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Sun., Aug. 29—District Council Meeting, Santa Maria.

ARIZONA
Fri.-Sun., Aug. 13-15—Nisei Week Festival group tour of the Japanese American National Museum, Los Angeles. Info: Kathy Inoshita, 937-5434, Joe Allman, 942-2832.

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CT Study: Minorities More At-risk Than Whites for Many Health Problems

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HARTFORD, Conn.—Connecticut's racial minorities are more at-risk than whites for many health problems, including infectious diseases, low birth weights, asthma and diabetes, a new state study shows.

At the same time, whites are more at-risk than some other races for heart disease, stroke, injuries and some kinds of cancer, the Department of Public Health reported on June 22.

Results of the study will be used to tailor health programs for specific groups, using local leaders and agencies to get out the message, said Health Commissioner Dr. Joxel Garcia.

"This study is our first step in our plan to get a healthier Connecticut," Garcia said. "Education and prevention will eliminate some of the disparities."

Dr. Mark Mitchell, a leader of the Multicultural Health Initiative, said community programs run by churches or other groups should use the study to inform people about health risks and preventing illness.

"It's very important and very exciting to have this data about Connecticut," said Mitchell. "We should be able to make a difference statewide."

The study looked at major health problems of whites, blacks, Hispanics, Asians and American Indians. Because of small sample sizes, some data for Asians and American Indians were not available.

The study found that socioeconomic factors such as poverty, educational level and occupation are risk factors for disease.

Minorities also are at higher risk because of stress, environmental pollution in the cities, decreased access to health care and lack of health information directed at their cultures, Mitchell said.

Of all racial and ethnic groups, blacks had the most risk and the most deaths from all health problems in the study, especially AIDS, homicide and diabetes. These ailments also hit the Hispanic population more than whites or Asians, while diabetes risk remained high for American Indians.

The risk of infectious diseases such as tuberculosis and hepatitis and sexually transmitted diseases such as syphilis, gonorrhea and AIDS also hit black and Hispanic population harder.

Asians were at higher risk of tuberculosis and hepatitis.

Carlos Toro, a project manager for Latinos Contra SIDA, said the group is trying to get an AIDS prevention message out to intravenous drug users, prostitutes and men who think they are too macho to use condoms.

Young Hispanic males also are at a higher risk of serious health problems from sexually transmitted diseases because they do not recognize the symptoms and do not seek medical help unless the situation gets worse, Toro said.

Little information about AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases is available in Spanish, he said.

Pregnancy and birth-related outcomes such as low birth weight, inadequate prenatal care and infant mortality were higher for all minority groups than for whites.

Whites had a greater risk of cancer, heart disease and stroke than most minority groups. White women had a higher risk of cancer than black or Hispanic women, with breast cancer the most common form of cancer among all racial groups.

Not enough data was available on cancer among Asians and American Indians.

NC Commissioner Uses Slur to Refer to Special Olympians From Japan

ASSOCIATED PRESS

GREENVILLE, N.C.—A Pitt County commissioner used a disparaging term for Japanese when referring to Special Olympians from that nation arriving here on June 22, then defended the term even when told it was offensive.

At a public meeting on June 21, Commissioner Dave Hammond referred to the Japanese delegation arriving for the Special Olympics World Summer Games as "Japs." Greenville is a host community for Special Olympians.

"How many Japs are coming?" Hammond asked after a brief presentation.

Commissioner Chairman Eugene James cautioned Hammond, "Don't say it like that."

"I said it like I want to say it, Mr. Chairman," Hammond replied.

When asked about his comment, Hammond said he meant it as an "abbreviation," not an insult. He said he did not realize the term was offensive and had heard his uncle use the word.

"If somebody's got a problem with it, then I apologize and withdraw the statement," Hammond said.

Merriam Webster's Collegiate Dictionary defines "Jap" as "Japanese" — usually used disparagingly.

Eileen Sexton, vice president of communications for the games, said it was important that athletes be treated respectfully, and that included referring to this delegation

as Japanese.

"It's one person," she said. "I don't think it's a reflection on the games. I don't think it's a reflection on North Carolina."

The games officially opened in Raleigh on June 25 and run through July 4.

Herb Yamanishi, JACL director said he would be upset if someone used the term to refer to him.

"I think it's generally considered offensive, the reason being that it was used as a derogatory term just like 'nigger' was used during slavery times," Yamanishi said. "It doesn't really define who the person is. What it does is conjure up a stereotype."

He said the term originated during World War II to stir up hysteria and feelings against people who look Japanese.

Several commissioners said they thought Hammond, who is black, meant no harm. They said they wished he had not made the comment.

"It's a sensitive issue when referring to one's ethnicity, and I was afraid that it might have sounded like to some that he was making fun of them," commission Vice Chairman Jeff Savage said. "I don't think that was his intent, but it may have had that sound to some."

James said he asked Hammond to refrain from using the term because of public perception. "I don't think that was right, but I just think it was a figure of speech," he said.

By Pacific Citizen Staff and Associated Press

Arrest Made In Pipe Bomb Case

SHREWBURY, Mass.—Police recently arrested Chinh Vo, 20, on charges that he was building and storing 14 pipe bombs.

Vo was arrested on 28 counts of possessing explosives and an internal machine and attempting to commit a crime. Authorities claimed he was not planning to use them locally but would not comment on his motives for allegedly building them.

The bombs, which had the destructive capacity of military grenades, were found off a trail in the woods near Oak Street, the first by a bicyclist and the others by investigators who found them in a water-proof container. Authorities said that six of the 14 devices were fully charged. All were safely detonated.

Merchants who sold gunpowder to Vo could face prosecution, said Police Chief Wayne Sampson. There was no evidence, however, that Vo built the bombs in his home, or that his parents were aware of the explosives. A pretrial hearing in the case is scheduled for July 16.

Veteran Geisha Still Living In Queens

NEW YORK—Kiharu Nakamura, 87, is a former Tokyo geisha who emigrated to the United States after World War II, where she continues to wear kimonos, prepare traditional Japanese food and teach the *kyōka*.

Nakamura became a geisha in pre-war Japan over objections from her parents, the third generation of doctors in her wealthy family. Impressed by the geisha's elegant life, she moved her grandmother, who raised geisha herself — to pay for her clothes and expensive training. After taking a strict examination, she learned English to communicate with West-

ern clients, adding to her trying studies in dance and the *kyōka*. She entertained leading officials and famous visitors like Jean Cocteau, who wrote a poem for her. But during WWII she could not continue to work and after her Japanese diplomat husband died, she moved to New York in 1956.

Former Internees Visit Heart Mountain
POWELL, Wyo.—About 100 people recently visited Heart Mountain, the former internment camp where thousands of Japanese-Americans were forced to stay during World War II.

U.S. Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.), who was interned there as a child along with his family, led a flower-laying ceremony at Powell Cemetery before the graves of three internees. Osamu Hatana, who died Dec. 26, 1942, at age 58; Tomoyasu Inoue, who died Nov. 16, 1942, at 56; and Kojiro Kawakami, who died Nov. 2, 1942, at 62.

Bacon Sakatani, of the Heart Mountain Wyoming Foundation and a former internee, said, "Nobody has ever done anything for them before and this is something that's very important to me."

Mineta also laid a wreath during a memorial for more than 20 internees who died while fighting in the U.S. military during WWII. He said he placed the wreath not only in memory of those who died in war but of "our lesser persons who really sacrificed so much."

More than 750 internees at Heart Mountain fought in the war while their families were held in the camp.

Dig Uncovers 100-Year-Old Chinese Artifacts

IDAHO CITY, Idaho—An archaeological dig uncovered Chinese merchant's very uncovered artifacts more than 100 years old.

The excavation was conducted inside the Foo Yung House, a store that belonged to Chinese merchant Yen Yung in the 1800s, said Susan O'Neil, an archaeologist from Boise. She said Yung sold imports, food, medicine and clothing to gold miners.

Last summer, volunteers from the Idaho Archaeology Society and experts excavated the outside of the store and recovered thousands of artifacts. This summer, the dig is unearthing everything from wooden dominoes and come to bat pots, bowls, plates and eating utensils.

"We wanted to see what we could find culturally," said project director Greg Johns. "And the items we are finding have not been found in any other archaeological site in Idaho."

Minority Admissions Fall at UW Law School

SEATTLE—The University of Washington Law School appears headed for its least diverse class in three years next fall.

Admissions figures released June 18 show that only 41 minority students admitted to the school paid their deposit before the deadline, compared to 56 last year. The total class looks to be 178, including two blacks, five Hispanics, seven American Indians and 27 Asian Americans, including three Filipinos.

Law school officials blamed the minority drops partly on I-200, the visa initiative passed last year that banned the use of race in state hiring, contracting and college admissions. "It was very disappointing," said Linda Strout, president of the King County Bar Association. "As a lawyer, I would like to see the legal community reflect the broad cross-section of our community."

Meanwhile, John Carlson, co-chair of the committee that put I-200 on the ballot, was not surprised by the admissions figures. "I think it shows the university was doing what it wanted last year, that is, running a

race-driven admissions system. Once that was struck down, the numbers changed."

\$25,000 Reward for Fire-Bombing Info

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Gov. Gray Davis offered a \$25,000 reward for information that solves the case of the arson fires which claimed three Jewish synagogues on the morning of June 18.

U.S. Housing and Urban Development Secretary Andrew Cuomo also promised to help the three congregations obtain low-interest loans to rebuild their damaged facilities.

Additionally, HUD will make available experts and an unspecified amount of money to help Sacramento start programs designed to build understanding between different faiths and ethnic groups, Cuomo said.

Federal officials would not discuss specifics of their investigation or possible suspects but John Malone, head of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said "high quality evidence" has been found and is currently being analyzed at the ATF lab in Walnut Creek.

Asian Crimes Task Force Office Opens

INDUSTRI, Calif.—A recent ceremony kicked off the opening of the new Asian Crimes Task Force office, which was pushed forward by Los Angeles County Sheriff Lee Baca to crack down on criminals who target L.A.'s numerous Asian communities.

Baca officially dedicated the 8,300-square-foot headquarters in the city of Industry before China's L.A. consul general and other dignitaries.

A dozen deputies, speaking Chinese, Korean, Tagalog and Vietnamese, will staff the office, reflecting Baca's intent to combine "cultural understanding and language skills with general law enforcement services."

The unit will handle cases such as residential robberies, kidnaps

and for ransom and crimes committed by Asian gangs against Asian residents.

Asian Gangmember Gets Life Sentence

LOS ANGELES—A member of the Asian Boyz gang was recently sentenced to consecutive life prison terms without parole for his part in the gang turf murders of seven people during a 1996 crime spree.

In addition to the five consecutive life terms without parole, Roshia Buti, 26, was sentenced to two life terms for two attempted murders, with an additional 22 years for using a gun in the crimes. Buti was the fifth of six members of the El Monte-based gang to get a life sentence.

The Asian Boyz reign of terror targeted gang rivals or victims mistaken for rivals. Altogether, there were seven homicides and 18 attempted murders in the San Fernando and San Gabriel valleys. According to authorities, the killings were committed to enhance the gang's notoriety.

Cayetano Named Chair of Governor's Association

HONOLULU—Gov. Ben Cayetano assumed the chairmanship of the Western Governor's Association for a one-year term, after recently attending the organization's annual meeting in Wyoming.

Cayetano had been serving as the vice chairman of the association, which includes 18 western states, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands and American Samoa. As the newly-appointed chair, he said the focus of his leadership will be on economic strategies which address how the Western region is being affected by the Asian economic upheaval and uncertainty in South America's economic stability.

The WGA was established in 1964 to provide leadership in the areas of the economy and demographics of the West. Cayetano will be the first governor to be elected in Hawaii.

Text and Photos by Tracy Uba

Women in Military Service for America Memorial Holds 'Mannequins of Democracy' Panel

BY MIWAKO YANAMOTO
Special to the Pacific Citizen

WASHINGTON—Three Nisei women veterans, Kathleen Iseri of Arlington, Va., Atsuko Moriuchi of San Jose, Calif., and Miwako Yanamoto of Los Angeles, were invited by the Women in Military Service for America Memorial Foundation, Arlington National Cemetery, to appear on a panel on June 15.

The topic of the panel discussion was "Mannequins of Democracy," a slogan used in a newspaper article which appeared in the *St. Paul Dispatch*

on Jan. 18, 1946, describing Fort Snelling, Minn., Womens Army Corps members (WACs) leaving for service in Japan. After the WAC was opened up for enlistment to Nisei women, over 300 served in the WAC and the Army Nurse Corps.

The three Nisei women on the panel were WACs who graduated from the Military Intelligence Service Language School (MISLS) at Fort Snelling. Iseri was assigned to Camp Ritchie, Md., following graduation, while Moriuchi and Yanamoto were sent overseas to Tokyo.

Welcoming the audience was



From left: Miwako Yanamoto, Kathleen Iseri and Atsuko Moriuchi, members of the Womens Army Corps during World War II, were special guests at the "Mannequins of Democracy" panel in Washington, D.C., on June 15.



Hawaii's own WACS review infantry troops parading in honor of the islands' women who enlisted in the Army. The group left shortly to receive basic training at a mainland post. (Circa 1946)

PHOTO: U.S. ARMY SIGNAL CORPS

retired Brig. Gen. Wilma L. Vaught, USAF, president of the Women's Memorial Foundation. Also present for the panel was retired Lt. Col. Marion Nestor, USA, who had been the commander of the WAC Detachment at Fort Snelling. Moderator for the panel was Cmdr. Frances Omori, USN, a fifth-generation Japanese American who is currently assigned as branch chief to the Defense Threat Reduction Agency and in August will become the negotiator for the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty.

The following tribute was included in the program notes:

Among the thousands of Japanese Americans moved to internment camps during WWII were some 47 Nisei women (second-generation Japanese Americans) who, in September 1943, proudly and eagerly raised their right hands and pledged to support and defend the Constitution of the United States as members of the Women's Army Corps. During WWII and in the immediate postwar period, over three hundred Nisei served in the WACs and the Army Nurse Corps. Like so many others, the story of the Nisei WACs is another buried fragment of the rich and varied history of military women.

The panel discussion took place in the auditorium of the Women's Memorial which, unlike other memorials, is a building with an auditorium and an exhibit area, gift shop, conference room, and a computer room where the records of all servicewomen who have registered can be brought up.

For information about the Women's Memorial, write to Women In Military Service For America Memorial Foundation, Arlington National Cemetery, Dept. 560, Washington, DC 20042-0560; phone 800/222-2294; e-mail: wimsa@aol.com.

Chicago JACL Holds 42nd Annual Scholarship Luncheon

BY KATHY SUZUKI
Special to the Pacific Citizen

The 42nd annual Chicago JACL scholarship luncheon was recently held to honor graduates and to celebrate their successes and contributions to the community. Ron Yoshino was master of ceremonies at the luncheon held June 12 at the Terrace Garden Restaurant in Wilmette, Ill.

The George Matsumoto Memorial Scholarship was established in accordance with Dr. Matsumoto's philosophy that "anybody who sought an education should be given the opportunity." This scholarship is awarded to students who have a passion for continuing their education with a balance of academics and service.

This year's recipient is Torazo Aaron Okada. Okada is the son of Yasushi and Joyce Okada and a graduate of Niles Senior High School in Niles, Mich. Okada plans to pursue his interests in computers and business at Ferris State University in Michigan.

The Mas Nakagawa Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a student who has an arts background and an interest in pursuing the arts. Mas Nakagawa was a talented and successful graphic artist who donated his time and creative talent to community organizations and community events.

This year's recipient is Katherine Chiyeko Naka, the daughter of Dennis and Linda Naka. Naka is a graduate of Niles West High School and has shown exceptional ability in theater arts including acting, directing and writing. She plans to continue her education with a focus on dramatic performance at DePaul University.

The New Horizon Scholarship was established by the New

Horizon organization, a non-sectarian, nonprofit organization for single, widowed, legally separated or divorced adults for social support, education, advocacy and service. This award is given to an outstanding individual who demonstrates the attributes of leadership, academics and social service.

This year's recipient is Kae Tomae Suzuki, the daughter of John and Kathy Suzuki. Suzuki is a graduate of Francis W. Parker School who has excelled in her studies and carried on the family tradition of civil rights activism. She participated in the school's spring musicals and student government all four years. Suzuki plans to continue her education at Williams College in Williamstown, Mass.

The Thomas Masuda Memorial Scholarship is given in memory of the founder of the Chicago-based law firm of Masuda Funai Eifert and Mitchell. Masuda was active in community organizations such as the JACL, the JACL Credit Union and the Uptown Commission. This scholarship is given to a student with a commitment to community service as well as to academics.

This year's recipient is Stacy Tomiko Arima, the daughter of Steven and Susan Arima. Arima is a graduate of Reavis High School in Burbank, Ill. She excelled in all aspects of school, completing honors courses in math, science and English while maintaining an "A" average. Her extra-curricular activities include the National Honors Society, the Senior Class, Outdoors Club, and Photography Club. Arima is planning to continue her studies with a focus on math and general studies, and is in the process of making a final decision on her university choice.

The Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe

Scholarship is awarded to an outstanding student who has made a significant and lasting contribution to his or her school through active participation and personal leadership. This scholarship is named for Dr. Yatabe, the "Grandfather of JACL," who was a founding member of the JACL and was the first national president in 1930.

This year's recipient is Masayuki Kari Mizuuchi. He is the son of Yasuo and Etsuko Mizuuchi, and a graduate of Lane Technical High School. Mizuuchi is a lifelong resident of Chicago who has excelled in his studies and has demonstrated commitment to his school and community. He attended the Chicago Futabaki Japanese School for 13 years and has attained the rank of first degree black belt in kendo. He plans to continue his education at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Snake River Valley Chapter Holds Annual Graduation Banquet



The JACL Snake River Valley Chapter held its annual graduation banquet on May 7 where local high school seniors were awarded scholarships and grants. The awards are funded by the Snake River chapter, Idaho-Oregon Nikkei, and an endowment from Sig and Mitsuko Murakami. Pictured from left to right are scholarship recipients David Eldred, Justin Eldred, keynote speaker Michelle Hicks, news anchor for KTVB Channel 7, and scholarship winner Matt Ogawa.





Troubled in Paradise

By Brian Niliya

Return to Colorado

It was a little over 10 years ago that I paid my first visit to Colorado. Then as now I was working for the Japanese American National Museum, and we went there to look for prewar objects which we presumed were lost in the West Coast states during the war. Since Colorado had the largest prewar Japanese population of any state off the Coast, we figured our chances of finding stuff there was good.

While for various reasons that didn't turn out to be the case, the trip was interesting and productive in other ways. One observation I made at the time was that in many places we went, there a sense of impending extinction one got from talking to Nisei there that was wholly absent in Los Angeles or Hawaii. So many Colorado-Nisei seemed resigned to the fact that their communities were on their last legs, since their children were moving away and mostly marrying *hakujin* to boot.

Returning 10 years later, I expected to find more of the same. But instead, I found a vibrant, active community, with a core of young leaders in the Denver area. These younger folks and their high school and college-age children seem to in-

sure that this community isn't going anywhere anytime soon.

So what changed? Well, a good part of it may not have changed at all. I spent the first trip mostly in farming areas and the second trip mostly in the city. Clearly, this had something to do with my perceptions, since Sansei have been leaving family farms in large numbers for the last 30 years or so. It is no doubt true that Japanese American communities in small farming towns are dying out all over the country. Many of those Sansei and Yonsei move to the closest major town, in this case Denver. Indeed, many of the young leaders I met in Denver hailed from farming communities in other parts of the state.

But even though the urban/rural thing explains some of the difference, I think there is something else as well. One of the clues came at a community graduation celebration for young Japanese Americans in the Denver area. I was privileged enough to speak at this event.

I was very impressed by this event on a number of levels. One of the main purposes of the event is to award the various scholarships Japanese American community organizations

give to graduating seniors heading off to college. The sheer number of such awards — I lost count after about 25 — is extremely impressive, as is the range of organizations awarding them.

Also impressive is the range of people who attended this event. I was especially surprised to see many older Nisei attend, whom I assumed were there to see their grandchildren receive this or that award. But many of these folks were there just to be there. Among those attending were fellow P.C. columnists Bill Hosokawa and Gil Asakawa, whom I was pleased to meet and chat with briefly.

Perhaps most impressive were the graduates themselves. It seemed like all of them combined Advance Placement courses and other academic achievements with sports, community work and other activities. I'm sure I wasn't the only one who was thinking how badly I would have fared against this group were I still in high school.

But you know what struck me about the group? It was that almost all of them it seemed were *hapa*; a few seemed to be either 1/4 Japanese or not Japanese at all, at least as far

as "blood" goes. And yet, most of them seemed at least aware of their Japanese American roots and a good number seemed quite interested if some of their activities were any indication.

And I think that provides a clue as to what's changed in the last 10 years or so. Much of the sense of impending extinction I got from many of the Nisei of 10 years ago centered on the assumption that their kids who were marrying *hakujin* were somehow going to cease being Japanese American themselves and that their mixed race grandchildren were going to be even less Japanese American. In the last decade or two, that kind of talk has seemed to slowly die down. Events such as this one have proven such thoughts to be wrong. The largely *hapa* graduates were no less Japanese American than their "pure" counterparts of years past. The culture isn't tied to "blood."

So this trip to Colorado was pleasantly surprising to me on the whole. I enjoyed meeting both the older and younger generations. And I'm confident that when I come back again, hopefully in less than 10 years, there will still be a vibrant Japanese American community there. ■

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Very Truly Yours

By Harry K. Honda

Our Well Recorded Generation, Thanks to the 'Fryer'

ABOUT A HALF-year ago, University Press of Colorado published Bill Hosokawa's latest book, "Out of the Fryer Pan: Reflections of a Japanese American" — a sequel to his 1978 book, "35 Years in the Fryer Pan." His latest book contains pieces since 1978, which prompted Sachi Seko to call it, "a recording of our collective history." She said, it confirms that "he is the foremost Nisei journalist of this century ... That he achieved this without lapsing into literary bathos and accords our remarkable American journey the dignity it deserves."

Pete Hironaka was "disconcerted, for as I read his passages, my memory bank kept interrupting with recalls of personal experiences during the same time frame." Calling it great reading, Hironaka remembered telling Bill Marutani during his visit to Dayton a few years ago, "that I was madder now than when all that stuff happened to us [at Poston]."

Washington, D.C., JACLer George Wakiji found "Bill did a great job of capturing the life of the Nisei in America. He brought back a lot of good and bad memories. He's essentially one of the best teachers of our history in America."

Noting that Fresno JACL has sold hardcover copies for Hosokawa in Central Cal, Fred Hirasuna knew parts of Hosokawa's past history, "but this was complete." And Fred adds, "We appreciate the part Bill played in JACL history."

Japan chapter founder Barry Saiki, now of Stockton, met Hosokawa through his columns and predicts, "biographical books such as 'Out of the Fryer Pan' are important in that these may

become the only tangible reminders of evacuation and relocation, along with a few monuments."

Sachi Seko adds, "In a time when revisionist history is popularized, this book provides an essential sense of balance. Hosokawa, both observer and participant, revives for those of us who were also there — the *why* and *where* and *how*. And perhaps, even those most critical of some of the judgments of JACL leadership during the wartime years will gain an appreciation of how it was in a different political world in a difficult time."

THE FIRST FOUR chapters detail Hosokawa's family members, growing up in Seattle, newspapering in Singapore and Shanghai because his journalism adviser, after Hosokawa graduated from the University of Washington in '36, thought no newspaper publisher in the country would hire "a Japanese boy." Home just before Pearl Harbor and into the "frying pan" of camp, there followed 38 years at the *Denver Post*, teaching briefly, seven years as ombudsman at the *Rocky Mountain News*, and retiring in 1992.

When our schedule for regular columnists changed in the '90s, he found an outlet for his weekly musings, "Anything That Comes to Mind," in the local vernacular *Rocky Mountain Jho*.

His P.C. columns in final chapters are retrofitted by theme: "Matter of Ethnicity" (12 samplings), "Next Generation" (8), "Meaning of America" (8), "Bicultural Diet" (7), "Japanese in Japanese America" (10), "Myths and Truths" (5), "In Closing" (4) with excerpts of Owen Murane-

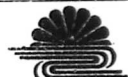
ka's interview in the 1993 Holiday Issue, and the "Epilogue."

While Hosokawa has written often about his four children growing up in the '40s and '50s, the pieces selected for "Next Generation" featured his grandchildren, who have virtually no trace of Japanese culture. So to us, the most impressive (Aug. 28, 1992) relates a trip with his three grandchildren exploring their roots in 10-day trip, he asked what they remembered the most: "The hustle and bustle of Tokyo, friendliness of folks in Yamagata, ancient splendor of Kyoto, the speedy comfort of the bullet train, *shabu-shabu* dinner, hot springs bath, the subway rides, kamikaze taxi or getting lost at Tokyo Station? There was no hesitation — the visit to Hiroshima and learning about what happened the day the bomb fell."

In Chapter 7: "Meaning of America," his piece in wake of the film "Schindler's List" (Jan. 28, 1994), noted a Roper Survey revealing more than half of the high school students didn't know the meaning of "Holocaust" and that over a third of Americans, 18 to 25, had no idea Auschwitz, Dachau or Treblinka were Nazi extermination camps.

Hosokawa's compelling comment: "If there is such widespread ignorance about this ghastly chapter in contemporary history, what can we expect Americans to know about the evacuation? Our efforts to perpetuate the memory of the evacuation may be like whistling into the wind."

Our sampling can go on, but the best bet is to buy a copy (\$17.50 soft) at your bookstore or call University Press of Colorado (800/268-6044). ■



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Reexamining the Resisters' Resolution

Why Should We Support the Nisei Resisters of Conscience?

BY TWILA TOMITA
Florin JACL delegate

As members of a civil rights organization, we, in the JACL in 1999, have the opportunity to recognize a principled group of men who took a courageous stand when their constitutional rights were denied during World War II. We can promote healing within our community on this issue which has divided us for over 50 years.

The resolution in support of the resisters of conscience will help educate those who know little about these men who chose a different path from their well-known peers of the 100th/442nd Regimental Combat Team and the Military Intelligence Service. It is significant that in recent months, the 442nd Veterans Club of Hawaii and the Military Intelligence Service of Northern California have passed resolutions acknowledging the resisters of conscience. Support has also been offered by Sen. Daniel Inouye, the late Michi Weglyn, the Pacific Western District of the JACL, the Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific District of the JACL and the national

JACL board.

These resisters refused to be drafted from behind barbed wire until their citizenship rights were clarified and their families released from internment camps. Those who testified at their court trials stated their reasons. Sixty-three Nisei were tried in the largest mass trial for draft resistance in Wyoming's history. Eventually, 85 men from the Heart Mountain Relocation Center resisted the draft.

Resisters from the various other camps received different judicial rulings. The judge in the Tule Lake draft resistance trial threw the case out, declaring it unconscionable for the government to defend constitutional rights and freedoms that the internees were denied. Amache and Heart Mountain resisters were sent to federal penitentiaries in Tucson, Ariz., McNeil Island, Wash., or Leavenworth, Kansas.

It is not widely known that a number of the resisters, after serving their prison term and after their families were released from camp, enlisted in the armed services and served in the Korean War. Perhaps knowing this will serve to dispel the misconception that they were

disloyal. Wartime JACL leaders denounced them as "cowardly" or "deluded."

The resisters' stand is a model of how to deal with the infringement of civil rights. This is what the JACL is about, and an example for the future. Members of the JACL understand what it means to be part of a minority group, sometimes an unpopular group. Our history of internment has taught us what happens when a group is denied their constitutional rights and no one stands with them to defend them from injustice.

Many of the Nisei resisters have passed away. I have been fortunate enough to meet a number of these men and their families. They have lived with the consequences of their wartime choice. In addition to the jail time many served, there was painful community ostracism. Recognition of their stand for their constitutional rights is long overdue. We need to heal the divisions within our community and stand together. Let's pass this resolution, have a fitting public ceremony acknowledging their principled stand, and do so without further delay.

Draft Resisters Recognized by National JACL in 1990

BY KEN NAKANO
MAS FUKUHARA
CHERRY KINOSHITA

Along with many other JACLers, we've often puzzled over what it is that JACL should apologize to the draft resisters.

The recent NCWNP District's action appears to shed some light on this question. Their resolution "recognizes the Japanese American resisters of conscience (aka draft resisters) as a group of principled Americans and that by this recognition it strives to continue to actively promote and nurture via educational means, the healing process of an issue that has divided our community" and the NCWNP District Council "asks the National JACL to similarly recognize the Japanese American resisters of conscience, proffer an apology for not recognizing the Japanese American resisters of conscience for their principled stand, and honor them at an appropriate public ceremony."

Didn't the national JACL, by unanimous vote of its national council do just that — recognize and honor the draft resisters with Resolution 13 — at the San Diego national convention in 1990?

Resolution 13, submitted by

the Seattle JACL chapter, stated that "the National JACL recognize those Japanese American draft resisters of World War II, who declared their loyalty to their country, but who were also dedicated to the principle of defending their civil rights, were willing to make significant sacrifices to uphold their beliefs of patriotism in a different form from those who sacrificed their lives on the battlefields; and that they, too, deserve a place of honor and respect in the history of Americans of Japanese ancestry."

Resolution 13 continues: "The JACL regrets any pain or bitterness caused by its failure to recognize this group of patriotic Americans and further resolves to educate our own community and the public that loyalty is not necessarily demonstrated in any singular form but can be manifested in other praiseworthy and admirable acts, and that by this recognition the JACL strives to promote and nurture the healing process of an issue that has divided our community."

Historical Background of Resolution 13

At the 1988 national convention, a Seattle JACL resolution (No. 7) attempted to address the

issue of recognizing draft resisters, but due to misunderstandings and controversy, was tabled for further study by a presidential select committee.

Shortly after the 1988 convention a study was also undertaken by a Seattle JACL ad hoc committee headed by Ken Nakano and then Commander of the Nisei Veterans Mas Fukuhara, which included members of the veterans group as well as Seattle JACL members.

Over a period of 18 months, the ad hoc committee researched the issue, perused historical records, examined documents at the Sandpoint U.S. Government archives, and sponsored a forum inviting draft resisters to speak.

As a result there were not only "no-no's," but "no-yes," "yes-no," and even "yes-yes" respondents who defied their draft orders. Aside from the divisiveness caused by the loyalty questionnaire, the reasons for resisting the draft were many and varied.

The conclusion reached by the Seattle ad hoc committee were fortuitously similar to the findings independently reached by the select committee appointed by the National President

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Resolution 13

BY SEATTLE JACL
CHAPTER

(The following is the text of Resolution 13, which was adopted at the 1990 San Diego JACL national convention.)

Whereas, the United States has made a significant and symbolic gesture serving to begin the healing process of deeply felt injuries caused by the gross injustice perpetrated against Americans of Japanese ancestry in 1942 with the mass incarceration of those people in detention camps by the passing of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988; and

Whereas, after December 7, 1941, the United States stopped inducting Americans of Japan-

ese ancestry into the U.S. Armed forces; and

Whereas, the Selective Service reclassified all qualified Americans of Japanese ancestry to Class 4-F, then to Class 4-C, further degrading and humiliating the Japanese Americans; and

Whereas, because of JACL objections and other strong protests to such reclassification, President Franklin Roosevelt authorized only the Army to accept volunteer Japanese Americans for military service on January 31, 1943; and

Whereas, the War Department issued a call for volunteers for an all-Japanese American segregated combat team and actively recruited all those of military age in the camps, and to carry out this program the War Department directed the War Relocation Authority to determine evacuee loyalty by means of a

questionnaire to all males of military age in the camps; and

Whereas, the specific questions No. 27 and No. 28 presented an irresolvable dilemma to both Issei and Nisei, causing irreparable psychological and emotional damage to interned JAs; and

Whereas, a total of 3,500 JAs did volunteer and served with unprecedented valor and bravery on the battlefields in the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, earning fame as the most highly decorated unit of its size in American military history; and in all 33,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry served in WWII, including those of the Military Intelligence Service in the Pacific theater, and their sacrifices and

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Obituaries

All the towns are in California except as noted.

Furutani, Jichi, 73, North Hollywood, June 17; El Monte-born, Korean War veteran; survived by wife Emiko; daughters Naomi Gong and husband Richard, Joanne Gamelin and husband Andre, 4 gc; four brothers.

Horito, George Toru, 79, Las Vegas, May 5; Compton-born; survived by wife Alyce; sons Gene (Oxnard), Jerry, Gilbert, Robert, Thomas (both Las Vegas), Michael (Provo, Utah); 9 gc; 18 gc; brother Joe; sister Kay Nawa (both Los Angeles).

Iida, Charles A., 67, North Las Vegas, April 29; Hawaii-born; survived by wife Helen; son Charles J.; daughters Charlotte (Hawaii), Debra Anderson (Arizona), Wendy Anderson (Idaho); 5 gc; mother Isabella (Hawaii); brother Harold (Virginia); sisters Janice Christian, Marilyn (both Hawaii).

Ikeguchi, Yukie, 77, Rancho Palos Verdes, June 17; Long Beach-born; survived by daughters Vickie Hasegawa and husband Jon, Coni Juno and husband Mike, Wendy Edler and husband Gregg; 2 gc.

Kanow, Hachiro, 76, Monterey Park, June 15; Long Beach-born; survived by wife Mary; son Douglas; brother Frank; sister Helen Fujiwara; sisters-in-law May, Agnes.

Kato, Shizuko, 86, Torrance, June 10; Santa Cruz-born; survived by son Roy and wife Christine; daughters Ikuko Kiriyama and husband George, Aiko Shinoki and husband Gene; 4 gc; brothers Allan Mori, Bill Mori; sisters Yoshiko Hirata, Grace Watanabe and husband Mas, Helen Akutagawa and husband Thomas (Kauai, Hawaii), Marguerite Tanaka and husband Eddie.

Katsuyama, Sonoko, 80, Los Angeles, June 17; Wakayama-born; survived by sons Kenny and wife Amy, Glenn and wife Stephanie; daughter Yoko Tabata; 5 gc; brother Takuya Ogura and wife Setsuko; sisters Mitsue Kawaguchi and husband Kazuo, Aiko Shibata and husband Tadashi, Shiyuko Yokota and husband Tak.

Kimura, Tsune, 91, Parlier, June 9; Wakayama Prefecture-born; survived by sons Masanobu and wife Sawaye, Shizuyo and wife Keiko; daughter Masumi Nagatomi and husband Masatoshi; 10 gc, 9 gc.

Kitaoka, Yasuki, 78, Reedley, June 16; Kochi Prefecture-born; survived by sons Noboru and wife Elizabeth, Kenichiro and wife Keiko (Japan), Jack and wife Jennifer; daughter Midori Nishijima and husband Dean; 6 gc.

Mitani, Thomas Masami, 74, Montebello, June 17; Honolulu-born; survived by wife Mayme; son Michael M. and wife Annette; daughter Susan T. Yamate; 3 gc; brothers Masayuki and wife Vicki, George Inamura and wife Mary (both Hawaii); sister-in-law Fujie Mitani (Hawaii).

Miyagawa, Hiroyuki "Donk," 81, Chicago, June 5; survived by brothers Hiromi and wife Helen, Nori and wife Lorraine; sisters Haru Roberts, Saiko Edamatsu and husband Ed.

Murai, Roy, 45, Mountain View, June 14; grew up in Sunnyvale; survived by wife Susan; son Clem; a daughter; father Shigeki (Sunnyvale).

Nishio, Keizo, 52, Salinas, June 16; survived by wife Fukiko; mother Aiko (Japan); brothers Hideko, Yumi (both Japan); sisters Fumiko Onizuka and husband Susumu, Hiroko Senna and husband Ryokichi (both Japan).

Nishiwaki, Shirley, Garden Grove, June 21; survived by hus-

band James; daughters Lynne, Jacki Matsumoto and husband Steve; 3 gc; brother Ken Nishio and wife Ann; sisters Mary Oshima, Tillie Hazama, Sally Kad-owaki and husband Mick.

Serizawa, Shigetoshi, 73, San Francisco, June 15; survived by wife Yoshi; brother Toru and wife Sally; sister Yuriko Lily War-nick and husband Edward.

Suwa, Shizue, 73, Monterey Park, June 19; El Centro-born; retired U.S. Navy lieutenant j.g.; survived by brothers Hito and wife Merle, Yosh and wife May, Kaye and wife Lorraine; sisters Reiko Okuma- and husband Al, Setsu Himata- and husband Osa, brother-in-law Ted Okuda.

Takigiku, Sachie, 77, Cincinnati; May 1; Kagoshima-born; survived by son Ray and wife Susan; 1 gc.

Tamori, George Yoshimichi, 74, Concord, June 12; Lafayette-born; survived by wife Shizuko Mary, son Dan and wife Lily; daughters Kathi, Anne Bryant; 1 gc; brother Shoji and wife Shizuko; sister Rowena Nakagawa and husband Tom.

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Tanabe, Nobu, 78, Burnsville, Minn., Feb. 1; San Jose-born, WWII MIS veteran; survived by son Curtis and wife Dawn (Grand Forks, N.D.); daughter Diane Tanabe Meisch and husband Richard (St. Paul, Minn.); 3 gc; sister Eru Tanabe (New York); predeceased by wife Yukiko.

Ushio, Mabel, 84, Los Angeles, June 11; survived by daughters Susan Takahashi and husband Henry, June Wunno and husband Jimmy, Barbara Klass; 4 gc; brothers Hideo Sasaki (Japan), Larry Sasaki (Los Angeles); sisters Ellen Yokoi, Violet Morioka (both Hawaii), Yoshie Kawaguchi (Japan).

Yamamoto, Fumiko "Fumi," 74, Long Beach, June 22; Gardena-born; survived by husband George Yoshio; daughters Kathi Hirose and husband Jeff, Irene Yamada and husband Stan; 1 gc; brothers Ted Miyakawa and wife Betty, Nori Miyakawa; sister Mitsuko Tashiro and husband Roy; brother-in-law Minoru Uyeda; sisters-in-law Setsuko Hashioka and husband Isao, Ayako Yamamoto (Japan).

Yamato, Masatsugu, 86, Oakland, June 12; Fukuoka Prefecture-born; survived by wife Hisako; sons Yasumasa, Masasaki; brothers Yoshio, Bill.

Zoege, Janice Kobata, June 21; survived by husband John; brother Dennis Kobata; sister Jeanne; brother-in-law Earnest Tsujimoto; sister-in-law Shirley Locke.

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