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Education volunteers

Utako Kimura (left) and Marion Kanemoto helped prepare the Florin JACL oral history project exhibit at a recent Florin Chapter, JACL, event. See page 6 for special education features.

Tough trade talks



By GWEN MURANAKA
Assistant editor

Members discuss role of JACL in dealing with increased tensions between the two countries...

INSIGHT: Leading expert Glen Fukushima, a Nikkei living in Japan, assays the situation in a PC interview...



FUKUSHIMA

PC: There has been recent talk of a possible trade war, is that language too strong?
GF: Unfortunately, since the failure of the Framework Talks on Feb. 11 between President Clinton and Prime Minister Hosokawa the press has been using the term "trade war." It really is sensationalistic because what a trade war implies is that if the U.S. takes retaliatory measures towards Japan—that is, raise tariffs on Japanese

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Legal groups seek judicial nominees of Clinton

All the major Asian-American bar associations in California and the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association have joined to petition the Clinton Administration for greater consideration in the selection of judicial nominees.

In simultaneous press conferences scheduled for March 1, 1994, at 11 a.m. in Los Angeles at the Asian Pacific American Legal Center at 1010 So. Flower St., and in San Francisco at the federal court house at the Civic Center, the presidents of the bar associa-

tions will present a joint petition which expresses their concern that:

- of more than 48 judicial nominations made by the Clinton Administration to date, only one person recommended for nomination has been of Asian American heritage;

- no Asian American has ever sat on the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California or the United States Supreme Court and the only Asian American judge sitting on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has taken senior sta-

tus;

- many significant cases involving Asian Americans come before the federal courts;

- Asian Americans have not been adequately represented in the federal judiciary in view of their growing numbers as lawyers and in the general population.

The participating organizations are: Asian Pacific Bar of California, Karen Kwong, president, 415/387-4140; Asian Pacific American Legal Center; Stewart Kwoh, executive director, 213/

748-2022; Japanese American Bar Association of the Greater Los Angeles Area, Neil Nagano, president, 818/777-4163; Korean American Bar Association, Tammy Chung, president, 213/897-2457; Philippine American Bar Association of Los Angeles, Millicent N. Sanchez, president, 310/201-4700; Southern California Chinese Lawyers Association, Pamela G. Chin, president, 213/486-3895; Pan-Asian Lawyers of San Diego, Jesse P.M. Santos,

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D.C. hate crimes law not used, Asians say

Four years ago, the Washington, D.C. Anti-Bias-Related Crime Act was enacted to stiffen penalties for crimes motivated by prejudice whether against African American, the elderly, Jews, lesbians and gay men, according to Ivan K. Fong, president of the Asian Pacific American Bar Association of Greater Washington, and it remains "largely unused and misunderstood by residents and law enforcement officials," the *Washington Times* has reported Feb. 18.

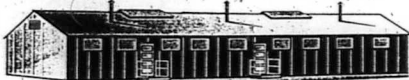
The APABAGW report noted in 1993 the attacks upon Asian American merchants left nine persons dead and one paralyzed. Most of the 74 merchants surveyed said they felt the crimes were economically motivated, and not hate-related.

Fong said the law also requires the mayor to publish an annual report of bias-related crimes. D.C. Council chairman David Clarke had asked Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly and Metro police chief Fred Thomas why the statistics were not available as required. "It's a disgrace," added spokeswoman Marie Kennedy of the Organization of Chinese Americans.

\$130,000 goal set for Topaz Museum fund

Work is underway on three fronts for the Topaz Museum: (a) the \$130,000 goal on the funds needed for (b) renovation of what was a recreation hall at the old Topaz internment camp and (c) another fifty-foot addition to the museum.

Two years ago the Great Basin Museum in Delta, Utah, acquired by donation half of the recreation hall, the tattered remains of the original paper siding still clinging to the walls. An ad hoc committee was



created by the Museum board, consisting of local residents Jane Beckwith and Charlotte Morrison of Delta, Utah historian Leonard Arrington and former internees David Tatsuono of San Jose, Grace Oshita and Ted Nagata of Salt

Lake City and Chuck Kubokawa of Palo Alto.

Nagata, advertising and art director, designed the fund raising brochure, containing photo captions in haiku by Toyo Suyemoto Kawakami and

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JA of biennium guidelines out

Guidelines for the 1994 Japanese American of the Biennium Award are now available to JACL chapters and districts wishing to nominate an individual for outstanding achievement.

"The Japanese American of the Biennium Award, given since 1950, is the highest public award of the National JACL," stated Chairman Raymond Uno.

The award, to be presented at the Sayonara Banquet during the JACL National Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, recognizes and honors those Americans of Japanese ancestry whose outstanding achievements in different fields of endeavor

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Hoosier Chapter premieres 'Children of Detention Camps'

The Hoosier Chapter, JACL, commemorated E.O. 9066 on the 62nd anniversary by opening the photo-exhibition, "Children of Detention Camps," at the Children's Museum of Indianapolis. This exhibit is on display from Feb. 19-April 10. More than 1100 Japanese Americans attended the opening, coming from as far as

Minneapolis, Cleveland, St. Louis, Chicago, Milwaukee, Dayton, and Cincinnati. For the Hoosier Chapter, this was a memorable day because the attendance figure is a record number of Japanese Americans in one room on a single occasion in Indianapolis.

A representative of Indianapolis Mayor Stephen Goldsmith (R)

welcomed the visitors and presented a proclamation declaring Feb. 19, 1994, as "Day of Children of Detention Camps." Introductory comments regarding the Internment were given by Lillian Kimura, national president of JACL, who recalled her internment in Manzanar.

The keynote speaker was Dr.

Donna Nagata, associate professor of psychology of the University of Michigan. She reported on the long term impact of the WWII internment on the Sansei. In her research she stratified the Sansei in three groups based on whether their parents were interned: (1) both parents interned, (2) only

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As tensions in U.S.-Japan trade relations continue to make headlines, what should JACL be doing? Should the organization take a position on recent developments in U.S.-Japan relations? *Pacific Citizen* spoke to a number of JACL members with personal and professional interests in Japan, who disagreed on the extent of the role of JACL in U.S.-Japan relations.

Analysis



HARANO

Ross Harano, chair, national JACL U.S.-Japan relations committee, said the organization should not become involved in international politics.

"I think as an organization, our role is to make sure differences in trade issues do not get into either racist or backlash discussion," said Ross Harano. He pointed out that recent trade problems with French agricultural products haven't received as much attention in the media as trade issues with Japan.

"We as an organization have to really take a look at this whole issue and serve as a watchdog on the media. But we must understand that we are American. We cannot tell Japan what to do. We cannot tell America what to do," said Harano.

Randy Senzaki, JACL national director, said that the organization is watching the recent developments.

"I think generally, it is something we're monitoring carefully. The important thing is that it doesn't turn into Japan-bashing," said Senzaki.

He said that the National Board and president would have to be involved on any discussion on U.S.-Japan issues.

"We don't want to be seen as

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Northeast U.S. Washington, D.C.

Fri. March 11—JACL-Asian American Arts and Media Theatre Night: "The Wash," play by Philip Kan Gotanda, 8 p.m., the Studio Theatre, 14th and P St. NW, reception to follow; ticket information: Martha Washabe 202/543-6527; box office 202/332-3300. NOTE—Stars Nobu McCarthy, opens March 9 through April 10

Philadelphia

March—JACL installation dinner.

Indiana Indianapolis

Through April 10—Photo exhibit, "Children of the Detention Camps, 1942-45," Children's Museum, 3000 N. Meridian St. Information: Charles Matsumoto 317/888-8505

Arkansas Rohwer

Sat. March 19—Japanese cherry tree planting, Rohwer National Cemetery. Information: George Sakaguchi, coordinator, 9109 Rusticwood Trail, St. Louis, MO 63126, 314/842-3138. NOTE—The camp cemetery was dedicated as a National Historic Landmark in 1993. Trees are a gift of the Rohwer Restoration Project Committee of Southern California, Seichi Sugino, Gardena, chairman.

Texas Houston

Mar. 12-18—JACL Houston Paper IX Invitational Golf Tournament, over five different courses including Tour 18, open to Midwest and Mt.-Plover JACLers; information: Mas Yamasaki, 16402 Farnell Court, Spring, TX 77379. Tex-Mex dinner to be held at residence of Lance Yamasaki; group restaurant reservations on tap featuring Cajun, Creole, Japanese, Texas-size steaks and oyster bars. Agenda—Plans for special celebration for (a) Houston Paper X in 1995; (b) Pete Fujioka Memorial Tournament chaired by Dr. Gensy Shimoura in the fall; (c) Dr. Roy Sugimoto Memorial Tournament chaired by Gordon Yoshikawa; and (d) Fall Mini Paper Tournament, co-chaired by Dr. Kaz Mayeda (Detroit), George Sakaguchi (St. Louis), Sam Honda (Twin Cities).

Idaho Boise

Through April 1—"In This Great Land of Freedom: The Japanese Pioneers of Oregon" exhibit, Idaho State Historical Museum, 610 N. Julia Davis Dr., Boise; information: 208/334-2120. NOTE—Organized by Japanese American National Museum.

Utah Salt Lake City

Sat. March 12—JACL Intermountain DC session, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Little America Hotel, Salt Lake City; Mt. Olympus JACL hosts. Information: Jeff Imani 801/583-6789. NOTE—National JACL President Lillian Kimura will be attending both the IDC and Credit Union annual dinner to follow.

Sat. March 12—National JACL Credit Union annual meeting, 5:30 social hour, 6 p.m. dinner, Little America Hotel. Information: 801/585-8040, 800/544-8828. NOTE—RSVP by March 10; nominations for CU Board due 48 hours prior to Annual Meeting.

Washington Seattle

Sat. March 5—JACL Lake Washington, 6 p.m. potluck dinner, 7 p.m. West-

ern Line Dancing, St. Peter's United Methodist Church, 17222 NE 8th, Bellevue; RSVP by Feb. 25. Rose Nohara 206/455-6379.

Arizona Phoenix

Sun., March 27—JACL Arizona picnic, 11:30 a.m., Ramada, 5 Sahuluro Ranch Park, 59th Ave. north of Glendale Community College.

California Sacramento Valley

Sat. March 12—Sacramento Tsubaki Club's spring dance, 7:30-11:30 p.m., Scottish Rite Temple, 6151 H St., Music by Duncan Hanger. Information: 916/427-5564, or Don Iyeki 707/448-2563.

San Francisco

Sun. March 6—Nikkei Widowed Group meeting, 2-4 p.m. Information: Elsie Uyeda Chung 415/221-0268, Yuri Moriwaki 510/482-3280.

Wed. March 16—"Kokoro (True Heart)," play by Velina Hasu Houston, opens, Theatre of Yugen, San Francisco; information: Yuriko Doi 415/621-0507. NOTE—Limited New York run in May, sponsored by the Japan Society.

Eastbay

Sun. March 6—JASEB Crabfeed, 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. two all-you-eat-eat-eat shifts, Albany Veterans Hall, 1325 Portland Ave., Albany; tickets: 510/848-3560.

Sat. March 12—UC Berkeley Japanese Women Alumnae Luncheon, 12:15-3 p.m., Holiday Inn, Emeryville; RSVP by Feb. 25; Lisa Hirai, JWA-UCB, 6730 Kenilworth, El Cerrito, CA 94530. Information: Dr. Joyce Takahashi 916/758-5437. NOTE—Guest speaker: Dr. Evelyn Nakano Glenn, chair of women's studies and professor of ethnic studies and women's studies at UC Berkeley; brief business meeting precedes at 11:15 a.m.

San Jose

Thu. March 10—Film-discussion by David Tatsuno-Duane Kobo, 6 p.m. San Jose Museum of Art, 110 S Market St., 408/294-2787. NOTE—The Tatsunos were interned at Topaz, where he recorded daily life with his movie camera. Kobo, dean of creative arts at DeAnza College, has made this footage into his own narrated movie.

Fresno-Central Cal

Week ending March 5—CSU Fresno's Amerasia Week. All events at Satellite College Union, free admission, sponsored by Associated Students, Amerasia Club, Asian American Studies Program; information: 209/278-3002. NOTE—Fri. March 4, 7 p.m., Filipino cultural night; Sat. March 5, 7 p.m., Amerasia Festival, including Chinese lion dance, Japanese taiko drums and dances, Filipino and Southeast Asian performances. Mon. March 14—Fresno JACL Book-Reading Group session, Dr. Izumi Taniguchi home. NOTE—Joy Kogawa's "Obasan" and "Isuka," Fresno State Professor Lok Chua, moderator.

Los Angeles-Orange

Through March 13—Works of Koji Takai-Jayme Oogors "Musubitsuki (Relationships)," exhibit of graphic design and photography, 12-5 p.m. Tue-Fri 11-4 Sat-Sun, JACC George J. Dozaki Gallery, 244 S San Pedro St., Los Angeles. NOTE—Free, information 213/628-2725.

Sat. March 5—MIS Club of Southern California Shinnerku, 11:30 a.m., Bay View Holiday Inn, 530 Pico Blvd., San Dimas. Information: Cathy Tanaka 213/626-0441 [A rescheduled date due to the earthquake.]

Sat. March 5—Japan America Symphony concert; guest soloist Mari Kodama, piano, 8 p.m., Japan America Theater, 244 S. San Pedro St., Los

Angeles, tickets 213/489-5660. Sat. March 5—East San Gabriel Valley JACC's "Spring Film" benefit dance, 7:30-11:30 p.m., Center Gym, 1293 W Puente Ave., West Covina; information 618/5602566.

Sun. March 6—Omotesenke Tea ceremony, 12n, 2 p.m., JANM, information: 213/625-0414.

Imperial Valley

Sat. March 12—Japanese American Gallery premiere opening and dedication, 1 p.m., Imperial Valley Pioneer's Museum, 373 E. Aten Rd., Imperial, 6 p.m. dinner at Barbara Worth Country Club, RSVP required, information Tim Asamen 619/344-2627.

Artists to show in Little Tokyo

Sponsored by Dr. T. Hayashida, long time painter and gardener, a l l e y J A C L e r Frank Gikui and retired nursery businessman Isei Anami turned potter will be presented at the third annual two-man Nisei art show on Sunday, March 13, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., at New Otani Hotel in Little Tokyo. Admission is free.



GIKUI

Born in Twin Falls, Idaho, Gikui served during the Korean War period with the U.S. Air Force in Japan and graduated in design, drawing and painting from Chouinard Art Institute in 1960, left the commercial art field to engage in full-time painting career five years later.

Anami has studied under Susan Peterson at USC, Maria Martinez of San Ildefonso Pueblo and his Japan mentor Shimaoka after attending Otis Art Institute for a blend of East and West in his works.

JACL addresses health care reform

JACL recently created an ad hoc committee on health care issues to address the effect of health care reform legislation on JACL members.

The ad hoc committee is responsible for making recommendations to the National Council at the National Convention. Goals for the committee include assembling materials on health care reform, analyzing the effect of reform on the membership and recommend how to retain JACL members who joined for health insurance.

The committee has met twice by teleconference and is scheduled to meet Mar. 12-13 in San Francisco.

Committee members include: Toaru Ishiyama, Ph.D., chair; Eileen Namba Otsuji, Pharm.D.; Gerald Takehara, Takehara and Associates; Grace Uyehara, Dr. Homer Yasui and Carol Yoshino. Information: Clay Harada, JACL National Headquarters, 415/921-5225.

Small kid time



Gwen Muranaka

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IN-SIGHT

By LILLIAN C. KIMURA

Cross-country travels

On Feb. 23, the New York metropolitan area was hit with the 13th storm of winter. About three inches of the white stuff fell before it turned into rain and sleet. In spite of the weather, I have been able to travel to meet JACL obligations.

In mid-January, I attended Seattle JACL's annual installation dinner. This year they chose to honor five Nikkei women who have been pioneers in various professions or in the community. They were Dr. Ruby Inoue, the first Nikkei female physician; Iku Arizumi Matsumoto one of the first Nikkei woman pharmacists in Seattle; Misako Sakamoto who with her husband Jimmy published the Japanese American Courier; Claire Suguro, the first Nikkei teacher in the Seattle public school system and Shigeko Uno, the first woman president of the chapter. Most of them are still active today, giving of themselves to make the community a better place. My hat is off to all of them.

My host in Seattle was Elaine Akagi who was a JACL leader in Detroit before she went "back home." She has her roots in Junior JACL and in 1973 she was the first

Sensei president of the Detroit Chapter. At the dinner I had a chance to greet former National President Frank Seto and his wife who are now making their home in Seattle; Tomio Moriguchi who was part of the delegation representing President Clinton at the funeral services of the president of Fiji; Cherry Kinoshita, our monitor of redress matters, was looking great. I was also happy to meet former JACL staffers Tim Otani and Bob Shimabukuro.

A number of public officials attended the dinner including the new King County executive Gary Locke, a Chinese American. For their size in the population, Asian Americans hold significant offices in Seattle and in state government.

Early in February, I was able to greet the young people who attended the National Youth Conference. Kudos to Kim Nakahara, Kimi Yoshino, Kerry Kaneichi, Gary Mayeda and others of NYC for sponsoring an outstanding conference. My only regret was that a YWCA assignment in Phoenix prevented me from attending the conference itself.

After a short visit with my family in Los

Angeles, I was back in San Francisco for the National Board Meeting. Then on to Indianapolis for the Midwest District Council meeting which was held in conjunction with the opening of the "Children of Detention Camps" exhibit on the 52nd anniversary of signing of Executive Order 9066. The Hoosier Chapter, JACL, spearheaded the efforts to bring the exhibit to the Children's Museum. The keynote speaker at the opening was Dr. Donna Nagata, now of the University of Michigan. Many Sensei will remember participating in her study of the effects of evacuation on the third generation. Her book is titled, "Legacy of Injustice: Exploring the Cross-Generational Impact of the Japanese American Internment." The Hoosier Chapter is to be congratulated for bringing this National Japanese American Historical Society exhibit to the Midwest. There was excellent media coverage.

While I was unable to attend because of a scheduling conflict, the Cincinnati Chapter celebrated the 50th anniversary of the relocation of Japanese Americans to the

Cincinnati area at its annual joint Installation Dinner with the Dayton Chapter. Prior to the dinner, participants attended the opening of the exhibit, "U.S. Detention Camps 1942-1946," co-sponsored by the Cincinnati Chapter, The Cincinnati Historical Society and the Cincinnati Fine Arts Fund. Gordon Yoshikawa, event chair, reports the opening was well attended and they also had good media coverage including the taping of a half hour program on Public Broadcasting.

Members of the Chicago Chapter inform me that 1995 will be their 50th anniversary and plans are being made to try to bring yet another exhibit of JAHSS to the Field Museum. There will be a number of 50th anniversary celebrations in the Midwest and East in the next few years. And the national organization will celebrate its 65th birthday this year. Look for further information. That's thirty for now.

Kimura is JACL National President. Her column appears regularly in the Pacific Citizen.

Cincinnati Chapter co-sponsors camp photo exhibit

By DONNA CHOO

Legacy Fund administrator

Barbed wire fences and guard towers surround squat barracks that sit in muddied swamps. A child, wide-eyed, peers through the boarded end of a pick up truck, holding the string of a tag twirling in the wind.

More than 90 photographs tell the stories of Japanese Americans interned during World War II in the "U.S. Detention Camps: 1942-1946" exhibition at the Museum Center of the Cincinnati Union Terminal until March 20. Produced by the National Japanese American Historical Society, the display is free and sponsored by the Cincinnati Historical Society and the JACL Cincinnati chapter—a 1993 Legacy Fund Grant recipient.

The opening kicked-off with the 30th anniversary of the resettlement of Japanese Americans to Cincinnati and the annual installation dinner for the Cincinnati and Dayton chapters. In the key-

note address, Dr. Roger Daniels, University of Cincinnati professor of history, author and consultant to the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, was mindful of his experienced audience, asked for their indulgence as he recounted facts and events over fifty years passed that were all too familiar to them. "I tell my students that even for a historian, the past is a foreign country. I have only written a lot about a certain foreign county, but many of you have lived in it."

Toki Morioka, for example, whose calm resignation notwithstanding offers a perspective that saddens then infuriates the inexperienced when considering other photographs included in the display; those used for propaganda purposes show women cheerfully arranging flowers and visiting with Eleanor Roosevelt.

"I can remember mopping the floor and the mop freezing to the floor. But we managed."

Certainly this is the most enduring impact of the images. Showing for eight weeks, as a companion piece to "Cincinnati Goes to War," the photographs have brought an entirely different view of the war, garnering attention from local media, including *The Cincinnati Enquirer* and *The Cincinnati Post*, community papers and public television segments. Local chapter members have been invited by the Cincinnati Public Schools curriculum specialist to assist with an in-service teachers workshop and help bring their experience to the classroom. Currently further funding is being sought to arrange for buses to bring students to the exhibit.

It was the Legacy Fund grant, according to project chairperson

Gordon Yoshikawa, that not only allowed sponsorship of "U.S. Detention Camps; 1942-1946," but facilitated in the receiving of other funding from the Projects Pool of the Cincinnati Fine Arts Fund and a Federated Grant. Pat Ikeda Carper, Marie Matsunami, Fred Morioka, Ken Oya, Dr. James Tojo, Jacqueline Vidourek and Kaye Watanabe were among those involved.

In its third year, the 1994 Legacy Fund Grant Program has \$16,000 available for funding of projects by chapters or districts. Trisha Murakawa, vice president, planning and development and co-chair of the Grants Selection Committee, comments that the total amount has nearly doubled since conception and as applicants

tripled last year increased competition is anticipated.

Benny Okura of Cincinnati pertinently surmises, "After 50 years, many people still don't know what went on. It's important to know and never forget."

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Yasuahara named 'man of the year'

Denny Yasuahara, a member of the board of directors of the Spokane Chapter, JACL, was recently named "Man of the Year" by the Northwest Asian Weekly for his long-time work in civil rights and community affairs.

The newspaper, based in Seattle, cited Yasuahara's many achievements, including efforts to implement an Asian Studies program and counseling at Washington State University, working on the Hifumi En Housing Project for the elderly, the construction of the JACL Interstate Fair Booth, the JACL Nikkei Community Endowment Fund, and recently playing a lead role in the fight to resolve the racial slurs issue of the Spokane Democratic Committee.

According to Sam Na-kagawa, past two-term president of JACL, Yasuahara, as the then-PNW governor, also played a major role in



DENNY YASUHARA

Honored for civil rights work

the Redress effort. "Denny was probably responsible for getting the JACL National Board behind the redress issue," Nakagawa was quoted in the Northwest Asian Weekly. "Denny believed that because the membership wanted a drive for this, JACL was obligated to push for it, regardless of whether it was successful or not... he persuaded the Board to vote in a block."

In the article, Cherry Kinoshita, a former member of the JACL Redress Committee, called Yasuahara "one of the most dedicated, motivated JACLers I've ever known... In any challenge I can't think of a better advocate I'd want on my side."

Yasuahara, a retired junior high school, teacher and basketball coach, currently serves on the Pacific Citizen board of directors.

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INSIGHT
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 products exported to the United States. Then Japan would retaliate in kind, imposing tariffs, raise tariffs on U.S. products coming into Japan, and the United States would then counterretaliate. And so what it assumes is that there is going to be a tit-for-tat retaliation back and forth, which is usually what a trade war implies.

But first of all there are two issues now, one has to do with the Framework Talks and one has to do with the Section 1377 issue, that is the Section 1377 of the Trade Act of 1988, which is a provision which requires the administration to review the telecommunication agreements it has with our trading partners. Under that review, Trade Rep. Mickey Kantor announced on Feb. 15 that the U.S. government has found Japan to be in violation of the 1989 cellular telephone and third party radio agreement. So, under that provision of the Trade Act, of 1988, the U.S. is now putting together a retaliation list of Japanese products that might be the subject of raising tariffs, by the United States. But this is something that requires several weeks for the government to determine based on a Federal Register notice, a public hearing, etc. In the meantime, there are negotiations taking place between the U.S. and Japanese governments to try to resolve this issue. So, my prediction is that there will be some accommodation reached on the Section 1377 issue. On the Framework issue, it is at this point unclear what's going to happen. Prime Minister Hosokawa announced within the last couple of days that the Japanese government is putting together a package to announce by the end of March about deregulation, improvement of government procurement procedures, and Japan hopes that this proposal will be enough to placate the United States. Whether it will or not is uncertain at this point.


But in any case, to answer your question in a long winded way, I don't think it is accurate to say, there will be a trade war. Because I think that the Motorola issue, there will most likely be a settlement with Japan, and with the Framework Talks even if there is some tariff action taken by the United States, the most likely Japanese reaction will be to take the United States to the GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade). And so, it will most likely end up not being a tit-for-tat retaliation back and forth.

PC: What do you think about Clinton's new stance on all of this? Recent revelations show that you had something to do with some of what's occurred.

GF: Well, the way that it came about, is that at the end of December I wrote a manuscript which was to be an op ed piece and sent it to some friends for their comments. I got back comments in early January, and on Jan. 4, I wrote the manuscript. It ended up being about 13 pages double spaced, typewritten.

I sent it to several publications in the United States, hoping one of them might pick it up as an op ed piece. At the same time, I sent the manuscript to several friends in the United States. The *Los Angeles Times* printed about two-thirds of my original manuscript in two installments on Feb. 1 and Feb. 2. Around that time I got a telephone call from a friend of mine in Washington who works in the Administration, saying "Glen what is this letter you sent to Clinton, which is raising such a stir in Washington? Everybody is reading the letter you wrote to Clinton, and it is having an influence on the way the Administration is approaching the Feb. 11 summit meeting."

When he speaks, Bill listens . . .



CLINTON

trade." Fukushima speaks from experience on trade issues. He was Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Japan and China (1988-1990) and Director for Japanese Affairs (1985-1988) at the office of U.S. Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President.

I was very surprised because I had not sent the manuscript to Clinton. And what I had learned was that, Derek Shearer, (former Deputy Undersecretary, economic affairs, Commerce Department) a friend at Occidental College in Los Angeles, had without checking with me sent my manuscript to Clinton. Clinton read it, liked it, underlined parts of it and sent copies to his economic advisors. And so, to my understanding people like Mickey Kantor, the U.S. Trade representative, Bob Rubin, head of the National Economic Council, and Tony Laken, head of the National Security Council and Lloyd Bentsen, Secretary of Treasury, and a number of others read my article. Part of it was what I wrote, more importantly from the standpoint of the people who read my piece, was

ticular, I was invited along with a couple of professors to give a briefing for about 4 hours, to the National Economic Council and the Deputy's Group that was doing the negotiations for Japan. But no, since my paper, or since the time of the summit meeting, I have had some discussions with people in the Administration, but not really any systematic discussion on policy options.

PC: Where do you think the Administration should go from here?

GF: Well, I think on the Section 1377 issue, that the U.S. has a very strong case, and therefore, I think the U.S. ought to expect Japan to abide by the agreement that it reached in 1989, and if Japan doesn't then I think the U.S. will be justified in taking some unilateral measures.

With regard to the Framework Talks, it is unfortunate that there were not substantive agreements reached and I would hope that the Administration would first of all, formulate the Japan policies. And based on the priorities that the Administration thinks are important, vis-a-vis Japan, that the United States take action.

PC: You say formulate a Japan policy . . . then does Clinton not have a Japan policy at this point?

GF: At this point, it would be fair to say, accurate to say, that the Administration has no clear Japan policy. Part of it stems from the fact, that in 1993, the Administration was so focused on domestic issues, and on foreign policy crisis, about Somalia, Bosnia, and aid to Russia, and the Middle East peace process, and Haiti and so forth. And to the extent there, was any time left over to consider international economic issues, they were the GATT Uruguay and the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). And so, I don't think the Administration has focused that much time or attention on Japan, and also, consequently there is really not a well formulated or articulated Japan policy. But this has often been pointed out, that there is virtually no people in the Administration, who have had extensive experience dealing with Japan. There are no people at the senior level of the Administration.

PC: Why do you think that is?

GF: Well, a couple of reasons. One is that during the 1992 Presidential campaign, there was very little attention devoted to Japan issues. And most of the discussion was on domestic policy, domestic economic policy issues. So, I think just the notion of needing people in the Administration with particular Japan expertise didn't come up as a burning necessity in 1993, when the personnel selection procedures were made. And secondly, I think that it is not particular to this Administration, that there is a sense that lawyers and economists, if they are bright lawyers and economists, have tools that are universally applicable, and therefore, if they are a smart lawyer, they can apply cer-

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POSITIONS: vice president, American Chamber of Commerce in Japan; chairman of the ACCJ Trade Expansion Committee; Programs Committee chairman of the Executive Committee of the American Electronics Association in Japan; Government Relations chairman of the U.S. Semiconductor Industry Association in Japan.
PUBLICATIONS: Articles in *Nichi-Bei Keizai Masatsu no Seijipaku*; *Asahi Shimbunsha*; and a monthly column on political economy, *Tokyo Business Today*.
GOVERNMENT: Deputy Assistant United States Trade Representative for Japan and China; 1988-1990; Director for Japanese Affairs, 1985-1988) at the Office of the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, Washington, D.C.
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what the President read and highlighted.

I don't frankly know what kind of impact my paper had, and I was actually surprised that it's gotten the kind of attention it had. There have been a number of articles in the Japanese press also, arguing that my paper had some degree of influence on the outcome of the summit meeting.

PC: Have you subsequently been part of any meetings or discussions with the Clinton Administration on strategy?

GF: No, not since that article was read by the President and distributed to his Cabinet members. Last year on several occasions, I was asked to meet with Senior Administration officials both in Washington, and in Tokyo. And in November, in par-

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Personally speaking

Music

Atlanta Symphony's new associate conductor, Darryl One, 38, Palatine, Ill.-born Sasaki, was musically illiterate at Illinois State when he decided to take music theory. Told by his theory teacher he had the second-highest score in the placement test, Darryl switched in his sophomore year as a math major to music theory/composition. In 1980 he entered the graduate conducting program at Indiana University, was hired in 1988 by the Denver Symphony after a season conducting the Charlotte Symphony and became resident conductor of the Rochester (N.Y.) Philharmonic in 1990. He is the son of Dick One (formerly of Sacramento) and May Hayashi (of Marysville).

Honors

This past fall at Madison, Wis., a Nisei vegetable farmer and a WWII 442nd Purple Heart and Bronze Star veteran had a middle school named for him. The Akira R. Toki School at Oak Ridge was one of five middle schools renamed. The Tokis were the only Japanese American family in Madison at the time of Pearl Harbor attack. A native son of Wisconsin, Toki, 77, said he has three daughters and three sisters. A successful businessman, he is best known for his speeches to schools and his 40 years of volunteering to the local Veterans Hospital. The *Capital Times* commented: "What an inspiration the 77-year-old Toki is to every Madison school kid and, in particular, the many young Asian Americans who comprise a significant percentage of the student body."

Isoo Fujimoto, program director of Asian American Studies and a senior lecturer in community studies and development at UC Davis's Department of Applied Behavioral Sciences, continues to win academic honors, the most recent being the Excellence in Instruction Award at the Rural Sociological Society ceremonies at Orlando, Fla. He hails from Yakima Valley. The Fujimoto family were interned at Heart Mountain, while his father was detained in Montana. During the Korean War, the Army made him a *Stars and Stripes* reporter, and has been at the University of California, Davis, since 1963.

Special assistant Jane Nishita to the superintendent of Seattle City Lights was named the outstanding 1993 alumna of the Leadership Tomorrow alumni association for best exemplifying community volunteer leadership. She has been involved with cruises for the disabled children, new playgrounds in southwest Seattle and co-founded the local gun buy-back program. The University of Hawaii graduate with an MBA from Washington, graduated in 1988 from Leadership Tomorrow.

Morgan Hill (Calif.) City Council has recognized four Japanese Americans during the 25th anniversary of Morgan Hill Buddhist Community Center celebration in October, 1993. They were introduced by Tom Kinoshita, CEO of Bridge, a nonprofit counseling service center; and Dr. Jon Hatakeyama. Honorees were Paul Yokoi, 1960 citizen of the year for his work with youth; Jitsuko Minami, 1966 citizen of the year for her community service work; Kikuko Nakaguchi, 1989 citizen of the year for work in local education; and Mrs. A. Hiraki, 1992 citizen of the year for involvement with youth and community.

Architect Toshikazu Terasawa of Los Angeles was bestowed



TERASAWA

the Japanese Order of the Rising Sun for his strengthening U.S.-Japan relations and friendship. The L.A.-born Manzanar internee graduated from USC in architecture in 1949 and was cited with the school's Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1992. His leadership in the public sector includes being four-time president on the city commission of building and safety, two decades on the L.A.-Nagoya Sister City program, and as vice president of the L.A. Harbor Commission. His Nikkei concerns have been with JACCC (past president), JANM (board of governor), JA Community Service (trustee), Union Bank director as well as with United Way and Goodwill Industries.

Business

Ernst & Young recently named Christine M. Yamamoto a partner in the firm's Washington, D.C., office. She joined the firm in 1977 in the tax department, has an MBA (Harvard, '82), and specializes in personal financing counseling to partnerships and law firms.

Kurt D. Ouchida was appointed Nevada operations director for Kamer/Singer & Associates, Las Vegas, to oversee public affairs work for the state Nuclear Waste Project Office, the Culinary Workers Union Local 226 and other agencies. A University of California, Davis, graduate, he has specialized in transportation and environmental issues.

E.J. Bell & Associates, Springfield, Va., has appointed Myron K. Hayashida vice-president and chief operating officer.

Education

Ryan Iwasaka, 21, a Claremont (Calif.) McKenna student from Wailuku, Hawaii, was stunned last December to learn he was awarded a Rhodes scholarship. Iwasaka is an A-minus scholar and student body vice president. The Rhodes judges were impressed with both his brain power and physical vigor. Iwasaka has been paralyzed from waist down since age 7 because of a viral infection of his nervous system.

Neil Yoneji, 50-year-old Kauai native, recently assumed interim chancellorship of the 110,000-student, nine-campus Los Angeles Community College (LACC) District effective. He was most recently vice chancellor of business services for the LACC district, and had joined the system in 1981 as dean/assistant superintendent of business services for the Mt. San Jacinto Community College district. He lives in Yorba Linda with his wife, Claire, and two sons. A search is underway for a permanent chancellor by July 1, 1994.

Five Nikkei won \$25,000 Milken Family Foundation-sponsored Hawaii Educator Awards for excellence and dedication to public schools. Awardees: Lahinaluna (Maui) High principal Henry Ariyoshi of Hawaii's only public boarding school program; Waimea High school resource teacher Sandra Haynes, 49; resource

teacher Judith Kaya, 49, at Central Oahu; Jarrett Intermediate principal Yoshiji Asami, 63, for his concern with a child's total development; and Fresno State graduate and 20-year industrial arts teacher Glenn Minami, 45, at Kaiser High... Elementary school teacher Marlene Hirata, 55, of Ewa Beach's rural Puhakea school was awarded the \$3,000 Hawaii Teacher of the Year honors.

California politics

Secretary of State March Fong Eu, 71, has resigned from the post she has held for 19 years to prepare for her anticipated confirmation as U.S. ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia. Her chief deputy, Tony Miller, will take over. He is also a candidate for the office and will face Assemblywoman Gwen Moore (D-Los Angeles) and former L.A. city councilman Michael Wu in the June 7 Democratic primaries.

Board of Equalization member Matt Fong of Hacienda Heights is a Republican candidate for state treasurer.

Illinois politics

Glenn Sugiyama, 35, of Chicago had decided to quit the 1994 primaries for the 9th Congressional District, reflecting to the press that he needs to raise at least a million dollars for a viable campaign. His district is about 11% Asian with an estimated 35,000 registered to vote. He still wants to run in 1996, revealing his hope to meet with Southern Californians. His father Tak lived in Wilmington before being evacuated to Heart Mountain, Wyo.

Government headlines

President Bill Clinton has nominated Jerry J. Enomoto of Sacramento for U.S. marshal of California's Eastern district. The former National JAEL president was recommended by Sen. Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.). Marshals are appointed to four-year terms and serve at the pleasure of the President. The Eastern District covers 34 counties from Bakersfield in the south to the Oregon border. California is served by four marshals.

In Seattle, King County Executive Gary Locke was sworn into office Jan. 3 from his father James. With the recent merger of Metro with the county, Locke becomes the second most powerful elected official in the state and heads some 15 department directors in health, corrections, law enforcement, finances, elections, transit and water control. A Democrat, he was a former state representative from the 37th District (Seattle) since 1984... Assisting him in charge of the transition team and reorganization is Joan Yoshitomi, who had worked with Locke at Olympia and returned six years later to become a Seattle deputy comptroller.

Agricultural pioneer

Recent designation of the Denichiro (B.D.) Mukai strawberry-packing plant on Vashon Island as a King County, Wash., landmark is the first to be associated with the county's Japanese American history and the Issei who worked the farms in South Park, Bellevue, Kent, Auburn and Vashon Island. Mukai emigrated about 1885, pioneered the freezing of strawberries and sold them directly to the preserves and ice cream market, by-passing the commission houses. During WWII, the Mukai family voluntarily moved to Dead Ox Flats (on the Washington side of Snake River facing Weiser, Idaho).

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JACL education report



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Serving on workshop committee of the Florin education event were, from left, Jim Tanaka, Joanne Iritani, Ruth Seo, chairwoman, Pauline Nishina, Marlene Itakaki, Mary Tsukamoto, Janie Matsumoto-Low, Aileen Nishio, Joyce Sahara, and Sue Takata.

Florin Chapter event offers full course load

By FRANK IRITANI

With Gordon Hirabayashi as guest speaker and the theme "Valor and Sacrifice: A Personal Quest for Justice," the Florin Chapter, JACL, observed its 12th annual "Time of Remembrance" program, Saturday, Feb. 5, under the leadership of chairwoman Christine Umeda.

Hirabayashi, now professor emeritus of the University of Alberta, Canada, invited arrest more than 50 years ago, thus challenging the constitutionality of Executive Order 9066. The curfew and evacuation of United States citizens. He spent more than nine months in the King County Seattle jail.

At the event he spoke to more than 300 students at the Center for Pacific Asian Studies, California State University, Sacramento, a program arranged by Kenji Taguma, a student in Ethnic Studies.

The chapter's goal was to remember the 110,000 interned Japanese Americans, as well as Hirabayashi, who chose to act in defense of justice and freedom, and others who reacted to an unjust government. A slide program by Andy Noguchi and Taguma related the story of the choices made by Nisei military volunteers and draft

resisters.

Keynote speaker for the workshop was Mary Taikamoto who established the theme, "The Internment of Japanese Americans: A Lesson in American History," by using the historical exhibit displayed on the four walls of the gymnasium hall, and speaking of the Constitution and the need for continued vigilance.

The exhibit expressed statements with banners around the hall: "Justice is a matter of continuing education," "Democracy can be made to work," "We were all victims" and many others created by well known community activist Tsukamoto.

As people entered the building, they were able to experience the living conditions of the internees, going through the barrack replica with its single light bulb and army cots set up by Ted Kobata.

Prior to the Time of Remembrance Program, the

barrack replica and historical exhibit were displayed at the Elk Grove Unified School District Board Room. Daily for two weeks from Jan. 24 to Feb. 4, Tsukamoto and members of the VFW Nisei Post 8985, Jim Tanaka, Sue Satou, Kiyo Sato-Viacrucis, Roy Sato, Mas Kashiwagi and Gary Shiota, talked to fifth grade



Photo: FRANK IRITANI
Gordon Hirabayashi addresses attendees of Florin's Feb. 5 education workshop.

classes in the Board Room. The children were able to view the photographs, newspaper clippings and writings relating living conditions in pre-war Florin and in the internment camps, the government posters, and the Constitution. Also displayed were the more recent resolu-

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Educators hold classroom discussions on internment experience at workshop

By JOANNE IRITANI

Sixty-three people, among them teachers from many area schools, attended the Feb. 5 workshop on the Japanese American Internment, sponsored by the Florin Chapter, JACL, in conjunction with its Time of Remembrance historical exhibit. Guest speaker was Gordon Hirabayashi

Among the those registered for the workshop held at the Florin Buddhist Church were teachers from these districts: Sacramento City, Elk Grove, Buckeye Union, Placer, San Juan, Grant, Center, Rocklin, Natomas, Lodi, Winters, Contra Costa County, Davis, and two private schools, Country Day and Dorris-Eaton in Walnut Creek. In addition to these educators, a professor of constitutional law, a school board member, and Nisei, Sansei and Yonsei from many areas attended the sessions.

The morning began with keynote speaker Mary Taikamoto sharing her experiences and pointing out the need to study the constitutional questions of Executive Order 9066 and the internment. During the lunch period featuring Japanese bento distributed by chapter treasurer, Sam Kashiwagi, two videos were shown, "Days of Waiting," the story of Estelle Ishigo, and "A Personal Matter," a documentary on



Photo: JO ANNE KUBOKAWA
Workshop presenters and community resources included, from left, Janie Matsumoto-Low, associate professor, CSU, Sacramento; Dave Paratore, teacher, Winters Schools; Jim Tanaka, VFW Post 8985; Floria Blanchette, mentor teacher, Sacramento City Schools; Florence Hongo, JACP; and Marion Kanemoto, Florin Oral History Project chair.

Hirabayashi. Following the video, Hirabayashi responded to questions from those in attendance.

Presenters at the two workshop sessions were Janie Matsumoto-Low, associate professor, California State University Sacramento; Gloria Blanchette, mentor teacher with the Sacramento City Schools; Dave Paratore, fourth grade teacher, Winters Schools; and Candy Flink, with the Elk Grove Schools. Community resource persons available throughout the day were Florence and Mas Hongo of the JACP, San Mateo; Marion Kanemoto and Utako

Kimura of the Florin JACL Oral History Project; and Jim Tanaka of the VFW Nisei Post 8985.

Presenters used state of the art teaching methods and were knowledgeable and enthusiastic. Responses on the evaluation forms indicated overall satisfaction with the quality of the presentations:

"This was an outstanding workshop. The leaders should be commended. I will push for a 'Day of Remembrance' in my district. I am a mentor teacher. More people need to be here."

"I will concentrate on the psychological, emotional issues, not just chronological history; also relevance to the Bill of Rights. I enjoyed this tremendously and will use the materials in my law school teaching."

"I am so excited to share the information with my colleagues and encourage them to attend next year. Please do it again. Someday you will have to hold it at the Community Center."

The committee members were Ruth Seo, chair, Aileen Nishio, Marlene Itakagi, Pauline Nishina, Joyce Sahara, Mary Taikamoto, Janie Matsumoto-Low, Sue Takata, and Joanne Iritani.

Curriculum Guide includes special offers

By GREG MARUTANI
National Education Committee

Now that the Curriculum Guides are ready for sale to educators, some special promotional offers will be included with each one sold. On the inside pocket of the guide there will be a registration form so the Education Committee can communicate with the owners of the guide, an evaluation form to be complete once they have used the Guide, and three special promotional offers.

The first is a flier promoting "A Personal Matter: Gordon Hirabayashi vs. The United States" at \$50 which includes the study guide prepared by The Constitution Project. The 100th order of the videotape arrived in early February and was delivered to Oshkosh, Wis. This special discount price was worked out with The Constitution Project and CrossCurrent staff nearly a year-and-a-half ago. The San Francisco Chapter, JACL, supported the sale of this video



Photo: JO ANNE KUBOKAWA
Greg Marutani shows the new National JACL Curriculum Guide, The Japanese American Experience: A Lesson in American History.

by committing its first two years of its Legacy Fund earnings to cover the sales tax and shipping costs which ran about \$7.25 per video. When the San Francisco Unified School District ordered 20 copies but could only pay for \$15, the chapter paid for the other five so there would be at least one copy for each high school in the district.

The committee expressed its thanks to Hero Shiosaki from Internment District and Sharon Ishii-Jordan from Mountain Plains District, and Allan Hida from Midwest District, three individuals who are responsible for reaching this goal along with many other committed JACL members. Even though there will be a change in how this videotape will be sold, I am confident that many more videos will be sold through this promotional with the sale of each guide.

With this successful arrangement as a reference point, I asked Steven Okazaki if he would consider allowing us to include his 1990 Academy award winning documentary, "Days of Waiting," the story of Estelle Ishigo, a Caucasian who followed her husband into the internment camp during World War II, at a special price to those who purchase the JACL Curriculum Guide. When I told Steven this video was included in one of the lesson plans in the guide he expressed interest and said he would get in touch with me. Within a week after our first telephone conversation, Steven called back to say he would like to participate and offer his video for \$75.

The third flier came about through
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Books

CHILDREN

A fish story

Kroll, Virginia, illustrated by Katherine Roundtree. *A Carp for Kimiko* (1993), Charlesbridge Publishing, 83 Main St., Watertown, MA, 02172; 30pp, 10x8", full color; \$14.95 (hardcover).

Richly illustrated in color, Kimiko (she must be about 5 years old) wants a paper carp to fly on Children's Day in May just like the boys have. She is then reminded by her mother of the special dolls of Hina-Matsuri displayed on Girl's Day in March. The story, of course, has a nice ending. Kimiko wakes up the morning after May 5 to find a live calico carp swimming in a bowl of water.

Perhaps, Nikki parents and grandparents will want to add the Japanese words or expressions as pictured. Obviously, for readers and children who are hearing about these Japanese holidays for the first time, they are also introduced to Japanese words for grandmother "ohhahsan," grandfather "ohheesan," father "ohhohsan," mother "ohkasan," son "moosookoh," and daughter "moosoomay."

Say it with pictures

Say, Allen. *Grandfather's Journey* (1993), Houghton Mifflin, Boston; 32pp, 10x12", color, \$16.95 (hardcover).

Allen Say wrote and illustrated, in capsule fashion for children, the four-generation cavalcade of the Japanese in America. The story depicts mainland America, particularly California, of the Issei who came in the 1900s. He returns to Japan to get married, comes back to start their lives in San Francisco. A daughter is born and when she is nearly grown, the family goes back to Japan. There, the daughter falls in love, is married and a son is born, who is later told by the grandfather about his experiences in California. But war intervenes, the bombs fall, and with the war's end, the grandson (none of them are named) years for and lives in the California of his grandfather.

This is not a typical Japanese American family story, certainly not the story of many Issei who arranged to have their bride come with a picture in hand, who stayed and raised their family. The two cultures are woven well by Say, a Yokohama-born San Franciscan who has written and illustrated other books, the latest being "The Paper Crane."

JAPANESE AMERICAN

A French treasure for the Nikkei

Moulin, Pierre. *U.S. Samurais in Bruyères* (English translation, 1993), Pierre Moulin, P.O. Box 8591, Honolulu, HI, 96830 (also from: NJAHS, 1855 Folsom St., San Francisco, CA 94103); 375pp, 8x12", more than 200 color and 650 b/w photos, maps; preface by François Mitterrand, president of France, \$70 (hardcover).

Pierre Moulin's book, first published in French five years ago, tells the incredible story of Japanese Americans to the people of France. For Moulin, who was born in 1948 in Bruyères, his initial point was having heard the story from his father. Moulin, a historian, spent the next 20 years pursuing the story. The love and passion for people, his pride of country and home and dedication to write the first book in French about Americans of Japanese Ancestry are confirmed as one goes through page by page, *U.S. Samurais in Bruyères*.

We see postcard scenes of turn-of-the-century Bruyères, panorama and streets of today in color, when it was under German Occupation between 1940-44, its liberation and photos of the men of the Texas Lost Battalion walking out after their rescue by the 442nd.

Pierre Mitterrand, who wrote the preface, was a staff sergeant in the French Army, wounded and hospitalized at the hospital in Bruyères in 1940, when the Germans occupied the town. Still groggy, he woke up as a POW in Stalag IX. He escaped, was recaptured and was to make two more attempts. The third escape was

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good, and he joined the French Resistance. His political career carried him to the presidency in 1981 and was re-elected in 1988.

The book, printed in Luxembourg where the author lives today, has to be the heaviest of its size in the PC library. Happily we found Pierre Moulin autographing the book at the MIS Capital Reunion in Washington, D.C., and bought our copy. Incidentally, it's not found in book stores. Proceeds from the book go toward Nisei veterans groups and the Peace and Freedom Trail, the path the 442nd took in 1944, entering Bruyères, to the spot where the Lost Battalion was rescued, and pursuing the re-treating Nazi beyond Biffontaine. The trail was dedicated in 1989, the bicentennial of French independence.

The personality of Topaz

Taylor, Sandra C. *Jewel of the Desert: Japanese American Internment at Topaz* (1993), University of California Press, 2120 Berkeley Way, Berkeley, CA, 94720; 6x9", 362pp, b/w photos, 4 maps, \$35 (cloth).

The author's 19-page preface best speaks to the statement of the 343 pages that follow. A professor of history at the University of Utah, Sandra Taylor also co-edited the papers read at the 1983 conference and published as "Japanese Americans: From Relocation to Redress" (1986). She observes that interest in the wartime Evacuation and relocation had "grown slightly because of the redress movement" and that the Hollywood film, *Come See the Paradise*, "did not enlighten but rather perpetuated a vague image based on stereotypes and some factual errors." Then the Persian Gulf War of 1991 worried Arab Americans, who were lumped together with the Iraqi enemy.

Dr. Taylor delves into the history and experiences of those who were evacuated from the San Francisco Bay area to Topaz, particularly at how they kept their "sense of community and self-worth alive in spite of the upheavals of internment." She has drawn on the interviews of former Topaz internees, the archives and newspapers.

Her book differs from other studies. "But to identify relocation as an evil does not mean that all who were interned were victimized in the same way, or that those administered their confinement were necessarily evil men and women who sought to harm them," Dr. Taylor explains. "Many Japanese Americans did not allow themselves to become victims, either physically or psychologically. Some were resilient and determined, and their successes in postwar America bear testimony to the stupidity of incarcerating them..."

There follows a study of the break-up of the prewar Bay Area communities and creation of postwar communities in Northern California.

With the National JACL Convention scheduled this year the first week of August in Salt Lake City and with the prospect of spending a day visiting the Topaz campsite, *Jewel of the Desert* is solid ground work and a best bet to visualize what occurred there 50 years ago. The place remains bleak, a "topaz" in the desert.

At the Smithsonian exhibit, "For a More Perfect Union," is a photograph of the late George Inagaki (or someone who surely looked like him 50 years ago) getting a haircut in Topaz. But more surprising was the huge sign on the door: "BARBERSHOP."

POEMS

What perked up Grandpa

Itoya, Sam. *Pappy*, (1993), Woodhouse Books, 1719 Princeton Ave., Stockton, CA, 95204; 209pp, 5x8", \$7.50 (soft cover).

This retiree-turned rhymster is remembered from 40 years ago, when he was a member of the Stockton Chapter, JACL. With some surprise Sam Itoya is met again through pages of poetry.

Itoya has plied in verse some happy moments with his four grandchildren during their pre-school years of the 1980s. The eldest was born September, 1981, in Iowa City; the youngest in Houston in Decem-

ber, 1986. The simple illustrations, here and there throughout the delightful collection, were mostly supplied by his grandkids.

Except for the fourth grandchild, each has a middle name in Japanese: Akiko, Mariko and Kiyoshi. Curiously, none of the vignettes mention them.

JAPAN: WORLD WAR

The 'Innocent generation'

Honda, Motohisa. *Shock and Upheaval* (1993), Dorrance Publishing, 643 Smithfield St., Pittsburgh, PA, 15222; 120pp, 6x9", photos, \$11.95 (cloth cover).

A seaman for the past 15 year, author Motohisa Honda of Takamatsu, Shikoku, was asked about his ancestors while on a stop in New Zealand. To wit: About the time of the Meiji Restoration (1868), his great grandfather's family turned out to be all girls and he decided to adopt the husband of one of his daughters. His grandfather, Takichi Nakamura, thus changed his name to Takichi Honda upon marriage.

Here is a painful but courageous account of what has been called the "innocent generation" in Japan—those who were infants during WWII (Honda was born in 1940), who spent the war years being moved as a war orphan from one ravaged city to another, sustaining a rigorous, hopeless cycle of poverty and hunger during the Occupation. That he survived as a troubled youth, meeting two important people on the way to manhood—a teacher of martial arts and the other, his middle school teacher, sends out another perspective of life in Japan that many have not known.

Throughout his text are "explanations"—integral to his story but I thought might have passed for footnotes that follow a word or paragraph. I like footnotes, wherever they are placed.

BOOK NOTES

Ronald Takaki has published his latest, *A Different Mirror: A History of Multicultural America* (Little Brown, 1993), by weaving an epic tale of cultural pride and the many faces of America. In her review for the *Seattle Times/Post Intelligencer* in mid-summer, Seattle Community College counselor Lydia Minatoya (author of *Talking to High Winds in the Snow*, a memoir which examines culture and personal identity) called it "a surprisingly intimate journey... a forceful book. In the end, we are left with the understanding that with cultural pride comes the capacity for cultural contempt. And that each of us must examine the dynamics of race—humanity's enduring fear of the outsider—before *pluribus* can live as *unum*." Of the final chapter of four pages, covering the events since World War II to the 1963 March of Washington, Minatoya found it was "the only weakness compared to the originality and texture found in rest of the book... yet this is a mild complaint."

Thelma Chang was honored last November at the first Ka Palapala Po'okela Book Awards luncheon by the Hawaii Book Publishers Association "for excellence in writing non-fiction"—*I Can Never Forget: Men of the 100th/442nd*, (Sigi Productions, 1993). Sigi Productions was honored "for excellence in technical production." The awards recognized 13 categories to celebrate the best in local publishing. Judges had selected more than 200 titles published between July, 1986, and June, 1993, and then the public was invited to pick their favorites by voting on ballots distributed in the libraries throughout the state.

Joanne Ikeda, a UC Berkeley dietitian, is the author of a booklet offering advice for parents of overweight kids, *If My Child is Too Fat, What Should I Do About It?* (ANR Publications, University of California, Berkeley, 6701 San Pablo Ave., Oakland, CA, 94608, \$1.50) Toward the end, she says to parents: "Examine your eating habits. Your child may simply be imitating you."

Canada Council, which received a gift in 1988 from Japan to help reinforce cultural ties between the art communities of the two countries, offers a \$10,000 prize for a book with a Canada-Japan connection, about Japan or translated from Japanese into English or French. Dr. Keiko Oiva, currently teaching at Meiji Gakuin in

Yokohama, is the fourth recipient for his book, *Stone Voices: Wartime Writings of Japanese Canadian Issei*, Vehicle Press, Montreal, 1992. His selection of memoirs, diaries and letters written by four remarkable individuals who do not fit any stereotype shows his training as an anthropologist, his intimacy with the subject matter. He had studied in Canada, received his Ph.D. at Cornell in 1988, lectured in Asian studies at McGill and Mexico City, and was a researcher on Japanese Canadians.

FLORIN

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tions and proclamations of various governmental bodies including that of the Elk Grove School District passed in 1982, which resolved "that Feb. 19 be declared an annual 'Day of Remembrance' with informative classroom discussion concerning the event to be held on that day at appropriate times throughout the school year as part of the regular curriculum."

The attendance at the evening "Time of Remembrance" program was "standing room only," the largest in the 12-year history of the event. Hirabayashi was given a standing ovation upon his introduction by Donna Komura Toyama. The guest speaker shared his personal experiences as a senior at the University of Washington when he refused to comply with the government orders, invited arrest, spent time in jail, acted as his father's interpreter to establish the fact that he was indeed of Japanese descent, and lost the 1943 Supreme Court appeal. He said, "I was not trying to cause trouble. Following my gut feeling, I refused to obey the military evacuation because I chose to obey the Constitution."

Opening the evening's program was the Call of the Drums by the Florin Children's Nisei Post 8985, invocation by the Rev. Mark Nakagawa, and remarks by Florin Chapter president Mark Mogodomi. Tom Nakashima of K108 FM was emcee. Friend of the Community Award was presented to retiring County Supervisor Toby Johnson, the Educator's Award to Elk Grove Unified School District Superintendent Robert Trigg, and the Daruma City Rights Award to the Sacramento Valley Draft Resisters, including Frank Emi, San Gabriel, Yosh Kuromiya, Los Angeles, Mits Koshiyama, San Jose, and Noboru Tamaga of West Sacramento. Draft resisting was one of several forms of resistance to injustice and prejudicial treatment suffered by the Japanese Americans because of their ancestry. But, in recent years their story of firm conviction is gradually being told without fear and heard with acceptance and understanding.

Florin JACL Oral History Project chair Marion Kanemoto presented Oral History books to Harry Yoshimura, age 91, Sumako Imada and her recently deceased mother, Minayo Imada, Tosh Hamataka, Dr. Masa Yamamoto, and Kinya Noguchi.

GUIDE

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the efforts of Terese Maebori, chairwoman of the Education Committee, who said she had spoken with Lise Yasui about the possibility of working out a similar promotional for her 1988 Academy Award nominated video, "Family Gathering" highlighting her search for her family's history, through interviews of family and relatives and home movies. Within a few days after my initial call to Lise, Michael Jeung and I worked out an arrangement similar to that worked out with Steven.

"Family Gathering" will be available at a special price of \$75 and will include the study guide prepared by Lise. This offer will begin July 1 and run through June 30, 1995.

These special offers all have the following things in common: the offer is only for those who purchase the Curriculum Guide; only the order form in the guide may be used (no photocopies); only valid for K through 12th public and private schools; all orders will be handled through Cross-Cultural Media, 346 Ninth St., San Francisco, Calif. 94103.

With the guide serving as the overview for teachers to bring the discussion of racism, prejudice, multiculturalism, and the Constitution into the classroom, use of the three historical documentaries, videotapes will be an excellent way to begin.

Opinions



From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

U.S.-Japan relations: Proceed with caution

Trade relations between the United States and Japan have deteriorated to the point where President Clinton has declared economic sanctions may be invoked unless the problems can be alleviated. This is serious talk fraught with danger. It must be presumed the Clinton administration was not making idle talk. The threat, which should be taken seriously in Tokyo, stirs disquieting memories: Six months after the last time full-scale economic sanctions were imposed, Japanese bombers appeared over Pearl Harbor.

This is not to suggest something as drastic will happen again. These are different times and the nature and scale of disagreement are vastly different from the situation in 1941. Yet it is pertinent to recall that the failure of Japanese Americans to condemn Japanese aggression in China led, after war's outbreak, to unfair questions about their political loyalties.

Today there is no doubt about where Japanese American commitment lies. They were tested by fire and their Americanism is beyond question. Yet there are significant ethnic ties and there will be some who expect JACL to take some kind of position on the current controversy.

The right of knowledgeable Japanese

Americans to speak out, indeed their obligation to do so, was underscored recently by revelation that an analysis by Glen S. Fukushima was studied by President Clinton and circulated by his instruction to key members of the White House staff. "Worth reading," the President scribbled on the margin, "and often accurate. Should discuss."

Fukushima is not your average Japanese American. He has a law degree from Harvard and studied in Harvard's M.B.A. program, reads, writes and speaks Japanese fluently as a result of studying at several Japanese universities, served as the principal Japan negotiator in the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative under Republican administrations, and currently is director for public policy and business development for AT&T Japan Ltd. in Tokyo.

His analysis is penetrating and straightforward, the kind of well-informed thinking the President of the United States needs in formulating a Japan policy, and too complex to discuss in this limited space. Let me say only that he is aware of weaknesses in American Policy—or more accurately the absence of a comprehensive American Policy—and the likelihood of Japan taking

advantage of our weaknesses unless we make substantial changes.

The point I wish to make here is that Fukushima is speaking from experience and knowledge shared by few if any Japanese Americans. And he has made a significant contribution to the national dialogue on a critical issue.

On the other hand, it would be a gross error if JACL, or any of its spokesmen, sound off on the basis of incomplete knowledge about this extremely complex and sensitive problem. Equally unfortunate would be a meaningless platitude. This is the big leagues. We aren't criticizing a movie or waxing indignant about some inconsequential local matter. We need to have our leaders do their homework before we have them speak for us.

It is essential that we have a Japanese American position on an issue like this? Of course not. But we are fortunate to have individual experts among us who can contribute to the debate. ☐

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Letters

PSW Gov. Ruth Mizobe 'outraged' at PC treatment

In regard to the Pacific Citizen Feb. 18-24, 1994, article entitled, "Charges, criticism leveled against PC," my photograph and my name with the caption, "Condemns PC" is an editorial change of the term I actually used which was, "displeasure with the PC." I stated my displeasure with the PC because the former PC board chair (Lucy Kishiue) paid approximately \$150 out of her own pocket to send a PC reporter to cover the national youth conference when the PC financial report showed a \$19,506 balance. I further stated that she should be reimbursed if that PC financial report was correct. I saw nothing wrong with my statement, as I saw it as the responsibility of a national board member to raise.

I am writing because I am seriously concerned that the PC is using subjective reporting as a means to intimidate and silence all those who raise legitimate concerns about the PC's operations. Your choice of negative phrasing in selecting the word "condemns" which replaced the word "displeasure" is to imply that I was unfairly attacking the PC. If you felt that my comments on this matter were important to the membership, why did you change the context and tone of my comments? While I support the concept of the PC's editorial independence, why was it necessary to change the intention of my words? I recognize no justification other than to distinguish me as attacking the PC.

I am also disturbed that you choose to respond to my comments through the PC rather than to speak with me directly. We were all at the same meeting together for two days. You had every opportunity to respond to my comments and any other board members' comments while we were in session and in the days that followed the national board meeting. You were also asked to address the board but you declined. I feel betrayed because my words were changed and by extension that change has only served to inflame the membership about me, the PSW and the national board without the benefit of accuracy, balance of facts and the representation of all points of view.

We in the PSW have committed numerous volunteer days and weeks seeking resolution to the controversy between the JACL and the PC by having all points of view represented on the PSW ad hoc committee on the PC. The results of that work have been the 10 recommendations which were published in the Feb. 11-17 issue of the PC. I am offended that you did not extend me the courtesy of speaking with you directly about your concerns, and that you remained silent when invited to speak.

As we continue, to address the issues at

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East Wind

BILL MARUTANI

Good works

AMONG PROGRAMS not widely known while making meaningful contributions is the Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation, (Okura Foundation) a charitable organization which, among other things, sponsors and finances annual leadership seminars in Washington, D.C. Established by K. Patrick Okura, a past JACL National President, with Lily A. Okura, a past JACL National Board member, as executive director, this past year marked the third annual program so sponsored by the Okura Foundation. Contributions being made by private programs, such as the Okura Foundation are little known, and in this week's column I'd like to rectify that void at least as to this foundation.

TAKING 1993 as an example. There were ten participants in the program selected from the 50 applicants. In Washington, D.C. the participants have the opportunity to meet with and exchange thoughts with former and current members of Congress, cabinet, heads of agencies, and involved in various aspects of government. They also have an opportunity to meet with the leadership of Asian American communities in the D.C. area. Interspersed in the program are a (special

White House tour with briefing by Mrs. Doris Matsui, Deputy Assistant to the President for Public Affairs, visit to the National Museum of American History, Holocaust Museum, etc. I haven't been to any of these places yet, and it makes me downright envious.

THIS PAST FALL I had the pleasure of meeting the ten participants, and I'll tell you, it was a delight. First, let me briefly describe the makeup of the group. The group was evenly split as to gender: five men and five women. The breakdown in terms of ethnic background was quite a mix: Chinese - 1, Filipino - 1, Hmong - 1, Indonesian - 1, Japanese - 3, Tongan and Vietnamese 2. Generally speaking, their orientation leaned toward the social sciences, such as Asian Pacific Aids Intervention Team, Asian Counseling Referral Services, Mental Health and Mental Retardation, Seniors' program, as well as psychiatry. In terms of geographical regions it is broad spread; included were Austin (TX), Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Seattle, and St. Paul (MN).

AS MENTIONED, one evening I met and exchanged thoughts with the ten, and it was a refreshing experience. Sensitive, articulate, perceptive. But there was one

thing that occurred that was totally unexpected and had never happened to me before: several of them took the time to write a "thank you" message along with some photos taken at the gathering.

For better or for worse, over the years I've had occasion to speak at various gatherings, and this one is "First."

THERE'S A LOT of time, energy and resources expended in planning and implementing these programs, which leads to Lily and Pat. I have a hunch as to where much, if not all, of their Redress money went. Most recently, the Okura Foundation was honored by Mrs. Tipper Gore coming to be a guest speaker at the foundation dinner held at the Fort Myers Officers Club in Arlington. Vicki and I were unable to attend, but we sent along our best wishes. We're told it was a resounding affair.

If you know of anyone who might be interested, refer them to the Okura Foundation, 6303 Friendship Court, Bethesda, MD 20817. You'll be glad you did. ☐

After leaving the bench, Marutani resumed practicing law in Philadelphia. He writes regularly for the Pacific Citizen.



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Voices

By ARNOLD MIYAMOTO

Compounding a financial problem

As an investment professional, I am concerned with President Kimura's comments regarding the \$200,000 transfer from the Endowment Fund. She said in her column that "The \$200,000 was not part of the corpus of the fund; rather it was interest income which had been allowed to accumulate because the rate of return was so good in those days."

The spirit of most endowment funds is to provide a source of future resources for the benefiting organization. In order to maintain purchasing power, as a common practice, most endowments re-invest income into the corpus on a continual basis. Typi-

cally, at the end of each annual accounting cycle, the monetary value of the corpus is redefined. If the Endowment Fund were to have controls along these lines, it would be highly unlikely that a single \$200,000 transfer could have been made.

The reason why the JACL needs to re-examine its definition of corpus, I believe, will be clear from the following example: Suppose the current (1994) value of the Endowment Fund is \$400,000. Let's assume that the Fund purchases a risk-free thirty-five year zero coupon bond earning 7% on a compounded basis. After this thirty-five year period, the Endowment

Fund is now worth: \$4,270,633. At this time, a transfer of \$3,870,633 in accumulated interest is made. Note that according to our rules, this does not affect the endowment "corpus," even though nearly 91% of the value of the fund has been distributed.

What remains of the Endowment Fund, at this point, is moot. It is financially crippled. After thirty-five years, at an inflation rate of 3%, the \$400,000 corpus has 64% less purchasing power than it did in 1959. If the average inflation experience was 5%, the corpus has 82% less purchasing power. The Endowment Fund can only provide financial security by taking advan-

tage of compound growth. If the JACL continues to define "corpus" as the original donated amounts without recognizing re-investment, the value of the endowment will greatly diminish through time.

I strongly urge the Endowment Fund Committee to look toward the future of the JACL and re-examine its definition of "corpus." After careful consideration, the logical conclusion should be to redefine the meaning of corpus and to apply stricter distribution controls.

Miyamoto is a former president of the San Fernando Valley Chapter, JACL.

D.C. notes

By KAREN NARASAKI

Praising the new assistant attorney

As one of the Executive Committee members of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, I had the opportunity to sit down and talk with Deval Patrick the day the President nominated him for the job of Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights, the top civil rights post in this country. I found myself extremely impressed.

At 37, he has had a wealth of experience. He grew up in the Southside of Chicago near one of the poorest housing projects in the country. He went to Milton Academy for high school after winning a scholarship from a program committed to providing disadvantaged children, with an opportunity to go to top prep schools; he now serves on Milton's Board of Trustees. He then attended Harvard College on scholarship, where he managed to work part time and contribute leadership to the burgeoning minority student movement at Harvard, as

well as to programs which helped poor and minority communities in Boston. He then accepted a scholarship to Harvard Law School where he served as President of the Legal Aid Bureau.

After serving as a law clerk to a Ninth Circuit appellate judge, he joined the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, the nation's oldest civil rights litigation organization, where he worked primarily on voting rights and death penalty cases in the deep South. As an attorney and partner at Hill & Barlow, a highly respected corporate law firm in Boston, he continued to contribute his time and talents to work on cases involving religious discrimination, gender discrimination, police brutality, hate crimes, as well as race discrimination. He also continues his commitment to his community, staying involved in public service organizations such as the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston and Horizons for Youth.

Deval Patrick is someone who has never forgotten his community. While his resume is certainly impeccable, what is more important is his reputation for fairness, integrity and open-mindedness. I spoke with Asian Pacific American community leaders who know him, who enthusiastically recommended him. While Patrick has not had that much experience with our community, the people who know him assured me that he has always sought to include people and to combat discrimination where ever it might be found. In my meeting with him, I found him to be earnest, sincere, bright and articulate. He is from the new generation of civil rights leaders, who understands that this country's race issues no longer can be viewed in just "black-and-white" terms.

"Fair Right" pundits, like Clint Bolick, are already attacking Patrick's nomination, calling him the "Quota Clone" or the

"Stealth Guinier." If pressed, they will admit that they don't really have any basis for believing that, but are attacking Patrick just because he worked for the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, an organization founded and led by Thurgood Marshall and credited for having litigated and won many of the most important civil rights cases we rely on today. Bolick went even so far as to announce that he, would have opposed Thurgood Marshall's nomination, if he had the opportunity—a very telling admission.

Bolick and his ilk were responsible for the pulling of the nomination of Lani Guinier. Since her name was pulled, even the *Washington Post* has admitted that she was unfairly maligned. Neither she, nor

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Very truly yours

By HARRY K. HONDA

Envoy to Micronesia

California Secretary of State March Fong Eu has resigned her office to prepare for her diplomatic role as U.S. ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia group of four state-islands in the western Pacific: Yap to the west, Chuuk (formerly Truk), Pohnpei (Ponape) and also the state capital) and Kosrae (Kusaie), all north of the Equator between the Philippines and the Marshall Islands.

If it weren't for her, this would not have surfaced at this time.

But like the Iseai who went to Hawaii, North and South America from the 1800s, there were Japanese also heading for the South Pacific.

What once was Spanish territories until 1898, the Germans bought the islands. After World War I, the Japanese ruled Micronesia under a League of Nations

mandate from 1922, and began to build up Truk as its major naval base after walking out of the League of Nations in 1935, annexing the islands. The colonial Japanese population boomed from 3,600 in 1920 to 84,000 by 1940.

During the Pacific War, the raids, fear and famine ravaged the islands.

Most of the Japanese were repatriated in 1943, leaving behind their native-born wives and children.

The naval base at Truk, regarded by the Japanese as the "Gibraltar of the Pacific," was neutralized by the U.S. Navy in February, 1944. Sunken Japanese ships still dot the lagoons above and below the surface.

The remaining Japanese either died, committed suicide or returned with one notable exception: Koben Mori (1869-1945), who could have been king of the Truk Atoll—so

the story is told by University of Hawaii Prof. Mark Peattie in his book, *Nan'yo: the Rise and Fall of the Japanese in Micronesia, 1885-1945*.

Of interest to Nikkei history buffs, the Micronesia story is unique because of Koben Mori.

A man from Tosa, Mori landed in Truk as a trade representative in 1891, became a military adviser to an important chieftain at Moen, the largest island inside the atoll and led to a complete rout of an opposing Trukese clan.

As a start to a lifelong friendship, the chief gave his daughter, Isabel, then 12, in marriage. A devoted wife, she bore him 12 children and through her became fluent in Trukese, adopted its customs but remained Japanese in true expatriate fashion, teaching his children Japanese and hoisting the

Hinomaru on important Japanese holidays.

After the Germans were expelled, Mori served as consultant to the Japanese garrison. By 1920, he was developing Truk and the other Caroline Islands with schools and roads. He suffered a stroke and chose to stay while other Japanese were returning home. Mori died in August, 1945.

One of his descendants, Tosiwo Nakayama, was president of the Federated States of Micronesia in 1988. He was vice-president the previous two years after the Honolulu Compact toward self-government was signed in 1985 with the United States, administrators of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. In 1991, the Federated States of Micronesia was admitted into the United Nations.

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"meddling in these affairs," said Senzaki. "But we are concerned because we can be impacted. When these issues heat up, it has a spin-off effect on Asian Pacific Americans and Japanese Americans."

Ted Shigeno, member, Japan Chapter, JACL, sees a larger role for JACL in U.S.-Japan relations.

Pointing out that many JACL members feel JACL's role in U.S.-Japan relations is education, Shigeno said, "I agree that JACL members are not qualified to talk about methods of improving trade relations. However, we must be ever vigilant of related developments in Japan and how our U.S. government policies affect such developments."

"How we Japanese Americans are accepted in the U.S. unfortunately hinges on what happens in Japan. Many of us claim

that since we are Americans, we don't have to have anything to do with Japan and care less of what happens to Japan. I believe this is wrong. No matter how we feel individually, we cannot ignore our ethnicity," said Shigeno.

Giving an example of JACL's work on U.S.-Japan relations, Harano cited JACL's involvement on the 50th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

JACL was very active in making sure that President Bush in his speeches commemorating Pearl Harbor, mentioned Japanese Americans and the internment," said Harano.

Focusing on the 1995 50th anniversary of the defeat of Japan in World War II, Harano said, "We should recognize the end of the war and its importance, but we can make sure that the anniversary doesn't fuel flames of racism."

Dick Yamashita, also a member, Japan Chapter, said that JACL has no basis to

become involved in international issues. If JACL wishes to become more involved in U.S.-Japan relations, Yamashita said it must first change its constitution and get its own house in order.

"Based on the on-going internal problems of JACL, which we have been witnessing for the past several years, I don't see how JACL could become involved in national and international affairs."

"JACL should do some soul-searching and ask if it truly represents the masses. Having been a pro-active JACLer for the past couple of decades, I think that JACL still thinks in the old paradigm and has yet to embrace the non-JACLers. I say this from actual experience with those who have been 'turned off' to JACL due to reasons mentioned time and again in recent PC issues. This is sad and unfortunate for Japanese Americans' image internationally and domestically," said Yamashita.

Shigeno said as Japanese Americans,

JACL should develop its own vision on U.S.-Japan relations.

"We must have a vision of what we want Japan to be. Do we want a Japan that can help us militarily and fight our wars? Do we want a Japan that will have strong political clout to control Asia? Do we want Japan to remain non-nuclear? Do we want Japan to help develop the third world countries with her economic power? What kind of a role do we want Japan to play vis-a-vis the U.S. in Asia? What kind of Japan must there be to insure good U.S.-Japan relations. Our U.S. government policies on Japan will have great influence on what kind of Japan we will have. JACL has the responsibility to the Japanese Americans to help guide our government policies that will insure Japan to remain close to the U.S.," said Shigeno.

On the recent talk of trade war between the two countries, the overall feeling is neither country can afford a trade war.

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hand relative to the JAACL and the PC, I am outraged that the destructive rhetoric continues. To be successful at promoting positive change, we must be open, candid and fair—instead of drawing lines and further dividing the organization, I hope that the PC will assist the membership to understand all viewpoints of the issues through fair and accurate reporting.

Ruth Mizobe
PSW governor

Editor's response

PSW Gov. Ruth Mizobe characterizes PC's response to her criticism as "destructive rhetoric."

In review, here's what happened: The National Youth Council attacked PC with a resolution, and Mizobe followed up with criticism, using a JAACL National Board meeting as her forum, to issue a public statement specifically designed "for the record."

PC doesn't have a problem with anyone making resolutions or statements—verbally, on-the-record, or both. Even if they're critical or condemning in nature.

But PC also believes in it—and anyone's right to respond.

Mizobe is an elected JAACL official, accountable for her statements and actions.

Specifically, she says in her letter that she wanted to express her displeasure because PC board interim chair Lucy Kishiu "should be reimbursed" for that PC financial report was correct, "adding to a PC financial report that apparently, in Mizobe's interpretation, showed that PC had enough money to send a reporter to cover the National Youth Council conference—and did not.

Mizobe's criticism, then, was based not on substantiated fact but, as she stated, only "if the report was correct." PC questions the professionalism and integrity of making a statement for the record based on that kind of uncertainty. Is this, then, an act of "destructive rhetoric?"

In its own forum, in the Feb. 18-24 issue, PC responded to Mizobe's charge as well as the National Youth Council resolution which assailed PC with allegations of failure to report its activities. PC responded by noting all of its coverage of the youth council and explained that PC's continued weak financial situation precluded the expenditure of the trip to cover the youth council conference. At the same time, we made it eminently clear to National Youth Council leaders that we would by other means provide complete coverage of the event, including full reports on page one.

During budget reports, JAACL National treasurer Jonathan Kaji said that he was confused because PC had submitted two reports. The PC staff was equally confused because it had submitted one report. The other in question was a financial analysis prepared by PC Board member Ron Shibata in September and was sent to Kishiu in advance of the board meeting and never intended for discussion as a PC financial status report.

When asked to respond to the two reports, the PC staff could not because it had no knowledge of the Shibata analysis. Joyce Kato, PC business manager, could not respond because she was not aware of Shibata's report in the National Board packet of materials. Indeed, she had not even received a packet of materials from JAACL National staff.

From the beginning, the PC staff was met with an unsettling sequence of events at the National Board meeting. Upon arrival, the PC staff discovered Kishiu had resigned suddenly with no formal notification; that Ron Ohata, who has made open and public statements of hostility against PC, was appointed PC Board chair by JAACL President Lillian Kimura; that a sudden meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee was scheduled for 7:30 a.m., prior to the regular board meeting, and further, that PC assistant editor Gwen Muranaka and PC Board member Peggy Liggett were not allowed to attend that session.

The PC staff was then met with the resolution by Kim Nakahara, chair of the National Youth Council, which denounced PC despite its weeks of coverage of the group's scheduled event.

When Mizobe chose to follow with a public statement of criticism lodged against PC, she only exacerbated a situation that

could easily be called, in her own words, as "drawing lines." In legal terms, the bell was rung. The damage was done. PC responded appropriately in its forum.

The events of the National Board meeting speak for themselves. So too does the spirit of these acts.

Was "condemned" the right word? Perhaps. Perhaps not. Readers should re-read the coverage of the National Board meeting and decide for themselves.

PSW vice governor takes issue with PC

As the vice governor of JAACL-PSW district board, I had the opportunity to attend the National Board meeting on Feb. 12-13, 1994. In reviewing the *Pacific Citizen's* Feb. 18-24 article entitled "PC responds to charges," I have two issues regarding the reports by the PC. One, if these responses were known at the time of the board meeting, they should have been voiced there. These discussions took place in open business session with the PC present. Secretary/Treasurer Jon Kaji asked for clarification on many of these issues directly with you as editor, Joyce Kato as business manager and Peggy Liggett as the Central California PC board representative.

And two, why were these responses presented in the form that makes it appear to the general membership that accusations were raised against the PC by the National Board when they were not? There are also some additional points of clarification as stated below that I would like to see addressed.

Regarding the National Board's discussion on the PC's financial reports submitted by Ronald Shibata, Mountain Plains District PC board representative, and Joyce Kato, at no time did the PC board member or PC staff state that Mr. Shibata's budget was simply an analysis. In fact, when asked directly by Mr. Kaji, you replied that you would have to confer with Mr. Shibata before commenting on the differences in the two reports.

It was reported at the meeting that Ms. Kato's financial report was approved by Mr. Shibata. Further, you would not approach the conference table as invited by Mr. Kaji, in order to address these budget questions. Instead, information regarding the PC budget was addressed by Ms. Liggett.

I think it appropriate to question the preparation of an analysis for a National Board motion made by former PC board chair and now NCWNP District Governor Lucy Kishiu which specifically requested an increase in the PC's allocation from \$12 to \$15. How can the PC request the National Board to approve a motion for an increase in its allocation when the PC itself states that the numbers presented in Mr. Shibata's analysis were not based on actual figures? It troubles me that an analysis dated two days before the Sept. 25-26, 1993, National Board meeting would now be reported at the Feb. 12-13, 1994, National Board meeting to support a request for an increase in allocation.

If the analysis was dated Sept. 23, 1993, as the PC response stated, then Mr. Shibata's analysis was dated three days before the Shinkawa resignation. I then question Ms. Liggett's stated reasons of why the PC was requesting an increase. Ms. Liggett stated that some of the reasons were due to the PC's board belief that the membership and advertising revenue would decrease significantly in 1994.

I assume that this rationale is based upon the seriousness of the current internal turmoil. However, I must note that the turmoil did not begin until after Shinkawa's resignation on Sept. 26, 1993. Further, the minutes of the PC's last board meeting on May 22, 1993, reflect no PC board motion for the request in increasing the PC's allocation by three dollars. I must ask, when and where this decision was made and by whom?

I am disturbed and disheartened that the *Pacific Citizen* has chosen to present its "case" in the pages of the newspaper rather than participate in the open discussions at the National Board meeting as asked. I urge you to clarify the inconsistencies in the PC's request to increase its allocation and to please clarify when the PC board had an opportunity to review and approve the request.

Craig Minami
PSW, JAACL, Vice Governor

Wakabayashi responds to Mile-Hi Chapter criticism

Per printed scoldings by old friend Bill Hosokawa and Mile-Hi member Tak Terasaki for my remarks about the possible importance of speeches to the Mile-Hi Chapter, I plead guilty. My apologies for a thoughtless remark.

I also regret the attention to that comment, rather than to the major point that I thought I had made to (PC assistant editor) Gwen Muranaka during our very lengthy conversation.

Let me try to refocus the discussion. The issue of the PC that positioned the Mile-Hi speech-story as the lead news article struck me as biased. It was and remains difficult for me to understand the prominence given to that speech and the related member comments. In comparison to coverage of other addresses that might have had equal or stronger news significance, this story seemed to me to have an unusual allocation of space and graphic attention. My sense of why it had such note was because of editorial bias. Because there had already been open discussion regarding the PC, I expected greater rigor in maintaining a perception of objectivity. Instead, the presentation format was a new volley of conflict.

My concern is further compounded by the coverage of the Senzaki retribution. Without discounting the remarks attributed to me in the PC, I have to express that the attention to a 60-second comment during the course of the event is a bit out of context. If you look at the coverage of the same event by the *Rafu Shimpo* and *Asian Week*, neither of those publications even made mention of those remarks. They covered what 99% of the event was, a reception introducing the new JAACL national director.

For Gwen, for whom I had some affection, I must confess additional disappointment. While she did not quote me inaccurately, her report from a more than hour-long conversation on the telephone did not reflect the core of what we discussed. Let me attempt to summarize it from my point of view.

If the PC is a newspaper and provided as a membership service, I said that I could identify several other publications that I felt were a better product. PC is disadvantaged by being a weekly of very limited printspace. It's one potential strategic news advantage as a publication was special access to information on significant issues where the JAACL organization was a central player. But, because of the obvious deterioration in the internal relations of the PC with the program and issue centers of the organization, it did not have this access. I also said that my view of the status of the PC according to the JAACL Constitution was that it was clear that the action creating structural independence was to have it function as a newspaper. I think that was exactly what Cliff Uyeda intended when he led the campaign for its special status. I don't agree that this made organizational sense, but it was and is the status of the PC. The summary of this is that the PC is structured in an untenable way. In my view, this was a controversy built into the design. Finally, I indicated that I thought that the bad feelings in the organization had grown to the point that there were irreconcilable differences, hence, my divorce metaphor.

I am not in the inner workings of the organization anymore. I stand on the sidelines but stay fairly well in touch. From where I stand, the PC does not demonstrate behavior that seeks resolution.

Ron Wakabayashi
Los Angeles

Shinkawa responds to comments re: membership

Alan Nishi and Jon Kaji have raised a fairly minor point concerning my use of some membership figures in my Jan. 22, 1994, speech at the Mile-Hi Chapter installation. In that address, I stated that the current JAACL membership was a few more than 19,000 members where 20 years ago it was more than 32,000, a significant difference. They claimed at the Feb. 12, 1994, National Board meeting that membership was increasing and currently over 23,816.

My 19,000 plus figure is based on two sources. As of September, 1993, when I was still on the PC Board, PC mailed 19,038 PC's to JAACL members each week. However, there were an additional 4,231 people who were the spouses of family members. These people, pursuant to JAACL bylaws (and U.S. Postal Regulations), do not receive PC's. Together, this amounted to 23,269 people who could legitimately claim to be JAACL members. However, in a conversation I had with Alan Nishi on Aug. 21, 1993, at the Cleveland tri-district meeting, Alan informed me that a family membership only counts as ONE MEMBER. If you receive a PC with a mailing label which addresses you as M/M, D/R/M, or M/D/R, you family is only considered to be a single member by National. Thus, in September of 1993, there were only 19,038 JAACL members, give or take a few, by National's count.

This situation does not apply where both spouses are individual members, Thousand Club members or some form of life members. In these instances, you still receive only one PC for each mailing address (U.S. Postal regulations again), but National counts each of you as a member.

As PC Board chair, I was in the process of analyzing member renewal trends in order to better anticipate PC cash flow. Although my project was interrupted, I did detect a gradual decline in member renewals during 1993. Thus, I believe that the national president was correct when she contradicted Alan and Jon in her column in the PC on Feb. 18, 1994 by stating that membership income had declined over the year.

What does it really mean? Well, membership figures are really just a numbers game where people can make themselves look good from time to time. The bottom line is still why JAACL has not been able to broaden its appeal to Nikkei despite its accomplishments, what JAACL is doing about it, and how well JAACL can operate within the fiscal restraints posed by the declining number of members.

Paul M. Shinkawa
Houston Chapter, JAACL

Mei Nakano responds to criticism of her column

Alan Beekman's gratuitous criticism (PC letters, Feb. 25-Mar. 3, 1994) of my comments on multiculturalism unwittingly validates the points I made about how some well-meaning individuals who are down-fearful of multiculturalism tend towards trying to ignore the reality of our multicultural society and are often unaware of their own prejudices.

In arguing against the "spurious" term "Japanese American," Beekman claims that "unalloyed Americans" tend to distrust those who insist upon being "hyphenated and alloyed." Further, he says, "when a person identifies himself as Japanese American he not only stigmatizes himself, he prejudices the public against all Nikkei."

First, I find the categories "alloyed" Americans (presumably persons of color) and "unalloyed" Americans (presumably all others) repugnant as well as fallacious. Could he really be as audacious as to think that pure, "unalloyed" Americans exist? Well, maybe Native Americans. But there I do not see naming who must be an "alloyed" American to Beekman, since it has a front-end designation.

Even more troubling is the fact that Beekman seems totally unaware of the point that if, as he claims, persons identifying themselves as Japanese American "stigmatize" themselves in the eyes of the public, it can only be because that public holds certain negative biases against the group to begin with. And does Beekman honestly think that changing the term "Japanese Americans" to "Nikkei" is going to change that? It's not the term itself, but how it resonates in the listener's mind that causes the stigma. Take my word for it: the foreign-sounding "Nikkei" will not rest easy in the minds of Beekman's "unalloyed" Americans.

Quite frankly, I am dismayed at Beekman's assertions. For I am aware of his long years of association with—yes, I'll say it again—Japanese Americans.

Mei Nakano
Sebastopol, Calif.

INSIGHT

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tain tools and principles to any country in the world. And if you're a bright economist, then you can apply theories and methodologies to any country in the world, it really doesn't matter that you don't have any particular knowledge of language or history, or politics of a country, or any specific knowledge.

PC: Do you see with the recent movements, that this is going to change; that there will be experts brought in?

GF: I don't see any particular indications of that.

PC: What is your perception for the long term? Are things going to get worse?

GF: I think things will get worse, before they get better. I think in the medium and long term, I am hopeful that the U.S. and Japan will reach some kind of accommodation and they will have a much more symmetrical relationship than they have now. I think the process of getting from where we are now, where we do have a rather asymmetrical relationship, to a more balanced and symmetrical relationship, is going to be a difficult one and in the short term, there is likely to be a number of tensions and conflicts. But like I said, in the medium and longer term, I think that the two sides will reach some accommodations.

PC: This is a slightly different angle, but is there a specifically Japanese-American interest in these ongoing discussions, or are we the same as other Americans?

GF: I personally have the view that Japanese Americans are likely to be negatively affected by tensions between the United States and Japan. And I think that perhaps not as extreme as in the 1930s and 40s, but still to the extent that there are tensions between the United States and Japan, it could negatively affect Japanese Americans both in the United States and in Japan. So, I do think in that sense, Japanese Americans ought to pay some attention to what is going on.

PC: How then should Japanese Americans or organizations like JACL react to this heightened level of rhetoric? Is there any specific action that should be taken?

GF: Well, I am skeptical about the notion that Japanese Americans as a collective entity or as an organization can contribute much to the resolution of these problems between the United States and Japan because many of these issues are extremely complex, and there are people who have spent their lifetime researching that and they still come up with different conclusions. I think that there are certain individual Japanese Americans, who because of their training, education, experience or expertise, are knowledgeable about certain aspects of the U.S.-Japan relationship. But just because someone is a Japanese American, doesn't in my mind qualify that person to reach conclusions about what's going on between the United States and Japan.

PC: Who are some of the Japanese Americans who are kind of involved in the relationship?

GF: There are many Japanese Americans, especially on the level of think of, some Issei, but especially Nisei who maintain some business or personal involvement in the U.S.-Japan relationship. Professionally speaking, there are some Japanese Americans who are lawyers, professors, or business people, there are not so many government officials, but professionally, there are some Japanese Americans who are involved.

PC: Do you have any advice, for the layman? There is a ten-

gency when there is tension in the U.S.-Japan relationship, people will come out and say this is racism, this is Japan bashing. How should people be reacting then?

GF: Well, I guess it's my hope that Japanese Americans will try to access the events that are taking place between the U.S. and Japan in as objective and as dispassionate a manner as possible, and I do think personally that, sometimes Japanese Americans tend to overreact, and think for instance that any U.S. criticism of Japanese policies equates with Japan bashing or racism. And I think there's overreaction to things like the Michael Crichton novel, *Rising Sun*, and the movie based on it, and I personally have the view that neither the book nor the movie is racist. Neither the book nor the movie is Japan bashing.

Obviously there are some Americans who are do engage in Japan bashing, by which I mean one-sided, emotional criticism of Japan based on ignorance. I also think, that there are many people in both in the United States and Japan who are justifiably critical of Japanese policies, and Japanese Americans should not have a knee-jerk reaction and criticize those people. As U.S. citizens, Japanese Americans ought to be very clear in their minds that however they view themselves, they should be conscious of how they are being viewed by other Americans as well as by Japanese. In particular I would say that there are some Japanese who have attempted to, and I have seen some examples of this, where they will try to gain support and sympathy of Japanese Americans for Japanese positions. And I myself have witnessed a number of occasions where Japanese journalists, for instance will interview prominent Japanese Americans, like members of Congress, and the question that they will pose, (that is the Japanese journalist will pose) will be along the line of "Mr. Senator, would you agree that there has been a history of racism and discrimination by white Americans towards Asians back in the 1800's and early 1900's?" And the answer will be, "Yes there has been." And then next question will be, "Well, don't you think that racism and anti-Asianism had something to do with the incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II?" And again the answer will be, "Yes." And the third question will be, "Well, isn't it the case that all of the problems between the U.S. and Japan now, can be attributed to racism on the part of Americans towards Japan?" And unfortunately, some Japanese Americans will agree with that kind of statement.

That is my own view, based on my five years of working at USTR, and four years now working as a business man in Japan is that there are justified criticisms of Japan from policies. Which is completely apart from how you view Japanese culture, or liking Japanese as individuals. Criticisms of Japanese policies has nothing whatsoever to do with racism, and that is not to deny that there are some Americans who do criticize Japan unreasonably and unjustifiably. But by the same token, there are many Americans who criticize Japan based on fact and evidence, and good reason. I think Japanese Americans need to be clear in their own minds, and try to distinguish between those criticisms that are based on fact and evidence and knowledge, and those that are not.

PC: What has been the reaction in Japan to the Clinton positioning?

GF: Well, it's very complicated. On one level, on the public level, there is considerable attention being given in the press, to what is being perceived as a hard-line

U.S. policy towards Japan. But among the elite in Japan, it is my perception that they think that this is to be expected, given the fact that this is a Democratic administration that has labor-union support, that considers employment issues to be of high importance in the United States, and considers it important that the United States have a manufacturing base. I think that to some in Japan, it's not surprising that this Administration is pushing hard on these issues. In fact I think what was puzzling to many Japanese, was that during the Reagan-Bush Administrations, there was so little action taken by the United States, despite that fact that there was a lot of rhetoric, and a lot of crying of wolf by the Administration or by the U.S. Congress in what the U.S. might do.

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Glenn Fukushima

So, I think that there is an acceptance of the fact, that the Administration does consider economic issues to be a very high priority, and therefore the Administration will be focusing on results, as opposed to procedural agreements. At the same time there has been this very sterile and unuseful debate that has developed about managed trade vs. free-trade, where the Japanese officials over the last year have engaged, in what can only be referred to as a public relations campaign to portray the United States as a managed trade, or a country advocating forcing, trying to force on Japan managed trade. And in that regard, I think the Administration has been a bit too passive on the public relations front—allowing the Japanese government to wage this campaign, in which the U.S. is being portrayed in this unfavorable way. But I think the Administration, has after having spent 1993 focusing on domestic issues and foreign policy crisis, NAFTA and Uruguay round, now I think the Administration does have some time and resources and ability to focus some attention on the Japanese issue, so I think that is a hopeful time.

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"The U.S. and Japan represent 40% of the GNP of the world. There are bound to be differences. Each country is trying to protect its base," said Harano.

"I think there's going to be a lot of give and take, a lot of huffing and puffing. Both countries are playing a poker game now," said Harano.

Shigeno said, "The U.S. and Japan are so important to each other that things will not really get that bad." Assessing Japanese reaction, he said, "In TV programs, many Japanese admit Japan is largely to be blamed for the trade problems. However, there are many people that claim the U.S. is wrong in insisting on numerical targets and Japan cannot agree to such solutions as the government has no power to enforce private business how to conduct their business."

Yamashita, said, "We are not headed for a trade war if another type of equation is developed and if both sides admit that the old principles/theories of socio-economics (Adam Smith's) and that the trade imbalance is only one of the indicators of trade imbalance."

"Surely, Japan has some trade barriers to change, but the U.S. also is changing its economic-industrial policies/principles that are more in line with that of Asia," said Yamashita.

Ed Mitoma, chair, PSW U.S.-Japan relations committee, said a trade war is "possible, but not probable. It hurts both the U.S. and Japan more than it helps. Both governments are responsible enough to try and avoid it at all costs."

On the future of U.S.-Japan relations, Harano said current trade discussions are symptomatic of a global shift in the post-Cold War era.

"Japan is always going to be a focus because of the trade deficit. The focus at the end of the Cold War is on trade," said Harano.

Yamashita was optimistic about the future of American relations in the region.

"The long term future relations between the U.S. and Asian will be healthy as long as the theories and principles of socioeconomics and geo-politics are clearly understood in philosophical terms," said Yamashita.

"What is needed to improve the 'mistrust' of the Japanese and the imbalance of trade and market access is to start with a fresh piece of blank paper with a title of 'Philosophy and principles of socioeconomics of the Japanese and of the U.S.A.," said Yamashita.

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the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, have ever stood

for quotas. Nor does Deval Patrick. Bolick served in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice under Reagan and played a significant role in the attempts to dismantle civil rights enforcement.

What Bolick most fears, and what he and his cronies are desperately trying to prevent, is the Tetum to vigorous enforcement of this nation's anti-discrimination laws. As President Clinton noted, "when they say 'Stealth Guinier' what they mean is that both these people have distinguished legal careers in trying to enforce the civil rights laws of this country. [T]he truth is that a lot of those people are, going to be exposed because they never believed in the civil rights laws, they never believed in equal opportunity, they never lifted a finger to give anybody of a minority race a chance in this country."

I have no doubt that Bolick and other conservative extremists will continue to try to misstate the truth and obscure their own agenda. So long as the Civil Rights Division remains without an Assistant Attorney General with the full backing of the Administration, bigots and racists win.

It is up to JACL and other organizations who care about civil rights to stand up against this kind of malicious attack. As I have learned this past year, columnists are not held to much of any kind of standard for truth and accuracy, or much of any journalistic standard at all. Even news reporters who are supposed to be neutral are not always able to divorce themselves from their own personal biases. JACL needs to be vigilant against such attacks, work with the truth and work to ensure that the right wing does not stall Deval Patrick's nomination. After a decade of political attack against the constitutional principles JACL holds dear it is time we had strong leadership from someone who actually cares about civil rights.

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Obituaries

Higuchi, Setsuko, 70, Los Angeles, Dec. 4. San Francisco-born, survived by husband Wiley, daughter Frances Franz (Kwajalein), son James, 2 dc, sister Tomoko Inoue, brother Jack S. Nomura. Hino, Yoshitaka, 75, Los Angeles, Dec. 11. Los Angeles-born WWII MS veteran, survived by wife Alice, son Mark Olymbia, daughter Francis Franz, mother Hatsumi, brothers Hiroshi, Noboru, sister Eriko Tsuji, Harumi Inoue, mother-in-law Atsume Magsawa.

Hisayasu, Kikuyu, 77, Arleta, Dec. 4. Los Angeles-born, survived by sons Dennis, Gordon, Steve, Glenn, 5 pc, 3 brothers Eiyochi, Ake, Hiro, Hiro, 3 sisters Irene Hatate, Shirley Iriye, Yoshiko Shiomi.

Dr. Kenneth Sugioaka (Chapel Hill, NC), Yoshi McComb, Isabel Konohe, Aris Gilder (Abuquerque), Miss Sakamoto (Rocky Ford, Colo.), Dr. Getzude Fujii, Dora Uyeno (Denver), Toshiko Sugioaka. Iwamoto, Kaoru, 91, Santa Maria, Dec. 22. Survived by wife Mitsuko, daughter Susie Kobara, son Susumu. Kari, Smiley, 4, 85, Sepulveda, Dec. 11. Denver-born WWII veteran, survived by wife Grace, daughters Margaret Kai Zeigler (Md.), Amy, brother James, sisters Ruth Kizuka, Sarah Tanimoto.

Saito, Haruyu M., 78, Los Angeles, Dec. 12. Los Angeles-born, survived by son Ken, daughter Keiko Shibata, 3 pc, brother George Tagashira, in-law Toshiko Tagashira.

Shintani, Seichiro T., Los Angeles, Dec. 16 (v). Torrance-born WWII veteran, survived by wife Jane, sons Steven, Stanley, Scott, daughters Sherri, Sandy, Hazama, 2 pc, brothers Takao, Tadao, sisters Luiko Hamaguchi, Nancy Kohigashi, in-laws Tadao, Shigomi, Toys, James Tatsu, 77, West Los Angeles, Jan. 3 (v), Walnut Grove - born, survived by wife Marie, son Dennis, daughters Joanne Toya Manago, Brenda Fujisawa, Janis Toya Niiao, Sachl Morton (Hawaii), 6 pc, brother George, sisters Yukioka Sakurai, Grace Fujimoto, in-laws Joe Yoshiyuki, Joyce Kawasaki, Hiroko Shishido (Encinitas).

HOOSIER

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one parent interned, and (3) neither parent interned. Both the survey and interviews of these Sanesei revealed that one of the most pervasive impacts of the internment trauma was in the communication pattern between the Sanesei and their Nisei parent. Sanesei with one or both parents interned learned about the events of WW I at an earlier age than Sanesei whose parents were not interned. However, even in the 1- or 2-parent groups, there was little direct interaction with their parent on the subject of camp. In the 1-parent group, it was the non-interned parent who usually discussed the camps, not the parent who experienced them.

Dr. Nagato indicated that some of the Sanesei stated that as children, they thought "camp," cryptically mentioned by their par-

ents, referred to a YMCA or scout camp. Only until high school did they learned the true meaning of the term.

Dr. Nagato noted silence and absence of discussion about the concentration camp experience dominated most Japanese American families. Many of the respondents indicated that when discussion did occur, their parents mentioned camp only as reference point in time. Despite the lack of direct communication, the consequences of the event can be seen in the Sanesei generation; the absence of discussion by parents created a sense of mystery and foreboding about camp for the Sanesei. Many of the Sanesei felt that internment played a major role in forcing their parents to Americanize, thus discouraging the transference of Japanese American culture.

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GUIDELINES

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have received regional, national or international recognition and whose contributions have added to the sum of human knowledge and/or enhanced the quality of life in our society.

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A candidate need not be a member of the JAFL.

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"typical" apartments with camp-made furniture, pot-bellied stoves, cots and other artifacts in the new construction. Research information, a log of the internees at Topaz, photographs, videos and oral accounts are housed under controlled climate with an attendant available in the original barrack.

People who visit the museum are moved by the effort so far, and when their parents to Americanize, thus discouraging the transference of Japanese American culture.

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Persons who wish to donate items may contact her at Great Basin Museum (801) 864-5613 (day)/or (801) 864-2098 (evp). Tax-deductible donations to the Topaz Museum may be mailed to Box 550, Delta, UT 84624.

The 1994 National JAFL Convention has scheduled a special one-day trip on Sunday, Aug. 7, to Topaz, which will include visits to the Topaz Museum in Delta.

Information: JAFL National Headquarters at (415) 921-5225. The deadline for nominations is May 1, 1994.

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president, 619/560-5816; Orange County Asian American Bar Association, Art Nishizato; president, 714/720-9753; National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Brian Sun, president, 310/451-5700; Asian Concerns Committee, Michael W. Kwan, co-chair, Deanna Kitamura, co-chair, 310/449-6000, 213/386-3114; Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area, Margaret Fujioka, president, 415/495-8090; Filipino Bar Association of Northern California, Eduardo A. Angeles, president, 415/875-8484.

AVIS NAKAMOTO SKINNER
Sacramento - Skinner, Avis I. Nakamoto, 72, Feb. 10, Bornborn, survived by daughters Karen Sonoda and Noia Pace; 7 pc, 2 great gc; sisters Imae and Doris Murakami, Marsha Nishiyama (Los Angeles)

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JAPAN AUTUMN ADVENTURE (15 days)	OCT 11
SHIKOKU-KYUSHU-OKINAWA TOUR (14 days)	NOV 1
MEXICAN RIVIERA CRUISE (7 days, Fundraiser for JCCNC)	NOV 6
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Fusao Inada's poem, *The Old Topaz Barrack*, which has been mailed to some 1,300 former internees.

The museum will have two

CHIE KATSUNO
Chicago - Mrs. Chie Katsuno, Sepporo, Hokkaido-born, 92, years, passed away on February 18 after a short illness. Beloved wife of Rev. Paul Y. Watanabe and Arai Kaizuka (both deceased), dear mother of Grace (Eupene) Kimura, of Morton Grove, Illinois; Jessie (Edwin) Seaman of Webster, Texas; Ruth (Paul) Morimoto, of Joliet, Illinois; loving grandmother of eight, and fond great-grandmother of nine. Visitation and funeral service were held Feb 23rd at Bethany United Church of Christ, Rev. Sharon Thornton officiating. The family of Mrs. Katsuno wishes to thank their friends for their thoughts and many expressions of sympathy.

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