

The World War II Incarceration of Japanese Americans: A Case for Redress

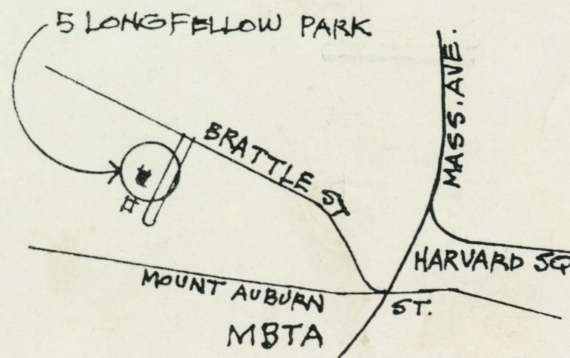
SUNDAY, MAY 4, 1980 12:45 - 5:00 P.M.

CAMBRIDGE FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE
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- 12:45 - 1:15 NISEI: THE PRIDE AND THE SHAME. CBS Documentary Film narrated by Walter Cronkhite.
- 1:15 - 1:30 OPENING REMARKS. Dr. Eji Suyama, Chairperson, Redress Committee, New England Chapter, Japanese American Citizens League.
- 1:30 - 3:00 PERSONAL EXPERIENCES OF INCARCERATION. Nisei and Sansei recount experiences of Japanese Americans during World War II. Commentator, Dr. T. Scott Miyakawa, Department of Sociology, Boston University and University of Massachusetts.
- 3:00 - 5:00 LEGALITY OF THE JAPANESE AMERICAN INTERNMENT AND THE PROSPECTS FOR REDRESS. Moderator, Dr. Everett Mendelsohn, Chairman of the Department of History of Science, Harvard University. Congressman Robert F. Drinan and other discussants.

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The Background for Redress:

Recently the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) launched a national redress campaign to focus on the ethical, moral and constitutional questions involved in the incarceration of Japanese Americans in World War II. JACL has two bills now in Congress, S. 1647 and HR. 5499, to establish a fact-finding commission on the subject and to recommend appropriate remedies. This regional forum has been planned to provide some personal recollections of the internment experience and to present an update on the progress made towards redress. Timely implications for other minorities will be noted.