the official publication and as the educational and public relations vehicle.

The very term, "watch dog" implies to me that PC Board members, the PC staff, and perhaps others believe that the membership have a genuine mistrust of the leader-ship and the national staff. They believe that the PC's role is to point out what the leadership and staff is not doing or accom-plishing. I would suggest that this "watch-

dog" approach is counterproductive, natu-rally places the membership and the leadraily places the membership and the lead-ership in adversarial positions, and pro-motes in-fighting within the organization. Witness the circus the PC has presented in this publication in recent weeks! What the PC is not doing adequately is being a true educational and public rela-tions vehicle. The PC should be writing

critical, in-depth analyses, which make our membership think about the complexity of civil rights, and ethnic or racial issues. Instead, the PC merely reports the facts, or in some cases, the complaints of readers. The editors do not even attempt to objec-

rively interpret the reported facts.
For example, the PC has never adequately covered the National Board meetings during covered the National Board meetings during my four years tenure on the National Board. Often, only a summary of motions is ever printed. Issues analyses are never published. I have yet to see some of the organization white papers, or position statements, printed. Furthermore, staff always submit quarterly reports of their activities at these meetings, but the PC never writes on the contents of these reports.

The PC is not reporting on all of the

The PC is not reporting on all of the positive and hard work put in by the staff. The PC does not do the internal PR needed

to promote the efforts of the organization. In another example, it has been three weeks since the Board meeting, and as of the writing of this column, I have not seen a reporting on our new JACL chapter, the

Georgia Chapter. The granting of a chapter charter to Georgia is significant to our civil rights cause, because, butside of the Hous-ton Chapter, the JACL does not have chap-ter membership in the southern states. The Georgia Chapter represents a positive step Georgia Chapter represents a positive step forward in recognizing the emerging Japanese American community in Atlanta, Ga. Not recognizing the new Georgia Chapter is a failure on the PC's part to fulfill its PR and educational role in JACL.

The Jap Road article is another example. As I alluded to in a previous editorial, the PC did not report about JAP Road in a positive or balanced way. The PC did not provide a complete analysis.

Responsible press also means adhering

Responsible press also means adhering to some form of ethical conduct, both in editorial conduct and in conducting the busi-ness affairs of the newspaper. Mr. Suenaga's recent editorials have overstepped the

recent editorials have overstepped the bounds of reasonableness and objectivity. Any other member of the National staff would have been fired for similar comments, but because Suenaga is the editor of the PC, he hides behind his protection of free press. Some National Board members, including myself, question the PC's business practices. I would like to know, and I am sure that JACL members would like to know. Why did the PC editor sell his personal furniture to the PC? Do you ensure the legitimate collection of all advertising revenues for all of the ads we see in the PC?

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Pacific Citizen response

By RICHARD SUENAGA

Answering Taniguchi's charges

Pacific Citizen responds to these charges (in italics) issued by Neal Taniguchi, JACL National vice president for general opera-

That PC solicited editorials and letters

◆ That PC solicited editorials and letters of support.

This statement gives grievous insult to those who wrote to express their views on this matter. Categorically, no one from the Pacific Chizen staff solicited a single editorial or letter. Individuals took the time to write out of their own concern to do so. PC believes in that right, which applies to all who would disagree with PC.

• That we not seen a reporting on our new JACL chapter, the Georgia Chapter."

PC reported this news in the Oct. 8-14 issue, page 4.

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the National Board meetings on page one of

issues following the event.

• "Why did the PC editor sell his personal

furniture to the PC?"
Prior to 1992, the PCoffice had no table to conduct meetings. I specifically requested

PC Business Manager Joyce Kato to re-search the cost of a meeting table which I wanted clearly documented. Her inquiries wanted clearly documented. Her inquiries with furniture stores revealed that a no-frills meeting table would cost PC \$800 to \$1,000. Iowned two new library-style tables that were unused from a previous business that could be used together as one meeting table. They were valued at more than \$800. I sold them to PC for \$500, to be paid in installments. I saved PC \$300 to \$500 in this, manner. All this was carefully and specifically documented by my instructions and sent to National headquarters as Taniguchi must know from his accusation. Further, I have donated equipment to PC, including a microwave oven, fan, chairs, and other various office and production supplies. As former PC editor, Harry Honda has likewise brought in personal belong-

has likewise brought in personal belong-ings that continue to be used by PC staff. These are savings that amount to hundreds of dollars

Do you ensure the legitimate collection of all advertising revenues for all of the ads we see in the PC?

Yes. Tardy accounts are turned over to a collection agency, Dun & Bradstreet.

• Another complaint previously sent to the editor by Taniguchi was the issue of a PC restaurant trade ad.

PC hired a sales advertising manager in PC hired a sales advertising manager in late 1991 to increase PC ad revenues. As part of this effort, he set up a trade with Ocean Sea Food Restaurant of Los Angeles, to be used for prospective advertising cli-ents and business people. He was, for exents and business people. He was, for example, trying to set up a luncheon meeting of key officials of the Japan External Trade Organization, the Japan Chamber of Commerce and other key local figures to establish a business dialogue and develop PC editorial stories on U.S. Japan trade. He resigned in May of 1993, leaving the trade account with the restaurant unused. The sales advertising manager position was left yacant.

Why did the PC Board chair get his American Express Card annual fee reim-bursed, when the National Board members,

oursea, when the National poard memoers, as well as every other JACL VISA cardholder, must pay their annual fee?

As PC Board chair, Paul M. Shinkawa communicated with me almost daily, often by long distance telefax transmissions. To avoid charges to his employer's telephone

account, he used the PC's corporate Ameri-

account, he used the PC's corporate American Express account since it can also be
used as an AT&T telephone credit card.
Shinkawa also used the card for the hotel
room at the EDC-MDC-MPDC tri-district
meeting in Cleveland where he shared a
room with me to reduce PC costs.
He attended this event to meet with PC
Board members who were not able to attend
the PC Board meeting in Lee Angeles three.

the PC Board meeting in Los Angeles three months earlier. This was ordinarily a cost that would have been reimbursed to him

anyway.

At the Cleveland event, Shinkawa paid all registration, banquet and ground transportation costs out of his own pocket since he was not an official delegate for his chapter or district and did not want to add additional costs to PC's financial burden.

additional costs to PC's mancial burden. It was my decision to add a corporate card for Shinkawa. Since the American Express card is a corporate account for the PC, the annual fee was charged to the PC. After PC paid the annual fee to American Express, Shinkawa reimbursed the PC for the same

On the day that he was fired by President See RESPONSE/page 8

Letters

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anese and Asian American related news

Japanese and Asian American related news-PC presents itself in style and format as a newspaper; therefore, I assume it reports newsorthy issues professionally and objectively, and provides a forum for presenting alternate points of view.

Lam not interested in a one-dimensional publication only applauding the latest JACL accomplishments. In fact, a comprehensive, unbiased newspaper is exactly what the JACL needs to keep its membership well-informed, interested and active in the is-

JACL needs to keep its membership well-informed, interested and active in the issues surrounding the community. Without an independent PC, the JACL serves no purpose except self indulgence.

If the national board intends to restrict and censor PC and thus control the debate on important Asian American issues, I do not see any value in continuing my membership or support. I hope instead that the board will listen and find a way to recognize the importance of an independent, newsworthy paper.

Mika Hiramatsu

Oakland, Calif.

Says situation is out of perspective

The more things change, the more they main the same . . . (A. Karr, 1849)

current uproar within the National

The current uproar within the National JACL leadership brings to mind several enduring truths about the JACL of which I would like to enumerate just a few.

1. At times, we people of Japanese ancestry tend to take ourselves much too seriously. This is all too often exemplified by those who have suddenly been thrust into the ranks of national JACL leadership.

2. Speaking from direct experience, some

the ranks of national JACL leadership.

2. Speaking from direct experience, some years ago, a further aspect of our group character seems to be the lack of panache in dealing with criticism, especially when it comes from within the organization.

3. From the start of each biennium, the

3. From the start of each biennium, the interest of the real owners of the JACL, i.e., the membership, is lost sight of and becomes submerged in a miasma of egos, envy, and posturing be the National Headership. It's almost as if the National Board is the JACL to the exclusion of everyone else.
4. With the exception of redress, thanks to Dr. Clifford Uyeda, John Tateishi, Karl

Nobuyuki, among others, who were at the helm in launching this program back in 1978, the JACL has a continuing problem of keeping things in perspective. Which is the inability to focus on the larger issues which are of concern to the J.A.-community. Instead, it squanders inordinate time and scarce resources by getting bogged down in bureaucratic make-work projects like personnel manuals, reorganization, "long-term planning," etc.

5. The role of the Pacific Citizen in the organization has always been overstated to the point that the proverbial tail wags the dog. The PC vs. National Board conflict is anything but new. And, the PC does con-sume a disproportionate share of organiza-tion dollars and time which might be better utilized in other nursuits. utilized in other pursuits.

I wonder if this whole PC problem can be I wonder it this whole PC problem can be resolved by spinning off—privatize, if you will—its operations into a separate corporate entity and allowing it to sink or swim on its own. My feeling is that there are enough of us out there willing to invest in a national JA publication.

Has the time come to reinvent the JACL?

. . . and this, too, shall pass away . . .

(Anonymous)

George Kodama Los Angeles

President had right to fire Shinkawa

I do not believe all the howling that is going on regarding the Kimura/Shinkawa

affair.
All of you guys (men and women) that are barking at her heels — please back off — and think about it for a minute.
Ms. Kimura, president, JACL, has every right to dismiss Mr. Shinkawa, PC Board chair. Mr. Shinkawa was appointed to his position at the pleasure of President Kimura. If she finds that the PC chair is not discharging his duties for the winter.

discharging his duties for the best interest of all concerned — it is time for him to go. It is a tough mean jungle out there, and believe me President Kimura has enough problems fighting the tough fight without all the internal nonsense that she has to deal with

M. Yamanaka.

Palo Alto, Calif.

LEGACY

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em to me that the National seem to me that the National Board, giving serious consider-ation to availability of funds, the primary concerns of our organiza-tion and our community, will get some priorities. This responsibil-ity requires discussion and plan-

ning.
We can only do programs within
the organization's means. Many organizations today are going through a period of having to make the best use of their dollars to reach their goals.

to reach their goals.

Dropping the 65% of the earnings into the national "pot" requires no accountability or possibility of reporting back to the contributors and to the chapters who worked hard to raise the \$4 million to date. This doesn't show how the fixed current show how the funds were or are used. The Legacy Fund's other assignments are quite clear for accounting purposes.

We have not reached the half-

we have not reached the hair-way mark on our goal, but con-tributors and chapter fund-rais-ers continue to ask how the funds will be used. I have heard from the same people that earnings from such a large endowment must not be for "business as usual" but for new morrame which the but for new programs which the organization has been unable to fund.

fund.
The Legacy Fund was established to assure a strong financial position for JACL. In other words, the fund was created for JACL to develop a vision and impact that would create a better society and place for our members.

That is why I personally became excited as I saw the educa-tion program with its goal to tell the story of the Japanese Ameri-can experience to all American students and to activity what amounts to a major educational lobbying program which is more inclusive. We're all tired from our inclusive. We're all tired from our lifetime experience of answering people who ask "When did you come to this country?" or: "Where did you learn to speak such good English?"

It looks as if there is much more work to be done within the organization in terms of communication. If the leadership is not clear what the Legacy Fund is all about, then perhaps I have failed to communicate the Legacy Fund message to them. I have been wondering whether I have been talking to

myself.
It is obvious the committee will have to develop a Legacy Fund statement which will leave clear directions for its use. We owe this much to the many who have con-tributed so generously. We recognize that for some their contribu-tion was sacrificial giving. They believe in the JACL mission and know that JACL's long history as the largest and oldest human and civil rights organization has made

a difference on landmark issues. The fall Legacy Fund newslet-ter will be ready for mailing by the end of October. This edition will have a complete financial report.

Uyehara is chairwoman of the Legacy Fund Committee.

NOBUYUKI

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ing in the coalition) justify the

means (opposing Rising Sun)?

Based upon the response of the membership, Rising Sun was no big deal. Certainly not one that would justify such overwhelming staff participation. Perhaps, just perhaps, if the staff were more accountable, they could have allocated their resources, and had more time to address issues of "Jap Road." I don't know. Consequently, I could only conclude that the National Board's reaction to PC was to disguise the staff's over-involvement with "Rising Sun" and its ill-defined coalition.

This is not to suggest that the national director was insensitive to the issue. The PC was clear in reporting that there was a prob-lem of "telephone tag" and that members of the National staff did make efforts to assist the local chapter. I can appreciate the prob-lem. I've been there. A national director cannot satisfy all demands with current resources, and some things will "fall through the cracks." Nonetheless, this is not a situation whereby National staff by any imagination has the right to openly and repeatedly attack their peers on the PC staff.

The television news magazine,
"The Crusaders," did a good piece
on the "Jap Road" issue, and it's a
story that one should see before concluding that National JACL's participation was short sighted. ometimes, a supporting role for National is more effective than a lead role. There is an issue of "outsider" as well as an intrinsic value of locals seeking resolution.

COME-ON SENSE: The first coalition that National JACL must build is its own coalition of chapters. The allocation of resource are critical. Don't blame the PC for short-comings in programs or leadership. It is the National Board's responsibility to write editorials on priority issues not the PC. Priorities must be established based upon detailed analysis and available resources. PC's primary responsibility to the membership is to write stories con-cerning the organization. The National Board must look towards fixing the problem rather than fixing the blame.

If coalition building is the priority of the League, so be it, but let it be based upon organizational principles and programs, and clearly definable to organizational

needs.
When an organization's National pres dent participates in a demonstration against a particular issue (i.e., Rising Sun) it is by action a national priority. In the case of Rising Sun the National staff evidently was engulfed in the issue from headquarters to the Washington office. The presi-dent, by virtue of office must be willing to explain to the shareholder why one issue is so much more important than others. The membership will usually under-

Since the September meeting of the National Board the issues of Rising Sun and "Jap Road" as national priorities are evident by the chronological sequence of events. National elected to commit its resources to Rising Sun. Don't blame the PC

Nobuyuki, a former JACL national director, is a member of the San Fernando Valley and Greater Los Angeles Singles Chapters, JACL His column appears regualarly in the Pacific Citizen.

TANIGUCHI

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Why did the PC Board chair get his American Express Card an-nual fee reimbursed, when the National Board members, as well as every other JACL VISA card holder, must pay their annual fee? Why do PC staff get paid meals, when the national staff do not?

I would suggest that the PC eeds to be held accountable for its activities as much as the Na-

its activities as much as the National Board and staff.
Finally, for too long this organization has accepted the newspaper format as the only workable format to communicate with the membership. The PC Board and staff have worked and reworked the tired old newspaper formats. the tired old newspaper format long enough. Granted, their layout has vastly improved lately. Yet the PC needs to more actively consider radically changing its communication style to appeal to the younger membership market that most JACLers want to tap. This would be the mark of a truly

responsive press.

After all is said and done, the question remains: How can the PC improve its performance and work in concert with the entire

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TANIGUCHI

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JACL organization? First, the PC must work with the staff and National Board and not against them. The PC must promote the activities of the volunteers and staff in a positive fashion, and it must seek to edu-cate mistrustful members of the

good work this organization does.

However, if the PC must point out a problem in the operation of activities, then it must do so in a balanced and constructive fashion. Tell us, the membership, why and how we can improve. Don't just tell us that something was not done, or should not be

Second, the PC Board must con-tinue to protect the PC's editorial independence, but not to the detriment of the goals and objectives of the JACL and its Program for Action. This is the role of the PC Board and the chair. This means board and the chair. In smeans that the PC cannot be accompletely independent newspaper. It must operate within its role and place in the organization. This is not to say that differing views cannot be published. Rather, differing views should not be confused with the organization's position on issues.

Third, the business manage ment and personnel practices of the PC must be consistent with the practices of the National JACL. The National Board must have the power to exercise its fi-duciary duty to ensure that the PC conducts its business affairs in an effective, efficient, and ethi-

ourth, the PC must be mind Fourth, the PC must be mindful that the readership consists of more than just JACL members. The PC's client market includes other newspapers, elected officials, the greater JA community, potential members, other civil rights groups, and even perhaps, petential funders or advertisers

petential funders or advertisers. The PC must publish articles with its entire readership in mind.

If the PC (and the National Board and staff) adheres to these principles, then the PC could be a publishing of which all JACLers. publication of which all JACLers can be proud. The PC would be-come a responsible press vehicle for JACL, and free press would no longer be a hot issue

Taniguchi is JACL National resident, general operatio

RESPONSE

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Lillian Kimura, Shinkawa re-

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SEF OCT OCT turned the American Express card to PC and erased the account num-

ber from his computer.

Why do PC staff get paid meals, when the national staff do

On days when large projects re quire the entire six-member PC staff to work collectively, the nor staff to work collectively, the nor-mal time alloted for staff to take lunch is not possible. During the Holiday Issue, for example, staff often works 15-18 hour days. On these and other days when staff is working above and beyond expections, lunch has been ordered for the them to facilitate comple-

tion of these projects.
All of these financial issues were fully and openly documented in PC financial records that are sent to National headquarters for anyone's perusal.

Suenaga is editor/general man-ager of Pacific Citizen

HOSOKAWA (Continued from page 5)

more vigorously now than at some times past, needs to be redefined. But instead of proposing an ac-ceptable role, the leadership has succeeded only in stirring up an enormous amount of bad feeling

by giving the impression it wants

to take over control.

If the membership as of 1993 wants a docile newsletter type of publication, it would be a tragedy but that's what it should get. Do you think detailed information about the PC ruckus would have been revealed to the membership by a controlled newspaper?

Is a middle ground, to which the leadership seems to be retreating, possible? Perhaps, but that seems unlikely with the present cast of characters.

This is the scenario from this viewpoint. What will be done with the information is now membership responsibility.

Indulge me one more comment. Neal Taniguchi, JACL's vice president of general operations, has asserted that I believe the Na-tional Board "emasculated" the newspaper. False. I wrote that the board "attempted to emasculate" Pacific Citizen as a newspa-per. You can look it up. That attempt failed; PC is still publishing with head unbowed.

Hosokawa is the former editorial page editor of the Denver Post. His column appears weekly in the Pa-cific Citizen.

Obituaries

Beppu, Tadao, 77, Honolulu, July 22; shei-born WWII 442nd Co. M veteran. Kihel-born WWII 442nd Co. M veteran, key Democratic party figure in '50s, worked as administrative asst. to then Territorial House Majority Leader Daniel Inouye until '75, elected to territorial and state House until '74 representing Kaimuki, House speaker '67-74, chaired statehood committee in '50s, past presi-dent of Hawaii 442nd Veterans Club, Cheb LPAV Chapter, state director, of dent of Hawaii 442nd Veterans Club, Oahu DAV chapter, state director of Hawaii Special Olympics since 76, sur-vived by wife Alice, son William, daugh-ter Anita, sister Shizuka. "He wais a classic postwar Island Democratic politician. Like so many others, he was a veteran of the famed 442nd RCT and

veteran of the famed 442nd RCT and never totally gave up his soldierly de-meanor."—I Honolulu Advertiser. Enomoto, G.N. Toehlsulke 'Tosh', 87, Paia, Maui, July 22; Kaunakakai-born WWII-MIS veterán, recruited by Republican party for Maui County clerk (elected 1948 and re-elected until post was abolished in '69), lost in county mayor race to Elmer Cravalho by 2-1 mayor race to Elmer Cravalho by 2-1 margini n' 68, leader in numerous church and civic groups including Holy Rosary Catholic Church (Paia), VFW, Kiwanis, Rotary, and Llons, survived by 6 sons Larry, "Duke" Jr., Stephen, Chucky, Tom, Tim, 5 daughters Sister Roselani, Dorothy, Rosemary, Carole Lei, Theresa, 26 gc. (G.N.-Gulstan Napoleon.] Ewing, Mary Hamachi, San Jose, July 23; survived by stepchildren Marry, Michael, Vickie Owens, brothers Mike and John Hamachi, sisters Toshiko Nakao, Margaret Shimada, Bette Hamachi.

Hayashi, Leo, Seattle, July 11; former East San Gabriel Valley JCC president, survived by sons Randy, Kanji; wife Shirley pred ceased:

Hirabara, Minoru, 64, Honolulu, July 20; Big Island-born Del Monte Corp. agricultural specialist, employee of 44 years, headed Hawaii Democratic Party

years, headed Hawaii Democratic Party (73), survived by 4 sons. Kevin, Kurt, Kyle, Kent; 'brothers Kenichi and Kafsumi, sister Helen Sakaguchi, predecased by wife Helen, 59, Feb. 5. Iwahara, Mas, 80, Richmond, July 12; Alameda-born, survived by wife Yuki, daughters Janice Macken (Bremerton), Kathleen Oda (Danville); son Kenneth (Los Angeles), Michael (San Pablo), 7 gc., 1 great-gc, sister Shigeko Koga (Alameda).

Kumataka, Lloyd K. 76, Rakersfield.

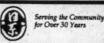
Kumataka, Lloyd K, 76, Bakersfield, larch 19: Fresno-born, prewar Parlier Kumataka, Lloyd K, 76, Bakersfield, March 19; Fresno-born, prewar Parlier resident, UC-Davis graduate '39, Bakersfield JACL president, '59, '66; survived by wife Emi, sons Douglas, Mark, Dennis, daughters Janice, 5 gc, 3 brothers Byrd, Ronald, Wilson, sister Midori Hashimoto.

Midori Hashimoto.

Kuwahara, Harry H, 70, Vale, Ore., Aug. 3: Toppenish-born, post-WWII veteran, farmer, employee at Farmer's Supply Co-op and Simplot before retiring, survived by wife Yukle, daughters Gayle Burgard (Sutter Creek, Calif.), Laurie Kaneshiro (Honolulu), Mariya Flanagan (Anchorage). Christine (Alameda), 6pc., brothest TakandFred, sisters Kimi Komoto (Seattleo-k Mary S. Kameshige (Ontario), Joanne Yutani (Morçor Island, Was.), sister-in-law Pat Kuwahara (Seattle); predeceased by parents Kyuemon and Suemi, brother Keso.

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JAPAN SPRING ADVENTURE (noticing Transpara Festival, 14 days)
NEW MEXICO & LAS VEGAS (no days)
GREEK ISLAND CRUISE & TOUR
CANADIAN POCKIES-VICTORIA (8 days)

CARNOLINA HUCHES-VILL FORM (8 Gays)
PRINCESS ALASKA CRUISE (7 days, DISCOUNT FOR EARLY BOOKING)
ALPINE ADVENTURE (Austria/Garnany/Switzerland)
JAPAN HOKKAIDO-TOHOKU (Sade bland, 14 days)
EAST COAST FOLIAGE TOUR (10 days)
JAPAN AUTUMN ADVENTURE (13 days)
FAR EAST ((Bab/Singapore/Barghok/Hong Kong)

TANAKA TRAVEL SERVICE

"Japan lours reflect increase in price due to yen appreciation"

All tours include - flights, transfers, porterage, hotels, MOST MEALS, sightseeing tips & taxes and touring by private motorcood Wait List accepted on sold out tours

1994 Preview

MAR	5	WESTERN CARIBBEAN CRUISE - DELUXE DREAMWARD\$1745
11000		Fantastic discounts included - MUST JOIN BY DEC 15, 1993 - UPGRADED TO
		SUITES on the Star (top) Deck-Ft. Lauderdale, Playa, del Carmen, Cozumel
		Cancuri, Grand Cayman & Baharnas
MAR	19	CHINA DELUXE - 13 Days - Upgraded Holels & Meals\$2395
MAR	31	JAPAN AND/OR KOREA "Cherry Blossoms" - 11 Days\$2795 & 3295
APR	16	SUPER TOUR - MALAYSIA & BALI DELUXE - 13 Days \$2695
MAY	1	MEDITERRANEAN & BLACK SEA CRUISE "Royal Odyssey" - 14 Days
		Big discounts included - Outside Staterooms - \$3625 and Inside - \$2890.
		Must join by JAN 15, 1994 - Athens, Yalta, Odessa, Constanta, Istanbul,
		Ephessus, Mykonos, Patras to Venice.
MAY	10	SCANDINAVIAN & RUSSIAN VISTA -16 Days
		Coppenhagen, Bergen, Loen, Oslo, Stockholm, St. Retersburg & Helsinkl.
JUN	3	3-DAY FUN-CRUISE - NCL'S SOUTHWARDFrom \$375
	- 100	Join the young generation to Catalina & Ensenada
JUN	.20	SUMMER JAPAN CLASSIC - 10 Days \$2895
AUG	16	ALASKA, YUKON & PRINCESS CRUISE - 12 Days - Outside \$3695
		Anchorage, Dienall, Fairbanks, Whitehorse & Princess Cruise, Skagway to
		Glacier Bay, Ketchikan, Misty Fjord and Vancouver.
AUG	31	AMERICAN HERITAGE TOUR - 10 Days\$1695
1000	- 77	New York, Philadelphia, Dutch Country, Gettysburg, Shenandoah,
		Charlottesville, Monticello, Williamsburg & Washington.
SEP	17	EUROPEAN VISTA - 14 Doys \$3795
100	0	Rome, Florence, Venice, Lucerne, Rhine, Clesterich, Paris & London
OCT	2	HOKKAIDO & TOHOKU "Fall Foliage" - 11 Days
OCT	7	THE URANIHON VISTA "Fall Foliage" - 11 Days \$3395
NOV	1	FAIL JAPAN CLASSIC "Fall Folioge" - 11 Days \$2995
NOV	7	DISCOVER JAPAN 'Foil Foliage' 11 DAYS \$3195
NOV	14	OKINAWA KYIISHII & SHIYOYII - 11 Days
		OKINAWA, KYUSHU & SHIKOKU - 11 Days\$3295
OCT	15	442ND BUYERES REUNION TOUR & CRUISE - 14 Days + Reunion
1		Paris, Normandy, Lausanne, Stresa + 7-day cruise - Genoa to Naples,
		Palermo, Tunis, Ibiza, Maliorca, Barcelona to Genoa & Milan, Tour with
		Inside cabin \$3295 - Outside \$3695, REUNION COSTS EXCLUDED.

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American Holiday Travel 1993 TOUR SCHEDULE

Tokyo, Lake Shirakaba, Matsumoto/Takayama, Nagoya,
Toba, Kil-Katsuura. OKINAWA-KYUSHU HOUDAY TOUR
SO, AMERICA JAPANESE HERITAGE TOUR
Aires. SOUTHEAST ASIA HOLIDAY TOUR
1994 TOUR SCHEDULE
PANAMA CANAL HOUDAY CRUISE JAN 5 - 16 Deluxe Crystol Harmony ship. Must Join by NOV. 1, 1993. NEW ORLANS HOUDAY TOUR MARCH CARIBBEAN HOUDAY CRUISE POPULATION OF TOUR MAY HOROTON D.C. HOUDAY TOUR MAY BRANSON-OZARKS HOUDAY TOUR MAY Including Shoji Tobuchi's show. 8TH ANNUAL ALASKA HOLIDAY CRUISE JUNE
Norwegian Cruise Line EUROPE HÖUDAY TOUR NOVA SCOTIA HÖUDAY TOUR JULY Tauck Tour

EASTERN CANADIAN HOLIDAY TOUR. SEPTEMBER

Tauck Tour
URA-NIHON AUTUMN HOLIDAY-TOURAUSTRALIA-NEW ZEALAND HOLIDAY TOUR OCTOBER OCTOBER SOUTHEAST ASIA HOLIDAY TOUR. COSTA RICA HOUDAY TOUR.

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