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# 'Little Girl in Picture' Nets House Co-sponsor

WASHINGTON—Rep. Terry Bruce (D-III.), who announced his intention to co-sponsor redress bill H.R. 442 on Aug. 25, was lobbied by a constituent who, in a 1942 photograph, came to symbolize the plight of Japanese Americans interned during WW2.

According to Chicago JACL redress chair Chiye Tomihiro, Bruce was persuaded to support the bill by Yukiko Okinaga Llewellyn of Champaign, Ill., who wrote to the congressman and talked with his staff. As a three-year-old girl, Llewellyn appeared in a War Relocation Authority photo taken when she and her family were about to depart from Los Angeles to Manzanar.

#### **Image of Internment**

In the photo, she is holding an apple and sitting on a leather suitcase, surrounded by duffle bags. The photo has been used often by proponents of redress to show that the internment affected all West Coast Japanese Americans, regardless of age.

"Mrs. Llewellyn has not forgotten that she and her family were deprived of their constitutional rights," said LEC executive director Grayce Uyehara. "She translated her remembrance of the inequity to act as a responsible American.



Three-year-old Yukiko Okinaga about to be sent to Manzanar in April 1942.

"We need more Americans to emulate Mrs. Llewellyn and others like her who decided to act personally to ring a clarion call for the U.S. Constitution. Sometimes, it takes only one person in a community to get the needed support for passage of the redress legislation."

Working at University Today, after having relocated with her family to Cleveland, Llewellyn is an assistant dean at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, which is in Bruce's 19th District.

Bruce, who represents the southeastern portion of the state, is serving his first term in the House. He is on the Agriculture Committee and its subcommittee on Wheat, Soybeans & Feed Grains; the Education & Labor Committee and its subcommittees on Human Resources and Postsecondary Education; and the Science & Technology Committee and its subcommittees on Energy Development & Applications and Science, Research & Technology.

He is the 141st co-sponsor, of the redress bill.

# NCJAR Asks Supreme Court to Review Suit

WASHINGTON — A petition calling for review of a class action lawsuit that seeks damages on behalf of 125,000 Japanese Americans interned during WW2 was filed Aug. 26 in the U.S. Supreme Court by the Chicago-based National Council for Japanese American Redress.

If successful, the petition will reinstate claims against the government that were dismissed after the lawsuit was filed in March 1983.

#### **Claims Dismissed**

The lawsuit, with 22 claims, sought more than \$24 billion in damages. It was dismissed in May 1984 by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. The dismissal was then appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals, where it was partially reversed and remanded to trial in January 1986 but with only a single claim intact.

"The dismissed claims include the deprivation of constitutional guarantees such as habeas corpus, equal protection and due process," said William Hohri, NCJAR chair. "What's the point of having these constitutional rights if the government can violate them and then hide behind a legalism...and escape accountability?"

#### 'Fraud and Concealment'

Although the odds for success in gaining access to the Supreme Court are about 1 in 20, Hohri said he is optimistic about NCJAR's chances.

"One of our main arguments," he said, "is that the wartime decisions of the Court were subverted



William Hohri

by the government's fraud and concealment of evidence. This thesis has already been successfully tested in federal courts on the West Coast.

"It's a serious challenge to the Court's landmark *Korematsu* decision [of 1944]. Up until now, the legal system has lacked a proper vehicle for reconsidering *Korematsu*. Now they have it in this appeal."

The lawsuit has already overcome two procedural barriers.

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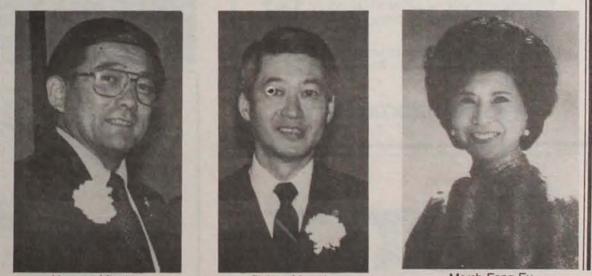
# **INS Frees Japanese Scholar; Questions Raised About Laws**

NEW YORK—Scholar Choichiro Yatani won his fight to stay in the U.S. Aug. 20 when federal officials waived the usual visa requirements and released him from detention.

After being imprisoned for six weeks in the Immigration & Naturalization Service Center, Yatani was released just hours after was his arrest in Tokyo 18 years ago while taking part in an anti-Vietnam War demonstration.

The State Dept. waived its objections Aug. 20 and authorized the INS to release Yatani. In return, Yatani agreed to drop his lawsuit, although he added, "I want to know what is in that State Department file."

# **Demos to Discuss Political Power, Prop. 63**



his lawyers sued the government for illegally holding him.

#### Visa Revoked

Yatani, a 40-year-old doctoral student at State University of New York at Stony Brook, has lived in the U.S. since 1977. He and his wife Nanako have two American-born sons.

When Yatani arrived at Kennedy International Airport on July 7 after attending a conference in the Netherlands, the State Dept revoked his visa, ruling that he had concealed his membership in a communist organization. The department has refused to say how it got information linking Yatani to communist activity.

#### 'Not a Communist'

In his lawsuit, Yatani stated that he "was never a member of, or associated with, the Communist Party, The Red Army, or any subversive, anarchist, totalitarian or terrorist organization."

The only reason that Yatani could think of for his detention

"It was a nightmare, just a nightmare," Yatani said as he left the detention center. "Some people in the U.S. government believe I am a communist or a terrible person, but I am not."

#### **Public Support**

The case produced an outpouring of public support for Yatani, who originally faced an Aug 22 deadline to leave the country.

But while Yatani's ordeal is over, some experts have said that the case points out the need for reform of laws and procedures that determine who is barred from entering the country.

Arthur Helton, director of the Lawyer's Committee for Human Rights, said that the Yatani case demonstrates how a family man can be victimized by the laws as they now stand. "This sort of thing may be happening to a lot of people without the public ever being aware of it."

However, INS official Scott Continued on back page Norman Mineta

SAN FRANCISCO — A debate and forum on the controversial Proposition 63, with Stanley Diamond, author of the "English Only" initiative, and Wilma Chan, vice president of Chinese Progressive Assn., will be one of the highlights of the third biennial Asian Pacific Democratic Leadership Conference, to be held Sept. 13-14 at Miyako Hotel, 1625 Post St.

#### **Politicos to Speak**

Entitled "Empowerment of Asian Pacific Americans Through the Electoral Process," the conference is sponsored by the Asian Pacific Caucus of the California Democratic Party. Honorary coRobert Matsui

chairs are Reps. Robert Matsui and Norman Mineta and Secretary of State March Fong Eu.

Registration begins Sept. 13 at 9 a.m. and will be followed by a 10 a.m. plenary session featuring keynote speakers Mineta and Los Angeles City Councilman Mike Woo.

#### Workshop Topics

The Proposition 63 forum and workshops on such topics as "Our Role in the Democratic Party: State and National," "Our Goals for the 1990s: Electing Asian Pacific Democrats," and "Violence Against Asian Americans" will take place after the plenary session. Workshops will March Fong Eu

continue on Sept. 14, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Saturday's activities will conclude with the Biennial Awards Banquet at 7:30 p.m. This year's awardees are Bert Nakano of Gardena, Collin Lai of Los Angeles, Maeley Tom and Yasushi "Chewy" Ito of Sacramento, and Alice Bulos and Julie Tang of San Francisco. Matsui will be guest speaker.

Registration is \$20 general, \$10 for students and seniors. Tickets for the awards banquet are \$35.

Info: Bay Area — Victor Hsi, (415) 753-6529, or Eddie Wong, (415) 839-3872; Sacramento — Paula Higashi, (916) 920-8680; Los Angeles — Mike Eng, (213) 387-2255. **Noted Activists to Address Conferees** 

#### by Mei Nakano

OAKLAND - Two prominent women activists will appear at "Japanese American Women in Transition—'86," to be held by the No. Calif-W. Nev.-Pacific District JACL Women's Concerns Committee on Sept. 13, 8:30 a.m.-4 -p.m., at Laney College.

 Noriko Nikki Sawada Bridges, who is to be honored with the Humanitarian Award at the conference, is perhaps the quintessential model for the Nisei woman. Born to immigrant farmers, hers is a story of progress from a sense of fecklessness and invisibility to an indisputable affirmation of her personhood.

Now in her sixties, she will be cited by the Women's Concerns Committee "for having made a positive impact on the life and culture of her community, for being a role model for strength and survival, and for serving as an agent of social change, one who challenges the barriers that impede progress for Asian American women."

After her incarceration in Poston during WW2, Bridges worked in San Francisco as a legal secretary and office man-

same time



Noriko Bridges

ager for attorneys involved with unions and civil liberties cases. During this period, she became shop steward and delegate to state conventions for the Office Workers' Union.

The camp experience gave impetus to her commitment to work against war. In 1948, she campaigned for presidential candicate Henry Wallace of the newlyformed Progressive Party, a strong advocate for peace and detente. Among other anti-war activities, she became the first



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Peggy Saika

Bay Area chairperson of the Jeannette Rankin Brigade, the first national women's organization to oppose the Vietnam War.

Of her marriage to internationally known labor leader Harry Bridges, she remarks with characteristic candor that "Asian women who marry Caucasian bigshots [are thought to] have no identity of their own, that having bagged an important man, they have reached the top." To survive, she says, the woman must educate herself, her spouse, and society to the contrary-an ongoing struggle.

· Peggy Saika, executive director of Asian Law Caucus, will be the luncheon speaker at the conference.

In her capacity as director, Saika helps make decisions about which cases are selected, coordinates and organizes the workload, and plunges into the myriad outside activities that come with the position.

Prior to joining the caucus,

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Saika served on the board of Asian Legal Services Outreach in Sacramento, Asian American Legal Defense & Education Fund in New York, and Public Interest Law Foundation of New York University Law School. Her involvement with legal organizations, she says, stems mainly from her interest in them as a political force for public advocacy and as instruments of public service.

Having been active in many women's organizations in New York, Saika is now a member of the organizing committee establishing the first shelter for battered Asian women in the Bay Area. 

The conference will also include 12 workshops on topics of concern to Japanese American women of all ages, including bicultural parenting, assertiveness training, the job market, nutrition and health, women in politics, coping with loss, and growing older.

The college is located at 900 Fallon St. Registration is \$25 (lunch included). Checks payable to Women's Concerns Committee JACL should be sent to Pat Orr. 45 Sandpiper Circle, Corte Madera, CA 94925. Info: East Bay, (415) 233-9595; San Jose, (408) 448-5445; Marin, (415) 388-6749; San Francisco, (415) 386-0112; Sonoma County, (707) 829-0854.



# **Hsieh Named** to S.F. Board of Supervisors

SAN FRANCISCO-The appointment of Thomas Hsieh to the Board of Supervisors was announced Aug. 27 by Mayor Dianne Feinstein.

Hsieh, an architect who announced his intention to run for supervisor in February, is filling the vacancy left by Supervisor Louise Renne, who has been appointed city attorney.

Feinstein cited three major factors in her decision to appoint Hsieh:

First, the appointment enables me to carry out my commitment to appoint an Asian to the board if a vacancy occurred. With almost a quarter of San Francisco of Asian ancestry, it is important that there be an Asian representative on the Board of Supervisors.

Second, Tom Hsieh has demonstated his interest in becoming a supervisor by actually taking the plunge and becoming a candidate for the office. In fact, he has run a strong campaign and is clearly a contender, which makes his appointment very logical

Thirdly, Tom has served this administration on two tough commissions [Public Utilities and Police], fully demonstrating his dedication to public office. I am convinced he will represent the interests of the entire city intelligently and effectively.'

Born in Beijing, Hsieh has lived in San Francisco for more than 30 years. He received his undergraduate and graduate degrees at UC Berkeley.

He established his own firm in 1962, specializing in design of low-rent and senior housing. His projects include Western Park Apartments at Ellis and Laguna streets, El Bethel Arms apartments in the Western Addition, and the San Francisco Senior Center on O'Farrell and Jones streets

Hsieh is board chair of Chinatown Neighborhood Center, Chi-

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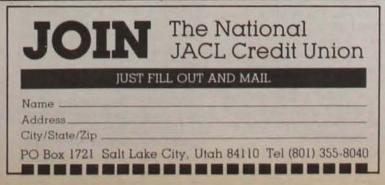
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natown Improvement Assn. and Marshall Hale Memorial Hospital. He has received awards from Chinatown Youth Center, Self Help for the Edlerly and other Chinatown organizations.

He has been a member of the Democratic National Committee since 1980 and chaired the DNC's Asian Pacific Caucus until its dissolution last year.

## **Reagan Approves Mineta's Measure**

WASHINGTON-President Reagan signed a bill to increase access to Japanese technical information on Aug. 14.

Introduced by Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.), the bill encourages translation of Japanese technical and scientific literature and increases the accessibility of such material to government agencies, the research community and the private sector.

# <u>In Home State</u> Museum, Book to Pay Tribute to Astronaut

KONA, Hawaii—The future site of the Lt. Col. Ellison S. Onizuka Pavilion and Museum at Keahole Airport was blessed Aug. 28 in a private ceremony for family, friends, and special guests.

The publication of a biography of the late astronaut, underwritten by United Airlines and scheduled for release in October, was also announced at the ceremony. Proceeds from book sales will go to the Onizuka Memorial Committee to fund the pavilion.

Dick Post, United's vice president for Hawaii, said the airline has granted \$20,000 in cash and an additional \$20,000 in promotional services for the writing, production and sales of the book.

"Ellison proved that anything can be achieved through hard work and dedication," said Post. "He was an inspiration to us all that dreams can be fulfilled."

The pavilion, to be located in the center of the airport, will cost an estimated \$500,000 to build and will house photo displays, memorabilia and other educational materials on Onizuka and the space program, he said.

The book is co-authored by University of Hawaii American studies professor Dennis Ogawa, who wrote Kodomo No Tame Ni and Jan Ken Po, both of which deal with Hawaii's Japanese Americans, and by Kapiolani Community College program specialist Glen Grant, who wrote To a Land Called Tengoku, a book which marks the 100th anniversary of Japanese immigration to Hawaii.

The book will be available from all Liberty House stores in Hawaii, the Honolulu Advertiser, the Hawaii Tribune Herald (Hilo), West Hawaii Today (Kona), and the Onizuka Memorial Committee.

# Marutani to be Recognized for Rights Record

PHILADELPHIA—William Marutani, former judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, will be the 1987 recipient of the Pennsylvania American

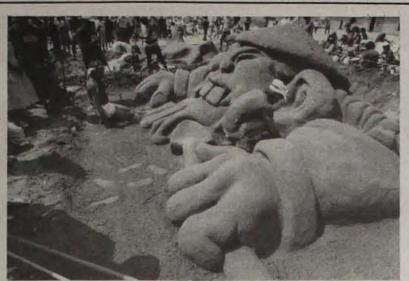


Photo by Robert Ginn/Press-Telegram

This prize-winning sand sculpture depicting a "Chinese who digs himself through to 'Wrong Beach' "first appeared on the front page of the Press-Telegram Aug. 19, 1985. It resurfaced in a Press-Telegram supplement this year.

# Asian Caricature Reappears in Newspaper – 1 Year Later

LONG BEACH, Calif.—A photo that was branded as "racist" by some Asian Americans last year when it appeared in the Press-Telegram recently reappeared in an advertising supplement put out by the same newspaper.

The photo, from a sand sculpture contest co-sponsored by the Press-Telegram, was of a winning entry entitled "Wrong Beach," which depicted an Asian, with slanted slits for eyes and huge buck teeth, climbing out of the sand (see Sept. 20, 1985 PC). The figure was described in the article as a "Chinaman."

After receiving letters of protest, one of them from Los Angeles Councilman Mike Woo, the editors printed an apology.

The photo, minus the racial slur, was used in Press-Telegram People Plus (July 30-Aug. 5) to promote this year's sand sculpture contest.

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WASHINGTON—Grant G. Moy, Jr., formerly associate general counsel for financial law at the U.S. Small Business Administration, has been appointed general counsel for the U.S. Government Printing Office.

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	Sept. 6 - 20
0	LOS ANGELES
Sept. 6 14 p.m.	"Recent Works," a ceramics exhibit featuring the works of Virginia Cartwright, Patrick Shia Crabb and Kazuko Kayasuga Matthews, will open with a reception at Little Tokyo Clayworks, 106 N. San Pedro. Exhibit will con- tinue through Sept. 21. Gallery is open Wed., Fri., Sat. and Sun., 11 a.m5 p.m.
Sept. 9 7:30 p.m.	An open meeting for all persons interested in the planned 75th anniversary celebration of Maryknoll-in-L.A. will be held at the Maryknoll School, 226 S. Hewitt.
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Sept. 10 7:30 p.m.	California State Sen. Bill Campbell, Republican nom- inee for state controller, will speak at the annual Japa- nese American Republican dinner at Michael's Restau- rant, 6309 E. Washington Blvd. Tickets are \$50 each. Info: Lance Izumi, (213) 329-9838.
	SAN FRANCISCO
Sept. 11 Noon	Jean Shinoda Bolen, M.D., Jungian analyst and clinical professor of psychiatry, will speak on "The Heroine in Every Woman" at UC San Francisco's Toland Hall, 533 Parnassus.
Sept. 13 10 a.m.	Rep. Norman Mineta and Los Angeles City Councilman Mike Woo will speak at the morning plenary session of the third biennial conference of the California Demo- cratic Party's Asian Pacific Caucus at the Miyako Hotel, 1625 Post St.
	SANTA CRUZ
Sept.7 11 a.m.	End-of-summer beach party, sponsored by Asian Amer- ican Social Club, takes place at Santa Cruz beach and boardwalk. Participants will meet at the entrance to the Big Dipper roller coaster.
	UNION CITY
Sept. 16	Thomas Noguchi, former medical examiner for Los Angeles County, will speak on "Forensics: the Legacy of Sherlock Holmes" at the general membership dinner meeting of the Southern Alameda County Dental Socie- ty at Holiday Inn, Nimitz Highway and Alvarado Niles Blvd. Cocktails, 6:30 p.m.; dinner, 7:30 p.m.
	OAKLAND
Sept.7 2 p.m.	Nisei Widowed Group, 558 16th Ave., will meet at the home of Yuri Moriwaki. For address and additional in- formation, contact Maki Nakaji, (415) 232-2835.
	PORTLAND
Now through Sept. 14	A photo exhibit on "Chinese Women in America, 1834- 1982" will be on display at Chinese Consolidated Bene- volent Assn. Hall, 315 N.W. Davis St., ThurMon., noon-6 p.m.
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Civil Liberties Union's Civil Liberties Award.

The award will be presented at the ACLU's fifth annual dinner, details of which have yet to be announced.

Marutani is being honored for his civil rights achievements, including:

• Participation as an attorney working with the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund;

• Service on the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians;

• Various judicial decisions, including a ruling which permitted women students to enter an all-boys' school.

Marutani has been active in JACL for most of his adult life. He served as national legal counsel for eight years and, more recently, was elected national vice president for planning and development at the JACL convention in Chicago. His column, "East Wind," appears regularly in the Pacific Citizen. Medicare Supplement Insurance

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**OUR NIKKEI BRETHREN in** Canada are very much engaged in their redress effort to get their government to acknowledge the grievous injustices inflicted upon them and their parents in 1942. In previous columns, we've had occasion to describe some of the inhuman acts perpetrated against Japanese Canadians under the War Measures Act, the Canadian version of Executive Order 9066. In many respects, Japanese Canadians were subjected to even worse treatment than that inflicted upon Japanese Americans. Among other things, in Canada at the time there was no Constitution to impede the government there. (Although in the United States, the existence of the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Amendments, to safeguard the rights and dignity of its citizenry, ended up being just a piece of paper.)

IN CANADA TODAY, there are reportedly some 45,000 Japanese Canadians. In 1942, there were some 22,000 whose property was seized and liquidated and who were banished from their homes in British Columbia. It was not until April of 1949 that the ban was finally lifted. In an effort to attain some semblance of token restitution and restoration of their dignity, at one point an understanding was reached whereby some \$6 million was to be paid, plus a formal apology. The government officials reneged on their agreement.

Which should be a lesson to those south of the Canadian border who entertain thoughts of being able to "work things out" with the government.

IN MAY OF this year, a Price Waterhouse financial study commissioned by the Japanese Canadian group was completed, certifying the estimate of losses suffered by the Nikkei Canadians. The report provided some interesting and encouraging information: some 95% support the re-dress effort, and 71% favor individual compensation. And, yes, in Canada too there are those who do not support the redress effort of their Nikkei brethren. But no , be, related.



group in our society is called upon to function on 100 percent unanimity. And when it comes to minorities within a society, neither should such minorities be called upon to present a unanimous front.

Only in a completely totalitarian state is such a condition imposed, and even there they are not successful in attaining such an impossible state.

THE NIKKEI CANADIAN redress proposal calls for several remedial acts by their government: acknowledgement of the wrong; restoration of citizenship rights to those expatriated to Japan; clear the records of those convicted for refusal to observe banishment from their homes in British Columbia; \$25,000 individual compensation; \$50 million to a community fund; establishment of a Human Rights Foundation; and repeal or neutralizing of the War Measures Act so that it cannot be used again to inflict in-

justices on others in Canada. It will undoubtedly be a prolonged effort calling for fortitude and perseverance. As the Issei used to say, "Gambare."

ONE MAJOR OBSTACLE to the Canadian effort appears to have been a cabinet minister who was unsympathetic, if not antagonistic, to the Nikkei Canadians' quest for accounting and justice. But in a recent political upheaval, that particular minister was replaced. Presumably, the political shuffle will have improved the prospects for realization of the Nikkei's efforts up there.

But as the Issei also used to say, "Yudan sube karazu."

WE WISH OUR brethren north of the border our very best in their continuing quest. Among other things, I somehow have the feeling that our two fates are, and will



# A Double Standard?

## **BY THE** BOARD

#### by Yosh Nakashima

I'm putting on my hard hat and flak jacket after this article gets printed.

At the Chicago convention during the Women's Caucus luncheon, all the candidates were asked the same question, whether male or female. That may have been thought of as equal, but the question gave an edge to the women candidates. Equal opportunity and equal access for the women of JACL is important, but they must then be equally sensitive to everyone in reverse. Doesn't equal mean equal?

It is our assessment that an interesting observation about the Chicago meeting is that it was the women voters who supposedly gave the victory to the new national president. I don't have actual facts, but in discussions with a number of people who happened to be women, and who were perceived to have key votes, it was clear that they voted for the male candidate.

One could say that it was the qualifications and the candidate's point of view that received the vote, but many of the women who have stated clearly and categorically that it was time for

women within JACL to be given an opportunity to lead and be considered for higher office chose to vote otherwise. I think there is a double standard, and the saying "Do as I say, not as I do" seems to be in force to some degree.

You all had an excellent opportunity with a well qualified candidate, and in my mind you all didn't come through. The message I read is that men must be open and aggressively promote the cause for women, but women can be discriminating and choose otherwise. Somehow a double standard seems to apply, and I need to be convinced that there is a real feel for equality by many of the women within JACL.

As we have stated before, the women of JACL who are achievers and have a strong sense about themselves do not need the men to facilitate the process. They are fully capable of opening their own opportunities and have and will continue to lead and to assume positions of leadership without any special effort by the men. Those that have a true sense of self-confidence have few obstacles to advance themselves.

I urge a serious consideration of an effort to bring the women up to a level of sensitivity and awareness to advance the cause of women within JACL. We welcome your comments about your perception about what happened in Chicago. Can there be a generational gap?

# Breaking **Taboos** Is Hard to Do

#### by Edna Ikeda

At eight o'clock in the morning, I waited outside the auditorium with two hundred other people for the apprentice civil service exam. As I looked around the parking lot at the groups of tough-looking field workers, I wondered what I was doing here.

The apprentice positions offered people a chance for training in the areas of skilled trades: carpentry, plumbing, electrical, painting, etc. It offered paid schooling and a chance to become a journeyman in a chosen trade.

As my paranoia began to wear off, I noticed that there were also female office workers in line. It made me feel better that everyone wasn't a macho muscle man, and that quite a few women had applied. Nevertheless, I timidly stood in line and wondered how I would do in a trade.

When I was in high school (way in the dark ages), women rarely signed up for shop or men for home economics. I remember being in junior high and hearing the horrified reaction of my peers when a certain girl signed up for shop. For some reason, there was a terrible taboo about doing that ..

As a result, I never learned basic carpentry, plumbing, or welding. However, I can fix simple things using common sense and do a mean tape job on broken items. I can make a twenty-seven piece blazer, plaster holes in walls, and put shelving together by following directions.

Unfortunately, most mainte-nance people would scoff at these skills. I recently went to an interview for a position called equipment technician trainee. When they asked me about my ability to put things together, I told them about my twenty-seven piece blazer. When they asked me Continued on next page

# Wyoming Remembers

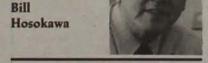
FROM THE **FRYING PAN** 

duced. It was first aired late last spring and received much critical acclaim. I saw it in Cody last June when Chester Blackburn, who had a video cassette copy, showed it for the benefit of the group that assembled for the dedication of the Heart Mountain war memorial. The other day KTWO, called K2 in Wyoming, sent me a copy and I saw the film again

primarily to a Wyoming audience -to let residents of the state know what happened there 40-odd years ago and more important, why. It also is of much wider interest. For those who went through the Evacuation, it covers familiar ground. But it is instructive to go over it again, and to hear the personal stories of individuals who were forced to leave their homes and found themselves confined behind barbed wire on the desolate benchlands, confused and angry but willing to make the best of a deplorable and unfair situation.

ters and Sansei playwrights, by authors and museum curators, and that is as it should be.

K2 is rightly proud of Bob Nellis's work and is making it available to schools and civic organizations. It deserves even wider viewing. Perhaps Bacon Sakatani, the moving force behind erection of the memorial honoring Heart Mountain's war dead, will want to get copies for circulation in Southern California.



Somewhat more than a year ago Bob Nellis of KTWO Television in Casper, Wyo., called to ask for help on a documentary he was planning on the Heart Mountain wartime relocation camp. Several weeks later he showed up in Denver with a cameraman. From the beginning it was obvious Nellis had done his homework. He knew the right questions to ask.

Nellis' quest for information took him to many parts of Wyoming, to the Los Angeles area, where numbers of former Heart Mountain internees now live, and to San Jose, where former Heart Mountaineers held a reunion last summer. To say the least, this kind of commitment by a small television station in a sparsely populated state was remarkable. So was the film that Nellis pro-

#### **Derived from Poem**

Titled "Winter in My Soul," the documentary was produced sensitively and sympathetically. It demonstrates once again the power of television which brings people who talk and pictures that move into the living room.

The title comes from a poem by a young evacuee, Miyuki Aoyama, first published in the Heart Mountain Sentinel: Snow upon the rooftop/Snow upon the coal; Winter in Wyoming-/Winter in my soul. It is an apt title, reflecting the physical and spiritual bleakness of the Heart Mountain experience. Ironically, the reading of those four lines in a somewhat accented voice results in one of the documentary's few false notes.

The documentary is directed

#### **Balanced View**

The documentary pulls no punches, recalling the failure of Wyoming's political leaders to cope with the problem. But it balances that by recognizing the selfless efforts of homesteaders like Chester and Mary Blackburn, who settled near the campsite, to memorialize the sacrifices of the evacuees.

Nearly a half century after the shame of the Evacuation, the subject is still very much alive. It is being kept alive by efforts such as those of K2 and other documentarians, by newspaper feature wri-



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# Freshman Recipients



#### California First Bank-\$1,000

Satomi Okazaki (Los Angeles) graduated first in her class from Westchester H.S. with a 4.0 GPA. Satomi's scholastic honors include National Merit commendation and UCLA Book Award.

Satomi was very active in high school as Calif. Scholastic Federation president, news editor for the school paper, and representative at the Washington D.C. Hands Across the Campus conference.

Outside of school, Satomi has studied ikenobo, Japanese, and classical piano for many years. This fall, she will attend Calif. Institute of Technology. She plans to pursue a career in engineering research.



#### California First Bank-\$1,000

Jennifer Ura (Watsonville, Calif.) graduated first in her class from Watsonville H.S. with a 4.0 GPA. Her scholastic honors include two student athlete awards, life membership in the Calif. Scholastic Federation and a silver medal in the Academic Decathalon. In high school, Jennifer served as student body president, secretary and member of the Executive Council.

Within the Japanese American community, Jennifer was president of the Watsonville Young Buddhist Assn., cochair of the Coast District Junior YBA Conference and a volunteer for JACL Senior Center activities. This fall she will attend Stanford University.



#### California First Bank-\$1,000

Anne Marie Ichiuji (Los Gatos, Calif.) graduated first in her class from Leigh H.S. with a 4.0 GPA. She has received many awards and honors for scholastic achievement, including National Merit commendation, 6th place in the Hokubei Mainichi Math Contest and Calif. Scholastic Federation life membership.

In high school, Anne held several offices in student government. She was editor-in-chief of the yearbook and a member of various clubs. Within the community, she has been involved in many church activities and in Rep. Norman Mineta's campaign. Anne plans to study medicine at UCLA. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

September, 1986

Congratulations to the JACL National Scholarship winners! The scholarship recipients can be proud of their award and of the recognition of their academic and community achievements.

Education is an important building block for a successful future, and I am glad that the JACL National Scholarship program offers these opportunities to so many students.

We must also salute the many dedicated scholarship committee members, nationally and locally, who contributed their efforts to the program.

Congratulations!

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#### Mr. & Mrs. Takashi Moriuchi-\$1,000

James Kumpel (West Hempstead, N.Y.) graduated first in his class from West Hempstead H.S. with a 100% weighted GPA. He has won numerous honors for writing, social studies and mathematics. He is a National Merit finalist and the recipient of the Princeton Book Award.

His high school activities include being National Honor Society president, Student Council Class chairman, radio broadcaster, newspaper reporter and member of Students Against Drunk Driving. He has also earned three varsity letters on the school tennis team.

James has researched, written and lectured on the WW2 internment of Japanese Americans. This fall, he will attend Cornell University's Industrial & Labor Relations School.



#### Mr. & Mrs. Takashi Moriuchi—\$1,000

Sarah Dohi (Westminster, Calif.) graduated fourth in her class with a weighted GPA of 4.58. Her group project for National History Day placed on the county, state and national levels. She has won outstanding student honors in English, social studies and science.

Sarah was very active in her high school student service club. She served as class secretary for two years and was a member of the freshman council.

Sarah has supervised canned food drives, volunteered at the Senior Citizens Center, led graffiti sweeps and coordinated youth volunteers in city events. She is involved with Selanoco JACL and is active within her church. This fall she will attend Stanford University.



#### South Park Japanese Community of Seattle—\$700

Thomas Tsutsumoto (Seattle) graduated first in his class from Ingraham H.S. with a 4.0 GPA. Thomas has received honors for academic achievement from the Hiroshima Club and the Nisei Veterans. He was also awarded outstanding achievement recognition for third-year Japanese.

for third-year Japanese. In high school, Thomas was a member of the cross-country track and gymnastic teams. He was also selected to attend the American Legion Boys State Program.

Thomas practices karate and kendo and plays in the Seattle Buddhist Scouts Drum and Bugle Corps. This fall he will attend University of Washington, where he will begin studies in the science of fisheries.



#### Kenji Kasai Memorial-\$700

Jennifer Fujii (Stockton, Calif.) graduated second in her class at Stagg H.S. with a 3.96 GPA. She has won many honors in speech, including 2nd place in expository speaking at the State Speech Tournament. Jennifer has also won awards as an active participant in several drama club productions.

For her community, she has worked with a children's theater group and performed at rest homes for the elderly. Though her avocational interests lie in the performing arts, her educational interests lie in the biological and behavioral sciences. Jennifer plans to study medicine at Stanford University starting in the fall.



#### Dr. Takashi Terami Memorial—\$600

Kathy Kubo (Sacramento) graduated sixth in her class from John F. Kennedy H.S. with a 3.96 GPA. Kathy was awarded the J.F.K. Most Outstanding Athlete/Scholar award and a Bank of America Plaque for Liberal Arts. She was also a finalist in the Sacramento Bee's Design-An-Ad competition.

Kathy has been involved in various high school activities as a member of the Math, Art and Creative Writers clubs.

Within the Asian American community, Kathy has served as the president of her church youth fellowship and was named the most improved and most outstanding percussionist of the Mardarins Drum and Bugle Corps. This fall she will attend UC Berkeley.





#### Mr. & Mrs. James Michener-\$500

Valerie Yoshimura (Chicago) graduated fourth in her class with a weighted GPA of 475. While attending Lincoln Park H.S., Valerie was enrolled in the International Baccalaureate accelerated program. She was president of the National Honor Society and a representative to a number of leadership seminars.

Valerie participated in the Japan-U.S. Senate Scholarship Program and was selected an an Illinois State Scholar. Valerie played varsity volleyball and softball. She was an executive council representative, senior advisor, biology tutor, and treasurer of Explorer Post 2847. This fall she will begin her studies in Biology at UC Santa Barbara.



#### Mr. & Mrs. James Michener-\$500

Steven Murakami (Shoreview, Minn.) graduated from Mounds View H.S. He was a member of the National Honor Society and a National Mathematics Awards winner. He earned an 11.675 GPA on a 12-point scale.

Steven was a reporter for the school newspaper and a member of the jazz band, mathematics team and soccer team. He was also active in student government as a student council representative

Outside of school, Steven is an active church member. He has also participated in Lake Region Hockey and was a finalist in a statewide piano competition. Steven has served as president and treasurer of the Twin Cities Japanese American Youths. This fall Steven will attend University of Minnesota.



#### Gongoro Nakamura Memorial—\$500

Robin Nagai (Fresno, Calif.) graduated first in her class from Bullard H.S. with a 4.0 GPA. Robin's scholastic achievements include recognition in geography and trigonometry and the "Girl of the Year" award from Fresno Unified School District.

In high school, Robin was very active in student government as class treasurer for two years, senior class president and student body vice-president and president.

Robin has won honors in piano performance and has placed in doubles tennis tournaments. Within the Japanese American community, she has been an active member and officer of the Junior Young Buddhist Assn. This fall Robin will attend UC Davis, where she will study business administration.



#### Majiu Uyesuge Memorial-\$500

Lori Kozuki (Parlier, Calif.) graduated third in her class from Reedly H.S. with a 3.9 GPA. In high school, she earned her academic letter and recognition as a scholar/athlete. Listed in Who's Who Among High School Students, Lori was junior class president and a member and officer of numerous clubs, including Calif. Scholastic Federation and an honorary girl's club for juniors and seniors.

Lori was also active in sports as a member of the varsity swim team and co-captain and All-League player of the varsity basketball team. Within the Japanese American community, Lori has been president of Parlier Jr. Young Buddhist Assn. as well as president of Central Calif. Jr. YBA. She was also a candidate for Miss Jr. Bussei. This fall, Lori will attend UC Davis.



#### Mitsuyuki Yonemura Memorial—\$500

David Hamamoto (Monterey Park, Calif.) graduated third in his class from Alhambra H.S. with a weighted GPA of 4.5. David's excellence in science has been noted in various achievements. He has been involved in a research project at Cal State L.A. He was a member of the Junior Academy of Sciences and a presenter at several national meetings.

David also served his school as president of the math and science clubs, vice-president of the service club, and a reporter and news editor for the school newspaper. This fall, he will attend UC Berkeley, where he will study biochemistry or developmental biology. He plans to pursue a career in industrial research involving biotechnology.

## FRESHMEN

#### Continued from page A



#### **Colonel Walter T. Tsukamoto** Memorial-\$500

Jamie Kawamura (Denver) graduated at the top of her class from Thomas Jefferson H.S. with a 3.9 GPA. Voted Outstanding Senior by the school faculty, Jamie was a United States National Journalism Award winner.

Within the community, Jamie has been very active with Simpson United Methodist Church. She was president of her church youth group and a Sunday school teacher. This fall, Jamie will begin her studies in business at University of Colorado.



#### CJAA Undergraduate—\$2,500

Mike Matsubayashi (Union City, Calif.) is an Alumni Scholar at UC Berkeley. His major is engineering science with the chosen option of bioengineering. Mike's scholastic achievements include membership in the UC Berkeley Honor Society and commen-dation by the National Merit Scholarship Federation.

Within the Asian American community, he has been active as an Eagle Scout, assistant scoutmaster and president of his church youth group. He also participates in intramural athletics.



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#### CJAA Undergraduate—\$2,500

Katherine Katsura (Parlier, Calif.) is a Junior at the UCLA. She is a Kinesiology major with a 3.81 GPA. Her college honors include Honor Status, Dean's List for five quarters, Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society and Chancellor's Award.

In her hometown, Katherine has been involved in the Asian American community as a member of Westside Asian Volleyball League, the JACL Basketball team and the JuniorYouth Buddhist Assn.



#### CJAA Undergraduate—\$2,500

Henry Isakari (Richmond, Calif.) is currently a sophomore at UC Berkeley. He is a business administration major with a 3.56 GPA. He has been active in the Asian American community as an Eagle Scout with Troop-Post 26, a member and officer of Berkeley Ohtani Youth Buddhist Assn., and a member and team captain of the Ohtani basketball and volleyball teams.

His most notable recent achievement is his Eagle Scout project, in which he organized a highly successful canned food drive for the San Francisco Kimochi Senior Citizens Home.



#### CJAA Undergraduate—\$2,500

Eileen Yamada (Goleta, Calif.) is majoring in mechanical engineering at UC Santa Barbara. She is a senior with an overall grade point average of 3.83. Eileen has earned numerous awards and honors for scholastic achievement. including recognition on the University Dean's List 10 out of 10 possible quarters and membership in three academic honor societies.

She has also been selected as one of 10 students to serve on the Chancellor's Student Advisory Council. Eileen plans to obtain a combined M.D.-Ph.D. in biomedical engineering

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#### Giichi Aoki Memorial-\$500

Yukon Maruyama (Richmond, Calif.) graduated first in his class at Pinole Valley H.S. with a 4.0 GPA. His scholastic achievements include numerous honors and awards in math and science. Yukon is a National Merit finalist with perfect math scores on his college board (Scholastic Aptitude and Achievement Tests).

In high school, Yukon was director of finance and a member of several clubs. He was also active in various sports including gymnastics, tennis, swimming and water polo. For his community, Yukon has volunteered for the Red Cross Special Olympics and food and blood drives. This fall, he will be attending Mass. Institute of Technology.



#### Sumitomo Bank of California Undergraduate \$1,000

Noriko Aso (Riverside, Calif.) is currently a student of East Asian studies with emphasis on Japan. She has just completed her third year at Yale University and expects to receive her B.A. next year. She has been a contributing writer, secretary, and copy editor for Asian American Journal at Yale. Noriko has also done work for the Yale Banner. She is a member of Asian American Students Assn., an Asian American women's study group and the Women of Color Alliance. She plans to pursue a career in journalism or publishing.



#### Saburo Kido Memorial-\$500

Keith Hora (Westminster, Colo.) is a junior at University of Colorado. He is a double-major in aerospace engineering and pre-med. Keith maintains a grade point average of 3.91. He has made the Dean's Honor Roll five consecutive semesters and is a member of two engineering honor societies

Keith is a student member of American Institute of Aeronautics & Astronautics and Asian Pacific American Coalition.

Within the community, he has been an active member of Simpson United Methodist Church as a young adult coordinator, Asian American summer camp counselor and summer Sunday school teacher. He is also active in soccer and basketball



#### JACL Undergraduate \_\_ \$500

Lynn Watanabe (Santa Cruz, Calif.) is a biology major at UC Santa Cruz. Lynn has earned recognition on the National Dean's List and membership with the Harvard Health Professions Program. She was a Cowell resident assistant and the UCSC biology undergraduate representative. Lynn is a cofounder of Asians in Science, and a member of Asian American Student Alliance and Japanese Student Alliance. She has worked for the city on a Hill newspaper and Chinquapin, a literary magazine. Lynn is credited with encouraging Asian students to become involved in dorm and college activities.



#### JACL Undergraduate \_\_ \$500

Isaac Kazato (Alameda, Calif.) will be a senior at UC Berkeley this fall. He is a chemistry major with a 4.0 GPA. Isaac is a UC Berkeley Regents Scholar and a member of three honor societies, including Phi Beta Kappa. He is also a member of numerous professional societies in the field of science.

Within the community, Isaac has worked for a health care clinic, provided music for convalescent and halfway homes, and volunteered at an elemen-tary school. He is also a very active member of Buena Vista United Methodist Church. Isaac is an accomplished pianist, having won numerous awards and honors in music. After finishing his undergraduate work, he plans to study medicine.







## HILDREN ARE GIFTED

#### Sumitomo Bank of California Freshman-\$500

Julia Senn (Vista, Calif.) graduated fifth in her class from San Marcos H.S. with a 3.94 GPA. She is a life member of Calif. Scholastic Federation and a member of Key Club, a community service organization.

This fall, Julia will attend Palomar Community College. She plans to continue her studies in genetic engineering at UC San Diego.

#### **Kyutaro** Abiko Memorial-\$500

Jill Araki (Kaneohe, Hawaii) is a liberal studies, pre-law student at Uni-versity of Hawaii at Manoa. She has just completed her third year of undergraduate studies, maintaining a 4.0 GPA. She is part of a selected studies honors program and a member of two freshman honor societies. Jill is also involved in pre-law and forensic societies. She plans to pursue a career in criminal law, though she is also considering civil law.

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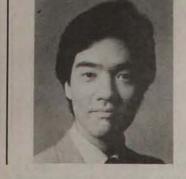
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#### Magoichi & Shizuko Kato Memorial—\$500

Midori Takagi (Washington, D.C.) is in her second year of the History Masters Program at American University. She received her B.A. in history from Oberlin College. She is currently working on her thesis on JACL's participation in the civil rights movement.

Midori has been an active participant and co-coordinator of Asian American Alliance at Oberlin and has organized educational workshops concerning Asian issues for both the college and surrounding community. Presently, she is involved in Organization of Asian Women and various fundraisers in the New York Asian community.



#### Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara Creative Arts—\$5,000

Ken Mochizuki (Seattle) is an accomplished writer, director, actor and musician. He is a reporter for International Examiner, an Asian American community newspaper. Ken wrote, directed and starred in the film "Beacon Hill Boys," which was honored by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. He is a composer, arranger, principal soloist and flute player for Seattle Taiko. He has also performed in film, stage and television.

Ken's creative arts project involves the production of a play and the writing of a novel about experiences of Asian American Vietnam veterans. ROBERT T. MATSUI

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#### Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

August 25, 1986

Dear Friends:

It is my distinct pleasure to extend congratulations to the 1986 Japanese American Citizens League National Scholarship winners for their academic excellence.

In light of the unprecedented challenges arising from the vast changes taking place in our society, the importance of an advanced education is greater now than ever before. The JACL National Scholarships, made available by private citizens, civic organizations, and local businesses, will help young scholars on their way to meet those challenges.

I wish to commend the JACL, and in particular the National Scholarship Committee, on this act of public service.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT T. MATSUI Member of Congress



#### Dr. Thomas T. Yatabe Memorial—\$500

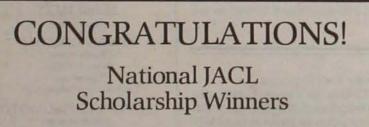
Laura Miyashiro (Long Beach, Calif.) will attend Waseda University in Tokyo this fall. She is a physical therapy student at CSU Long Beach. Laura has earned recognition on the Dean's Honor List and President's Honor List. She has worked with the Huntington Valley Convalescent Hospital and volunteered with the Crippled Children's Society and the university's disabled students' center. Upon her return to the U.S. next year, she plans to continue her education and receive a license as a physical therapist.



#### Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara Creative Arts—\$,5000

Judy Hiramoto (San Francisco) has been sculpting in ceramics for 15 years. She has a minor in ceramics along with a B.A. in literature from Antioch University, but most of her present technique is self-taught. Judy's work has been exhibited worldwide. Her numerous solo and group shows have received laudatory reviews

Judy feels that her creations embody Asian people. Her creative arts project, which involves creating ceramic sculptures that embody Japanese American cultural values, is expected to be ready for exhibition in June 1987.



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#### Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara Graduate-\$5,000

Paula Kane Robinson Arai (Cambridge, Mass.) is now in her fourth year of graduate studies at the Harvard Graduate School of Arts & Sciences. She is pursuing a program of comparative religion with a major in the Japanese Buddhist tradition and a minor in contemporary Christian theology. She expects to receive her Ph.D. in 1991.

She has already earned her B.A. in music and religion from Kalamazoo College and her Masters of Theological Studies from Harvard Divinity School. During her undergraduate work, Paula studied in Japan for one year at Waseda University.



#### Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara Graduate—\$5,000

Mika Hiramatsu (San Francisco) is currently attending medical school at UC San Francisco. She received her B.S. in genetics with highest honors from UC Berkeley.

Mika was elected Phi Beta Kappa and awarded premier undergraduate scholarships. Her undergraduate activities range from holding a seat in the University Senate, to doing laboratory research in genetics Mika has also been very active in the

Mika has also been very active in the Asian American community, serving as JACL National Youth Council Chair and the No. Calif.-W. Nev.-Pacific District Youth Delegate to the 1984 JACL National Convention.



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#### Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara Graduate—\$5,000

Bruce Kimura (San Diego) is currently attending medical school at UC San Diego. He graduated with distinction from UC Berkeley with an A.B. in medical physics. His undergraduate honors include an Alumni Scholarship, membership with the Honor Society, and recognition on the University Dean's List.

Bruce is also involved in athletics. He has worked as a fitness consultant, a health instructor and a tennis director and instructor at various clubs and parks. He has also done laboratory research in the field of biophysics and volunteered in a hospital emergency room.

Congratulations! 1986 National JACL Scholarship Winners

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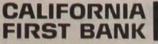


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the 1986 National JACL Scholarship Award Winners

ANN MARIE ICHIUJI Daughter of Harry & Hideko Ichiuji, Los Gatos, Calif. JENNIFER EILEEN URA Daughter of Ernest & Esther Ura, Watsonville, Calif.

SATOMI OKAZAKI Daughter of Kaichi Okazaki, Los Angeles, Calif.





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#### CJAA Graduate—\$2,500

Marjorie Singer (Los Angeles) is currently working toward a Ph.D. in anthropology at UCLA. Marjorie graduated Summa Cum Laude from San Francisco State University with a B.S. in nursing. She then went on to receive her M.N. in nursing from UCLA.

She is a member of several professional and honor societies and has held administrative positions with CSU Northridge and the American Cancer Society. Her doctoral dissertation project studies the relationship between ethnicity and adaptation to cancer treatment. She is married to Peter Singer and the mother of two children.



#### CJAA Graduate—\$2,500

Patsy Nishina (Davis, Calif.) is a Ph.D. candidate at UC Davis. She is a nutrition major with an overall GPA of 3.95. She earned her Bachelor of Education degree with honors at University of Hawaii at Manoa.

Throughout her academic career, Patsy has won many honors and awards, including membership in both an agricultural and a home economics honor society and the American Dietetic Assn. At Davis, she has served as a teaching assistant for physiological chemistry and a research assistant. Patsy is also active in a special tutorial service and has been credited with helping minority students stay in school and enhancing their interest in the field of science.



#### CJAA Graduate—\$2,500

Douglas Hasu (Sacramento) is a third year student at UC Davis Medical School. He earned his A.B. in biology at Harvard University. Douglas's scholastic honors include numerous scholarships for his undergraduate work. He has served as both a member and officer of the Asian American Student Assn. and the Japanese Cultural Society at Harvard.

As a medical student at Davis, Douglas works extensively with the studentrun Asian Clinic, which provides free medical care for members of the Sacramento Asian American community. He eventually hopes to organize a similar Asian clinic in the Los Angeles area. Douglas is particularly concerned with the medical needs of the Issei.



#### CJAA Graduate—\$2,500

Teresa Morishita (Davis, Calif.) is currently studying veterinary medicine at UC Davis, where she expects to receive her D.V.M. in 1989. She has a professional school GPA of 4.0. Teresa earned her B.S. with distinction and her M.S. in animal science from University of Hawaii.

Her long list of scholastic achievements range from honors in French to awards and recognition from several honor societies. Teresa is a member of numerous student groups in the field of veterinary medicine. She also does volunteer work with her church, a convalescent home and the Special Olympics.



#### Sumitomo Bank of California Graduate—\$1,000

Elizabeth Ann Itakura (Oakland, Calif.) is currently studying international relations at Yale University. She earned her A.B. in history from UC Berkeley where she was an Alumni Scholar and an East Asian Studies Institute Fellowship recipient. She also received UC Berkeley's Outstanding Senior Recognition.

Elizabeth has worked extensively on relations between Japan and the U.S. She has participated in the Japan-America Student Conference in both America and Japan. She was chair of the Asian Pacific Joint Council and a member of the board of directors for the Oakland-Fukuoka Sister City Society.



#### Nisaburo Aibara Memorial— \$1,000

Beverly Lee (Honolulu) is presently a student in the Masters of Library Science Degree Program at University of Hawaii at Manoa. She has a Bachelor of Education degree and a Professional Diploma in Secondary Math Education. For almost 10 years, Beverly taught math at Mid-Pacific Institute until she took an academic leave of absence to study library science.

At the University, Beverly is a member of Ke Anuenue, a senior women's honor sorority, and treasurer of Hui Dui, a library science student organization. She also volunteers as a computer lab assistant and serves as a graduate assistant to two library science professors.



Aiko Susanna Tashiro Hiratsuka Memorial—\$800

Mary Watanabe (Salt Lake City) has recently been accepted into the Doctoral Program in Music at Julliard School of Music. She has already received both her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Julliard in piano performance. She made her piano soloist debut with the Utah Symphony at age nine. She has since won numerous awards and honors in music.

In the three national competitions Mary entered, she placed first, second and third. Most recently, she won the Schumann Concerto Competition at Julliard and performed the same work with the Julliard Symphony in Alice Tully Hall.



#### Thomas T. Hayashi Law-\$700

Stanley Nakashima (Salt Lake City) will be entering the University of Utah College of Law this fall. He has a B.A. in social science-psychology from UC Irvine (Calif.) and an M.S. in clinical psychology from University of Utah.

As a graduate student, Stanley was an American Psychological Assn. Minority Fellow. Presently, he is an advisor to both the Center for Ethnic Student Affairs and the Asian Students Assn. He intends to use his education in law to promote the rights and welfare of the Asian and other ethnic minorities in his community.



Rev. H. John Yamashita Memorial—\$500

Glenn Kanamori (Alexandria, Va.) is currently working toward an M.D. at Howard University Medical School. He has already received his B.A. in psychobiology from UCLA and his D.D.S. from the College of Dentistry at Howard. Glenn has been very active within the medical community as a volunteer at the Metropolitan Health Fair, a member of the Professional Educational Committee of the American Cancer Society, and president of St. George's Society of Howard University.

His numerous honors and awards include scholarships from the university and a Special Student Service Award.



The 1986 National Scholarship biographies were compiled by **Mimi Murase**, a student intern at National JACL Headquarters in San Francisco. She is a sophomore at UC Berkeley, majoring in political science and Asian American studies.

Seattle JACL congratulates KEN MOCHIZUKI 1986 Recipient Henry & Chiyo Kuwahara Creative Arts Scholarship THOMAS TSUTSUMOTO 1986 Recipient South Park Japanese Community of Seattle Scholarship

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## **A/P Women to Receive Scholarships**

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif.—Four students will be honored Sept 14 at a scholarship benefit reception sponsored by Asian Pacific women's Network-Los Angeles Advisory Council at the home of executive committee member Recipients of \$1,000 scholarships are Cherie Pae, an entering psychology/biology student at Westmont College in Santa Barbara; Chiew Eng, an entering prelaw student at Mt. St. Mary's College in Doheny; Wen-Chan Huang, UCLA; and Colleen Tani, an entering clinical social welfare graduate student at UC Berkeley. APWN, founded in 1980, is a non-profit and non-partisan organization that seeks to provide encouragement and support to

#### Marina IACL

Asian Pacific women.

Tickets to the reception are \$100 (sponsor), \$50 (friend), or \$35 (guest). Checks payable to APWN Scholarship Fund should be sent to: 3441/2 N. Concord St., Glendale, CA 91203.

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# An Active Second Year

#### by Harry Kajihara **LEC Fund Drive Chair**

The second year of LEC's threeyear fund drive was launched with a tremendously successful Americans for Fairness dinner. The event was chaired by Cressey Nakagawa, president of San Francisco Chapter; co-chairs were Frank Damrell, Pamela Duffy, Patricia DiGiorgio, and Jerome Falk. The dinner added \$50,000 to the fund drive coffers, according to an article in the July 18 PC.

Meanwhile, the individual and chapter donations two months into the second year of the LEC Fund Drive total \$26,212.60. Prime solicitor Cherry Kinoshita of Seattle raised \$7,050 in those two months, bringing her total to nearly \$12,000. She leads all prime solicitors in amounts raised. A full listing of donors appears on this page.

#### Sacramento Event

Eight Northern Calif.-Western Nev.-Pacific District chapters-Florin, French Camp, Lodi, Marysville, Placer, Reno, Sacramento and Stockton-are planning to sponsor an LEC Fund Drive event on Nov. 29 in Sacramento. This event is being chaired by past National JACL President Jerry Enomoto and vice-chaired by Mary Tsukamoto, just named as JACLer of the Biennium.

#### Words of Appreciation

The LEC Board approved a project to express appreciation to the 1,500-plus donors who contributed to the LEC Fund Drive during the first year. LEC/JACL redress lapel pins were sent to each. Ventura County Chapter undertook the packaging and mailing work. Thank you, Ann

Asaoka, Michi Hirai, Janet Kajihara, Dorothy Russ, Mary Sakazaki, and Dorene Tsukida.

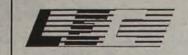
The pin is shaped like the scroll on which the original U.S. Consitution was written. The tiein is that redress is a constitutional issue. "Redress" runs diagonally across the face of the pin, and "LEC" and "JACL" are embossed to identify the organization

A terrific use for this pin is to wear it at social gatherings, conferences, meetings, etc. When a person asks you about the pin, it presents a perfect opportunity to tell him/her about redress, the camp experience, fund-raising, etc. Mollie Fujioka, NCWNP governor, received a donation right on the spot from a supervisor. Others have told me of similar experiences.

#### **First-Year Report**

A 33-page LEC Annual Report covering the first year of LEC operation was distributed to the delegates at the National Convention in Chicago. This report covers the progress made in advancing redress, legislative strategy, goals met and not met (and reasons why), funds raised, funds spent, and the total activities of LEC. Those who submitted reports include LEC chair Min Yasui, executive director Grayce Uyehara, legislative strategist Grant Ujifusa, treasurer Shig Wakamatsu and myself.

All chapter presidents, please feel it is your duty and responsibility to ask your delegate(s) to the convention to bring this report to your next board meeting and have all board members review, glance at, or-at minimum -fan through the 33 pages. Thank you.



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- LETTERS

#### Small Price to Pay

Editor's note: The following letter was received in response to Bob Shimabukuro's Aug. 22 column, "Asian Groom Catalog."

Well, Bob, \$350 is a small price to pay to really find the right man. The real problem is that these wonderful "raw diamonds" would never get themselves down to your Groom Headquarters to enroll in the program! The only way this would work is for you to be a roving Allen Funt (as in "Candid Camera").

It seems even our more gregarious brothers need to be hit over the head with a baseball bat or seduced when they're drunk, or both. But keep trying-if you get any takers, I get first dibs. There's a lot of us waiting to write out those \$350 checks!

NAME WITHHELD

#### **BREAKING TABOOS**

Continued from previous page

about my mechanical abilities, I told them I could operate a sewing machine.

Then they asked me how I functioned at heights. I froze at this question. How could I tell them that my height limit was the top rung of a stepladder? I shivered as I tried to explain why I would feel semi-confident walking on a beam a hundred feet in the air with only a safety belt.

#### **Phobias Galore**

At least I was straightforward about confined spaces. How could I hide my aversion to them, when I get claustrophobia in small restrooms? Needless to say, I did not get the maintenance position. However, I decided to give the apprenticeship position a crack after attending an orientation program where I saw women who did carpentry, fixed radios, and welded.

It was especially inspiring to see other minority women in the trades, including those who had broken out of the office routine. Who knows-some years from now I too may be one of them!

# In Chicago, a Common Past and Present

#### by Fae Minabe

"But hey, I know your cousin

gether, and part of what keeps people coming back to the convention year after year, often on

ment to working together in the next biennium. Redress is still our number-one priority, and the

**ONE THING** LEADS TO ANOTHER Bob Shimabukuro

After writing the column about the Asian groom catalog, and wondering about the status of Asian males, I was informed by my brother that Ron Darling was on the cover of the latest Gentleman's Quarterly, the magazine time. Discrimination!

But what can you say about discrimination when the guy's making over \$400,000? And getting modeling jobs to boot.

And after Lynch was traded to earn his \$550,000 in Wrigley Field with the Cubs, what more was there to say? After all, the Mets are on track to be World Champs, while the Cubs are on track to be, well... the Cubs. (And now I'll probably hear from all the people in Chicago.)

But the assumption that Darling is happy with the Mets may be misleading. The sportswriters love to play up his Yale background, emphasizing that he is having problems with Mets manager Davey Johnson because he is smarter than his manager. Johnson reportedly does not like anybody on the team to be smarter than him. That's one version.

# The Darling of the Mets

# Al Ogawa, John Okita, Mi-yoko Oku, Robert/Miyoko Oku, Aya Okubo, Masaaki/ Esther Ono, Dorothy Ota, Joseph/Asami Oyama, Ken-neth Oye, Margaret Rasmus-sen, Roxanne Reneau, Vir-gita/Reneau Reneau, Vir-gita/Reneau Reneau, Karol Rhody, James/Gayle Riley, Kim Sakada, Cheri Sakai, C.S./Hideko Sakai, Eileen Saki, Hisaye Sasaki, Mark/ Doris Sese, Robert/Harue Shellito, George/Toshiko Shimizu, Kikuo/Tamaye Shi-moda, Hirosh/Mitsue Shin-moto, Odell/Dorothy Sylves-ter, Larry Takahashi, Rita Takashi, Natsuko Takaki, Jerry Takemoto, Charlotte Tamura, Thomas Tanaka, Gordon/Joan Tani, Reagan Taniguchi, Sam/Chiyo Tani-guchi, Takeso/Marie Tani-guchi, Takeso/Marie Tani-guchi, Takeso/Marie Tani-guchi, Ryomi/Lilly Tanino, Akimasa/Kiyoko Tanji, Wen-dy Teichert, Flora Tsuda, Marelle Tsukamoto, Dorene Tsukida, Miyo Uchiyama, George Ujiye, Clara Ukai, David Uyehara, Hiroshi/ Grayce Uyehara, George Waegell, Jue Ann Wah, Larry/Munel Wakayama, Janis Wakimoto, Roxanne Wakino, T Ward, Masako Watanabe, Nancy Watson, Cal/Marianne West, Ken-neth/Lenore Wurtzel, Fred Yamaguchi, Harold/Tomiko Yamaguchi, Harold/Tomiko Yamaguchi, Harold/Tomiko

for men's fashions. Could that really be? An Asian male on the cover of a fashion magazine? Are times really changing?

For the uninitiated, Darling is a member of the New York Mets first-class pitching staff who happens to be of Chinese-Hawaiian-French-English ancestry, a Yale graduate in Asian Studies, and makes in the neighborhood of \$400,000 a year.

Until his marriage in January, he was considered one of the most eligible men in the country. And, at the beginning of the season, he was considered the Mets' No. 2 pitcher, behind Dwight Gooden.

I was going to do a piece earlier this year after the arbitration hearings on players' salaries during which Darling was shortchanged by his arbitrator's decision. Jerry Lynch, another Mets pitcher, received a little more than Darling, and his record wasn't even close to Darling's. Aha! I thought to myself at the

Another version is offered by Darling himself, who feels that Johnson treats him like a No. 2 son, behind No. 1 son Gooden. Johnson apparently is never satisfied with what Darling does, saying that he can do much better. Quick to criticize, slow to praise. Johnson must have some Japanese blood in him.

Another report on the conflict says that Johnson thinks Darling thinks too much. Now that's a change. When I was playing baseball as a child and suffering from a chronic problem of always throwing to the wrong base, my coach used to yell at me all the time: "Think, Bob, for God's sake, think!" Are coaches different now? Maybe they are, at least in the big leagues. Maybe times have changed.

Your mother and I went to grammar school together ... " "I remember your dad from camp ""It's been years, but do you know ....

This was my first National JACL Convention, and frankly, I was uncertain of what to expect. At first there was the tentativeness of others having to meet another "aggressive New Yorker." But once into the Nikkei "Do You Know" game, I found myself caught up in the warm comfort of a common ground and a shared past upon which new friendships could be built and old relationships made to flourish.

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Wondering why I don't play the same game outside of the JA community, it occurred to me that this is not really a "game" but a means of belonging for a people once isolated emotionally and physically from the rest of the world. It's part of the historical glue that keeps JACL to-

their own time and expense. Having now seen and felt the emotional importance of JACL, it's clear to me that the organization does indeed have a future.

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I can't remember when I've seen so many sets of bloodshot eyes. Candidates and campaign committees were surviving on two or three hours of sleep a night. The rest of us were just out late over a drink with old friends or partying with new ones. Nonetheless, the excitement of the convention kept everybody going, and by the last day the air was charged with campaign hopes and promises, or maybe just coffee jitters.

The politicizing was fast and furious, and in the end the more organized group secured positions for their candidates. Doing your homework really pays off. There were a few surprises, a few tears, but most heartening was a convention-wide commitnewly elected officers are committed to seeing it through, but they need your help. Your congressman needs to hear from you.

Convention dinners are generally pretty dull stuff. But when you're honoring Walt and Mil-dred Woodward (of Bainbridge Island), Ellison Onizuka (his wife Lorna accepting), and Congressman (and next Speaker of the House) Jim Wright of Texas, pride comes quickly and a jumble of emotions and tears soon follow.

To hear and meet each of the "honorary leaders" of JACLand they are leaders, even if selfelected through their actionswas a gift that each of us was able to bring home.

Clearly, we have some very special friends.

Minabe is New York Chapter vice president and Eastern District Council vice governor.

# **Chapter Pulse**

#### TULARE COUNTY

•Bingo dinner fundraiser is set for Sept. 20 at Visalia Buddhist Church Annex, 514 E. Center St. Dinner will be served from 5:30-7 p.m. and bingo games begin at 7:30. Tickets, \$15 per person and \$25 per couple, include dinner and bingo cards. No tickets will be sold at door. For bingo only, the charge is \$10.

#### FRESNO

•Annual picnic takes place Sept. 6, 11 a.m.4 p.m., at Parkview Shelter in Woodward Park. Cost is \$3.50 each and includes a steak lunch. Children under 12 will be given free hot dogs. RSVP to Don Kanesaki, (209) 435-6510.

#### SAN MATEO

 Annual golf tournament will be held Sept. 7, beginning at noon, at Tony Lema Golf Course in San Leandro. Info: Vince Asai, (415) 349-3590 or (415) 342-5726.

#### NEW MEXICO

 Potluck dinner meeting is scheduled for Sept. 14, 5:30 p.m., at Faith Lutheran Church, 10000 Spain NE. Agenda items include discussion of LEC and Summerfest activities.

Founded Scholarship Committee

# Nakamura, Leader in JACL, Seabrook Communities, Dies

BRIDGETON, N.J. — Longtime JACL 1000 Club member and community leader Kiyomi Nakamura, 70, passed away July 30 following an extended illness.

He was an active member of Bridgeton Lion's Club, a past president of Seabrook JACL, and a founding member of the National JACL Thomas T. Hayashi Memorial Law Scholarship Committee, which he served on for over 10 years.

Nakamura also served on the original guideline committee for Bridgeton High School's ecumenical baccalaureate service and was instrumental in the formation of Seabrook Young Buddhist Assn.

He was born in Fowler, Calif., and graduated from Fowler High School in 1936. During WW2, Nakamura married Ellen Ayako Noguchi in Jerome, Ark, where both had been interned. In June 1944, the newlyweds became the first of many families to relocate to Seabrook Farms in New Jersey.

#### Studied by Night

Nakamura spent the initial years working as a cost accountant at Seabrook. During that time, he attended evening classes at Wharton School of Law & Finance, University of Pennsylvania for seven years.

In 1957, he joined William Thos. Athey & Co. CPA of Bridgeton and was employed by the firm as a senior staff accountant until his death.

The final rites held Aug. 4 at Seabrook Buddhist Temple Rev. Shingetsu Akahoshi from Osaka. Rev. Eijun Kujo of Tri-State Buddhist Temples in Denver spoke on behalf of the relatives and F. Alan Palmer of Deerfield, N.J., gave the eulogy,

Nakamura is survived by his wife Ellen, son Kennon, grandchildren Gregory and Maya Nakamura of Burke, Va., brother Tokio Tom of Fowler, sisters Fusaye Tanaka, Betty Kajioka and Natsuko Ishii, all of Sacramento, and several nieces and nephews.

## **Golf Winners**

SEATTLE-Winners of the 15th annual Seattle Chapter JACL 1000 Club Golf Tournament, held at Jefferson Park on July 27, were Dick Yamasaki with a net 65 and Kiyo Sakahara with a net 66. They were each given the perpetual trophy during an awards dinner at Perry Ko's South China Restaurant and will co-chair the event next year.

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# Nikkei Newsmakers



Joseph Y. Yamada, president of the San Diego landscape, architectural and land planning firm of Wimmer, Yamada & Associates, has been honored by the California Council of Landscape Architects for his "outstanding service to the profession and community." His projects have included Sea World Phase I, UC San Diego, Reville and Muir College campuses, Embarcadero Marina Park, and Plaza at La Jolla.



Dale Minami, San Francisco attorney and civil rights activist, has been presented the Coro Foundation's 1986 Investment in Leadership Award for "dynamic leadership and active community involvement." A partner in the law firm of Minami & Lew, he has a 15-year history of working for the legal, social and political rights of the Asian Pacific American community.



Carol Kawanami, mayor of Villa Park, has been named winner of the American Lung Assn. of California's Pottenger Award for "outstanding service in the fight against lung disease." A registered nurse, Kawanami has been an active member of the American Lung Assn. since 1971. She has served on virtually every program, administration, fund-raising and public relations committee for that organization.

# **Company K Veterans to Hold Reunion in S.F.**

SAN FRANCISCO - Members of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team's Company K Club will be checking into the Kyoto Inn for their 10th anniversary reunion Sept. 25-30.

Several Company K veterans and their wives met on Nov. 13, 1976 for their first reunion since the end of WW2. At that time, the Company K Club was formed, and its members have been meeting every year since then.

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Highlights of this year's six-day reunion will include the participation of representatives from the French towns of Bruyeres, Sospel and L'Escarene, where the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the 100th Battalion suffered their greatest casualties.

Company K veterans interested in attending the reunion are asked to contact club secretary Harry Nakabe, 1382 32nd Ave., San Francisco, CA 94122.

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# **Preventive Measures Urged to Curb Violence**

#### by Sophia Kim Korea Times

LOS ANGELES-Growing anti-Asian violence in America was the topic of an Aug. 25 seminar in which community leaders wrestled with the problem from different angles.

There seemed to be a consensus from all present that the problem is a serious one that needs to be addressed not only by the Asian community, but by mainstream America as well.

Stewart Kwoh, executive director of Asian Pacific American Legal Center, listed what he felt were factors contributing to growing anti-Asian sentiment across the country:

· America's economic uncertainty caused by a trade imbalance with Japan and other Asian countries;

 Hysteria against immigrants; Media stereotyping of Asians that perpetuates negative attitudes

tween different groups for scarce local resources;

receive special government benefits unavailable to non-Asians.

the Los Angeles County Human Relations Commission, Kwoh noted that in 22 documented racially motivated incidents so far this year, 11 of the victims were Asians, making them "the most victimized ethnic group" in the county

The mainstream media has provided "fairly balanced coverage" of the issue, but "do not cover the problem often enough' and tend to view it as a "local problem," said J.K. Yamamoto, assistant editor of Pacific Citizen.

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media's practice, Asian community newspapers treat anti-Asian violence as "a national problem" and play "a monitoring role," he said.

"The way we treat anti-Asian violence in the Asian American newspapers is the way the mainstream media treat the Tylenol poisonings," Yamamoto elaborated. In both cases, he said, "every reader is concerned about it and every reader considers himself a potential victim."

John Saito, Pacific Southwest District JACL regional director, discussed the findings and recommendations of the state Attorney General's Commission on Racial, Ethnic, Religious and Minority Violence, of which he is a member.

Established in 1984, the commission held hearings throughout the state to obtain an accurate assessment of the problem. Among the recommendations the commission came up with:

• Training for police officers and district attorneys to teach them how to respond to racially motivated crime:

· Creation of a public awareness program;

 Establishing a comprehensive criminal justice policy for responding to and preventing hate crime, including penalties to deter it.

Officer Ben Lee of the Los Angeles Police Dept's Asian Task Force talked about some of the problems encountered by officers when they deal with Asian immigrants.

The Asian Task Force, currently made up of 12 officers, was formed in 1975, when the city began experiencing a growing population of Koreans, Chinese and Thais but did not have the resources to deal with them.

The biggest obstacle back then

was getting victims to step forward and report crimes, he said, and even now the same problem still exists. To encourage Asian immigrants to report crimes, the LAPD set up two storefront police offices in Koreatown and Chinatown in 1982.

Dr. Lucie Cheng, director of UCLA's Asian American Studies Center, felt that education could play an important role in helping non-Asians better understand the Asian community.

Kwoh reiterated one of the recommendations of Saito's commission as another solution. "If the law enforcement agencies are responsive in terms of monitoring, we will have the hard data to see where the problem really is," he said.

The seminar, held at the downtown Pacific Bell building, was sponsored by Asian American Journalists Assn. and Asian Pacific Women's Network.

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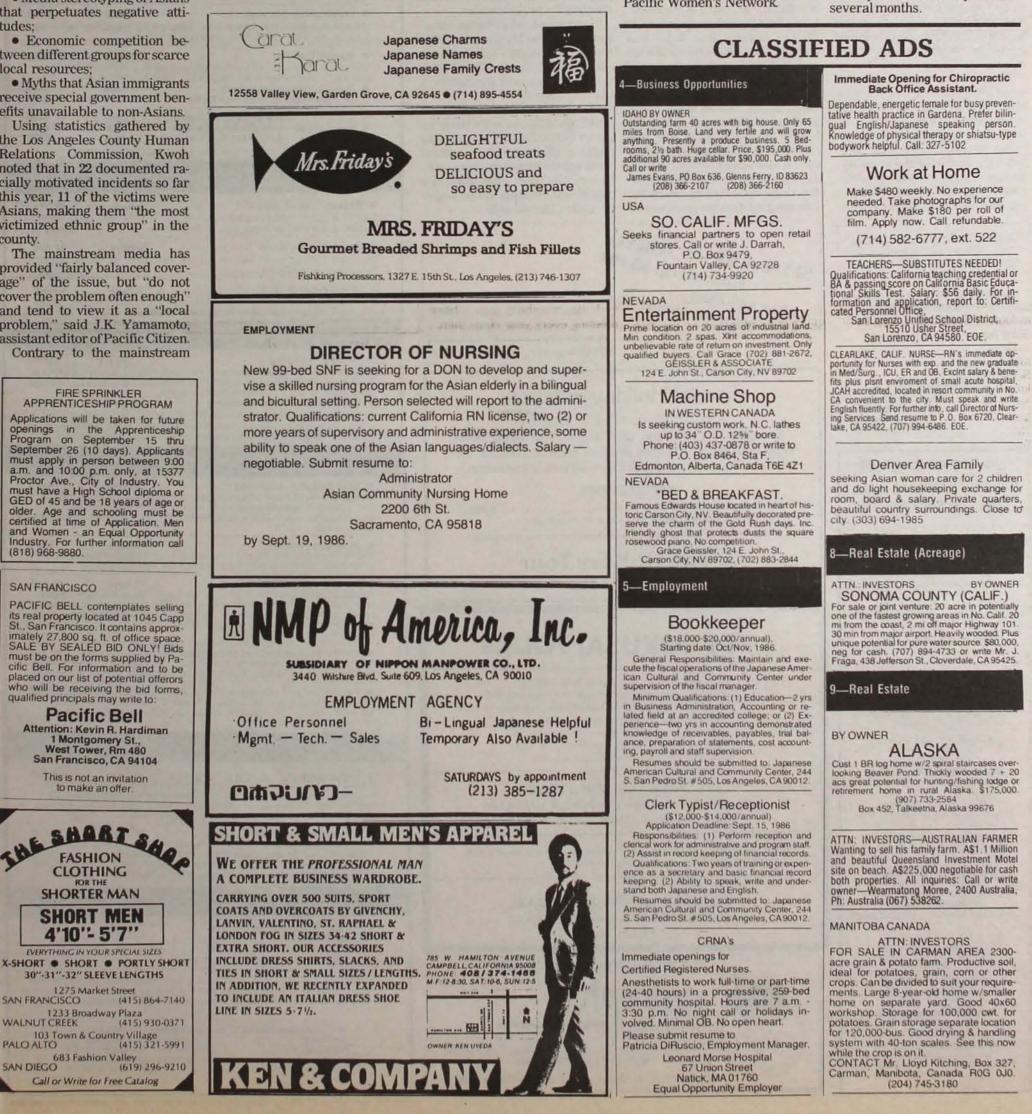
First, the district court found the 1948 Evacuation Claims Act constitutionally deficient as the exclusive remedy, contrary to the government's contention that payments made under the act provided just compensation.

Second, the appeals court moved the commencement of the statute of limitations, which is normally six years, to July 1980, when the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians was formed. The government had maintained that former internees could have sued the government in the years immediately following WW2.

#### **Final Hurdle**

NCJAR seeks to have the Supreme Court removed the third and final hurdle: sovereign immunity, which requires that the government consent to be sued before it can be sued.

The Supreme Court's response to the petition is not expected for



## **Two Little Tokyo Churches Named** as Monuments

LOS ANGELES - The Cultural Heritage Commission of the city's Cultural Affairs Dept. voted July 2 to declare the old Los Angeles Hompa Hongwanji Buddhist Temple and Japanese Union Church, both in Little Tokyo, as Historic-Cultural Monuments.

Hompa Hongwanji, also known as Nishi Hongwanji, is located at 355-369 E. 1st St. and 109-119 N. Central Ave. Created by architect Edgar Cline, it was declared a monument because of the importance of its exterior and sanctuary, which bring together design elements of Eastern and Western architecture.

#### Built in 1920s

The temple, which was dedicated in 1925, is also noted for its significance to the history of the Japanese American community in Los Angeles. In addition to being a religious and cultural institution, it also served as temporary shelter for Japanese Americans released from the wartime internment camps

The building has been vacant since 1969, when the congregation moved to a new facility on 1st and Vignes streets. A 50-year lease on the temple is being negotiated between the Dept. of General Services (the owner of the property) and the Japanese American National Museum, which wants to use the building to house a perm-

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Photo by J.K. Yamamoto The old Nishi Hongwanji in L.A.'s Little Tokyo opened over 60 years ago.

anent collection of historical documents and artifacts relating to the JA experience.

The Japanese Union Church, located at 120 N. San Pedro St., was declared a monument because it is a notable example of ecclesiastical neoclassical architecture in the Los Angeles area. It too was an important religious institution in the local JA community

Designed by architect H.M. Patterson, the building was dedicated in 1923. During WW2, it was a religious and social center for Blacks from the South who had moved into buildings left vacant by the internment. After the war, the church became a housing resource for returning ex-internees. The congregation has since moved

to a new building on 3rd and San Pedro streets.

East West Players, an Asian American theater company presently based in east Hollywood, has proposed to use the now-vacant building for performances.

The designation of the two structures requires City Council confirmation. The council's Recreation. Library & Cultural Affairs Committee will consider the matter in the near future.

The addition of the Little Tokyo buildings to the list of 308 Historic-Cultural Monuments is part of an ongoing effort by the Cultural Heritage Commission to preserve historically and architecturally significant creation in Los Angeles. Info: (213) 485-2433

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Blackman remarked that this case was "an isolated circumstance."

Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.), who is author of a bill aimed at changing current immigration law, pointed out that the law as it now stands is "clearly in violation of the Helsinki Accords on freedom of travel for those with different ideological beliefs. It makes America look bad."

John H. Marburger 3d, president of SUNY Stony Brook, suggested that the processes could

be simplified. "A person from a friendly country should have access to information regarding the charges against him," he said.

"Universities often have problems with the State Department and the Immigration Services when they try to bring in scholars, scientists and artists," said Marburger. "I think if that process can be simplified as a result of this case, it would help us all."

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