# Man-made genes form bacterial hormone

Los Angeles Two Nikkei scientists were among a research team that successfully produced a bacterial hormone hailed as "a scientific triumph of the first order."

Keiichi Itakura and Tadaaki Hirose, along with Arthur Riggs and Robert Crea found that bacteria can be used as "factories" to make medically needed biological materials. Bacteria were commanded, through recombinated DNA techniques to produce the hormone "somatostatin".

DNA is dioxyribonucleic the double-spiral acid, thread that governs heredity. Genes are sections of DNA. Recombinant DNA techniques involve cutting the DNA and inserting another gene to change the pattern of growth and heredity.

Experiments which produced the hormone included special safety features, according to the research team. It is believed the hormone will be useful in the treatment of some diseases.

In testimony before a Senate subcommittee on commerce hearings on research into the controversial recombinant DNA studies, Philip Hander, president of the National Academy of Sciences, and Paul Berg of Stanford said the most important result of the work will not be in the manufacture of somatostatin itself, but the promise that many such biological products can be made in the laboratory using man-made genes.

The experiments marked the first time that any gene -natural or man-madehad been used in a recombinant DNA experiment to produce a hormone in bacteria.

Members of the research team were from City of Hope in Duarte and UC San Francisco.

In Washington, a patent (No. 4,056,520) was issued to Drs. Nobuyuki Yamasaki and Martin Sonenberg for an animo acid compound for treating human dwarfism caused by pituitary insufficiency. They did their research at Sloan-Kettering Institute for Cancer Research in New York.

The compound may also be useful as a pituitarygenerating agent in certain ulcer and liver conditions, and as an aid in treatments to speed the healing of wounds.

Because the substance also promotes growth in animals, additional uses are foreseen, for example, in livestock food supplements to increase the production of wool, meat and milk.

Dr. Sonenberg is chief of the division of endocrinology at th Sloan-Kettering Institute, and Dr. Yamasaki is a faculty member at Ehime University, Matsuyaa City, Japan.

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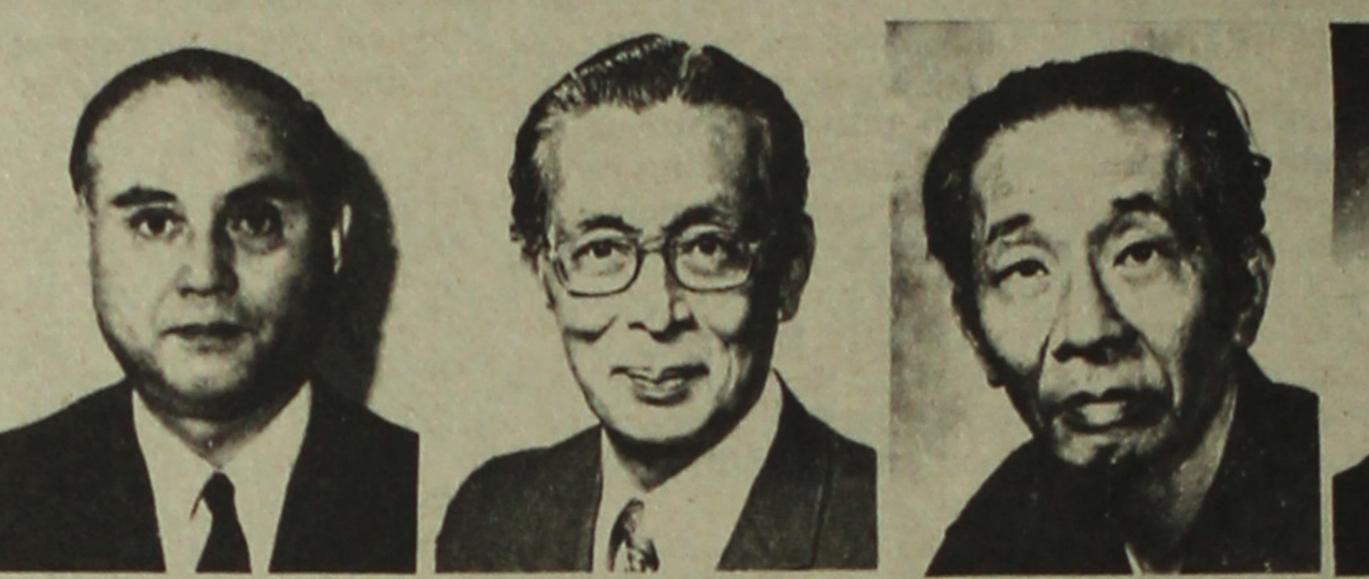
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# Outstanding chemists to be honored

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WASHINGTON—Five Japanese men are among 22 recipients of awards presented each year by the American Chemical Society (ACS), commending those making advancements or contributions in the field.

Dr. Junji Furukawa, Dr. Paul K. Kuroda, Dr. Koji Nakanishi, Dr. Satoru Masamune and Dr. Hideki Sakurai will accept their awards next March at the 175th ACS National Meeting in Anaheim, Calif.

Winner of the award in Polymer Chemistry, Furu-

kawa is recognized as one of the "outstanding polymer chemists alive today." From his work with alternating copolymerization, Furukawa has opened up new and important areas of synthetic polymer chemistry and polymeric materials. He presently teaches at the Science University of Tokyo, Chiba.

Known as an international authority on atmospheric radiochemistry, Kuroda was awarded for his contributions in Nuclear Applications in Chemistry. Born in Japan, he is best noted for his prediction in 1956 that self-sustaining spontaneous uranium chain reactions could have occurred in nature more than 2 billion years ago. Now an American Univ. of Arkansas in 1952.

Oils and Related Products, is a chemistry professor at Columbia University. Considered one of the outstanding researchers in determining the structure of natural products, Nakanishi has pioneered the development of new structural methods. A prolific writer, he has had several books published on the subject of natural prod-

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# Predict most Vietnam refugees to be at work

Stockton, Calif. Those who know the 500 to 600 Vietnamese refugees who are trying to establish a home in the Stockton area predict that in another year or two, most if not all of them, will have full-time jobs—a veteran social worker who has been working with them since they first arrived here 30 months ago

believes. More than half of them are on welfare. The middleaged and older ones are having trouble learning English. And many have psychological problems and are plagued by alcoholism. But "these are not your stereotype welfare client", social worker Horace Gentry recently told Bill Cook of the Stockton Record.

"I've handled all the programs here and many different kinds of clients and

I've never seen any group as highly motivated. They are not going to be long-term welfare recipients. In another year or two, this whole thing will reverse. I see them becoming self-supporting taxpayer citizens, mostly professional-type people."

Gentry noted many similarities in the attitude of Vietnamese and that of the Japanese who were forced "to start from scratch" here after World War II. There was not a single Japanese on the welfare rolls of San Joaquin County the last time he checked, Gentry added.

Henry Engelke, assistant to the county welfare director Harry Brodie, was less optimistic but agreed they were "most highly motivated" because most of them were working with the U.S. government in Vietnam.

About 40 percent of the adult refugees, Engelke explained, were professionals: lawyers, engineers, doctors, teachers, professors, etc.

For 60 refugees in the Los Angeles area looking for jobs, they found one for which they particularly qualified—playing Vietnamese in a war movie, "Go Tell the Spartans", at \$150 a week for non-speaking roles. The Pacific Asian Consortium in Employment (PACE), a federally-funded job referral project established two years ago to help the refugees, had no difficulty filling the order.

PACE estimated 75,000 Indochinese refugees live in California with 22,000 on welfare.

The same week in San Francisco, the first contingent of 15,000 more refugees landed while in New York at the United Nations, Vietnam was admitted.

In Lancaster, Pa., the 900 Vietnamese residents have rapidly adjusted to the job market. Most onlookers say the basic industriousness of the people is one of the keys to their success.

But while Vietnamese emigrants have overcome the adversities of settling in a new country, they are "still suffering from culture shock," said Vuong Thuy, a refugee now with Philadelphia's Temple University.

Though many have jobs, most refugees aren't happy, Thuy said, adding it will be easy for younger refugees to overcome their unhappiness eventually but "it will be difficult for the older generation to overcome it; it's a question of time."

Helping the refugees' success here has been the job availability in the area's bustling agricultural-industrial-tourist economy. Local schools also helped by gearing up quickly to teach English and provide job training.

The locale has been so profitable for refugees, that many have encouraged friends in other states to make the trip east. Recent arrivals have come from as

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# case still on

NEW YORK—The petitions of Elizabeth Young and Kenneth Chin for review of their firearms control law convictions before the U.S. Supreme Court are still pend-

Shig Kaneshiro, chairman of the JACL Eastern District Council civil rights committee, said the headline (Dec. 2 PC), "Supreme Court refuses appeal from Young-Chin" was "grossly mislead-

What the court has refused was to order the U.S. appellate court to provide a copy of its opinion. "This is not to be construed as a final decision by the Supreme Court (on the case)," Kaneshiro declared.

citizen, he received his PhD at Tokyo University in 1944 and began working at the Nakanishi, winner of the Ernest Guenther Award in the Chemistry of Essential

# Gardena Nisei to seek 2nd term on city council

GARDENA, Calif.—Setting aside rumors he would seek higher office, Mas Fukai, senior deputy to Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, announced last week he plans to run for re-election to the Gardena City Council.

City elections will be held March 6 for the mayoral seat and three spots on the council. Fukai, 50, won his first term in 1974, receiving the largest vote total of any candidate, including the new mayor Edmond Russ who defeated Ken Nakaoka.

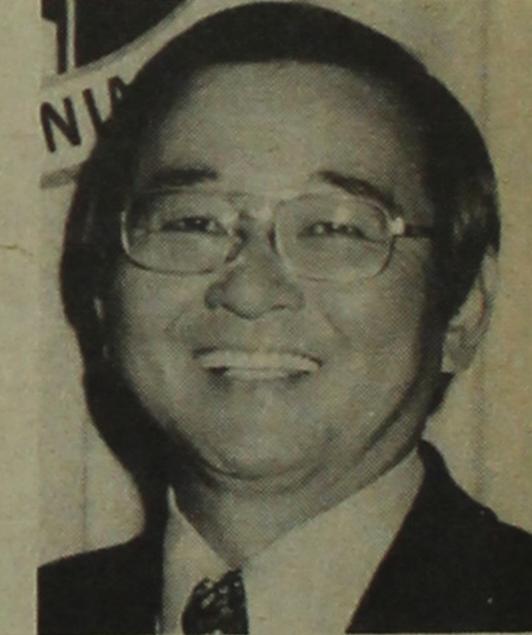
"Having the opportunity to serve the community the past four years has been very gratifying. Although I was born in Gardena and have lived in the city all my life, I have learned to love it more since being elected to the city council," Fukai said.

"When I first sought this office, my goal was to bring city government back to the people. I believe I have been successful in doing this."

In his first term, Fukai won the reputation as a reform legislator, fighting for an ordinance limiting campaign spending in city elections and for the passage of a real estate "truth-in-sales"

His work with Supervisor Hahn has also made him reform-conscious. The two are currently embroiled in a legal battle against major automobile insurance companies. The two politicians are protesting the higher insurance rates levied on inner city drivers.

Fukai gained recent attention in Gardena's last special



MAS FUKAI

election, where voters decided not to approve a major redevelopment scheme. The councilman at first endorsed the formation of a Community Redevelopment Agency, but later changed his mind, saying he found it was not in the best interests of the people. The proposal was defeated.

Because of a large deficit faced by the city, Fukai characterized his first term as "difficult."

"(The deficit) has delayed some of the new ideas and programs that need to be started in our city. I believe that these goals can be reached in the next four years.

"I have broadened my knowledge of the people's needs as your city councilman and as senior deputy to Supervisor Kenneth Hahn. I hope to again have the support of the community to allow me to serve the people of Gardena," he said in a prepared statement.

Filing dates for candidates will run from Dec. 8-29.



A young Vietnamese lad appears to be pondering of his new life in America. He and his parents were being processed at Camp Pendleton in May. 1975. Official Marine Corps Photo

# REFUGEES

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far away as Minnesota, Texas and California.

And that's just the beginning, according to Tran-huy Duc Hanh, who has an Oriental food store here. "There are lots of Vietnamese people who will come here because it's easy for them to get a job."

There are, of course, some pitfalls for those who can't speak English well—they must settle for any job they can get. A former math teacher works as a warehouse clerk in a local dairy and a former office worker inspects chicken carcasses at a local plant.

"When you ask them to stay late and work overtime. they're delighted," says William Good, president of Zephyr Aluminim Co. "They like the money and

# Beaths

Abe, James Yoshio, 63, of Salmas, Calif., died Nov. 27 after being hospitalized for a month in Oxnard. He was vice president of celery operation for the Bud Antle, Inc., active in the JA-CL, Buddhist Church and local community. He is survived by w Masu, three sons Billy, Ryan Calvin, br Takashi, Dr Steven, Yasuo, mother Tsuki, sis Tomi Shimakawa, June Yamamisaka, Emiko Namba.

they are reasonably productive."

If there has been any rough spot in the refugees' assimilation, it has been with the local Hispanic community, which totals about 6,000. The initial reception was cordial, with Hispanics

# SCIENCE

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ucts.

A chemistry professor at the Univ. of Alberta in Canada, Masamune received the award for Creative Work in Synthetic Organic Chemistry. He has won international acclaim for his striking synthetic accomplishments and numerous important contributions to methods of synthesis. He obtained his AB from Tohoku University in 1952 and PhD in organic chemistry from the Univ. of California in 1957.

Sakurai, winner of the Frederic Stanley Kippin Award in Organosilicon Chemistry, has published about 75 papers on the subject over the past 10 years. A chemistry professor at Tohoku University, his research is "characterized by expert novel synthetic work,

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helping to find housing and jobs for the refugees.

But the relationship went somewhat sour. Puerto Ricans were displeased to see the Indochinese getting so much support from their sponsors, favorable publicity in local news media, and

valuable theoretical insight, and ability to recognize and develop unexpected observations," a colleague said of search Award in 1967 and a visiting professorship from Du Pont in 1974.

financial aid from the government. The Spanish were also irked when the Indochinese began "getting the promotions" after "coming in and taking jobs they believed belonged to them," says Patricia Rankin, who helps with a refugee followup program at Millersville State College.

Others say, however, the rapid economic progress made by the Indochinese hasn't been lost on the Span-

"These people are very industrious," Maria Torres, a him. Director of the Japan stenographer for Pennsyl-Society of Synthetic Organic vania Power & Light Co. She Chemistry, Sakurai re- noted that within two years ceived the Kawakami Re- after fleeing Vietnam many refugees have managed to buy homes and new cars.

> "We have a lot to learn from these people," she said.

# Amerasia Journal looking for associate ed., manuscripts

LOS ANGELES — Applications for associate editor position are now being accepted by the Amerasia Journal, a UCLA scholarly publication devoted to the Asian American experience.

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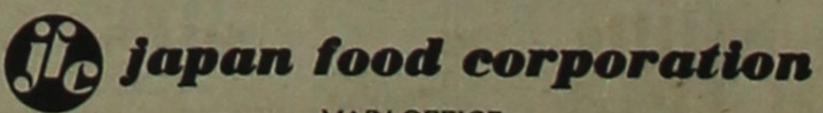


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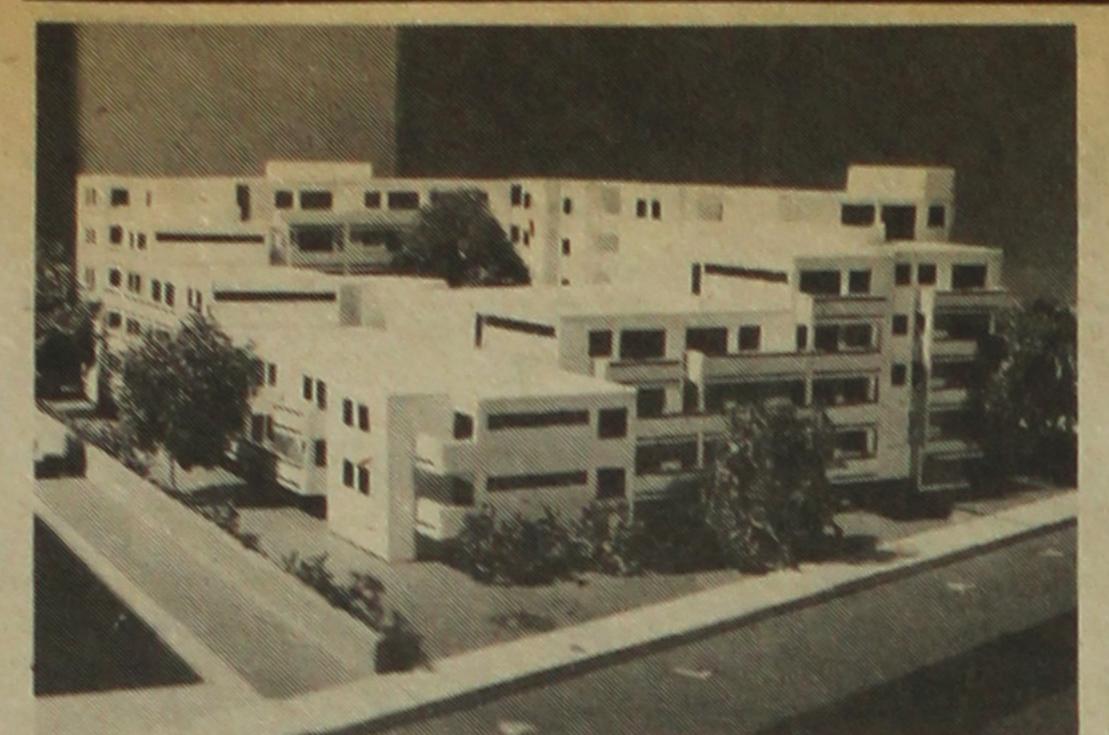


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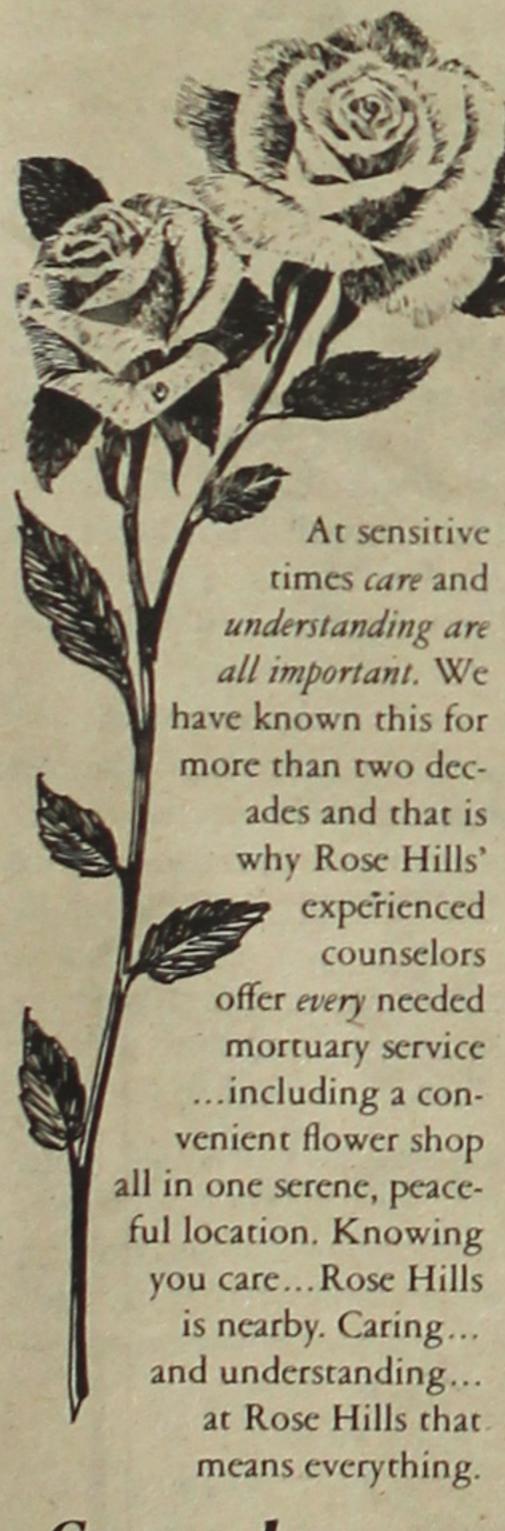
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James D. Hodgson, ambassador from 1974-77, was in Albuquerque Nov. 29 to speak to the Chamber of Commerce during a luncheon in his honor in the Convention Center.

"The entire new cabinet appointed by Prime Minister Tadeo Fukuda is strong in economic knowledge of the United States," he said.

Nobuhiko Ushiba, ambassador to the United States from 1970 to 1973, was named to the new post of and they will be settled between us amicably," he said, referring to Japan's swollen trade imbalance.

He said increasing the excise tax on Japan's exports to the U.S. "would be short-minister of external economic relations. Kiichi Miyazawa was named director of the Economic Planning Agency.

"I think Japan will take its trade problems seriously

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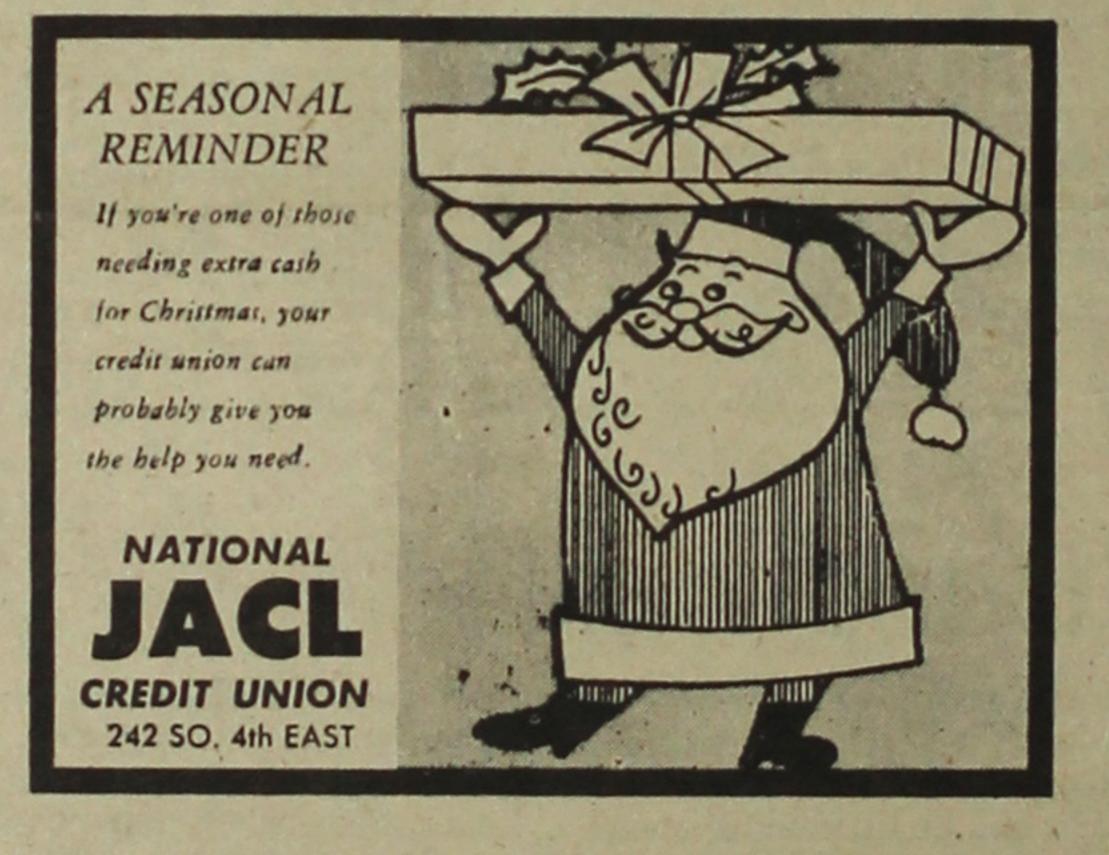
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#### Christmas Eve

SAN FRANCISCO—Pine United Methodist Church has been selected by CBS-TV this year for its Christmas Eve service that is nationally televised. Program will be aired here at 12m PST (check local listings). The church recently marked the centennial of the Japanese Christian mission in North America.

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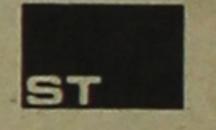
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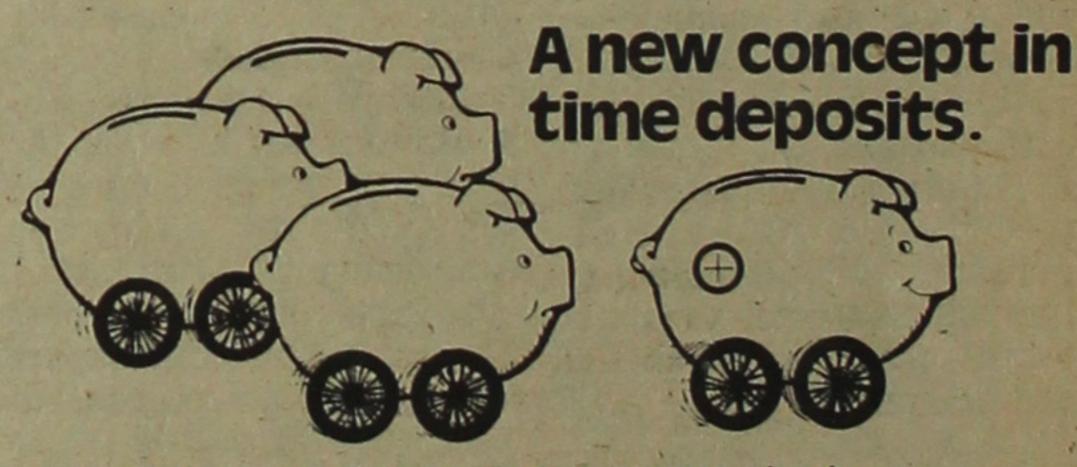
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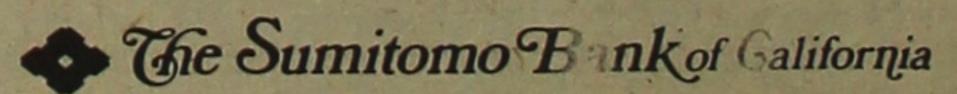
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work is surging through our PC office with Christmas carols on the radio and street decorations up in Little Tokyo fortifying our determination to meet if not beat our self-imposed deadlines. Stories and greetings have come in avalanche proportions. Our in-house typesetting equipment is whirring at full capacity. The days of the week will mean little as some of us will be at this almost non-stop until December 19 when a scheduled 104 camera-ready pages are delivered to the printers.

The annual 1000 Club Honor Roll will again appear in the New Year Special, listing those who were active 1000-ers as of Nov. 30. This is noted here for those who might expect to see it in the

Holiday Issue.

# 'The Way We Are'

Five half-hour television shows, "Japanese Americans: The Way We Are", have completed their initial scheduled run on the five NBC-TV owned stations in Chicago, Washington, Cleveland, New York and Los Angeles. It was produced in Chicago by WMAQ-TV's public affairs department in cooperation with the JACL Midwest Office.

Moderated by JACL Midwest Director Tom Hibino—a Sansei Connecticut Yankee, the series delved into experiences of the Nikkei in America's Heartland. A broad perspective was painted in the "Introduction" by Noboru Honda, formerly of Marysville, and one of the first Nisei evacuees to resettle in Chicago, and Lillian Kimura, JACL Midwest governor.

In the second segment, "Concentration Camps", Shig Wakamatsu, chairman of the JACL-JARP committee, and Ross Ha-

rano, Uptown Chicago commissioner, focused on evacuation, personal camp experiences and the continuing effects of relocation and current efforts to obtain redress and reparation.

The third segment, "A Conversation with Iva Toguri", struck us as being the "newsiest" of the set as Iva recalled the events that led up to the arrest and conviction for treason and her efforts to obtain pardon. She discussed the attitude of the Japanese American community at the time of her arrest (the JACL had "abandoned" her at the time) and how it changed through the years (the JACL played a leading role in securing the pardon from President Gerald Ford).

In the fourth segment, "The Elderly", Mas Nambu of Japanese American Service Committee and Dan Kuzuhara of Northwestern University's Dept. of Aging Studies focused on JASC, reportedly the largest social service agency on the mainland U.S. working with the Issei and Nisei.

The fifth on "Identity" proved to be the liveliest for the morning wake-up show with Dr. Toaru Ishiyama of Cleveland's Northeast Ohio Mental Health Systems and playwright Momoko Iko examining the paradox of the Nikkei as a minority group and yet by some standards having achieved "success" in recent years. Sacrifices that were made for this "model minority" status, ethnic pride, assimilation and intermarriage, identification with other minorities were topics that made this the shortest half-hour of the entire series.

JACL has cooperated in other TV presentations delving into the Japanese American experience, but "The Way We Are" consisting of two-and-a-half hours is a new high. Its reappearance on educational TV around the country when Asian American Heritage Week is celebrated is recommended.

### Propaganda Film

Editor:

After reading the letter written by Dennis Roland (PC, Dec. 2), protesting the telecast of a World War II propaganda film titled "Know Your Enemy - Japan", it seems to me that he really missed the point.

I saw the same program that Mr. Roland refers to (it was shown here by KCET). It is part of a series called "Films of Persuasion", which presents a retrospective view of propaganda films, allowing the viewer to look at such films and to form their own judgment as to the perspective and content that is presented. I viewed the film in question from that point of view-I wanted to see for myself what kind of image was given the Japanese Empire during World War II, and how that image was put across. The same holds true for "Japanese Relocation", a propaganda film about the Evacuation that was shown on the same program.

Mr. Roland's protest seems to be based on the idea that to show films such as these is to endorse the ideas that they present. Such is by no means the case with the Manzanar Committee—this group has shown "Japanese Relocation" in this area several times as part of their educational effort about the camp experience, and they do so as a way to expose the official rationalizations that were used to put people in camp. The same attitude was put across by Richard Schnikel, the host for this program: what you are looking at is propaganda; it is not to be taken at face value.

We should, I think, take the trouble to view such films. They make us confront the fact that the ideas they present did have credibility back at that point in time. They also allow us to test our own convictions, and our own knowledge. Especially in the case of "Know Your Enemy - Japan", it would be easy to reject the racism implicit in the film by saying that the film is nothing but a pack of lies. The only problem with such a reaction is that much of the factual content of this film is true. To reactively reject this film without taking the trouble to comprehend where the falsehood is

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West Wind: Joe Oyama

# The Day I Quit Judo

Berkeley, Calif.

When I was forty-seven years old, I decided to learn Judo with my then adolescent sons, Bob and Richard, at the New York Buddhist Academy, rationalizing that I was being a good buddy to them.

Most of the men my age would have taken to a milder sport like fishing, bowling, Aikido or Tai Chi, but I was determined to learn Judo whatever the cost, having a certain paranoid fear that someone might be after me and that I had better be prepared for any eventuality. Some people thought that I was crazy taking up such a rigorous martial art at that age, and maybe they were right. If I had started earlier and continued practicing, it might have been all right.

When I was seven or eight years old in Sacramento, my father built a combined outdoor Judo dojo and sumo area in our large backyard, where on Sundays and weekends, many Kibei and Issei came to practice and also to participate in tournaments.

We children looked on, watching the adults sweat, cheering our heroes and booing someone whom we thought was weak, calling them names.

My father, who was an early riser, would awaken us before 6 a.m. and we would be out on a winter morning on the frozen mat white with early morning frost. Kneeling and facing my father, we (there were four boys) would bow to him, paying our respect, touching our foreheads on the cold mat. One by one he would take us on, the oldest first and the youngest last. I would be number three.

He wasn't really what a Nisei boy could call "Dad", he was then "Father", somewhat formidable and unrelenting. In retrospect, I cannot remember a time that he "reciprocated a fall by falling down for us, like the higher-ranking Judo instructors from Japan do at the Buddhist Academy, some of whom were priests.

Father also taught us jiu-jitsu self-defense techniques, which came in handy after school sometimes, when Portuguese kids picked on us. He was also skillful in kendo.

Once, after I had studied kendo for only six months at the Japanese Presbyterian Church Dojo, where they had a new instructor from Japan, father challenged me to try to hit him on the head as hard as possible. He was bareheaded and bald and I wore a heavy helmet on my head.

"Go for Broke!" I swung my bamboo pole madly left and right and over and over again until I was completely exhausted. Deflecting my pole with just a flick of his wrist, suddenly, he would swoop down on me with a hard blow on the head. What a sobering experience. Mama always did say we had one extra "kodomo" (child) in the family and that was Dad!

In Judo practice at the New York Buddhist Academy, many whites and blacks thought the "Japanese" had a secret weapon and were innately stronger than them and better judoists. (The ones from Japan were better, because of more intensive and rigorous training and the Sansei on the whole were better, because they just practiced harder.) The black and white judoists always wanted a "Japanese" for a partner to practice with. They tried twice as hard and felt twice as elated, if the opponent they had thrown was Japanese.

One evening after an especially rigorous practice, completely exhausted and drenched with perspiration from head to foot, I meditated after the evening practice was through. Enveloped in a cloud, I saw myself trying to defeat my father. There wasn't only father but many undistinguishable fathers and I was the small helpless boy.

When the revelation occurred, I quit Judo.

One cold winter day, as I crossed Fifth Avenue, a bus stopped near me, suddenly I slipped on the icy street, falling right in front of the bus in full view of the passengers. I broke my fall with a beautiful "ukemi", landing on my back with my head safely tucked up. This is the only time that Judo came into practical use for me, and I thank Father.

JACL National Reparation Committee:

# Reparation Beneficiaries

PART SEVEN

For the basic concept we go back to the memo prepared by Barry Matsumoto, JACL Washington Representative, in 1973. We must first define injustice for which we seek compensations.

If defined in terms of Evacuation and detention, then those entitled to compensation will be limited to individuals (or heirs and devisees) who were evacuated and detained.

If defined in broader terms of pain, suffering and the unjust loss of freedom undergone by Japanese Americans during World War II directly attributable to the acts of the U.S. government, then the class of individuals entitled to compensations will be expanded.

Will we be seeking compensations for any real or personal property losses sustained by Japanese Americans as a result of evacuation and internment? The Evacuation Claims Act of 1948 was to compensate

# Reparation Committee Members

The present JACL National Reparation Committee represents new faces in the JACL's seven year history of commitment to this campaign.

It is not by accident that committee members are unknown among JACLers on reparation issue. After seven years of campaigning, most well-known names are identified with particular views on reparation.

These concepts have been articulated by different individuals and groups. We wanted members uncommitted to any particular view so that we can review them with an open mind.

Valuable ground works have been laid by the previous committees over years of research, studies and deliberations. Our committee will look them over, summarize and compare the views presented. You make the decision on whether you wish to or do not wish to accept any of the various proposals that will be presented.

We will need the aid of all veteran reparation campaigners and we shall also go national as we expand the scope of our activities. At the beginning we are three: Ken Hayashi of Los Angeles, editor of Santana Wind published by the Orange County JACL. Ken went through the entire Evacuation experience, not as a child but as a young adult. Peggy Iwasaki will bring in a Sansei perspective. She is from Portland, Ore., and recently passed the Oregon bar exams. Clifford Uyeda was outside the Western Defense Command on Dec. 7, 1941. His family was evacuated: he tried desperately to visit them in camp, but was refused permission.

the Japanese for their property losses. It was less than a token compensation. It would be difficult to clearly substantiate uncompensated property losses at this time. It will be equally difficult to substantiate lost wages, lost profits and other financial losses.

There appears to be no doubt in all the proposals submitted that they desired those evacuated and detained in various camps to be beneficiaries. Many feel that there are others who are also entitled to reparation.

How about those who were advised to voluntarily relocate, did so and encountered untold humiliations and degradations besides economic losses?

How about those who lived outside the restricted military zones and escaped Evacuation but who suffered severely due to their own government's policy of mistrust which encouraged harsh treatments by other fellow Americans? At Bonners Ferry, Idaho, the entire Nikkei community was boycotted out of existence.

How about internees from Hawaii, brought over and incarcerated in mainland camps? How about those arrested and confined in Hawaii?

How about some 1,200 South American Japanese forcibly evicted from their homeland and brought to the United States for internment?

Some state that only American citizens should be compensated. Issei were aliens, not by choice but because of the discriminatory law which prohibited their naturalizations. It was not until 1952 that they became eligible for American citizenship.

Well over 50 percent of the Issei who were incarcerated in camps during World War II are now deceased. Should their survivors be eligible?

Should age limitations be placed in considering reparation? Should those born in camps be entitled to compensation?

Chances for passage of a bill are best when eligibility requirements are strict, restrictive and most easily defined. Justifications for filing claims, however, have stirred lively discussions.

Our next article (after the Holiday Issue) will deal with comments on the method of redress presented in the preceding reviews.

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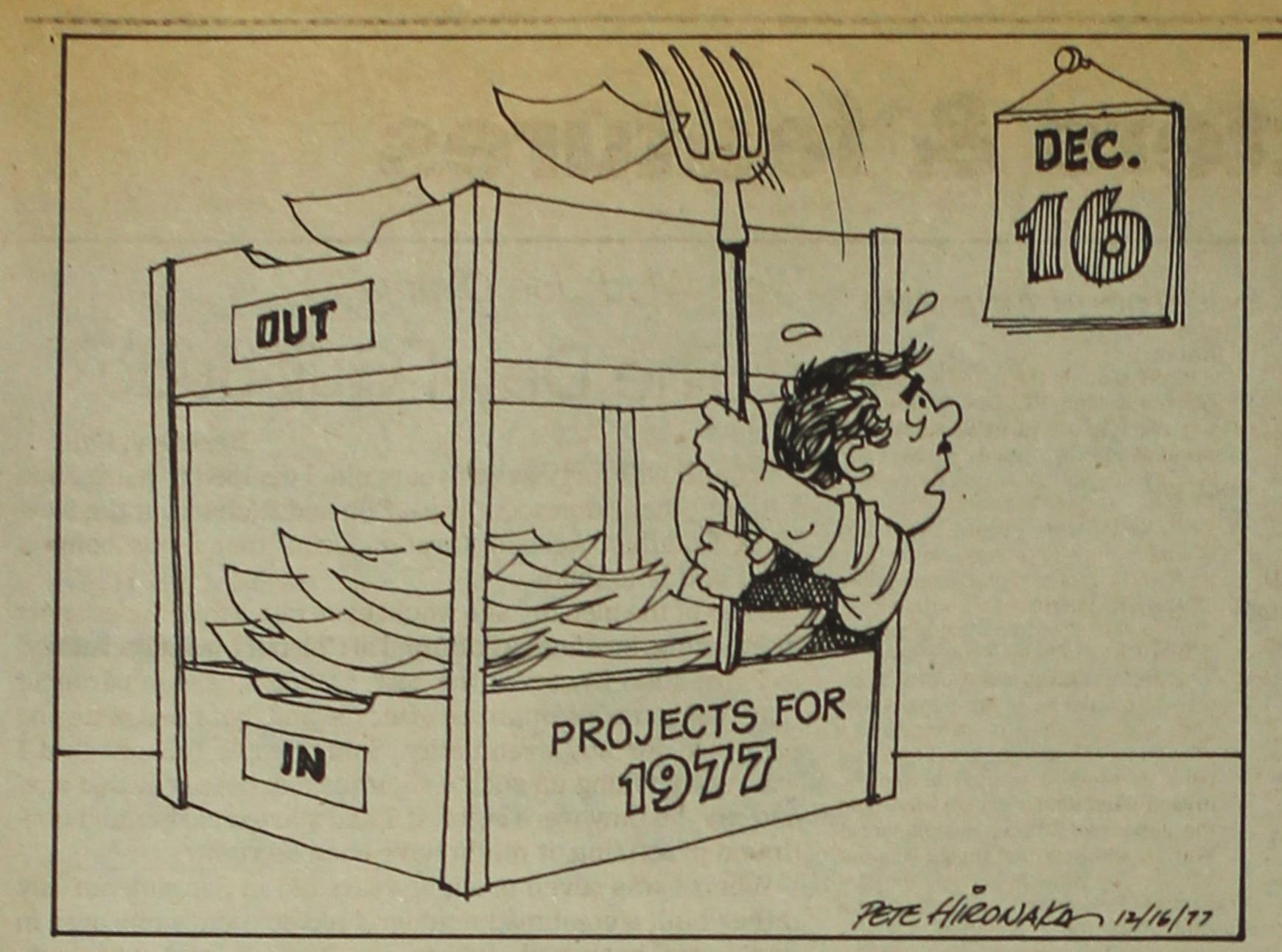
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# From the Frying Pan: Bill Hosokawa



# Equal Opportunity in California—A New Era

By ALICE LYTLE Chief, California Division of Fair Employment Practices

San Francisco
A long struggle to bolster
California's anti-discrimination laws has finally borne
its first fruit.

During the past legislative session Sacramento law-makers extensively amended both the Fair Employment Practice Act and the Fair Housing Act. As a result, when the changes go into effect on Jan. 1, minority citizens, women, physically handicapped and older workers will be better protected under the law.

The Division of Fair Employment Practices, which administers both those laws, is gearing up to cope with changes in policy and complaint handling procedures that the amendments have brought about.

Foremost among the changes in the Fair Employment Practice Act is Assembly Bill 738 (Lockyer) which reorganized FEPC procedures. Now the Division of FEP is specifically authorized to accept class action complaints, and can initiate its own discrimination complaints.

This means that the FEPC no longer need feel constrained to wait for individual complaints of discrimination in employment in order to step in and correct obviously unjust situations. It can now take action on its own volition, and it is this sort of authority that can bring about necessary broad-scale changes in unfair hiring practices.

Another amendment extends the prohibition against age discrimination to include all workers over the age of 40, and permits workers to stay on the job past such traditional retirement ages as 65 if certain conditions are met.

In the past, social clubs, fraternal and educational associations which were non-profit were exempt from the FEP law. After Jan. 1, these groups will be included in anti-discrimination coverage. The principal exemptions from the FEP

law will then be employers of fewer than five people, non-profit religious organizations, and some non-profit sheltered workshops or rehabilitation facilities.

Equal opportunity in housing was advanced by Senate Bill 610 (Dunlap). After Jan. 1, the Fair Housing Act will cover all housing except owner-occupied single-family dwellings rented to one person living as part of the household, and non-profit housing operated by religious, fraternal or charitable organizations.

The bill also makes it possible for the Commission to award damages of up to \$1,000 per each aggrieved individual in addition to the housing in question. Complainants can also undertake court action at the same time FEPC is seeking to resolve the complaint, which was not possible under the previous law.

Additionally, housing advertising and marketing practices become part of FEPC's affirmative action responsibility.

Back in 1959, when the FEP was first passed, hopes were high for quick attainment of equal opportunity goals in the State. A lot of us were disappointed when those goals proved more illusive than we first thought, but it is to the credit of those who perservered in the fight that we now have these strengthened amendments.

Those laws don't mean much, of course, unless we have an agency determined to enforce them. The Division that I head has that determination. We're going to move vigorously toward making equal opportunity a reality rather than merely a goal.

Toward that end, to give us the chance to help, let me invite any reader who experiences discrimination in employment or housing to contact our nearest office:

San Francisco: 30 Van Ness Ave., 557-2005.
Fresno: 467 No. Van Ness Ave., 488-

Los Angeles: 322 West First St., 620-2610.

Sacramento, 926 J St., 445-9918.

San Diego, 1350 Front St., 237-7405. Bakersfield: 255 Chester Ave., 327-

El Centro: 380 No. 8th St., 353-3420. Salinas: 1185 No. Main St., 758-6457.

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actually coming from is, I think, to deny your own ability (and willingness) to warp truth into falsehood in the name of a just cause.

Mr. Roland seems to feel that the only attitudes possible toward these films is uncritical acceptance on the one hand, or total denunciation on the other. This, I think, is a very unrealistic kind of attitude. It brings to my mind the message of "Know Your Enemy - Japan": that Japan is the complete opposite of the United States; a 2,000 year old inhuman anthill that cannot be comprehended—only destroyed.

Games such as these are still being played today. I think it is better to come to grips with them,, rather than to denounce some manifestation of them and just let it go at that.

GEORGE D. THOW North Hollywood, CA

### Subscriptions

For a while, we shall reprint inquiries of a general nature regarding PC subscription service and the replies in the PC Letterbox to share the problems and at the same time describe how we are trying to expedite the matter.

We have been a member of the Sacramento JACL Chapter since March 1977 but have not received the Pacific Citizen. Tom Okubo of the Sacramento Chapter suggested that I write to you in a hope that you may be able to expedite the matter.

Sacramento, Calif. SAKAE I.

Let's call this Case "A". We have no record on file of the inquirer as being a member. Party should (1) produce a replica of cancelled check, or (2) see the chapter membership chairman if check has not been cashed. Or if membership card has been issued by the local chapter, the "white" membership form either failed to reach National Headquarters to be forwarded to the Pacific Citizen, or the "white" membership form has been lost in transit.

In the meantime, we are placing the party on the PC subscription "active" list on the premise the mistake was not his.—Ed.

Happiness lies in the absorption in some vocation which satisfies the soul.

—Sir William Osler

# To Sansei Parents



Denver, Colo.
Virtually all Nisei and
a large percentage of
Sansei grew up deeply
immersed in the work

ethic. The Nisei, many of whom were teenagers during the Depression years, scrambled to find summer, Saturday and after-school jobs partly because it was expected of them but mostly because they or their families needed the income. Working at a job that paid cash, little as it was, was part of the process of maturing.

In Seattle where I grew up, there were lads as young as 12 who signed up as laborers for the summer in Alaska salmon canneries. There were no child labor laws in those days, but these boys didn't feel exploited. They were glad to get the chance to work. Other Nisei youngsters worked as field hands or helped run the family grocery store or washed dishes or waited tables at an equally tender age. Perhaps they didn't have much fun, but there is no record that the experience damaged them very much.

And because many Nisei recognized merit in the experience of working, they encouraged their Sansei children to get summer jobs while in school even though the need for income was less urgent. The money always came in handy, of course. But probably more important was the experience of working at a regular job—learning to organize one's chores, learning to accept responsibility and make decisions, learning to stick to a tedious and uninteresting job, learning to get along with one's fellow workers and meet the public. Work was valuable because it was an important learning experience.

Now for a variety of reasons, most of which are too complex to explain here, young people are being deprived of a chance to work. A high minimum wage, which forces an employer to pay young people more than they are worth to him, is only one complicating factor. And unfortunately it is the under-privileged minor-

ities—the ones who need the work experience most—who don't get it.

That story was told vividly recently by William Raspberry, a nationally syndicated newspaper columnist who happens to be black.

"We are raising a generation of kids who don't know what work is" he wrote. Raspberry told of a young black employer who needed parttime temporary laborers and took on some blacks between the ages of 17 and 21.

Although all were high school graduates, they could not fill out application forms. They didn't know how to organize the simplest tasks, and produced substantially less than white girls from a local college. It turned out that the black youths had never held a job where they were expected to accomplish specific tasks and get something finished. They didn't know how to dress for work, or how to impress the boss by coming up with suggestions or working more diligently than another candidate for permanent employment, or volunteering to do something that obviously needed doing.

"Thousands of youngsters," Raspberry laments, "many of them bright, ambitious and unafraid of work, are reaching adulthood without learning just what work is."

It has been fashionable in times within memory for some Japanese Americans, sensitive about "stereotypes", to disparage the Nisei work ethic. Well, it's one matter to be a workaholic addicted to work, and quite another matter to make a habit of working diligently and well. And as Raspberry points out, many who really want to work are discovering to their grief that they don't know how because they never had an opportunity to learn.

That's something that Sansei parents, many of whom are entering middle age, might ponder in rearing their Yonsei children. If I sound like my father in suggesting that hard work never hurt anyone, it's probably because I happen to be a hard-nosed grandfather myself.

From Happy Valley: Sachi Seko

# Shoes for Christmas

My husband and son complained that I make dragging noises as I walk. They say I sound like a fat woman and I am stick-scrawny. So they propel me into shoe stores. In tidy rows, on a shelf of the closet, I stack them, boxes and boxes of new shoes. Old and new styles, low and high heels, all colors. My husband and son do not realize that I walk on feet weighted with guilt.

I am a child again, asleep between the sun-smelling sheets. I sense my mother's presence by the scent of lilies of the valley, perfume she rubs into her wrist, behind her ears. Sitting on the edge of my bed, she says, "I'm going away. Don't tell Grandfather and Grandmother. I'm leaving your father."

And then hours later, I hear the slam of a car door, voices. She turns the light out in my room. The sudden brilliance of the lamp matches the strange brightness in her voice. She has a glass of milk and a cookie on a plate. "Look, I brought you

back a sugar cookie, your favorite. I decided I better stay home with my children, all four of you."

After I have finished the milk and cookie and am tucked back into bed, I try to untangle the peculiar behavior of my mother. Somehow I know that her four children, and I in particular, are some way at fault. As I press my cheek into the pillow, I feel the cookie crumbs and sugar, and the grains of guilt are also there.

As a child, my father was a shadow in our house. He was gone before we were up and came home after we were asleep. On the days when his business was closed, he generally spent the time in bed.

When I arrange the family album in my mind, I don't know where my father belongs. There are no good times to remember, no sharing of confidences, no comfort received. My album bulges with portraits of my grandfather.

But I know that I listened for the footsteps of my father on Sundays. I was afraid

that he would discover me alone and pinch me. He used to do that for no deserved reason. To emphasize the humiliation, he would say, "Bad girl."

He stopped pinching me after I showed Grandfather the blue spots on my arms. But whenever he passed me, he whispered, "Bad girl." It became my name with him. Sometimes he laughed when he said it, but there was not a hint of humor in the sound.

It is years later and we are at Gila. Grandmother is very sick. Somehow cans of special foods are bought for her through the mail. I notice that her stomach has grown smaller. She kept money in a flannel folder wrapped around her waist and it must be used for buying food.

One day my brother is sitting at a table in our barrack quarters eating a dish of canned peaches. I scream that he must not eat Grandmother's food. She hears me and gets off the cot she is resting on. She says, "I gave it to him. I wanted him to

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Allyce Fujii (left) and her husband Kenji (longtime Eden Township JACLers) receive keys to a new Cadillac Seville from George Oki of Sacramento, and treasurer of the California Assn. of Nurserymen. which offered the prize in connection with their scholarship and research grant fund drive.

# Liv-Cortez JAYs installs officers

MERCED, Calif.—The Livingston-Cortez JAYS installed their 1978 officers at the Wine Cellar with Rich Okabe, national youth director, doing the honors. Dr. Thomas Watling of Stanislaus State College was guest speaker, talking about vocation and opportunities for young people. Randy Chin, national youth coordinating chairperson, was also present. The new officers are:

#### Eastbay-ers join for Dec. 31 gala

EL CERRITO, Calif.—The holiday season's gala social event on this side of the bay will be the New Year's Eve dance co-sponsored by the Alameda Berkeley and Contra Costa JACL chapters and the Oakland Buddhist Church Dec. 31, 9 p.m., at the El Cerrito Community Center. Charles St. Germain and His Tides will supply the dance music. Due to size of the center, tickets at \$12.50 are limited.

The essence of life is selfless and only when one is in selflessness is there real peace and happiness. In selflessness we find the true

-SHOKO MASUNAGA

#### Contra Costa

Jan Yanehiro, TV commentator, was announced as guest speaker for the Contra Costa JACL installation dinner on Saturday, Jan. 21, at Oakland's Silver Dragon Restaurant.

Tickets are \$9 per person and may be obtained from: Fred Okamoto, 6819 Tahoe Pl., El Cerrito 94530 (527-5002).

Las Vegas

A Festival for Oshogatsu will be celebrated with mochitsuki by the Las Vegas JACL on Dec. 18 at Heritage Square Community Center, 2675 Heritage Circle starting at 10 a.m. Many Japanese food delicacies will be served also, according to Sam Nakanishi (876-4988).

The chapter was to hold its elections Dec. 13 at a meeting held at Dula Center.

#### Monterey Peninsula

Monterey Peninsula JA-CLers hosted the Issei Kai members to a luncheon in October. Nancy Nakajima and Hiro Manaka co-chaired the enjoyable treat. Helping them were:

Mo Ishizuka, Toshie Daniels, Edna Ishikawa, Ko Kadani, Helen Nakasako, Lily Uyeda, Atsumi Uyeda, Hedy Yamamoto, Emma Sato, Taye Kawashima and Terry Minami.

#### New Mexico

Tickets are now on sale for the second annual New Mexico JACL New Year's party at Ken's Tiger Den, Albuquerque. A 10-course buffet dinner, dancing and prizes are being planned.

Among the local youth,

two who made the news recently were Sandy Morimoto, who was accepted to enter the Univ. of New Mexico Medical School, and Denise Akutagawa, who has been named in the Who's Who in American Colleges.

#### Pocatello

Pocatello-Blackfoot JACL will celebrate New Year's Eve with a party at its newly decorated JACL Hall, starting with dinner at 7:30 p.m., music and dancing.

Chapter held its mochitsuki Dec. 11, with those helping to pound the rice taking them home at 75 cents a pound while take-out orders were filled at \$1 a pound.

#### Sacramento

High school students recently met to reactivate the Sacramento JAYS with Rod Nishi (391-4492) as adviser. Richard Okabe, national youth director, assisted at the meeting.

#### San Jose

San Jose JACL will install its 1978 officers at a primerib dinner on Saturday, Jan. 14, 7 p.m., at the Pinehurst Inn Restaurant, 1520 The Alameda. Lt. Gov. Mervyn Dymally will be guest speak-

Tickets at \$10 per person are now being sold by:

Jan Kurahara Jr. (408-292-2434) or Karen Shiraki, 2915 Huff Ave., Apt. 16, San Jose 95128 (408-244-6355 eve).

Checks should be payable to San Jose JACL. Mail

#### led by Shiraki, who asks that work and home telephone numbers, number of people attending and the total amount enclosed be includ-

reservations are being hand-

Kurahara was re-elected to serve another term at the Oct. 15 election meeting.

About 50 attended the chapter election potluck dinner.

#### Sequoia

Sequoia JACL's sixth annual mochitsuki to prepare for the new year, Japanese

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# Calendar

ma, vp; Gaye Sakaguchi, sec; Ruth

Kajioka, treas.

Darrel Shoji, pres; Dawn Nakashi-

Dec. 17 (Saturday) Eden Township—JAYS chicken teriyaki box dinner sale, Japanese Comm Ctr, San Lorenzo, 3-5 p.m. Salt Lake-Inst dnr/1000 Club whing-ding, Tri-Arc Travelodge. Fresno-Children's Holiday party. Japanese Congregational Church,

Fremont-Christmas party, Sangha Hall, Union City, 7:30 p.m. Gardena Valley-Inst 'ochazuke' party, Gardena JCI Bldg, 162nd & Gramercy, 6 p.m. San Jose-JAComm Sr Sv Mochitsuki

El Cerrito-Sakura Kai Christmas party, Maiko Restaurant, 1 p.m. Dec. 24 (Saturday) Los Angeles—Nisei Singles Club

dance, Gardena JCI.

Dec. 26 (Monday) Sequoia-Mochitsuki, Palo Alto Buddhist Church, 10 a.m. Washington, D.C.—Mochitsuki Festival, Glenmont Rec Ctr. Wheaton, Md., 1-5 p.m. Twin Cities-Mochitsuki, United

Noodle, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Dec. 31 (Saturday) Sonoma County-New Year's Eve party.

Contra Costa-New Year's Eve party, El Cerrito Comm Ctr. Mid-Cólumbia—New Year's Eve party, Country Club. Los Angeles—Nisei Singles Club

dance, Chalon Mart.

Pocatello-Blackfoot-New Year's Eve party, JACL Hall, 7:30 p.m. San Jose-New Year's Eve party Rickey's Hyatt House, San Mateo. San Jose-YJA dinner-dance, Hyatt

House, San Jose. Jan. 9 (Monday) Las Vegas-Mtg, Osaka, Restaurant, 8 p.m.

Jan. 11 (Wednesday) Washington, D.C.-Bd mtg, Ray Murakami res, 8 p.m. Jan. 14 (Saturday) San Jose-Inst dnr, Pinehurst Inn, 6

p.m.; Lt Gov Mervyn Dymally, spkr. Jan. 15 (Sunday) Seattle-Inst dnr, Bush Garden, 5 p.m.; Rep. Norman Mineta, spkr.

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# Women in JACL

As a result of the recent National Women's Conference in Houston, much attention has been focused on the area of women's rights. With our sensitivity thus raised, we thought we would take a look at the JACL in terms of women and affirmative action.

At present there are 24 persons employed on the National JACL Staff, eight men and 16 women. Of the eight men, however, six are directors or heads of the six fulltime JACL offices. The remaining two are the National Youth Director and the Assistant National Director.

Out of 16 women, more than half hold secretary or clerical-type jobs. The others are mostly program or administrative staff assistants, along with a bookkeeperoffice manager at Headquarters and a reporter for the

A breakdown of the 24 National Staff positions by salary would probably indicate that not one of the 16 women makes more money than any of the eight men on staff.

While the JACL has always upheld a policy of equal opportunity, these statistics clearly reveal the need for a strong affirmative action effort as well. We have often heard JACL advocates point out that although most J-As can get entry level jobs, few rise beyond middle management levels. This would seem to exactly describe the situation of women within the National JACL staff.

We call upon the National Executive Committee, on behalf of the National Board, to take the appropriate measures necessary to being to overcome this problem. We are sure that the fact that this is an all-male group will not deter them from taking prompt action.

—MDC Editorial Committee

### Just About Youth. Rich Okabe

# Parent Support Needed

San Francisco It has been two months since our being appointed as permanent National JACL youth director. During this period, we have been able to get out and meet a number of JAYs members at installation dinners and district workshops, meeting new JAYs and renewing some old friendships.

It has also demonstrated the tenuous and transient nature of the youth chapters and emphasized the need for strong Senior/Parent support in order to maintain active, on-going youth programs.

During the past two months JAY chapters have been revived in Livingston-Cortez, Sacramento and Phoenix, after several years of inactivity in those areas. It is very encouraging to see this renewed interest and there are indications that several other chapters may be organized during the coming year.

Because membership in the JAYs in short-term (from 3 to 4 years) and constant membership turnover is a fact of life, it is difficult to maintain the continuity and stability which is critical to a youth organization. The importance of adviser, parent and senior JACL support cannot be over-emphasized. How much support and what form it takes really depends upon the local situation. Collegeage JAYs tend to be more independent (although not completely so) than those in high school. Some JAY chapters have members as young as 13 and parent participation is essential.

The relationship between JAYs and supporting adults takes time to develop and care to keep in balance. As JAY members progress in

the organization, they may need less help. It is a fine line that distinguishes helpful advice from bothersome interference. Although it takes a great deal of effort, the benefits in terms of development of our young people are well worth the price.

#### JAYS HAPPENINGS

In October, I was able to attend the Central California district youth council convention in Fresno. Although there are only two chapters at present, they are full of enthusiasm and there may be more interest in Central Cal. Adair Takikawa, Fresno JAYs president, and Julie Tsubota, Lindsay, will be guiding their respective chapters during the coming year.

On Nov. 5, I found myself in Merced for the first Livingston-Cortez installation dinner. Some 20 JAYs witnessed the installation of Darrel Shoji and is cabinet.

I was pleasantly surprised when some 15 Sacramento area youth voted to officially form a JAYs chapter at their very first meeting. Russell Okubo was elected president and they have been meeting with their advo with their adviser to plan

upcoming projects. Congrats to Joyce Takiguchi, newly elected president of the Phoenix, Ariz., JAYs. Thanks to some grass roots organizing by Tommy Tanita, the chapter is off to a great start with some 25 members.

The Sonoma County JAYs are being led by the dynamic duo, Alan Murakami (son of the National President) and Jeff Otani. An impressive crowd of 250 attended their annual appreciation dinner horing those Issei and Nisei over age 65.

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SPEAKING OUT:

# Chapter public relations and media communications assure greater impact

By JUDY IBARRA Cincinnati Chapter

about JACL's protest "Japs" made the front page of Ohio's largest paper! Gov. Rhodes issued a public apology! We worked hard to meet that crisis and came out with some positive results. Don't we owe ourselves a pat on the back? Perhaps, but ...

In reviewing the Rhodes affair, it's apparent that our weakness in two areas made our efforts less effective than they might have been. (1) We have no plan for reaction to crisis, and (2) few of our chapters emphasize public relations and media communications.

If JACL is to be effective in reacting to crisis, we must

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style, will be held on Mon-

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plan for crisis. With prior agreement on the roles of chapter, district, and national offices and checklists to remind us, we wouldn't have neglected to alart National. (Here, we owe a great deal to Wayne Horiuchi's alertness and initiative.)

We must do as much as possible to make preparation for crisis a matter of routine.

By making these preparations, our energies can be given more to evaluation and effective resolution of each crisis than to the mechanics of meeting the crisis.

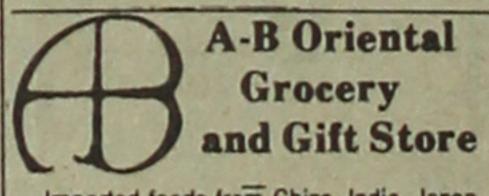
One very important form of preparation for crisis is my second area of concern, public relations and media communications. I am not referring to crisis communications, as in the Rhodes, Buchanan and Kodak cases, but communications on events and on-going JACL programs.

We protest the public's ignorance of our people as Americans. We decry the questioning of our loyalty. We fear discrimination and retribution. And we push for education of the general public and of our legislators. Or do we?

How can we say that we are concerned about educating the public about Japanese Americans and JACL and not have on each level, chapter, district, and National, an officer in charge of Public Relations and Media Communications? Public Relations is what JACL is about.

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munity, part of their lives, we must present positive news in the media about JACL and Japanese Americans, as frequently as possible, whenever the opportunity presents itself or can be created.

We see JACL in print every week in the PC. But, our neighbors do not receive the PC. They receive the Podunk Daily News and/or the West Podunk Suburban Weekly—and what is there about JACL there? Nothing.

Chapters can publicize elections and installations of officers, chapter projects, awards won or given by the chapter, member or chapter

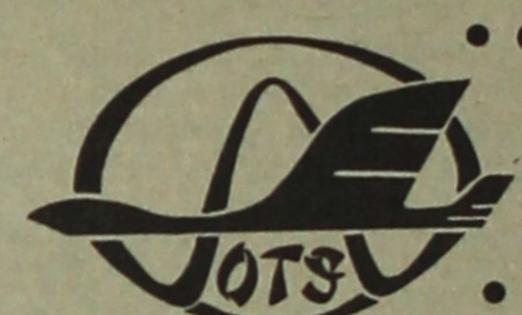
participation in local, national, and world affairs, delegates to district and national meetings, resolutions on matters of public interest and events open to the public, such as benefits and outstanding lectures.

The only way to build up a recognition factor in the general public is by waging a constant media campaign.

With such a build up, our news releases in times of crisis will be less likely to be shrugged off—"Who the hell are they?" On the contrary, the reader of the West Po-

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have it." And then she begins to cry.

I have never seen her cry before. In better times we had so much to eat. The kitchen was her kingdom. What satisfaction she received from her culinary skills, the Sunday spreads where there was always enough to feed five or ten more, the dishes of food distributed throughout neighborhood.

But her biggest pleasure was feeding her grandchildren. I guess the worst part about the camps for her, was the food. Even in her sickness, she wanted to give my brother, her favorite grandchild, food that was meant for her. It is terrible to be reduced to quarreling about food. But more, that I spoiled her pleasure, weighs like a rock.

I think of this years later, as I leave my son with the sitter. I have to leave him to get to the family store. As the bus passes the sitter's house, I see him standing on a sofa by the window. The sitter is trying to lift his arm to wave to me. Instead he is crying. I can see his mouth opening and closing.

It seems that I was always caught someplace between him and my parents. He was young and they said they were old. But now that I think about it, when we be-



gan the business, they were both younger than I am now.

I remember a night when my child was sick. An unexpected storm blew in. called the store to say I could not come that night. My father asked how they were supposed to get home. I was about to suggest they call a taxi, hoping the idea would occur to him.

Instead we drove through the snow on slippery streets, my son whimpering in his discomfort. My father complained that he and my mother had to wait. It had taken us longer because the roads were treacherous and traffic moved slowly.

In the car he sighed loudly, about how hard it was to have to earn a living. I was filled with remorse. Somehow he always made it sound as if he had to support his children. But we had all left

I was tired that night, the baby warm and heavy in my arms. I had never wanted the store, resented it sometimes. I suggested we close it. My father's voice quivered with rage, asking what I expected him to do without the store.

I could never say or do anything right to suit him. If a customer wanted two fifty-pound sacks of rice, I

had to carry them one at a time. My father is a tall, strapping man, who could easily hoist a hundred pounds on his shoulder.

It took me longer to lift the cases of cans from the basement. The steps were steep and uneven. I could hear him complaining about my slowness, apologizing to customers because they had to wait.

When I finally arrived with whatever was needed, he would make cursing remarks from his place behind the cash register. He let me know how worthless I was, every day of those twentyfour years. I was too slight, too slow, too stupid. My father has never been wrong. So I deserved no mercy. My guilt is an everlasting bur-

I am reminded of another snowy night. My husband and I are returning from a party. It is the height of the holiday season. We had more

than a dozen invitations that month. The store is always busy near Christmas. I had barely enough time to drive home, feed our son, bathe and slip on a long dress.

As the wipers push at the snow, I am mesmerized both by the motion and my fatigue. I am awakened by my husband's voice saying that I didn't appear to have a good time. I say I did. He says I was too quiet. What he means is that I failed him. I didn't participate in the conversations with my usual animation.

I almost lash back at him, about how I am not like the rest of the wives. I am not a woman of leisure, spending my day at the hairdresser's, selecting my gown for the night. But it makes no sense to argue. Instead we ride home in stony silence, steam from our breath fogging the car windows.

Oh, how heavy are feet weighted with guilt. There are no shoes to fit them.

# MIDWEST

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dunk Suburban Weekly may remember that "So-and-so down the street (or the PTA President or the guy at the bowling alley) is a member of JACL and won an award at one of their meetings recently." Or, "Oh, yeah. That's the group that donated books to the school library."

The fact that the public has heard about us and realizes that we exist as a posi-

tive force in the community gives greater impact to our voice in times of crisis.

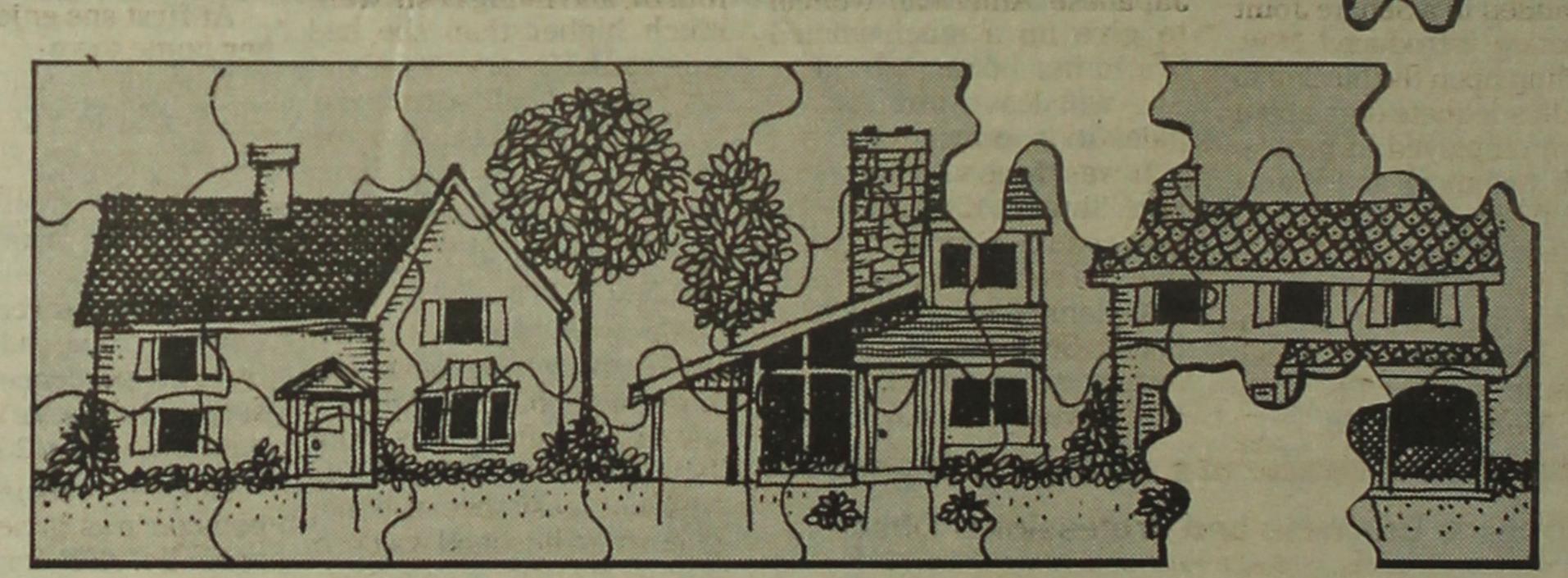
Perhaps, I should say that it would if we could.

#### DMV time changing

SAN FRANCISCO-Little Misuzu Joan Ito was among five Bay Area infants to win the "Time to Change" baby contest, sponsored last month by the Department of Motor Vehicles as part of a campaign promoting the DMV's extended service hours, effective Jan. 3, 1978. She is the daughter of Minako Ito, 427 Ortega St., in San Francisco.







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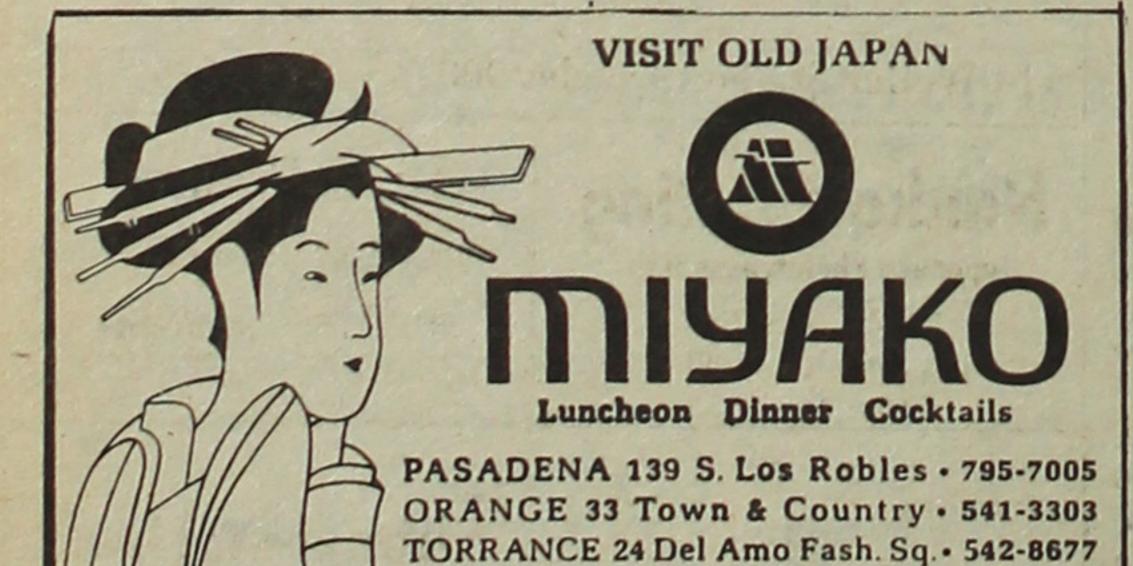
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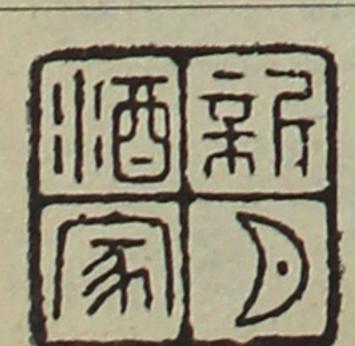
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# Faces on San Francisco TV news

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Four of the Asian women currently featured on news programs come from such faraway places as mainland China and Hawaii. Two of them, Kaity Tong and Linda Yu, are China-born.

A third reporter of Chiancestry, Roberta Wong, is from Hawaii and

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SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — recently joined the KRON vision, new to the San Frannews staff. Jan Yanehiro, cohost of KPIX's "Evening Show" is also from Hawaii and came to the mainland 10 years ago.

> Another Asian broadcaster, Wendy Tokuda, formerly of KING-TV, Seattle, will soon hit the Bay Area air waves over KPIX. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Tokuda, she was the KING-TV medical and science specialist and will assume the same position for KPIX.

Other Asians in local tele-

cisco Asian circles, include: David Louie, former KGO-TV reporter and now news assistant director of WXYZ-TV in Detroit, of Cleveland; KRON-TV news assignment editor Vic Lee, who came to the U.S. from Japan in 1964; and Sam Chu-Lin, new San Mateo County Bureau chief in Redwood City for KRON and a native of Mississippi.

The lone exception to the group is Willie Kee of KTVU, a cameraman, who is a native of Oakland.

# Half of 66,000 Asian owned firms gross under \$5,000

WASHINGTON-A recent study funded by the U.S. Commerce Department's Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE) said Asian American-o w n e d businesses in the U.S. were primarily small, undiversified and confined mainly to retail trade and service industries.

OMBE acting director Allan Stephenson said the study, done by Amsun Associates of New York, was based on 1972 census report statistics, supplemented by extensive personal contacts with Asian Americans and Asian American organizations.

The study showed that Asian Americans own onehalf of one percent (66,000) of the U.S. total of 13 million

Asian American firms are undiversified with 63% in retailing and selected services such as food stores, eating and drinking establishments. The Asian American firms were also seen as concentrated in Hawaii, Califand Washington.

# Magic Cat opens

LOS ANGELES-With the help of the Asian American National Business Alliance ornia, New York, Illinois (AANBA) and an SBA-guaranteed loan, a new gift shop, Stephenson pointed out The Magic Cat, was opened that the study showed near- last week in the City Hall ly 52% of Asian American Mall. The store, owned by proprietorships had less Michiko Kishimoto, features than \$5,000 annual gross re- cat items of every kind, from ceipts and tended to be in wall clocks with feline piclabor intensive businesses. tures to cat-decorated bathroom sets.

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However, the rising yen value reduced the value of her dollars by about onefourth, and living costs were much higher than she had expected. Uncertainty about the future finally drove her to decide to return to Los Angeles where she had lived about 50 years and where her children and grandchildren are living.

She went to the U.S. in 1924 to marry a Japanese immigrant. Soon after that a law to bar immigrants from Japan came into effect. Life was not easy because her fisherman husband was prohibited from owning a boat.

During the war, Mrs. Kato and her husband were in separate concentration camps in Montana and New Mexi-

The couple came to enjoy a comfortable, stable life after the war because her husband worked as a gardener and she helped support the family by working at a tex-12 years ago at the age of 65. the U.S.

Mrs. Kato flew to Japan in October 1974, leaving her two children and six grandchildren behind.

At first she enjoyed life in her home town.

Initially, her income amounted to ¥66,000 with a parity rate of 303 yen per U.S. dollar. Last month, however, she received only ¥53,000.

In the past three years, the dollar's value has dropped by 26.6 percent while consumer prices in Wakayama have shot up by 25.8 percent.

fects of recent increases in the cost of rice and planned hikes in rail fares will keep consumer spending low in Japan for the remainder of the fiscal year, according to economists of Fuji Bank, Ltd.

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Author Joe Harrington is now "on the road" interviewing Nisei veterans of the Military Intelligence Service Language School for their narrative history. His schedule included Washington, D.C. and the Midwest in November, Hawaii in December, San Francisco Dec. 28-30, Southern California Jan. 3-8, and Arizona, Jan. 10. Reporting on the progress of the project in the MIS newsletter is Shigeya Kihara, longtime instructor with MIS-Defense Language Institute at Monterey, Calif.

#### By SHIGEYA KIHARA

Monterey, Calif.

It is an honor to represent the 6,000 MIS staff, faculty and graduates in working with author Joe Harrington to produce a narrative history of our participation in the turbulent events of the history of the twentieth century. The MIS story is actually the story of the total Japanese American Community in Hawaii and the Main-The magnificent land. achievements of the One Hundredth and the Four Four Two are a matter of historical record. However it is only half of the Japanese American story. There is an urgent need to record the other half, which we propose to do.

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dual background of Yankee ideals and Yamato Dama-shii

I am happy to report that the project is really rolling. More and more conversation is being generated wherever and whenever colleagues meet in the United States, Hawaii and Japan. From the grass roots level, more and more individuals are actively supporting this effort to permanently record our story in literature and interpret its sociological and historical significance.

Some of the fellows who are going all-out to put this over are Dick Hayashi of Stockton, who has been the prime mover for over ten years, Dick Oguro of Honolulu, Art Morimitsu of Chicago, Key Kobayashi of Washington, D.C., and Harry Fukuhara of Tokyo. John Aiso of Los Angeles lends his quiet strength.

The reason for the stress and insistence on personal stories is that the book is not going to be about presidents, emperors, generals, admirals, politicians, campaigns and military units, per se. It's going to be about you and me, about our Issei parents, our brothers and sisters and our friends and their tribulations, sacrifices, despair, anger and joys.

# Miyatake-Asawa pictorial due

LOS ANGELES—The Issei Pioneer pictorial album being compiled by Archie Miyatake, Toyo Miyatake and Michi Asawa is nearing completion. the JACL-Japanese American Research Project committee was informed recently.

About half of the photographs being projected for the album have been photocopied, much of the text for the pictorial collected and now in the process of editing. Completion by spring, 1978, was indicated.

Mrs. Asawa acknowledged \$2,500 JACL-JARP has provided for direct expenses has been spent to date since May, 1973.



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tasy, and dance. When Omen bows her head, tears flow through her shadow. But when her face lifts, one sees her celebration. O-men is about the lifting face."

The Gardena resident is the third woman to be awarded a Rockefeller Playwriting Grant by EWP, and just returned from Brazil where she researched a forthcoming novel about the Japanese immigration to that country.

America" and "Points of Departure" and "Bunnyhop" in repertory, "O-men" boasts an ensemble made up of many actors who may also be seen in the other two productions. They are:

Mike Chank David Hirokane, Shizuko Hoshi, Susan Inouye, Susan Ioka, Alberto Isaac, Jim Ishida, Leigh Kim, Clyde Kusatsu, Dana Lee, Sachiko Penny Lee, Kim Miyori, Josie Pepito, Janice Uyetake, Kim Yamane, Keone Young.

"As an added element of the New Year's Celebration, sake and sushi will be served to help bid farewell to the old year and usher in the new," said administrator Norman Cohen. "And the man who will whip this all up is none other than our artistic director and director of O-men, Mako. Where he will find the time may be the best mystery of the year," Cohen added.

The masks, a most important part of the production, are designed by Chizuko Nishimura and will be made by Nishimura, Chris Yamashita and Ona Chang.

Music for O-men was composed by:

Alan Furutani, George Abe and Russell Takaki, who will join with musicians Danny Yamamoto, Dennis Yokotake and Wendel Williams to perform on stage.

Tickets for the special Joining "Once Upon in New Year's Eve opening and sushi party are \$10.50. On Jan. 1, O-men joins the repertory at regular prices:

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 Herbert Nicholson, retired Quaker minister, published his TREASURE IN EARTHEN VESSELS (1639 Locust St., Pasadena 91106, \$3) several years ago.

Author and his wife dedicated a lifetime working with persons of Japanese ancestry—in Japan prewar, with evacuees in the detention centers during the war and postwar in Japan until their retirement. The anecdotes and recollections uplift the spirit despite the travails and tribulations of the people they were called to serve. Names familiar to JACLers — Sim Togasaki, Mike Masaoka, and of people who helped evacueesare cited in the anecdotes

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Wataru Miyagawa, 53, currently Japanese consul general at Melbourne, was appointed to succeed Consul General Yukio Takamatsu at Los Angeles, who was promoted to Ambassador to Kuwait. Miyagawa joined the Foreign Ministry in 1948, and was assigned to the United Nations Japan delegation in 1956. He has been in Australia since 1974 and is due in Los Angeles in December.

San Francisco Mayor Moscone appointed attorney Lillian Kwok Sing to the city's civil service commission, the seat vacated by attorney Jack Chow. Sing was a former human rights commissioner.

#### Education

Dr. Richard T. Doi, acting director of the ethnic studies program at Central Washington University, Ellensburg, was elected vice president of the campus local of the Federation of Teachers. A Stockton-born Nisei, he is a Seattle JACL mem-

The Los Angeles Unified School District Asian American Education Commission, which meets every third Wednesday, announced Mas Tanino will be its president for the coming year. Elected to two year terms were Glen Horiuchi and Kay Ishii. One-year appointments added to the commission include Gerald K. Kobata, Mitzi Kono, Mary Moon and Jean Nojiri. Herbert Leong is executive secretary.

#### Courtroom

The Hawaii Supreme Court has upheld the right of police to use helicopters in spotting marijuana plants without first obtaining a search warrant. Big Island Circuit Judge Ernest Kubota had refused the defendant's request in 1974 to suppress evidence on grounds that helicopter observation had violated his rights against unreasonable search and invasion of privacy ... Togo Nakagawa, acting city prosecutor for Honolulu, is up for city council confirmation as permanent occupant of the post.

#### Health

Eric Owyang, chief pharmicist at UC Hospitals-Clinics, San Francisco, was named Hospital Pharmacist of the Year by the California Society of Hospital Pharmacists for outstanding contributions to the profession. He served on the HEW task force on the clinical role of pharmacist, author of an HEW publication on planning for hospital pharmacies and is active locally with the Heart Assn. and United

#### Sports

Rick Hayashida, running back for Chatsworth High in Los Angeles, led the school's rushing game this season with a season total of 493 yards. Hayashida carried the ball 86 times and finished the season with a 5.7yards-per-carry average. The running back also handled the bulk of the punting duties, kicking the ball 25 times for a 35.6 average.

#### Music

Nobuko Cobi Narita, long associated with the New York jazz community, recently completed a research fellowship year at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology through its Community Fellows Program 1976-77. Ms. Narita heads a volunteer service organization, Universal East, which she has maintained since 1970. The organization has volunteered services to many New York jazz organizations and artists, including Dizzy Gillespie, Art Blakely, Lionel Hampton and Bob Cunningham. Formerly of Long Beach, Ca. and now a New Yorker, Ms. Narita is active in the JACL.

# Radio Li'l Tokyo's silver jubilee ...



Assemblyman Paul Bannai congratulates Matao Uwate and wife Aiko during celebration dinner of Radio Li'l Tokyo's 25th anniversary. Uwate, who began broadcasting a Japanese language program in 1952, hosted the dinner at the Hollywood Palladium Dec. 3. More than 700 persons attended the event.

# JACL travel program adds So. American tour

SAN FRANCISCO—A total of 21 flights to Japan have been confirmed for the 1978 Travel Program, announced Steve Doi, chairperson of the National JACL Travel Committee.

Due to the recent announcement of the opening of the New Tokyo International Airport at Narita, schedules of flights may change slightly for the coming year. However, drastic changes in the current list of confirmed flights are not anticipated. So far five of the JACL flights are affected by this uncertainty where the departure and arrival points are different. This difference of airports should be corrected early next year when the revised flight schedule is announced by the airlines.

Newest addition to the 1978 Travel Program will be a 15day tour to South America, which will depart San Francisco April 21 and return May 6 via Varig Airlines. The entire tour cost is tentatively set at \$1,312 per person which includes airfare, accomodations at first class hotels, surface transportation, English-speaking sightseeing in each city, one tour escort, some Continental breakfasts and one de-luxe dinner party. For a copy of the itinerary, please contact Mich Mizushima at National

# Asian Assn. of Utah elects Mitsunaga

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah — Attorney Jimi Mitsunaga, president of the local JACL chapter, was elected president of the Asian Assn. of Utah, a new group comprised of representatives from:

Chinese community, Vietnamese Friendship Assn., Lao Community Assn., Korean American Society of Utah, Philippino Americans of Utah and American Indochinese Assn. of Utah.

With an estimated 13,000 Asians in the state, among the purposes listed include establishing representation in local and state government levels, assisting Indochinese refugees and solving problems of Pacific Asians in general.

#### Beer no. 1 drink

TOKYO - Beer has replaced sake as the country's leading beverage, according to figures released by the beer industry. Japanese in 1975 consumed an all-time record of 3.946 billion liters of beer, while sake sales were 1.674 billion liters, less than half the total of beer sales.

Headquarters or one of the JACL Authorized Retail Travel Agents.

Sacramento Chapter will administer another summer tour to Europe. Encouraged by the success of its first tour last June, Tom Okubo, Sacramento JACL travel chairman, indicated the tour will be revised and improved. For further information, contact: Tom Okubo, P.O. Box 22386, Sacramento, CA. 95822 or call (916) 422-8749.

In addition to the European tour, Sacramento will administer a Caribbean Tour via Norwegian Caribbean Lines, departing May 12 from Florida. The cruise features four ports of call at Haiti, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands and Dominican Republic before returning to Miami on May 20. The price will vary according to the passengers' originating point. The price includes round trip airfare from your hometown and the cost of the cruise. All interested JACLers should contact Tom Okubo.

Schedule and application forms for the flights are now available to all JACL members through the chapter, district offices, national headquarters or an authorized retail travel agent (to be) listed in the PC advertisement Jan 6-13).

# U.S. TV interested in Andes ruins

YOKOHAMA-An American TV company has offered to cover all expenses for an exploration of ruins near the Brazilian-Peruvian border north of Cuzco by Yoshiharu Sekino, 28, medical student, who has been in-&-out of the area on three occasions since 1971. NASA satellite pictures of the area also have raised the interest of archeologists and other explorers.

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Air fare [effective Aug. 1, 1977] includes round trip, \$3 airport departure tax and \$20 JACL administrative fee. Adult and child seats same price on any flight; infants 2 year old, 10% of applicable regular fare.

ALL FARES, DATES, TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

If there are any questions regarding the National JACL Travel Committee policies or decisions, write or call Mich Mizushima at National JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94113 (415-921-5225).

\*\*Charter prices include round trip airfare, tax, JACL administrative fee, and may vary depending on number of passengers.

### Information Coupon

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