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OLYMPIA, Wash.—A small group of 22 involved over the past four years with legislation extending resident student privileges to dependents of Japan Air Lines employees (E-1 visa aliens) in the State of Washington applaud as Gov. Dixy Lee Ray on June 6 signs bill into law. They are (from left) Eiichi Ohara, U of W student and prime beneficiary; George Fukukai, Dr. James Watanabe; Sen. Nat W. Washington (D-Ephrata), author and prime sponsor of bill; Grace Yamamoto, Kunio Ishida, PNWDC JACL Gov. Edward Yamamoto, Elizabeth Delaney; Capt. Hideo Furuhashi, director, JACL jet crew flight training center at Moses

Lake; Consul General Sono Uchida; Rep. Richard King (D-Everett), House majority floor leader; Takeshi Kubota, Rep. Phyllis K. Erickson (D-Parkland), House committee on higher education; Kimi Fukukai, Rep. Harold Zimmerman (R-Camas), House rules comm.; Rep. William Polk (R-Mercer Island), House rules comm.; Martin Matsudaira, exec. dir., Commission on Asian American Affairs; Rep. "Sid" Flanagan (R-Quincy), House rules comm.; Sen. Sam Guess (R-Spokane), Senate committee on higher education; Edna Ellis, Lt. Gov. John A. Cherburg (D-Olympia) and Dr. Paul Ellis.

## Gov. Ray signs E-1 visa alien tuition law

MOSES LAKE, Wash. — A relatively small ceremony June 6 at the office of Gov. Dixy Lee Ray marked the end of four years of efforts toward the establishment of additional international goodwill.

It was the signing into law of Senate Bill 2113 which put dependents of Japan Air Lines employees who are Japanese nationals on the same basis as resident students for paying of tuition while studying at colleges and universities in the State of Washington.

Previously those students who were required to pay up to as much as three times that charged resident students, a fact which originally came to light when Moses Lake High School graduate Eiichi Ohara began planning to attend the Univ. of Washington. He is the son of Shinzo Ohara, a former local resident who last year returned to Japan after re-

ceiving a promotion from his former post as assistant director of JAL's Grant County Airport Jet Flight Crew training center.

During testimony on behalf of those like Eiichi Ohara, it was pointed out U.S. citizens studying in Japan pay the same fees as charged Japanese students.

Also noted was the economic impact upon (Columbia) Basin that a major em-

ployer such as JAL has. As an example, JAL paid in one year \$282,500 in use taxes on one DC8 jet aircraft.

But the weighing of dollar values is by all means secondary to that of the goodwill attained between two countries when such a piece of legislation can become law. It is simply a matter of rectifying a form of injustice.

The legislative efforts of both Sen. Nat Washington,

prime sponsor and author of the bill, and Rep. S. E. "Sid" Flanagan, and other civic dignitaries who contributed their support were also complemented.

But even more praise for recognizing such a problem and continuing their efforts to see their way through a long and tiring process must also go to those others who worked on the bill. Among

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## 'Nondeportable' status likely to relieve longtime 'illegals'

Washington  
A new class of U.S. residents is being considered by the Carter administration to resolve the illegal alien problem. They would be called "nondeportable aliens".

The proposal is contained in a Cabinet-level task force report which was scheduled for submission to the President this past week. So-called illegal aliens are now estimated at 8 million by the Justice Department and the number is still growing.

Those who have been here longer than 10 years would be allowed to apply for "permanent resident" status—which qualifies them to apply for full citizenship in five more years.

Those who have been here less than 10 years but before Jan. 1, 1977, would be made "nondeportable aliens", allowed to work but could not bring relatives to live with them, and if they went home even for visits, they might

not be allowed to return.

Task force experts told the Washington Post the new nondeportable alien category would solve some of the problems involved in giving full amnesty to all illegal aliens but then create other problems, such as in civil liberties. Lacking political rights, this group would probably never be fully integrated into society, the task force has warned.

The issue is so touchy politically that Carter will have to make many decisions himself, including the dates that would determine who gets permanent residency and who would not be nondeportable. Carter was already a month overdue on the decision when he told a congressional group June 9 that he would have a message on the issue to Congress "very soon".

The proposal also delves into beef-up of U.S. border patrols, stricter enforcement of existing minimum

wage, overtime, safety, health and fair labor standards laws. Numerous studies in recent years indicate an overwhelming proportion of illegal aliens is paid less than the minimum or prevailing wages for longer hours, more strenuous working conditions and fewer fringe benefits.

Members of the task force included Labor Secretary Ray Marshall, Attorney

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## Peace Academy study being urged

WASHINGTON — The Senate passed a bill June 17 that would create a study commission on the feasibility of establishing a National Academy of Peace, Sen. Spark Matsunaga said. He has introduced legislation to create a Cabinet-level Dept. of Peace, along with a peace academy, in every Congress since 1968.

## JACL joins 20 other nat'l groups in case against Bakke

Washington  
The Japanese American Citizens League last week (June 20) joined 20 other national organizations in an amicus curiae brief to the Supreme Court of the United States in support of the Regents of the University of California against Allan Bakke involving the so-called "reverse discrimination" issue, the Washington JACL Office announced.

The case will be heard by the Supreme Court in the Fall Term and will have an effect upon affirmative action programs in universities and colleges. Depending upon the scope of the Supreme Court's holding, the case may also have broad ramifications upon affirmative action programs in public and private employment.

The arguments cited in the amicus curiae brief were:

I—Programs to include minorities in public professional schools are not "Suspect" or "Presumptively Unconstitutional".

II—The University's Special Admission Program meets even the strictest standard of review.

III—There are no realistic alternatives to a race conscious Special Admissions

Policy as a means of including minorities in the Davis Medical School.

Also cited in the amicus brief was *Korematsu v. Morgan*, 384 U.S. 641 (1966)

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## Public jobs in Hawaii not up for newcomer

HONOLULU — Gov. Ariyoshi's campaign to slow Hawaii's population growth went into effect June 21 by requiring any applicant for a county or state job to have lived here for at least one year.

ACLU also said the same day it would challenge the new law. The governor was in San Francisco June 22 to address a White House forum on urban growth.

The new law was one of two that he had proposed earlier this year. The legislature rejected the other imposing a year's residency for public welfare benefits.

The jobs at the Univ. of Hawaii are exempt if they require "highly specialized technical and scientific skills and knowledge". □

## Asian American voice being heard in Chicago

Chicago  
Japanese Americans as an identifiable minority group in Chicago came from the west coast via the WW2 concentration camps. It was then generally the case of restarting their livelihood or continuing on with schooling. A generation has passed with many in their late 20s and 30s clamoring

for a piece of the action. Jess Carlos of the Lerner Newspapers here observed in his May 29 comment, "Asian Americans growing assertive", that "their low profile ways—a little push here, a little push there, rarely a shove—have so far aroused no overt backlash from other groups".

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## Hawaii native claims measure to mandate exhaustive study

Washington  
A hearing on SJR 4, introduced by Hawaii Senators Inouye and Matsunaga early this session, will be held in Hawaii July 6-7 by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SJR 4, virtually identical to the measure introduced in 1974 by Inouye, seeks recognition of the U.S. Congress that substantial wrong was done the native Hawaiians in the 1893 overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy and the obligation of the U.S. government to provide suitable remedy.

It proposes establishment of the Hawaiian Native Claims Settlement Study Commission, mandated to

conduct an exhaustive examination of all native claims arising out of the events of 1893 and report back to Congress within a year its recommendations for reparative legislation.

Matsunaga, a member of the Senate Energy Committee and its subcommittee on public lands and resources, which has jurisdiction over the bill, explained that with a new Administration, considerable change in the Senate membership and reconstitution of the old Senate committee on interior and insular affairs into the Energy Committee, support that is made evident at the hearings would help convince the Congress.

## Seattle Nikkei name new queen

SEATTLE, Wash.—Beverly Reiko Akada, 19, was selected Greater Seattle Japanese Community queen June 11 at the Bush Garden. She is a communications major at the Univ. of Washington, and daughter of the Ryoichi Akadas. The ladies-in-waiting are Cecilia K. Egashira, 22; and Celia Y. Nishimura, 21.

Outgoing royalty are Queen Susan Ishimitsu, who eventually reigned as Miss Seattle Seafair last year, princesses Julie Julie M. Kusakabe and Deborah Ann Suyama.

# Mukai takes post in Washington as director in new CSA agency

By TED MATSUSHIMA (Wasatch Front North JACL) Ogden, Utah

A founder of the Wasatch Front North JACL in 1974, Gerrold K. Mukai has moved to Washington, D.C. to be the director of economic development for the Community Services Administration as of June 1.

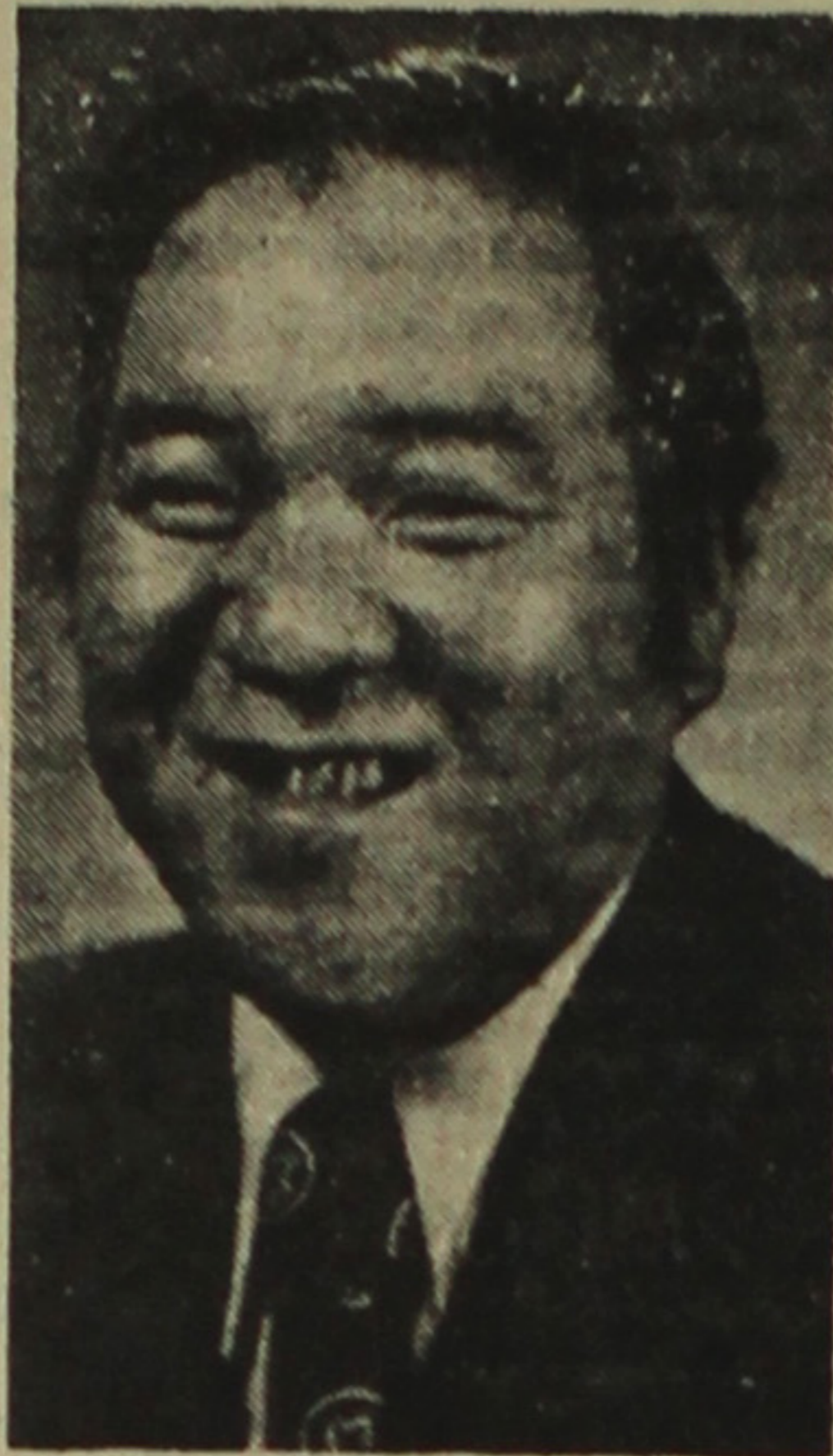
Among the new independent agencies in federal government, the latest U.S. Government Manual (1975-76) notes it was established in 1974 as the successor to the Office of Economic Opportunity to assist low and near-low income persons to attain skills and self-motivation to become fully self-sufficient in a job. The three main areas of thrust are in community action, economic development and leg-

al services.

Program areas for economic development cover both urban and rural so as to improve the quality of their economic and social participation in community life by assisting residents, small businesses, community development groups train, counsel and support the low-income families, persons with limited English speaking ability, etc.

Mukai, who has resigned as Intermountain District Governor because of the move, has been succeeded by Ken Nodzu, first vice-governor, of Salt Lake JACL. Mukai is also the district governors' caucus representative to the National JACL executive committee—a post presumably to be filled by the governors.

He also resigned as the No. 2 man at Westminster College where he was vice president for administration. He was responsible for opening up National JACL to principles of development to secure outside funding to carry out programs—an expertise he acquired as director of research and development while at Weber State College in 1973.



GERROLD K. MUKAI

He assisted the Salt Lake JACL obtain substantial funding for its community programs.

Son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Kay Mukai, he was born in Ogden, where he attended Ogden High, graduated from Univ. of Utah and taught electronics at Weber State. He was prominent in educational circles in northern Utah, a member of the Ogden Japanese Christian Church. The Gerry Mukais have three sons and a daughter.

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### Buddhist Institute

BERKELEY, Calif.—Shingo Kanda, CSU Chico instructor, and Sungbae Park, UC Berkeley teaching associate are principal lecturers at the Institute of Buddhist Studies (849-2383) summer session from June 27-July 24.

### Culinary tour

PASADENA, Calif.—Misako Shintani Davison (681-3661), a state accredited teacher in Japanese cooking, is heading an Oriental gourmet adventure and culinary workshop tour Nov. 4-18 covering Japan, Taipei and Hong Kong. (This is not a JACL-related program.)

### ESGVJCC auxiliary

WEST COVINA, Calif.—The 5th annual Las Vegas night sponsored by the East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center Women's Auxiliary will be held July 9, at the center, 1203 W. Puente, from 7 p.m. Nancee Iketani and Yo Maeda are co-chairpersons.

### Noh Theater display

NEW YORK—The Tokugawa Collection of Noh robes and masks went on display June 19 at Japan House Gallery, but the pieces are being shown in three sections for two week duration to protect the fragile objects from light and air exposure. This was on view in Washington in April and will close during August at Fort Worth.

### Ohta tragedy survivor

SAN FRANCISCO—The Chronicle reported Mrs. Taura Ohta Whalen, 25, one of the two surviving daughters of the Dr. Victor Ohta family in Santa Cruz that was murdered en masse in October, 1971, committed suicide May 26 as a result of depression stemming from the tragedy. The other daughter Lark, 21, recently graduated from Stanford.

## Deaths

Art A. Katayama, 56, of Los Angeles, died June 21 of an illness. A WW2 veteran active with the VFW Nisei Posts 9938 and Nisei Post 9902 as past commander, he is survived by: w Marion, s Ron, d Laurie Tambara, gc, p Mr and Mrs Sakujiro, br Kazunori, sis Emi Yamaki, Etsuko Ando.

Mrs. Okuri Ogawa, 90, mother of Oakland city councilman Frank Ogawa, died June 11 in San Francisco. Also surviving are: s Fred, Dick, Masago, Kiyoshi, d Mary Kyono, 15 gc, 5 gcc.

Kamekichi Shibayama, 84, of Seattle died June 4. He was owner of several hotels (Right, Stewart, OK, and Bush—prewar, Decatur, Laurelton Terrace, Lincoln, Dover and Terry-Stewart Apts.—postwar) and other real estate. Surviving are: s Zenji, Masaru, James; d Kimiko Monoda, Michiko Tsukada.

## Abe Hagiwara student aid applications deadline July 30

SAN FRANCISCO—Applications are still available for student aid, named in memory of Abe Hagiwara, pioneer

youth worker in Cleveland and Chicago and the 1956 "JACler of the Biennium".

Some \$4,000 will be awarded to students demonstrating definite financial need in order to continue their education in high school, college or trade school. Motivation, desire and potential are the primary criteria used in making the grants rather than past academic marks.

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which is the Supreme Court case that justified the evacuation and internment of Japanese Americans during WW 2.

Wayne Horiuchi, JACL's Washington Representative, said, "We're proud to be associated with this amicus and we have the best civil rights counsel in the United States in Joe Rauh giving us advice on this brief."

Horiuchi also added, "I understand that over 60 briefs have been submitted to the Supreme Court and so far only a half-a dozen are 'bad guy briefs'."

Other national organizations listed along with JACL are:

National Council of Churches of Christ in the United States of America, American Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities, Americans for Democratic Action, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees - AFL-CIO, American Public Health Association, Children's Defense Fund, International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers - AFL-CIO (IUE), International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace, Agricultural Implement Workers of America (UAW), Mexican-American Political Association, National Council of Negro Women, National Education Association, National Health Law Program, National Lawyers Guild, National Legal Aid and Defender Association, National Organization for Women, National Urban League, United Farm Workers of America - AFL-CIO, United Mine Workers of America, United States National Student Association, and Young Women's Christian Association.

National JACL Executive Director Karl Nobuyuki, himself a past recipient of JACL student aid, expressed the great value of the program in terms of furthering educational opportunities. "Hagiwara's active and dedicated support of youth in the past makes this program particularly meaningful," he said.

"Any student of Japanese ancestry permanently residing in the U.S. or members and family members of JACL needing financial aid may apply. Deadline for submission of applications is July 30, 1977.

Because of the personal nature of the financial information, all applications will be kept strictly confidential and the names of awardees are not publicized. Applications may be obtained from JACL Headquarters or the JACL regional offices.

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those are members of the Columbia Basin JACL and the Pacific Northwest District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League.

—COLUMBIA BASIN HERALD

## ALIENS

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General Griffin Bell, HEW Secretary Joseph Califano and Deputy Sec. of State Warren Christopher.

The task force last April had recommended to the President that all illegal aliens who have been in the U.S. five years or more be permitted to become legal residents, though the report has been under wraps.

Labor Secretary Marshall said the task force was created to deal with the crucial problem of U.S. unemployment. "Everything we do about our own unemployment could be swamped by the influx of illegal workers from foreign countries," he explained.

He agrees with the goals of the Rodino bill, now pending in Congress that would penalize employers who knowingly hire illegal aliens, but said it was not comprehensive enough to deal with all facets of the problem.

Dr. Marshall, while an economist at the Univ. of Texas, was a strong supporter of civil rights and minority groups. He supported the far-reaching program of having every worker in the U.S. hold a noncounterfeit-

able, social security type identification card — while civil rights advocates opposed the so-called ID card which authoritarian countries use and can be demanded at any time by police.

In the Los Angeles area, where there is an entire subcommunity of illegal aliens, the group is referred to as "undocumented aliens". The California Attorney General's task force studying the hiring of "undocumented aliens" is also concerned of the influence illegal aliens have on the criminal justice system. But by and large, the majority of them come to the U.S. because of jobs.

This past week (June 24), Leonel J. Castillo, commissioner of U.S. Immigration

and Naturalization Service, was in Los Angeles and revealed President Carter will make public his immigration policy sometime after July 4. Instead of a new bracero program, Carter may ask for expansion of the so-called H-2 program, named after a section of the immigration law that permits employers to petition for entry of temporary foreign workers into the country when not enough U.S. workers can be found to fill certain jobs (such as Japanese restaurant workers).

There are now some 30,000 H-2 program workers in the U.S., Castillo said. As many as 800,000 were allowed as seasonal farm workers during the height of the bracero program from Mexico, he added.

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## Cleveland State monograph covers Asian communities

CLEVELAND, Ohio — "Asian Americans and Their Communities of Cleveland" is the latest of a series of 21 monographs being published by the Ethnic Heritage program at Cleveland State University.

The 200-page illustrated scholarly paper covers four distinct Asian ethnic groups which have sizable popula-

tions in the greater Cleveland area. They are Chinese, Japanese, Pilipino and Korean.

Authors of the monograph are:

Suey Yee, NASA engineer; Dr. Stephen Fujita, a psychology professor at Akron Univ.; Domingo Patawaran, an English teacher at Cleveland's Thomas Jefferson High; and David Namkoong, a NASA engineer.

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## CHICAGO

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The younger generation are not as inscrutable nor silent as their forebears, Carlos noted. It knows the vital areas where a little jab can become a clout—in politics and in education. The effort was lauded since "there is nothing more abhorrent than a passive citizenry". Carlos also emphasized a second point about Asian American participation in politics: "they have chosen means that are peaceful and along our democratic traditions."

The Carlos comments included profiles or quotes from several Japanese Americans involved in politics and education:

Masaru Namba, director, Japanese American Service Committee: "We have to participate in politics ... We have been unnecessarily reserved, unnecessarily humble."

Ross Harano, president, Uptown Chicago Commission: "What we need to do in

Chicago is take a more aggressive role in decision making. We need somebody on the board of education, in Health, Education and Welfare leadership positions and in labor."

Last year, Harano coordinated the Asian American Political Coalition, which campaigned for the Carter-Mondale ticket and more recently the candidacy of acting mayor Michael Bilandic. "It's too early to tell how far this group can go after having taken the first steps in its long march," Carlos commented.

## Music store for pros in Orange County

GARDEN GROVE, Calif.—Gerald Ishibashi and Robert Morinishi have opened Stonebridge Music Co. at the Westbrook Center here, selling and servicing contemporary musical equipment for the professionals.

Manager-owner Ishibashi leads the popular Stonebridge Band and has been in the music business for many years, while his partner, Morinishi, currently with Rockwell's space shuttle project, has 23-years of experience with radio and electronics. Store (714-636-2423), located at Westminster & Brookhurst, opened April 1.

## For the Record

Front page caption for the March of Dimes picture (June 24 PC) had names slight inverted. The correct lineup from left was Haru Nakata, Tayeko Isono, Toy Kanegai and Aiko Takeshita.

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# \$50,000 bail for Wendy posted as per schedule

SAN FRANCISCO — Two weeks after the sentencing of Wendy Yoshimura last January, commitments totaling over \$50,000 were acknowledged by the No. Calif. Wendy Yoshimura Fair Trial Committee as its chairperson Lloyd K. Wake denied she encountered difficulty raising the additional bail as reported.

"The paper work the court has required for the bail on appeal is unbelievable," the Rev. Wake said this past week as the com-

mittee met the June 23 deadline that Superior Court Judge Martin Pulich had allowed.

Wendy was not in court Thursday when her attorney James Larson posted the entire \$50,000. She was house-painting and involved in community art classes. The court accepted the bank books of her friends, amounts ranging from \$250 to \$12,000 as part of the bail.

After Wendy's sentencing, there were many letters and phone calls from around the country expressing disappointment and wanting to know if they could help. "Some of the bail comes from persons like these," the Rev. Wake added.

One third of the \$50,000 represents funds from those who contributed to the original \$25,000. The other two-thirds represents new funds, it was explained. Twelve persons put up the first \$25,000 while the \$50,000 now comes from 22 different parties, the committee noted.

The appeal is expected to take a year or more. Larson is withdrawing from the defense and the court-appointed public defender will be assigned.

## Sansei returning from Malaysia stay

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia—Kerry Kuroki, 29, was due to return home to Southern California in June following a two-year Peace Corps assignment as a preschool teacher with the Malaysia women's training center.

She is the daughter of Ben and Shige Kuroki, of Oak View, Calif., in Ventura County.

She previously taught at the Malabar Ave. School in east Los Angeles after graduating from UCLA in 1969.

# CLEVELAND

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Supervising the monograph was Henry T. Tanaka executive director of Hill House and former national JACL president. Dr. Carl B. Bonutti, coordinator of the program, obtained a Gund Foundation grant to make the treatise series possible.

As in the other ethnic monographs published at CSU, "Asian Americans and

Their Communities of Cleveland" traces the history, immigration to the United States and the settling of the Cleveland communities for each of the four Asian groups.

Copies of the monograph

Education assistance

WASHINGTON—Rep. Norman Mineta announced the U.S. Office of Education will award \$474,000 in Title I funds to six school districts in his Congressional district this month.

Renew Membership

# S.F. rights commission backs J-town tenants

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Human Rights Commission joined a coalition of community groups May 26 in urging the Redevelopment Agency not to evict tenants from 1531 Sutter St. and 1869 Buchanan St., to fix up the buildings and maintain them as low-income housing.

Located in Nihonmachi, the buildings were slated for demolition. Judge Benson who had originally or-

dered the buildings vacated granted a stay of execution to allow the agency to present a rehabilitation plan.

Tenants wish to form a nonprofit corporation to buy and repair the structures for low-income housing.

Without these measures, the Commission pointed out, "it is unlikely that the buildings can be maintained as low income housing".

—East West Journal

## Japan-JACCC office being established

LOS ANGELES—Arrangements for staffing a Japan-JACCC fund-raising headquarters were made by Katsuma Mukaeda and George Doizaki, top leaders campaigning for the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, it was announced upon their return from Japan last month.

Japanese industrialist Kosuke Matsushita promised to raise \$1 million in the Osaka area. Civic and business leaders will spearhead a campaign in Nagoya, Fukuoka and Hiroshima, while Shintaro Fukushima of Kyodo News (and prewar consul in Los Angeles) and a Keidanren executive will select a fund director based in Tokyo.

## Restaurant fined for dirty conditions

LOS ANGELES — General Lee's Restaurant was fined \$4,000 in municipal court after the corporation pled "no contest" to nine health law violations.

Its president, David For Lee, was placed on 24-month summary probation. Case was prosecuted by the city attorney's office after reports filed by health officials Feb. 24 and Mar. 28.

## Addresses of Poston graduates sought

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The registration deadline for the Poston II High Reunion to be held in San Jose on Aug. 6 and 7 has been extended to July 16, according to Rod Kobara of the Reunion Committee.

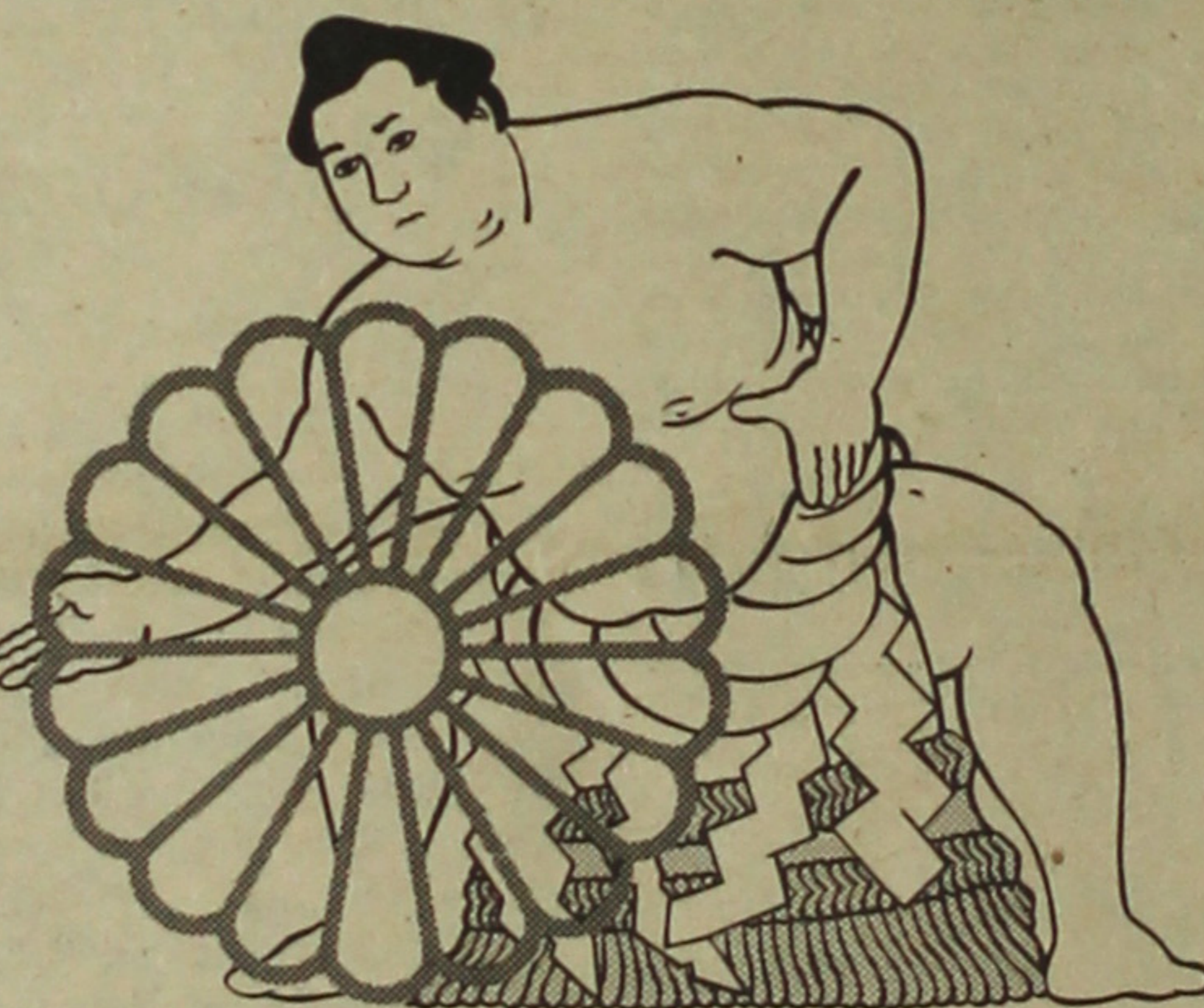
"There are still a number of addresses of Poston graduates," reports Jenny Yoshida, co-chairperson, "and we are seeking the whereabouts of the following:

Class of 43—Momoyo Higashi, Momo Iwakiri, Shizuo Kawaguchi, Amy Koyama, Lucille Matsumoto,

## 'Tokyo Rose' book off press July 1

RENO, Nev.—Rex Gunn's book on Iva Toguri d'Aquino, "They Called Her Tokyo Rose", has been delayed by production problems since the printers promised delivery in time for the recent JACL Tri-District Conference. Author was told delivery by July 1 when he relayed complaints and inquiries to the local printer.

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EDITORIALS:

## Tougher Issues Ahead

A younger Californian may have been amused the other week to learn the three new regents for the Univ. of California that Gov. Brown named range in age from 57 to 61. Yori Wada of San Francisco and the first Asian American appointed to this august panel is 60.

But their rich backgrounds—John Henning is a state labor official who was once undersecretary of labor and an ambassador to New Zealand; Stanley Scheinbaum is a wealthy Los Angeles economist, chairman of the ACLU Foundation of Southern California and a onetime UC Santa Barbara faculty member; and Wada, a community leader and youth worker who has known the worst kind of minority discrimination—etch the kind of wisdom that comes through age and experience.

The appointments appear to be good ones for the University faces some of the knottiest problems in the coming years: legislative influence (they keep pushing a reluctant University to train more family physicians, for instance, for inner city and rural communities), reduced budget (hence, the University's stock holdings in U.S. corporations with ties in South Africa become critical in view of student protests against such companies), and the aftermath of the Bakke case this fall.

While Japanese Americans are personally pleased and do encourage the State Senate to confirm the appointment of Yori Wada, underlying the entire question of higher education for all is the hope that public trust will be expanded for a strengthened university.



Plain Speaking: Wayne Horiuchi

## The Pride at Seabrook

Just this last weekend I had the gracious privilege of addressing the Seabrook JACL installation as guest speaker. This chapter has distinguished itself as a national leader among JACLers for their participation in the Smithsonian Folklife Festival and the Presidential Inaugural festivities. Since Seabrook takes a great deal of pride in showing their cultural heritage and since my speech was on that topic, I thought I might share a portion of that text:

Recognition of our American Cultural diversity, be it Black, Hispanic, Native or Asian American, is the recognition of a vibrance, a resilience and a greatness in America. Concomitant to that is the recognition of our own Japanese culture and heritage—a culture and heritage which personifies the following characteristics:

**Courage**, courage to cross an ocean, settle in a strange surrounding, and establish the Wakamatsu colony.

**Industriousness**, working hard to start those mom and pop businesses, laboring in the Seabrook Farms, or campaigning for the United States Senate.

**Bravery**, bravery to fight for America, receive the highest casualty rate and also be the most decorated regiment in the history of the United States Army.

**Sacrifice**, sacrifice to what I refer to as the "Nisei Guarantee" that the Sansei receive the education and the opportunity to achieve what the Nisei never could.

**Strength**, strength to withstand and tolerate the most horrifying deprivation of civil liberties and civil rights by the federal government with the Evacuation and internment of 110,000 persons of Japanese ances-

try during WW 2.

All of these characteristics are what the Japanese American is all about.

But, what is encouraging and exciting is the pride that a little, tiny community like Seabrook takes in showing cultural heritage.

When Robyn and I first came to Washington, D.C., Seabrook JACL took the lead in telling hundreds of thousands of people who attended the Smithsonian Folklife Festival about our Japanese culture. Ellen, Sunkie, and Mary danced Japanese dances. Vernon and Kennon sold Japanese handiwork and pounded mochi-tsuki, and others performed musical instruments and demonstrated ancient customs that separate Japanese from any other racial and ethnic group in the world. If I might add, I hope without embarrassment, that their participation was not popular among some JACLers. Some felt that JACL should show Japanese Americans as part of the assimilated melting pot and omit references to our Japanese culture. But America is not a melting pot; America is a mosaic with many different colors, be they white, black, brown, yellow or red.

Seabrook is proud of the color of its community.

Seabrook is proud of its remarkable and resilient roots.

Seabrook is proud of the strength, warmth, compassion, unity and love of its home.

And, we should be proud of Seabrook. □

## '8 Times as Much'

Editor: Bill Hosokawa's "Eight Times as Much" (PC, June 10) parallels my recent note to the Postmaster General somewhat. For all who favor government control of services, I'd like them to compare the telephone company to our postal services. Telephone gives us service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and large expensive directories. USPS cannot even give us a leaflet to let us know when and how its rates change. We may buy shares in Telephone and receive dividends (interest on our money). Ever hear of dividends on our taxes?

In N.Y.C. in the Depression, I had a phone for \$4.50 a month with 66 calls a month. Now I have two phones and two jacks and unlimited local calls for \$9.50 a month. In 1930, a postcard was still 1¢, today it is 9 times that much, and the service is terrible. Soon it will be more and worse.

YONE U. STAFFORD  
West Chatham, Mass.

## Now, the Silent Nisei

Editor: Wendy Yoshimura and Nisei's Silence.

I am extremely pleased with Hashime Saito's response (PC, June 10) to my letter. This gives me an opportunity to understand my fellow Japanese Americans.

I certainly recognize the fact that many Japanese Americans contributed to the fund and that Wendy had very capable dedicated lawyers. In spite of these she is still waiting another trial, her fund has been exhausted and she is unable to employ her own lawyer any longer, (as reported in recent issue of PC). Why did this happen?

Neither the judge nor the prosecutor is completely without the influence of public opinion; the juries are not only influenced by it, but those who deviate from the public opinion had been classified as biased and thus, eliminated from serving. And who makes public opinion? It is made by those who speak up.

Our constitution guarantees the freedom of expression, but unless we exercise it, it is merely a piece of paper. It is our duty to guard this

principle by voicing our opinion. I do not believe that contributing to the fund is a substitute for expressing one's opinion.

If "the silence speaks up more eloquently than mere words", someone has to enlighten me as to how it works to accomplish something positive.

Where do Nisei's stand on the issue of silence?

NOBUYUKI NAKAJIMA  
Sheffield Lake, Ohio

## San Benito teacher Domo Arigato, Don

Editor: Evil must be overcome with a forgiving heart, not with hostility. Love conquers all; but hatred is self-defeating. It leads to ignoble words and deeds that alienate friends and foes alike, and consume the hater with the heat of his own passion.

History teacher John C. Buchanan, who reportedly used the term "Jap" in a derogatory manner (PC, June 17) must have had terrible experiences which embittered him. We should be understanding; for we too have suffered traumatically from the injustice and humiliation of Evacuation to "concentration camps" during World War II. Instead of reinforcing his bias with abusive attacks, let us demonstrate with our magnanimity that we are worthy of respect.

The JACL should insist that offensive racist terms not be permitted in classrooms; but it must be done with

dignity and consideration. Such abusive terms as "disgusting", "most obnoxious", and "outrage" should be minimized; for even righteous causes are tarnished by ungraciousness.

Japanese American leaders must be held to conform to the highest standards of human conduct; for their misdeeds reflect on ourselves and on our children!

MASARU ODOI  
Gardena, Calif.

Don has made for JACL?

We cannot really know the many late hours Don has put in at headquarters and how he held the small over-worked Staff members together these past months. Although these Staff members were overworked and underpaid, they still have the highest admiration and respect for this quiet and overmodest young man.

It must have been a temptation for Don to refuse the offer of Acting National Director and go on to a better and more permanent position, but being the person that Don is, he considered the position that would put National Headquarters and the Staff in.

As one very grateful member of JACL, Arigato, Don Hayashi, and I hope JACL, being the organization that it's supposed to be, will never forget the sacrifice you and Debbie have made for us.

M. MURAKAMI  
Sonoma County JACL

## West Wind: by Joe Oyama

# 'You Can't Go Home Again'

(From the Title of a Book by Thomas Wolfe)

### PART I

Berkeley, Calif.

By car, Hoboken, N.J., where we last lived, is only twelve minutes from Manhattan's seamy Times Square or Madison Square Garden. You zip underneath the wide expanse of the Hudson River and suddenly you're catapulted into the lazy waterfront seascape and shipyards of New Jersey.

Hoboken, because of its conservatism and large Catholic population, is kind of an anachronism in the 20th century, an enclave of some 55,000 ethnic groups—mostly Italian, Yugoslavian, Cubans, Indians, Puerto Ricans and Irish with hardly any Asians or Asian Americans to speak of.

There isn't too much that a Japanese American could identify with there, and most Nisei would not care to call it home. They are too status-conscious, and Hoboken is basically a working-class town.

I liked Hoboken, though, because of its ethnic flavor, the variety of restaurants, shops and good vegetable stands, and especially the city's quaintness and interesting architecture. Founded 250 years ago, it is the oldest existing seafaring settlement in the United States. This is where the famed Marlon Brando film, "On the Waterfront" was filmed along its decaying piers and wharves, and this is also the hometown of Frank Sinatra.

Before the container ships came in and automated seagoing cargo, the Hudson River used to be cluttered with ships from all over the world, and long-shoremen and sailors milled in this town of many

saloons. At one time there were 28 saloons lining the area near the old Erie-Lackawanna station, where the subways come in from New York. One saloon a night was busted up in fights between the sailors and long-shoremen.

Hoboken still has about one old-fashioned saloon and a church on every block. The saying goes that you can drink all night and repent the next morning.

Hoboken has a decrepit old city hall, but a wonderful old fashioned bandstand in the middle of a tree shrouded park in the center of the city. On Fourth of July, standing on the banks of the Hudson River at night, we saw spectacular fireworks from the Manhattan side and listened to Dixieland jazz coming from the sightseeing excursion boats plying up and down, lighted with colorful Japanese lanterns. Fireflies whirl and dart among the trees...

But while living there I often found myself looking westward towards the cliffs of Weehawken and Union City, knowing that beyond lies California, and that someday I would return.

In October 1975 I returned to California. In May 1976, we moved into a house in Berkeley, not far from the Univ. of California, where two of my older brothers had graduated.

Having lived longer in the East than in the West, I am now vaguely moved by a feeling that someday, somehow, I will return to Hoboken. If, you ask, "Why?", I cannot answer.

### PART II

Living in Hoboken, I had forgotten about our pre-war

home on Bonnie Beach Place in East Los Angeles with its tatami Japanese room and terraced Japanese garden which led down to a six-foot deep carp and goldfish pond. Behind it stood an elaborate Kabuki stage and beyond it tall fragrant eucalyptus trees. This estate was built by the late Dr. Ichioka and his physician wife, who had a busy clinic at the foot of the terraced gardens. One of their daughters was Toshiya Mori, a Hollywood Baby Wampum film star.

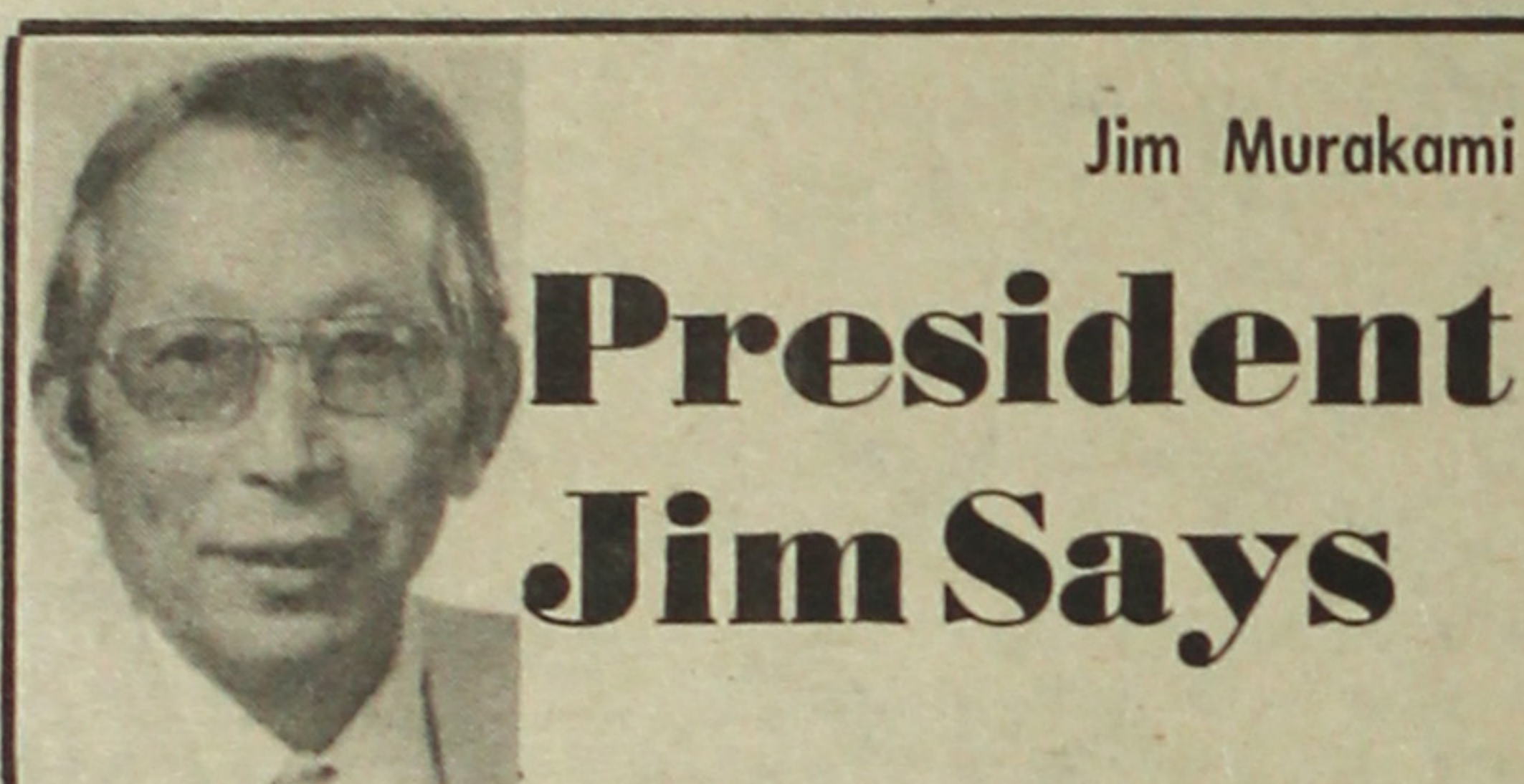
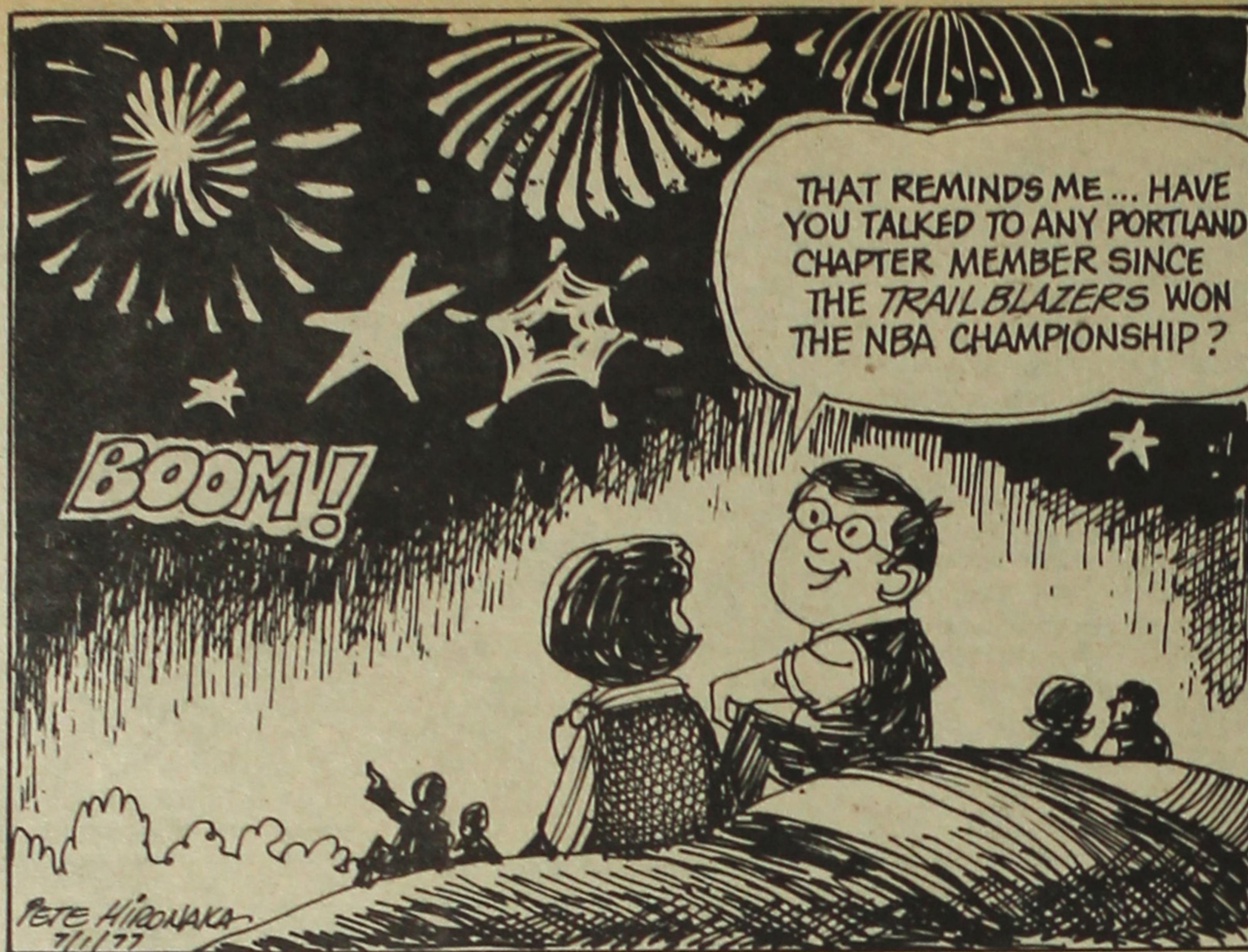
We had lived only six months in this house before war broke out with Japan and we were involuntarily herded off to the concentration camp at the Santa Anita Race Track in Arcadia. On the day of the Evacuation, we boarded up all of the windows and doors on this house, but while we were gone, vandals broke in and looted it. We never returned there again, nor have I seen the house since.

Other memories don't die as easily. Living on Bonnie Beach Place after the outbreak of war, was a time of insecurity and gloom about the future, but there were carefree memories, too:

✓ One Fourth of July during the Great Depression, four of us Nisei chipped in \$4 each and rented a 1922 vintage Cadillac with a handsome chauffeur's compartment up front. We just had money enough for a little gas but no money for hot dogs and soda.

The fellow who volunteered to drive said, "I'm gonna take you guys to the top of the hill above City Hall. It's a nice view!" When we got there, suddenly without warning, he stepped

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Jim Murakami

## President Jim Says

### THE MAY-JUNE REPORT

Santa Rosa

Ratification of the National Board's appointment of Karl Nobuyuki as National JACL Executive Director has been affirmatively approved by an overwhelming majority of the JACL Chapters. He assumed his duties effective May 2, 1977, and has begun to establish contact with JACL members, organizations of the greater community and generally is familiarizing himself with the operation of JACL.

Since Karl does lack an in-depth knowledge of JACL, its membership make-up and their needs, my first directive to him upon assuming his position was to obtain an objective overall overview of the total organization. Not any one segment, not any one faction, but a total picture. He does have experience in obtaining grants and once the total needs of JACL are identified, he can proceed to work toward obtaining outside funding to make the JACL more viable.

Don Hayashi as Acting National Director up until the assumption of the National Executive Director's position by Karl, was one person who did more for JACL and provided unseemingly untiring assistance to all of the organization.

Were it not for his deep commitment to JACL, consideration for the people that it serves and because of his conscientiousness, JACL would not be so fortunate as to have the continuance of organizational activities at the same or increased level since that resignation of Dave Ushio. I personally would like to express my deepest appreciation to Don and his wife Debra for their dedication, contribution and commitment to JACL and I expect to see them around JACL for many years to come.

And now that the National Director matter has been resolved, there will be more frequent National President PC articles which have been very conspicuously absent, not by design, but by time.

We have all read of the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee to gather data on a nationwide basis, in which employment discrimination against Asian Americans was or is at issue. We are all aware of these cases and not a day passes without having knowledge of a JACLer or Asian American who has been denied employment upward mobility on the basis of race. It is timely that we document solid statistics and instances of these discrimination cases and, if necessary, take a long overdue step toward the elimination of these practices.

If we can supply Dr. Tom Taketa of San Jose and his committee with data which might be usable in compiling their initial report to the National JACL Executive Committee, I am sure that he would more than welcome the information for inclusion in the report. □

## OYAMA

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down on the gas pedal full speed. We careened downhill at sixty miles an hour, the three of us in back hanging on to the straps. At the bottom of the hill we narrowly escaped crashing into a street, which we had just passed, and cars entered the intersection to jam on their brakes.

The driver turned around and grinned. (We were all pale.) "What's the matter with you guys, anyway? Chicken?" We all decided that we had enough of him and changed driver.

On our way to Brighton Beach, the "Japanese Beach" near San Pedro Harbor, the three of us in back competed to use the rear executive's phone so that we could give "instructions" to our driver up front, who seemed annoyed at our antics. Once he yelled back on the phone, "F— you! Will you guys shut up!" We kept giving him instructions, however, until we were almost half way to the beach. "Home, James. Home, James. Home, James." Etc. Etc. Suddenly, he pulled the car off of the highway, slammed on the brakes in a whirl of dust, jumped out of the rear door, with dukes up, yelled, "The next sonofabitch who says anything is going to be dragged out of the car and be beaten up!" (The Quiet American?)

Not one of us budged and silence prevailed the rest of the way to Brighton Beach.

## ALIENS

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Six years ago when an emergency directive issued by the California Dept. of Social Welfare ordered illegal aliens be dropped from the welfare roll, community groups working with indigent Issei called on JACL, Japanese chamber of commerce and church groups for assistance as some Issei had lost their documents. Now the cases involve students or visitors from Japan who overstay their visa. □

From the Frying Pan: Bill Hosokawa



In his new assignment as editor of The Denver Post's editorial page, Bill Hosokawa writes signed commentaries from time to time. His first column appeared June 19 on Father's Day. Because it touches on the Issei-Nisei, it is being reproduced here. —Editor.

## Promise of America

FATHER'S DAY seems to be as good an occasion as any to write this introductory column. It happens to be a somewhat personal one.

Three weeks ago The Denver Post named me editor of its editorial page. Here, within the shop, it was just another routine change, the kind that takes place from time to time in any organization.

Among The Post's readers the reaction was equally casual. Apparently no one thought it was worth special note that a large and important newspaper would select a son of Japanese immigrants to edit the section in which it expresses its opinions.

That reaction, or more accurately the lack of reaction, reflects a vast change in the sociological and intellectual climate of America.

In the '30s, when I was graduated from college—which was possible only through considerable parental and personal sacrifice—the doors of job opportunity largely were closed to oriental Americans.

A few years later the United States put me, and 110,000 others, into prison camps. We were at war with Japan and emotions ran high. Some of our leaders felt that suspension of the rights of a small minority was an inconsequential price to pay if, as they contended, it would help win the war.

(It should be noted for the record that we were not dissidents being put into cold storage; our leaders simply feared there might be a few dissidents among us and the best way to put them out of circulation was to incarcerate the whole bunch.)

ENORMOUS PROGRESS, some of it not without wrenching re-evaluation, has been achieved since then in making the promise of America a reality for minorities of various stripe and hue.

A Corner for Our Guests:

## Emergency Bandwagon

By KEN HAYASHI  
(Orange County JACL)

I know it's old hat to talk about the necessity of an organization like JACL. It's old hat to me since I have been a member (off and on) of various chapters all over the country for over 40 years. As a youth in Tacoma I remember discussions about the necessity of JACL. Yet without the Tacoma chapter, there would have been no social functions for G.I.'s stationed at nearby Fort Lewis.

In 1939, when the state of Washington celebrated its 50th anniversary into the Union, it was the JACL that coordinated the Japanese American participation in this huge celebration. In the Northwest it was primarily the JACL that started the Courier League for all organized athletic activities for the then young Nisei.

When WW2 broke out it was the Tacoma JACL that volunteered its services to the local Civilian Defense Corps. When we were evacu-

ated to the Pinedale Assembly Center, it was the JACL that rented trucks and helped the evacuees store their belongings in the local Bukkyo-kai, the Japanese M.E. Church and the Japanese Language School.

During the war, it was JACL that looked after the rights of the Issei and Nisei. They were the ones that spearheaded citizenship rights for the Issei and pushed for immigration for all Asians. They were the ones that fought for evacuation claims.

In more recent times, they were largely responsible for eliminating the infamous Emergency Detention Camp Act (Title 2). Leaders in JACL were primarily responsible for President Ford signing the bill that officially eliminated Executive Order 9066 (the Evacuation Order). They were also in the forefront in the battle to get a presidential pardon for the government's crime against Iva Toguri. What about all

This is not to say the battle for justice and equality is won. There is much yet to be done. But we have made such progress that we can applaud, and not be embarrassed by, a President who dares lecture other nations to clean up their human rights record.

What makes all this pertinent on Father's Day is that my father sensed the promise of America when he left his native Hiroshima in 1899, a few months before his 16th birthday, to seek a new life in this country.

In addition to the problems faced by all immigrants, he carried the additional burden of differences of race and cultural backgrounds. An immigrant from Ireland or Germany or Italy had less difficulty adjusting to the American milieu than one from the Orient.

His first job was as a railroad section hand in northern Montana. He worked as a migrant from laborer, a domestic, fry cook, and even as a messboy on a United States military transport.

Eventually he was able to settle down to raise a family and support it with more stable employment. All this, inevitably, kept him too busy to learn to speak English well, or to polish his social graces.

AMERICA'S WARTS were very evident to him throughout his life. He encountered them every day. Withal, he never lost confidence that in time this would be a better country for all who chose to make it their own.

My father died 25 years ago. That was before the great social upheavals that altered the face and conscience of the nation.

Had he lived to witness the change, he would have been thrilled and excited by the way the United States finally was living up to the promise envisioned by those who founded it.

All of us, other than the Native Americans, are immigrants or descendants of immigrants. Some of our forebears came of their own free will; others came in chains. Whatever the circumstances, however, it was their faith that has brought us to where we are.

And that's not a bad thought to share along with the gifts and good wishes on Father's Day. □

the books published on Japanese Americans? Without JACL, they never would have appeared in print.

I get sick and tired of Nisei and Sansei who denigrate and think they have it made in the so-called American establishment. It could be superficial acceptance at best. Sansei and Yonsei who marry out of their ethnic background do not resolve the problem. Eurasians back east during WW2 found that out. Now JACL, along with other progressive organizations recognize the concept of ethnic pluralism in our American society. Oddly enough in many instances, it is the Anglo-American who have resided here for generations and have forgotten their roots, who are now feeling disadvantaged.

At any rate, when one asks, "Do we need JACL?" I see RED. And I know in the next emergency, those doubting Thomases and Marys will be on the JACL bandwagon as they have been in the past.

—Santana Wind





