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Memories of Ojichan in Nagano

As the Winter Olympics kicked off on Feb. 6, Rod Tatsuno shared memories of his grandfather and of his ancestral home of Nagano, Japan.

BY ROD TATSUNO

When the Winter Olympics are held in Nagano, Japan, there will be a symbolic "Return of Gold, in exchange for Gold.

My grandfather, Shojiro Tatsuno, immigrated to San Francisco in 1891 from the village of Shioda-Machi in Nagano Prefecture, located close to the Olympic venues. He established the Nichi Bei Bussan mercantile business on Dupont street in 1902 and moved to another location during the Great Earthquake and Fire of 1906. The business was later relocated to Buchanan street. My uncle, Masateru "Tut" Tatsuno, operated the store until this past year, when it was closed. My father, Dave Tatsuno, continues to

operate the San Jose location, which originated in 1948.

I held my grandfather's hand as he expired and it grew cold, in 1955. On it was his gold ring with our family mon. The ring that had witnessed the hard work of managing a business while cooking, cleaning and laundering for three children, the youngest only two years old, as a single parent after their mother left them to return to Japan.

The injustice of the incarceration at the Tanforan assembly center, where he had pushed me around the race track in a pram, and the cold and bitter snow-blasted winters of Topaz, Utah, where he pulled me through the barren landscape of tar-papered shacks on a home-made sled, were once reflected in the still-shiny surface of the simple ring.

It had also been raised in a pledge of allegiance when Ojichan

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Census Bureau addresses APAs' concerns over Census 2000

BY CAROLINE AOYAGI
Assistant Editor

MONTEREY PARK, CALIF. — With concerns already being

raised about the detrimental impact the upcoming Census 2000 could have on the Asian American community, the United States Census Bureau is sponsoring a series of national meetings to create a better awareness of the census process.

Called the Census 2000 Asian Pacific American Community Partnership Rollout, more than 50 people, including representatives from Japanese American, Korean American, Chinese American, Vietnamese American, and Filipino American organizations, attended one

of its first meetings held in Monterey Park, Calif. on Feb. 10. Next stops for the community rollout include New York, New Jersey, and Texas.

Through these meetings the Census Bureau is calling on APA organizations, the local government, and businesses to help educate the community, to aid in the implementation of the census, and to let people know that the bureau is looking to hire more than 250,000 people to complete the entire process. And, the AA community will also get a chance to have their concerns addressed.

When the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) made the decision late last year to allow multiracial individuals to check off more than one race category in the 2000 Census, many AA individuals and organizations, including the JACL,

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Jerry Wong, Assistant Regional Census Manager of the Los Angeles Regional Office, explains the Census 2000 process to APA community members.

Sen. Daniel Inouye ready for a 'Last Hurrah'

HONOLULU—Sen. Daniel Inouye will seek his seventh senate term this fall even while some long-time members of the Senate club—Alan Simpson of Wyoming, Bill Bradley of New Jersey and Nancy Kassebaum of Kansas—decided not seek re-election because "it isn't fun anymore."

"I've never looked upon work as being fun. I've looked upon it as a challenge," said Inouye. "Life without challenge for me is when I will leave."

In what could be his final campaign, Inouye says his focus is help for Hawaiians. *MidWeek* writer Dan Boylan was told recently. As the last member of Hawaii's Democratic congressional staff of 1954 still in office, the 442nd veteran refers to them and himself as "the dinosaurs of 1954." The lone Nisei senator in Washington was *MidWeek*'s cover story Feb. 4.



There's no doubt the voters will send one of the most powerful men in Washington back, for in Hawaii's

stagnant economy his ability to deliver federal dollars is becoming increasingly important, the political watchers say. His congressional critics dub Inouye as "Senator Pork."

Although proud of "delivering" for Hawaii, Inouye takes issue with the suggestion that it's just every item."

He is the fourth-most senior member of the Senate, the ranking Democrat on the Appropriations Defense Subcommittee, a member of the Commerce, Science & Transportation and the Rules & Administration Committees, vice-chair of Indian Affairs Committee, ranking Democrat on Surface Transportation & Merchant Marine, and a member of five other committees. ■

Irvine man convicted in first-ever hate e-mail case

In the first-ever prosecution of a hate crime in cyberspace, a federal jury in Santa Ana, Calif., on Feb. 10 found former UC Irvine student Richard Machado guilty of sending hate e-mail to several Asian students on campus.

During the first trial for the 20-year-old last November, the jury deadlocked 9 to 3 for acquittal. But in the second trial a jury of eight women and four men took less than a day to decide that Machado was guilty of one count of violating the students' civil right to attend a public university. But on a second, identical count the jurors deadlocked 9 to 3 for conviction.

The conviction carries a maximum sentence of one year in prison but because Machado has already been in custody for more than that U.S. District Court Judge Alice-marie H. Stofler, could set him free when he appears for a sentencing hearing in April. Machado also faces a fine of \$100,000.

Machado sent a racially derogatory message via e-mail to approximately 60 UC Irvine students on September 20, 1996. In the message, he indicated his hatred of

Asians, accused Asians of being responsible for all crimes on campus, and threatened to personally make it his "life career" to "find," "hunt down" and "kill" the individuals if they did not leave the university. Machado sent the hate mail anonymously using the alias "Asian Hater."

Several Asian UC Irvine students testified at the trial that they had been upset and frightened after receiving Machado's e-mail. Other students said the message made them angry but they afterwards thought it was a bad joke. Close to half of the UC Irvine student population of 17,000 is of Asian descent.

Machado testified that he thought the message was a joke, and that he did not believe anyone would take it seriously. Defense lawyers noted that the former UC Irvine student had been distraught over the recent murder of his brother. Machado had also been hiding his recent expulsion from the university from his parents.

"A death threat is no joke," said United States Attorney Nora M. Manella. "A racially motivated death threat is a federal offense." ■

ORA urges claims be filed by April 10

BY LISA JOHNSON

Office of Redress Administration

More than 2,000 Japanese Americans who were interned during World War II are running out of time to seek redress compensation, Attorney General Janet Reno announced on Feb. 12.

The Civil Liberties Act, signed into law on August 10, 1988, acknowledges, apologizes, and makes restitution for the fundamental injustice of the evacuation, relocation, and internment of JAs during WWII.

The Justice Department's Office of Redress Administration, charged with administering the ten year program which ends on August 10, 1998, is urging potential claimants to file claims by April 10, 1998, to allow for a thor-

ough review of each claim by ORA. Generally, ORA takes about 6-8 weeks to make a determination once a claim is fully documented.

"This was a tragic chapter in the history of our nation. It was a time when we took away the liberty of an entire community of Americans," said Reno. "Time is running out. I urge anyone who might be eligible to come forward."

Since the program's inception, ORA has provided \$20,000 in redress to 81,278 eligible claimants. Historical research suggests that an additional 2,200 individuals may be eligible for redress. Despite extensive outreach efforts, these persons remain unaccounted for.

"We have been working hard to

reach out to every possible claimant, and will continue to do so," said DeDe Greene, ORA Administrator. "No cases may be opened or payments made after the closing of ORA on August 10, 1998."

Over the past 10 years, ORA has organized more than 100 community workshops; spoken to hundreds of church, legal and community groups; conducted nationwide historical research; and sent out thousands of letters and applications.

The program has paid out nearly \$1.65 billion in reparations to the 81,278 eligible claimants. The program has more than \$19 million remaining to compensate any additional claimants who are found eligible.

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Topaz Museum buys over 400 acres of Topaz site

BY CAROLINE AOYAGI

Assistant Editor

For more than forty years the former Topaz World War II internment camp located in Central Utah had been slowly deteriorating in the desert wilderness, untouched by development; a simple reminder of the injustices committed against Japanese Americans more than a half century ago.

But over the last few years, one of the private landowners of the former campsite decided to begin developing the area. It wasn't long before houses were being built and telephone wires were being set up on the site; a site that once housed more than 8,000 JAs forcibly interned by the United States government.

Dismayed that the historic

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The World War II Topaz internment campsite.

By the Board

By Hiromi Ueha, National Youth Council Chair
Nicole Inouye, National Youth Representative

A response to Nathan Balderrama's letter

AS THE current JACL National Youth/Student Chairperson and Representative, Nicole and I would like to respond to Nathan Balderrama's "Who is Out of Touch" article.

To Mr. Balderrama, we may seem like the token "youth" representatives, but we provide input on the national level regarding issues and events that affect youth and students.

Every two years the membership of JACL elects a National Youth/Student Chairperson and Representative to provide ideas and opinions regarding issues relating to young people. There are eight districts that divide up the 110 plus chapters and each district has a district youth/student representative that is appointed to represent the district's youth and student members. These representatives coordinate activities and voice ideas and concerns to their district or to us on behalf of their district.

There is a structure in place to represent young people within JACL, but a very small base in which to recruit from. Fortunately, the JACL has finally started to realize that it will have to change in order for it to be a viable organization in the years to come.

As Mika Tanner suggests in her response to Mr. Balderrama's editorial, "JACL and the larger JA community recognizes this on a theoretical level," and it is hard to put theory into practice. But that does not imply that JACL is not making a commitment to young people that they are an important part of the organization.

Although it has been gradual, Nicole and I have seen positive changes within JACL to achieve this commitment. In the last year and a half since we were elected into these positions, we believe JACL has realized that it is not enough to say the organization needs more youth and student members or to say they will support the youth/student programs.

The membership has slowly realized that they need to commit the time, the energy, and the money to bring youth and students into the organization. They are slowly recognizing that young people need to feel like they belong to the JACL and that it is their organization as well.

JACL was organized on the strength, courage, and wisdom of the Issei and Nisei members and we know through past experiences that it is hard to let go of something that we hold so close to our hearts and then have to pass on the torch to the upcoming

leaders.

Like Mr. Balderrama, who joined JACL because he wanted to, Nicole and I belong to JACL for the same reason, but also because we know what JACL has done for us, for JAs, and for the community at large. This is because we were given the time to learn about the JACL.

JACL has been a part of Nicole's life since she could remember because her family is active in JACL. As for myself, I originally did not join JACL because I wanted to—I was not aware of what JACL was or what it did until I went to college and became involved in Tomo No Kai, the JA organization on campus.

At that particular time, Tomo No Kai was mostly focused on being a social and cultural club, but had decided to become more active within the local JA and AA community. We had an established relationship with a local JACL chapter that had begun some years prior, but it had been on the back burner for some time. I decided that Tomo No Kai would rekindle the relationship with the SELANOCO chapter as a way to introduce the JA and AA community to the club.

That was almost 5 years ago and since then, with a lot of mentoring and support from the SELANOCO chapter, we currently have eight student alumni (including myself and Nicole) holding board member-at-large positions. What has continued these eight young people to stay involved with JACL is the commitment that the SELANOCO chapter had made to make young people a part of their chapter.

In Mika Tanner's response to Mr. Balderrama's editorial, she suggests that organizations such as the JACL encourage young people "to take leadership positions, make changes and share different perspectives." SELANOCO has provided an environment for all of us to achieve all of these things. The members have mentored us, given us support both financially and emotionally, provided opportunities of leadership development, and most of all a forum in which we can voice our ideas and concerns as JAs and AAs. They have taken the time to show us what JACL is, what it does, and what it has accomplished in its long history as an organization.

The SELANOCO chapter doesn't stop there. It also focuses on an even younger group in their youth programs. They organize Chibi No Gakko, a week long summer camp for grade school

children (ages 6-12) about the JA and Japanese culture. And there are other chapters that work with high school students and others that have developed programs for young professionals. All of these chapters have made the commitment and many more are starting to.

Nicole and I have been fortunate to be involved with an active chapter such as SELANOCO. We both decided to run for these positions as a way to give back to JACL what they had given to us.

Because of limited monetary resources and manpower at the national level, Nicole and I chose to target college students belonging to JA or AA clubs on campus. Not because we think that young people that are not enrolled in college are not "good enough" for the JACL, as Mr. Balderrama states. But until we have a better foundation of youth and student members to coordinate with, we have chosen to focus our energy in what we think is going to be the most productive during our two year term.

Nationally, we are to provide programs that will attract youth and student members from all across the United States. We depend on these chapters and districts to help us build the foundation in which we can pull ideas from, coordinate activities, and foster their leadership skills for the future.

In the last year and a half we have been given the opportunity to travel and talk to chapters outside of Southern California and the general consensus we have gathered is that chapters who are interested in encouraging young people to join JACL don't even know where to begin.

Christine Nagao's article served as a vehicle to provide ideas on what has been successful for JACL. Ms. Nagao suggests that JACL should coordinate chapters with nearby colleges like University of California at Irvine's Tomo No Kai experience with the SELANOCO chapter because it works.

But chapters will have to come up with ideas that are tailored to their area. We and those of us who are involved can provide suggestions and help the chapters to start the program, but the chapters will have to provide the time to listen, to support, and to mentor these young people who do want to become involved because that is what we remember and that is what young people remember.

Chapters need members like Mr. Balderrama to give them ideas and Mr. Balderrama should not hesitate to speak up with his ideas. Many of the ideas that have worked have come from the youth and student members themselves and willingness to share the ideas with their chapters.

Chapters are more willing to listen than what Mr. Balderrama leads us to believe. Nicole and I would like to hear his ideas as well. That is what we are here to do as JACL's National Youth/Student Chairperson and Representative. Mr. Balderrama may not see the changes yet, but the changes have started to occur and will become more significant in the future. ■

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CONCLUSION TO '96 FEASIBILITY STUDY TO RELOCATE P.C.

P.C. important for 'historic JACL presence' in So. Calif.

By HARRY K. HONDA

Editor emeritus

EL SEGUNDO, Calif.—The marrow of JACL was scrutinized through underpinnings of the *Pacific Citizen* over the Feb. 14-15 weekend and P.C. Editorial Board session called by Mike Takahashi, board chair, with lively input from President Helen Kawagoe, National Director Herbert Yamaniishi, national officers and P.C. staffers.

Kawagoe and Takahashi lauded the dedication and efforts of the staff continuing to meet the deadlines, despite the vacancies of an executive editor and office manager. Yamaniishi said Headquarters' major project was "changing the budget process," which will be unveiled in conformance with current non-profit tax-exempt accounting procedures. Proper internal audit controls are to be in place and not subject to the arbitrary judgment of a who.

The long-awaited feasibility study to move the P.C. from Los Angeles to San Francisco, requested during the 1996 National Convention, concluded that "the cost savings (\$10,000) are too slight to justify losing our historic JACL presence in Southern California," said Floyd D. Shimomura, past national JACL president (1982-84) of Sacramento, in his report.

The move should be done "if there are other compelling program reasons," National Vice President Rick Uno added, quoting from the 2,500-word report that noted:

(a) P.C. could fit into the second floor at Headquarters, "but it would be a tight fit,"

(b) JACL would realize a net savings of approximately \$10,000 a year in rent and utilities,

(c) the move would not affect advertising revenue "significantly,"

(d) current vacancies in key P.C. journalistic positions creates "a window of opportunity to move with minimal disruption,"

(e) long-term effect on operational cost depends on whether or not P.C. finds a comparable printer in the San Francisco area, and

(f) P.C. independence, "without strong safeguards," would probably be eroded.

The P.C. Board voted 7-0-1 (abstention) to accept the report and recommended the National Board concur. P.C. Board member Kimi Yoshino abstained. "I know my district wants to look at this report at our next district meeting. After all, it was one of our chapters, Sacramento, which authored this resolution. I wish we had the findings earlier so that my vote represents the sense of the district." P.C. Board member Clyde Nishimura, on the other hand, said he came with EDC's 100% support for P.C. staying in Los Angeles.

AMONG other P.C. Board items moved for endorsement at the National Board meeting in March and to National Council for action in July in Philadelphia were:

(1) The budgets for 1998, 1999 and 2000. The proposed 23-issue budget for 1998 of \$579,800 overrides the authorized version of \$407,305 with a significant raise in personnel salaries. The 1999-2000 P.C. budget is \$620,933 and \$669,764 respectively. With zero budgeting, the P.C. must raise a third, \$210,000 and \$225,000 of the amount through advertising, Holiday Issue and subscriptions. The JACL membership dues would cover the other two-thirds. Production manager Brian Tanaka, who is on double-duty as office accountant, also reported the 1997 Holiday Issue generated \$75,926 and expenses totalled \$22,870.

(2) Board chair Takahashi discussed Article XII, pertaining to P.C. operations, for an interpretation of the by-laws with respect to fiscal responsibilities or amending it for purposes of clarity. "What's our respective responsibilities when financial impact is involved, the P.C. Board's or National Board's?" she asked.

National Board member Gary Mayeda said it was theirs. National Board member Richard Uno said the National Council has jurisdiction of the budget. P.C. Board member Clyde Nishimura recalled that it was the previous P.C. board report John Nakahata from the EDC who felt P.C. was getting too involved in finances, raising a liability problem.

OCDC P.C. Board rep Debbie Ikeda wondered, "Is there a problem?" P.C. staffer Caroline Aoyagi said there was because P.C. personnel are confused. PSW P.C. Board member Sam Shimoguchi understood it was the National Board's responsibility to handle P.C. problems and "not wait for P.C. staff to take over."

The exchange of ideas ended when National President Kawagoe said JACL legal counsel Gene Shioda will be apprised. Shioda was unable to attend the P.C. editorial board session.

Nishimura also noted the acting or interim problem is not addressed in the by-laws. Yamaniishi agreed but personnel policy does address vacancies but not the by-laws. The national director also reminded Headquarters and the National Board need to keep direct control of finances, not personnel, as was noted by the auditors during their year-long audit.

To be discussed in full at the National Board are fiscal implications, programmatic and departmental budgeting, auditors' need to look at personnel records as to who authorized the pay raises, the matter of regional office autonomy as well as P.C.'s unique role to meet unbending newspaper deadlines.

(3) Takahashi said there were nine candidates who sought the position of editor/general manager and three candidates were interviewed. One even asked for extraordinary relocation costs, she revealed. Search was reopened the first of the year for an executive editor and an office manager as the position has been divided in hopes of filling the positions, though some have questioned the split. She wondered if a separate P.C. financial board were feasible.

Finally, MDC P.C. Board rep Pat Ikeda-Carper observed the first-four hour morning scenario appeared to her as a "transitional mess," hoping that it can be cleared by Convention time. In the meantime, IDC P.C. Board rep Silvana Watanabe called for the P.C. running on its own and get the paper out.

AN advertising guideline to specify rates for government and non-profit groups should "cover printing, administrative, producing and mailing costs," the P.C. board stated. Ad rate cards are revised as necessary by the P.C. executive editor. On the question whether the copy is an "ad or not-ad," the executive editor and national director were to be consulted. This issue arose over ORA's list of the remaining 2,000 "unknown historical records." National President Kawagoe, a longtime city clerk, said when the City of Carson wants to hire someone, it pays.

Over the matter of articles from the P.C. being freely carried on Internet or when a P.C. website is online, control can be exercised by copyrighting the entire issue. Uno said common-law protection exists when the symbol appears in the masthead of each issue. The board called for use of the Copyright © "bug" on the front-page with an information box inside on page 2 requiring "expressed permission must be obtained from the executive editor to republish articles." The owner-copyrighted columns of Akemi Kayleg Knight are being contributed for one-time use only in the P.C., it was pointed out.

After a presentation by National Vice President Gary Mayeda of Planning and Research, the P.C. editorial board recommended the 1996 feasibility study: "JA-

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Tulelake Reunion VI

BY TOKO FUJII

With an unexpectedly large response from out-of-towners who expect to attend the "Tulelake Reunion VI" set for May 16 and 17, the organizing committee has arranged an interesting and stimulating two-day program.

The Sacramento Area Reunion, as in the past, has been set for the day following, May 18. Both events will be held at the Doubletree (formerly Red Lion) Hotel.

Although the committee has mailed out more than 2000 application and information

brochures, addressees are asked to duplicate these forms for friends who may want to attend and do not have access to application packets.

The fee of \$90.00 will include registration, souvenir booklet, memory photo booklet, mixer and sayonara dinner. Special events will have extra charges attached; symposiums will be free of charge.

Those interested in registration forms are asked to write to: Tulelake Reunion Committee, P.O. Box 22877, Sacramento, CA 95822. For more information, call registration chair Joe Kataoka, 916/442-2433. ■

JACL News

San Francisco Chapter contributes to Nisei Baseball Research Project

The JACL San Francisco Chapter recently contributed \$1000 to the Nisei Baseball Research Project (NBRP), a nonprofit organization researching the "hidden" legacy of Japanese Americans in baseball.

"The NBRP has been involved with three major tributes to the Giants and Dodgers," said Project Director Kerry Yo Nakagawa. "They recognized our Nisei contributions to the great American pastime, inherent with our Issei immigrants."

"This rich history is tied to our culture and heritage much like the stories of internment and the military contributions of the 442nd, 100th and the MIS," he said. "It is another way our Sansei, Yonsei, and Gosei can connect and understand the early years of sacrifice and struggle that previous generations went through."

Nakagawa is also involved with the traveling exhibition, "Diamonds in the Rough, Japanese Americans in Baseball," a joint venture with the National Japan-



Nisei Baseball Research Project Director Kerry Yo Nakagawa accepts a \$1,000 check from San Francisco chapter co-chair, Les Hata.

ese American Historical Society.

"We support the vision and goals of the NBRP and hope that other chapters, businesses, and individuals will also," said Les Hata, co-chair of the San Francisco Chapter. "The NBRP should

continue to grow, educate and inspire all Americans of this great legacy. We are also proud to be the first JACL chapter, and we hope there will be many other chapters, to contribute to this wonderful project."

Blue Shield low-cost plan

SAN FRANCISCO—To attract a greater share of the Japanese American community, Blue Shield of California announced recently a low-cost preferred health plan coverage exclusively for California JACL members.

The new plan features a \$1,000 deductible per person per calendar year, and a 30-40% savings to members in quarterly health-plan premiums.

In 1997, Blue Shield introduced "Lifepath," a program providing its members discounts on alternate health care services such as massage, acupuncture, chiropractors, fitness centers and spas. Acknowledging that one out of three Americans uses alternate health & wellness services, Lifepath is the first comprehensive credentialed network of complementary service practitioners for its members in California.

The Lifepath program has been added to all standard Blue Shield of California underwritten health

plans at no additional premium, as of Jan. 1, 1998.

The "JACL Preferred Plan" offers access to Blue Shield's large Preferred Provider network of physician members, preferred hospitals and other health care professionals. Preferred Providers agree to accept Blue Shield's payment plus an applicable deductible and co-payments as payment in full for covered services. Out-of-pocket responsibilities are lowest when used with Blue Shield Preferred Providers, the JACL Group Health Trust office explained.

For information: JACL Group Health Trust Office, 800/400-6633.

Blue Shield of California is one of the state's leading managed-care companies, serving over 1.6 million members. Recent acquisition of CareAmerica in Southern California expands total membership to 1.9 million—1.16 in PPO and a combined 737,800 HMO members.

Houston Chapter to host Caper Invitation Golf Classic

The JACL Houston Chapter will host the Houston Caper Invitational Golf Classic March 21 to 27. The 13th annual tournament will attract participants from the Midwest and Mountain Plains District Councils and golfers from California and Las Vegas.

Participants will include David Hayashi, national secretary/treasurer, Bill Yoshino, Midwest regional director, past national officers Dr. Kaz Mayeda, Jim Miyazaki and Randy Shibata, and former MDC Governor Mas Yamasaki. Noriaki Koyama, first secretary and legal attaché with the Japanese Embassy in Washington, D.C., will be playing in his third Caper tournament.

Lily Yamasaki will chair the Saturday reception featuring a Tex-Mex catered dinner. Committee members are Kay Sugimoto, Cherry Okumura and Mari Okabayashi. Betty Waki will welcome the group at a reception at the home of Lance Yamasaki.

Six courses in the Houston area will host the Pety Fujioka Memorial, Dr. Roy Sugimoto Memorial and the 72-hole George Sakaguchi Memorial. The golfers will be dining nightly on Gulf seafood,

Cajun and Creole cooking, Texas steaks, Tex-Mex, and of course, Japanese and Vietnamese cuisine.

Interested golfers can contact chairman Mas Yamasaki, 16402 Farnell Ct., Spring, TX 77379, 281/370-1503.

Sac'to DOR program set

The Day of Remembrance program commemorating the 10th anniversary of the passage of the Civil Rights Bill of 1988 will be celebrated by the Nikkei of the Sacramento area on February 28 with a potluck dinner and program at the Sacramento Japanese United Methodist Church.

Poignant excerpts from the documentary video—now being developed—"Children of the Camps" will be presented in the form of a dialogue representing letters between the parents of Dr. Satsuki Ina, whose father was interned at the start of WWII. Satsuki will read the part of Mrs. Ina, while Tatsuo Nagaoka will

read the part of her father.

In addition, well known San Francisco Bay Area singers Toru Saito and Bessie Masuda will perform a selection of songs from the 1940s and the singing duo Henry and Pete will present a karaoke program of both American and Japanese songs.

The potluck dinner will start at 6 p.m., and the program is set to begin at 7 p.m. Everyone, whether or not they are JACL members, is invited to attend the event. Those wishing to bring a contribution of their favorite dish are asked to call Toko Fujii at 916/421-6968.

JACL Installations

Marin JACL installs officers

The JACL Marin Chapter installed its 1998 board of directors at its 23rd annual installation dinner held at the Atrium Restaurant in Corte Madera on January 11.

Dale Shirotsuki, director of the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund, was the keynote speaker, and actor/playwright Hiroshi Kashiwagi read from his memoirs on his experiences in Tule Lake and at the Japanese School in Penryn prior to World War II.

Marin JACL 1998 Board of Directors are: Carole Hayashino, president; Roland Minami and Moss Fujii, first vice president-program; Jim Ueda, second vice president-membership; Steve Gotanda, recording secretary; Moss Fujii, corresponding secretary; Gene Oishi, treasurer; Pat Orr and Don Nakahata, official delegates; Bob Koshiyama, newsletter editor; and Thyoko Doi and Bob Nii, board members-at-large.



Marin Chapter board of directors (from left): Don Nakahata, Bob Koshiyama, Thyoko Doi, Moss Fujii, Pat Orr, Roland Minami, Carole Hayashino, Steve Gotanda, Bob Nii, Jim Ueda, and Gene Oishi.

Lake Washington installs Rose Nohara chapter president

RENTON, Wash.—Lake Washington JACL combined its installation and Holiday dinner, PNW Regional Director Karen Yoshitomi swore in 1998 chapter president Rose Nohara, and former Lacey Mayor Gene Liddell was main speaker. It all happened on Sunday, Dec. 7, at the Maplewood Greens.

Liddell spoke on "Asian American Women in Politics," seven-year-old Lauren Sakahara, accompanied by past commander Paul Hosoda, Nisei Veterans Committee, led in the Pledge of Allegiance, Japanese Consul General Yoshio Nomoto of Seattle was special guest along with representatives from the neighboring JACL chapters, Seat-

tle, Puyallup Valley and Olympia. Dancing to Rick Rucker's band followed.

Chapter cabinet officers are: Hugh Burleson, v.p./membership; Rachael Iwamoto, sec.; Don Maekawa, treas./scholarship; Yoshiko Tobita Tsuji, communications; John Matsumoto, historian/1000 Club; James Nohara, fundraising; James Arima, delegate; and Paul Ishimitsu, member-at-large.

Assisting Dinner Committee Chair Rose Nohara were:

Mary Hosoda, Ed and Ellen Kubokawa, Kiyo Maekawa, Mary Morio, Muts Okada, Shirley Sakahara and Yoshiko Tsuji.

Peach grower speaks at Livingston-Merced inaugural

BY BOB TANIGUCHI

MERCED—On Saturday, Jan. 19, over ninety members and guests of Livingston-Merced JACL gloried in the celebration of their farming background as lyrically described by author David Mas Masumoto during the chapter installation dinner at the Branding Iron Restaurant.

Masumoto reminisced aloud about the orchards, weeds and lizards on his family farm near Del Ray, where he still raises peaches and grapes.

His well-known books, *Country Voices* and *Epitaph for a Peach*, reverberate with insights by so many in agriculture. He also read a bit from the *Highway 99* anthology,



which contains one of his short stories, as several guests in the audience held a "strip" of the highway and illustrated the differences up and down California's Central Valley.

Masumoto's presentation at the Branding Iron Restaurant capped an evening of greetings from local dignitaries including Assemblyman Dennis Cardoza, County Supervisors Deirdre Kelsey and Gloria Cortez-Keene, and Merced College president Ben Duran. The dinner ended with a book signing by Masumoto and cheerful conversation by friends and neighbors.

The new officers are Gordon Morimoto, pres., Robert I. Taniguchi, v.p.; Karen Philson, sec.; and Steve Teranishi, treas.

A native of Utah, Taniguchi and his family moved to California in 1989 and is currently teaching mathematics at Merced College.



SWEARING-IN CEREMONY—Central California District Governor Grace Kimoto (at left) swears in Livingston-Merced JACL officers: Bob Taniguchi, pres., stand-in John Kihara for Philip Kihara, 1st vp.; Chris Masuda, 2nd vp.; Karen Philson, sec.; Steve Teranishi, treas., and Gordon Morimoto, past pres.

Community NEWS

Sansei legacy project announces "Legacies of Camp" conference

A weekend conference, entitled "Legacies of Camp," will be held at the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCCNC) on March 13-15. Hosted by the Sansei Legacy Project, it will explore the manifest and hidden ways in which the World War II internment experience of Japanese Americans have affected Sansei.

The three-day conference will bring together a diverse group of 25 resource persons from across the nation. They will share expertise in the areas of community activism, education, mental health, religion, and art and creative expression. Based on personal as well as professional experience,

the guests will network and participate in a series of roundtable discussions in which strategies for healing and empowerment within the Nikkei community will be proposed. In addition, the participants will compile their findings into a journal which will be made available to the public following the conference.

On Sunday afternoon, March 15, the public is invited to join the participants in a panel discussion entitled, "Strategies for Healing."

For more information on the Legacies of Camp Conference, contact the Sansei Legacy Project by phone 510/523-6021 or fax 510/522-1367. ■

"ReclaimingVoices" looking for participants

"Reclaiming Voices" is looking for former World War II internees, other local Japanese-Americans in the Philadelphia and Seabrook, N.J. area who remember the time period, and people of conscience who lent support to Japanese Americans who had been interned, to participate in their oral history/archiving project.

The project has been funded by the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund and is being co-sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee, Asian Americans United, the JACL Philadelphia Chapter and the Office of Curriculum Support of the School District of Philadelphia.

The purpose of the "Reclaiming Voices" project is to document and archive "critical primary sources" — letters, photographs, documents — of former internees

and others affected by the internment experience in the Philadelphia area. Because of the strong Quaker presence and also the unique history of Seabrook there are many rich resources in the area which need to be documented before they are lost.

Photos, letters and camp documents to be achieved will not be taken away. Instead, they will be copied and catalogued through computer technology in the homes of interviewees or wherever the materials are located. At the same time, oral interviews will be conducted to provide support for the archives.

If you are interested in participating in this project, please contact Debbie Wei, Office of Curriculum Support, Room 330, School District of Philadelphia, 21st and the Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103, 215/299-8912 by Feb. 27. ■

Around the NATION

Tobacco settlement fails to address AA concerns, say community leaders

Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community leaders told Congressman Robert A. Underwood on Jan. 15 that they would not support the current settlement between the tobacco industry and the states' Attorney Generals because it could lead to even higher rates of nicotine addiction and smoking-related deaths among AAPI communities.

At a forum in San Francisco, hosted by the Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum (APIAHF) and co-sponsored by the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, the Congressional Asian Pacific Caucus, and the Association of Asian & Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO), a group of 25 AAPI and Latino healthcare leaders, tobacco-control advocates and leaders of community-based organizations met with Congressman Underwood to discuss concrete proposals to amend the settlement

and address AAPI needs.

Christopher Jenkins, a researcher with the University of California at San Francisco, stressed the need for research and data that accurately represents AAPI communities and takes into account their diversity (AAPI populations represent over 50 sub-groups). The congressman was told that the National Health Survey statistics citing below-average smoking rates among AAPIs are inaccurate, and a settlement based on such statistics would be unfairly biased. Because the survey is taken over the telephone in English or Spanish alone, it does not take into account non-English speaking AAPIs. It also doesn't account for the fact that some Asian groups exhibit much higher smoking rates than other groups.

Serena Chen of the American Lung Association cited examples of cigarette ads written in several Asian languages that feature Sur-

geon General warnings only in English, thus ensuring that monolingual non-English speaking AAPIs could not read them. "Tobacco advertising and promotions are the rodents of the 20th century, carrying the deadly plague of nicotine addiction," she said. Participants agreed that the settlement must address the tobacco industry's targeting of AAPI minority groups. Provisions for ensuring cultural and linguistic competence of smoking cessation programs were also emphasized.

"We greatly appreciate Congressman Underwood for his proactiveness in seeking input from the AAPI community, particularly from those who have been conducting tobacco control activities for years. This is the first time that a federal legislator has done so in relation to this issue," said Betty Hong, Director of Community Health Development at APIAHF. ■

Gov't wants FBI Sharpshooter Horiuchi's charge dismissed

The federal government filed a petition on Feb. 9 to dismiss a state involuntary manslaughter charge against FBI sharpshooter Ron Horiuchi for the shooting death of white supremacist Randy Weaver's wife in the Ruby Ridge incident six years ago.

In the petition, the Justice Department argues that Horiuchi is protected by the supremacy clause of the U.S. Constitution and should not have to face state prosecution for actions conducted in the line of duty.

Horiuchi had been one of several federal agents who surrounded Weaver's cabin in Ruby Ridge, Idaho, during the summer of 1992

in an attempt to arrest Weaver on weapon's charges.

During the 11-day siege Weaver's 14-year-old son Sam and Deputy U.S. Marshal William Degani of Quincy, Mass., were also killed. Weaver's wife, Vicki, was shot on the second day.

In 1993 a federal court acquitted Randy Weaver and his friend Kevin Harris of murder and other charges. Weaver was also acquitted of the weapons charge that had prompted the siege.

Horiuchi was charged with manslaughter last August and his trial is set to begin on March 10. ■

Igasaki takes helm of EEOC

Paul Igasaki, a former JACL Washington D.C. representative, who has served as the vice chair of the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) for the last three years, has assumed the responsibilities of the chair of the commission after receiving a recess appointment from President Clinton late last year.

Igasaki had been nominated for the vice chair position by Clinton last July, but his term ended before the Senate could act on his confirmation. But with the resignation of former EEOC chair, Gilbert Casellas, the commission was threatened with being without a quorum to conduct business. Thus, Clinton gave Igasaki a recess appointment last December. And because the law states that a vacant chair's position be filled by the vice chair, Igasaki now sits as the chair of the EEOC.

Igasaki is the first Asian American to serve as either a vice chair or chair of the EEOC. He is also the first AA to head an independent agency in the Clinton administration.

The role of the EEOC is to enforce the country's laws against job discrimination based on race, color, gender, national origin, age, religion or disability. The commission was created as a result of the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Igasaki has been credited with reducing the commission's backlog of cases by 40 percent while he was vice chair through a streamlining of the case-handling process. ■

Trie pleads not guilty to all counts

After surrendering to FBI authorities, Yah Lin "Charlie" Trie, one of the key figures in the Democratic Party political fund-raising controversy, pleaded not guilty to all 15 counts of conspiracy, fraud, obstruction of justice, and election-law violations on Feb. 5 in a U.S. District court.

Trie, a naturalized citizen, was investigated by the Senate last year on suspicion of being an agent for the Chinese government who allegedly sought to influence the 1996 U.S. elections, after they found that more than \$1 million had been wired to him from Asian banks.

Trie was a restaurateur in Little Rock, Ark., and has known President Clinton for a number of years. After Clinton was elected in 1992, Trie formed a consulting firm. In 1994 he began raising money from Asian donors for the Democratic Party.

After the controversy erupted over the possibly illegal donations from Asian foreigners, the Democratic National Committee returned \$645,000 that had been raised by Trie. Also, \$640,000 from Clinton's legal defense fund raised by Trie was returned.

Until early this February Trie had been travelling throughout Asia and is currently free on a \$200,000 bond. He has returned his passport, and his travel is restricted to the Washington area, Arkansas and Virginia Beach, Va.

Trie's trial date is set for October 7. ■

Federal civil rights lawsuit filed in Kao killing

SAN FRANCISCO—A federal civil rights lawsuit in the police killing of Kuan Chung Kao was filed on Feb. 2 at the United States District Courthouse here.

Kao of Rohnert Park Sonoma County, Calif., was killed last April by Rohnert Park police officer Jack Shields.

Police were responding to disturbing-the-peace calls when they felt threatened, fearing that Kao was an expert in martial arts. The Asian Pacific American community has charged racism in this killing and has held several large rallies in protest.

The Department of Justice recently concluded a six-month review of the shooting and declined to file charges. The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will be holding a hearing on February 20 in Santa Rosa to investigate the pattern of police conduct which has resulted in nine killings by Sonoma County law enforcement in the past two years. ■

Coalition of AAs formed to oppose Unz Initiative

More than 70 Asian Pacific American individuals and organizations have formed a coalition called Asian Pacific Americans for Educational Equality (APAE) to campaign against Ron Unz's "English for the Children" initiative.

APAE vows to fight the initiative that has already qualified for the June ballot. The campaign was officially launched in San Francisco's Chinatown on Feb. 10.

According to the APAEE, the Unz Initiative would eliminate bilingual programs in public schools, and establish a yet unproven and untested method of English instruction. About 200,000 APAs are currently enrolled in public schools.

The coalition's goals are to represent the APA community in the Unz Initiative debate and to inform APAs and the general public about the measure and its effects. ■

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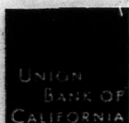
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442nd Combat Regiment hero Shiro Kashino's honor restored after 52 years

SEATTLE—For 52 years, Shiro Kashino, six-time recipient of the Purple Heart and a World War II hero with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, lived with the stain of an unjust court-martial conviction on his record. Over the past three decades, Kashino's wife, Louise, his lieutenant and two sergeants—one of whom he never met—all fought to clear his name.

Half a year would pass after Shiro died, last June 11, when the Army's Judge Advocate General, Maj. Gen. Walter B. Huffman, ignoring the statute of limitations which expired in 1983 on an appeal to reconsider the Kashino case, reversed the court-martial conviction. "I am particularly impressed by your husband's gallantry and six Purple Hearts," he wrote last Dec. 9 to Louise Kashino.

And in a handwritten postscript, Gen. Huffman wrote: "Your husband was an American Hero—and that is how he should be remembered."

Kashino is buried at the Washelli Cemetery. The grave marker is still on order. But Louise Kashino knows what it will read: Staff Sergeant Shiro Kashino. Because of the conviction of May 10, 1945, it would have read Private. The Army also downgraded Kashino's recommendation for the Distinguished Service Cross to the Silver Star, for heroism in Italy. He also won the Bronze Star.

Details of this "last battle of Shiro Kashino" were reported this past week (Jan. 26) by Dan Nakaso, staff writer of the *Honolulu Advertiser*.

It was a couple of months after the bloody operation known as the Rescue of the Lost Battalion in

France, and the Nisei GIs were recuperating in the French Maritime Alps, when on the night of Feb. 14, 1945 at a dance hall/bar, Dancing Auguste, a private got into a scuffle with a military policeman because he didn't have a pass. Kashino stepped in to break it up. In the aftermath, the 442nd private refused to admit he had started the fight and with Kashino, his sergeant, ended up being court-martialed.

Sadaichi Kubota, who lives in Hilo, was at a 1983 reunion of the 442nd in Honolulu, recalled that other veterans were teasing Kashino for having been court-martialed. "It hurt me," Kubota told the *Advertiser*. "Here, Kashino is not a guy at fault and he's made a butt of a joke."

Kubota wrote to his 442nd comrade, Sen. Daniel Inouye, about overturning the court-martial, but Inouye's office couldn't reopen the case without Kashino's service records, which were listed as destroyed in a 1973 fire at the Army document center in St. Louis.

Frustrated, Kubota then told his friend Bill Thompson of Hilo, who had also served in the 442nd but didn't know Kashino. Outraged on hearing the story of how Kashino should have been praised instead of being punished, Thompson started writing to people he knew in Washington, D.C., trying to get information.

Meanwhile, Katherine Collins, architect for the 442nd Archives & Learning Center at 933 Wililili St., Honolulu, also heard the story and helped Thompson and Kubota clear Kashino's record. As a master's candidate in military history at the University of Arkansas, Collins, 26, learned much about the 442nd. She

checked the 442nd records and, of what Kashino endured, she added, "That he was willing to serve the country through all of this is really amazing."

KASHINO was born in Seattle Jan. 19, 1922, the youngest of five children. His mother died when he was 12; his father died the following year. The Kashino children began raising themselves. With Evacuation, "Kash," as he was called, developed a stubborn streak at a World War II internment camp where he got into a disagreement with the white camp director, who fired him and his crew from their job unloading food trucks. Kashino organized a strike that lasted until they were hired back.

On a similar showdown—this time with his Caucasian lieutenant colonel during the Lost Battalion effort in the Vosges Mountains, Kashino was ordered to take some men for supplies. He objected, arguing that the timing was bad, that the Germans would hear the trucks rumbling through the forest, and suggested it was better to wait. The officer insisted. "Sure enough, the Germans threw the heavy stuff, artillery shells right on top of the guys," Kubota said. "The mountains were thick with trees, so the shells made tree bursts, which explode and just rain down with shrapnel."

Kashino always believed that the dispute with the lieutenant colonel was the reason he and the private who started the fight at Dancing Auguste, and two others who intervened to stop the scuffle, were put into the stockade a month later, Louise recalled. The battalion chaplain and other GIs had told the pri-

vate to admit he started the fight and to exonerate Kashino and the others. The private refused.

Kashino began living in a puppet tent in the stockade. He and another man were let out only to take the 2nd Platoon, Co. 1, into combat. Still considered under arrest, he led the platoon in April 1945 up Italy's Mt. La Bandita against the Gothic Line, the last German stronghold. In two days of fighting he killed two Germans with his submachine gun, wounded five more, and exposed himself to gunfire to rescue an officer who had been wounded in the head. He was recommended for the Distinguished Service Medal.

A month later, May 10, he was court-martialed, stripped of his rank, and convicted of being drunk in uniform and behaving disrespectfully toward Lt. Jorge Suro, Jr., the MP at Dancing Auguste.

Decades later while reviewing Kashino's appeal, Lt. Col. Mark Harvey found Kashino's record "pretty impressive." Still, he was awarded the Silver Star after he was arrested:

IN 1995, Rep. Patsy Mink's office discovered Kashino's missing service record, charred and brittle around the edges. Then it took a confession by the private responsible for the fight—and after years of urging by Kubota's persuading the Army Board for Correction of Military Records, Kashino's rank was restored in August, 1996. But the Army judge advocate general needed more evidence to overturn the court-martial conviction.

Kubota and Thompson needed to find the MP, Lt. Suro, believed to be a Puerto Rican. In late 1996,

Kashino's first sergeant, Clarence Tabata, was attending a bank conference in Hawaii and bumped into a man from Puerto Rico who happened to be a good friend of Suro's.

Tabata flew to San Juan and met with Suro. "I told Tabata he could count on me to clarify this thing, that this was a miscarriage of military justice. I was never asked for any statement or asked anything about the court-martial," Suro told the *Advertiser*. In his affidavit to the JAG Suro wrote, "Imagine my surprise to learn in November 1996, after over 50 years, that the soldiers had been court-martialed."

Of the incident: Lt. Suro of the Army 65th Infantry attached to an MP brigade near Nice, France, came upon the men of the 442nd at the bar and asked to see their passes. "They told me they didn't have any IDs because they were in a combat area and their unit did not issue IDs." One of the soldiers turned on him and they began pushing each other until Kashino and others intervened to stop the scuffling. "This is my man," Kashino explained. Suro then said, "Well, you're not doing anything wrong." With that everybody shook hands.

Kashino's buddies in Hawaii called Louise with news of Suro's statement. Her husband, then 75, was hospitalized battling cancer and hoped to be out quickly. Thompson's call came on June 10, 1997. Shiro Kashino died June 11. The next day, Suro's affidavit arrived at Kashino's home by Federal Express. Louise Kashino again petitioned the judge advocate general: "I am committed to carrying out my husband's last battle..." ■

Why I support the National Japanese American Memorial

By Maj. Gen. James H. Mukoyama, Jr. (ret.)

WHAT IS the National Japanese American Memorial? Who is involved and what is the status of the project? Why is it important to you? What about criticisms we've been hearing? I hope to answer these questions.

Considerable confusion in the Japanese American community has appeared about several proposed memorials, and fund-raising campaigns in support of each memorial. The National Japanese American Memorial (NJAM) is a project to build a memorial in Washington, D.C., on a site provided by Congress near the Capitol. It has no connection with any other project.

The memorial was originally proposed by the Go For Broke National Veterans Association, which sought recognition in the Nation's capital for the sacrifice of Japanese American servicemen in World War II. However Congress closed Washington to memorials honoring veterans of any specific ethnic group.

As a result the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation was formed. Federal authorities then approved the concept of a memorial honoring the contributions of all Japanese Americans during World War II. A triangular piece of government land about three-fourths of an acre in area was set aside for the memorial.

The proposed memorial commemorates neither war nor fighting specifically. It is designed to be an educational experience regard-

ing unjust treatment of a racial minority during World War II, that minority's loyal response in the face of injustice, and finally the triumph of democracy through official recognition of wrongdoing by our government. Its message is that such a mistake must never be repeated.

In addition to this concept, this memorial is distinguished from other worthy Japanese American projects in that it is the only one with federal support and the only one to be located in the nation's capital. The government has imposed a deadline to assure that it will be built. If the necessary funds—the goal is \$8.6 million—have not been collected by October 1999, the site will be forfeited.

I AM honored to be a member of the Foundation's board of directors along with approximately three dozen distinguished Americans from all parts of our country. The directors have contributed freely of their time, money and talents to the project. They pay their own expenses to quarterly meetings and have led the way in contributing to the fund.

The current chairman of the board is Rear Admiral Melvin Chigioji (ret.) of Washington, D.C. He was preceded by William (Mo) Marumoto, also of Washington, and Judge William Marutani of Philadelphia. George T. Aratani of Hollywood, Calif., is a senior adviser. Vice chairpersons are Helen Kawagoe of Carson, Calif., national JACL president; Hideto Kono, Honolulu; Tomio Moriguchi, Seattle; Cressey H. Nakagawa, San Francisco. Honorary

co-chairpersons include Senator Daniel Inouye, Representatives Robert Matsui, Patsy Takemoto Mink, and former Congressman Norman Mineta (who joined the board after resigning from Congress), [who] were most influential in getting Federal support for the project.

The lead architect creating the design is Davis Buckley of Washington, who built the highly acclaimed National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial. He works with Peter Okada of Seattle, chairman of the Memorial facilities committee.

In developing the design of the memorial, we have been especially fortunate to have the volunteer services of a distinguished advisory panel, including Prof. Hideo Sasaki, former chair of Harvard University's department of landscape architecture; Noboru Nakamura, a fellow of the American Institute of Architects; Gyo Obata, CEO of one of the world's largest architectural firms and designer of the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles; and Richard Bender, dean emeritus and professor of architecture at UC Berkeley.

Advisory panel members have worked closely with Foundation Board members and Buckley to produce a striking design which will accomplish the Memorial's educational purpose while also providing visitors an aesthetically impressive and moving experience. The Foundation board selected one of the world's outstanding young sculptors, Nina Akamu, a Sansei with roots in

Hawaii, to produce the sculptural components of the Memorial.

THE fund-raising campaign, started last Oct. 1, has brought in nearly \$3 million in cash and pledges, a large part of it from Board members. The goal of \$8.6 million includes the establishment of an education endowment. If we fall short of the goal, we will have lost the opportunity of a lifetime to record for posterity a vitally important part of American history.

Why wasn't the fund drive started sooner? The answer is simple. It has taken until now to create, and have approved by a variety of federal commissions, the powerful design essential to telling our story. Without such a design it was hardly proper to ask for financial support.

RECENTLY there have been criticisms about the Memorial which I wish to address. Among them:

• **That the role of Nisei servicemen and women is not sufficiently highlighted. This is simply not true.** The numerous 100-442-MIS veterans on our Board would never let that happen. I personally, owe my career to the veterans. I would not have attained the rank of general had not the doors of opportunity been opened for me by the sacrifices of Nisei in World War II. My story of debt to the Nisei is not unique among Sansei. You have my assurance that the contributions of Nisei servicemen have appropriately a prominent emphasis in the Memorial.

• **That the design is "too Japanese." Assuming this is a valid criticism — although I disagree — we must remind ourselves that Congress emphasized the ethnic element in authorizing the project.** The Board takes pride in our heritage and makes no apologies for recognizing it. However, overall the Memorial tells a story about Americans in America. The various federal commissions and the advisory panel have supported the design enthusiastically. Any major change in the design concept, at this time, would jeopardize the entire project.

I, FOR ONE, am not willing to let the project fail. Building the Memorial to remind all Americans of the perils of neglecting our democratic principles is an opportunity unlikely to be repeated. The memorial will be a public and a permanent tribute to the faith and patriotism of Japanese Americans of many generations and their contributions to the strength of America. It will carry a powerful message to those who follow us.

That is what the National Japanese American Memorial is all about, and why it deserves widespread support. I am truly excited about this opportunity for all Americans to participate in a very significant project. I invite you to make a generous contribution, which is tax-deductible (Visa/Mastercard acceptable) to the National Japanese American Memorial Foundation, 2445 M Street NW, Washington, DC 20037. ■



Voice of a Sansei

By Akemi Kayleng

A connection of sorts

SOMETIMES intellect and emotions are light years apart.

My mind had worked out a beautiful analysis on paper. Several persons whose judgement I trust were quite impressed. I was making all the right moves, deciding to acquire business management skills. I was doing all the right things, for all the right reasons.

I also had no business background whatsoever. But, as many persons had reassured me, anybody who can handle academic physics can easily grasp business concepts. And anybody with the guts and drive to make it through grad school surely has the stamina for business. I knew they were telling me the truth. I knew because they were confirming my own personal conclusions, which my linear, logical thought mode had come to.

And so I took the plunge. That was a big mistake.

The factual aspects of my situation remain good. If I was not expressing my personal reactions to my situation, those around me would not see a problem. Objectively speaking, there is no problem.

The problem involves how I feel. I suddenly saw within myself a streak of some of these kids I see on campus. They are 18 years old, away from home for the first time. They are lonely and frightened, thrust into a cold and alien world they are not ready for.

I'm not entirely like these kids. I'm a generation older and I have so much more in the way of life experiences and resources they bring. So, I manage my personal difficulties a lot better than they do.

But still, the feelings are surprisingly strong.

So for the first time I'm starting to feel a connection of sorts with the Issei and Nisei generations. I'm starting to understand what they must have been going through, in the culture shock transition from the Japanese way to the American

way. My professional culture transition is much less drastic than the changes—these older Nisei went through. My changes were entirely voluntary, and I have excellent resources to cope with my difficulties. The older Nisei often did not have the option of choice, and weren't even close to me in resources.

As I, a postwar child of privilege, am experiencing so many problems with a relatively easy transition, I'm starting to grow more tolerant of behavior in older Nisei I saw as a child, behavior which felt strange and irritating to me back then.

Part of my present problem is that not only am I trying to acquire more skills, I'm also moving from an extremely well defined world to one which will never be completely known. Mathematical physics is one of the most brutally tough challenges around, but it's structured as definitively as the notes in a musical symphony. The business world shifts so rapidly that it can never be precisely known. Decisions must be made based on incomplete, or even erroneous, information.

So I'm starting to understand the resistance so many Nisei have for these changing times we are living in. Our agenda items up to Redress were unequivocally defined. In this post-Redress era so many good things have opened up to us that our old structured certainties are gone! Our new freedom and privileges have washed them away! The resultant uncertainty feels so insecure that some Nisei don't really want to move into the 21st century.

When I first became active in JACL, that reluctance used to puzzle me. Now, as I leave the structured certainty of mathematical applications for the wide open fields of the business world, I am finally understanding what these Nisei are going through. ■

Akemi's a Sansei caught between the Nisei and the Yonsei.

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Very Truly Yours

By Harry K. Honda

Thirty years ago & Riverside JACL

THE first time, the Riverside JACL held its installation dinner 30 years ago, our coverage appeared on the front-page top-right position (a covered position for the major story of the week of the Feb. 16, 1968, P.C. And I did not have a copy of that paper to share with them this past week when I had the pleasure of installing the 1998 cabinet officers led by Clyde Wilson, the U.S. Department of Agriculture scientist at Riverside, who begins his third year at the helm.

The 1968 story, some 900 words long—note guest speaker, then National JACL President Jerry Enomoto, discussed some major issues facing the national organization. Some that Jerry presented were feared by some to be controversial or wouldn't fly.

1. Should we put some of our Endowment Fund to use? If so, for what?

2. Should we revise aspects of our Constitution, notably the part restricting JACL activities to matters affecting Japanese Americans? [Focus was to omit the word, "directly," affecting...]

3. What do you expect our National Jr. JACL program to be? 4. How far should we go in the direction proposed by Frank Chuman in his much quoted speech (\$2.5 million fund drive to help disadvantaged Americans)? [Chuman sought broader commitment toward a "better America" that's an integral part of the JACL motto.]

5. Should we plan for a JACL Building?

Continued Jerry, "We must get more involved, not only as individuals but in the name of JACL, on issues of human rights and social justice. However, I am basically still conservative enough so that I urge we move in the direction carefully, and on our own terms, not on any cause that comes along. (The italics are ours.)

Jerry felt that Riverside, as the 91st chapter in the organization, was in a unique position to evaluate them. He also cautioned Riverside JACLers "not to make JACL be all things to all people. All programs are not necessarily going to work for all chapters. (Again repeating, the ital-

ics are ours.)

As for JACL's meaningful role in the community, Jerry described it as a two-fold function: (1) Within our limited budget and staff resources to be a human rights organization on a broad, national level and in so doing project a positive image of Japanese Americans, and (2) to provide services and program suggestions to chapters.

At the '98 luncheon, Riverside Mayor Ron Loveridge duly acknowledged and thanked Riverside JACL for its community role with the Sendai-Riverside Sister City affiliation which dates from 1970.

Montane-born Dr. Gen Obata, now a retired soil scientist at USDA's lab in Riverside, was the charter president and among the ten or so of the 47 charter members present and recognized at the Feb. 8 luncheon at the UCR Faculty Club.

Introduced also were JACLers from Coachella Valley, now a part of Riverside JACL.

Emcee William Takano was toastmaster at the 1968 event at the Jade Palace in Montclair, which is in San Bernardino County.

We haven't corrected now the 1998 Chapter Presidents list: Takano was organizing chairman of the chapter in 1967 [not 1991].

Bill Hosokawa, who was in Los Angeles on his history research, was among those attending and devoted a whole column. "One of these days, we'll go back and see what Riverside looks like," he wrote, "as we never got beyond Montclair."

In Jerry's weekly P.C. column, "Perspectives," he recognized Clarence Nishizu as one who was taking developing chapters quite seriously in the PSW for having helped establish three in three years; Edwin Mitoma, a mainstay in Washington, D.C. JACL, "who came clear across the country and made sure a chapter existed where life lived" (quoting from Jerry's column and Ed and his wife Eiko were among the charter members attending), and then PSW regional director Jeff Matsui (whose "Sounding Board" columns rocked with humor).

THIRTY years ago in mid-February, Chicago JACL was backing a

school busing plan... Buddy Iwata of Livingston-Merced JACL was appointed chairman of a National JACL Scholarship Foundation study committee because of his unique status as president of Stanislaus State College board of trustees and his many years in JACL... Downtown L.A. JACL's installation was its 36th inaugural. Al Hatate, from Detroit and future National JACL treasurer, was sworn in by Saburo Kido, wartime National JACL president... Dr. Tom Taketa was already beating the drums for the 1968 National JACL Convention in August at San Jose (After Philadelphia with 4th of July, Monterey Peninsula JACL has bid for the Year 2000 Convention; we hear.)

Mas Satow's "Director's Report" hopping about column is filled with visits and installations since the first of January, beginning with breakfast in San Francisco with Mike Masaoka before he took off for Japan.

San Luis Valley (his flight from Denver was delayed for several hours but Mas wasn't bothered as it has happened to Pat Okura who then resorted to flying in by chartered plane to keep his appointment), Mile-Hi (meeting with Hosokawa & others); Seattle with Gov. Dan Evans present; Berkeley with Goro Endo as president (Mas remembered him as the bone of contention for being the non-white bowler on his restaurant team, which was pulled from the state ABC tournament in 1948 because of ABC's white-only clause), Eden Township and the Alcor (Alameda County) Jr. JACL, then a quickie weekend to Salt Lake City for National JACL Credit Union's 25th anniversary-Intermountain District Council.

It was three successive nights for Mas covering the Cortez (Friday), Riverside (Saturday) and NCWNDC meeting in Marysville the following day.

In closing, Mas promised to be "chairborne" (a word we haven't seen for ages) for the next several weeks to catch up on his paper work.

We have been prepping for the P.C. editorial board meeting for this past weekend—"budget-borne." ■

Are there too many Japanese American monuments?

To help clarify the lingering question of the many separate Memorial Monuments being erected or that have already been built, the Americans of Japanese Ancestry WWII Memorial Alliance has prepared this document as a public service to explain the differences between the currently publicized planned Monuments. This document is not an attempt to persuade community opinion, but is merely published to explain the differences...

PLANNED MONUMENTS

AJA WWII MEMORIAL ALLIANCE LOS ANGELES, CA

Primary Purpose: To honor those Americans of Japanese ancestry who made the Supreme Sacrifice during WWII by constructing a memorial wall adjacent to the existing Japanese American Korean War and Vietnam War Memorials in the Veterans Memorial Court at the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center in Los Angeles.

Secondary Objective: The WWII Memorial Alliance will be associated with Japanese American Organizations, Museums, Historical Societies and others with extensive experience and resources to pursue Civil Liberties issues. The preservation of the involvement of the Americans of Japanese Ancestry in all of America's wars. Aid in the upgrading of the Distinguished Service Crosses awarded to Japanese Americans in WWII to the Congressional Medal of Honor they deserve.

Historical Value: The complete stories of the sacrifice and heroics of these Nisei of the 100th/442nd MIS in WWII, as well as Nisei in other units, will be preserved in CD-ROM format. Explaining their participation while many of their families were incarcerated will be of primary importance.

Cost: \$800,000 (Projected)

Status: Began Initiating Fund Raising, for Design and Construction of Memorial Wall in October 1997.

100TH/442ND MIS WWII MEMORIAL FOUNDATION LOS ANGELES, CA

Primary Purpose: To honor the living and deceased Japanese Americans by engraving all the names of those who served in the 100th/442nd MIS and Nisei of other units. To honor all those of the Military Intelligence including instructors, whether they served in a combat unit or not. Major donors of \$3,000 or more will be named on an adjacent wall. The names of those killed in action will be co-mingled with the names of living veterans and identified with a gold star. As publicly stated, this "monument is not to honor the dead."

Secondary Objective: Fulfill obligation to Civil Liberties for receiving a \$500,000 grant from the taxpayers' California State Educational fund and \$50,000 from the Civil Liberties Public Educational Fund. Two on-site educational kiosks will help visitors, pinpoint specific soldiers' names and learn in-depth information about events related to the 100th/442nd MIS, WWII period and civil liberties.

Historical Value: The history of the 100th/442nd MIS and other units of WWII will be featured, including the story of the bravery of the Nisei soldiers while many of their families were incarcerated.

Cost: \$2,500,000 (Projected)

Status: An extensive Fund Raising Program initiated in 1990; Total Income after 7 years of fund raising, as of 1/1/97, is \$825,905 with Expenses of \$414,109. The Net Proceeds Remaining = \$411,796.

*Income/Expense Source: City of LA Social Services Department. Additional revenues received since 1/2/97 have not been reported and were unavailable for publication.

NATIONAL JAPANESE AMERICAN MEMORIAL FOUNDATION WASHINGTON, D.C.

Primary Purpose: To honor and tell the Story of the Americans of Japanese Ancestry in an historical and Civil Liberties manner. This is not a Veterans Memorial Monument.

Secondary Objective: To educate the American Public on the history and contributions of Americans of Japanese Ancestry to the United States of America. Original concept was changed. It is not a war memorial, but a monument to recognize the contributions of all Japanese Americans to the greatness of a nation that can admit its errors and move to correct them as it did through the redress program.

The new concept is a commemorative Monument relative to the Issei and their Japanese origins. It omits the story of the Nisei Soldiers and the 100th Battalion and 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

Historical Value: To be cut into the granite will be the history of Japanese Americans, their travel, sacrifice, and ultimate triumph, in maintaining each person's rights and civil liberties.

Cost: \$8,600,000 (Projected)

Status: Initiated Fund Raising in 1996. The percentage of goal achieved was not available as of the date of this publication.

COMPLETED MONUMENTS

VETERANS MEMORIAL MONUMENT LAKEVIEW CEMETERY SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Primary Purpose: To honor the Japanese Americans who made the Supreme Sacrifice in all of America's Wars.

Secondary Purpose: To preserve the history and involvement of the Japanese Americans and their participation in all of America's Wars from the State of Washington.

Cost (Actual): \$10,000 **Status:** Completed 1968

JAPANESE AMERICAN VIETNAM MEMORIAL WALL LOS ANGELES, CA

Primary Purpose: To honor the Japanese Americans who made the Supreme Sacrifice in the Vietnam War.

Secondary Purpose: To preserve the history and involvement of the Japanese Americans in the Vietnam War.

Cost (Actual): \$35,000 **Status:** Completed 1995

JAPANESE AMERICAN KOREAN WAR MEMORIAL WALL LOS ANGELES, CA

Primary Purpose: To honor the Japanese Americans who made the Supreme Sacrifice in the Korean War.

Secondary Purpose: To preserve the history and the involvement of Japanese Americans in the Korean War.

Cost \$200,000 Status: Completed 1997

JAPANESE AMERICAN NISEI MEMORIAL DENVER, CO

Primary Purpose: To honor the Japanese Americans who made the Supreme Sacrifice in WWI, WWII, Korea and Vietnam.

Secondary Purpose: To preserve the history and the involvement of the Japanese Americans in WWI, WWII, Korea & Vietnam.

Cost (Actual): \$17,000 **Status:** Completed 1983



A Bridge Across the Pacific

By Emily Murase

A Global Role for Nikkei

FOR many years, our community has struggled to recover from the injustice of wartime incarceration. One casualty of the injustice that goes largely unnoticed is the incalculable loss of at least a generation of Japanese American leaders in the intellectual and commercial exchange between the U.S. and Japan.

Following the war, few Japanese Americans were willing to promote Japanese language and culture, markers for which individuals were wrongfully punished during World War II.

Today, only a handful of Nisei and even fewer Sansei are fully bilingual and bicultural. (A notable exception is Glen Fukushima who as vice president of AT&T Japan and president of the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan has dedicated his career to bettering U.S.-Japan relations.)

But now, the combination of the rise of Japan as a global economic force and close relations between the U.S. and Japan affords us an expansive range of career opportunities.

Indeed, the global economy upon which the U.S. economy so depends makes not only U.S.-Japan, but all international work vitally important. And minorities have a critical role to play in this work.

THROUGH A GRANT from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Graduate School of International Studies at the University of Denver sponsored the first International Career Advancement Program (ICAP) with the explicit goal of promoting and addressing the needs of minority professionals in international public service.

Based on my prior experience staffing multilateral meetings of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Forum for the Federal Communications Commission, and working on trade policy issues at the White House, I was selected for the program along with 22 others.

We came from ethnically diverse backgrounds: 12 African Americans, 5 Hispanic Ameri-

cans, and 6 Asian Americans. We also came from a wide variety of institutions from government, academia, non-profit, and private sectors, including the State Department, Peace Corps, The New York Federal Reserve Bank, the Ford Foundation, and Catholic Relief Services, an international non-governmental organization.

Held at the Aspen Institute in Colorado, the week-long and expenses-paid conference featured sessions with former and current ambassadors and academics to discuss strategies to bring greater diversity to senior positions in international public service.

Women, particularly minority women, are severely underrepresented in our foreign policy establishment. For example, in the Foreign Service, only 28 percent of the nearly 3,300 generalists are women. Out of these women, only 11 percent are African American, 4 percent Hispanic American, and 5 percent Asian American.

The figures are worse for senior positions in the Foreign Service. Only 4 minority women serve as Deputy Chiefs of Missions: 2 African Americans, 1 Hispanic American, and 1 Asian American. There are only 3 female Ambassadors; they are all African American and all serve in Africa.

Surely the mission of the State Department, to represent U.S. interests overseas, would benefit from having highly qualified officials that represent the true ethnic mix of the U.S. population.

DESPITE THE POOR statistics of current employment, it was clear from our discussions at the conference that opportunities for minorities to engage in international careers are unlimited.

For example, the federal government offers international positions not only at the State Department and the Peace Corps, but also at the Commerce Department, the Justice Department, the Treasury Department, and the International Trade Commission. State and local governments afford additional opportunities. International work is also available through multilateral organi-

zations such as the United Nations and the World Bank, as well as international non-governmental organizations, academia, and the private sector.

AN INTEREST IN international affairs must be fostered at an early age. Foreign language acquisition, easiest at the primary school level, becomes progressively difficult over time and evolves into a Herculean task as an adult.

At the college level, taking a junior year in college abroad can be one of the best ways to explore the international arena. Minority students can also apply for the Public Policy and International Affairs Program in their junior year. The program offers minority students the chance to enroll in summer institutes at U.C. Berkeley, the University of Washington, the University of Michigan, and the University of Maryland to build policy analysis skills. In addition, this program provides funding for students to pursue graduate degrees in public policy. For details, see <http://www.aed.org/ppia>, or call 1-800-613-PPIA.

The University of Denver is currently recruiting participants for the next ICAP conference scheduled for late August at the Aspen Institute. For details, see <http://www.du.edu/~trowe/icap>. The application deadline is March 31.

In the international public service arena, our unique experiences as a minority group should not be ignored. To improve international affairs, we must participate. And, in the process of rescuing our bilingual and cultural traditions, we may at the same time heal some of the enduring scars of the wartime incarceration. ■

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From the Frying Pan

By Bill Hosokawa

An Olympic thought

FOR the past few nights I have been spending more time than I can afford in front of the telly watching the Winter Olympic Games unfold. This has been a pleasant experience except when the talking heads say *Nah-gah-no* with the emphasis on the first syllable. Why can't they get it right?

Then I remind myself that Japanese announcers invariably say *Sa-n-fu-lun-shi-su-ko*, and sigh.

Every once in a while, when the action lags, the announcers break away to tell us what nice people the Japanese are. The announcers recount instances of Japanese kindness toward strangers and their courtesy, how happy they seem to be in hosting the world. The Americans visit Japanese homes and marvel at the gentle culture. It's all very true, I'm sure, and complimentary and pleasant to hear.

During other parts of these last few days I have been reading a book titled, *The Rape of Nanking*, (Basic Books) sent to me by Dr. Ray Murakami of Washington, D.C. It is by Iris Chang who is described as a 29-year-old California author. The book is a thoroughly documented account of the horror following the Japanese capture of Nanking in December 1937 when the victorious troops killed tens of thousands of civilians, pillaged, raped and burned.

The rape of Nanking was perhaps the worst part of a Japanese campaign west of Shanghai that caused the death of hundreds of thousands of Chinese, virtually all non-combatants. Chang writes:

"In foreign lands or colonized territories, the Japanese soldiers — representatives of the emperor — enjoyed tremendous power among the subjects. In China even the lowest Japanese pri-

vate was considered superior to the most powerful and distinguished native, and it is easy to see how years of suppressed anger, hatred, and fear of authority could have erupted in uncontrollable violence at Nanking."

There were a few American witnesses — journalists, businessmen, missionaries — to some of the atrocities. I remember reading newspaper stories about the horror in Nanking, but for most Americans it was all but forgotten very quickly. China was far from our shores and we have short memories unless we are reminded periodically, as with the Holocaust. Chang calls the story of Nanking a "blemish upon the honor of human beings," a blemish which is particularly repugnant because "history has never written a proper end for the story."

Sixty years later, one is moved to ask: Who are the real Japanese, the kind and gentle people of Nagano, or the rapists of Nanking?

Let me ask another question. Who are the real Americans? The GIs who fed the hungry in Japan after the surrender and their handsome and friendly grandsons and granddaughters competing at Nagano? Or the GIs who directed liquid fire into the caves of Okinawa to dislodge whoever was in them, and loosed the nuclear bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki?

Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman, one of the Union heroes in the Civil War, is credited with saying "War is hell."

Today, despite all the television glitz and their distasteful commercialism, someone needs to say, "Long Live the Olympics. ■"

Hosokawa is the former editorial page director of the Denver Post. His columns have appeared regularly in the Pacific Citizen.

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line," for adoption by the National Board. The study by Gwen Muranaka, then assistant PC editor, included implementation costs. Estimated costs were \$54,410 to establish the link plus monthly charges and for related personnel costs.

Mayed felt a PC website can be

marketed in the wider world, interest the younger generation and attract new members. The challenge ahead is recruiting hands to maintain the system.

When the PC staff "wish list #2" to increase productivity was presented by Caroline Aoyagi during her report to the board, the list amounted to roughly \$18,000 (two 17-inch monitors, digital camera, laptop, a news wire service, voice mail system, font bank software, Extensis Mask Pro. software, com-

puter / mailing program for Circulation, laser printer for the office manager, 35-mm microfilm reader).

But PC doesn't expect this wish list to be all filled, she added. PC Board member Sam Shimoguchi (PSW) wanted the National Board to know that PC needs equipment to do its job in the best manner possible and that PC be authorized to use all of the PC. SAVE Fund and secure a bank loan to acquire the items.

A TWO-page proposal by circulation manager Lani Miyamoto outlined what it would cost to update its computer software, equipment and streamline the process. The sum for updating hardware, the Gateway G-200 (\$1,918), the 136-column Tameun printer to print labels (\$1,995) and the U.S. Postal Service-certified Accupix-6 software (\$995) is part of the \$95,000 line-item in the 1998 revised PC budget and reflected as \$102,000 line-item for 1999 and \$110,808 for the year 2000.

Over 90% of the circulation-mailing line-item is for plain postage—about \$3,700 per 12-page issue and another \$9,000 for the Holiday Issue. And newspapers are poised for another rate-increase this year, estimated as much as 10%.

Miyamoto further told the PC board the process involves increas-

Topaz Museum buys over 400 acres of Topaz site

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camp would be irreparably changed, the Topaz Museum Board put their goal of building a museum on hold, and instead began fundraising so they could purchase the land from the private landowners.

Before long, generous donations began pouring in from former Topaz internees, the Japanese American community in Southern California, and from the Salt Lake City and Delta, Utah, communities.

Finally in January, the title they had been waiting for cleared and the Board was able to purchase more than 400 acres of the 640 acre former internment site at fair market value.

"Basically it's a bit of a relief," said Jane Beckwith, president of the Topaz Museum Board. "We've been holding our breath ... the idea that it was being destroyed was breaking my heart," she said. "But now it's quite settled. At least these 400 acres will not be destroyed."

In the hands of the board, the Topaz site will remain very much as it stands today, largely undeveloped. The exact management policies still need to be developed, said Beckwith, but already they are thinking of purchasing an additional 100 acres.

The Topaz site is one of the best preserved of the ten internment camps. Visitors can still see the

barbed wire surrounding the camp, remnants of the internees' gardens, the stone foundations of the various buildings, and the outline where the barracks once stood and where today grass refuses to grow. "There's so much more in [Topaz] because there haven't been as many tourists," said Beckwith, who has also visited Manzanar, Tule Lake, Heart Mountain and Minidoka. "It's pretty much like it was in 1946."

And whereas the other sites, have receded into fields, their artifacts dug deep into the ground, "Topaz is like an archaeologist's fantasy," said Beckwith. The various possessions of the former internees, like children's toys, mud scrapers, dishware, and even toothbrushes can still be found today.

Currently, only the Manzanar site has been declared a National Historic Site by the federal government. The Topaz site is on Utah's register of National Historic Places, but unlike Manzanar, this designation does not guarantee the integrity of the site. "[These camps] are not a happy part of American history, but they are a part of American history and they should be preserved," said Beckwith, who has spent much of her life educating the public on the historic significance of the camps.

Beckwith, a Delta High School

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had finally been allowed to gain the citizenship that he had been so long denied — the stigma of having been declared an "Enemy Alien" during the World War II effectively removed by the gallant efforts of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team's brave G.I. Joes.

This "Sixth Olympic Ring" will return to Nagano, taking turns in adorning the necks of five Olympic competitors who are former members of the Sun Valley Ski Education Foundation's Alpine and Nordic ski teams. The most winning downhill female ski competitor, Picabo Street, will wear it while attempting her comeback from a year of injuries.

Sondra Van Ert, a former U.S. B ski team member, who was encouraged to give up skiing because of knee injuries, will compete in the inaugural giant slalom snowboarding event. Ntala Skinner will carry the ring in her pursuit of gold in the Biathlon. Laura Wilson will wear it while competing in Nordic racing.

And after the regular Olympics, Muffy Davis, who had become paralyzed from the chest down after she hit a tree during a training race in Sun Valley, will compete in the Handicapped Olympics as a single track skier. My son Chris Tatsuno is a present member of the Sun Valley Alpine team, and he will inherit and wear the ring.

Ojichan would be both astonished and proud. ■

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Voices—P.C.'s readers speak out

A long way to go

BY K. KEN YABUSAKI

Just as race relations in America are far from being congenial, our society as a whole is far from understanding the discrimination it holds towards the Gay community. Within our own organization and communities, we have experienced division over the granting of equal rights within the law to gays and lesbians. Recently, the airing of the Boy Scouts of America's anti-gay policy, and specific remarks made by certain individuals in an article written by Louis Freedberg titled: "An Unlikely Champion of Gay Rights" (*San Francisco Chronicle*, December 31, 1997) disturbed me greatly and are just a few of the fitting examples which point to the long road ahead of us.

Freedberg's article pertains to attacks on Ward Connerly (Mr. Anti-Affirmative Action, himself) by his allies on his support of the University of California's new policy awarding domestic partner benefits to gay employees (a position, according to Connerly, based on the Declaration of Independence). Although Connerly admits to not being an advocate of homosexuality, statements in the article made by some of his alleged allies show that our attitudes towards human differences are far from being reconciled.

For example: Paul Henry, an attorney stated: "I am utterly appalled that you (Connerly) of all people, would vote in favor of spending taxpayers' money to subsidize the unnatural, unhealthy and degenerate behavior of homosexuals. Equally perverse is that by doing so, you have cast your vote to undermine the sanctity of marriage. The family as defined by Scriptures is the fundamental unit of society. No society which has accommodated homosexuality has survived."

Robert Knight, director of cultural studies for the Family Research Council in Washington stated: "Connerly is way off the mark on this one. No true conservative would equate homosexual households with marriages, because we believe that without marriage and family as paramount values, hell will break loose."

And finally, the Reverend Lou Sheldon, head of the Traditional Values Coalition in Anaheim and a prominent right-winger accused Connerly, and the dozen other regents who sided with him, that they were seduced by the argument that discrimination against gays is on the same order as racial discrimination. Sheldon stated: "They (Connerly and the 12 regents) believe the big lie that homosexuality is equivalent to being black, Hispanic, or Asian. But race is an immutable characteristic, while homosexuality is a behavior-based lifestyle."

It would take almost a book to counter, by facts, all of what Henry, Knight, and Sheldon have expressed. However, within the space I am allotted, I would like to state the following.

To Mr. Henry I would say: There is nothing unnatural, degenerate, or unhealthy about homosexuality. Homosexuality has existed since the dawn of humankind. It is as "natural" a way of behavior as is heterosexual behavior. I would be willing to bet that heterosexuals have been responsible for the spread of more sexually transmitted diseases and other ills of health matters than have homosexuals. Unsafe sexual practices are unsafe regardless of sexual orientation.

The sanctity of marriage and the definition of a family are cultural beliefs and are as relative as

whether a half-filled glass of water is construed as half empty or half full. Just because Christian doctrine does not support homosexuality does not mean gays should be barred from being or having a family. In fact, one of the definitions of "family" as defined by Merriam Webster's Dictionary is: "a group of people united by certain convictions or common affiliation." I personally know gay couples who have adopted children and both children and parents are doing fine. Likewise, I know heterosexual couples who have biological children where both the couple and their children are having great difficulties.

There are many cultural or societal groups that have accommodated homosexuality and have flourished much longer than our nation of just over 200 years. For example, the Greeks honored homosexuality as did certain Native people's tribes, like the Zuni of Western New Mexico. It wasn't homosexuality that destroyed the Greek Republic, but rather irresponsible power, greed, and lack of political unity to name a few. It wasn't homosexuality that destroyed the Zuni, but rather hegemony and the oppressive acts of Colonialism.

To Mr. Knight I would say that marriage is more than a mutual relationship between two individuals whether they are of the same or opposite sex but rather, in my opinion, a sacred commitment to each other and the family that is formed from this relationship. Holding to a narrow-minded definition that marriage can only be between a man and a woman or husband and wife as sanctified by the Scriptures will inevitably make all... hell, break loose.

And finally, to the Reverend Sheldon, I would say: The "big lie" is the "big truth." Homosexuality does not discriminate just as race does not discriminate. Rather, it is individuals like Reverend Sheldon, Robert Knight, and Paul Henry and organizations like the Boy Scouts of America that discriminate. Homosexuality is black, white, Latino, Latina, Native People, Hawaiian, Asian, Arabic, etc.; and homosexuality is Christian, Catholic, Jewish, Islamic, Buddhist, etc. Homosexuality embraces all people; always has and always will. Racial discrimination and gay discrimination have nothing to do with race or homosexuality because they (race and homosexuality) are immutable facts. They need to be understood from the point of things that are mutable, namely the ignorance, attitudes, and beliefs that lead to discriminatory behavior. ■

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To contact ORA with any information on potential claimants, please leave a message on the 24-hour, toll-free Help line at 1-888-219-6900; write the Office of Redress Administration at P.O. Box 66260, Washington, D.C. 20035-6260; or visit the website at: <http://www.usdoj.gov/crt/ora/main.html>.

ORA requests that individuals provide the following information, if known: full name, name used during the internment period, date of birth, place of internment, relocation or evaluation current address and telephone number. ■



Letters to the Editor

Abe quote taken out of context

We are writing to express our objections to and disappointment with Mr. Bill Hosokawa's "From the Frying Pan" column entitled, "Greater lives for retired Nisei unfolded" (January 2-22, 1998, p.4). To an otherwise very fine column, Mr. Hosokawa took a quote out of context from a segment of Dr. Harry Abe's oral history as a convenient lead in for his article. The quote was taken from a segment of Dr. Harry Abe's interview which appeared in the New York JACL Oral History Project video.

In the course of relating his impressive and poignant life story, Dr. Harry Abe describes his World War II experiences as a member of the revered 442nd Central Postal Directory in Europe. In just, he endearingly characterizes his mainland Nisei comrades as "blah" in implied contrast to his so called "colorful and fun-loving" Hawaiian Nisei G.I. "buddies." It was obvious in the full context of the video he was not making a sweeping indictment of mainland Nisei in all aspects of their well-known purposeful and productive lives.

Mr. Hosokawa may have detracted from the senior Nikkei and their communities throughout the country who are generously and thoughtfully participating in oral history projects currently. The oral histories are an important vehicle for memorializing our ethnicity. They are a major contribution to the rich and diverse story of our country which will continue to educate the American public as to its diversity. We feel that Mr. Hosokawa in his article may have inadvertently provided disservice to Dr. Abe and his distinguished service in his professional, military and community service.

The senior Nikkei who are currently being interviewed, some reluctantly, deserve the good will and assurance that their stories will not be misquoted, misinterpreted, or taken out of context for the personal convenience of journalists, scholars, students, and other interested observers. We trust that Mr. Hosokawa will acknowledge Dr. Abe's quote as having been used out of context. Thank you for your immediate attention to remedy this contextual abbreviation for our many generations and communities to learn and share.

New York Chapter
Advisory Board

Against All Odds

Please thank Mr. Aratani and Mr. Hirakawa for their sponsoring of the insert. Your decision to include the reprint is greatly appreciated. It is an excellent review of the political process and a tribute to the persistence of the individuals who made the campaign a success.

William Salmon

'Concentration Camp' sites resolution

About four years ago, the National JACL Council passed a resolution to encourage our government to make all the 10 major "concentration camps" into National Historical Sites. Our Sequoia Chapter passed the resolution unanimously, introduced it to our NCWNP District Council where it was passed unanimously and finally passed unanimously before the National JACL Convention.

It was written to be a win-win situation for preserving the camp locations, our history and story of our suffering at the hands of elected officials who disregarded the Constitution of the United States.

The rationale behind this was as stated above, and at the same time to put the burden of maintaining and nationalizing these locations on our government, that permitted the racist act. Presently only one campsite, Manzanar, has been made into a historic site and tended by the government. The camp where I was — Topaz — has a monument but kept up mostly by the Nikkei in Utah. It has been defaced many times and fixed up with private Nikkei funds and the hard work of the faithful each time. As the years pass, the number of faithful diminish and soon the private monument will not be maintained unless the government takes over.

I have been pushing for JACL, as an organization, to take this resolution before the U.S. Congress as a worthwhile goal, like "Redress," to give cause to our organization. But, to date, no response after all these years. Why? If we don't follow up on resolutions passed unanimously by the council, why have resolutions?

The other reasons were to give the responsibility to prosecute any one defacing Federal property (the historic sites) to our government, as well as maintain the monuments after all the internees are gone. It is also incumbent on the elected national JACL leaders to help unite all chapters in this effort.

When our government can nationalize all the "Civil War Historic Sites" and other locations of national importance, there is no reason why they can deny a part of American history that occurred and should be remembered.

Chuck Kubokawa

Palo Alto, Calif.

Kubokawa served on the National JACL Board

The New Year issue

Dear Harry: The New Year issue (Jan. 2-22, PC) is packed with important and fascinating information, not least Ujifusa's speech and the Harvard study. Stanley Kanza's report was fascinating. Who is he? And it's good to have Sachi Seko back. I skimmed through the list of JACL chapter presidents and found many familiar names from long ago. What a job of research (and typesetting). Congratulations.

Bill Hosokawa

Denver, Colo.

North Platte Issei railroaders

Both my husband Ted's father, Issei Okamoto, and my father, Chozo Kumagai, were employees of the Union Pacific Railroad Co. at North Platte, Neb., when their jobs were terminated at the beginning of 1942. We just read (Nov. 7-20 PC) about the ORA and possible redress for railroaders who were affected by WWII. I guess we are guilty of not having paid close attention to this matter. We will appreciate any help you can give.

Mary Okamoto
Estes Park, Colo.

Besides the 1998 issues to come, three substantial accounts on the plight of Japanese railroaders and miners have appeared, including Vol. 125 No. 5, No. 7 and No. 9 (the first Fridays for September, October and November this past year). There is also Jeff Imai's account of the ORA meeting in Salt Lake City in late November. —HKH

Re: Ansel Adams / Dorothea Lange

I am writing a graduate research paper on the photographic works of Dorothea Lange and Ansel Adams during the WWII internment of Japanese Americans and non-citizens. I would like to interview persons who were photographed by either Lange or Adams at Manzanar or by Lange at relocation centers at the beginning of the internment. People may call me at home or work or write me and I will return their call.

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Census Bureau addresses APAs' concerns over Census 2000

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raised concerns. "I'm concerned about it," said Gena Lew, Development Manager of Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics, Inc. (LEAP), of the multiracial choose more than one option. "Already Asians are such a small number." And with JAs having the highest outmarriage rates among AAs, she said, their numbers will be the most affected.

To add to their concerns, the OMB also decided to separate the Asian/Pacific Islander category into two, adding a Native Hawaiian heading, changes that could further decrease the numbers for AAs. The new race categories for Census 2000 will be: Asian, black, white, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, American Indian, and Alaskan native.

Cyril Nishimoto, a JACL New York Chapter member and executive director of Iwa, a Christian organization that helps reach out to AAs, is a member of the U.S. Census Committee on API Populations. As an advisory board they had recommended against the use of the "check more than one" option for mixed race persons. "We were against the multiracial [multiple] category. That was determined by the OMB."

The figures tabulated in Census 2000 are vital, for these are the numbers used by the federal government to develop policies such as how much funding a particular organization receives. If the AA community's numbers decrease in the next census, organizations and individuals are going to lose out.

Results of a pilot test published in the Bureau's 1996 National Content Survey, showed a decline in the numbers for Asian or Pacific Islanders when the multiracial option was added. In one sample the numbers declined from 4 to 2.7 percent, and 30 percent of the respondents identified themselves as being multiracial.

Peter Bounpane, Assistant to the Director of the U.S. Census Bureau in Washington, D.C., addressed the attendees' concerns by reminding them that a decision as to how the numbers for the multiracial category option will be tabulated has yet to be decided. Discussions are currently underway, but until further tests are conducted, the effect of the new multiracial category on the AA community cannot yet be fully determined.

Bounpane acknowledged that there is a possibility that the numbers for the AA community could go down in the 2000 census. "That can happen. No one knows the answer but it could go down," he said. "But options are open—that's the most important thing for people to understand."

The U.S. Census Committee on API Populations is making their recommendations as to how the multiracial category figures should be calculated. "We would like, and have suggested, that all

of the different combinations be listed out," said Nishimoto. "We would like to see the numbers for anybody who checked API. For our purposes we want to know the total number."

One thing the AA community has come out in unified support of is the use of sampling in the upcoming census. To obtain a higher chance of accuracy, the Census Bureau has recommended that the sampling method be applied to the collected data. The first dress rehearsal for sampling is scheduled for February 1999, at which time the Congress will have the final say.

Until then, no one can predict which way it will go, said Bounpane. "However it goes, we will do a good census." But if the Congress chooses not to use sampling, "We will do a very good non-sampling census but it will never be as good as a census with sampling."

Nishimoto and the Census Committee have also recommended the use of sampling in the 2000 Census. "We have to have sampling to have a more accurate census," he said, "and to count those traditionally left out, including APIs."

There are already a number of changes and improvements that

have been implemented in the upcoming census, said Bounpane. Through a toll-free number individuals can fill out the questionnaire over the phone, and multiple language mailouts for newly arrived immigrants who have difficulty with the English language will be available. And for the first time, those who request census data will no longer be forced to sift through reams of paper. Instead, most of the data will be available through electronic mediums.

"We will need a lot of cooperative efforts" in the 2000 Census, said Judy Chu, Monterey Park Councilwoman and a member of the U.S. Census Committee on API Populations. Although she's optimistic about the upcoming Census she stressed, "[AAs] need to work together."

Jerry Wong, Assistant Regional Census Manager of the Los Angeles Regional Office, wants the APA community to know that they have a duty to be counted in the 2000 Census. As AAs enter the next millennium it's vital that the community have a clear picture of their numbers. "People have to be counted in the 2000 Census," he said. "And quite honestly we need your help. We can't do this alone."

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ing her current circulation hours from 34 to a full-time 40-hour week. "The advantage of producing labels ourselves is that P.C. would have control over the entire process," she pointed out. There would be substantial savings, eliminate duplicate mailings, improve the accuracy of the presort report to avoid excessive postal charges and reduce the possibility of delivery problems and again realize postal savings.

In-house control of P.C.'s circulation process—inputting and maintaining data, subscription fulfillment and producing the labels—was shattered in the late 1980s when Headquarters computerized its membership base. Costs then prohibited the two offices to have a dedicated link to be on-line and maintain the process. It resulted in the present routine to forward an updated subscription diskette to produce the labels, to merge the JACL-member file with P.C.'s sepa-

rate subscription file. Newspapers with 2nd class privileges then print a detailed postage computation report (over 90 pages of bar-computer paper in P.C.'s instance) that also keeps track of how many copies are in the sack.

The Kendrick system, currently used at Headquarters to maintain the budget and membership records, is not believed to be a certified USPS software program, Miyamoto commented after Yamanihi mentioned the name. Accuzip 6, the recommended mailing program, features PAVE—Presort Accuracy Validation and Evaluation, and CASS—Coding Accuracy Support System, which are required to show these numbers to complete the mailing statements for the USPS.

Miyamoto said Accuzip's technical support is free and unlimited; bi-monthly updates are \$795 per year. It compared with the \$350 monthly payments with the current vendor.

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OBITUARIES

Hoichi 'Bob' Kubo, 78, highest decorated Nisei of the WWII Pacific War

SAN JOSE—Hoichi "Bob" Kubo, a language specialist who won the Distinguished Service Cross for his part in the "cave flushing" operations in Saipan in the Pacific War in 1944, died Feb. 1 after a long illness.

During the month-long battle for Saipan, Kubo discovered through prisoner interrogations a planned all-out suicide attack by the Japanese and warned Division and Fleet commanders. Forewarned, American forces, helped by accurate naval gun fire, successfully battled against the war's largest "banzai" charge on the night of July 7, 1944. Over 4,300 Japanese bodies were buried afterwards. [Loss of Saipan resulted in the fall of Gen. Togo as Japanese prime minister and brought Japan within range of U.S. B-29 bombers.]

Then participating in the mop-up operations, Kubo volunteered, unarmed, to lower himself alone by rope to face eight armed soldiers holding 120 Okinawa civilians in a cave. After two hours of exhortation, Kubo successfully convinced the soldiers to release them and surrender themselves as well. For this extraordinary feat of bravery and heroism, he was awarded the Army's highest decoration, the DSC, as the only Nisei in the Pacific War to be so honored.

Kubo was born July 21, 1919, in Puukoli, Maui, one of five children. He was majoring in agriculture at the University of Hawaii when inducted into the Army in June 1941, and served with the 298th Infantry Regiment on Oahu.

In May 1942, while training with the 100th Infantry Battalion at Camp McCoy, Wis., he was transferred to the Military Intelligence Service Language School at Camp Savage, Minn., because of his proficiency in Japanese. A McKinley High School graduate, he had also attended Hongwanji Japanese High School in Honolulu.

The MIS graduate was assigned to the 27th Infantry Division and took part in the invasion of Makin, Majuro, Saipan, Tuguejima and Okinawa.

After the war, Kubo married Mary Komatsu, formerly of Portland, Ore., and returned to Hawaii where he successfully built up the Hunts Food business there. In 1955 he moved to San Jose, developing the popular Aloha Supermarket with his brother and later affiliated with the Food Villa grocery chain until he retired in 1984. He is survived by his wife Mary, daughter Jacqui Kubo (Hollister), son Larry and two grandchildren. — *Hawaii Hochi*

Alan Taniguchi, 75, architect renown in Texas

AUSTIN, Texas—Former dean of the Univ. of Texas School of Architecture Alan Yamato Taniguchi, 75, died on Jan. 14 after a sudden illness. He was predeceased by wife Leslie Etusko Honami and is survived by sons Evan, Keith Esq. of Austin, 2 grand children, and brother Izumi of Fresno.

A Stockton, Calif.-born student at UC Berkeley at the outbreak of World War II, he was interned at Gila, briefly relocated to Detroit and returned in 1945 to Berkeley, where he was graduated in architecture. He and his wife moved to Harlingen, Texas, in 1950, where he flourished doing innovative design.

Taniguchi began teaching in 1961 at the Univ. of Texas School of Architecture, becoming its dean in 1967, a tumultuous time of Vietnam and student unrest. Yet, in spite of lack of support from university administrators, he established a top-notch program. The time his students took to chaining themselves to trees along Waller Creek which were to

be bulldozed, in protest against expansion of UT Memorial Stadium, exemplified a lack of university support, his family remembered.

Frustrated by lack of cooperation for quality education, Taniguchi resigned in protest and accepted directorship of the School of Architecture at Rice University. Throughout his academic career, he was particularly interested in minority recruitment and scholarships.

In 1997, he was awarded the AIA-Whitney M. Young Jr. Citation for being "a committed and strong social activist, an ardent advocate of projects that support the interests of the underprivileged...." The same year, he received the Llewellyn W. Pitts Award, the Texas Society of Architects' highest honor for lifetime (five decades) achievement in architecture.

A memorial fund in his name has been established at the Austin Habitat for Humanity, 310 Comal St., Austin, TX 78701. ■

George Ogawa, 79, aerospace engineer, activist

TORRANCE—George Ogawa, 79, died Feb. 9 from complications arising from a head injury suffered in a car accident on Jan. 24.

First of eight children to Jisuke and Yasu Ogawa, he was born July 4, 1918, in Sumner, Wash., where he attended schools and entered Washington State, graduating with a BS in electrical engineering and earned his master's degree during WWII. Since the college at Pullman was east of the Cascades, not subject to the Evacuation order, he was able to remain in school while his family were interned at Minidoka, Idaho.

As an ROTC reserve officer, he entered the U.S. Army as a 2nd lieutenant, attended more schools before being assigned to duty in China as a radio officer. Upon release from active duty in late 1946, he was a doctoral candidate in mathematics at the Univ. of Chicago and was teaching at the Univ. of Wisconsin-Milwaukee when, in 1950, he married Mary Takahashi. He was recalled for the Korean conflict, then stationed in Nuremberg for three years.

In 1954, Mary and George set-

tled in Los Angeles and he worked for North American Aviation as an aerospace engineer. The family moved to Torrance in 1963 and he worked with TRW, and for many years with Hughes until his retirement in 1985.

His postwar activities in the community were numerous and varied, and included the American Civil Liberties Union, Boy Scouts of America (helped organize a troop and was an assistant district commissioner), Palo Del Amo Homeowners Association (including a candidacy for the Torrance City Council), Asian Pacific American Democratic Club, Grand Jurors Association and the JACL (South Bay chapter president, '86, '89).

JACL colleagues remember Ogawa at various levels, but it was the redress campaign of the 1980s that gave him the most satisfaction. [Memorial service was being planned the weekend of Feb. 21 in Gardena.]

He is survived by his wife Mary, sons James, Barry, Ronald and siblings Betty, Sam, Elsie, Alfred, Clarence, Julia. His brother Terry passed away two years ago. — *By Al Ogawa*

Obituaries

All the towns are in California except as noted.

• Kenneth Koichi Fujii, M.D., 89, of Kapaa, Kauai, administered the Salk vaccine in 1957 at Kaula, the first child in the Territory of Hawaii to receive the polio vaccine. An old-style family doctor who made house calls anywhere on the island for \$5 in the 1940s, he took patients and their goods in payment, daughter Jocelyn Fujii recalled. He passed away Jan. 25.—*AB*

Funayoshi, George, 84, San Diego, Jan. 16, 1998, died of cancer. He was a member of the Japanese American War Relocation Authority, WWII veteran; survived by wife Takayuki, sons George Jr., Rodney, daughter Carrie Morita, 4 gcs., brothers John, Art, sisters Mary Eijima, Irene Konishi, sisters-in-law Kame Furuta, Ruth Kusuriki, Hanano, Fumie, 53, Monterey Park, Jan. 25; Mie-born, survived by husband Steve Sohmi, daughters Judy Keiko, Susie Shima, 4 brothers, sister Mihoko Uraguchi (all of Japan).

Hanajima, Sato, 101, Los Angeles, Jan. 15, survived by grandson Gary Kishi, granddaughter Linda Kishi Tanner, 3 gcs.

Handa, Kazuo, 89, Los Angeles, Jan. 19, Fukuko-born, survived by wife Motomi, son Todd, daughter Kazuko, 3 gcs.

Harada, Kiyomi Kaji, 71, Montebello, Jan. 13, Terminal Island-born, survived by son Harold, daughter Rosalind Chung, 2 gcs., brother Masaru Segimoto, sisters Chikyo Furushima, Hiaka Miyahata.

Hashimoto, Jimmie Hirasaka, 76, Los Angeles, 16, Pasadena, Jan. 10; Wakayama-born, survived by husband Harumatsu, sons Yukio, Mits, Terry, daughter Ann Fuhara, 6 gcs., 2 gcs.

Hironaka, Mitsuru, 80, Clarksburg, Dec. 8, survived by wife Sally, sister Ruth Ichikawa, brothers David, Kenji.

Horiuchi, Ichiji, 76, Monterey Park, Jan. 14, survived by husband Morio, son Bobby (Sacramento), 3 gcs., sister Sachie Hata.

Ichikawa, Ted, 80, Sacramento, Dec. 26, survived by wife Ruth, son Ronald, daughter Kristine, 4 gcs., siblings Aki, Chiz Ohde, Ichibashi, Noriko, 76, Los Angeles, Jan. 27; survived by wife Eiko, son Kenneth Kenichi (Chicago), daughters Sharon Ishibashi, Joanne Ishibashi, father-in-law James Shinobu Mashiko, sister-in-law Midori Ishibashi.

• Tamio Kageyama, 50, prize-winning novelist in Japan, died Jan. 27 of carbon monoxide poisoning from smoke inhaled after being rescued from a fire at his three-story home in Tokyo's Setagaya-ku. Firefighters did not rule out a burning cigarette may have caused the fire. He began his career as a scenario writer for TV-radio programs, won the Yoshikawa Eiichi Prize in 1987 and the Naoki Prize in 1988.—*Japan Times*

Kawakatsu (Sookie), 84, Fresno, Jan. 13, survived by brother Walter Kawai. Kimura, Chieko, 89, Los Angeles, Jan. 11; Hiroshima-born, survived by sons Sadao, Toshio, 3 gcs., brothers Satoru Yamaguchi, Hiroyuki, 84, Los Angeles, Jan. 11; Hiroshima, Craig Aldra, 45, Rancho Palos Verdes, Jan. 10; Los Angeles-born, survived by wife Noel, son Michael Akishi, daughter Alyssa Sello, parents Mas and Irene Kinoshita, parents-in-law Sho and Kris Mayeda.

Kishi, Fujino, 105, Los Angeles, Jan. 20, 1998, survived by sons Akira (Oceanside), Paul, Roy, daughter Kimie Yamaguchi, 8 gcs., 1 gcs.

Kishibae, Chiekoichi, 84, Los Angeles, Jan. 20, Hawaii-born, survived by sons Robert, Ronald, 6 gcs., 3 gcs.

Kohagura, John T., 78, Fallbrook, Jan. 30; Hawaii-born, formerly of Los Angeles, survived by wife Violet Kikue, son Ronald, daughter Maki Takahashi, 3 gcs., 1 gcs.

Kuwata, Yaeo, 84, Orange, Jan. 23, survived by sons Kenneth, Lawrence, daughter Esther Iwata, 1 gcs., brother George Sakai, sisters Kimiko Sakai, parents Mas and Irene Kinoshita, parents-in-law Sho and Kris Mayeda.

Matsui, Tomi, 83, Gardena, Jan. 18; Kosabe-born, survived by sons Victor, Walter, Edward, daughters Mitty Taniguchi, Sumi Masuda, Nakato Takata, 4 gcs.

Matsuoka-Diradoorian, Vicki Yukiko, 28, Monrovia, Jan. 29; Los Angeles-born, survived by husband Barsam Dee Diradoorian Jr., parents Calvin and Eleanor Matsuoka, brother Derek Matsuoka, grandmother Sadao Matsuoka (Hawaii).

Mayeda, Shigeaki, 87, Los Angeles, Jan. 13, survived by wife Hana, daughter Jane Kowata, sons Richard, Dennis, 7 gcs., 4 gcs. Mitsumi, Iris Akiko, 87, Los Angeles, Jan. 20; Colo.-born, survived by sons Donald, Hiroshi, Kenneth, 4 gcs., 1 gcs., sisters Nellie Williams (Coe), Gladys Hahneru, Margaret Matsuoka, Marion Manaka, sister-in-law Kinu Funakoshi.

Mochizuki, Kimiye, 77, Los Angeles, Dec. 26, survived by husband Akio Kusayenagi, brother Shig, sister Chiyoko Kusayenagi.

Morimoto, Nobuo, 78, Redondo Beach, Jan. 23; Seattle-born, survived by wife Chiyoko, son William, daughter Dawn Saitou, M. S. gcs., 1 gcs., brothers Sugi, Ed, sisters-in-law Haruko Sano, Kaye Dote, Chiyeko Dote, Mitsuye Morimoto, brother-in-law Minoru Dote.

Morizumi, Hiroko, 75, Rancho Palos Verdes, Feb. 1; Gunda-born, survived by husband James, son Mike (Japan), brother Toshio Kimura (Japan), sister Kiyoko Ichibashi (Japan), sister-in-law Chizuko Osaka.

Murakami, Yoko, 80, Los Angeles, Jan. 14; San Francisco-born, survived by husband George, sons Rodney, John, daughters Helen Martinez, Karl, 4 gcs., 2 gcs., brothers Toshikazu Matsuoka, Ken Matsuoka (both of San Francisco), sisters Reiko Uyeda (Japan), Machiko Takahashi (South San Francisco), sister-in-law May Matsuoka (Seattle).

Nakamura, Kane, 100, Los Angeles, Jan. 20; formerly of San Francisco, survived by daughters Eiko Tomiyasu, Teruko Fujikawa, Mitsuko Fujikawa, 5 gcs., 5 gcs.

Nakamura, Ben, 90, Fresno; Fresno JACL pres. (58), Shien Garden founder & pres., survived by wife Betty, daughters Lau, Shirley.

Nakamura, Genie, 89, Los Angeles, Jan. 20; Okinawa-born, survived by wife Mitsuko, children Naomi, Jon, Kay Tsunakame, Marjorie.

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Tsuchida, Vicki Ann, 48, Seattle, Dec. 25; Spokane-born, survived by husband Shawn Wong, parents Tak and Florence Tsuchida, sisters Linda Miyata, Shirlee Katayama.

Tsuda, Ben, 79, Fresno, Dec. 27; C.P.A., prominent in Buddhist Fresno Church, survived by wife Susie, son Allen, daughter Geraldine Yamasaki, brothers Jack, Minoru, Gary, sister Kyo Inui, 5 gcs., 2 gcs.

Tsutsui, Kaoru, 93, Pacoima, Jan. 23; Koch-born, recipient of the Fifth Order of the Rising Sun Award, survived by wife Masuno, sons Herbert, Arthur DDS, Fred MDD, 8 gcs., 7 gcs.

Uchiyama, Toki, 71, Fresno, Dec. 30; teacher of shamisen and Sogaitsu flower arrangement, survived by husband Jigoku Miko, sons Robert, Russell, 6 gcs.

Umeda, Ethel Yaeoka, 82, Minneapolis, Jan. 10, survived by husband Harry, son David, daughter-in-law Linda, 2 gcs., brother Sharkey, sister Dora, brother-in-law James, sisters-in-law Nori and Akio, 6 nieces and nephews, predeceased by brothers Richard and David.

Uyemura, George Joji, 75, Los Angeles, Jan. 20; Cupertino-born, WWII veteran, survived by sons Dennis George, Albert Gene, Cary Craig, daughter Brenda Joyce Stevenson, 5 gcs., sisters Toshiko Tsuruda (Denver), Hanako Inouye (San Jose), Kumiko Saito, Tomiko Muka, sister-in-law Hana Uyemura.

Yamada, Mitsuyo, 74, Torrance, Jan. 18; Caliente, Nev.-born, survived by husband Makoto, son Dean, brother Shigeru Ohno, sisters Mary Kawamoto (Hawaii), Grace Fukuyama (Seattle).

Yoshikazu, Furukawa, 83, Monterey Park, Jan. 20; Auburn, Wash.-born, survived by sons Norman, Tamotsu, 5 gcs., 1 gcs., sisters Masuko Furukawa (Japan), Shizuko Kobayashi (Seattle), sister-in-law Mitsuko Kawaguchi, Yaeoka Kihara (Seattle).

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teacher for the past 25 years and a JACL Salt Lake City member, became interested in the camps in 1982. She had been teaching a journalism class and had assigned her students to write about their city's history. Their

first assignment was the Topaz site, and out of her 33 students more than a dozen had never heard of the camp's history. As the students began their research, they soon discovered, that there were so many stories to be told that they eventually decided to stick with the one topic throughout the school term. And Beckwith's interest in Topaz has con-

tinued ever since.

Beckwith believes Topaz and the other internment camps are an important part of American history that should never be forgotten, especially among the younger generations of JAs. "The Sansei are trying to recover some of the memories that their parents never shared with them," she said. The Topaz site offers that "sense of coming home. We want people to know that they can get that sense of history from the site."

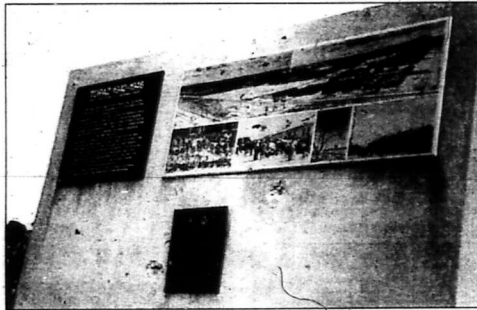
She and the Topaz Museum Board are once again busy raising funds to finish building a museum. They have already restored one of the camp's recreational halls, which will eventually be housed in the museum. Also, with a grant from the Civil Liberties Public Education Fund, the Museum began reprinting *Price of Prejudice: The Japanese-American*

can Relocation Center in Utah During World War II, a series of lectures given by Professor Leonard J. Arrington of Utah State University in 1962 that will be distributed to various schools.

The Topaz Museum Board still needs to raise approximately \$125,000 to complete the museum. Anyone wishing to make contributions can write to: Topaz Museum, Box 241, Delta, Utah, 84624. ■

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The Topaz monument including the bottom plaque donated by the Salt Lake City JACL chapter in 1975.

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