

## Bus-ride to Camp Harmony to be re-enacted for TV

**Seattle, Wa.** It will be a day of remembrance on Nov. 25 for some Japanese Americans who are re-enacting a 1942 bus-ride from here to the Puyallup Fairgrounds, then a wartime assembly center which was ironically renamed Camp Harmony, according to Henry Miyatake, member of the

National JACL redress committee. It signals the first public dramatization of the Evacuation by the redress committee here as Japanese American families are being asked to gather at Sick's parking lot by noon Saturday for the 15-mile ride down US 99/State 161 to the fairgrounds, which

had interned nearly 8,000 Japanese Americans 36 years ago. Posters announcing the Day of Remembrance remind families to bring a blanket, ground cloth and Thanksgiving dinner leftovers for a potluck meal after the 2 p.m. flag raising ceremony at "Camp Harmony" and program to be

emceed by Dr. Minoru Masuda. The re-enactment is attracting west coast Nikkei interest as a group of 50 Californians thus far have indicated their intent to participate.

Amy Uno Ishii of Hollywood, for instance, told the committee here since her

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## British press council indifferent to 'Jap'

**London**

The Press Council of Britain decided Oct. 10 that "Jap" was a shortened form for "Japanese" and not an insult to the Japanese, thus rejecting an argument that Japanese pride was hurt and their dignity impaired.

The Kyodo News Agency reported Jutaro Sakamoto, counsellor at the Japanese Embassy in London, said the British newspapers often used "Jap" when they attacked Japan and that he did not think the shortened form to be friendly in the least. He admitted "Japanese" was too long for a headline and that there was no proper abbreviation for it.

Reaction in Tokyo included a comment from the British Embassy where a spokesman recalled "Jap" had derogatory connotation in the prewar and war years, but "we at the Embassy would never use the expression

ourselves" though he hoped it would become accepted as an abbreviation.

A ranking Japanese Foreign Ministry official said it could not be taken as an abbreviation in view of its previous derogatory connotation. "We know there is criticism in the United States and Europe about Japan's trade surplus and we cannot but think that the word, 'Jap', was within such a critical context," he said.

Judgment of the non-government watchdog body for press conduct came in response to an argument by a British reader who said Japanese living in Britain consider "Jap" racially discriminatory and insulting.

The reader had appealed after he had read the Brighton Evening Argus, which headlined a story about a sales campaign for British aircraft: "Buy More British Makes, Japs".

A British reporter said "Jap" was no different from "Brits" for "British".

The Asahi Shimbun editorially wondered if the after-effects of World War II still remain since the British Press Council's decision "does not sit well with us".

Sir Arthur de la Mare, retired senior British diplomat who was in Japan before and after WW2, protested the Press Council judgment as being "offensive" because "good relations between Japan and this country require a foundation of mutual respect". His comments were in a letter published by the Times of London Oct. 16.

Another Times reader suggested "Nips", adding that while he was a prisoner of war in the Far East, his captors did not allow the use of "Japan" or "Japanese" on pain of death and insisted "Nippon" was the name of their country. "Thus we always called them Nips; and everybody was happy," he recalled.

In Tokyo, the Japan Times Oct. 13 editorially declared the British Press Council's decision was "arbitrary ... and (which) suggests either ignorance or of indifference to the semantic principle that a response to a verbal symbol is a vital part of communication".

The Japan Times further commented the episode may be a continuance of a British mercantile trait "nurtured over the centuries of British imperialism, during which Britain prospered by making the inhabitants of their colonies gratefully accept what they manufactured." #



Richard Yoshikawa Photo

Stockton JACL presents JACL scroll of appreciation to Elizabeth Humbargar at the 1967 installation dinner. With her are (from left) George Matsumoto, new president; Ruby Dobana who presented the award; and Yone Nakashima, Auxiliary president. This was the first of several key awards recognizing her work with the Japanese, teaching English prewar at Stockton High, advising Nisei students and later defending them publicly during WW2. See Page 3

## BELMONT SCHOOL INCIDENT

### Nikkei parent's complaint justified, apologies made

**Belmont, Ca.**

A Fox School fifth-grade teacher, accused by a local Japanese American parent of using teaching methods in human relations which tend to demean certain ethnic groups, has been suspended for a day and made aware that his teaching methods were improper and must be corrected.

The actions were revealed at a meeting between JACL representatives and Belmont School District administrators on Oct. 23, which was requested in a letter from the Northern California-Western Nevada District Council regional office to Dr. Claude Turner, superintendent of the Belmont

School District.

Present at the meeting besides Turner were George Pratt, principal of Fox School; A Gutierrez, president of the Board of Trustees for Belmont School District; Suzu Kunitani, president, and Doug Ota, vice president of the San Mateo JACL; J.D. Ho-koyama, National JACL

associate director; and George Kondo, NC-WNDC regional director.

Turner apologized for the conduct of his teacher and expressed not only his concern, but also that of his colleagues. He informed the JACL representatives that the remedial and censurable steps were taken after a thorough investiga-

tion found that the complaints (PC, Oct. 13) against the teacher were justified.

Furthermore, Turner said he has engaged the services of Dr. Jessie Kobayashi as a consultant to inform the teacher of the proper method in teaching human relations. Basically, Kobayashi stressed that

the use of certain words has historic negative connotations and is extremely offensive. (She is a superintendent of the Murray School District in Southern Alameda County.)

The meeting concluded with an assurance from Turner that the school administration will be in con-

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**EXCLUSION ORDER NO. 1**—Soldier nails placard containing Civilian Exclusion Order No. 1 and special instructions to all Japanese residents (54 families) on Bainbridge Island, Wash., telling them to meet Mar. 25, 1942, at the Wartime Civil Control Administration Office at the Anderson Dock Store, Winslow, for instructions on how to comply with the Evacuation order. Six days later, they were ferried across to Seattle, where they boarded trains for Manzanar, Calif., Assembly Center.

## JACCC gets \$500,000 gift from Matsushita

**Los Angeles**

Konosuke Matsushita, founder and retired advisor to the Matsushita Electric and Industrial Co., Ltd., has enriched the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center Fund Drive with a generous \$500,000 contribution.

Topped only by the \$680,000 grant from the Community Redevelopment Agency, it stands as the largest single contribution to the JACCC by any individual, company or foundation.

The 83-year-old patriarch of one of the world's largest electrical products companies recalled "the warm hospitality of the people of Los Angeles when he participated in the 1976 U.S. Bicentennial Nisei Week Festival Parade as Grand Marshal" and wished godspeed to the construction of the JACCC as a center for the promotion of greater understanding among the American people of the culture of Japan in confirming the large donation in a letter last week to JACCC Board Chairman Katsuma Mukaeda and President George J. Doizaki.

"We are deeply grateful to Mr. Matsushita for his generous contribution and for spearheading the fund drive in the Kansai area of Japan," declared Mukaeda and Doizaki.

Some \$2 million has been donated or pledged to date by nearly eight of the largest business and industrial firms in Japan through the auspices of the Keidanren (Federation of Economic Organizations), according to JACCC leaders.

The Center Building at 246 S. San Pedro St., is expected to be topped off by Christmas. Approximately \$1.8 million is still needed to build the Center Building mortgage free, Doizaki added. He expects an all-out effort by the JACCC board during the next year. #



PRESIDENT'S CORNER: Clifford Uyeda

## Contrary Views

San Francisco:

When I'm asked, "Whose advice do you take most seriously?" The answer is, "Those who disagree with me."

When I'm asked, "Whose advice do you appreciate the most?" The answer is the same.

Whenever someone disagrees with me, I know that he is not only speaking for himself but for many others. Without this opposing perspective, one's own views become superficial and limited. One learns very little from a rubber stamp.

By putting forward one's conviction, you are inviting criticism—often adverse. If one recoils from accusations, however unfounded, and says, "I've taken enough. No more! I shall never express my views in public again. It isn't worth it," then you have been effectively crushed. Instead of using the opponent's knowledge to improve your own, you have admitted defeat.

Somehow criticism is perceived by some as bringing shame onto oneself. Avoiding "shame" has been one of the most powerful forces in the discipline of a Japanese. Our Issei parents constantly reminded us of it. It became our second nature, a reflex reaction to what others say or might say about us. We avoided criticism like a plague.

We must be ready and willing to stand up for our own conviction. It may not be the most popular view of the time. There may even be a backlash. We cannot, however, chart our course of conduct and thinking by what others might say or think. Otherwise, we are afraid of a shadow, an echo of our own apprehensions. #

## New title announced for Nikkei Talent Registry

San Francisco

Forms are now being prepared at JACL Headquarters here to compile the JACL-Japanese American Resource Registry (JARR), it was announced this week by Seiko Wakabayashi, Eastern District Governor and chairperson of the project initially called Nikkei Talent Registry.

Intended as a ready reference when government or business asks JACL for possible Japanese American candidates or appointees to vacancies, the listing is currently being determined by the 100-plus chapters.

Mrs. Wakabayashi said

## Deaths

Rev. Juko Nakashima, 86, of San Leandro, co-founder of K. Nakashima Nursery with her late husband Kikutaro, died Oct. 6 after a long illness. After he died in 1949, she returned to Japan to study Buddhism at Nishi Hongwanji headquarters in Kyoto and was eventually ordained—about the only Issei woman to accomplish this feat. Survivors include three sons Mitsuteru (Watsonville), Junji, Toshi, d Edith Enomoto (Atherton) and Sachiko Masuyama (Gardena), 16 gc, 16 ggc, brs Eiju, Jiso (So. Cal), and Yoshio Sasajima, sis Kikuye Koshida (both Japan).

James S. Ogata, 61, Chicago cameraman and store owner, died Oct. 13 while on vacation with his wife Jennie and friends in Venice, Italy. He suffered a stroke and was hospitalized. The Kauai-born Nisei photographer is remembered for spectacular crash photo taken for UPI at the opening lap of the Indianapolis 500 race several years ago. His shop, Triangle Camera, celebrated its 25th anniversary this year. He was a longtime Chicago JACL 1000 Clubber. Other survivors are s Michael, d Evelyn Howe and Kathy Salas.

Jan. 31, 1979, is the deadline for first printing of the JARR.

Dr. Walt Hashimoto, Fremont JACL president, was credited for having proposed the new name. #

## Chol Soo Lee trial set Oct. 30

Stockton, Ca.

Chol Soo Lee, charged with killing a white inmate at Deuel Vocational Institution, was scheduled to go on trial this week (Oct. 30).

The case was overshadowed by efforts of the California Korean community which received a boost Oct. 19 in Sacramento where a hearing was scheduled Oct. 27 in response to a writ of habeas corpus filed by the Chol Soo Lee Legal Defense Committee, which contends the 1973 trial which convicted him with the murder of Yip Yee Tak in San Francisco Chinatown was unfair because the prosecution withheld information from Lee's trial lawyer.

Of the DVI incident, the prosecution alleges Lee was recruited by a Mexican prison gang for a ritual killing. (See May 12-19 PC.) #

## Bilingual summer institute planned

Berkeley, Ca.

A summer institute on the advanced study in education research for Asian Americans, to be conducted by noted research and development practitioners, will be held at the Asian American Bilingual Center, 2168 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, Ca. 94704. Call Dr. Sau-Lim Tsang (415-848-3199) for additional information.

## NORMAN SHUMWAY OF STOCKTON

# Another JACLeR in bid for Congress

Stockton, Ca.

A longtime Stockton JACLeR (since 1968), Norman David Shumway is leading the local polls in the show-down race with Rep. John J. McFall (D), who is having his toughest political battle since being elected to Congress in 1956.

Shumway, 44, an attorney and currently chairman of the San Joaquin County board of supervisors, with help from the Republican Party and the Committee for the Survival of a Free Congress, has put McFall on the defensive for his improper cash gifts from Tongsun Park.

The day before McFall returned home from a grueling 95th Session, the House had voted to reprimand him and two other California Democrats—Charles Wilson in Hawthorne and Edward Roybal in eastside Los Angeles (including Little Tokyo)—in the influence-buying scandal.

The House Ethics Committee had cleared McFall of the most serious



Norman Shumway

charges, finding only that he had failed to report a \$3,000 contribution, which he admitted he put into his private office account after deciding he could not legally accept the money as a campaign contribution since Park was a foreign national.

McFall denied any wrongdoing and insisted that he had known Park only as a rice broker, helping him sell excess rice from the Manteca area to the Republic of Korea.

Ironically, McFall first won election to the House

22 years ago by defeating Republican incumbent Leroy Johnson who was accused of impropriety just before the election by national columnist Drew Pearson.

Of the 43 congressional seats in California, McFall's is considered the most vulnerable for any incumbent. Party strategists in Washington noted, besides the Koreagate matter, McFall did not get back home to put together a strong campaign.

Shumway was appointed by Gov. Reagan in June, 1974 to fill a vacancy on the board of supervisors and won a full four-year term in November. A native of Phoenix, Arizona, he finished schooling at Stockton Jr. College, the Univ. of Utah, where he was a Josephine Mead Scholar (1958-59), and Hastings College of Law in 1963.

Shumway's interests in things Japanese and persons of Japanese ancestry were increased during his four years in Japan (1954-58) as a Mormon mission-

ary. He is also a former bishop in the Mormon Church, a national board member of Goodwill Industries, Stockton Bonsai Club, Commonwealth Club of California, Yosemite Club, Sierra Club, Boy Scouts of America and Stockton Council PTA Foundation.

(A history buff, Shumway authored the local history of the Japanese in Stockton for the Pacific Citizen 1969 Holiday Issue, which featured the Issei immigration centennial.—Ed.) #

## Transit director seeks at-large post

Berkeley, Ca.

Roy Nakadegawa, member of the A/C Transit board of directors representing Ward I, is challenging on the Nov. 7 ballot the incumbent at-large director, who was appointed earlier this year.

Twice elected to his Ward I post, the Nisei civil engineer is also challenging the board which had selected the incumbent out of what he claims was friendship with the majority of the board. He was not present at the meeting when the appointment was made. #

## FRED H. NITTA: 1903-1978

# Bilingualism at Its Best

Watsonville, Ca.

The minutes of the Watsonville JACL from the time the chapter was reactivated in 1948 were carefully studied to list in detail the various roles carried on by the late Fred H. Nitta. And while he was never chapter president, his leadership in the wider community dates from the time he joined his father in 1928.

As the first Japanese graduate of Washington Union High School (near Fremont of today, Centerville then) and the class valedictorian in 1926, Fred Nitta was appointed by the court as an official interpreter for Issei residents who applied for driver's licenses. That led him to assist the superior

and municipal courts interpreting Issei testimony in later years.

During this time, he started his insurance business; was married to his wife Helen in 1938; evacuated to Poston Camp II; but called in 1944 by the War Department to Washington, D.C. as a translator. When the war ended, he was cited for his work. He was among the rare Issei to pass wartime security for a post inside the War Dept.

Fred was born in Hiroshima on March 8, 1903. After his mother died when he was seven years old, he stayed with his uncle, attended middle school until he was 15 and came to the U.S. in 1918, living with another uncle in Irvington. He was 23 years old at the time he was graduated from Washington Union High—a not uncommon situation for young "Yobiyose" (summoned) Issei who virtually completed high school twice—first in Japanese in Japan and then in English in America.

Upon his return to Watsonville in 1946, he resumed his insurance business and took active roles in support of his Buddhist church, the JACL and the community-at-large. He was a member of the Santa Cruz County grand

jury, on the Watsonville Community Hospital

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Holding their handsome Henry Ohye Race "kabuto" prizes are winners of the 1978 edition held at Long Beach Municipal Airport. They are (from left) Dr. Philip Reames, Trophy Race Queen Alison Ishimaru, Henry Ohye, Miki Tanimura and Koshi Ono.

## Physician wins Ohye air race

Long Beach, Ca.

Limited visibility due to foggy weather kept many pilots away from the 1978 edition of the Henry Ohye Air Trophy Race held Oct. 14 at Long Beach Municipal Airport.

The fog failed to deter Dr. Philip Reames, however, a Long Beach physician, who went on to win this year's Henry Ohye Air Race, professional division. Dr. Reames has participated in every Ohye air race since 1954. He received a cash prize and Japanese-style trophy for placing first in the round-robin, proficiency race.

Koshi Ono, a flight instructor for Compton Avia-

tion, was judged winner of the semi-pro division, while Miki Tanimura, Gardena educator and the first Nisei woman to become a licensed pilot, captured the novice division prize.

Making the award presentations to the winners and runnersup was Ohye Air Trophy Queen Alison Kelli Ishimaru, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stone Ishimaru of Los Angeles. She is a senior majoring in architecture at the Univ. of Southern California. Air race winners were announced by host Dr. Tom Watanabe Saturday evening at a banquet held at Rochelle's Restaurant. #

## first friday feature



Local Stockton Nikkei saw Elizabeth Humbargar home from Tokyo, and among them were Ruby Dobana (photo above), shown presenting the beloved educator with flowers as Dr. James Tanaka looks on.

# Educator receives accolades for helping . . . 50 years

By JOAN ULRICH

(Stockton Record)

"All I ever did was what anyone would have done that knew the people."

That's how Elizabeth Humbargar, who retired nine years ago after 44 years of teaching English at old Stockton High School and Delta College, sums up her involvement through the years with the Japanese.

The veteran teacher has —Helped those with language problems become at ease with conversational English. (She worked not only with foreign students at Stockton High and Delta, but also has been on the faculty of Stockton Unified School District's Adult School, where she currently serves as a consultant, to teach English to those for whom it was a second language. She has been involved in the preparation of several texts to assist in this learning process.)

—Was instrumental in seeing the classes were continued for Stockton High students of Japanese descent after they were confined to relocation

camps in World War Two. (Ninety percent of the students completed their courses the year they were moved to the camps "because of the great cooperation of Stockton High School teachers," Miss Humbargar remembers proudly of her fellow faculty members.)

—Protested the relocation of the Japanese and wrote frequent letters of recommendation for the release of students.

—Provided what she modestly classifies as "a small bit of help" to Japanese Americans when they returned to California from the relocation centers and faced the problems of resettlement.

Her compassionate concern and her willingness to help in whatever ways she could through the years have not gone unrecognized by the grateful Japanese community, and now her contributions have been lauded on both sides of the Pacific Ocean.

She has just returned from Japan, where she was awarded the medal of the Fourth Class of the Order of the Sacred Treasure in a

special ceremony at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs office in Tokyo. The official presentation was made by the deputy director-general of the American Affairs Bureau, Hiroshi Kitamura, and the award scroll, centered with the seal of the Emperor of Japan, was signed by Prime Minister Takeo Fukuda and Tsugunari Kawamura, director of the decorations bureau of the prime minister's office.

Miss Humbargar, who served as foreign student advisor at Delta and University of the Pacific during her teaching career, believes she is only the second American woman to have been honored by the Japanese government with this award. It was presented previously to a tutor of the crown prince.

But she stresses that she feels her award is "more of an honor to American women and American teachers and the community than me. It was awarded to me more as a reflection of the people here, of their genuine merit," she says.

Its presentation, which the veteran teacher said "was an experience never

to be forgotten," culminated an effort begun several years ago by the local Japanese American Citizens League to gain such recognition for Miss Humbargar's efforts on behalf of the Japanese Americans.

Accompanying her on her most recent trip to Japan—she also visited there in 1935 and 1970—was Dr. James Tanaka, who represented the local JACL, which had made complete arrangements for the tour.

Coordinating plans in Ja-

**NISEI IN JAPAN: Barry Saiki**

## The Best Time of the Year

**Tokyo**  
October is one of the most beautiful months in Japan, so it is an excellent time to visit Tokyo; the others being in late April or May, when the Japanese spring begins to show its fresh images.

All Tokyo hotels are usually booked to capacity with a high percentage of foreign visitors. Even this year, in spite of the sharp rise in the value of the yen.

Early October has special significance for me. First, Tad Hirota, the JACL's Thousand Clubber, was in town, to share an evening of his time with me. As usual, he was fully abreast of the news about the San Francisco Bay area.

Then came my kid brother and his wife from Stockton, on a three-week visit, a vacation financed by their daughter and son. I expect to debrief them before they leave Japan.

OF SPECIAL AND great public significance was the arrival of a venerable Stockton schoolteacher, Miss Elizabeth Humbargar. Now in her 70s, this re-

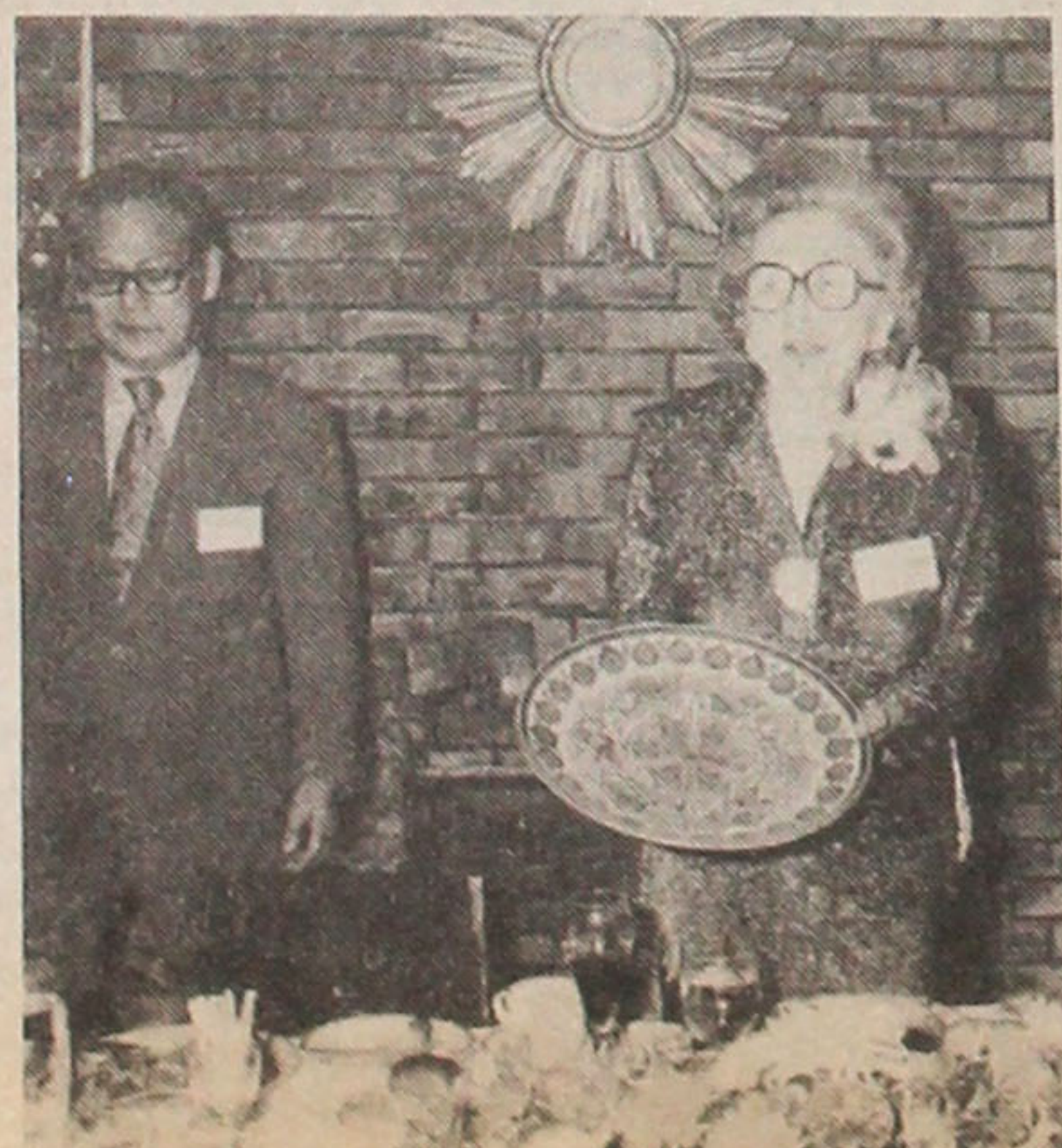
pan was Barry Saiki, a former Stockton High School student who is now associated with a public relations firm there.

The award from the Japanese government is not the first recognition Miss Humbargar has received for her years of caring.

In 1967, Stockton JACL presented her with a scroll paying tribute to her long-time friendship with the Japanese and her assistance during the World War Two evacuation and subsequent return to Stockton.

In 1970, more than 500 former students, friends, and city officials gathered to honor her as a teacher who had befriended Japanese students when they were a rejected minority. Admirers came from as far away as Hawaii and Chicago for the reception and dinner, which was sponsored by the local JACL, and busloads of former students arrived from various points throughout the state. The City of Stockton joined in the festivities by declar-

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In Tokyo attending dinner in her honor. PC columnist Barry Saiki is at the left.



Stockton teacher holds scroll and wears decoration awarded by Emperor of Japan.

markable educator had dedicated more than fifty years of fruitful activities on behalf of Nisei and foreign students, mostly from Japan, in Stockton.

Tall, slender and charmingly beautiful, Miss Humbargar, aided by her sister Catherine, had served as the fountain of hope for res-

idents of the Stockton Assembly Center during the dark months of the early evacuation. Single-handedly, she took the lead in ensuring that the seniors of both Stockton and Lodi High Schools were awarded their diplomas in spite of their curtailed school pro-

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Stockton JACL's

## Humbargar Award Scholars

Over the past seven or eight years, the Stockton JACL presented scholarships from its Elizabeth Humbargar Scholarship Fund, a trust fund developed by former Stockton High students and friends.

Due to the success of the 1969-70 campaign (surpassing the \$10,000 goal inside a half year), a \$500 award goes to the top Japanese American high school graduate in the area. A \$250 award also goes to a deserving foreign student from Asia enrolled at Delta College. Supplemental awards to PCYA representatives have also been made.

**\$500 E. HUMBARGAR AWARD**

**Area High School Graduate**

1970—Julia Yamaoka, Stockton High

1971—Ann Omachi, Stagg High

1972—Steve Suzukawa, Stagg High

1973—Laurie Dobana, Edison High

1974—Deborah Saiki, Edison High

1975—Robert S Tokunaga, Stagg High

1976—Ilene Shimizu, Manteca East Union High

1977—Frank A Fukuhara, Franklin High

1978—David Ota, Manteca East Union High

**\$250 E. HUMBARGAR AWARD**  
**Delta College Foreign Student**

1971—Nobuyuki Fukumoto

1972—Thanh Ky Luu (Vietnam)

1973—Anthony C. Wan (Hong Kong)

1974—Lucia Cheung (Hong Kong)

1975—Yoriko Yamada and Naotoshi Goto (Japan)

1976—Yoshio Tomita (Japan)

1977—Alice Suet Chew (Hong Kong)

1978—Miyoko Takayasu (Japan)

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## EDITORIALS:

### Why Not 'Nikkei'?

The week Kenzo Takada's latest fashions in Paris made news, there was no reference or repetition (at least in the newspaper accounts reaching our desk) of the three-letter racial epithet. However, our joy was short-lived for across the channel, the Press Council of Britain was legitimatizing "Jap" as an abbreviation for "Japanese".

We would like to think that all of the protest the JACL has been raising over the years against the use of the derogatory word played a deep role in the immediate response to the people of Britain by not only the press in Japan but by the Japanese government's reaction pointing out how offensive the term is.

As a headline writer ourselves, we admit there are times when "Japanese" is too long so the Nisei press freely substitutes "Nikkei" and we can get by, but this luxury doesn't prevail with readers in Britain nor of the general U.S. press. But the English language is dynamic enough to adopt foreign words. Why not an expression the Japanese accept?—H.H.

*It is desirable for a ruler that no man should suffer from cold and hunger under his rule. Man cannot maintain his standard of morals when he has no ordinary means of living.*  
—KENKO HOSHI

## Will bilingualism push political separatism?

Following remarks were delivered Aug. 23 on the floor of the U.S. Senate by Sen. S. I. Hayakawa on a subject matter that over the years has attracted the interest of various Asian American groups and individuals.—Editor.

By SEN. S.I. HAYAKAWA

AS A SEMANTICIST, I have a life-long habit of not accepting words simply on the basis of their colloquial usage. I rather like to make certain that the meaning of any particular language can be clearly identified.

In this connection, the term "bilingual education" has been giving me some problems. Chances are that when one asks five educators for a definition, five very different answers will be given. According to one interpretation, it simply means the teaching of English to new immigrants. On the opposite side of the scale—and there is really a full scale of interpretations—bilingual education is a more or less permanent two-track educational system—involving the maintenance of a second culture and an emphasis on ethnic heritage. I ask myself, "how did we get into this confused state of affairs?"

The United States has always had minority groups with different languages and cultures, so there has always been the need for special educational assistance.

Prior to the 1900s, in Pennsylvania the Germans had public instruction in German for a brief period in the 1830s. In Cincinnati, Ohio, Indianapolis, Indiana, Baltimore and New Ulm, Minnesota there were German-English schools between 1880-1817. Cities such as New York, Chicago and Detroit set up special English classes for language minority immigrants as part of night school programs. Many immigrant organizations provided assistance to members of their groups.

The Educational Alliance of New York City had a program in the 1890s to help Jewish immigrants by teaching them English, and later the Society for Italian immigrants and the Polish National Alliance set up similar classes. Although immigrant groups continued to establish native language schools for their children, the great majority of language minority children who were in school received no special consideration.

Nevertheless, all these children made their way. They succeeded in their respective fields of endeavor and many of them were later found among America's most prominent citizens.

I BELIEVE BY about 1960, some important

## Comment, letters, features

### Redress

Editor:  
Several months ago, if someone would have asked me about my feelings regarding reparations, I frankly would not have known how to answer, but a letter in the Pacific Citizen recently brought back a distant memory that I would like to relate to you.

As a ten-year-old youngster in 1942, I sold papers on a busy corner in Southwest Los Angeles. A Japanese American couple had a grocery store across the street. One day they were there and the next they were gone.

Someone took over the market and the story from the neighboring businessmen was that he was stealing money from the store. As the war came to an end, the gentleman committed suicide and it was discovered the market was bankrupt.

The couple came back from the relocation center to find their home gone, their business broke and their lives shattered. Was it fair? Of course it wasn't!

These were loyal Americans, who had lost everything. Yes, I favor reparations. It's just too bad that at this late date we have to search our memories to remind us of the inequities of that time.

TOM H. PARKS  
Gardena, Ca.

Editor:

Karl Nobuyuki's "A stranger who cares" (Oct. 6 PC) shows the difference between a total stranger and Senator Hayakawa's total insensitivity to the plight of the victims of Executive Order 9066. It is obvious that the good Senator was never touched by this horrendous order.

I have always been a great admirer of Senator Hayakawa but his recent thinking has caused me to reverse my opinion of him. Is it possible that his election to the high office he now holds has upset his thinking equilibrium?

I am a Caucasian, married to a Caucasian and I am totally in accord with the stranger Mr. Nobuyuki wrote about. I am sure that there are many, many more of us who think along the same lines.

Might I suggest that the good Senator read "Years of Infamy"?

DENNIS A. ROLAND  
Astoria, N.Y.

Editor:

As a Japanese Brazilian Nisei, I want to give JACL my moral support to its Redress campaign. I think US\$25,000 for each evacuee victim of relocation during the Second World War is just a symbolic amount. What is more important is that the government of the United States recognizes, though a little late, that a grave injustice was practiced against loyal citizens... After all, why did almost 20,000 Nisei soldiers fight during the war in favor of the United States? Weren't they considered the bravest of the brave?

The minimum the Union can do now to repair the injustice is to approve right away

your Redress campaign.

JORGE UEDA  
Sao Paulo, Brasil

The Selective Service monograph (1954) on Special Groups reports 33,000 Nisei served in WW2 in the U.S. armed forces. The 442nd had 9,486 casualties; 18,143 were decorated. WRA records show 3,600 enlisted or were drafted from the camps.—Editor.

### Niihau Incident

Editor:

Regarding the L.A. Times article on the Niihau incident (Sept. 22 PC), I can understand why the writer was mistaken on some points—most of the participants lie about the case.

Of all those directly involved to whom I talked, I found only the widow of Harada strictly truthful. Some points she refused to discuss but everything she did tell me checked out.

I shall have more to report after I talk to (downed pilot) Nishikaichi's commander and track down some more leads.

ALLAN BEEKMAN  
Honolulu

### Western novel

Editor:

I notice you frequently mention books about Japanese and Japanese American culture and books by Japanese or by members of the JACL.

I have just published "The Wind Blows Death" (Grossmont Press, 7071 Conway Ct, San Diego, Ca 92111, \$4.95), a "brooding, emotion-packed

Tell us what you think... briefly.

Western novel" about a gunman, scarred physically and emotionally by his violent past and who is haunted by the memory of his dead wife to become an avenger and little more than a villain himself.

DALE PIERCE  
Arizona JAACL  
Glendale, Ariz.

### Credit Union

Editor:

The JACL credit union stories (PC, Oct. 20) were excellent, but it missed the Arizona JACL Credit Union, 5414 W. Glen Dr., Glendale, Az 85301 (602-931-1985), which has \$300,000 in assets plus a no-delinquent or charged-off loan performance.

We agree the JACL credit unions are most helpful to its members.

MAS INOSHITA  
President  
SAM OKUMA  
Treasurer  
Phoenix, Ariz.

## REDRESS

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brother, the late Edison Uno, was so much a part of the redress movement, she wanted to be sure Edison's spirit was represented.

The event is being covered by "20/20", ABC-TV's prime-time newsmagazine. #

mental impact on this nation's greatness. In the light of these new educational developments, I ask myself what are we trying to do? Where do we want to go? Demographic research tells us that 10 or 20 years from now in some of our states, there will be a majority of individuals with Spanish background.

It seems to me that we are preparing the ground

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## 35 Years Ago

IN THE PACIFIC CITIZEN  
Nov. 6, 1943

Oct. 25—U.S. war correspondent John Lardner finds 100th Infantry bivouacked north of Volturno River, "most advanced of Fifth Army forces" on the road to Rome from Salerno.

Oct. 30—Bronzeville Chamber of Commerce opens in former Little Tokyo Los Angeles, up to 4,000 Negroes moved into area.

Nov. 1—Justice Dept. announces half of the 14,738 "potentially dangerous" Japanese, German and Italian aliens remain either interned or paroled; rest released outright.

Nov. 2—Calif. American Legion opens direct attack against JACL before congressmen; report John R. Lechner of Los Angeles representing American Legion.

Nov. 5—U.S. troops impose martial law on Tule Lake segregation center; report 20 persons injured, 500 detained and that WRA asked army intervention after severe beating of camp security guard by internees.

Nov. 6—Salinas businessman initiates national campaign against Japanese Americans, oppose return of evacuees to West Coast.

Nov. 6—Natl JACL Credit Union, month old with \$1,355, makes first loan of \$100. #

eventually agreed to a change of language that seems to me symptomatic.

The text in the present law stipulates that bilingual instructions are needed for children who "have difficulty speaking and understanding instruction in the English language." The new text eliminates this language, indicating that the instructions are needed for children who "have sufficient difficulty speaking, reading, writing or understanding the English language to deny such individuals the opportunity to attain levels of proficiency comparable to others at their appropriate age and grade level."

Mr. President, if there ever was an open-ended definition, in my judgment, here is one. Since the attainment of proficiency comparable to that of native Americans entails debatable value judgments, we are opening the door to a federally-sponsored maintenance of a second culture.

I BELIEVE WE all grew up with the concept of the American melting pot; that is, the merging of a multitude of foreign cultures into one. In this world of national strife, it is a unique concept. I believe everybody in this Chamber will agree that it had a funda-

changes began to take place. A great number of Cuban refugees arrived, and this influx was subsequently enlarged by increasing numbers of Mexicans. As a result, prior to 1969, some 56 locally initiated bilingual programs were started primarily in the Southwest.

Congress got into the act in 1968 when it passed the first major Federal Legislation concerning bilingual education, the Bilingual Education Act. There have been numerous amendments since that date. The latest one will be found in Title VII of the bill which is presently before the Senate.

Looking over the record, we find that we started out in 1968 with an authorization of \$15 million, that it was doubled in 1969, and that we are now considering authorizations in a magnitude of \$400 million annually.

For a generation which has gotten used to the generosity of the welfare state, this is, of course, a normal and desirable development. An old-timer like myself, on the other hand, cannot help wondering why it was necessary for the Federal Government to become involved in a problem area which—left alone—had contributed so effectively to the Ameri-

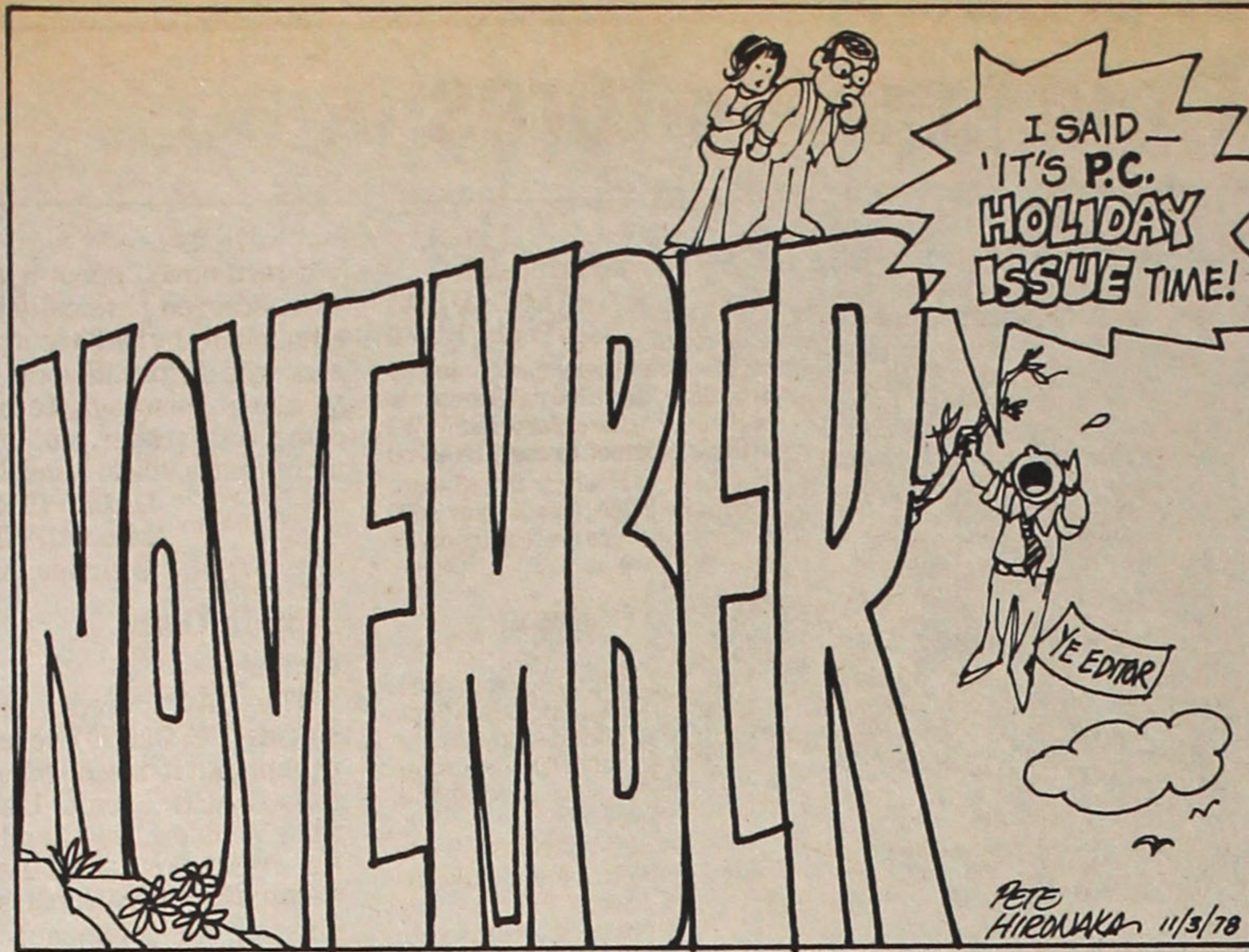
can success story.

As a member of the Budget Committee, I have learned to deal with billions of dollars. So the amounts under discussion for this program will not cause me any sleepless nights. What I am concerned about, however, are the ambivalent aims of bilingual education. According to the Office of Education:

Bilingual education means the use of two languages, one of which is English, as media of instruction. Both languages must be used as media of instructions for the same student population in a well organized program which encompasses part or all of the curriculum. Included in the concept of bilingual education is the study of the history and culture associated with the mother tongues. A complete program develops and maintains the children's self-esteem and a legitimate pride of both cultures.

"Bilingual education does more than simply teach a child English so that he can be assimilated into the Anglo school. Rather, it attempts to present and preserve certain aspects of the student's native culture as well as to introduce him to the English language and its culture."

Mr. President, I cited the official position of the Office of Education, and I cannot help wondering how many of my colleagues concur with this approach. The fundamental issue was discussed in the Education Subcommittee, which



FROM HAPPY VALLEY: Sachi Seko

## About a Cake and Cordiality

Salt Lake City, Utah:

The manse in which we were married more than 27 years ago is no longer there. Years ago the old two-story building was demolished. Yet each autumn, we walk past the place where it once stood, on our way to the Ogden Christian Church's bazaar.

The couple who occupied the manse died shortly after our marriage. Clifford Nakadegawa, who was then pastor of the church and his wife, Chieko Omura Nakadegawa, died in an automobile accident. Clifford and Chieko were friends of mine, dating back to Gila.

I remember visits to the manse. One forgot the shabby furnishings in the warmth of welcome. Over cups of steaming coffee, conversation was easy. Often, Clifford selected a book from one of his make-shift orange crate shelves and offered a passage for reading. Something that struck his fancy, whether of humorous vein or a piercing arrow's thought. As the book was passed from his hands, it was meant to be received, read. Not politely and quickly, but with deserved attention. You could feel his eyes and smile upon you, the radiance of pleasure in sharing.

So, I suppose in a way, our annual trip to Ogden is sentimental. But there is something else that makes us want to return each autumn. What exactly, eluded us, until this fall. The chow mein dinner is served at long, family-style tables, strangers

### HAYAKAWA

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for permanently and officially bilingual states. From here to separatist movements a la Quebec would be the final step. Is this the development which we want to promote?

seated next to strangers. It is always crowded, so one squeezes into the small available spaces. After our order was taken, the Nisei couple and an Issei woman seated across from us, smiled and asked where we lived. We said Salt Lake. They said how nice it was that we came to support the bazaar.

I said they must be members of the church. They said no, they belonged to the Ogden Buddhist Church. I was impressed by this. Even though they were of a different faith, they not only supported an outside program, but spontaneously extended appreciation on behalf of a separate church. They assumed the role of hosts to those who came from elsewhere, if only a distance of less than fifty miles.

This year, my husband thought it would be nice to contribute something to this bazaar. Early that morning he baked one of his special cakes, using his secret recipe. The cake was presented to the ladies in charge of the bakery section. It was a small contribution, something quite forgotten.

TODAY IN THE mail came a nice letter of thanks. What surprised us further was specific mention of the cake. We had avoided putting our name on its wrapping. But even in the frantic press of bazaar activity, somebody had bothered to note the name and gift of the contributor.

In an age where one no longer expects acknowledgement of grander gifts, the gesture not only touched us, but made us think. Public relations is basically good manners. Communication is an expression of common courtesy, whether on a corporate, organizational or individual basis.

One of the perennial

complaints about JAACL has been the lack of cordiality toward newcomers. It has often been said that JAACLers are cliquish. This also applies to other groups, but it seems that an organization dedicated to the welfare of all Japanese Americans could improve its image among its own.

As we were leaving the Ogden Japanese Christian Church's bazaar, voices called to us, "Thanks for coming. Come again next year." I suspect they weren't all members of the church, but part of the Japanese community. They made us want to return next year. And we will walk past the place where the manse once was. #

### SAIKI

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grams. She personally gathered more than a thousand books and persuaded the city library to loan an additional 600 books so that a library could be opened in the assembly center.

She spent all of her 1942 summer holidays on activities that would benefit the evacuees, to include the implementation of a summer school program. In the relocation years that followed, she served as reference for hundreds of her Nisei students, seeking employment throughout the Midwest and East. In the post-war years, she continued an energetic role in assisting Japanese students who came to the United States to study. More than 17 of these students through five decades had been housed in her home.

In 1970, under the sponsorship of the Stockton JAACL, a scholarship drive was launched with the goal of obtaining \$10,000 fund in her name. The fund was oversubscribed. More than 500 persons attended her testimonial dinner, held on her retirement from active



FROM THE FRYING PAN: Bill Hosokawa

## Gist of Giri & Gimu

Denver, Colo.:

OVER THE JULY Fourth weekend it was my privilege to attend the dedication of Heart Mountain Camp Memorial Park near Cody, Wyo., where the WRA relocation center had stood during World War II. Some residents of the area, mostly homesteaders who had developed farms on land watered by the irrigation system completed by the evacuees, came up on their own with the idea of a memorial park and built it with their own funds and labor.

I commented on the dedication in this column and suggested anyone feeling the urge to express thanks to those who created the memorial write to Mrs. Mary Ruth Blackburn whose address is Box 774, Ralston, Wyo. 82440. Last week Mrs. Blackburn wrote to me to tell what had happened since last summer. Part of her letter follows:

"Thanks to your column in the Pacific Citizen I have had letters from all across the United States and one from a man working for the Army in Japan. Two were from people who were not even interned at Heart Mountain. All were letters of thanks for themselves and others. Also there have been some who visited the Memorial and have looked up some of us to express their appreciation. Our visits with them have been great. We hope others will do the same as we have enjoyed hearing of their experiences both in camp and since that time.

"None of us who helped with the memorial project expected the response we have had. Needless to say we appreciate their feelings and letters very much. Their appreciation makes our effort more meaningful.

"When we started the project it was to put something at the site so that those visiting would have some way of orienting themselves. Therefore we came up with the map and picture on the boulder. With the legend we wanted them to know we

cared. We wanted to do this now while both the internees and we are still here to know about it.

"We are so happy to have created what we did and for the appreciation of the Japanese American people. I respect them so much for quietly going about their business and making a place for themselves in our communities. They are to be admired. We will be doing some more work on the project from time to time as needed. I have answered the letters I have received with a note. However it would be nice if you could put an additional note of thanks in your column, too ..."

THE LEGEND ON the memorial that Mrs. Blackburn refers to says simply: "This Memorial is dedicated to those people interned here during World War II, to their sons and daughters who served our country, and to those who gave their lives in that service."

Mrs. Blackburn is a stocky, middle-aged woman with remarkable energy. She did not say how many letters she received thanking her and her committee for erecting the memorial, but it is a measure of her dedication to the project that she answered each of them.

The number who wrote also says something else. Japanese Americans have not lost the need to express appreciation, the sense of indebtedness for a kindness received, that is contained in the Japanese words *giri* and *gimu*. Mrs. Blackburn and her associates rendered all Japanese Americans an unexpected kindness without expectation of reward, and in the ethnic culture that requires a similar gesture of appreciation in return. In this case, the letters were the gesture.

*Gimu* and *giri* may be somewhat out of date in our callous, materialistic society; perhaps they have no place in our impersonal way of life. But a good many folks don't agree that this is so, and that is a heartwarming indication that all is not lost. #

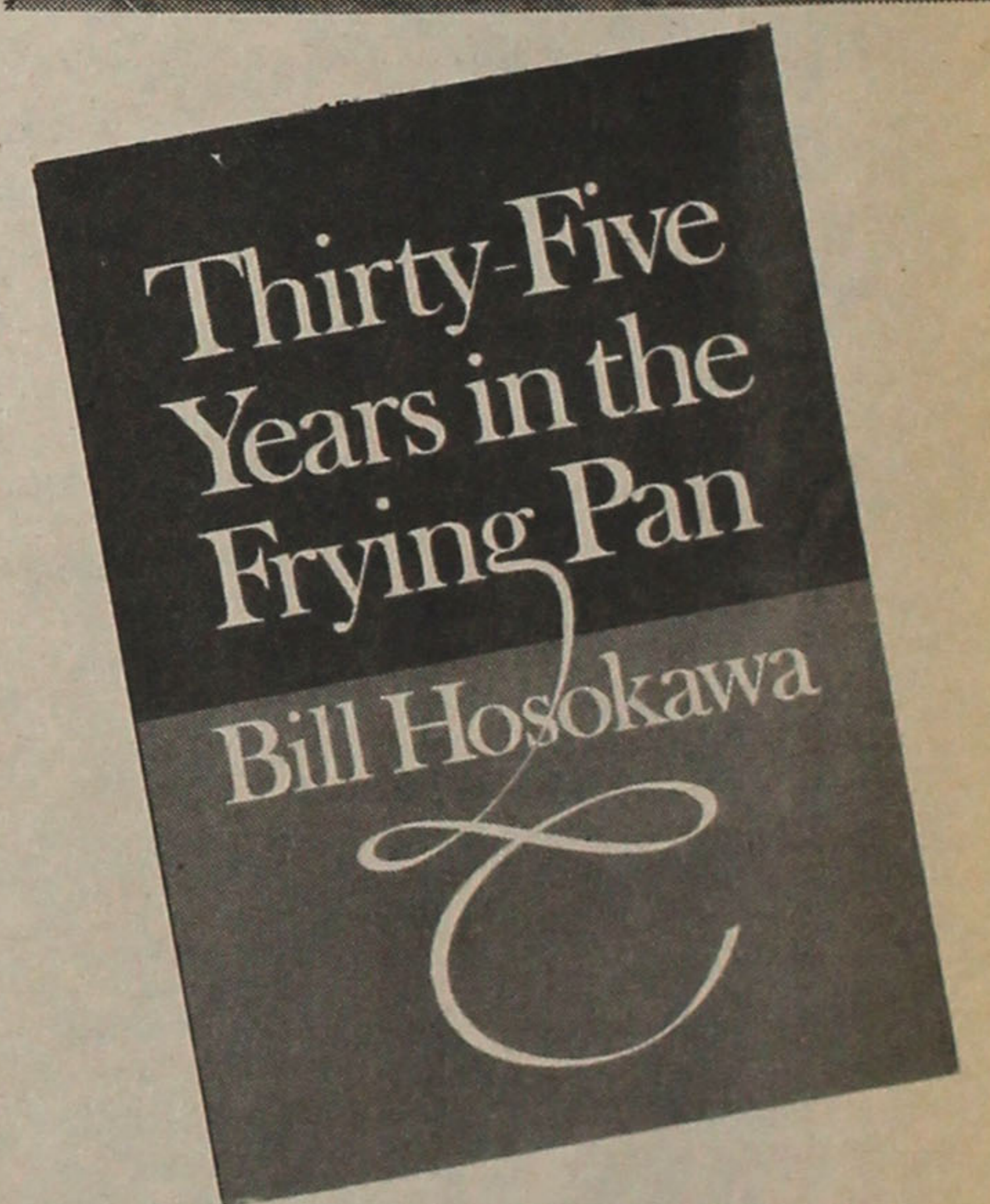
teaching. Stockton declared an Elizabeth Humbergar Day and the dinner was attended by the leading municipal and elective officials as well as the vice consul of the Japanese Consulate, an addition to the Nikkei community as a whole.

This current visit, supported by the Stockton JAACL, was for a reunion with her many students and friends in Japan. Unknown to her, the purpose was for her to receive an award from the Japanese Government in the field of furthering U.S.-Japan relations.

More than 40 former students assembled in Tokyo for the reunion party—some coming from far-off Hokkaido, Hiroshima, Saga, Osaka and Shizuoka on Oct. 6. The next day, she received the Fourth Class Order of the Sacred Treasure at a simple official ceremony at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs—a fitting award for 50 years of people-to-people program of unselfish service. #

Fame is proof that people are gullible.

—RALPH WALDO EMERSON



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# TEACHER

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ing an "Elizabeth Humbargar Day."

A tangible reminder each year of Miss Humbargar's unstinting commitment to her students is the presentation of Stockton JACL-Elizabeth Humbargar scholarships to a high school student of Japanese descent and a Delta College foreign student.

Miss Humbargar remembers coming to California from her home state of Kansas as a young teacher in the mid-1920s and finding the "Oriental kids so delightful, so good, so humorous. This was a new world for me!"

The affection that her former students feel for her has no geographical boundaries; Miss Humbargar found during her most recent Japan stay. A number of her students visited

her at her Tokyo hotel, and "I would come back to my room to a stream of phone calls from parents and former students," she says with delight.

One of the highlights of her visit was a reunion banquet with more than 40 of her former students, each of whom shared remembrances of the ways in which their lives were touched by the beloved teacher. An especially poignant part of the evening's program was a flute solo by Kamakishi Yamada, the father of a former student who is now studying for a doctorate in Germany, she notes proudly.

She also was moved as she awaited the departure of her plane home at the new international airport in Narita, 44 miles north of Tokyo, by the appearance of one of her last students at Delta College. The young woman had made the long

trip just to show Miss Humbargar her month-old baby and to bid her hello and good-bye.

To what does Miss Humbargar credit these shows of affection that have spanned two continents?

"The main thing is I've been their friend through the years," she says simply.

## Reception slated at Temple Nov. 25

Stockton, Ca.

Stockton JACL's community reception in honor of Elizabeth Humbargar will be held on Saturday, Nov. 25, 5 p.m., at the local Buddhist Temple to be followed by a dinner. Tickets are \$10 with reservations requested by Nov. 13 and forwarded to: Stockton JACL, P.O. Box 6369, Stockton, Ca. 95206. Call Mary Kusama (464-2701) or George Matsumoto (465-3979) for information.

# Calendar, pulse, memos

## IDC's Nov. 11 agenda released

Ontario, Or.

Agenda for the fourth quarterly Intermountain District Council session was announced by IDC Gov. John Tameno. Meeting will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11, 1 p.m., here at Tapadera Inn.

Host chapter Snake River Valley JACL president David Mizuta will welcome the delegates. Local JAYS president Robert Sakahara will welcome the JAYS in attendance at the opening hour when both JACLers and JAYS will jointly meet. Reports from IDYC chairperson Jean Hirai and IDC youth commissioners Sadie and Frank Yoshimura are also scheduled.

IDC agenda includes: Highlights of the National Con-

vention; redress, Ted Matsushima; district funding, Ken Teramura; IDC biennial convention in Idaho Falls, Clarke Kido; U.S.-Japan Friendship Act, Karl Nobuyuki; district legal counsel; Nisei

## Calendar

\*A non-JACL event

●NOV. 3 (Friday)

Contra Costa—Annual bd mtg.

●NOV. 4 (Saturday)

San Mateo—Monte Carlo night.

Nat'l JACL—Endowment Fund Comm mtg, San Francisco.

Eden Township—Inst dnr, Francesco's Restaurant, Oakland, 7pm; Lee Ruttle, spkr.

\*San Francisco—Co K 442nd reunion, Kyoto Inn.

\*Los Angeles—Geijutsu Shudan concert, Union Church, 7pm; Mme. Kazue Kudo, kotoist.

●NOV. 5 (Sunday)

Hoosier—New member dnr, Ft Harrison Civilian Clubhouse, 2-5pm.

NC-WNDC—4th qtrly sess: Florin JACL hosts. Red Lion Motor Inn, Sac'to, 9am.

San Fernando Valley—Holiday Boutique, SFV JCC, 1-5pm.

●NOV. 6 (Monday)

Fresno—Bd mtg, Cal 1st Bank, 1330 E Shaw, 7:30pm.

●NOV. 8 (Wednesday)

Las Vegas—Nomin mtg.

Orange County—Election mtg, Calif 1st Bank-VFW Rm, Santa Ana, 7:30pm.

●NOV. 10 (Friday)

Philadelphia—Bd mtg, Jack Ozawa res, 8pm.

●NOV. 11 (Saturday)

IDC—Qtrly mtg, Snake River Valley JACL hosts: business—Ta-

retirement (in February), Yoshiko Ochi.

Delegates will join the Snake River recognitions dinner following the East Side Cafe at 7 p.m. Jim Knapp's band will play for the dance to follow. #

padera Motor Inn, Ontario, Ore, 1pm; dnr, East Side Cafe, 7 pm, Karl Nobuyuki, spkr.

San Gabriel Valley—Inst potluck dnr, ESGVJCC, West Covina, 6pm; George Knox Roth, spkr, "Why Redress—and How?"

CCDC—Dist conv (overnight), Fresno Sheraton Inn; Sat: no-host dnr, mtg; Sun: mtg, joint JAYS mtg, dnr, Dr Harry Kitano, spkr.

Alameda—Benefit movies, Buddhist Church.

\*Los Angeles—Japanese American United Methodist Convocation, West L.A. UMC, 9:30am.

## Credit union declares 7%

Salt Lake City, Ut.

At the regular September meeting, the board of directors of the National JACL Credit Union declared a 7% per annum dividend for the third quarter of 1978.

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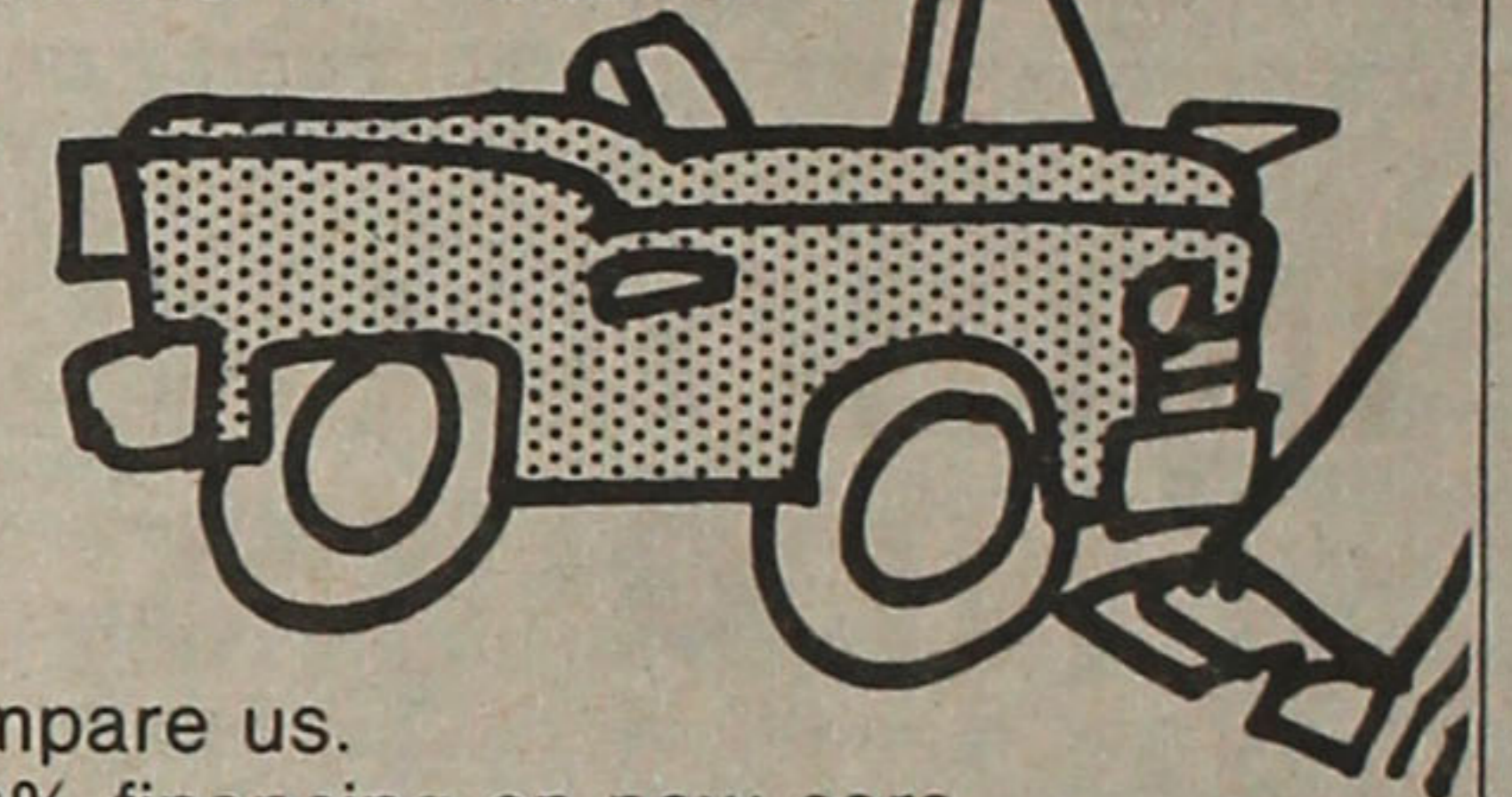
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## chapter pulse

### ● Dayton

#### HOSOKAWA TO ADDRESS JOINT INSTALLATION

Dayton JACL hosts the joint Cincinnati-Dayton JACL installation dinner to be held on Saturday, Dec. 2, 6 p.m., at Alex's Continental Inn in Miamisburg. Tickets will be \$8.75 per person with broiled Delmonico steak as the entree.

Bill Hosokawa, editor of the Denver Post editorial page, will be guest speaker.

The restaurant is located 1/2 mile west of Ohio State Route 725 at the Centerville exit off Interstate 75.

### ● Eden Township

#### AUTHOR RUTTLE TO ADDRESS INSTALLATION

The Eden Township JACL and the Eden Asian American Youths will hold a joint Installation dinner on Saturday, Nov. 4, at Francesco's Restaurant, 8520 Pardee at Hegenberger Rd., Oakland, Calif. The no-host cocktail hour will begin from 6 p. with dinner starting at 7 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Lee Ruttle, author of "The Private War of Dr. Yamada". Entertainment will be the talented Yukiko Sakakura, a popular singing star. Assemblyman S. Floyd Mori will install the new officers. Other guests include:

Mayor Ilene Weinreb and Dr. Marvin Weinreb of Hayward; Mayor & Mrs. Valance Gill of San Leandro; Mayor & Mrs. Tom Kitayama of Union City; President & Mrs. Walter Hashimoto of Fremont JACL.

Cost of the dinner will be \$8 for chicken Florentine or \$11.50 for prime rib. Juniors will be \$7.50. Call Ichi Nishida, 278-1824 for reservations.

### ● Marin County

#### DISCO DANCE LESSONS ON TAP

Marin County JACL is sponsoring disco dance lessons at the request of its members. For details, call Pat Shimomura (897-4736). First lesson is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 5.

Chapter board will meet Nov. 6, 7:30 p.m., at the Bank of Marin in Larkspur.

The installation dinner-dance Dec. 8 at Deep Park Villa will feature the music of Jim Whitzell's Trio.

### ● Monterey Peninsula

#### PUSHING FOR JAPANESE PROGRAM ON TV

Monterey Peninsula JACL is spearheading a campaign to have Japanese TV program on San Francisco's Ch. 20 cable-TV'd to the Monterey area. Negotiations and consultations with the local cable TV company, National

JACL headquarters, the JACL regional office, FCC, and Congressman Panetta's office have been handled by a coordinating committee of:

Tsutomu Matsushita, David Yamada, Goro Yamamoto, Jack Nishida, Royal Manaka and Dick Inokuchi.

If all goes well, the operation should be underway by January, 1979.

Meantime, the chapter encourages members to sign a pledge to become a cable subscriber when Ch. 20 Japanese-language TV programs start.

Issei-kai members were guests at the annual chapter barbecue party held Oct. 15 at Toro Regional Park.

Building Committee has scheduled the first and second weekends as project work days to improve and resurface the front entrance area. Yukio Sumida of Cypress Gardens Nursery hauled in six cubic yards of sand to have the project initiated, according to Jack Ninomiya, building committee chairman. Otis Kadani painted the new sign for the building.

### ● St. Louis

#### NEWSLETTER EDITOR CHANGES JOB

St. Louis JACL newsletter editor Anna Peterson accepted a new position in mid-September as executive director at International Institute, 4484 W. Pine Blvd. (535-4880), after several years as administrative assistant with the Office of International Studies on the Washington University campus. (Anna is also the capable Midwest page editor for the Pacific Citizen.)

Nominations for the 1979 chapter board should be made with Bill Ryba, committee chairperson (314-227-2888), it was reminded by Lee Durham, president. The installation dinner is set for Jan. 20 at the Clayton Inn.

The JACL Christmas party is scheduled for Dec. 16. Time and place will be announced.

### ● Salinas Valley

#### SISTER CITY PLANS SUPPORTED

Salinas Valley JACL board is on record in support of community efforts to have Salinas affiliate with Kushikino, Kagoshima-ken, as sister cities. A port city, it is also known for the gold mines inside the city limits, according to tourist guidebooks.

The board, at its September meeting, was informed Hartnell College is ready to have Japanese agricultural students landscape a garden around a new campus structure. Trainees have donated \$3,500 to the project, which the ag students sought to undertake as a token of their appreciation. Additional funds will be raised in the community.

### ● Washington, D.C.

#### BEHIND THE SCENES AT AKI-NO-ICHI

From the depths of nearly having to scrub the Aki-no-Ichi bazaar because the usual locale or alternate sites were unavailable in October, the Washington, D.C. JACL held it on Sept. 16 at the National Presbyterian Church and it turned out to be a rousing success.

Membership response was super—from the many who helped in the booths, making chirashi, packing sushi and other orders, making and serving udon, policing the dining area—and the crew who manned the hot grills and kept the food line supplied with more than 250 pounds of chicken and beef teriyaki.

Principals involved in staging Aki-no-Ichi were:

Key Kobayashi, Hideki Hamamoto, co-chmn; program—Gordon Yamada, mc; Kiyoko Uyeda, flower arranging; Miyuki Yoshikami and students, koto; Nori Nakamura and the D.C. Minyo Dancers; concessions—Danny Yoshida, Betty Tsuneishi, Mr. Hiratsuka; booths—May Kitagawa, Yulie Nose, M Yoshikami, Jean & Andy Vaart, Bob Nogami, Joe Hirata, Mieko Korper & Language School gang; Sachi Hamamoto, Hisae Batchelder; Wendy Marumoto and JAYS; cashiering—Yasue Redden and crew; decoration—Fumi Ike, Noralie Katsu, Kay Akagi (bamboo courtesy of Tom Zerick, Mrs. Sugiura; publicity—Gerald Yamada; tickets—Victor Okim.

Food—Yoshie Hirata, Sally Furukawa, procurement; J Hirata, catered food; Michiko Kitsmiller, Etsuko Smith, chirashi; Katherine Matsuki, Cee Ozaki, udon; Nami and Mike Suzuki, tea & punch; Shuko Yoshikami, food service expediter; George Furukawa, Terry Kobayashi, Bob Ota, Jun & Ann Buto, George & Betty Wakiji, Judy Iura, Sumi Kurihara, Susie Ichijui, Rose Kuwabara, luncheon platter; Bob Ota, Hank Murakami, Ben Obata, Gene Redden, Ira Shimasaki, teriyaki.

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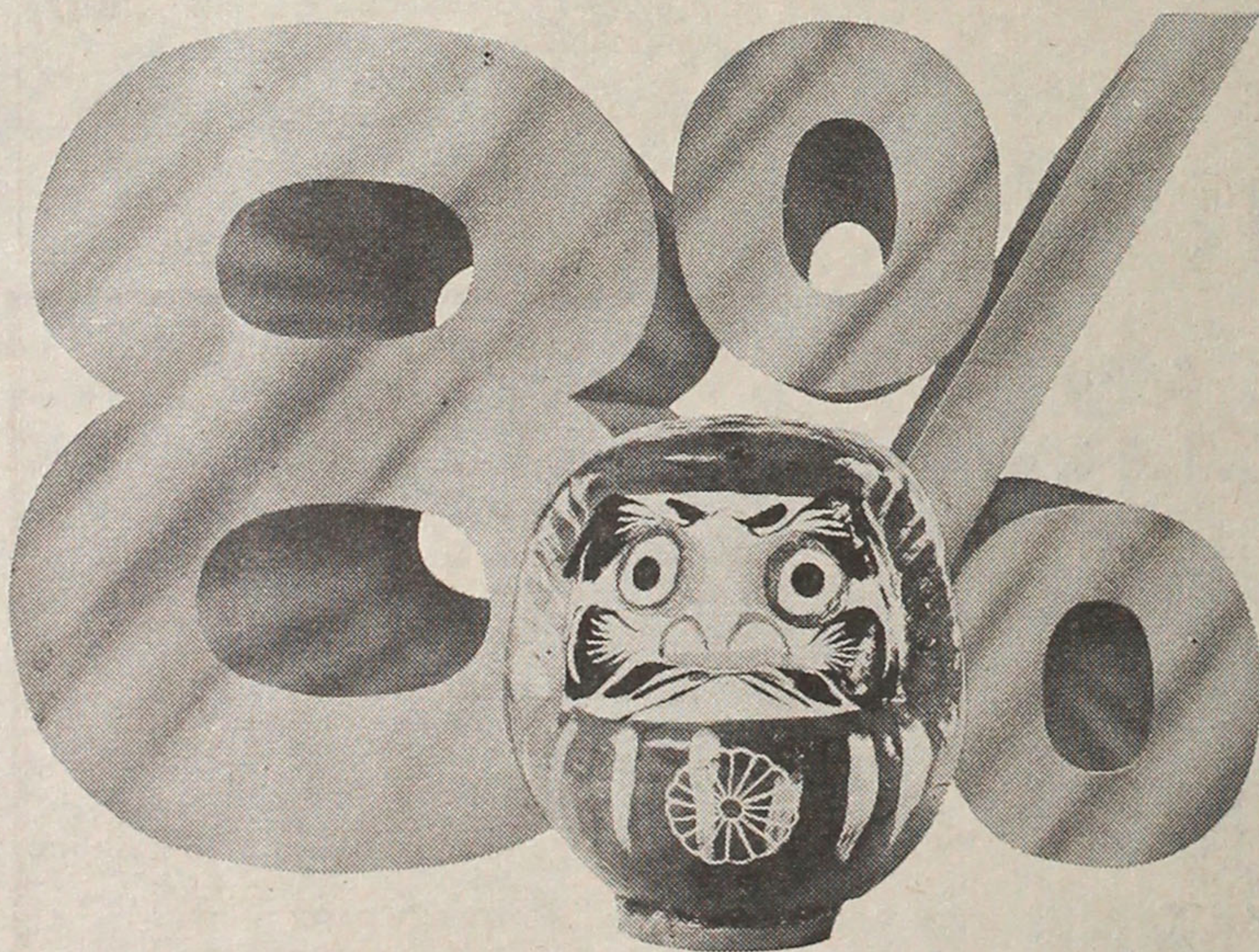
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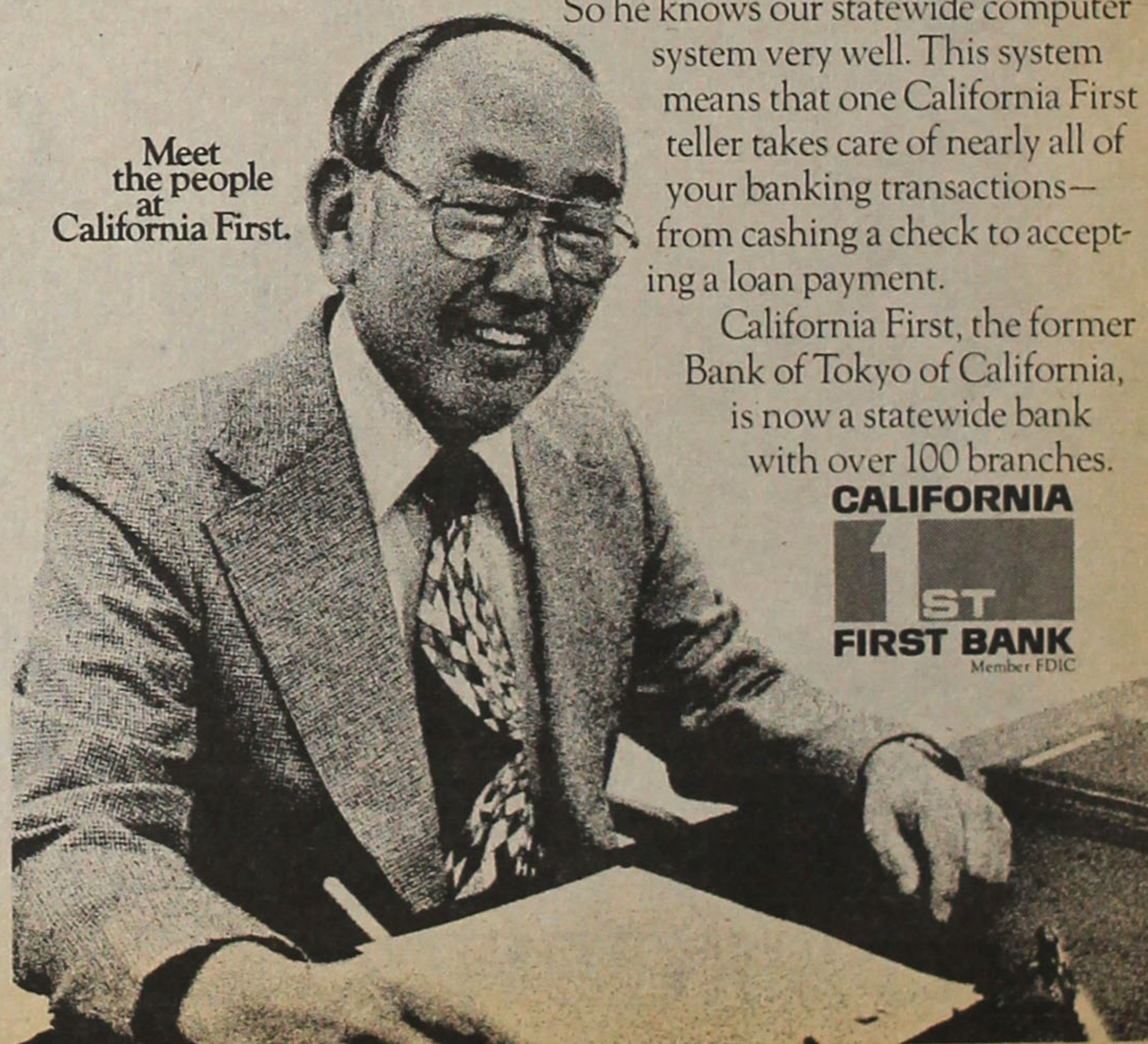
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# Curb campaigns in Little Tokyo

**Los Angeles**  
Republican candidate Mike Curb for lieutenant governor met his Japanese American supporters in a Little Tokyo restaurant last week and when asked to take a position on the Japanese American redress program being advocated by JACL, he told Dwight Chuman of the Rafu Shimpo that it "doesn't sound workable". He added he would consult with Sen. S. I. Hayakawa on the issue before making his final decision, but repeated, "It doesn't seem that anyone could make that kind of plan work."

On other issues of significance to the Nikkei, in particular, Curb, 33, described his own heritage as Scotch-Irish-Mexican, born in Savannah, Ga., and from a middle-class family. "We weren't poor, but let's say my folks didn't have enough money to pay my way through college."

Though he dropped out of college to go into business, Curb said he encourages young people to get that degree. He dropped out of San Fernando Valley State at age 19 and went into recordings. He wrote the theme song for a com-

### Port Pilot award

LONG BEACH, Calif.—Bunichiro Tanabe, president, Mitsubishi Corp., Tokyo, was presented an Honorary Port Pilot award by the Port of Long Beach for contributions to promotion of world commerce Sept. 20.

mercial for American Honda. He was president of MGM Records and a millionaire at age 29.

Curb said he favors the concept of bilingual education and ballots but added "minorities should learn English after adjusting to society through the bilingual programs".

He also favors foreign investment in California so long as it does not jeopardize the state's financial se-

curity. On undocumented workers, he advocated a counterfeit-proof Social Security card from which employers could determine their status.

The stop in Little Tokyo was marked by a \$1,000 contribution from the Japanese American Republicans with president Ethel Kohashi making the presentation. Chairing the luncheon meeting was Yo Takagaki.

## Japan Food Corp. adopts new name

### San Francisco

JFC International Inc. is the new name of Japan Food Corp., it was announced by Kazuaki Kuwada, president. An importer, wholesaler and major distributor of Asian food products for over 30 years, it now has nine distribution centers

## Mental health task force formed in Hawaii

### Honolulu

An ethno-cultural task force has been formed by the Mental Health Division of the state Health Dept., and is comprised of members representing the Chinese, Koreans, Pilipinos, Vietnamese, Japanese, Hawaiians, Samoans, Caucasians and American Indians.

The task force was created to provide information relating to mental health needs and concerns of Hawaii's many ethnic groups. Masaru Oshiro is chairman.

# Hawaii dental board accused of favoring Asian applicants

### Honolulu

Names of six of the seven members comprising the Hawaii Dental Board appear to be of Asian ancestry, it was pointed out in a recent "Ms. Fixit" column—the Advertiser's om-

## Justice Dept. bares first post-Bakke stance

### Washington

In its first court position on affirmative action since the U.S. Supreme Court decision in the Bakke case, the Justice Dept. urged a federal appeal court to reinstate a plan with numerical goals for promoting blacks in the Detroit, Mich. Police Dept.

budsman. They are:

President Edward Maehara, secretary Edward Au, Oahu members Masaru Kurashima and George Uyesato, Big Island member Richard Shindo, Maui member James Kajoe and Kauai member Ben Hirano. Appointments are made by the Governor and approved by the state senate.

The questioner wanted to know the racial composition

of the present board and how the members are chosen: "I had read in the newspaper that a legal suit has been filed charging that the state Dental Board discriminates against Caucasians and favors applicants of Asian descent. The suit was based on a report prepared in 1976 which noted that six of the seven members of the Dental Board are of Asian ancestry."

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# Lotus Pond

Richmond, Calif.

THE EDGE OF the vacant lot dropped about 15 feet by escarpments, gullies and slopes to the bank of a pond. A rectangle of water a block by several blocks, it had once been part of the moat surrounding the old Fukuoka Castle. Over the centuries it had been cut off on one side by a wide causeway and solidly lined by houses on three sides, leaving our playground as the only access. Though obviously artificial, it was an enclave of untampered space, the most natural topographical features of our neighborhood.

The water was too turbid and overgrown with lotus for swimming, but chasing minnows and tiny shrimps with a bamboo collander, the fishing for crucian carp and other small fry with a bent pin and bottle cork bob on cotton thread was fun enough. Above all we enjoyed the undisturbed seclusion of the place, for the heavy growth of scrub on the bank completely cut us off from view. The pond was a placid mirror of the sky through the

winter, lowering gray and steely blue by turns. In the spring the early leaves of lotus began to unroll on the surface of the water. Soon other leaves rose from the water and opened. In no time the whole pond was covered from bank to bank with the large, powdery turquoise leaves, almost a foot and a half in diameter. Shortly after the monsoon rains tall flower stalks poked up, a foot, two feet above the water like fists raised in salute, but not in defiance but with the teasing promise of something wonderful hidden within.

AND IF YOU were there early in the morning you were rewarded with the most satisfying sight and sound in nature. As the rays of the rising sun brushed across the pond, you heard and saw the plop! plop! plop! of the lotus blossoms opening, here, there, yon, everywhere. In a few days the whole pond was covered with these gorgeous flowers.

The purest white petals fringed with delicate pink and scented with a subtle fragrance, the lotus flower has traditionally been used as a symbol of purity amid filth, or nobility rising above sordidness. To anyone who has seen it freshly open, the metaphor is not a trite cliché but a literal truth.

The lotus died in the winter. All the leaves and stalks sank in time to become part of the oozy muck at the bot-

tom. Then the harvesting of the lotus roots began. A shanty of bamboo poles and straw mat went up at the water's edge. Inside several men were always warming themselves at a blazing wood fire. From time to time two men went out on a punt. No matter if the wind cut like a razor, no matter if the sleet beat down like buckshots, they unhesitatingly took off their padded *dotera* and slid into the water and disappeared. When they came up after a while, they had long lotus roots in their arms. After several dives they came back, unloaded the punt, and sat by the fire. Another team went out and began to dive. We used to watch in fascination.

From time to time the men invited us in and offered us short side shoots of the roots roasted in hot ashes. They tasted like steamed taro and were delicious. But at home, I had a surfeit of lotus root, for in that neighborhood it was one of the staples of winter. I dared not say it aloud, but how often I muttered to myself: What, lotus again? What an ungrateful brat I was! But how was I to know that it was going to become a Lucullan luxury out of reach to any but the affluent and extravagant?

The vacant lot and the pond have long been gone. Yet they are there still, as vivid and real as ever, whenever I go back there in my sentimental journeys of the soul. #

## Missing Sansei found dead in Mexico

San Diego, Ca

The body of Jo Ann Asakawa, a 31-year-old real estate agent, was found on Oct. 24 near the base of Rodriguez Dam, 10 miles east of Tijuana, B.C.

Asakawa was apparently kidnapped, then murdered, authorities believe. An autopsy is pending to determine the cause of death, but a blow to the right side of the head is believed to be the cause.

FBI agents have joined San Diego police in the investigation of the slaying for which no motive is known.

The body was identified by the victim's husband, landscape architect Glenn Asakawa, at a Tijuana mortuary. He had reported her missing since Saturday afternoon, Oct. 21, when she failed to return from her office at Corky McMillin Realty.

McMillin's general office manager Tom Parsons discovered the office door unlocked and all the lights out when he checked around 4:30 a.m. Sunday after Asakawa's husband asked. The victim's eyeglasses, which her husband said she al-

ways used to drive at night, and briefcase were there. Also, her desk top was in disarray, which friends report was uncharacteristic of the victim.

Asakawa was believed to have been seen last buying a soft drink at a fast food restaurant near her office around 5 p.m. Saturday.

A nationwide bulletin has been issued for the victim's 1977 Monte Carlo (800 UGG), a dark blue car with black vinyl top.

The International Real Estate Network is offering a \$500 reward for any information leading to the solving of Asakawa's murder.

Jo Ann Asakawa is the daughter of the Mack Yamaguchis of Pasadena. Donna Inouye of Concord, Denise Ito of La Canada and Rachel Yamaguchi are her sisters. She has one brother, Gregory of La Canada.

Son of the Moto Asakawas of San Diego, the Glenn Asakawas have a 9-month-old son Kristopher. #

## Gov. Brown signs Bannai bills

Sacramento, Ca.

Two bills authored by Assemblyman Paul Bannai (R-Gardena) were among scores signed by Gov. Edmund Brown Jr. the first week of September to become effective Jan. 1, 1979.

AB 2846 authorizes the insurance commissioner to promulgate regulations requiring each insurer to record and report its loss and expense experience.

AB 2984 extends compli-

ance date of a fire protection law for two additional years. The amended code allows existing high-rise structures additional time to conform.

## For the Record

The AAUW "Faire '78" boutique show is being held Nov. 4, 10 a.m. at Cerritos Park East Recreation Bldg. in 166th St., in Cerritos, Ca., and not Nov. 14 as printed last week.

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Los Angeles

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"Weller Center" was first-place winner Mary N. Miya's entry and Dennis Nishikawa won second place for "Imperial Court Plaza". Third-place winner is Cornelia Ward for "Weller Promenade". Fourth-place winners are Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Gomez, and fifth place went to Connie Cowger.

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## ● Courtroom

Los Angeles County Dep. Dist. Atty. **Louis Ito**, an active Gardena Valley JACler, continues to be in the news. He filed a criminal complaint Oct. 25 against former Pomona Mayor Rich-

ard Brownell for failing to report about \$1,000 in contributions to his unsuccessful 1977 political campaign. Ito said examination of the Brownell for Mayor bank account revealed "numerous contributions of \$50 or more

were received ... but not disclosed in any of the campaign statements filed by Brownell." State law requires that contributors of \$50 or more be identified by name, address and occupation. Case was also a warning to all political candidates and treasurers to comply with the 1974 Political Reform Act.

## ● Government

**David Ninomiya** of Richmond and **Tom Kitayama** of Union City were among three nurserymen recently named by the Calif. State Industrial Welfare Commission to its wage boards as employer representatives, according to the California Floral Council. Floral council president **Ron Enomoto** of Half Moon Bay said he was pleased with the selection of these qualified and capable men.

## ● Honors

The National Council for Senior Citizens rated **Rep. Norman Mineta** (D-Cal.) 100 pct. on his voting record in Congress and presented him with a special award signed by James Carbray, NCSC president. The rating was based on votes on issues including energy policy, social security financing, food stamps, legal aid and countercyclical aid to local governments.

**Emiko Furuta**, graduate student at CSU-Long Beach from Gardena, Ca., was selected an Outstanding Young Woman of America for her work with the Child Development Center on campus, where she has been assistant director from 1970-1977. She is in the running for the statewide award.

## CPOA gives Bannai a perfect score

### Gardena, Ca.

The California Peace Officers Assn. gave a perfect score to Assemblyman **Paul Bannai** (R-Cal.), for his continuous strong support of public protection measures in the State Assembly.

Only six other assemblymen and one state senator were named by the CPOA as having a perfect voting record on ten key public protection measures considered as most important by the CPOA, such as ones which increase prison terms for 43 serious felonies and mandate state prison for those convicted of violent rape. #

## ● Military

**Col. Young O. Kim** (ret.), career Army officer who saw action with the 100th Infantry Bn. in WW2 and now of Los Angeles, was among civic and military dignitaries present at the Oct. 7 ceremonies at the Los Alamitos Armed Forces Reserve Center, marking the 342nd anniversary of what became the National Guard. In 1636, two companies of militia were formed in the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

## ● Radio-TV

Producer **Robert Stambler** of NBC-TV's series, "Grandpa Goes to Washington", denies there is even a remote link to **Sen. S. I. Hayakawa** who was elected at age 70. The TV series begins with Grandpa, played by Jack Albertson, being elected to the Senate after being forced to retire as a college professor at age 65.

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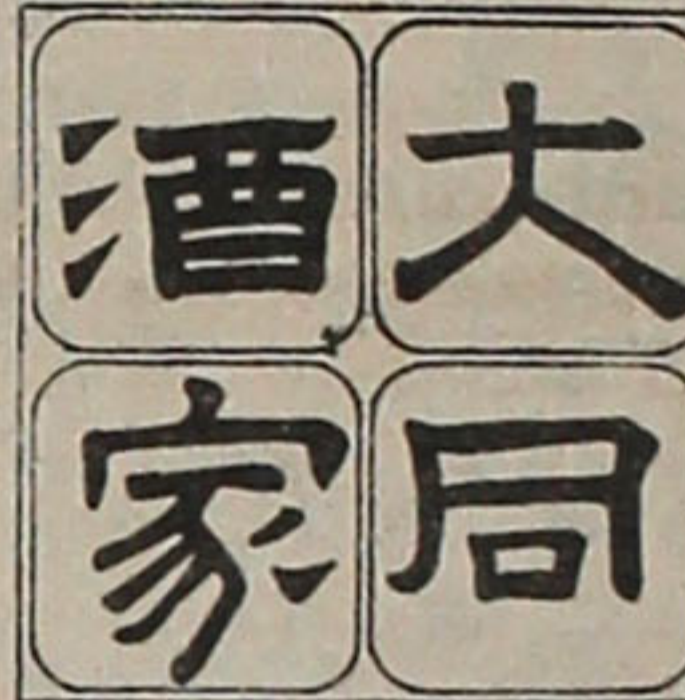
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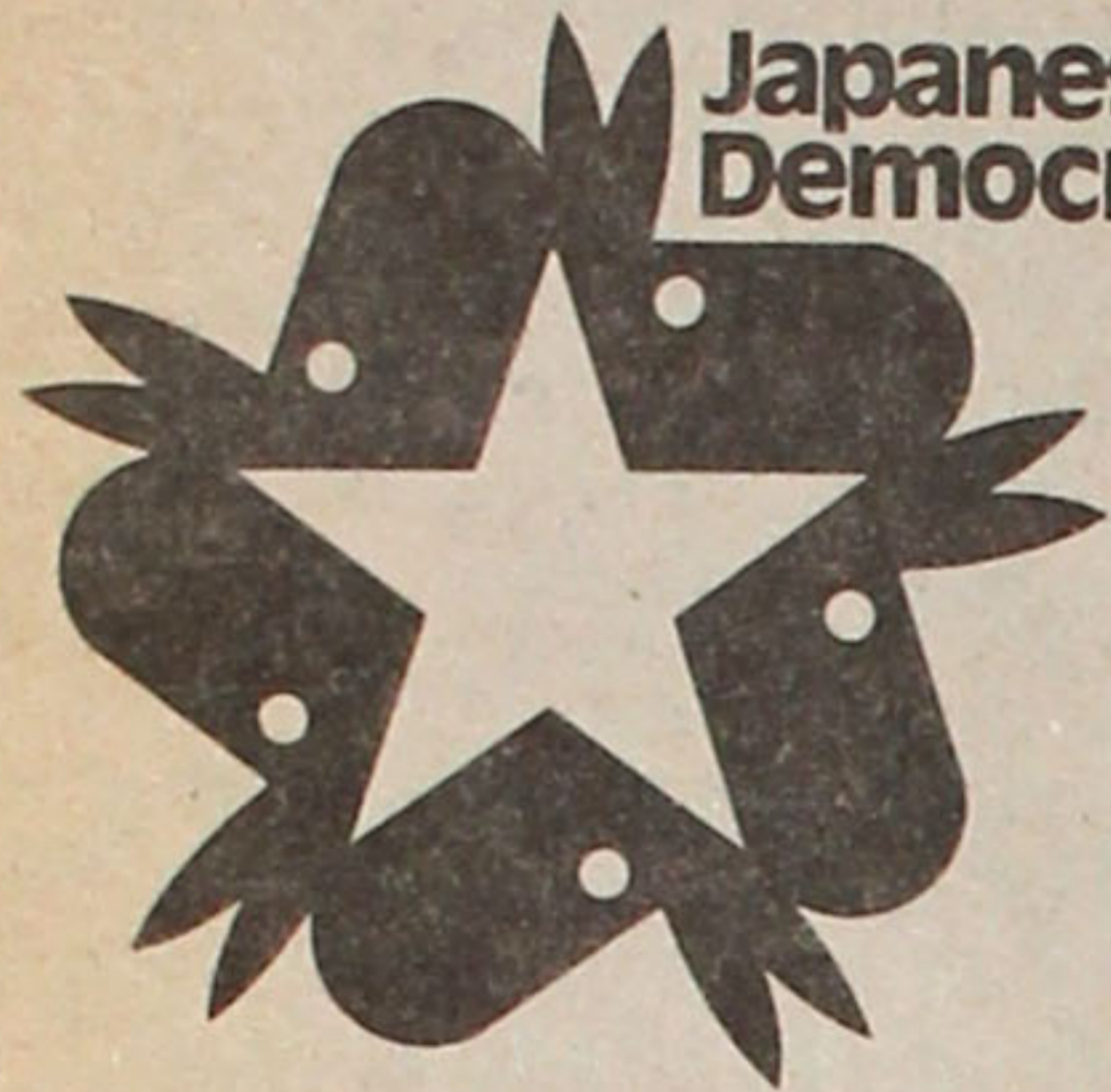
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Slotted for Winter Olympics for Deaf



Ski champion Ken Murashige

**Culver City, Ca.**  
Local resident Ken Murashige, 29, has been selected to represent the United States at the Winter Olympics.

The Japanese American community has extra cause to cheer for him, for Murashige belongs to two minority groups.

The good-looking, athletic Sansei has been deaf since birth, and it's the Deaf Winter Olympics he will compete in at Meribel, France.

Murashige is the nation's No. 1 deaf skier and will be part of the U.S. squad at the Ninth World Winter Games for the Deaf, to be held Jan. 21-27. Last February at the national deaf championships at Keystone, Colo., he came in first in the downhill, first in the giant slalom and third place in the slalom. Murashige, if he gets to Meribel, is to compete in all three alpine events.

"He is working especially hard to improve in all events, and we are confident that he will improve tremendously before he goes overseas and win a medal or two or three," says Art Kruger, chairman of the American Athletic Assn. of the Deaf, Inc. and the United States World Games for the Deaf Committee.

The World Winter Games are held every four years, attracting around 300 top deaf athletes from Scandinavian countries, the European Alpine nations, Russia, Australia, Japan and Canada.

Kruger proudly says the Americans came in first at the Bucharest games, "claiming a record total of 103 medals (38 gold, 35 silver and 30 bronze)," and crows that, "The Soviet Union had to settle for second place again with 62 total medals."

However, the AAAD/WGD faces a problem—a financial one—in getting the U.S. team to the Winter Games.

"The USA Deaf Team gets no financial help from the government, from the Amateur Athletic Union, from the hearing U.S. Olympic Committee, or any big corporation," Kruger explains.

"The team has prided itself in the past that its athletes have been supported by their local communities. We used to try a general drive for funding the entire squad, but it failed every time," he says.

"We got better results when we switched to an individual fund drive with each athlete raising the money in his hometown."

It will cost \$1,800 for each athlete on the team, and that amount will cover training, transportation,

housing and clothing. Murashige, like the other U.S. team members, must come up with that sum by Dec. 1 to compete at the Ninth World Winter Games.

Luckily, the Hughes/Culver City Employees Assn. is conducting a fund-raising drive on Murashige's behalf. He works for Hughes missile systems as a draftsman.

Spokesperson Yoshifumi Ogino asks that the Japanese American community "support Ken morally and financially in his effort to realize his dream of representing the United States in the Deaf Winter Olympics." Any surplus donations that might result will be turned over to the AAAD to help pay for expenses of other members of the U.S. contingent.

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stant supervision of the teacher's programs and performance and that any misfeasance on his (the teacher's) part will warrant stronger action.

"A great deal of respect and credit is due to Dr. Turner for his sincere efforts to promote a humanistic attitude in all of his teachers," Kondo said at the end of the meeting. He also said all similar cases with racial implications should be reported immediately to the nearest JACL chapter, as "the admonition of one teacher has an excellent ripple effect."

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Board and Watsonville City Historical Society.

He headed a number of fund-raising campaigns for the hospital, city park, United Way, JACL-ADC, JACL Issei History Project and established a scholarship to assist Buddhist Sunday School teachers in 1963.

Minutes show he was the chapter publicist in the 1950s and 1960s, started the Watsonville JACL Blue Cross program in 1962 and worked for improving the Pioneer Cemetery in 1967-68.

He was 75 at the time of his death, Oct. 10.

Anti-cancer herbs

TOKYO—Ten Chinese herbs have been isolated by an Osaka University study team which claimed as being effective in killing cancer cells without causing damage to normal cells, it was announced Aug. 8. Some 600 herbs were used.

West L.A. to host  
Nikkei Methodists

Los Angeles

West Los Angeles United Methodist Church is the scene of the third annual convocation of So. Calif. Japanese American Caucus of the United Methodist Churches on Saturday, Nov. 11, with Dr. Richard Cain of the Claremont School of Theology as keynote speaker. The caucus is composed of eight churches.

Household income

TOKYO—The average Japanese family annual income climbed by almost 17% for 1976, a government survey revealed. The year prior to tabulation, it had been ¥2,647,000 and it jumped to ¥3,091,000 (\$16,250).

Uwajimaya opens  
\$1¼-million annex

Seattle, Wa.

Japanese supermarket Uwajimaya, celebrating its 50th anniversary, held open house Oct. 8 at its new \$1.75-million addition.

Designed by Tom Kubota, AIA, the Japanese country appearance complements the International District. The complex covers the entire block with parking capacity for 110 cars and is regarded as the largest Asian retailer in the western U.S. Tomio Moriguchi, longtime Seattle JACL and former national JACL treasurer, is president of the family firm.

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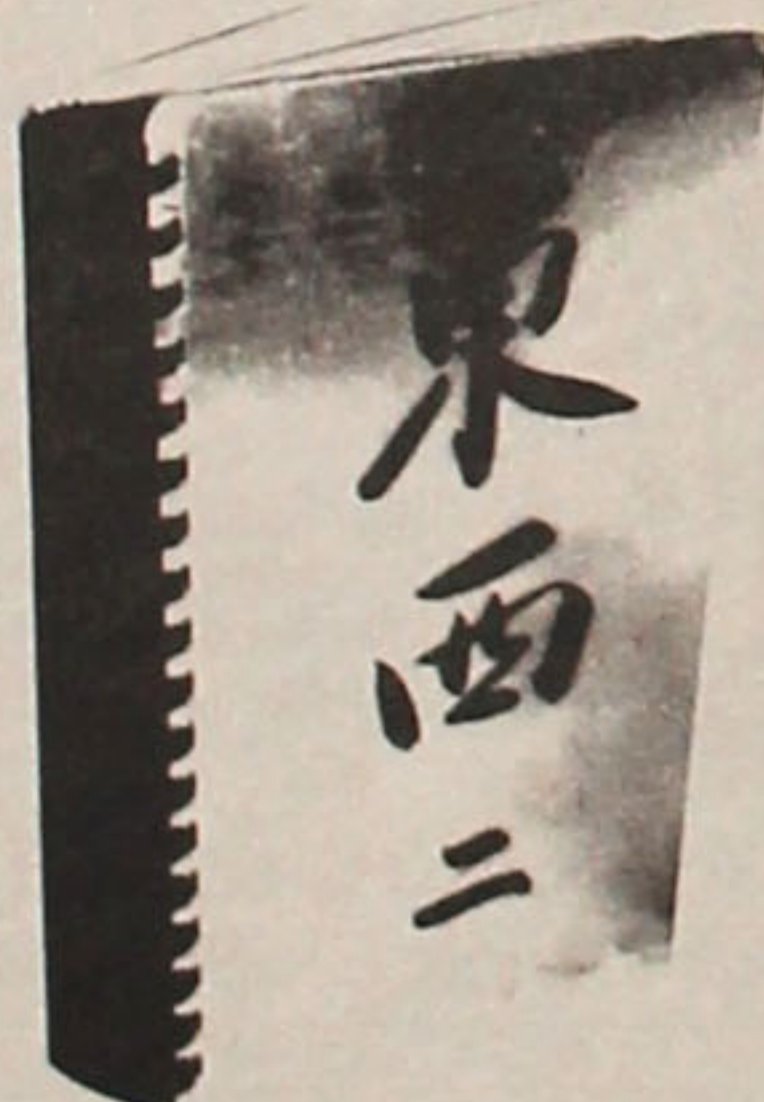
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# Who dropped A-bomb? Some Nagasaki children don't know



A-bomb explosion over Nagasaki

Nagasaki To the question: "Which country dropped the atomic bombs in Japan?", one out of ten junior high school children couldn't answer, according to a survey conducted by the Nagasaki Prefecture Teachers Union.

The survey, reported by Radio Japan, was conducted as part of the commemoration of the 33rd anniversary of the atomic-bombing of Nagasaki.

Questioned were 441 fifth-graders in 12 primary schools and 354 first-year children in nine junior high schools.

Of all 14 questions asked

about atomic bombing, the correct answer "America" to the question: "Which country dropped atomic bombs on Japan?" was given by only 86.4% of the primary school children, 88.7% of the first year class and 95.6% of the third year class children in the junior high schools.

In other words, one out

of 10 junior high school children in Nagasaki did not know which country atom-bombed Japan. This has caused astonishment amongst those concerned with education, for Nagasaki was one of the only two victim cities in the world, the other being Hiroshima. Moreover, the two cities had been regard-

ed as the center of peace education.

The fact that the war experiences are now rapidly being forgotten has thus been taken up as a grave problem.

Most of the questioned children who failed to give the correct answer wrote that that Soviet Union was

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The foreign ministers of both nations, Sunao Sonoda

and Huang Hua, used the "fude" (calligraphy brushes) to affix their signatures. The 10-year treaty binds the countries not to go to war and to settle all disputes peacefully.

Vice Premier Teng Hsiao-Ping, in his visit with Emperor Hirohito, told him his country would now "let bygones be bygones."

## Dollar down to new low in Japan

Tokyo The U.S. dollar closed at ¥178.50 on Wednesday, Oct. 25, a postwar low, following President Carter's anti-inflation message.

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