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Tacomans fete WW2 mayor Harry Cain

TACOMA, Wash.—Harry P. Cain, the Tacoma mayor who spoke out against evacuation of Japanese Americans from their homes on the Pacific Coast during World War II, was honored Dec. 28 by the Tacoma-area Japanese American community.

The former United States senator, now retired and a Miami, Fla., resident, flew to Tacoma and visited with his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tingstad, 11317 Clover Park Dr., S.W. and their three sons.

Local Japanese say that Cain was the only elected public official in the entire Pacific Northwest to speak out against the evacuation. He appeared at a public hearing and voiced strong opposition to moving Japanese Americans to concentration camps.

Yoshio Kosai, now City of Tacoma transportation director, was one of those evacuated May 17-18, 1942.

Japanese Americans had to sell their "businesses, homes and possessions," Kosai said. "There were 800 of us from Tacoma alone who were evacuated. We were away four years."

The first to come back returned shortly before the end of the war, but "less than a quarter of the number that left came back."

Tacoma area people went first to Pinedale, Calif., then to Tule Lake, Calif. But Tule Lake became a segregation center "where the people were sent who felt strongly in behalf of Japan."

"Tacoma people were scattered among five camps in other parts of the country,"

'Soul Shall Dance'

LOS ANGELES—Airing nationally on PBS' Hollywood Television Theater next Tuesday, Feb. 7, will be Wakako Yamauchi's "And the Soul Shall Dance", which focuses on the prewar lives of Nikkei in Imperial Valley. (Check local TV listings.)

Kosai said, "and many of them stayed and settled where they had been sent."

Kosai said the Japanese Americans considered returning to Tacoma, "but they didn't have anything to come back to."

Another 800 from the Puyallup Valley were evacuated, first to the Western Washington Fairgrounds in

Puyallup, then to Minidoka Idaho.

The dinner was sponsored by the Puyallup Valley Japanese American Citizens League, the Tacoma Buddhist Church, Whitney Memorial United Methodist Church and Nikkei-Jin Kai, a local Japanese American chamber of commerce-type organization. □

Japanese Canadians seek stronger National organization

WINNIPEG—Restructuring and updating the National Japanese Canadian Citizens Association (JCCA) will be a main topic at the next national conference now tentatively scheduled for the May 20 weekend either at Vancouver or Edmonton, it was determined by delegates present at the last national meeting here Oct. 7-10.

A report of the conference was published in The New Canadian last Jan. 10.

Delegates represented the provincial and local chapters in British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba. Reports were presented on (1) the Issei communities, (2) Sansei youth conference, (3) summer stu-

dent program, and (4) Japanese language schools.

Norman Cafik, the new minister responsible for multiculturalism, was a keynote speaker.

Conference also discussed current Japanese Canadian problems, such as immigration, repeal of the War Measures Act (which was responsible for JC Evacuation), reparation, racism and human rights.

Gordon Hirabayashi of Edmonton, Eugene Maikawa and Harge Suga of Ottawa are preparing a reparation report for the next meeting. Research consultants on Indian claims were present at the October discussions to explore procedure. □

Immigration delays Japanese tourist thought to be 'gay'

HONOLULU—A young Japanese fashion designer spent an unscheduled three-day stopover here after customs officials inspected his bag to find some letters which they decided would indicate the traveler might be a homosexual. He was detained for a review of the case and a health examination.

Friends of an airport employee witnessing the incident managed to have ACLU executive director Reinhart Mohr to intervene. While the officials noted the immigra-

tion law bans entry of "aliens afflicted with psychopathic personalities, sexual deviancy or a mental defect" (sec. 212, par. 4a), Mohr conferred with immigration district director Murray Brown, who was satisfied the man did not fall under any of the 28 categories of excludable aliens.

Mohr explained the Supreme Court has never ruled homosexuality as a form of sexual deviancy. The man continued on his journey—without a health exam. □

Candidacy was not for 'hometown'

LOS ANGELES—Carson city clerk Helen Kawagoe has questioned the accuracy of the article which appeared in a Los Angeles paper wherein the writers did not even get the facts correct regarding the selection of the assessor. She referred to the words, "hometown consumption."

She said that after checking with Supervisor Kenneth Hahn's staff it was indicated to her that the paraphrase was taken out of context. Helen said, "I did not waste tax dollars to engage in idle action." □

Asian teacher in L.A. victimized

LOS ANGELES — Women teachers in the city's schools are being warned to avoid isolated areas of their campuses, following the rape and robbery of two women, one an Asian, this month.

Officials said the attacks occurred on different days, one at Wadsworth Elementary and the other at Carver Junior High. The other victim was a Caucasian.

It is believed the same man attacked both women, according to D.B. McCauley, assistant chief security agent for the district. □

House passes internment credit bill

WASHINGTON, D.C.—By a vote of 366 to 12, the House of Representatives last week (Jan. 23) approved HR 9471 sponsored by Rep. Norman Y. Mineta (D-13th Ca.), granting civil service retirement credit to Japanese American civil servants for the time they spent in internment camps during World War II.

"I am deeply gratified by the overwhelming support lent to this measure by Members of the House. This legislation will provide some redress to those Americans of Japanese ancestry who were unjustifiably denied their constitutional and human rights."

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A previous law, enacted in 1972, provides social security credit to Japanese Americans for the time they spent in the camps. The measure introduced by Mineta, and co-sponsored by more than 75 House Members, would grant credit under the Civil Service Retirement System to internees, 18 years of age and older, who were forced into the relocation camps and who later entered the federal service. Employees of the federal government are not eligible for social security benefits.

Mineta pointed out that those who remained in the camps "... overcame a hostile environment and worked in the camps as teachers, cooks, policemen, medical personnel, military personnel, carpenters, and plumbers. They performed services in the camps which the Federal Government would have otherwise had to provide. Although they were compensated a small amount per month and technically were federal employees, they received no fringe benefits and were denied the opportunity to participate in any retirement plans."

"I now look forward to prompt action in the Senate on this legislation," concluded Mineta.

Vote on the Mineta bill came on a motion to suspend the rules (2/3 majority required) by Rep. Gladys Spellman (D-Md.), chairwoman of the subcommittee on compensation and employee benefits where legislative action on the same bill began.

Speaker pro tem during the debate was Rep. Sidney Yates (D-Ill.) of Chicago.

Rep. John Rousselot (R-Calif.) was the first to speak for the bill. "I do not believe there is a member here today who does not recognize that a serious injury was done to, and injustice sustained by, these Japanese Americans interned as 'security risks' ... In recognition of the hardships experienced by internment and to bring justice and deserved compensation to a group of citizens who served

our country well under the worst of circumstances," Rousselot, a member of the same subcommittee, called for enactment of the bill. "We can correct an inequity which occurred during a period of national crisis and hysteria and we can thank the Americans of Japanese ancestry who have contributed so much over the years to the growth and development of our Nation."

Mrs. Spellman followed, explaining the background of the bill—the Evacuation, life and working conditions inside the camps, and the need for legislation to federal civil service employees who had been in the camps.

Rep. Millicent Fenwick (R-N.J.) asked how many would be involved. Spellman replied "about 800". Fenwick applauded her desire to introduce the legislation, adding: "We committed a great wrong and it is time that this Congress redressed the wrong perpetrated by a previous administration."

Rep. Jim Leach (R-Iowa), also of the same subcommittee chaired by Spellman, emphasized: "If our country is to effectively advocate respect for human rights abroad, we must do everything in our power to rectify abuses of humans that have occurred in our own system of justice."

Leach, also calling for adoption, said his college roommate, Daniel Okimoto (author of "Americans in Disguise") warned him there were a number of Americans who, looking back on internment, fear it could be used against other minorities in the future. "This is the background of social injustice which the (Mineta) bill so modestly addresses," Leach said.

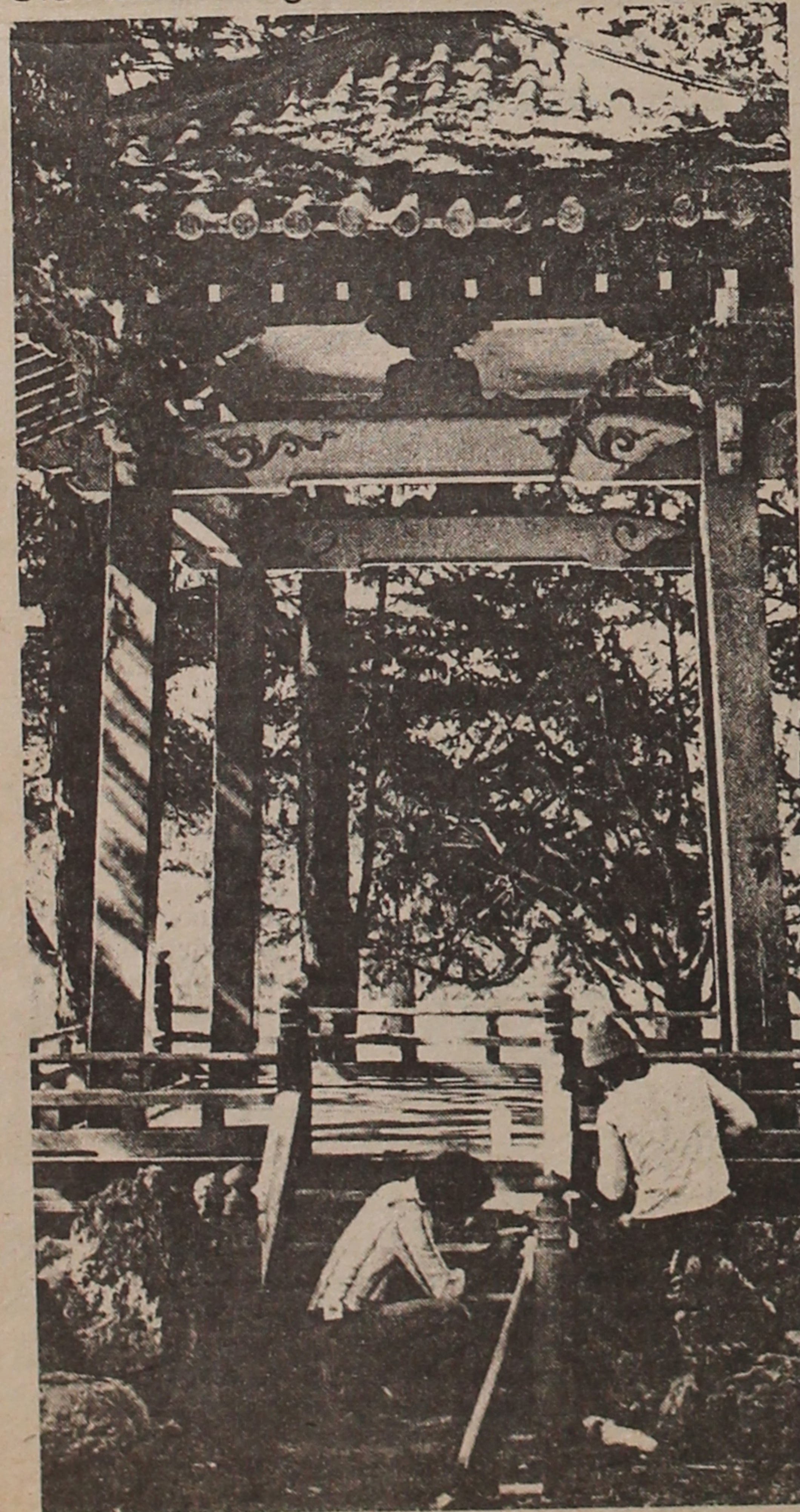
Mineta then spoke for his bill. As an interned youngster, he recalled his personal experiences within camp.

"There is no way to accurately measure the suffering which resulted from this tragic incident in our history," Mineta went on. "Through its adoption, we can achieve some equity ... we can provide some redress for the wrongful and deplorable actions of some 30 years ago—taken in the name of 'the national security'."

Rep. Sam Stratton (D-N.Y.), recalling his WW2 days as a Japanese language student at the U.S. Navy School at Boulder, Colo., praised the Nisei teachers who had volunteered from the camps. Without them, "I do not think that program would have succeeded as well as it did ... they merit our thanks and congratulations."

Rep. Edward Derwinski (R-Ill.), while in support, reminded the "official position of the Carter administration through its Office of Man-

Old Kabuki stage ...



WATSONVILLE, Calif.—Restoration of an old Shinto shrine is underway behind an old mansion on the lower campus at Cabrillo College by students. Kabuki dances were performed in the 1910s and 1920s during the heyday of the Porter Sesnon ownership of the property.

No. Marianas added as U.S. commonwealth



SAIPAN — The Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas officially became part of the United States on Jan. 9. Comprised of some 14 islands between Guam and Japan with a total area of 184 square miles, the new terri-

tory lies 6,000 miles from California, about 3,000 from Hawaii and 1,000 from Japan. (Other islands in the chain remembered by WW2 history buffs include Tinian, from which the Enola Gay took off for Hiroshima in

1945; Anatahan and Rota.) There are about 15,000 people who live on the islands. English is the common language with Chamorro—a mixture of old island language, Spanish, German, Japanese and some English.

The commonwealth status is a fulfillment of some 25 years. A plebiscite held in June, 1975, found 78% favoring the U.S. relationship of commonwealth. Last year

Patsy Mink to address PSWDC Feb. 5 quarterly

VAN NUYS, Calif. — Patsy Mink, assistant secretary of state, will address the first quarterly meeting of the Pacific Southwest District Council, Sunday, Feb. 5 at the Holiday Inn here.

Business will begin at 9:15 a.m. with the call to order by PSWDC Gov. Paul Tsuneshi, roll call by Masamune Kojima and welcome by host San Fernando Valley Chapter president Nancy Gohata. Mink, who will also speak at the chapter's installation dinner Feb. 4, will then address the delegates.

Among the other agenda items are: National Convention Report by Shake Ushio; treasurer's report, Joe

Fletcher; regional director's report, Glen Isomoto; and National Executive Committee report, Mas Kojima.

Committee reports will be given in the following areas: Christmas cheer, Pan Asian Chapter; budget and finance, Mas Kojima; trust fund, Roy Nishikawa; Insurance—Blue Shield, Toshiko Yoshida and chapter sponsored, George Kanegai; ethnic concerns, George Kodama; Reparation, Ken Hayashi; Japan-U.S. Friendship Act, France Yokoyama.

The first business section will conclude at noon, followed by an hour's lunch. The meeting will close at 4:30 p.m.

The Holiday Inn, 8244 Orion Ave., is located east of the San Diego Fwy. in Van Nuys at the Roscoe Ave. turnoff.

NC-WNDC agenda at Las Vegas set

LAS VEGAS, Nev.—Northern California-Western Nevada District Council Governor Charles Kubokawa and the sponsoring Las Vegas Chapter will kick-off the business activities at the first quarterly district meeting being held Feb. 11 at the Aladdin Hotel.

Registration begins at 9 a.m., with business sessions scheduled at 9:30 until 4:30 p.m.

Kubokawa will call the meeting to order at 9:30 and introduce guests and 1978 chapter presidents. Secre-

tary Floyd Shimomura will then read minutes of the 1977 Fourth Quarterly meeting. Other agenda items will run as follows:

Treasurers report and presentation of 1978 budget, Wallace Terui, treas; governor's report, Kubokawa; Committee reports: health insurance, John Yasumoto and Bud Nakano; Reparation: John Tateishi; Japan-United States Friendship Act, Dr. Harry Hatasaka; Okubo-Yamada fund, George Baba; and cultural heritage, Samuel Cohen.

National convention; constitutional amendments, John Enomoto; nominations for national officers, JACL of the Biennium, Japanese American of the Biennium and the George Inagaki Award; District Input, Dr. Ron Mayeda; and Tule Lake Plaque, Frank Hiyama.

Judge backs tenants in apt. eviction case

OAKLAND, Calif.—You remember the book, "How I Turned \$1,000 Into a Million in Real Estate in My Spare Time," by William E. Nickerson? Well, a recent court case here provided a clue to his success.

Nickerson filed suit to evict 13 rent strikers in his 95-unit apartment complex; instead, Judge Ken Kawaichi agreed with the tenants' complaints of unsafe and unsanitary conditions and said they had a right to withhold their rent. He ordered Nickerson to make the demanded improvements, forbade him to raise rent for the next three months, and ordered him to reduce the amount of rent the strikers owed him, to compensate for their suffering.

Judge Robert Higa sworn into office

LOS ANGELES—Recently appointed by Gov. "Jerry" Brown, Los Angeles Municipal Court Judge Robert J. Higa was sworn into office here this past week (Jan 23) by U.S. District Court Judge Robert M. Takasugi.

Higa was definitely "one of the finest trial lawyers" to appear before him, Judge Takasugi said. As an attorney with "matchless integrity," Higa possesses "outstanding abilities, intellectually and humanly," Takasugi added.

Conversation class
SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Molly Kimura, well-known linguist and instructor of Conversational Japanese, will conduct a nine-week course of Nihongo at Sutterville Youth Center, 4967 Monterey Way, on Mondays, 7-9 p.m., and Thursdays, 1-3 p.m., according to Luther Burbank Adult Education (454-8421).

some 94% of the eligible voters elected Dr. Carlos Sablan Camacho governor, who was inaugurated Jan. 9 with the lieutenant governor and two-house legislature.

The Marianas were ruled by Spain until 1898, until 1914 by Germany, until 1944 by Japan and since then by the U.S. under a United Nations trust territory arrangement.

While the U.S. will look after its defense and foreign relations, the Northern Marianas still depends on American assistance. At present, their main economic base is tourism, mostly with visitors from Japan.

Nisei VFW reunion to hear Sen. Sparky

SAN JOSE, Calif.—The 28th Nisei VFW Reunion will be hosted by the San Jose Nisei Memorial Post 9970 on Feb. 17-19 at the Hyatt House here. Members of all 15 Nisei posts are expected.

One event open to the public will be the dinner-dance at which Sen. Sparky Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) will be principal speaker. Dinner-dance is being held at the Mediterranean Room on Feb. 18, 7:30 p.m. Tickets at \$20 a person are obtainable from: Don Okumura 296-2362; Mits Kumamoto 294-3184 or home 294-6407.

4th Nikkei wins 'Order of Canada'

OTTAWA—A fourth Japanese Canadian was appointed this past week (Jan. 16) for the top civilian government award, the Order of Canada. He is Roy Kiyooka of Moose Jaw, Sask., a poet-artist.

Previously named to this august list were the late G. Kitagawa, British Columbia businessman; Dr. M. Miyazaki of Lillooet, B.C., humanitarian; and Dr. David Suzuki, geneticist and radio-TV personality for sciences.

For the Record

Denny Yasuhara, chairperson of the Spokane JACL Ad Hoc Committee, called Jan. 28 to say there was no retraction on his part (Jan. 27 PC) regarding the number of non-tenured Asian American faculty at Washington State University. Rather, he was denying the statement attributed to him in the Jan. 6-13 story and had demanded a retraction.

The PC regrets this breakdown in communication has occurred and possibly dampening the committee's effort. We vigorously applaud the Spokane JACL committee's major thrust in the area of affirmative action and the cause to initiate an Asian American studies program. Such community concern and action are integral ingredients to assure equality and justice in the public sector.

Notice which appeared on this page (Jan. 6-13 PC) announcing the return of E.O. 9066 in the San Francisco Bay Area was in error. We regret any inconvenience caused by the item. Someone had sent us the flyer which caused the article to appear. —Ed.

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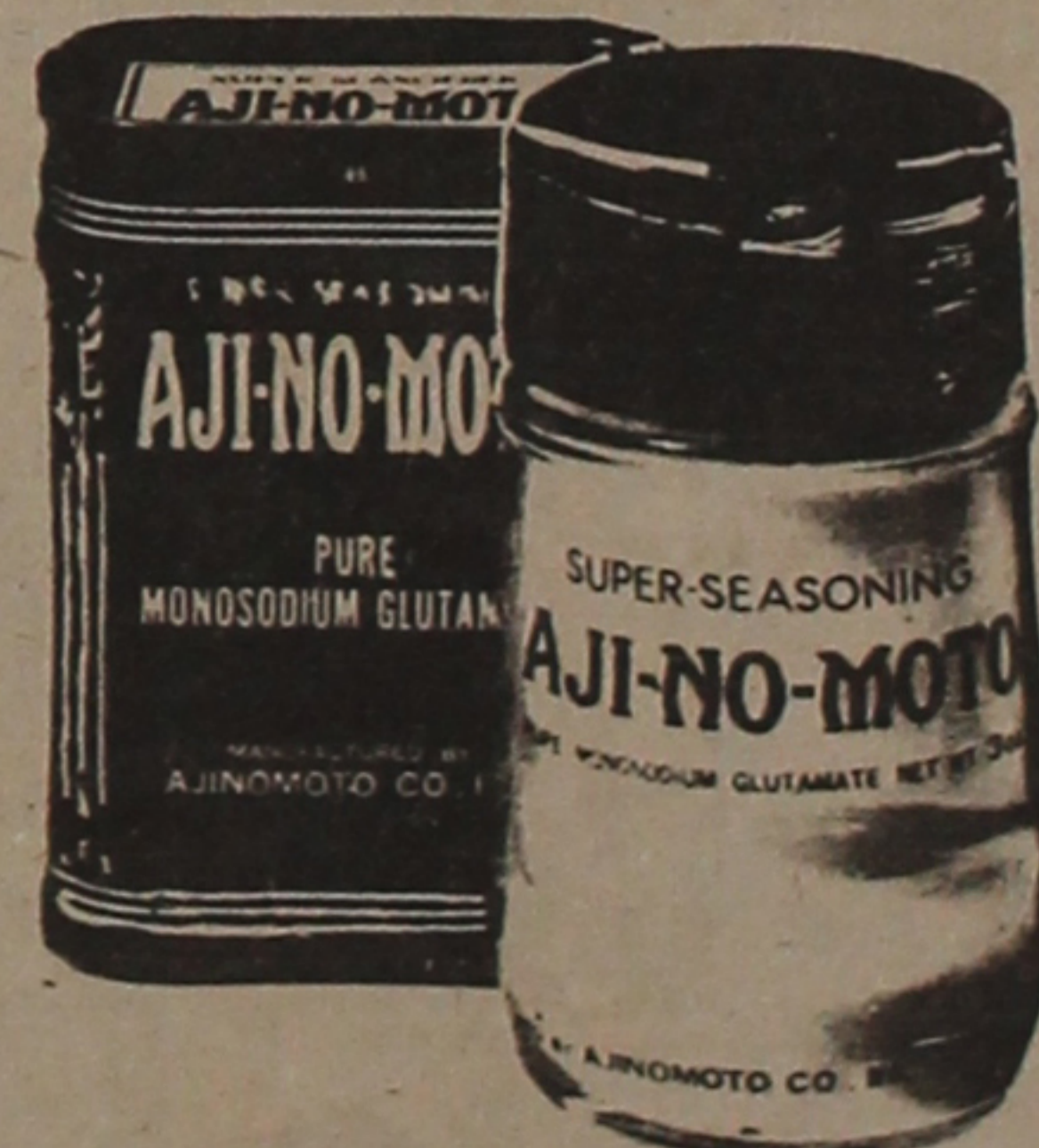
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Pacific-Asian American Heritage Week sought

WASHINGTON—As of Dec. 1, 95 members of the House of Representatives had joined co-authors Reps. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) and Frank Horton (R-N.Y.) as co-sponsors of HJR 540, calling upon the President to proclaim "Pacific-Asian American Heritage Week" annually during the first ten days in May.

Under the rules of the House Post Office & Civil Service Committee, 218 co-sponsors are required before favorable action can be taken on a resolution of this kind, Mineta explained. He hopes to achieve the number by this spring.

"Pacific-Asian Americans have contributed to the cultural, economic and social growth of this nation in a multitude of ways over the past 150 years," Rep. Phillip Burton (D-Calif.), a co-sponsor, declared recently. "They continue to be one of the most vital forces on our society."

Burton noted that over 1.4 million people living in the U.S. are of Pacific Island or Asian American descent. "In establishing a Pacific-Asian American Heritage Week, we hope to recognize the Pacific-Asian American cultures," he said.

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● The Arts

Hiroyuki Minamino, a music student at UC Irvine, will present a guitar concert March 12 at the Fine Arts Village Concert Hall. Minamino's solo performance will be one of several musical events planned for the school's spring semester.

● Business

Mrs. Dorothy Asahina Hyde, who was an executive secretary at Japan Air Lines in San Francisco the past 24½ years, has recently retired. She was the first person hired in the American Region by JAL and served under many top executives. Born and educated in Honolulu, she joined JAL

in July 1953, just after she returned from Japan where she was a civilian employee.

Satoshi Hamai, 25, said he never won anything in his life until he recently captured the top honor in Sumitomo Bank of Calif.'s slogan contest celebrating the bank's 25th anniversary. A native San Franciscan and recent graduate of San Francisco State, Hamai won with the phrase: "Twenty-five years of service—centuries of tradition." Judges selected his from among more than 600 entries. He had been working part-time for the bank while attending school and is now with Sumitomo's No. Calif. Operations Center as a proof operations supervisor. President **Yoshio Tada** presented Hamai with a check for \$250.

● Courtroom

Dr. Tetsuo Shigyo, physician attached to the Fresno County Hospital paramedic pay during hours they were indicted by the grand jury Jan. 19 with making claims for part-time paramedic pay during hours they were also paid for regular jobs. The five were accused of falsely claiming about \$4,500 between November 1976 and November 1977, District Attorney **William Smith** said.

● Education

Sahomi Tachibana, an authority on traditional Japanese dance, conducted master class lectures, make-up workshops and a dance concert during a guest teaching and performing stint at Southwest Texas State University. Tachibana is a frequent performer and lecturer at campuses throughout the country. Following

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Mineta and car jammed ½ hr. by steel gate at White House

WASHINGTON—The scene is the northwest gate of the White House. The time, a few days ago.

A 1972 Buick, driven by Congressman **Norm Mineta** is emerging from the White House grounds, following an urban policy huddle between Norm and **Stu Eizenstat**, **Jimmy Carter's** head honcho for domestic affairs.

Suddenly Mineta brakes his car to permit a pedestrian to pass on Pennsylvania Avenue.

And that, it turns out, is a mistake. The guards have already pulled the switch closing those case-hardened steel gates that were installed a few years ago (replacing the old wrought iron ones).

The gates, converging from right and left, grab Mineta's car in a vise-like grip, wedging the doors shut and imprisoning the congressman for half an hour. Efforts to open them electrically are futile. Finally, Mineta is freed, only after the hinges are unbolted

Upshot: Mineta's car, with dents in all four doors, is still in a Washington body shop. The White House will pick up the repair bill.

Is Jimmy insured?

"I don't know," says Norm, an independent insurance agency owner. "Maybe he has State Farm, with \$100 deductible."—San Jose News

In Los Angeles, the So. Calif. Committee for Norm Mineta, co-chaired by **Manuel Inadomi** and **Mitsu Sonoda**, is hosting an evening with the Nisei congressman on Friday, Feb. 24, 5:30-8 p.m. at the Kiku Room, New Otani Hotel.

Cal 1st Bank earnings rise

SAN FRANCISCO — California First Bank registered a 14% increase in net income over last year, ending with a total of \$12,302,000, officials reported.

President **Masao Tsuyama** said per share earnings for 1977 were \$2.25 based on an average of 5,467,405 shares of common stock outstanding. This compares with \$1.97 reported a year earlier, when an average of 5,463,674 were outstanding.

The bank's assets reached a record \$2,520,478.00, up 14% from assets of \$2,214,492,000 reported Dec. 13, 1976. Deposits as well, increased by 11% to \$2,170,058,000 from \$1,954,784,000, and loans increased by 8% to \$1,551,956,000 from \$1,438,941,000.

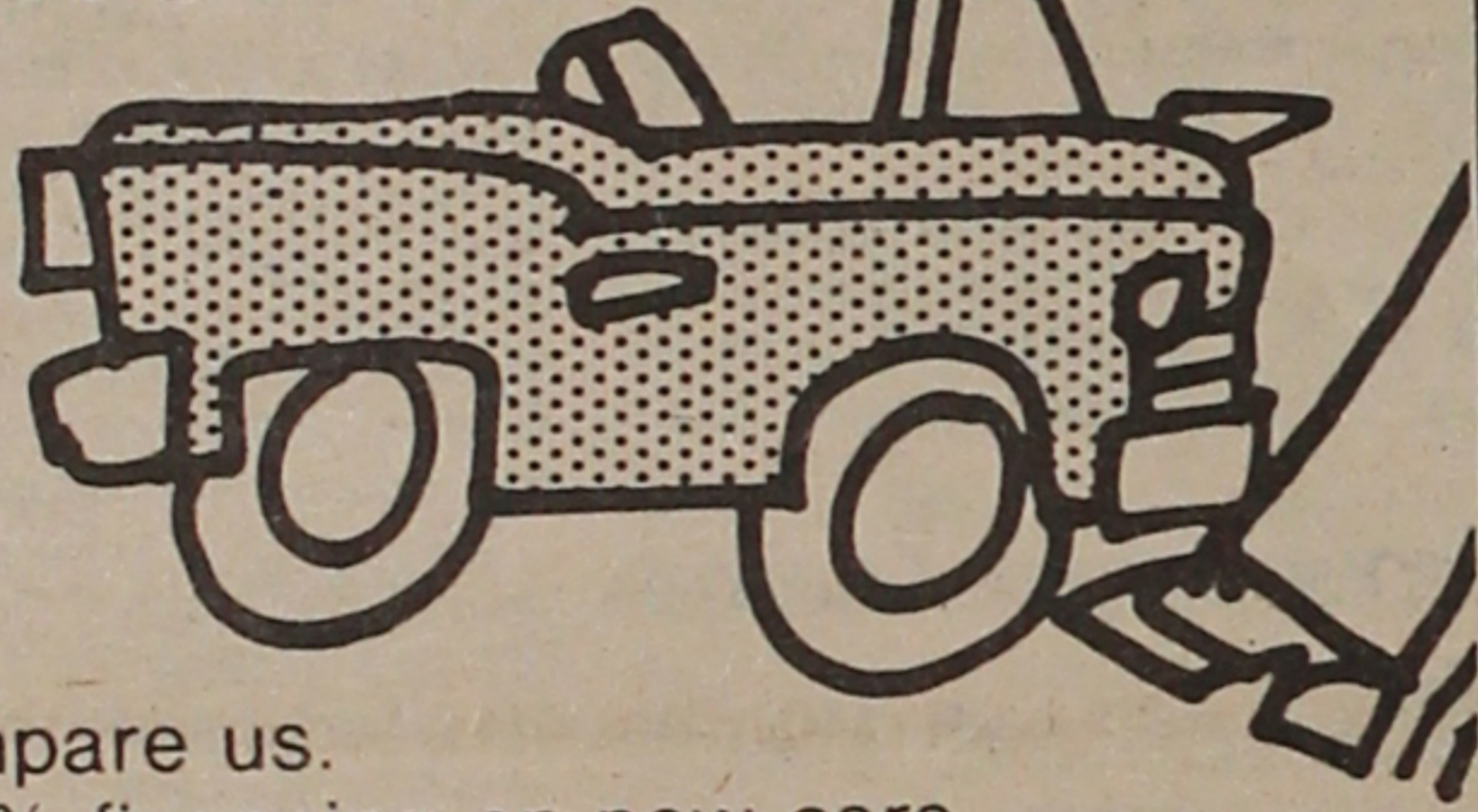
Iva Toguri thanks Hawaii governor

HONOLULU—Iva Toguri made a brief courtesy call on Gov. **George Ariyoshi** Jan. 10 in midst of her vacation here from Chicago.

She told the Governor there has been no lifestyle change since the pardon. "Everything is going on pleasantly, quietly," she said.

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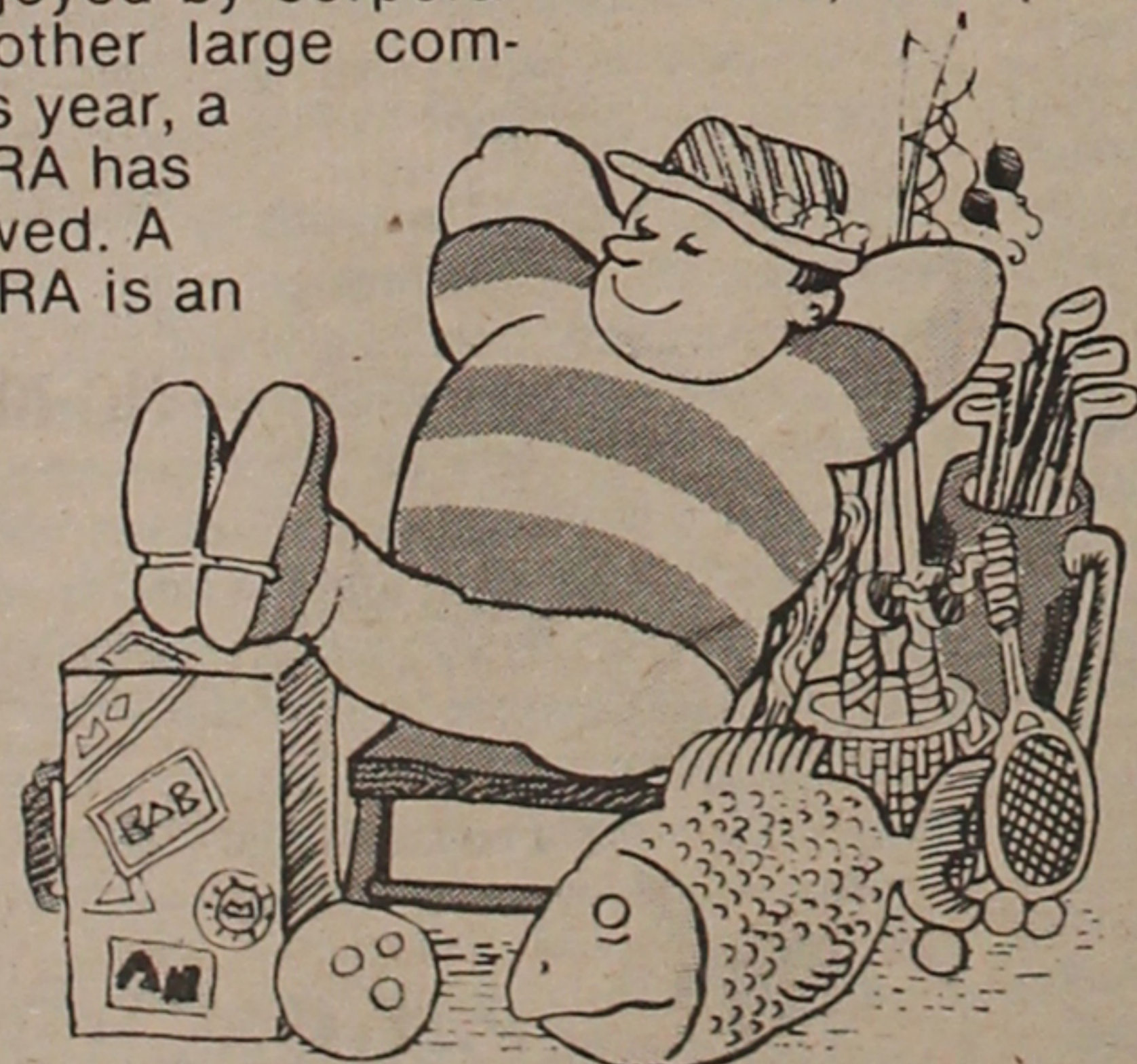
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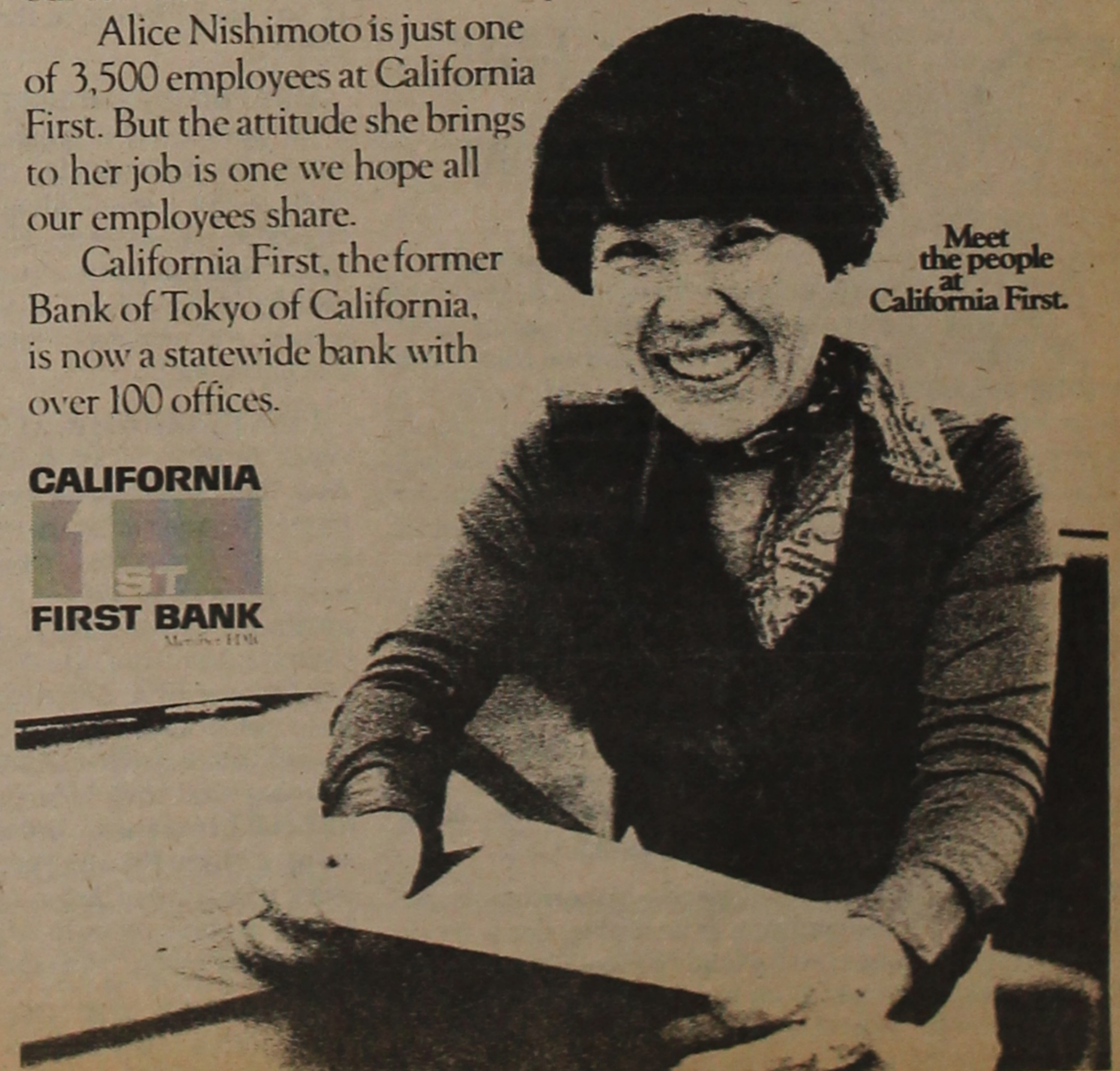
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Comments, letters & features

On Being Chapter President

JAM-PACKED on both sides of a page, legal-size, in Seattle JACL's monthly newsletter is a glowing log of activities for the past year by Cherry Kinoshita, who has passed on the chapter president's gavel to Ted Taniguchi. The thorough accounting is the first of its kind we have seen—enough to show members her personal commitment was to make the JACL "more visible" so that people didn't need to ask, "What's JACL doing?"

While the first priority involved civil rights and legislative advocacy and averaging a meeting a month with different people exclusive of board and committee meetings, Cherry signed over 400 letters that were either informational, supportive, or in acknowledgement.

At the community service level, she estimated over 1,000 people (about half non-JACLers) were served by a variety of functions. This is not counting the 7,000 served by their new community telephone directory.

Turnout at the six membership meetings, which averaged about 35, did see new faces present but it apparently didn't answer conclusively the question: Do programs planned for wider appeal en-

courage attendance? Moral support, however, was strong when you consider their membership topped 800 for an all-time high.

Chapter committees covered over 20 areas (PC Holiday Issue, reparations, Iva Toguri, scholarship, internment credit, newsletter, retirement, insurance, membership, etc.)

Not listed for lack of space were the social events (installation, dedications, contacts with the Japanese Consulate General and receptions), which loomed as a kind of personal havoc for a woman president—"what'll I wear?", particularly difficult when it involves seeing mostly the same people at every event.

In conclusion were some personal observations: whether big is always better, why more women aren't involved in JACL leadership. Cherry expresses an old truism in her wrap-up: Without the support and hard work of so many beautiful people in JACL, the "demanding and time-consuming task of heading (a) Chapter would be an impossible job". Those who contributed time and energy share with her the magnificent accomplishments of the Seattle Chapter, which she had meticulously detailed. □

Need Factor in Scholarships

The California Student Aid Commission has compiled its annual list of recipients. Awards in four categories are based on financial need, academic and personal criteria. The oldest and largest, known as Cal Grant A, provides tuition not to exceed \$2,700 at independent colleges, \$700 at the Univ. of California, and \$190 at state university-colleges. Cal Grant B is designed for disadvantaged students in the community colleges to provide up to \$1,100 for subsistence in the first year. Cal Grant C is for post-secondary occupational training up to two years or three years if in nursing programs at a hospital. Fourth grant provides for graduate fellowships.

Assemblyman Paul Bannai released a list of 366 names of students in his 53rd

District (Gardena Valley area) who received a grant last year and 58 (16%) have Japanese surnames. The statistics speak for themselves: Cal Grant A—276 names/49 Japanese (17.7%); Grant B—68 names, 5 Japanese, (7.3%); Grant C—22 names/3 Japanese (13.6%); Fellowship—2 names/Melvin Higa (50%).

Parents now sending their youngsters on to college are most aware of costs, especially if more than one is attending.

Financial need is not the stigma as it once was as the state scholarship list indicates. Perhaps the time has come to alter policy and publicize the names of awardees who receive the awards from the JACL Abe Hagiwara Memorial Student Aid fund. It may foster more contributions. □

EAST WIND: William Marutani



A Bitter Pill to Swallow

Philadelphia

In a previous column (Dec. 2), we promised to comment on a query from a reader. Thrust of it was: How can we Nisei work effectively and efficiently with fellow Asian Americans in a cooperative effort to realize some of our common aspirations? Now, at the very outset let me warn some of you that you will not like my answer, even if you reluctantly concur with the analysis. It's always difficult to make an admission against one's self. I know.

TO BEGIN WITH we Nisei tend to be proud of ourselves. And, I hasten to add, not without some cause. From the abject status of inmates behind barbed-wire concentration camps of a few decades ago, we have, as one ad proclaims, "come a long way, baby". (I suggest, however, that this must be balanced with the realization that we have a long, long way yet to go. Notwithstanding the smug satisfaction that at times accepts the stagnation of the status quo.)

PRIDE IN OURSELVES as Japanese Americans is not only not bad but, on the contrary, is desirable. For if we do not pride our own selves, we certainly cannot expect others to show the respect of which we are deserving. (As, indeed, all Americans are deserving.) Personally, I happen to be mighty proud to be a Nisei, to be able to point to the Issei heritage of my parents in profound gratitude, to the values

and fine culture that our heritage bring to the strengthening of our social fabric, to the record of my fellow Nisei. And more.

BUT PRIDE IN OURSELVES is one thing: however, when pride partakes of arrogance, then it becomes quite another thing. Great as we may think we are—hard-working, efficient, diligent, law-abiding, highly-educated, loyal, motivated, and so on—when we begin to believe and act that "others" do not and cannot measure up to us, that's when arrogance has set in. And if any of you have attempted to work with someone of that mold (and we all have), it's difficult. It's discouraging.

I JUST WONDER if, when we attempt to work with fellow Asian Americans, we don't bring a bit of such arrogance? And then make ourselves difficult to work with? Even though we may do so unconsciously? Do we believe that we are better-organized, more efficient, more sophisticated, more knowledgeable (or any one or more of these and other attributes that we might claim for ourselves) than, say, a Chinese American? Or Korean American? Pilipino American? If you have difficulty in answering this question, or even pause in answering it, then you just may be already tinged with a touch of ethnic arrogance. And if so, although you may well have "come a long way, baby," you would be difficult to work with. Speaking for myself, proud as I am of being a Nisei, I would find it difficult, if not impossible, to work with another Asian American ethnic group that manifested superiority or in any way indicated that they generally "knew better". I'm sure you understand.

LIKEWISE IF THE NISEI participant in an Asian American coalition manifested an attitude of superiority, however slight, such would surely "turn off" a fellow Asian American member. The manifestations of superiority can be, and often



DOWN TO EARTH: Karl Nobuyuki

Sansei Perspective

San Francisco

It is not that unfamiliar to hear from some Nisei that the incarceration period of World War II is something to forget. These individuals will argue that the "past is past" and we would be much better off to forget what had happened and focus upon the future.

Sansei, some will argue, should have no say in the matter as they were only children when the Evacuation took place and probably don't remember it. While I can empathize with this feeling, I would like to share my thoughts on the feedback.

Unforgettable Experience

Initially, for many Sansei (some 5,981 of us), the concentration camp experience is not one that can be easily forgotten. Unlike our Issei and Nisei, as well as many of our Yonsei children, the camps were our place of birth and none of these sites have mushroomed into desirous residential communities.

"Place of Birth" is an all too frequently requested question for school admission, job application and enrollment of our children at school. It is a recurring memory for the *camp baby*. And often for just these reasons, it is not uncommon for many of us to ask ourselves whether the camps represented the greatest act of civilian loyalty in the history of this country or the greatest failure of the American political process. The answers to the for-

mer and latter will, of course, play a vital part in the development of the youth of the Japanese American community. It inevitably will be a part of the growth process of the young and the positive or negative self-image of our children and our children's children.

To forget, then, is a luxury affordable to some but not all for some time to come.

Orientation for the Future

It is not so much a matter of not facing the future that makes reparation important. Rather, it is a matter of learning from the past to better address the future that mandates the pursuit of an aggressive Reparation cam-

paign. It can be argued that one of the failures of America is its resistances to learn from mistakes.

A successful Reparation campaign will serve as a major safeguard for all Americans in the pursuit of equal treatment under the law—a constitutional guarantee.

The Issue

The issue of *Reparation* reaches beyond the Japanese American community. It is an issue of grave constitutional consequence for all AMERICANS. It is an issue of American Citizenship that falls upon the shoulders of Japanese Americans and duly upon the Japanese American Citizens League. □

Subscription

Editor:

I have received my membership dues notice for 1978 in December and have paid it. But there must be a mistake because my PC subscription renewal is not until June 1978. Please check. JERRY N. Torrance, Ca.

This is Case "E". There has been no mistake. All 1977 memberships expired on Dec. 31. But PC subscriptions are good for a full 12-months.—Ed.

Grounding of Asama

Editor:

The objective account (by Don Estes) of the Grounding of Warship Asama (PC Holiday Issue) is not only interesting but also very revealing of the intensity of the racism in the U.S.

Unfortunately, the objective refutation is not very effective in dealing with racism, which is emotional. The most effective way is to go to its roots; that is, to find out whether Barbara Tuchman is English, German, Jewish or Swedish. About ten years ago New York Times uncovered that a neo-Nazi leader in New Jersey was actually a Jewish youth. This disclosure quickly put an end to the resurgence of Nazism in New Jersey. We can learn a lesson from this technique. NOBUYUKI NAKAJIMA Sheffield Lake, Ohio

Foreign Languages

Editor:

Pleased as Punch with your comment, "Foreign language languishes" (PC Jan 20). Quoting Illinois Rep. Paul Simon, "It's incredible, but the U.S. Foreign Service no longer requires a foreign language background before you can enter. When I talk to State Dept. officials, they say they want people with language skills, but because so few Americans have studied foreign languages, they had to drop the requirement." That is deplorable.

Sacramento has been trying to remedy this situation for over a year, offering classes in Conversational Japanese without charge...I can vouch for the course; it helped on my Japan tour.

THELMA BURNSIDE Sacramento, Ca.

'No No Boy'

Editor:

After reading Frank Chin's article, my order for John Okada's "No No Boy" at the address noted in the footnote was returned, "Not at this P.O. Box". Where can I buy a copy? TOBY K. Cleveland, Ohio.

Thanks for telling us CARP's P.O. box is now closed. Reader might try David Ishii Bookseller, 212-1st South, Seattle, Wash. 98104.—Ed.

are quite subtle. Some perhaps not-so-subtle examples: a Nisei "taking over"; a Nisei constantly over-riding the views of a fellow Asian American; a Nisei insisting upon implementing "because it's got to be done". As a Nisei, are you prepared to have, say, a Korean American assume leadership of the Asian American conglomerate and accept a role simply as another worker under such leadership? Again, if you hesitate in answering this question, you've put your finger on the problem.

I SUGGEST THAT notwithstanding our vaunted pride in ourselves, we nonetheless continue to suffer a great deal from uncertainty, from an undefined sense of inferiority, from a predilection to place others in categories—behind us. Yes, I know it's a difficult confession to make, a bitter pill to swallow: remember, I'm a Nisei myself. But if we are to work with one another, and not attempt to be the "oyaji" in what we attempt to do jointly, it is a pill that we first must swallow. And then we shall be the better for it.

PRIDE IN OURSELVES coupled with unreserved respect for our fellow Asian Americans. Why not? It works. Try it. □

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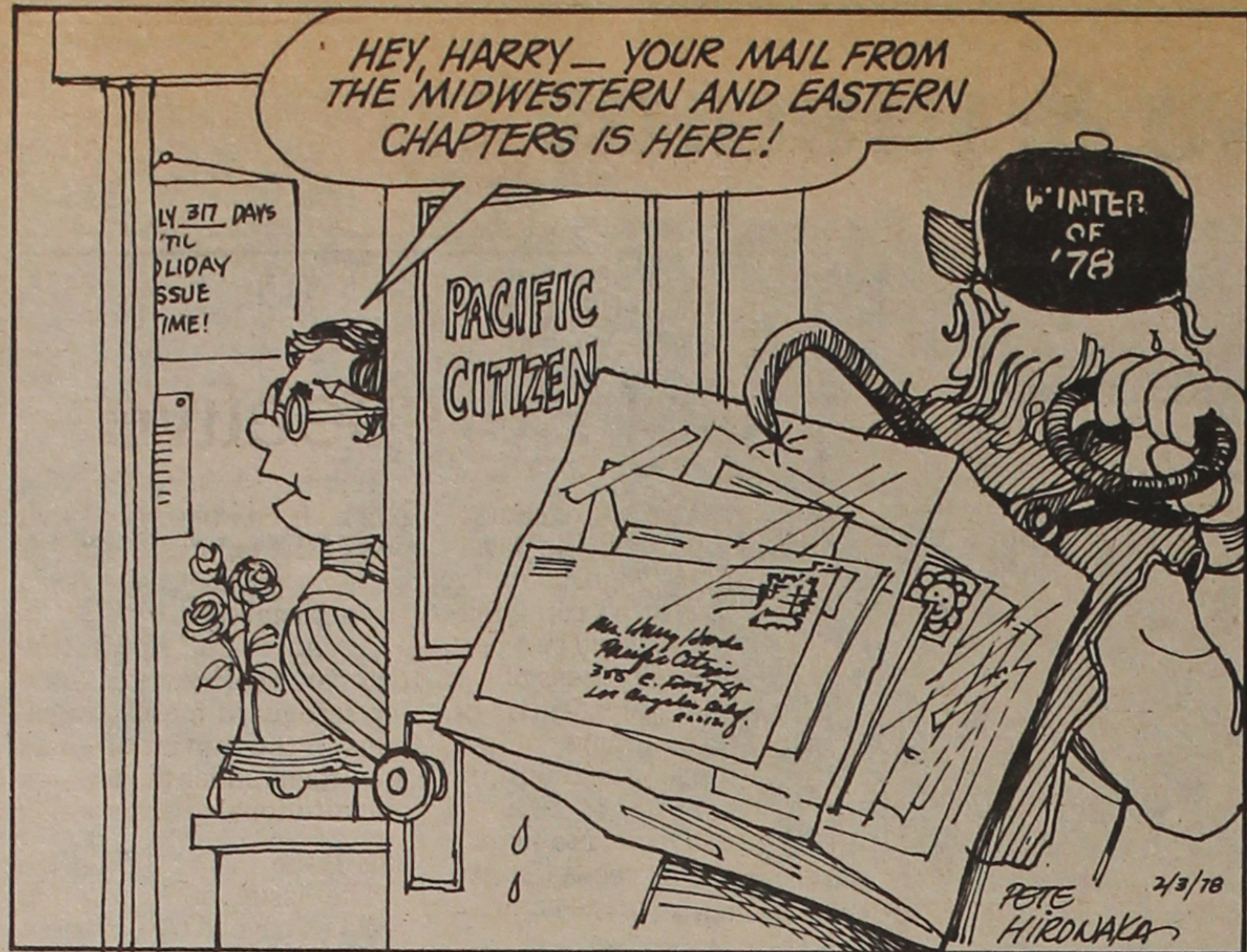
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What's in the Name?

The first ten articles dealt with the background materials, we felt, necessary for an understanding of the reparation issue. We believe we are now ready for the next phase in our continuing education on the reparation issue — the presentation of various views, many personal, some controversial. The authors of the forthcoming articles, therefore, will be identified. Let us begin with the term, "Reparation".

By CLIFFORD I. UYEDA
PART 11

The Seattle group called themselves the Redress Committee. Others saw no reason to be hesitant about using the word, "reparation".

Marvin J. Anderson, dean of the Hasting Law School in San Francisco, in his meeting with JACL members in June, 1976, stated that the word "reparation" should be avoided if at all possible.

The Federal Republic of Germany calls it "Restitution" as she paid and continues to pay billions of dollars in compensations to the Jewish victims of the Third Reich.

The issue is not over the definition of the word "reparation". That is clear to everyone. The issue for us is



how to obtain endorsements for the concept from the American public, more specifically the United States Congress.

The Nikkei have no objections to the use of the term "reparation". But how about

the public? That is what counts in this campaign.

Are we sugar-coating the case away? Or are we over-emphasizing the label?

We cannot be hung up on our own feelings to the exclusion of all else. It is the "outsiders", the American public, who will ultimately decide whether we will or will not obtain compensations for the wartime injustices suffered at the hands of our own government.

"Redress", "Restitution", "Restoration", "Indemnification", or plain "Claims". Does it really matter? What's your preference? □

WEST WIND: Joe Oyama

UFOs: Is Sci-fi Coming True?

Berkeley, Ca.

"UFOs: Is Science Fiction Coming True?" is the theme of a series of articles in Berkeley's Spiritual Counterfeits Project's latest magazine, using the Bible as their text. Systematically and logically, the authors attempt to debunk the myth UFOs are from more advanced civilizations here to help mankind advance her technology and prevent war and the current respectability that UFOs seem to have gained.

Written in a scholarly manner, the writers are not only well versed in the physical sciences but also the theater, arts, literature, cinema, theology, philosophy, occult mysticism, cosmic evolution, Eastern metaphysics and other disciplines. Their condemnatory attitude and perspective towards people, I feel is Fundamentalist.

Jerry Yamamoto, who authored "Moon Doctrine", "a biblical critique of the bizarre teachings of Sun Myung Moon's Unification Church", published by Inter Varsity Press, is SCP's staff researcher.

In reviewing "Star Wars", David Fetcho concludes, "I have an image of an eight-year old, the day after viewing Star Wars, 'using the Force', to ride a bicycle, eyes closed, into oncoming traffic. I don't really believe that

most eight-year olds would be so easily taken in, but the image is useful for describing what happened to a large part of a generation who followed their feelings into 'the great whatever' of the hippie dream."

An estimated 15 million Americans, according to the 1973 Gallup poll, have seen UFOs. Discounting some 70 to 80 per cent of the sightings as "misperception of natural occurrences", still many scientists and experts around the world agree that from 20 to 30 percent "are true aerial phenomena that cannot be accounted for". This is what the authors say.

"Entities that operate with total disregard for the inviolate laws of physics, traveling at the speed of light or faster and having 'solved all of their problems', would have to be classified as 'spiritual', semantic arguments notwithstanding", Mark Albrecht and Brook Alexander, the writers of the theme article contend.

Science fiction writing, they feel, had improperly set the stage for a wide acceptance of the belief that UFOs are our saviors and that they are here to uplift our technology and prevent war. Jacques Vallee, the eminent French astrophysicist, thinks UFOs are part of a "control system with the intent of first unfreezing our

belief system and then reprogramming them to conformity with higher purpose." He does, however, have his fingers crossed.

There is a thing called "God's quarantine of space." The Law of Moses, the writers warn, forbid contact with alien intelligences (Spirits) — "the penalty was death by stoning. Let us awaken to realize what kind of venture our world is engaged in."

According to the authors, UFOs are the Devil's technology, here to mislead; indeed, they are constructed of matter ("but not the kind of matter that we know") and are also physic devices or vehicles ("the type as yet to be determined"), and the people who claimed that they had been abducted may have had instead an "implantation of a set of experiences."

Some observers describe UFOs as appearing to be alive: they appear, disappear; change form right in front of your eyes, and all but seemingly breathe! UFO beings are like emanations (polygreists) transmuted at occult seances.

The Fundamentalists perceive wars, famine, and terrible earthquakes in part of the world, preceding the Second Coming before the Final Judgment Day. Science, they fear, will merge with the oc-

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

Nisei Oral History



Denver, Colo. I never had the opportunity of knowing my grandparents. They were born, lived and died in Japan. I regret not having known them, for they must have been interesting people. Grandpa Hosokawa was a rice farmer in Hiroshima Prefecture. He probably could have told stories about how hard it was to support a family on a couple of acres of land, and what it was like to be a Japanese peasant during the years after the Meiji Restoration when Japan was trying to catch up with the rest of the world.

I never knew what Grandpa Omura did for a living. He must have been a man of at least a little substance because he was headman of his village. But that probably didn't make him much of a living. He had three children and two of them came to the United States. That says something about his own outlook and his life, but I'm not sure what. It would have been interesting to ask him about that, but I never had the chance.

My own parents didn't talk a great deal about their origins. Perhaps they were too busily concerned with contemporary matters. On the other hand, they may have said a great deal about their roots, but my brother and I were too busy with our own preoccupations to pay attention and listen. As a result I only know bits and fragments about them, their experiences, their hopes and frustrations, their joys and sorrows. Now I wish I knew more, but it's too late.

What brings all this to mind is an article in the December, 1977 Rotarian Magazine by Avrom I. Dickman titled "Listen! Your grandfather is talking." Dickman is identified as head of the oral history center at the University of California, Davis. The thrust of his article is that all of us have an opportunity to leave a precious legacy—a tape-recorded history of our lives and times.

The first inclination may be to snort in derision and ask, "What have I done worth recording?" The answer, of course, is

plenty that would be of tremendous interest to others, particularly your descendants.

Beginning with their great adventure of leaving home to cross an ocean and seek a livelihood in an alien and often hostile land, the Japanese have written a fascinating chapter of American history. The day-to-day experiences of Issei immigrants deserve the highest priority in recording.

Nisei can tell gripping stories of their own—what it was like growing up in Oriental ghettos, the first day of school in classrooms where you didn't understand the language, the first realization of what it was like to face discrimination, the entire Evacuation and relocation experience. Every Nisei has his particular story to tell for the record.

Dickman writes: "Anthropologist Margaret Mead lays a burden of responsibility on grandparents to tell their autobiographies. Dr. Mead is convinced that 'stability, continuity, and perhaps even our sanity depend upon the willingness of grandparents, as witnesses of the past, to play the vital role of educators.'"

Some JACL chapters have made projects of taping the recollections of pioneers in their communities. Joe Grant Masaoka as administrator of the Japanese American Research Project at UCLA also made many hours of tapes with Issei pioneers. But there also would seem to be a need for just ordinary Nisei to tell about their lives.

Perhaps a group of friends can turn on a tape recorder for one of their yarning sessions when they sit down and reminisce about what it was like "back in the old days before the War." Perhaps you can open a can of beer to lubricate the memory and tape your own story: "My name is Joe Nisei and I was born in San Francisco, or San Jose, or Seattle, or wherever it was, back in Nineteen-aught-twentyone to Kichizae-mon and Kimi Suzuki . . ."

Why not do it this year? □

HR 9471 ROLL CALL

WASHINGTON—The House vote on the Mineta bill HR 9471 on retirement credits for Japanese Americans was an overwhelming 85% in favor. Result of the vote was announced as follows:

YEAS—366

Abdnor, Akaka, Allen, Ambro, Ammerman, Anderson, Ill., Andrews, N.C., Andrews, N. Dak., Annunzio, Applegate, Archer, Armstrong, Aspin, Badham, Bafalis, Baldus, Barnard, Baucus, Bauman, Beard, R.I., Bedell, Beilenson, Benjamin, Bennett, Bevill, Biaggi, Blanchard, Blouin, Boggs, Boland, Bolling, Bonior, Bonker, Brademas, Breckinridge, Brodhead, Brooks, Broomfield, Brown, Calif., Brown, Mich., Brown, Ohio, Broyhill, Buchanan, Burgener, Burke, Fla.

Burke, Fla., Burke, Mass., Burlison, Tex., Burlison, Mo., Burton, John, Butler, Byron, Caputo, Carr, Carter, Cavanaugh, Cederberg, Chisholm, Clausen, Don H., Clawson, Del, Clay, Cleveland, Cochran, Cohen, Coleman, Collins, Ill., Conable, Conte, Conyers, Corcoran, Corman, Cornell, Cornwell, Cotter, Coughlin, Crane, Cunningham, D'Amours, Daniel, Dan, Daniel, R.W., Danielson, Davis, de la Garza, Delaney, Derwinski, Dickinson, Dicks, Diggs, Dingell.

Dodd, Dornan, Downey, Drinan, Duncan, Oreg., Duncan, Tenn., Eckhardt, Edgar, Edwards, Ala., Edwards, Calif., Eilberg, Emery, English, Ertel, Evans, Colo., Evans, Del., Evans, Ga.; Fary, Fascell, Fenwick, Findley, Fish, Fisher, Fithian, Flood, Florio, Flowers, Foley, Ford, Mich., Ford, Tenn., Forsythe, Fowler, Frenzel, Fuqua, Gaydos, Gephardt, Gibbons, Gilman, Ginn, Glickman, Gold-

water, Goodling, Gore, Cradison, Grassley, Guyer

Hall, Hamilton, Hammerschmidt, Hanley, Hannaford, Hansen, Harkin, Harrington, Harris, Harsha, Hawkins, Heckler, Hefner, Hightower, Holt, Holtzman, Horton, Howard, Hubbard, Huckaby, Hughes, Hyde, Ichord, Jacobs, Johnson, Calif., Johnson, Colo., Jones, N.C., Jones, Okla., Jones, Tenn., Jordan, Kasten, Kastenmeier, Kazen, Kelly, Ketchum, Keys, Kildee, Kindness, Kostmayer, Krebs, Krueger, LaFalce, Lagomarsino

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Mitchell, Md., Mitchell, N.Y. Moakley, Moffett, Mollohan, Montgomery, Moorhead, Calif., Moorhead, Pa.; Moss, Mott, Murphy, Ill.; Murphy, N.Y.; Murphy, Pa.; Murtha, John Myers, Michael Myers, Natcher, Neal, Nedzi, Nichols, Nix, Nolan, Nowak, O'Brien, Oakar, Oberstar, Obey, Ottinger, Panetta, Patten, Patterson, Perkins, Pettis, Pickle, Pike, Pressler, Preyer, Price, Pritchard, Pursell, Quayle, Quillen, Rahall, Railsback

Rangel, Regula, Reuss, Rhodes, Richmond, Rinaldo, Risenhoover, Roberts, Robinson, Roe, Rogers, Roncalio, Rooney, Rosenthal, Rousselot, Roybal, Rudd, Runnels, Russo, Ryan, Santini, Sarasin, Satterfield, Sawyer, Scheuer, Schroeder, Schulze, Sebelius, Seiberling, Sharp, Shipley, Sikes, Simon, Sisk, Skelton, Slack, Smith, Iowa, Smith, Nebr., Snyder, Solarz, Spellman, St Germain, Staggers, Strangeland, Stanton, Stark, Steed Steers, Steiger, Stockman, Stokes, Stratton, Studds, Symms, Taylor, Thompson, Thone, Thornton, Traxler, Treen, Triple, Tsongas, Udall, Ullman, Van Deerlin, Vander Jagt, Vanik, Vento, Volkmer, Waggoner, Walgren, Walker, Wampler, Watkins, Waxman, Weaver, Weiss, Whalen, White, Whitehurst, Whitley, Whitten, Wiggins, Wilson, Bob, Wilson, C.H., Wilson, Tex., Winn, Wirth, Wolff, Wright, Wyder, Wylie, Yates, Yatron, Young, Alaska; Young, Fla.; Young, Mo., Young, Tex., Zablocki.

NAYS—12

Ashbrook, Beard, Tenn., Collins, Tex., Devine, Flippo, Flynt, Gudger, Ireland, Jenkins, Gary Myers, Pease, Shuster.

NOT VOTING—54

Addabbo, Alexander, Anderson, Calif., Ashley, AuCoin, Bingham, Bowen, Breaux, Brinkley, Burke, Calif., Burton, Phillip, Carney, Chappell, Dellums, Dent, Derrick, Early, Edwards, Okla., Erlenborn, Evans, Ind., Fountain, Fraser, Frey, Gammage, Gaiamo, Gonzales, Hagedorn, Hillis, Holland, Hollenbeck, Jeffords, Jenrette, Kemp, Latta, Livingston, Mann, Meyner, Michel, Moore, Patterson, Pepper, Poage, Que, Rodino, Rose, Rostenkowski, Ruppe, Tucker, Spence, Stump, Teague, Kubitz, Walsh, Ziferetti

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Nominations open for Biennium honors

San Francisco
Nominations for the two highest honors of JACL—the Dr. Randolph M. Sakada Memorial Award for JACLer of the Biennium and Japanese American of the Biennium—are now being accepted by National Headquarters.

Deadline for the Sakada award, given to the JACL member who has contributed the "most to the strength and growth of the JACL during the biennium" is May 1, 1978.

Nominations for the Japanese American of the Biennium award, based upon achievements and activities during the biennium, are due March 31, 1978.

Nomination procedures have been mailed by National Headquarters to JACL chapters and staff.

Nominations for the JACLer of the Biennium are open to all JACL members except those on the Executive Committee (president, four vice presidents, treasurers, chairpersons of District Governor's Caucus and National Youth Coordinating Council).

All nominations shall be submitted using a standardized format, including a chapter recommendation and photograph to the district governors or district council recognitions chairperson. Each district is responsible for setting its own deadline for receipt of nominations from the chapter level.

Any JACL chapter may submit more than one nominee to the district level for screening. Then each district council will submit up to three nominees together with its recommendations to the National JACL Executive Committee.

The National Executive Committee will make the final selection.

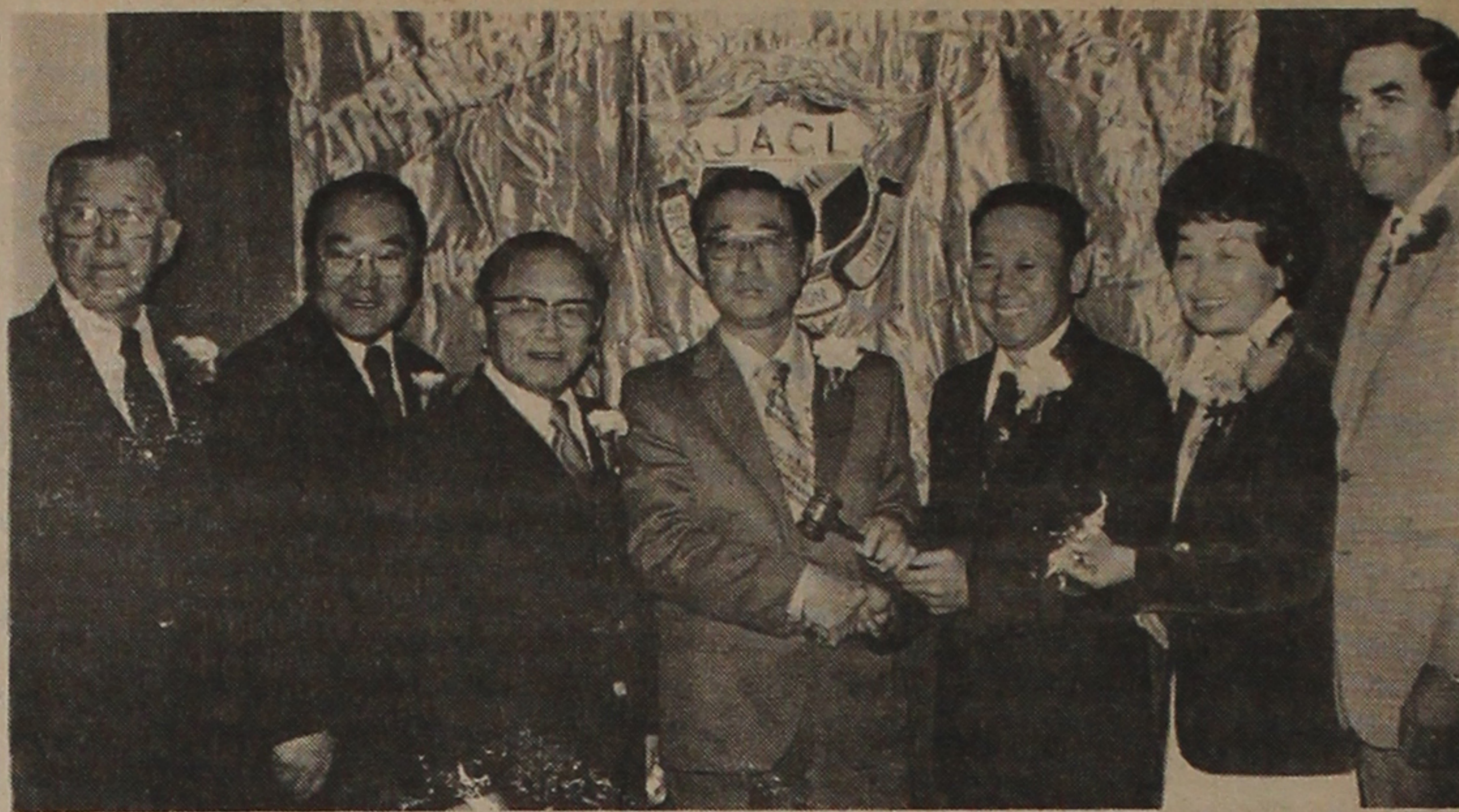
Nominating procedures for the Japanese American of the Biennium will follow similar lines, however both JACL chapters and districts are eligible to submit candidates. The number of supporting letters for each candidate should not exceed 15.

Nomination forms must be accompanied by a nominating statement from the chapter or district of not more than 500 words stating qualifications not contained on the application form.

Nominees should be consulted before having their name submitted to avoid withdrawals during the selection period.

The Japanese American of the Biennium honor has been given since 1950 and recognizes good citizenship by active participation and efforts to acquaint fellow Americans with Japanese Americans.

Award winners will receive a JACL Gold Medallion suitably engraved and a personalized scroll citation. Two runners-up will receive JACL Silver Medallions and



Newly named Carson JACL President Tom Kawamoto takes over duties from outgoing President Joe Sakamoto during the installation dinner held Jan. 21. Extending congratulations are (from left) Carson Councilman John Marbut, Assemblyman Paul Bannai, Carson Mayor Sak Yamamoto, Kawamoto, Sakamoto, Carson City Clerk Helen Kawagoe and Compton Judge Cecil Mills, who was master of ceremonies for the evening.

● Diablo Valley

Diablo Valley JACL newsletter is "loaded" with local items, starting with editor Wilma Hayashi's "Special Feature"—a tour of JACL Headquarters (open weekdays, 9 to 5) and directing its members who take BART to get off at Montgomery and ride the Sutter St. bus to Buchanan.

Among the dates to remember was the chapter installation on Jan. 27. A newspaper drive and flea market are being contemplated.

With the 1978 membership drive underway, Masaye & Nobie Nakamura were the first to renew.

Newsletter includes a member profile, summary of previous chapter and board meetings, local events and personal items. A review of Bay Area libraries notes Japanese American reference material at National JACL Headquarters, Calif. First Bank headquarters and UC Berkeley Bancroft Library.

● Philadelphia

The annual Philadelphia JACL installation dinner will be held on Saturday, April 29, 7 p.m., at Cinelli's Country House at Cherry Hill, N.J., it was announced by Russell Mesi, 1977 chapter president.

● San Fernando Vly.

Patsy Mink, former Hawaii congresswoman and now assistant secretary of state, will be the guest speaker at the San Fernando Valley installation dinner, Feb. 4 at the Holiday Inn, 8244 Orion St., Van Nuys.

A no-host cocktail hour begins at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30.

Newly-elected chapter president, Nancy Gohata, and her 1978 board will be installed by Karl Nobuyuki, JACL National Director.

The dinner was arranged by chairman Betty Kamooka, and committee members Richard and Connie Yamachi, Roy Kawamoto, John

and Harriet Nishizaka and Marion Shigekuni.

● San Francisco

The San Francisco JACL will host its annual installation dinner on Saturday, Feb. 4 at the Gold Ballroom of the Sheraton-Palace Hotel with a cocktail hour from 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m.

Tickets at \$12 per person, are obtainable from: Donna Kawamoto, 445-0520, Claire Sanpei, 989-24-24 or 771-2671.

● Stockton

George Baba will be installed as president of the Stockton JACL on Feb. 5, 4:30 p.m., at Trebino's, 116 Chung Wah Lane. He pre-

viously served as chapter headman in 1954 and 1959, currently a NC-WNDC executive board member and co-chairing the National JACL Okub-Yamada fund drive.

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- Japanese American of the Biennium—Nominations by Mar. 31, JACL Hq; presentation at Convention, July 22, Salt Lake City.
- Nat'l JACL Scholarship (Freshman-Graduate)—Forms, support papers by April 1, JACL Hq; announcement in June.
- JACLer of the Biennium—Nominations by May 1, JACL Hq; presentation at Convention, July 19, Salt Lake City.
- Nat'l Convention Agenda proposals—Chapter input by Feb. 28, JACL Hq.
- Amendments to JACL Constitution—Notify Nat'l Director 60 days prior (June 5). NC-WNDC chapter input by May 7, Regional Office.
- Nominations for Nat'l Officers—District nominations 90 days prior (April 23).
- Budget/Convention Agenda from Hq—30 days prior (June 19).

Calendar

- (A non-JACL event)
- FEB. 3 (Friday)**
Tri-Valley—Inst dnr-dance, Holiday Inn, Livermore, 7:30 p.m.
- FEB. 4 (Saturday)**
Santa Barbara—Inst dnr, Montecito Country Club, 7 p.m.
San Fernando Valley—Inst dnr, Holiday Inn, Van Nuys, 7:30 p.m.; Asst Sec of State Patsy Mink, spkr.
San Jose—WABL testim dnr for Fred Nitta, Hyatt House.
San Francisco—Inst dnr, Sheraton-Palace Hotel, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles—Asian Law Day, USC Law Ctr, Exposition Blvd. nr Figueroa, 1-5 p.m.
- FEB. 5 (Sunday)**
San Jose—Chas E Mikami testim dnr, Hyatt House, 5 p.m.
PSWDC—Qtrly sess, San Fernando Valley JACL hosts: Holiday Inn, Van Nuys, 9:30 a.m.
Stockton—Inst dnr, Trebino's, 4:30 p.m.; Karl Nobuyuki, spkr.

- FEB. 10 (Friday)**
Washington—APAFEC Asian New Yr dnr, Church of Pilgrim, 6 p.m.
- FEB. 11 (Saturday)**
NC-WNDC—Qtrly session, Las Vegas JACL hosts, Aladdin Hotel, 9 a.m.
Riverside—Inst dnr, Cal State Sn Bernardino Commons, 6:30 p.m.; Karl Nobuyuki, spkr.
Oakland—ACMHS/SFCJAS seminar: Japanese Values, Laney College aud, 12:30-4:30 p.m.
Los Angeles—City Empl As Amer Assn's Chinese New Year dnr, Golden Palace Restaurant, 6:30 p.m., honoring Mario Machado.
- FEB. 12 (Sunday)**
Philadelphia—Gen mtg, Nationality Sv Ctr, 1300 Spruce St, 2-5 p.m.
Alameda—Inst dnr, The Galleon, 7 p.m.
San Diego—UPAC Chinese New Year dnr, Jade Inn, 6 p.m.
- FEB. 18 (Saturday)**
San Diego—UPAC Conf on School Issues, Educ Cult Complx, 4343 Ocean View Blvd, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Union City—So Alam Cty Bud-dnr, Buddhist Church Annex, 6:30 p.m.
- FEB. 23 (Thursday)**
NEW Solano County—Charter mtg, Civic Aud, Fairfield.
- FEB. 24 (Friday)**
Los Angeles—Japanese Amer Republicans Candidate Night, Sir Michael's Restaurant, City of Commerce, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles—Evening with Rep. Mineta, New Otani Hotel Kiku Room, 5:30-8 p.m. (RSVP call 935-1010, 665-1534).
- Sequoia—Inst dnr, Sakura Garden, Mtn View, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 25 (Saturday)**
IDC—Qtrly sess, Salt Lake hosts.
San Mateo—Inst dnr-dance, Peninsula Social Hall, 100 N "B" St, 6:30 p.m.; Karl Nobuyuki, spkr; George Takahashi's "Drifters", dance music.
Los Angeles—SCYPOC theater party, East West, 8 p.m., "O-Men".

- FEB. 26 (Sunday)**
CCDC—Nisei Retirement Conf, Fresno Buddhist Church Annex, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; Prof. Harry Kitano, UCLA, spkr.
- MAR. 4 (Friday)**
Sacramento—Camellia Festival, Internat'l exhibit, Sac'to Community Center.
Seattle—Workshop on Women, St Peter's Episcopal Church.

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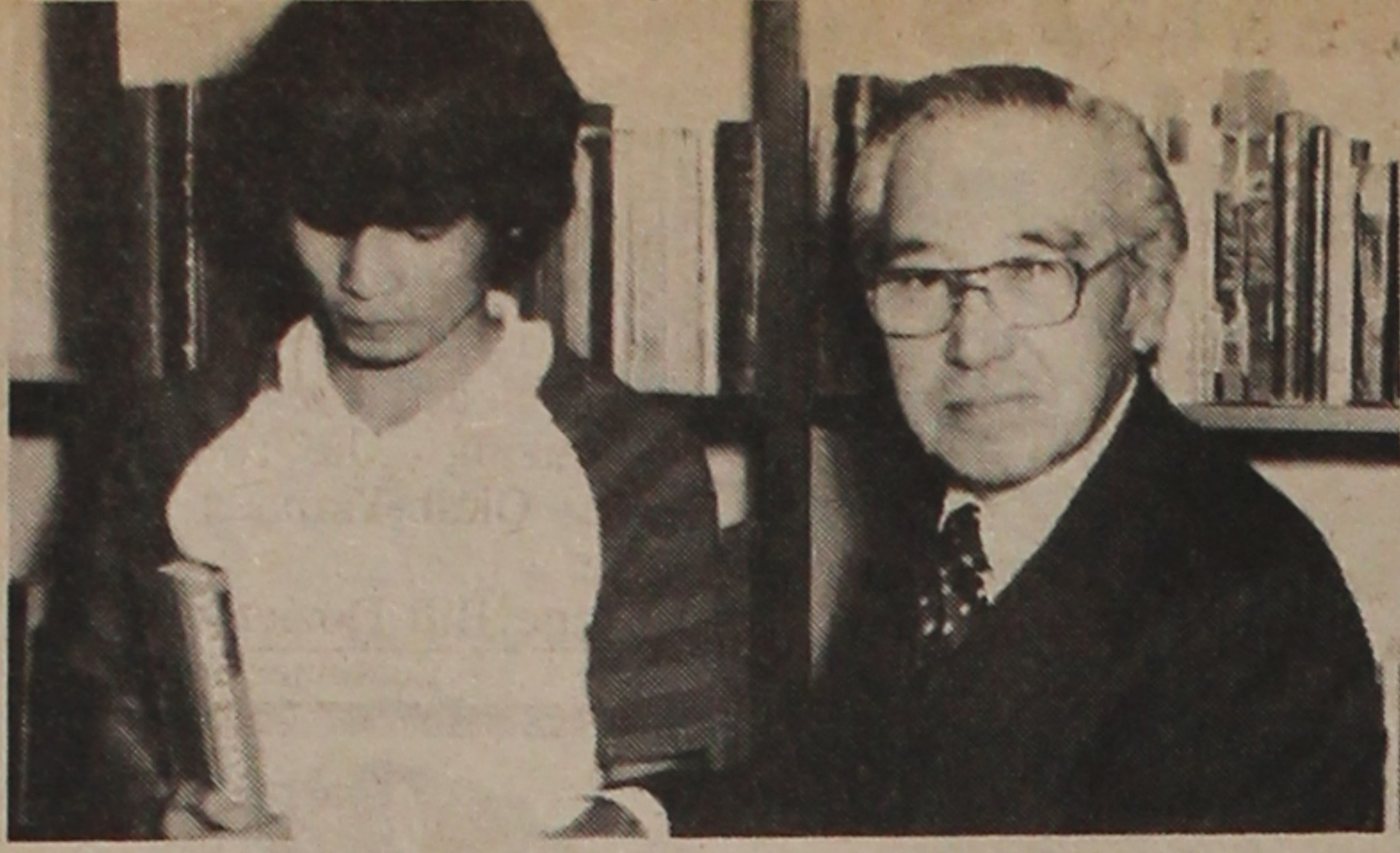
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Newest library on Nikkei life occupies space on ninth floor



Seizo Oka (right), in charge of the California First Bank Library on Japanese American History at the bank's newly-dedicated San Francisco headquarters, shows Skip Hayashi of Diablo Valley JACL some pages from the Heart Mountain Sentinel, a wartime camp newspaper initially edited by Bill Hosokawa.

By **WILMA HAYASHI**
(Diablo Valley JACL)

San Francisco
The Diablo Valley JACL has undertaken a survey of available libraries on Japanese American history in the Bay Area. One such library is located on the ninth floor in the California First Bank, 350 California St. Formed in April, 1977, it is open to the public, 8:30-5:00 M-F. The material is for reference on-

ly, but one is free to browse (which is not the case at UC's Bancroft Library).

The library is under the supervision of Seizo Oka, an affable man with a strong interest in J.A. history. Born in San Francisco, he spent 19 years in Japan. He had taught both English and Japanese before rejoining the bank. Though the receptionist is always there, he says, "Please call first (415-445-0352) and

I will try to be here."

The spacious well-lit reading room invites browsing. Several personal donations have been made—photos, books, magazines (i.e. "Scene"), documents. There are complete sets of the Heart Mountain Sentinel and the Topaz Times, two WRA camp publications. Oka says, "It takes patience and time to collect these things. The leads and contacts come in slowly. It is tragic so much has been lost."

Oka is also helping Mei Nakano of this chapter with the translation of her parents' writings in the Colorado Times. He comments, "The stories and poems are very interesting. They reflect the thoughts and way of life of the Japanese in America in

the 1920s."

The CFB ninth-floor library is an invaluable supplement to the library at JACL Headquarters. Anyone with material they wish to donate can contact Oka or the JACL. These libraries are meant to preserve an important legacy for the Nikkei.



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typed citations. Travel expenses for all three will be provided by the National JACL for the awards banquet to be held July 22 at the convention in Salt Lake City.

The winner of the Sakada Memorial Award will also receive a JACL Gold Medalion and personalized scroll citation. The award will be presented at an awards luncheon, July 19, also in Salt Lake City.

An outstanding line of past JACL and Nikkei leaders has been bestowed the two honors. Last biennium's winners were Clifford Uyeda, JACLer of the Biennium; and Michi Weglyn for Japanese American of the Biennium.

Completed nomination

forms for both awards should be mailed to National Headquarters, Masao W. Satow Building, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, Ca. 94115.

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installing officer. National Executive Director Karl Nobuyuki will be guest speaker.

West Valley

Friends and members of the West Valley Senior Citizens Club, which meets at the JACL House during the year, gathered Dec. 18 for a combined Christmas and Bonenkai party hosted by Margarita and Tom Wakimoto at Gifu Restaurant, Cupertino.

The Wakimotos donated a minibus earlier this year for the senior citizens program.

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her Texas appearance, she conducted a Japanese dance class at the Davis Center for the Performing Arts at City University of New York.

Susan Matisoff, asst. professor of Japanese at Stanford University, has published a new study on the legendary blind musician of Japan, **Semimaru**. The work is part of the Columbia University studies in Oriental culture and deals with the 1,000-year history of the blind biwa player. Semimaru was a blind prince of Osaka and was exiled to a life of poverty. In her work, Matisoff shows authors have changed his story through time to appeal to various economic and social levels of Japanese life.

Shigeo H. Kanda, considered an expert on Japanese culture and society and Buddhism in Japanese American communities, was named chairperson of the Religious Studies Department at CSU Chico. An associate professor at Chico for seven years, Kanda will now oversee faculty and curricula involving 50-60 majors and a 500-600 enrollment in department courses. In 1975, he co-authored a book, "The Self and the System: Views from the East and West." Kanda holds degrees from Texas Christian University, the School of Theology at Claremont and Claremont Graduate School.

Government

Taul Watanabe, vice president of Burlington Northern Railway, has been appointed to the Washington state Personnel Board by Gov. Dixy Lee Ray. Watanabe replaces David Stipek, a Teamsters' union official, who resigned. Watanabe's appointment leaves the board without a labor representative for the first time in more than 10 years and has prompted the criticism of state labor officials. Ray earlier appointed Watanabe to the Univ. of Washington Board of Regents and has designated him chairman of her newly-created economic advisory board.

Ernest T. Nagamatsu, 38, has been appointed by Gov. Brown to the State Board of Dental Examiners, succeeding Edward Becker, whose term expired. Nagamatsu is a Los Angeles dentist. Board members are paid \$25 daily, plus expenses. Dr. Yoshio Nakashima was reappointed to the San Francisco City Planning Commission. First appointed to the post in September by Mayor Moscone, he

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cult and science may eventually become discredited.

Writers Collective and UFOs

Although I do not dismiss the fact that people may have seen UFOs and may also have contacted them like Uri Geller, I am not preoccupied with UFOs or the reports of extra-terrestrials. After I read the series of articles, I felt something was missing and wondered what it was.

Invited by poet Doug Yamamoto, one of the leaders of San Francisco's Japantown Art and Media Workshop's Writers Collective, my brother-in-law Yasuo Sasaki and I attended a reading held in conjunction with JAM's art exhibit recently.

A poem written and read by Lou Sequia, a Pilipino American poet, about the wholesale slaughtering of crabs for commercial purposes struck a chord and made me feel sorry for crabs. It was a powerful poem. Up to now, my only concern had been the prices of crabs as displayed in showcases at the supermarkets. Oh, yes, I liked their color, too.

My brother-in-law said, "I thought the poem about the crabs was the best. Who would ever think of writing about crabs or feel sorry for them. It was an original poem. You have to be young to be able to write like that!"

Another poem by famed

completed the unexpired term of Gordon Lau who had been named a supervisor.



CATHY MORIMOTO

A New Mexico JACler, Cathy Morimoto, 26, is the first woman from the U.S. assigned to work as an assistant officer with the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna. The daughter of the Hiroshi Morimotos of Albuquerque, she had been with the U.S. Dept. of Energy employed at Safeguards and Security Division until last September when she won the foreign post. She is an honor graduate from the Univ. of New Mexico.

Religion

Fujio Yamamoto was installed as president of the Southern Alameda County Buddhist church. A past president of Fremont JACL, Yamamoto is employed by the Lockheed Missiles and Space Co. of Sunnyvale, Calif. He is a native of Alameda and graduated from Cal Poly in math. Tetsuo Ochi will serve as president of the board of San Francisco Buddhist Church.

Science

Blake Kawahara, 16, is one of 35 top high school scientists in the country to present their research projects at the National Junior Science and Humanities Symposium this May. A senior at Alhambra (Calif.) High School, Kawahara's project, "The Effects of Dexamethasone on Tooth Morphogenesis," won him top honors at the regional JSHS competition Dec. 8. He will travel to Duke University in North Carolina to vie for the chance to represent the U.S. at the international competition. He is the son of Shig and Candy Kawahara of Monterey Park.

San Francisco poet Al Robles, another Pilipino American, on the passage of time in Japantown, where he had apparently grown up, was poignant with definite sights and sounds and smells of cooking so that you were there in the room full of aroma with the Issei women cooks.

When I thought of the poem by Robles and Sequia's poem about the crabs, I thought of how stunted our feelings had become. We no longer react when we hear about the killing of human beings, let alone crabs!

What was missing in the series of articles on the UFOs was—compassion. Coldly intellectual and somewhat condemnatory in attitude, we were being looked down upon like a bunch of crabs, being led to the slaughter!

Insight tells me that UFOs are a put-on, not supernatural phenomena as some may claim, but a put-on which unconsciously satirizes not only our attempt to subjugate nature, but our attempt to usurp nature's role as king. Instead of appreciating crabs—their color, their beauty—and the nuances of nature and earth, we use a measuring tape to map the unmapable, not knowing where our feet trod. Are UFOs (sophisticated polegreists) challenging man's intrusion into space? Are we trying to build restaurants over the graveyard of space, awakening disturbed ghosts? The dimensions beyond the third are vast: infinite ...

HR 9741

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agement and Budget is in opposition". Even though the bill sailed through committee with little trouble, the House should be aware of the cloud hanging over this legislation.

It was also noted the Civil Service Commission had submitted unfavorable view on the measure because it granted no-cost civil service retirement credit to individuals who were not Federal employees at the time or even as applicant for federal service. Derwinski felt the OMB would be the key agency having the President's ear for advice on a possible veto.

Rep. George Danielson (D-Calif.) called for adoption. "We have been attacking the problem of repairing the damage of the WW2 Japanese internment piecemeal. This bill is an important step. There may be one or two other bills still to come." Rep. Edwin Forsyth (R-N.J.) hoped "any other matters of this character would quickly come forward so we could perhaps wipe this slate clean."

Rep. John Krebs (D-Calif.) commended Mineta for his leadership and added, "If we are going to be honest with ourselves, we have to realize that this country has done pitifully little to compensate these 110,000 Americans of Japanese descent who for no reason other than racial prejudices have been subjected to the types of treatment they were during WW2."

Rep. Don Clausen (R-Calif.) believed "this is the least we can do to put the injustice of internment behind us."

Rep. Robert Leggett (D-Calif.) spoke at length in support of the bill, arguing against the contention of opponents who feared a prece-

dent was being set and of the high cost in implementation. "Greatest evidence discrediting such a misconception," he said, was the overwhelming support given by federal employee unions and the Congressional Budget Office estimates showing annual cost to be about \$617,000 a year or about 8 cents for every \$1,000 now dispersed through the Civil Service Retirement Fund. He said it was a "small price to pay in restitution for the abuse these loyal Americans suffered at the hands of the Federal Government some 30 years ago."

Rep. Ted Weiss (D-N.Y.) suggested further steps be taken to encourage and reinstate the citizenship of Nisei renunciants, some of whom he had met while he was in occupied Japan in 1946-47.

Rep. William Ketchum (R-Calif.) remembered his pre-war days as a student in Los Angeles and of the outrage he felt when his Nisei friends were interned. "What we do here today is only symbolic of an apology ... It is a tiny step," the Bakersfield congressman said, whose district includes the Manzanar campsite.

Rep. Lionel Van Deerlin (D-Calif.) declared: "We must not let the memory of the internment of Japanese Americans dim with the passage of years ... Though we can never repay these individuals in full for the humiliation and hardships of those years, we can at last assure that all receive compensation, in the form of retirement credit, for their sufferings."

Rep. Charles Whalen Jr. (R-Ohio) regarded "the bill will reinforce the belief that our Nation should not be governed by hysteria and stereotypes but the principals of law, reason and brotherhood". He was the final speaker before a roll call vote was ordered.

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