

**HQ. DEDICATION BECOMES HISTORY**

Dedication of the new National Headquarters Building this past weekend at San Francisco marked another milestone in the history and progress of JACL. The building of a new home of our own (at last) gives clear evidence to all that we're here to stay and that we look forward to the future with confidence and commitment to continue serving our fellow people throughout the nation.

The occasion provided an opportunity for many long-time supporters of JACL to gather in San Francisco—to witness the new standing symbol of their commitment to JACL and to reminisce of the pleasant as well as the difficult times through which the Nikkel and JACL have come to reach this point.

We were honored to have past National President and still active octogenarian Dr. Terry Hayashi co-chair the Dedication Steering Committee with past NC-WNDC Governor Jack Kusaba. Assisting were Ben Takeshita (Contra Costa) and Cherry Tsutsumida (SF) as co-vice chairpersons and a committee of volunteers and staff from around the entire Bay Area. My thanks and congratulations to the entire committee for a job well done.

We were delighted that past national presidents Hito Okada, George Inagaki and Frank F. Chuman joined us celebrating with past Washington Representative Mike Masaka and past National Director Mas Satow. We were particularly happy to see Mas able to join us directly from a brief stay in the hospital.

Mike, as keynote speaker at the dedication ceremony, captivated his audience with his usual eloquence in recounting the nature of the Nikkel struggles for survival and eventual acceptance and advancement in our society. Mike's remarks, although a reminder to many of us present, would probably serve well as a new lesson in Nikkel history for many of the younger Nikkel.

George Inagaki demonstrated once again his ability to disarm an audience with his quick and humorous asides as he presented the plaque naming the Executive Offices of

the new building in honor of Mike and Mas in behalf of the former JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee. Who can ever forget George's "Mother and Father of the 1000 Club" routine with Hito Okada at the 1974 National Convention testimonial dinner in honor of Hito?

Regrettably, Congressman Spark Matsunaga was hospitalized and unable to join us to be the main speaker at the dinner. However Congressman Norm Mineta took over that role graciously and most eloquently, while William Marumo filled in behind Norm as toastmaster. We wish "Sparky" speedy recovery, and sincere thanks to Norm and Mo for their ever dependable support when we're in need.

Mr. Shichinosuke Asano of San Francisco, speaking in behalf of the Issei at the afternoon dedication ceremony, reminded us that although we speak of the 45 years history of (National) JACL, the history of JACL actually goes back to the early 1920s. Mr. Katsuma Mukaeda of Los Angeles in his eloquent response in behalf of the Issei at the evening dinner reminded us also that the early history of the Nikkel in overcoming the obstacles of racism and prejudice was a struggle shared jointly by the Issei and Nisei working together. We are grateful to these distinguished Issei civic leaders for their most valuable support and assistance, not only to JACL, but to the entire Nikkel community over these many years.

Since the building was dedicated in honor of the Issei, and many of the JACLers who joined in the celebrations have been ardent members and supporters of JACL for many, many years, it was natural that the air was filled to some degree with reminiscence of times past.

Still, the prevailing mood was that of "We've done it. Now let's move on to greater accomplishments." We have demonstrated that we can work together for a common purpose in fulfilling a common dream. Let us now move on and address the work of the future with the same spirit of cooperation and mutual effort.

From JACL Nat'l Headquarters

**Communication**

**1973 memo on Reparations**

(Because of the length of this JACL memorandum prepared by then Washington Representative Harry D. Matsunaga to chapter presidents and district governors in April, 1973, it will be reprinted in two or three parts.—E.A.)

By BARRY MATSUMOTO

In 1970, the National JACL Council adopted "in principle" a resolution calling for federal legislation which would provide individual monetary compensation for those who were evacuated and interned during World War II. (See Official Minutes, 1970 National JACL Council Meetings, pages 8 and 24.)

The 1972 National Convention reaffirmed the 1970 resolution and added that the rate of individual compensation should be based upon the daily pay paid (\$5) to American prisoners of war for the time they spent in imprisonment. (See Official Minutes, 1972 National JACL Council Meetings, page 59.)

**Basic Concept**

The basic purpose of the proposed Reparations Legislation will be to provide monetary compensation for some specifically defined injustice suffered by Japanese Americans during World War II.

It is imperative we clearly define the injustice for which we seek compensation for that definition will provide the rationale upon which we will have to defend the legislation. In addition, the definition of the injustice will serve to focus our attention upon some basic questions which we will have to answer in drafting the legislation.

For example, if we conclude that the injustice for which we are seeking compensation is to be defined in terms of

the Evacuation and the detention, then quite obviously, those who will be entitled to compensation under the proposed legislation will be limited to the individuals (or heirs and devisees) who were evacuated and detained.

On the other hand, if the injustice is defined in broader terms—such as the pain and suffering which all Japanese Americans underwent during WW2—then the class of individuals entitled to compensation will be expanded.

At this juncture, one should note that since we are seeking compensation from the federal government, we should focus upon injustices directly attributable to the acts of the federal government. In other words, it would not make a great deal of sense for us to ask the federal government to pay for injuries which were caused by some other entities.

As a final comment, we should note what kinds of injuries or injustices we are not seeking compensation for together with the reasons why we have excluded these injuries or injustices.

First, the proposed Reparations Legislation will not be seeking compensation for any real or personal property losses sustained by Japanese Americans as a result of Evacuation and internment. In 1948 Congress passed the Evacuation Claims Act (50 USCA App. 1981). The purpose of that Act was to compensate the Japanese for their property losses.

While we all realize that the payments received under the Act did not fully compensate for the losses actually sustained by the individuals, the difficulties in proving or substantiating the losses are

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**Bldg. Fund reports \$434,704**

JACL member participation in the Building Fund Campaign was described in detail by Steve Doi, co-chairman, during the Headquarters dedication banquet July 20 at the St. Francis.

As of June 30, there were 5,514 donors who have contributed or pledged \$434,704—and the campaign will keep going to cover maintenance costs, Doi said.

The district breakdown, indicating the number of donors and amount, follows:

PNWDC	351	\$ 25,239
NC-WNDC	2,177	192,794
CCDC	690	27,453
PSWDC	670	44,634
IDC	348	17,563
MPDC	61	3,827
MDC	504	27,360
EDC	399	23,088
Non-chapter	344	69,646

**TOP TEN CHAPTERS**

	Per.	Pct.	
Redwood	98	Riverside	53
White Hill	72	Twin Cities	53
Mile River	58	Tulare City	53
Selma	50	Idaho Falls	49
Seabrook	56	New York	49

  

	(By Amount)
S Fran	77,285 Sac'to
S Jose	20,995 Liv-Mer
Wash, DC	13,083 Phila
Merley	12,212 Seattle
Con Cal	11,085 New York

Further information on any of the current JACL programs may be secured by writing or calling National Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115, (415) 921-5225; or the local JACL chapter.



**SALT LAKE CITY**—The Utah JACL Topaz Committee is presented its first \$2,000 check from the Utah State Bicentennial Committee. Holding the check are Albert Antrel, Millard County Bicentennial Commission chairman, and Frank Yoshimura, Utah JACL Topaz Committee chairman. Others are (from left) Tom Hori, Wasatch Front North JACL president; Haruko Moriyasu, Utah State Bicentennial Commission member; Alice Kasai, Topaz Committee secretary; Gene Sato, Salt Lake JACL president; and Shigeki Ushio, representing Mt. Olympus JACL.

**Utah JACL Topaz Committee receives \$2,000 from Utah Bicentennial group**

**SALT LAKE CITY**—Cost of placing a historical plaque at the former site of the Topaz WRA camp and monument at the nearby Delta in its city park has been estimated at \$10,000, according to Frank Yoshimura, chairman of the Utah JACL Topaz Committee.

The JACL committee recently (June 28) met with Utah Bicentennial Committee here at the State Capitol in the Governor's Board room to accept a \$2,000 contribution to its project. Another allocation of \$2,500 has been mentioned, provided the federal funds are matched, "as our goal is not yet in sight", Yoshimura stated.

Contributions from former Topaz residents and friends in support of the JACL project at Topaz should be forwarded to the Utah Tri-Chapter JACL Topaz Committee, Care of Sadie Yoshimura, 3065 S. 2600 East, Salt Lake City 84109.

**THE OJI FAMILY: Marysville JACLers**

**Diversification—How family farmers survive in modern age of agribusiness**

**WASHINGTON** — A statement by the Council of California Growers was recently reprinted in the Congressional Record as extension of remarks by Rep. Robert L. Leggett (D-Calif.), honoring Mas, Henry and Art Oji and his son John.

As a preface to the statement Leggett declared: "In this age, when inflation and oligopolies threatens the small scale investor and the free enterprise system, it is refreshing to see that a family farm still has a place in the modern agribusiness. Alexis de Tocqueville, in his historic work, Democracy in America, stated that the yeoman farmer played an important role in maintaining our democratic institutions.

It is in this framework that I am pleased to show my distinguished colleagues an example of a family farmer whose deep commitment to the free enterprise system helps make the United States the great country that it is. Mas Oji is a son of Japanese immigrants. He has worked hard in developing his family farm, and has found success in his endeavors. Recently, his colleagues in the Council of California Growers recognized the fine example that he gives."

**Statement**  
(By the Council of California Growers)

It takes a six-syllable word to describe a California farmer whose name adds up to just six letters.

The word is "diversification." The Sutter County farmer: Mas Oji.

On 7,200 acres in the Yuba City area, Mas and his brothers Henry and Art and his son, John, grow sugar beets, tomatoes, rice, peaches, vegetable seeds, safflower, corn and wheat.

But Mas Oji's diversification extends well beyond the farm gate. He serves on the board of directors of the Sutter County Canners and Growers. He served ten years on the Central Gaither School Board and, for the past 22 years, on the district advisory board of the California Beet Growers Association.

Mas Oji is a past president of the Yuba City Rotary Club and currently serves as a public member on the board of directors of the Federal Reserve Bank in San Francisco. His family corporation is involved as a partner in four John Deere dealerships in the northern valley.

"I like hunting and fishing, too," Mas Oji told the Council of California Growers, without explaining where he

finds time to indulge these extracurricular activities.

Around the North Sacramento Valley the popular farmer is perhaps best known for his exceptional singing voice. "I guess I'm kind of a 'high baritone'" is the way he describes the timbre of his voice. Mas and his wife of 33 years, Yo, enjoy singing in the choir of their Methodist Church.

A man without a formal college education, Mas Oji says advanced education is "must" for today's young people seeking a career in agriculture. "The more technical, the more diverse agriculture becomes, the more important it is for future farmers to have a solid base in business administration and technical skills," Oji told the Council.

Mas Oji's father emigrated from Japan to the United States in 1899, working for the railroad in Utah and Idaho before taking up farming at Sacramento in 1908. Mas and his brothers started their farming operation at Yuba City in 1949 with 600 acres of sugar beets and tomatoes.

"Our family enterprise works out pretty well. Brother Art takes care of the machinery and equipment and brother Henry the general farming. Son John takes care of everything us old guys can't do any more . . . and I do whatever's left over," is Mas Oji's summation.

Like California farmers generally, Mas Oji is concerned over the inflation that is driving production costs up sharply, with the inevitable result of higher prices to consumers for farm commodities. "Fertilizer has tripled in 18 months, fuels have doubled in a year, and equipment and parts are up 30% in a year's time. And it isn't just price; you're lucky to get a tractor a year after ordering it, and skilled labor is increasingly hard to find," Oji told the Council.

The well-liked and respected farmer turns serious when he discusses his own career in farming.

"All of our family feel extremely fortunate to be citizens of this country where we have found so much opportunity. And we believe that the conditions still exist for every American to accomplish the goals he sets for himself."

**Texas Nikkei to join in Bicentennial kickoff**

**SAN ANTONIO** — Japanese Americans in Texas are joining 25 other ethnic groups and some 6,000 Texans representing 130 towns in the "Biggest Block Party" here at the HemisFair grounds Aug. 7-10. It will be the state's kickoff for the Bicentennial.

A group of 40 Nikkei from Rio Grande Valley (Hidalgo and McAllen), Houston and San Antonio will present Japanese foods, crafts and dances, according to chairman Sydney Sako of San Antonio. The group from Houston represents the JACL chapter now being organized.

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**NOT A SCREAMER**  
**A quiet activist in House**



Rep. Norman Mineta

**WASHINGTON**—As the new chairman of the House Democratic freshmen class, Rep. Norman Mineta got his picture in the Washington Post (same one in two stories appearing a week apart) several weeks ago. According to Gil Bailey of the St. Paul (Minn.) Pioneer Press Washington Bureau, the Post in the past wouldn't print pictures of freshmen House members unless they got themselves arrested for something indecent.

Besides earning favorable press nationwide by being quoted on the issues of the day as head of a block of 75 freshmen congressmen, Mineta said he is adopting an "activist" but not a "screamer" role and promptly issued (June 24) a list of suggestions for the freshmen and all House Democrats to improve their effectiveness. They include:

- 1—Frequent meetings of freshmen officers and their leadership to exchange ideas.
- 2—Development of party policy on major issues in the party caucus so all members can offer ideas before legislative committees write bills.
- 3—Sending "truth squads" (Congressional Action Committee) around the country to counter White House charges about a do-nothing Congress. (Mineta told Washington Post writer Richard Lyons the idea came from his own experience with the U.S. Conference of Mayors—going to the boom-docks and telling people what general revenue sharing would mean to them.)

4—Meetings with issue experts, political leaders and media figures, both to receive information and to make sure "opinion leaders know where we stand".

5—A freshmen newsletter so all can know what each is doing.

6—Monitor committees to check progress on legislation and to ensure compliance with party rules for democratic procedures.

Mineta said they had expectations of helping to crack the seniority system in January but "then the system swallowed us up". The system has committees draft the bills with very little input when they reach the floor of the House.

A Democrat pro mused on Mineta's performance the other day, Bailey reported. "He just may head for political trouble. People aren't happy with the Congress or its leadership and Norman is now identified with the leadership."

"If Norm had just kept quiet, while doing his homework and taking care of the constituents, he might have had a better chance of slipping through, but he's giving an opponent a lot to shoot at."

Some of the controversial stands Mineta has taken include the support for gas tax as part of the energy bill, speaking on the House floor while others stood silent. He described White House economist Greenspan's statement recently indicating the recession is over as "nonsense". They hold a House member

maintaining the slump will end only when the nation reaches a full production economy. He blamed Congress for not maintaining strict guidelines on the activities of federal intelligence agencies, expressed serious concern over the judgment of FBI Director Clarence Kelley. He has stressed Israel should not be compelled to surrender the strategic Golan Heights which it captured from Syria in the 1967 war.

Mineta, who was a military intelligence officer for two years during the Korean war, said no one is urging the nation's intelligence agencies be dismantled, "but I don't feel we should give carte blanche to do anything they doggone well please", he told his hometown San Jose Mercury reporter Elias Castillo.

The FBI chief came under strong criticism from Mineta for opposing congressional proposals that would prohibit electronic surveillance and surreptitious entry without a court order. "This isn't a police state," Mineta said and urged that such intelligence agencies review the Constitution and Bill of Rights "to get an appreciation of what this country is based".

Now that Mineta has said as much and will continue undebated to speak out during his six-month tenure as freshman class chairman, political pros will compare his visibility-popularity ratio for the first term. It is perhaps the most vulnerable politically. They hold a House member

who survives the second election will be difficult to unseat. "When Mineta goes before the voters the next time, they are going to know where he stood, like it or not. That can't be said of every member of Congress," Bailey commented.

After a series of veto defeats last month, Mineta attended a gripe session of new members with Speaker Carl Albert, who later told reporters he found their suggestions generally acceptable. Mineta, standing in the background, murmured that it was amazing how much can be accomplished if "you stick them with a hot pepper," Lyons revealed.

Speaker Albert and Mineta first met more than 20 years ago when Mineta's sister was a baby sitter for the Alberts. He called Mineta "a man of extraordinary principle, compassion and decency who had the ability to lead forcefully in a very positive, constructive manner."

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**SEN. INOUE SAYS THREE GROUPS SHARE BLAME IN MALPRACTICE ADO**

**HONOLULU** — In a sternly worded speech to the Hawaii Medical Assn., Sen. Daniel K. Inouye said July 1 that lawyers, insurers and physicians all richly deserve to share the blame in the current debate on malpractice insurance coverage.

Hawaii's doctors probably will be among those caught up in a massive shutout of doctors by insurance companies, Inouye said. "No group involved in the on-going debate on malpractice—neither lawyers, insurers nor physicians—is entering the debate with clean hands," he declared as he went on to be specific.

Of the lawyers, the senator said it appears that recent no-fault auto laws have cut into business for some, causing them to spill over into the field of malpractice.

He took aim at the lawyer's "contingency fee", paid for taking on the case and winning a settlement or verdict. "But let's not kid ourselves—the contingency fee system doesn't always operate in accordance with the interests of the malpractice victim," he said. "Consider the injured patient whose claim falls below \$10,000—a sum which few people can absorb easily. Is it in his interest to not be able to find a lawyer

willing to take his care for the "meager" contingency fee of \$3,000 or \$4,000?"

Doctors in Canada practice in a country where contingency fees are prohibited, Inouye noted. A Canadian neurosurgeon pays only \$50 to \$100 for malpractice coverage, while his U.S. counterpart may be paying \$15,000 for exactly the same coverage, he said.

Although Canada's health system is different, "the presence of contingency fees in our country does appear to make a difference and this possible harm as well as the more definite ones puts the over-all social desirability of contingency fees in serious question," Inouye pointed out.

(Sen. Inouye will be guest speaker at the Japanese Canadian Cultural Center's centennial fund dinner Sept. 27 at Toronto. The Japanese in Canada celebrate their centennial in 1977. It is his first speaking engagement in Canada.—Ed.)

Of the insurance industry, the senator said its members have done little to extinguish the fire that may be fanned by lawyers. He castigated the insurers for refusing to release data on injuries and settlements. "There is increasing evidence to indicate that malpractice insurers have not been entirely candid with us and it may be time that we finally challenge and investigate the industry," the senator warned.

Inouye also reserved some direct criticism for the doctors, whose overall record is outstanding, he noted, but little has been done to weed out the incompetents.

"According to testimony received during our malpractice hearings, only 12 physicians nationwide had their licenses revoked last year for professional incompetence.

"The need for improvement is painfully clear . . . I would greatly prefer that the profession work within the individual states to bring this about than that the Federal government move in with its ponderous dictates; but if the former will not act, the latter almost certainly will," Inouye said.

**Seattle Filipino seeks school post**

**SEATTLE, Wash.**—Peter M. Jamer, 44, assistant secretary of the State Dept. of Social and Health Services and director of the vocational rehabilitation division, has filed for seat No. 7 of the Seattle school board.

The first Asian American here to seek a school board post, the district covers southeast Seattle where Franklin, Rainier Beach and Cleveland high schools are located—all with multiracial enrollments.

Father of six and a native of California where he graduated from San Jose State and with a master's degree in social work from UCLA, Jamer is seeking the seat held by board president Philip Swain who announced in May he will not seek re-election after 14 years on the board. Charles Z. Smith, UW associate dean and law professor, Nancy Thomas and Don Kazama are co-chairing his campaign.

**Generals weigh equal opportunity in Army**

**WASHINGTON**—A committee of generals looking into discrimination in the Army has recommended a policy of equal opportunity even though it "may result in a reduction in effectiveness". The study was a result of questions about the Corps of Engineer policy not assigning Jews to projects in Saudi Arabia.

The July 14 report, however, noted in its finding on ethnic assignments, that Japanese American intelligence officers not being assigned to areas occupied by Japan in World War II should be continued.

**Bilingual Court Act passed by U.S. Senate**

**WASHINGTON** — Legislation by Sen. John Tunney (D-Calif.) to remove the language barrier to fair trial in federal courts was approved July 14 by the Senate and sent to the House. Similar legislation was passed by the Senate in the previous Congress but was not acted on by the House.

The Bilingual Courts Act provides for simultaneous translation in civil and criminal cases involving non-English speaking citizens.







Don Hayashi  
**Potshots**

**CALLS FOR HELP**

San Francisco  
Recently a couple of telephone calls came into National Headquarters identifying needs which ask our assistance.

**Call #1**—A Caucasian woman called us asking for two Vietnamese families who recently resettled here. One family required information about child care; the other needed someone who could help the husband obtain a driver's license. The party called JACL because a neighbor knew of JACL's concern for the Vietnamese refugees. She called us because she thought an Asian American group could better and more sensitively respond to the particular needs. Similar calls come in about Nikkei families moving into communities.

**Call #2**—A JACL member asked staff to help a Japanese American family with a building permit dispute with racial overtones. The family resided in an upper-class, all-white, single-family, residential community for over five years and had good rapport with neighbors until they decided to add onto their home to accommodate two elderly second cousins from Japan. The City had granted a building permit after mild opposition from a neighbor. However rumors began to fly that two unrelated Japanese women were going to live in the addition. Suspicion arose over whether this was actually the construction of a 15-room boarding house in violation of the single family ordinance.

Angry neighbors compelled the City Council to temporarily revoke the building permit until the matter could be reviewed. At the hearing last week the opposition turned out in large numbers. Arguements were emotionally presented charging that property values would drop, a 15-room boarding house would be built, and a neighbor's privacy would be destroyed.

The architect, on behalf of the Nikkei family, presented the facts of the addition and the attorney asserted that the two women were related. After more than an hour of heated discussion, the Council reluctantly reaffirmed its position to grant the permit. Though race was not mentioned, there were strong implications that much of the opposition would not have been raised if the family was white. The impact of JACL's presence cannot be accurately assessed, though it certainly did not hurt the cause.

These two calls indicate areas of need. There are many Vietnamese refugees who need information and sensitive understanding as they resettle. Is this a way which JACL Chapters can serve their communities and extend a helping hand to the newcomers? Can this be extended to new Japanese American families moving into the community also? Can our members assist in the identification of matters of possible racial discrimination? Doesn't JACL's presence in crucial situations sometimes make a difference?

These are questions which many JACL leaders ask. These are areas of need which JACL can and should be involved and well demonstrate the need for a strong viable organization.

**Reparations**

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stantiating uncompensated property losses at this time makes a reparations program based upon property losses impractical.

Second, the proposed Reparations Legislation will not be seeking compensation for any other kinds of economic losses (e.g., lost wages, lost profits or other kinds of financial losses), sustained by individuals as a result of the Evacuation and internment. Again, while we all know and recognize that individuals sustained uncompensated economic losses as a result of the Evacuation and internment, these losses cannot be proved or substantiated so that we have no rational basis upon which to compensate individuals for such losses.

Since it is not the purpose of the proposed Reparations Legislation to provide individuals with financial windfall, any attempt to justify payments for unsubstantiated economic losses would be extremely tenuous.

(The three alternatives are spelled out here but will be carried next week.—Ed.)

**Conclusion**

The purpose of this memo is to outline the various alternatives available in drafting a Reparations bill on behalf of the Japanese American community.

The chapter presidents should discuss the considerations outlined in this memo (and any others which have not been raised) and send me a short note on what they believe to be the consensus of opinion with their members. We are asking the advice and counsel of the local chapters in order to insure that the legislation which we draft will have the widest possible support and that members will know and understand why certain alternatives were selected and others neglected.

We also ask that you solicit opinions of any other interested groups in the community.

**Four years pass, 'Untold Story' still untold**

With the Calif. State Curriculum Commission recommending this year for adoption two books on the Japanese in America in its current review of curriculum material for social studies, three Riverside JACLers (one has since transferred to South Bay JACL and is its newsletter editor) were in the forefront to save the "Japanese American—The Untold Story". The book was the cause celebre of the National JACL President Raymond Uno administration (1970-72). The three have co-authored the following "think piece" which appeared in the South Bay JACL newsletter under "Opinion".

By JUNJI & KATHERINE KUMAMOTO and ED MITOMA  
Torrance, Calif.

Around 1970, a group of concerned Japanese American teachers in the San Francisco area recognizing the lack of curriculum material on the Japanese in America, formed the Japanese American Curriculum Project (JACP). A supplementary Social Studies textbook for grades 5 through 8 was proposed and the JACL helped fund this project with \$4,000.

In one year, JACP produced a manuscript titled "Japanese Americans—The Untold Story". The National JACL Education Commission (hereafter called JACL) with Dr. Bob Suzuki as chairman, reviewed the draft and offered suggestions for some minor changes and these were incorporated into the yet unpublished manuscript.

In order to meet the criteria

for submission to the Calif. State Curriculum Commission, it is necessary to publish the manuscript in a hardcover book and submit it by a specific date.

A few days prior to press-time, JACL found some passages that they felt would be offensive to Buddhists and Chinese Americans and so they suggested changes.

JACP, however, indicated that it was too late to make any changes if they were to meet the strict deadlines of the State Commission but they assured the JACL that changes could be made later by the Board of Education during the adoption process.

It should be noted that extensive changes had been made on other books through this process. JACL apparently had no confidence that changes would be made, and from this point on the rela-

tionship between the two groups deteriorated and eventually a hardened adversary situation developed.

At the public hearing before the Curriculum Commission, both JACL and Buddhist Churches of America (BCA) spoke vigorously in opposition to the book and caused the book to be rejected. By its actions, the JACL had lined forces with the racist conservatives on the Curriculum Commission who were only too anxious to eliminate the book from consideration for use in Calif. schools and were pleasantly surprised to find the excuse they needed coming from such unexpected quarters.

**Riverside steps in**

A short time later, Riverside JACL having reviewed the book and recognizing its value, volunteered to be an arbiter in order to get all interested parties together to agree on a compromise solution. This effort by Riverside resulted in renewed communication and acceptance by the JACP and JACL of a list of specific changes.

After a revised manuscript was prepared by JACP, Riverside found that the JACL position had hardened further and they would not have anything to do with the JACP.

One can question the sincerity of the JACL chairman's initial agreement on the minimum changes and the lack of good faith displayed when he then refused to read the revised manuscript, stating that a "complete rewrite of the book was necessary to make it acceptable."

A vigorous campaign was launched by Riverside to inform JACL chapters of the issues and copies of the book and the proposed changes were sent to all 97 chapters, but the results were disappointing as response from the individual chapters was sparse. For this effort, Riverside was called on the carpet by JACL, branded a divisive force within the organization and placed squarely in the JACP camp. This was unfortunate, for all negotiations broke down at this point.

**JACL Subscribers**

**JUNE, 1975, REPORT**  
PC subscriptions from 59 chapters, including the newest from Marin, have been acknowledged for 844 members.

Alameda	17	Placer	7
Arizona	3	Pocastello	17
Ark Vly	5	Portland	5
Bay Area	5	Puyallup	2
Berkeley	23	Reno	2
Chicago	21	Sac'to	17
Cleveland	5	Salinas	33
Col Basin	1	Sanger	33
Con Costa	15	San Fer V	37
Dayton	5	San Fran	32
Detroit	9	San Gab	3
Downtown LA	1	San Jose	15
East LA	15	San Luis O	4
Fremont	6	San Mateo	7
French Cp	2	Santa Ana	1
Fresno	70	Sta Maria	3
Gardena	19	Seattle	23
Gilroy	2	Selamovo	1
Gr Passaic	1	Sequim	20
Imperial	1	Snake River	161
Liv-Mer	1	Sonoma	5
Marin	15	Spokane	1
Metro LA	1	Stockton	7
Mid-Col	3	Venice	25
Milwaukee	1	Ventura	13
Mon Pen	5	Wasatch	1
New York	4	Wash, D.C.	13
Oakland	6	West LA	20
Phila	11	Wilshire	5
		Natl	4

**Pulse**

**Summer Events**

**New York JACL** will hold its chapter outing Aug. 9 (Sat) at James Baird State Park in the Pavilion 1 area from 11 a.m. The chapter had originally planned for July 26 but the park was fully reserved. Chapter is providing free watermelon, soda, tea and coffee.

**Wasatch Front North JACL** golf tournament Aug. 3 at Davis Park will be a two-man best ball competition, limited to the first 48 men and 12 women's teams, according to Lyman Kano (781-4320), tournament registration chairman. Handicap will be

based on the best five 18-hole scores recorded this year or these currently recognized.

The chapter is continuing its membership campaign during the summer, reminding Jack Suekawa, 848 W. 2300 North, Clinton, Utah 84015. Dues are \$14 per person. Chapter is striving to peak its previous year total of 156.

**Scholarship**

Deadline is Aug. 5 for the four \$100 scholarships being offered by Wasatch Front North JACL to recent high school graduates who have been accepted into a college, university or trade school. Applicants need not be JACL members. Awards will be based on need, merit and information contained in the application, which are being received by Gerry Mukai, 1126 35th St., Ogden 84403.



**HIROSHIMA-NAGASAKI 30TH ANNIVERSARY**

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**July 28-Aug. 2**  
Nat'l JACL—29th annual JACL Bowling tournament, Golden Gate Lanes, El Cerrito; award banquet Sat at Marriott Hotel, Berkeley.

**Aug. 2 (Saturday)**  
Philadelphia—Picnic, Goodhart Hall area, Bryn Mawr College. 11 a.m.-7 p.m. (Rain or shine).

**Aug. 3 (Sunday)**  
Cincinnati—Picnic, St Edmund's.

**Aug. 9 (Saturday)**  
New York—Outing, James Maird State Park, Pavilion 1 Area, 11 a.m.

**Aug. 9-10**  
Nat'l JACL—EXCOM Mtg. Aug. 10 (Sunday).

**Aug. 13-17**  
JAY—Cal Tri-District, Fresno.

**Aug. 18 (Saturday)**  
Los Angeles—Nisei Week coronation ball, Beverly Wilshire Hotel, 7 p.m. dinner; 10 p.m. coronation.

**Aug. 19 (Tuesday)**  
Salinas—Bd Mtg, Bank of Tokyo, 8 p.m.

**Aug. 21-24**  
EDC-MDC—Cleveland hosts: Joint Conference, Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea.

**Aug. 23-24**  
IDC—Idaho Fall hosts: Qtrly Session.

**Aug. 24 (Sunday)**  
NC-WNDC—Swim Meet, Gunn High, Palo Alto.

With a rewrite of the text, and support of the JACL and the BCA, the *Untold Story* might have had an excellent chance for reconsideration for its use as a supplementary text for use in Calif. schools. Because of the bullheaded stubbornness of all parties involved, this was not to be. The necessary ingredients of objectivity and sense of perspective on the part of many of the involved individuals had apparently been replaced by a need to win at all cost.

After shooting down the *Untold Story*, JACL stated that better books on the same subject were being written and would be considered and accepted in a year or so. Four years have passed and a review of the school books available now and in use in Calif. schools show that a book of the caliber of the *Untold Story* has not yet appeared on the scene.

However, two books of a much narrower scope have been recommended for the 1975 Social Studies adoption. These are *Executive Order 9066* by M. & R. Conrat & the Calif. Historical Society and *Lone Heart Mountain* by Estelle Ishigo, a Caucasian married to a Japanese American.

One of the main points that Riverside tried to make was that JACL, because it was formed for the benefit of Japanese Americans, should support and encourage books by Japanese American authors. It is sad to think that the JACL chose to be the most important instrument for the destruction of the only Social Studies book written by Japanese Americans rather than being its champion.

It seems to us that the JACL has a responsibility now to rescue the *Untold Story* from oblivion or to find a suitable replacement so that our story may some day be told from the book of the caliber of the *Untold Story* has not yet appeared on the scene.

**GARDENA VALLEY JACL** presents its scholarship awards. Shown in the photo (from left) are Masaru Odol, scholarship chairman; Tak Kawagoe, pres.; Jon Minato, Honorable Mention; Gardena Mayor Pro Tem Masami Fukai, who was the guest speaker; Scott Konishi, Honorable Mention and also a National Merit recipient; Shirley Takigawa and Daniel Mayeda, scholarship winners. Not present but also receiving awards were Kay Kikumoto, Ann Nakahara, Joy Tomikawa and Gary Yoshida.

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**Rep. Mineta -**

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Addressing the New York JACL June 21 as keynote speaker, Mineta fielded questions from the floor which further reveal his stand on vital issues.

He called for anti-trust action to help rearrange national priorities, such as dealing with the whole petroleum picture because they control everything from the oil head to pump head. He also thought anti-trust action has been misdirected, attacking some monopolies already under government control through ICC or public utility commissions in the various states.

He is also against the income tax rebate law that permits oil firms to deduct dollar for dollar all of the royalty payments paid to overseas countries. It should be counted as the normal cost of doing business — not against what they owe the U.S. government.

He also looked at income tax loopholes, noting Standard Oil of Ohio in 1970 paid no federal income tax. "I know all of you, I'm quite sure, paid your income tax in 1970 and may be your resources are greater than Standard Oil (laughter), but they paid zero Federal income tax in 1970," Mineta said. "It's that kind of thing that has to be reversed."

Mineta also evoked a laugh commenting on gun control, after saying it was the most sensitive issue next to abortion. He is for a complete ban. "For example, in all of last year Japan which has a ban had only 46 armed robberies. Manufacturers of toy guns have to paint them red, white and blue."

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ON LOCATION—TULE LAKE

Tule Lake, Calif. I feel like a war correspondent reporting from the front lines on the action of an important battle. This column is being written from "on location" headquarters of Kory Films here at Flying Goose Lodge, Tule Lake...

Earlier this year I had the opportunity to visit Tule Lake when the Asian students of Northern California colleges and universities sponsored a pilgrimage here. A few days ago I returned to see how the magic of television has transformed what was left of the old camp into an accurate duplication of the original camp scene.

Robert Kinoshita, a Nisei set designer and former evacuee, has accomplished the impossible by his authentic replication of many of the sets. Tule Lake was selected because it is one of the few locations left where barracks, administrative buildings, and other remains of a camp could be used. I understand the cost of building a camp site would have been prohibitive.

Substituting Tule Lake for Manzanar worked very well. Other shooting locations will take place at Oakland's Santa Rita Rehabilitation Center Prison Farm and in Mill Valley.

It is difficult to capture the feeling of the atmosphere here at Tule Lake. Director John Korty has done a superb job in executing a personal story about the Evacuation into a powerful, moving, dynamic television film. It was a real treat to see some of the unedited film from the first week.

Although I am no drama critic, I can honestly say that Korty deserves all of the credit for his award-winning "The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman" as his talent, skill, and artistic sensitivities are apparent in the early footage of "Farewell to Manzanar".

When I first saw the manuscript drafts, I was impressed that the film script was a great improvement from the original book. I had some reservations that the execution of a powerful script would be difficult due to the availability of actors.

My doubts were quickly dissolved when I saw the professional quality of many veteran actors and some outstanding performances by some new faces. Casting is an important ingredient in any dramatic production. Those who execute the drama and emotions include Yuki Shimoda, Nobu McCarthy, Dori Takeshita, Clyde Kusatsu, James Saito, Momo Yashima, Vernon Kato, Akemi Kikumura, Mitsu Yashima, Pat Morita, Seth Sakai, Frank Abe, Mako, Yukiko Heydock, Tane Daijogo, Mitchell Hachiya, and a host of extras.

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The Harbor Japanese festival will be held Aug. 9-10 at the Japanese Community Center in Long Beach. Obon dancing, games and food booths by participating organizations highlights the weekend carnival.

Ondo practice for Nisei Week, under leadership of Mme. Mitsuhiro Bando, are now being held Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:30 at Hirohata Parking Lot, 2nd and Central Ave. Final session is slated Aug. 14. Participants

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Richard Gima Aloha

HAWAII TODAY — There are 455 Vietnamese refugees in the Islands today, according to immigration district director John O'Shea. Univ. of Hawaii will begin collecting and maintaining racial and ethnic data on employees beginning in October, according to terms of an agreement reached June 18 with federal officials.

NAMES IN NEWS—Mrs. Jean Arlyoshi, the Governor's wife, attended the International Women's Conference held in June in Mexico City. She credits Mrs. Imelda Marcos, First Lady of the Philippines, for insisting the accompanier her to the conference. Stanley Yanagi, recently re-elected financial secretary of the Carpenters Union Local 745, has demanded resignation

PC's People

Bank of Tokyo of California named Fumio Endo manager of their new Artesia-Cerritos branch, which opened June 30 at 18616 S. Gridley Rd., Artesia. Sun Life of Canada announced Orange County JACLer Kenneth K. Uye-sugi earned the National Quality Award for the 21st time. Among the select group of 84 women attending a women's summit conference of Equitable Life Assurance

need a Japanese towel and uchiwa (fan) for this year's dances.

"Executive Order 9066" was announced as the KPFFK Journal topic for July 30 (Wed.), 7 p.m. Scheduled to appear were Phil Shigekuni, Paul Tsuneishi and Sue Embrey of the E.O. 9066, Inc.

A Sansel team of five orators, escorted by Yoshiko Tanaka of the Los Angeles Japanese Language School System, won the goodwill U.S.-Japan oratorical contest July 14 at Teurumaru High School in Kagoshima. The team returned home this week.

Chicago Japan America Society elected Russell Baker president for the coming year. Among the board of directors are Thomas Masuda, Ross Harano, Noboru Honda, Lillian Kimura, Kenji Nakane, Shigeko Wakamatsu and Kumeo Yoshinari.

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of all business agents, including Walter Kupau, the man Yanagi defeated in the election.

SPORTS SCENE — Advertiser sportswriter Monte Ito was honored by the Hawaii Public Golf Assn. for covering sports in Honolulu the past 38 years. Allan Yamamoto led the amateurs at the Barbers Point Open with a 54-hole total of 219. He shot a par 72 the final day to win.

EDUCATION — East-West Center's national review board honored the late Gov. John Burns with a resolution urging the \$8 million building to be constructed soon at the center be named John A. Burns Hall. A recent Advertiser editorial hailed the incorporation of East-West Center as a private nonprofit educational institution. Big Island county council officials got a \$3,780 a year raise from May 24: from \$10,800 to \$14,580.

NEIGHBOR ISLANDS — Ponahawai Cemetery in Hilo, where many Issei are buried, is being clear and being redeveloped as an extension of Huelani cemetery. More than 250 bodies have been disinterred and transferred to plots around the Big Island, to the Alae cemetery and to Honolulu. Big Island county council officials got a \$3,780 a year raise from May 24: from \$10,800 to \$14,580.

CITY HALL—George Akahane, city council chairman, will recommend the council

Radio-TV TV-newsreader Marge Kumaki, daughter of the James Kumakis of Dolton, Ill., at the CBS affiliate WTAU, Springfield, Ill., has joined the NBC-affiliate WRC news desk at Washington, D.C. She majored in communications and was graduated in 1973 from Univ. of Illinois.

Milestones Wolf Ladejinsky, 76, of Washington, D.C., died July 3. A leading U.S. agricultural technician, he was the major force behind the postwar land reform program in Japan between 1945-54. The Ukrainian born graduate in agricultural economics from Columbia in 1934, he joined the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture specializing in Asian problems in 1935. He worked in South Vietnam between 1955 and 1961 and the past decade in India for the International Bank of Reconstruction and Development.

Hikoichi Shimamoto, 73, and his son, Shoji, 45, of San Francisco, died the same day July 15, hours apart. Both had been hospitalized for an illness. The Shimamoto family pioneered the drayage business in Nihonmachi as the Shima Transfer Co., begun more than 50 years ago when it was done by horses.

But he had doubts about the position because of the additional responsibilities and time involved. Ralph Kiyosaki, 55, executive director of Hawaii State Teachers Assn., says he will leave as soon as a successor is found. Newton Nakamoto of St. Louis High is president of the Oahu Mathematics League for the eighth consecutive year.

DEATHS — Construction supervisor Mitsuru Takaki, 55, with Allied Construction Co., was killed July 7 when he fell from a 20-foot scaffold at Kaiser High School.

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freeze Mayor Frank Fasi's salary and cut the salaries of city departments heads almost \$3,000 a year. The Honolulu Community Media Council reports its investigation of the local press shows that it dealt fairly with Mayor Fasi during his unsuccessful 1974 gubernatorial campaign.

CONGRESSIONAL SCORE — Rep. Spark Matsunaga has joined congressmen from other small states to prevent a reduction in federal funds for elementary and secondary education; has addressed the 56th anniversary convention of the American League at Hilo June 27; and notes the U.S. Foreign Service is seeking qualified women and minority group applicants to fill junior and mid-level positions.

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