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U.S.-Japan Wisemen's Gp. to fold

TOKYO—Japan and the U.S. agreed May 14 to dissolve the "Wisemen's Group," officially named the Japan-U.S. Economic Relations Group, in September.

The accord came when Robert S. Ingersoll, former U.S. ambassador and U.S. co-chairman of the Group, visited with Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki at his official residence here.

Ingersoll said the group will cease to function by submitting the second report on bilateral economic relations in September. After that, the task of the group will be taken over by the Japan-U.S. Businessmen's Conference.

The Wisemen's Group was set up in December 1979 under an agreement reached by Prime Minister Masayoshi Ohira and President Jimmy Carter. The group submitted a report last January calling for joint meetings of cabinet ministers from both countries, and also proposed various measures to increase U.S. productivity and open the Japanese market.

However, because of President Reagan's federal budget cuts, the group seemed destined for abolition.

In its place, Ingersoll suggested an ombudsman system be established in Japan, to deal with complaints by some quarters of the U.S. on bilateral trade issues. He also proposed that cabinet ministers from both countries exchange visits every two or three years. #

High court denies Enomoto's claim

SAN FRANCISCO—The California supreme court this past week (May 20) denied Jerry Enomoto's request for a hearing on his bid for reinstatement as state director of corrections and back pay. Gov. Brown had named Ruth Rushen to Enomoto's job April 23, 1980, without explanation and Enomoto contended the governor could not remove a director unless charges were filed, a hearing held and detailed findings were made by the Board of Corrections.

Meanwhile, Enomoto is completing his assignment for National Institute of Corrections, a federal agency, in Carson City, Nev., as part of a task force commissioned by Gov. Robert List to look at the Nevada State Prison's security and control problems. The onetime National JACL president is also a member of the Commission on Accreditation for Corrections. #

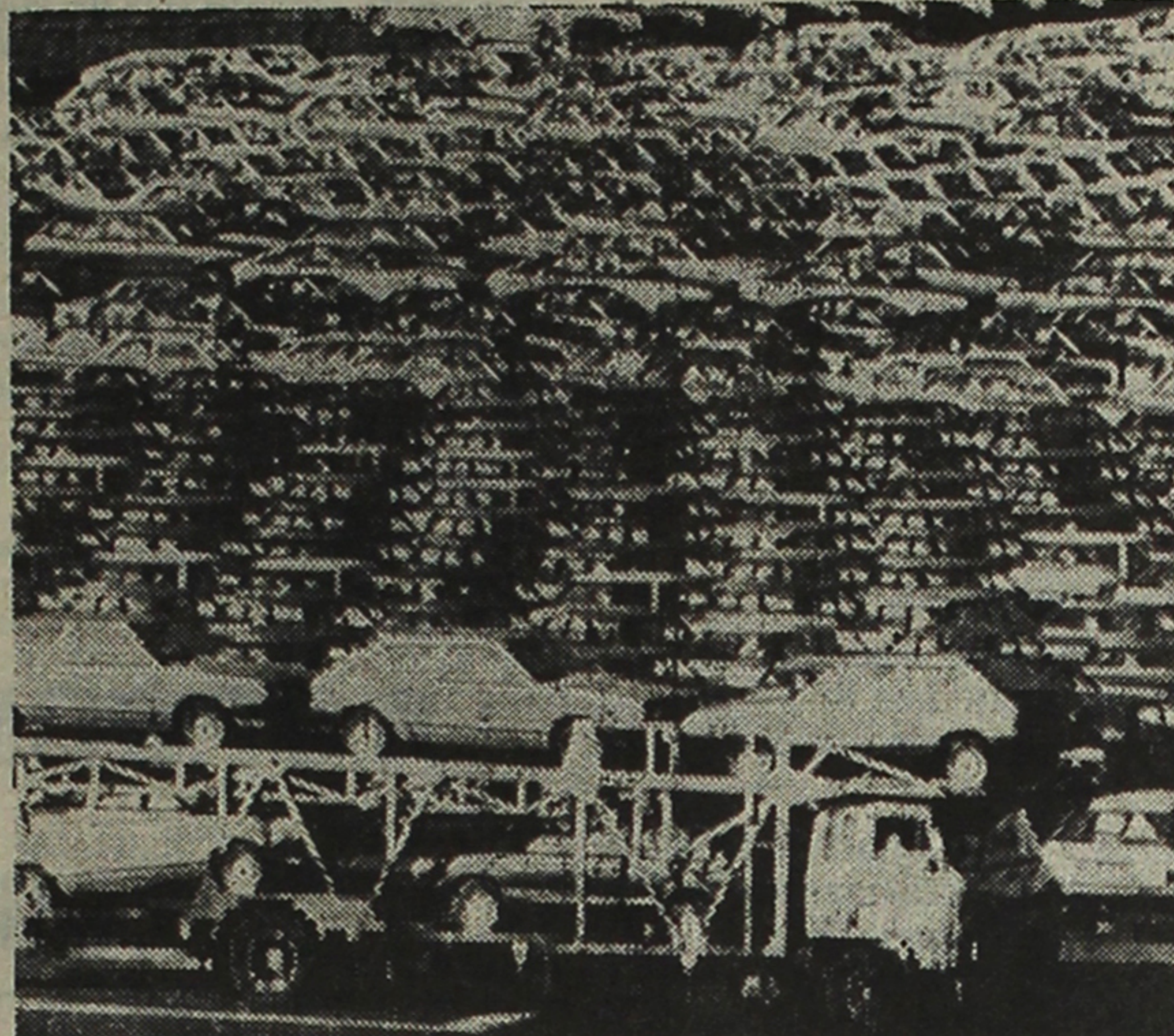
Miss Sansei Cal. pageant set July 18

LOS ANGELES—Fifteen girls are expected to compete for honors in the 1981 Miss Sansei California pageant July 18 at the Beverly Hilton, it was announced by the VFW Memorial Post 9938, sponsors of the 17th annual spectacular on the theme, "Shogun".

Johnny Yune, one of America's top comedians, will entertain and co-produce the show. Helen Funai will choreograph the pageant with Lisa Toriogoe, past Miss Sansei California, assisting. Dinner commences at 6:30 with dancing to Tommy Shepard's orchestra following till 1 a.m. Info contact: (213) 295-4301. #

Queen contest on
LOS ANGELES—The Nisei Relays Queen contest will be held May 31 as scheduled, it was happily announced by contest chair Mack Yamaguchi, who noted that four contestants have signed up.

Autos: Bright hopes or more backlash due?



GM'S TARGETS — General Motors hopes to reduce the sales of Japanese cars, such as these Datsuns, with their new J-cars.

Upcoming CWRIC hearings main topic at Monterey meet

SAN FRANCISCO—The redress commission hearings exercise being sponsored by the NC-WNPDC will be held on Sunday, June 14, 10 a.m., at the Laney College "Forum" on campus. Since the cafeteria will not be open, it was advised that attendants "brown bag" it.

MONTEREY—The coming hearings of the Presidential Commission of Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians in San Francisco this summer on the redress issue was the main topic of discussion here at the second quarterly Northern California-Western Nevada-Pacific JACL District Council meeting on May 3.

The JACL is currently urging former evacuees to testify at the coming hearing and has issued a "guideline" booklet which was distributed to the chapter delegates.

A special meeting on the coming hearings was called by district redress chair Chuck Kubokawa for May 17 at the JACL Headquarters. A \$50 per plate district fundraising dinner for the Redress campaign will be held on Friday, Aug. 14, in San Francisco, according to Tad Hirota. He and Steve Doi will be co-chairmen for this \$50 per person event. The district is expected to raise \$99,900, of which \$22,089 (22%) has been acknowledged as of May 17.

John Tateishi, JACL redress coordinator, reported he has had several meetings with Joan Z. Bernstein, head of the commission and had found her to be a person with "real sympathy and empathy" with the redress issue.

Bernstein, he said, had close relatives who were killed in Germany in Nazi concentration camps.

She informed him that the first hearing will be held in Washington, D.C., before Congress recesses for the summer. It will be formal with some witnesses, those with government connections, asked to give sworn testimony.

The hearings elsewhere will be informal, "more like a conversation with questions and answers."

Nisei Week events for '81 slated

LOS ANGELES—The six major Nisei Week Festival events for 1981 were announced:

Aug. 5—Dedication rites; Aug. 8-16—Over 75 exhibits, most free in Little Tokyo area; Aug. 8—Coronation Ball at Disneyland Hotel; Aug. 9—Grand Parade, 3 p.m.; Aug. 15-16—Carnival; Aug. 16—Ondo Street Dance and Closing Ceremony, 5 p.m. #

Each witness will be given 10 minutes to testify.

Monetary Amount Favored

Tateishi stated the JACL firmly favors reparations, but he cannot say at this time what amount the JACL will ask for.

The JACL committee is now trying to find out what the total losses of evacuees came to due to the 1942 Evacuation. In 1978, John said he "was not happy" with the \$25,000 figure originally mentioned. He thought it was not enough.

However, he said that the main thing the JACL is talking about in bringing up this whole matter is not property losses. "We are talking about loss of freedom in 1942."

Tateishi expressed his concern about reports of an informational picketing at the coming hearings said to be planned by the National Coalition on Redress/Reparation in Los Angeles.

He said he is afraid that the picketing will be misconstrued, both by the commissioners and the general public, as being opposed to the hearings. The NCRR does not oppose the hearings, but are planning informational picketing to back their demands.

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By PETER IMAMURA

LOS ANGELES—With the introduction of the new General Motors J-cars this month, Detroit automakers will now attempt to deal with the Japanese imports, which have produced a deep-seated issue of growing concern to Japanese Americans, especially in the Midwest. In such states as Michigan, Ohio and Missouri, anti-Japanese racist hostility has arisen. The success of these new cars, coupled with the recent voluntary restrictions of the Japanese, may be crucial to the presence of any more racist backlash.

Ironically, here in the west, particularly California, where anti-Oriental sentiment was once very strong, Japanese imports are actually boosting the state's economy.

The slumping condition of American auto industries have caused many frustrated, unemployed domestic workers, often rallying through local chapters of the United Auto Workers Union, to aim their hostilities against the Japanese. Although their distress is due to managerial and economic factors as well as the import influx, racism has become entangled in the issue—and the Japanese have become convenient scapegoats.

In Milwaukee, JACL's Midwest District Council passed a resolution April 25 asking the UAW and the auto companies to refrain from using materials, which were potentially racist in nature toward Japanese Americans, in their anti-import campaigns.

Detroit attorney Jim Shimoura, of the MDC's Human Rights Committee, said UAW workers were passing out leaflets and bumper stickers in the area with slogans such as "Remember Pearl Harbor" and "Real Americans buy American cars." The UAW even bans anyone from parking a foreign car (especially Japanese) in their lots, he added.

MDC Regional Director Bill Yoshino noted that UAW workers regularly smash up an old Datsun or Toyota at their union gatherings in Detroit.

Shimoura felt that much of the anti-Japanese sentiment within the auto companies was "ludicrous" since they have interests in foreign industries (such as the partnerships of Chrysler and Mitsubishi and GM and Isuzu). "The U.S. automakers are talking, basically, out of both sides of their mouths," said Shimoura, since the U.S. companies profit indirectly from some foreign sales.

Other Racist Campaigns
Anti-Japanese campaigns have taken place in other Midwest areas as well:

—The St. Louis Globe-Democrat

reported March 25 that a local dealer said many of his Japanese cars arrived at his lot with bullet-riddled windows or ripped upholstery.

PC FOCUS

—American auto dealers have used racist tactics to sell U.S. cars. A common ad theme: Japan is a "sore loser" of WW2 getting its "revenge." Key Oldsmobile in Columbus, Oh. reprinted an article from the National Enquirer which blurted "Japanese Cars Killing Thousands of Americans" (referring to their lack of safety in crashes) and stated: "We whipped the Japanese in World War II—but now they're getting even by shipping us millions of dangerous cars that kill tens of thousands of Americans every year." The ad concluded by urging consumers to drive a "safe, economical" Oldsmobile.

—The Columbia (Mo.) Daily Tribune ran a full-page ad in July 1980 from Perry Chevrolet, Inc., which called for a "Japscam" because most countries, except the U.S., have laws that "effectively limit foreign car sales."

Again, reference was made to WW2 in this ad, noting that American men in American planes and ships blew the Japanese forces away. The ad also urged readers to ask the president and Congress why Washington has currently sided with the Japanese, when they should be on the side of America, as in WW2.

—Even the press has added their words to the campaign. A popular Detroit News columnist, June Brown, wrote in March that "the foreign country presently most dangerous to the United States is not Russia, but Japan" (PC Mar. 20).

—In February, local construction workers in Nashville, Tenn., threw rocks and shouted, "Japs go home!" during the groundbreaking ceremonies for a new Datsun plant, because the workers feared the Japanese would hire nonunion crews for the construction (PC Feb. 20).

Since Japan agreed May 1 to cut its annual exports to the U.S. by 7.7%—from 1.82 million in 1980 to 1.68 million—the situation has somewhat cooled off in Detroit, according to Shimoura. But he feels it could start up again, since these hostile campaigns "come in waves."

Difference in the West

Yet, while the Midwest has been fighting foreign auto sales, Japanese imports have actually helped California, according to a report by the Los Angeles Times. Eric Thor, vice president and senior economist of Bank of America, said that most Japanese imports arrive in California ports for final assembly and detail work, providing more jobs for local workers.

In addition, Thor told the Times that 1.2 million jobs in the state are tied to international trade, with import/export traffic increasing by 300% since 1975. Excluding national boundaries, Thor said the

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Camp files in U.S. archives available upon personal query

SAN FRANCISCO, Ca.—Formation of the Commission on War-time Relocation and Internment of Civilians (CWRIC) has stirred personal curiosity about family records of evacuees which are available from the National Archives for a slight fee.

To retrieve personal and family files as quickly as possible, the JACL National Committee for Redress here suggests the following procedure:

1—Write a brief letter to Janet Hargett, Chief, General Archives Division, Reference Branch, National Records Center, Suitland, Md. 20409.

2—State your interest in receiving a copy of your Evacuee Case file from the War-time Civil Control Administration (WCCA) or War Relocation Authority (WRA) collection. You can only secure your own file or that of a family member, provided the relationship is stated in the request.

3—Identify the case file by providing the name you used in the camps, birthdate, name of the camps (temporary and permanent). It is important to give the family name at the time of and during the years spent in camp.

4—And upon location of the file, the individual will be notified as to the cost of duplication (20¢ per page, subject to change).

Since individual and family records may be scattered throughout the Archives, it may be necessary to write to James

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Office of Hawaiian Affairs-JACL tie on redress seen

By KEN TOGUCHI
Hawaii Herald

HONOLULU—Initial groundwork for a possible alliance between the Hawaiian and the Japanese American communities was laid in April during a board meeting of the Honolulu chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL).

James Tsujimura, national JACL president who was on the return leg of a trip to Japan, listened intently as Frenchy DeSoto, chairperson and trustee-at-large of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA), discussed problems confronting OHA and the Hawaiian community. "The biggest problem that the Hawaiian community has had to endure

is attitudinal constraints," she said. DeSoto explained that because of cultural differences, people of other cultures have come to think of the Hawaiian people as being apathetic, lazy, and indolent.

Moreover, she continued, "They took away our language; they made us feel bad about ourselves with all the connotations about being a lazy Hawaiian." DeSoto said that there is no doubt in her mind but that genocide was intended for the Hawaiian people.

But the Hawaiian culture is not totally lost yet. OHA is an important vehicle through which Hawaiians can address the real issue of land, the basis of the Hawaiian culture.

DeSoto explained that Western man looks at land as profit and power. The Hawaiians, however, view land as an inheritance for future generations.

In the days of the Hawaiian Kingdom, the Hawaiians had rights to both the mountains and the ocean. From the mountains they gathered building materials and from the ocean they gathered food for subsistence. Those rights to gather were inherent in the land, not to the individual. She said, "You could never sell what you had taken." It was only for survival.

DeSoto went on to point out some of the injustices that continue. For example, the lands at Hoolehua and Kalama

on Molokai were set aside as Hawaiian Homestead areas for the Hawaiians by a Congressional Act in the 1920s. These lands, however, are currently being leased to the U.S. military for under 50 cents an acre. In addition, the Department of Land and Natural Resources operates a lottery that allows a selected few to hunt on the lands. The Hawaiians, however, cannot even compete in this lottery because the license fee is too high for them.

DeSoto believes that "OHA can become a very strong, political force that can change the laws for better results in our community." However, it is not intended to further di-

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Redress Reports

Guidelines: Personal Testimony

May 11, 1981

In developing testimony, oral or written, for the Commission on War-time Relocation and Internment of Civilians, it is advisable that individuals keep certain things in mind.

With respect to the preparation of written testimony the following should be observed. While it may be broad in scope, i.e., dealing with the pre-Evacuation, Evacuation, internment, and post-internment, keep in mind that this information must be conveyed in great detail. Specifics will have a much greater impact on the Commission and its staff.

Written statements need not deal with an overall perspective. They may also be limited to specific areas that the individual feels will have great impact.

Presentation of oral testimony is different because of the time constraints that will be placed on the witnesses. Hence, individuals should focus attention in very narrow and limited areas. It would be difficult, for instance, to convey one's total experience in a few minutes, thus in the time allotted, express with impact and detail a specific area of the subject matter or incident.

In general, the oral and written statements should have an introduction to the statement, a body of content, and some form of conclusion.

The introduction should accomplish two purposes: (1) It serves to introduce yourself to the Commission, and (2) it states the theme of your statement. The body of content should contain the substance, detailing the theme of the statement. The conclusion may take several forms. First, it may serve as a summary of what has been stated. Secondly, it may serve to give guidance for the Commission recommendation, or thirdly, it may serve to reiterate a key point the presenter is trying to make.

It must be stressed that in oral testimony, narrowly defined statements of experience will be most effective. For example, pre-Evacuation areas of testimony may include the plight of the voluntary evacuee or the effects of the random FBI searches, and the effect on the families of those arrested. A narrow area of testimony dealing with the internment may include incidents involving medical care and the facilities to carry out this treatment. Post-camp experience may deal with the subject of economic losses and Evacuation claims.

Town in Hiroshima to build hall as Auschwitz memorial

TOKYO—A small town outside Hiroshima, one of the two cities devastated by the World War II atomic bombings, plans to build a hall for hundreds of artifacts from the Nazi death camp in Auschwitz, Poland.

Kiminori Samei, a spokesman for the Kurose government, said, "Auschwitz and our town have in common one important historical fact — we are both victims of the last world war."

Using financial contributions from across the nation, the two are planning to open a \$1.14 million "affiliated hall" of the National Museum in Auschwitz. Projected date for completion is spring 1982.

About 200 items from Au-

deaths

Daitchi Yoshioka, 72, of Seattle has died, the Puyallup Valley JACL noted in its April newsletter. A longtime trustee member, past president and adviser of the Tacoma Buddhist Church, he was also Puyallup Valley JACL president in 1933-34.

YUKIO SHIMODA, beloved brother of Noboru, nephew of Betty, Alice and Jeanne Phillips and Tom, all of Chicago. Funeral service was held Sunday May 24, 1981 at Nishi Hongwanji, Fukui Mortuary directors. In lieu of flower family wishes contributions be made to the UCLA Cancer Research fund or to the Buddhist Temple of Chicago, 1151 Leland Ave., Chicago, IL 60640, attn: Rev. Kubose.

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Suggested Questions for Written Testimony to the Commission

The following questions are salient points you might consider and are provided simply as a guide to assist you in preparing your written testimony to the Commission. Please use this sheet accordingly and do not limit yourself to these questions.

- 1—INTRODUCE YOURSELF: Name, residence, present occupation, age.
- 2—PRE-EVACUATION
 - a. Where were you living; what were you or your family doing in 1941 (i.e., student, working, nature of work, etc.)?
 - b. What was your reaction (or your family's) to the order to evacuate?
 - c. How much time were you given to prepare for camp?
 - d. What did you take; what did you leave behind?
 - e. What would you estimate your losses (or your family's) at that time?
- 3—CAMP LIFE
 - a. What camp (temporary and permanent) were you in?
 - b. Describe the living conditions.
 - c. How were you transported from your home to camp; from camp to camp? Are there any significant experiences you remember on the ride?
 - d. What was your first impression when you arrived at camp?
 - e. What did you do in camp? Was it difficult to adjust to the lifestyle?
 - f. Were you in camp with your family? Did camp life affect your family relations?
 - g. How did the loyalty oath affect you/your family?
 - h. Is there a single event that occurred in camp that had great impact?
- 4—POST-CAMP
 - a. What did you do following camp? Where did you restle? What were the problems you encountered during this period?

- b. What was/is the most difficult problem for you to overcome?
- c. Has the WWII incarceration affected your life?
- d. What would you accept as adequate compensation for your years spent in camp? Direct compensation? Non-monetary redress?

Suggested Guidelines for Oral Testimony

- 1—Don't draw comparisons (e.g., Holocaust, Sioux Nation, Black slavery) that will invite questions which may prove difficult to answer. Keep in mind the make-up of the Commissioners.
- 2—Be specific: deal with your own personal experiences.
- 3—Leave the legal arguments to the experts. There will be plenty of attorneys who will testify on the constitutional issues.
- 4—Don't get verbose in condemning the government's actions in 1942 (e.g., "one of the greatest constitutional injustices in the history of the U.S.") because this type of statement, like the legal argument, is too vulnerable to a challenge by the Commissioners. There will be testimony presented condemning the government's action and rationale for the Evacuation. The effects of the government's action, however, should be condemned in light of the personal tragedy it created.
- 5—Determine what exactly the point is that you're trying to make through your oral testimony. What is the focus you are trying to present?
- 6—Don't over-polish your oral presentation. The most effective testimony you can give will be in the language that is the most comfortable to you.
- 7—Keep in mind that the Commissioners are there to gather information and facts and not to place witnesses on any kind of "hot seat".

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Paulauskas, GSA, National Archives and Records Service, Washington D.C. 20408, for additional materials which may be available. Same basic information noted in par. 3 above should be included in the latter query.

Although it has been almost 40 years since the beginning of the exclusion and incarceration of Japanese Americans took place, and despite the personal tragedies of that experience, very little has been published on the psychological impact of the evacuation. This fact may be attributed to the reluctance of Japanese Americans to speak openly, until recently, of the of the incarceration and is, in itself, perhaps, evidence of the impact of the camps.

JACL is attempting to gather information about camps and develop some kind of psychological profile on the impact of the experience.

To assist the JACL Redress Committee in compiling some necessary information, individual responses to the questions below should be forwarded to:

JACL National Committee for Redress, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, Ca. 94115. A response may be anonymous.

- 1—How did the incarceration affect your life?
- 2—How has it affected your relationships with others (i.e. family, non-Japanese Americans)?
- 3—Does the incarceration continue to have an impact upon you?
- 4—Have you discussed the incarceration with others? If not, why not?

"Any city or community is entitled and indeed responsible to press demands for peace, because it is the people who fall victim to war. This project should not be done by ourselves alone. The hope of all Japanese for eternal peace must be crystalized in this tiny scheme," Samei said.

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state is part of the "growing Pacific basin" and will be a beneficiary of Asia's economic growth. He added, "We're really becoming the financial center of the Asian community," noting that 835 Japanese firms had picked California as their corporate headquarters.

Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. believes that the state is stronger than the nation, economically, because of the capital coming from Asia and Mexico.

Lessons from Japan

If there have been any positive outcomes from this whole issue, it has been the attention given to Japan's economic methods toward success. Professor William Ouchi of the UCLA Graduate School of Management points out in his book, "Theory Z—How American Business Can Meet the Japanese Challenge" that U.S. industries can revitalize themselves by adapting Japanese managerial practices, such as:

- long-range planning;
- collective decision making be-

- tween management and labor;
- reciprocal employer/employee loyalty;
- egalitarian workplaces;
- trust between management and workers.

Similar points were discussed May 13 at a forum sponsored by the UCLA Institute of Industrial Relations, entitled, "Employment Strategies for the Future." JACL PSW Regional Director John Saito participated in the session, and noted that the main speaker, Teruaki Sekiguchi of the Japan Productivity Center in Washington, D.C., emphasized that the Japanese stress managerial concern for their employees' needs, which in turn increases productivity.

However, while many management scholars and professionals feel that the Japanese success formula can offer much needed aid for the ailing U.S. companies, other academicians, such as Prof. Robert Lekachman of City University in New York, feel, as he said in the Los Angeles Times, that Japanese managerial practices will merely be "fads" and that these ideas are unlikely to find a permanent place in American business because of cultural differ-

ences and the resistance to change by U.S. industries.

New Cars May Not Help

The American auto industry will need to take advantage of the time granted to them through the new restrictions, in order to retool their assembly plants and make up for the bad managerial decisions of the past which originally put them in the slump.

However, some critics feel the two-year reduction plan of Japanese imports isn't enough time. Arvid Jouppi, a Detroit analyst for the New York investment firm of John Muir and Co., said May 1, "It doesn't give the U.S. industry any more time, really, than they would have had already."

The new GM J-cars, front wheel drive subcompacts which industry officials claim will get about 20 MPG in the city and 40 MPG on the highway, promise much but may deliver little.

The Los Angeles Times noted that Chevrolet general manager Robert D. Lund commented on their new "Cavalier" model: "It's our avowed champion to thwart the success of the Japanese."

But the new J-cars may not help the ailing U.S. industry as much as they hope. One reason is the \$7,000-8,000 price tags for the new cars. To make matters worse, Robert McElwaine, president of the American International Automobile Dealers Association in Washington, said Detroit's big three automakers had announced price increases on their current models shortly after the Japanese agreed to reduce their imports (GM raised prices 3.5%, Ford and Chrysler 2.8% each), which will more than likely further discourage consumers from "buying American" (Consumers already face higher prices for Japanese cars, which were raised by U.S. dealers in anticipation of shortages).

Most importantly, the poor reliability of American cars has been the major factor in turning most buyers away. Henry Ohye, a retired auto salesman who had been in the business for over 35 years, noted that domestic cars are often

plagued with mechanical failures and defects, frequently being recalled by the factory or brought back to dealers for service.

Ohye also said that even a Chevrolet factory worker, while hand-

ling a customer's complaint, admitted that Japanese cars are made "the way cars should be made."

So while U.S. automaker's seek relief, which may be a long time in

coming, Japanese American leaders must continue to monitor the different racist "placebos" that some U.S. auto dealers and union members have chosen as their immediate remedies.



NEW SUPERVISOR — Many Los Angeles area JACLers attended a dinner in Torrance April 22 for newly elected County Supervisor Dean Dana, who expressed a need for better relationships with Asian American communities. Pictured are (from left): Julie and Hank Sakai of Long Beach; Dana and his wife Doris.

Sumoists to compete for San Jose Basho

SAN JOSE, Ca.—Interest has been strong in the upcoming grand sumo tournament (the San Jose Basho) June 6-7 at the new fieldhouse of Independence High School, where 35 top-ranking sumoists from Japan will compete.

Experts from Japan are arriving earlier in the week to supervise construction of the sumo ring

(dohyo) out of clay and packed to the height of 40 inches. Without pillars or posts inside, the fieldhouse offers spectators an unobstructed view of the action.

Takamiyama, the Hawaiian sumoist (Jesse Kuhaulua), is expected here several days earlier to help publicize the event, which is expected to draw fans from

throughout Northern and Central California.

The sumo entourage will be housed at the Hyatt House here, where a dinner reception is scheduled on Sunday, June 7, 6:30 p.m. Reservations for the \$20 dinner can be made through the local sumo ticket office, Tokunaga Insurance, Sumitomo Bank Bldg., 515 N. 1st St. (286-1537).

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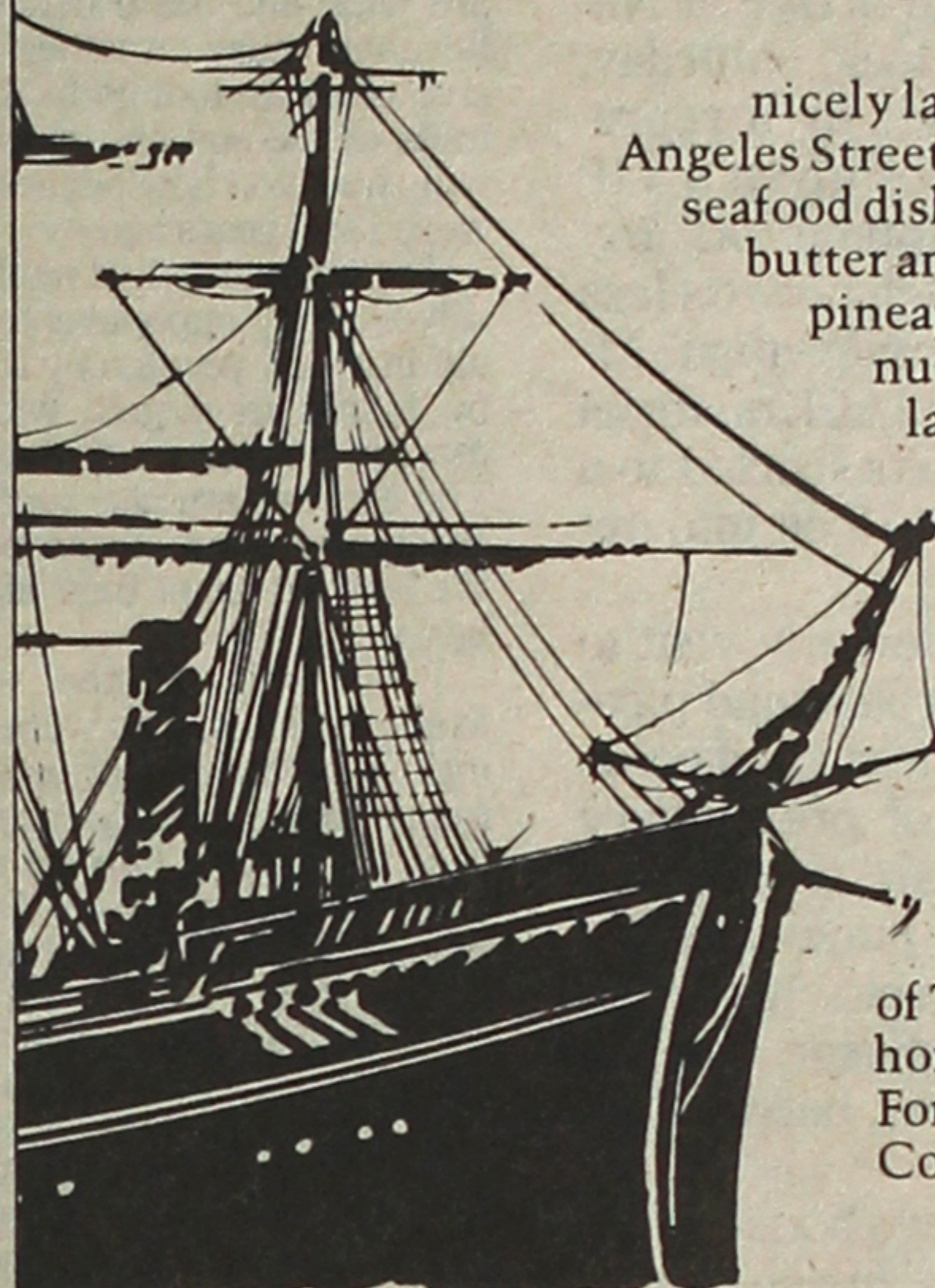
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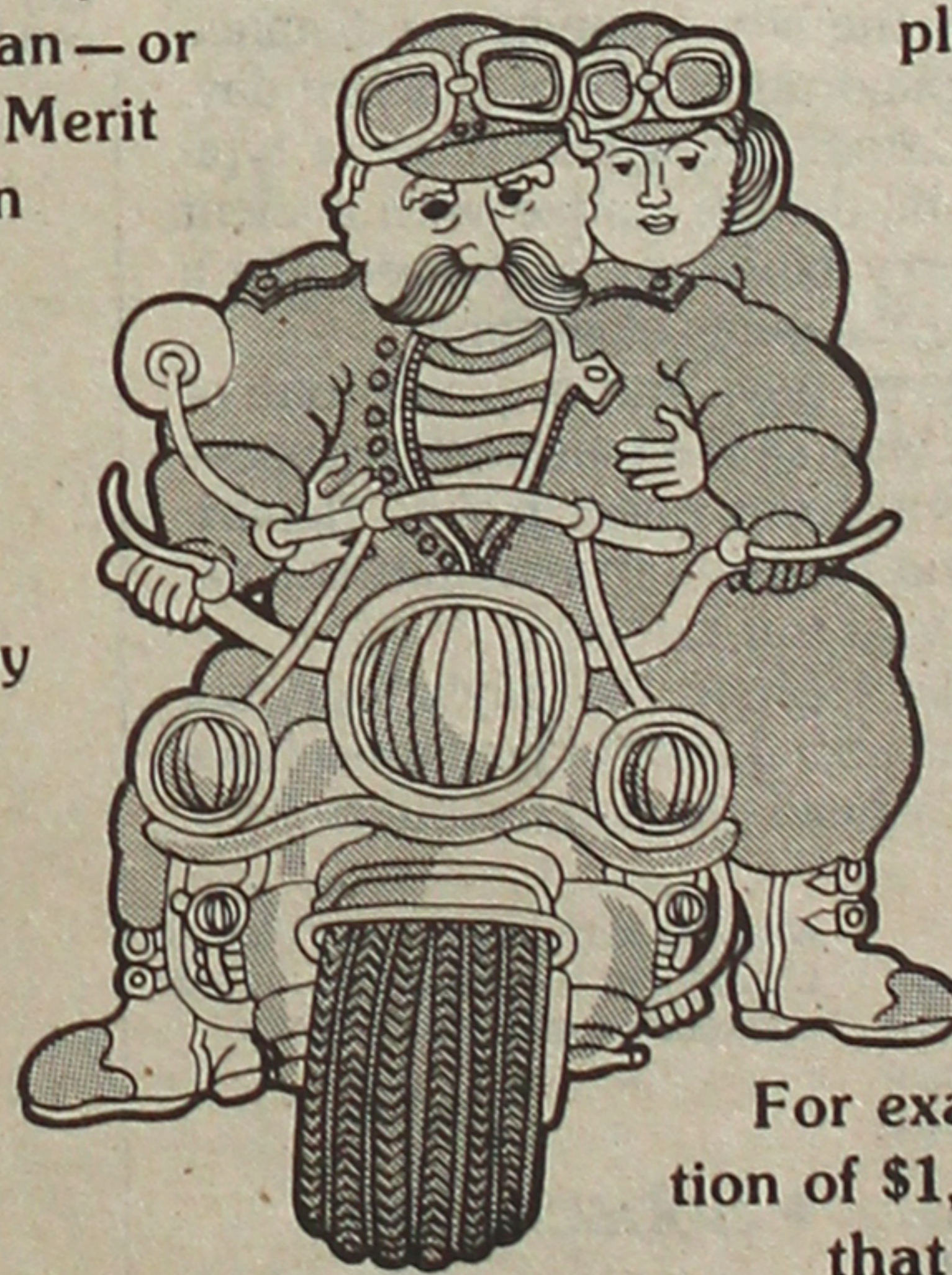
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Japan Trip

Part III

We were scheduled to arrive at Narita Airport at 17:30 o'clock, Saturday, April 4. I was again met by a representative from JAL. I was given a VIP badge—which kept slipping off my coat onto the floor—which nonetheless accorded me express passage through immigration. After successfully finding my bags, boxes of JACL material and gifts (7 items of luggage in all!), I was escorted to a special Customs Officer who asked only to look into my brief case.

With these regulatory niceties concluded, my visit to Japan officially commenced with the privilege and pleasure of meeting Sen Nishiyama, a man whom I had come to respect and trust during the course of preliminary communication, a man of whom I had heard nothing but praise. In the ensuing days, I witnessed personally the reasons why he is held in such high esteem. It was an honor to have Sen as companion and advisor. We are indeed fortunate to have Sen as a paraclete, befriending JACL.

The ride to Tokyo took approximately two hours. I was overwhelmed by the spectre and sound of the city's motorized magnitude, the crowded, narrow express ways teeming with automobiles—all going the "wrong" way with drivers seated on the "wrong" side. Among the company of svelte compact Toyotas, Datsuns, Hondas and Mazdas, I spotted one American made car—which looked like an elephant among a herd of gazelles.

Along the thoroughfares, I was greeted by thousands of electric signs of different sizes, shapes and color, displaying an array of dazzling lights. We passed an intersection where one could see the full length of the famous Ginza strip—SPECTACULAR! And which I was later to find would be the closest I would be to the Ginza—at least on this particular trip.

Arriving at the Hotel New Otani, I was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Barry Saiki and Mrs. and Mrs. Dick Yamashita. Although it had been some 24 hours without sleep, I was too excited to eat or rest.

The following day, from the window of my room on the 35th floor of the Tower facing southeast, I was treated to the splendor of a magnificent view. The Akasaka Tokyu Hotel and the Suntory Building laying at my feet, the top of the National Diet Building, the grandeur of the 36 storied Kasumigaseki Building and the Tokyo Tower majestically rising above the city-scape in the distance was a sight to see. The panoramic mix of modern day, contemporary styled buildings set against those of typical and traditional oriental design, dotted with ancient shrines, castles and cherry blossoms, appeared like a picture straight out of the National Geographic.

That day, Sen and Barry gave me a grand tour of Tokyo—subterranean as well as the tourist-terranean—from Asakusa to Shibuya, from underground department stores to shrines and temples; from automatic pachinko machines to cozy yaki-tori eateries.

Exhausted from the jet lag and the day's tour, but enriched by the sights and sounds of Tokyo, I must have fallen asleep as soon as my head touched the pillow.

For the Record

The dates in Chuck Kubokawa's report and schedule here last week on the First International Pan-American Nikkei conference (July 23-26) are correct—only the day of the week which was added by the PC ostensibly for clarity

was off-kilter. Our apologies to Chuck, but the confusion did add unexpected attention.—Editor.

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Workweek survey

GENEVA—The International Labor Organization survey on the average hours of work in a work week during the 1970-79 decade shows Swiss (44.5), West German (41.9), French (41.2) and British men (44) all have longer workweeks than the Japanese (40.7) and Americans (37.1 in 1970 and 35.6 in 1979).

Report on Mexico City

By TOY KANEGAI

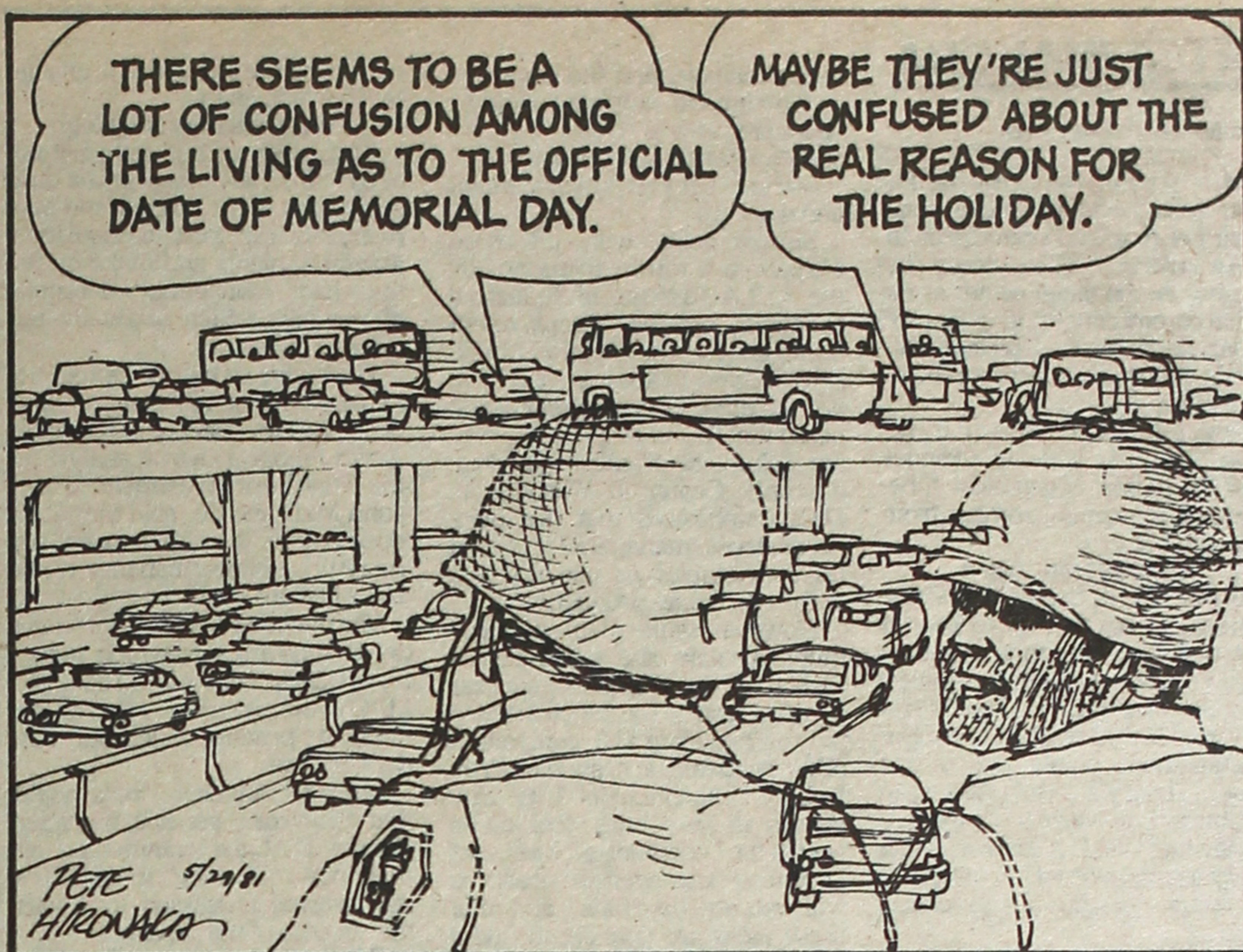
I was always interested in going to Mexico but friends who had gone before, never seemed to encourage such a trip. What changed my mind and the turning point was when I met three Japanese Mexican Nisei from Mexico City at the JACL National Convention at San Francisco in 1980. The three were Carlos Kasuga, Enrique Shibayama, and Dr. Manuel Murakami.

Thus five brave souls decided to take the trip to Mexico and our first stop was the beautiful Mexico City, its history and European influence noticeable throughout this city. Their archeological museum is a must for all visitors; the impressive art works of Diego Rivera is noticeable throughout the city; and the city parks are points of beauty where the families gather each Sunday. The boulevards are wide and the traffic is unbelievably busy. Another impressive one day tour is to the pyramids of the sun and moon which will show you how advanced they were 1,000 years ago.

The Spaniards had made themselves really unpopular for bringing in a new religion by force and by taking their gold which was mostly treasures of their gods. The Mayans are also regarded as Asians by some anthropologists. We learned too of their high intelligence.

I was able to meet with the Mexican Nisei, who were expecting us because of prior arrangements made possible through Dr. Luis Kobashi, Orange County JACL chapter president. Our hosts made the short visit interesting and exciting. Not only did we visit their homes, but many of the points of interest of Japanese influence to include their beautiful Japanese Mexican school which was built in 1974. The school has 125 teachers and student transportation pick-up service by 12 school buses. The enrollment is at its capacity and there are many children on the wait list. We were escorted to their Nichiboku Kaikan Building which was built in 1957 by their parents. The building houses a huge swimming pool and an area for judo and kendo. Another interesting fact about the Nisei in Mexico is that 95% are of Catholic religion.

We met Chuck Kubokawa who flew in to discuss the up coming Pan American Nisei Convention to be held in Mexico City from July 23-26, 1981. I hope that many JACLers will make the trip to the convention, not only to meet with our Pan American neighbors but learn how advanced the Nisei are. They know of no prejudice and have been able to enter into any field of business and pursue any profession. For those who attend will have the good fortune to meet and make friends with people like Carlos, Enrique, and Manuel whose lives are dedicated to improve the way of life for all Pan American Nisei. Oh, yes, the same can be said for their Sansei children!



FROM HAPPY VALLEY: by Sachi Seko

Memorial Day...is 'everyday'

Salt Lake City
 My brother's ashes were scattered at sea on the 12th of February. He died February 1, 1981 at Mercy Hospital in Sacramento, Ca., of cancer at age 48. There is no stone to mark the place that contains his remains for Memorial Day. It was as he wished. "No cold, dark grave for me." No obituary was published on his death. Public disclosure was unnecessary. Those who were closest to him were aware of his terminal illness and death. A knowledge that is conveyed in some mysterious way to those who are meant to know. For at the end, to whom does one's life or death really matter? To only an intimate few.

There was no memorial service. Ritual was generally abhorrent to my brother. Letters from his friends were the eulogies. The kind of letters he liked, would have liked. Honest and direct, humorous and sorrowful. They were perfect because they were private, as eulogies should be.

The death of a sibling is a strange, new experience. There were five years and one sister between me and my brother. When I knew he was dying, I resented the disorder it represented. Being the oldest child, I always assumed I

would die first. The conflict of voice. Mine, "Why him?" Our dead mother's, "You go first, Sachi. You've always gone first because you aren't afraid. And he's your little brother." And my sisters' voices, "Save his life." My helpless answer, "I would if I could, but I can't."

My brother came home during the fall of 1978 to tell my sister and me of his cancer. He tried to be optimistic, pretending he would be back the next summer. We knew he would never come again. When he left home several years ago, he took one souvenir, a wood carving brought to America by our grandparents. On this final trip, he had quietly returned it to a shelf in the family house. Memento mori.

My brother said he did not want to dwell on his approaching death, preferring to concentrate his diminishing ener-

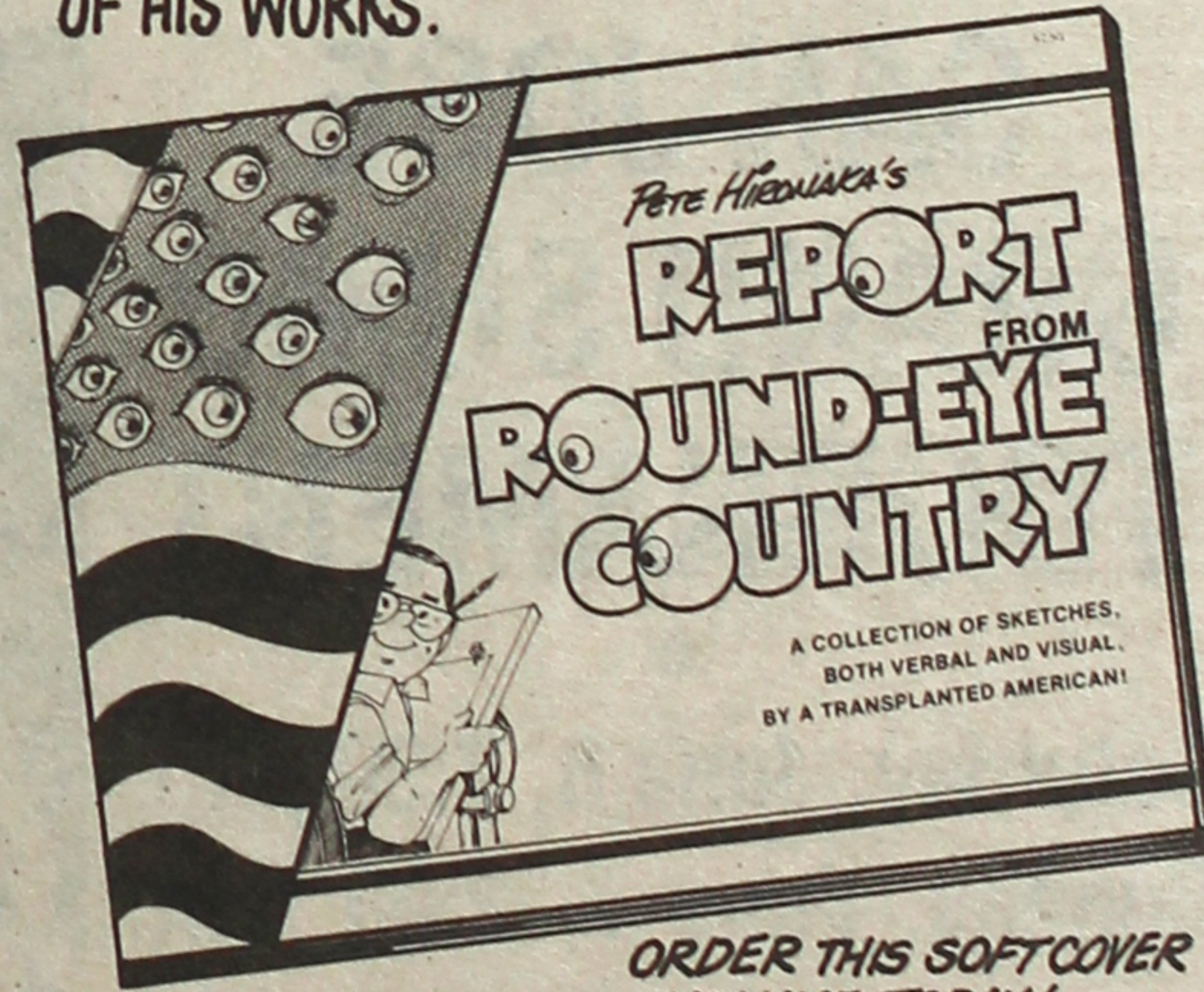
gy toward living. He advised us to do the same. Yet, I was surrounded by reminders of him and inevitably, of death. My brother was an artist. In the luckiest families, there is only one, the chosen one. He, who sees and snares the human soul. I felt an urgent desire to destruct his elegant expressions. Ceramic pieces, paintings, an etching and most of all, the solid silver sculpture. A Siva's head. Each morning, I saw it first. I thought of hiding it in a drawer. But when I reached for it, my hand backed off.

My brother wanted to die with dignity. He needed my sister and me to help him achieve this. We promised not to tell our father or our youngest sister of his cancer. "I hate emotional scenes. And what good would it do?" He called

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa

Hironaka's Report: a Welcome Addition

Denver, Colo.

Whatever the shape of Pete Hironaka's eyes, they reflect an irrepressible spirit of fun, a sense of wonder and curiosity, a love of life. All of that comes through the pages of his book "Pete Hironaka's Report from Round-Eye Country," a collection of very personal essays and cartoons, which he has just published.

The economics and techniques of book publishing and selling being what they are, Pete's publication would do well to return him his printing costs. But as one Nisei's report of his life and times, it is a welcome addition to our literature and should be of particular interest to Sansei—among them Hironaka's children Stan and Cathy—who are curious about their roots.

Hironaka, as long-time readers of Pacific Citizen know, is the cartoonist who somehow manages to come up with topics of interest to Japanese Americans even though he lives and works in far-off Dayton, Ohio. For a while he was the only Nisei contributing political cartoons regularly to a metropolitan newspaper but that was a job not

entirely well-suited to Hironaka's character. He was too nice a guy; he lacked the instinct for the jugular that characterizes highly successful pen-and-ink assassins (I can call them that because I've worked with them) like Pat Oliphant and Paul Conrad.

Somewhere along the way he acquired a yearning to tell his story, even if he had to publish it himself. (Such enterprise is not new for Hironaka. Several years ago he painted and printed a poster dedicated to the Issei, depicting their story from their origins in Japan through the years of vigorous adjustment as immigrants to the years of fulfillment as United States citizens. He might have a few prints left, if you're interested in buying one, in fact quite a few.)

Although Hironaka was born in Sacramento, he begins his story with the day in 1945—after the end of the war in Europe and before the Japanese surrender—when he left the Poston WRA camp in the Arizona desert for the campus of Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. It was his first venture into Round-Eye country, and he found the natives friendly.

But there were frightening and poignant moments.



EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani

An Erudite Rendition

Philadelphia

SEVERAL ISSUES AGO we reminisced a bit over the polyglot we overheard our Issei parents use. Sam and Marge Shimasaki (Chicago) reminded me of one that I indeed recall: "Go homu *kau*" or suffering a directive to "go home", i.e. you're fired. Then the Shimasaki's impishly added a daffy-nition: "waga-mama" - a self-indulging mama? Well, that got me to thinking. Unfortunately, *Yojin-bo*: a cautious hobo?

I ONCE SAW a set of *kanji* "flash cards" and the object was to come up with a clever legend for the kanji word. For example, the *kanji* character for "mon" (gate) indeed does look somewhat like two, swinging doors to a barroom. Legend: "Is my father still in there?" Some others. *Mori* (a grove of trees): "Don't either of you below move." *Orna* (woman): "Those honey buckets were heavy." *Dai* (big): "Lissen, I said stick 'em up." *Tani* (valley): "I can't help but laugh for crying." *Kome* (rice): "Oooo, that was one bitter lemon!" Well, you get the idea. Some evening get your friends together for a parlor game for an amusing, imaginative session on ideograms.

AN EPITOME of the play on words was a headline to an article reporting on a tour group that had been misled about a supposedly enticing trip to the Emerald Isles, Ireland. The headline: TOUR ALLURE A LIE.

THE HALLMARK of mastery of a language, particularly a foreign language, is the ability to employ puns. Clever puns, in any language, are amusing. My mastery, if one may wantonly call it that, of *nihongo* is such that even if I were to hear a pun, I may not recognize it. I do recall, however, Frank Hattori (from Seattle) regaling us with Japanese jokes, including at least one pun that was quite clever. It was sufficiently elementary that even I understood. He was relating a fable of monkeys falling from trees, the only ones falling being females. How come? Those that didn't fall were "o-chinko's." Frank had the knack of keeping a straight face, yet the twinkle in his eye told you that something was on its way... and it was. He's the only Nisei standup comic I've ever heard, and he was entertaining.

THERE IS ONE other observation that I'd like to pass along while engaged in this erudite rendition. And that is that use of risqué foreign words, - which in English we might find offensive, - turn out to be quaintly amusing. I've often wondered just why that is so.

FROM HEADQUARTERS:

What Is a JAACL National Youth Conference?

By BRUCE K. SHIMIZU

San Francisco

For many JAACLers too old to have ever been a Jr. JAACLer or a JAY, the approach of this year's JAACL National Youth Conference, June 22-27, at UC Irvine might not seem too big a deal. But for the scores of Sansei and Yonsei who have attended "Nationals" in the past, the suitcases are already packed and the ticket reservations have been made.

What is a National Youth Conference all about? I guess you could call it a gathering of Japanese American youth for a week of sharing, experiencing, and learning what it is to be a Japanese American. Youth Conferences are filled with activities that encourage communication between the youth, the building of trust, and sharing of ideas and concerns. Workshops and activities are the focus of the conference, but it's the discussions and get-togethers that happen between activities that often are the most memorable.

In the past two years as JAACL Youth Director, I have had the opportunity to meet and talk with many "old JAYs or Juniors"

and it never ceases to amaze me how time isn't measured by years, it's measured by the passage of National Youth Conferences. Cities like San Jose, Portland, Salt Lake City, Chicago, Sacramento, and many others have played host to a JAACL National Youth Conference. The opportunity for youth across the country to come together at these events has given birth to many valuable memories and innumerable friendships. One former Jr. JAACLer mentioned that he had only to make a few phone calls to his old Jr. JAACL friends and he could travel across the country and never even see a hotel.

Camaraderie among the JAACL youth is probably the most dynamic factor to a National Youth Conference. For one week in the summer, Japanese American youth from all over the United States come together bringing their different views, interests and concerns to share with and learn from other Nikkei youth. Each conference is different, each year the faces change, but one thing remains the same... the feeling at the end. The wanting for more, the "I can't wait till next time", or the "when will I see you again", or the "I'll write you as soon as I get home". It's the camaraderie.

Many Japanese American young people feel inhibited or intimidated by their peers in school, inferiority governs their actions and their social growth is restricted. Too many J/A youth are introverted and it affects them in their education and eventually their jobs as well. Taken out of the high pressure peer setting and placed in a group of other Japanese American youth often helps youth express themselves and learn to cope with their identity.

JAACL has a program to offer the youth of the Japanese American community, but it won't work unless the membership of this organization utilize it. The Northern California-Western Nevada District missed a chance to send their youth to a JAACL-sponsored Leadership Seminar this summer by not becoming involved. This organization made its commitment to youth over 20 years ago and lately it seems to have forgotten what that commitment involves: Youth require more than just the freedom to make their own decisions, they need the guidance to make the right decisions. JAACLers once took the lead in helping their youth. Can't we once again make that commitment?

Any JAACL Chapter in the position to help youth attend this year's conference should do its utmost to aid those youth. Contact with JAACL in these types of situations demonstrates the diversity of JAACL and its commitment to youth. Parents too

Like the time the campus queen asked him to dance, and like the day he had to go to a barbershop. Pete had never been barbered by a white man and it took a lot of courage for a kid from the West Coast to enter what had been no-man's land. Pete got his haircut alright, and when he left he felt that "I had climbed the highest mountain and now the walk down High Street was all down hill." Months later he learned the barber had thought Pete was one of the princes of Siam that had been attending Miami U.

Much of Hironaka's story has to do with the friends he made in Round-Eye country, co-workers, bosses, teachers, customers and others who, at first, surprised him by offering their friendship simply because he was a likable human being. It is a tragedy of our times that he hadn't experienced that kind of treatment before.

Pete won acceptance in Dayton by being himself and found life and work so satisfying that he—like so many other Nisei who sank their roots deep into the soil of inland America—had no desire to return to the West Coast. But he never forgot that he was a Nisei. By chance he happened to become a member of JAACL, became exposed to Pacific Citizen, and was so moved by a Mike Masaoka column eulogizing Nisei war dead on Memorial Day that he sketched an editorial cartoon and mailed it to Harry Honda. That was his start as PC cartoonist.

Hironaka's report from Round-Eye country is hardly profound, but it is a warm record of one observant and articulate Nisei's experiences, and as such it deserves attention.

35 Years Ago

June 1, 1946

May 21—JAACL-CRDU charges San Francisco business license code discriminates against evacuees, unable to reopen cleaning-dyeing shop since new regulations precludes those who were in business Sept. 16, 1945; prewar shops operated by Issei were forced to close in 1942.

May 25—Tokyo paper (Minpo) reports torture death in 1945 of Canoga Park Nisei (Fred Fujikawa), stranded in Japan by war and "forced into Japanese Army"; father attributed death to "torture" while in army.

May 27—Nat'l JAACL schedules one-month speaking tour into East

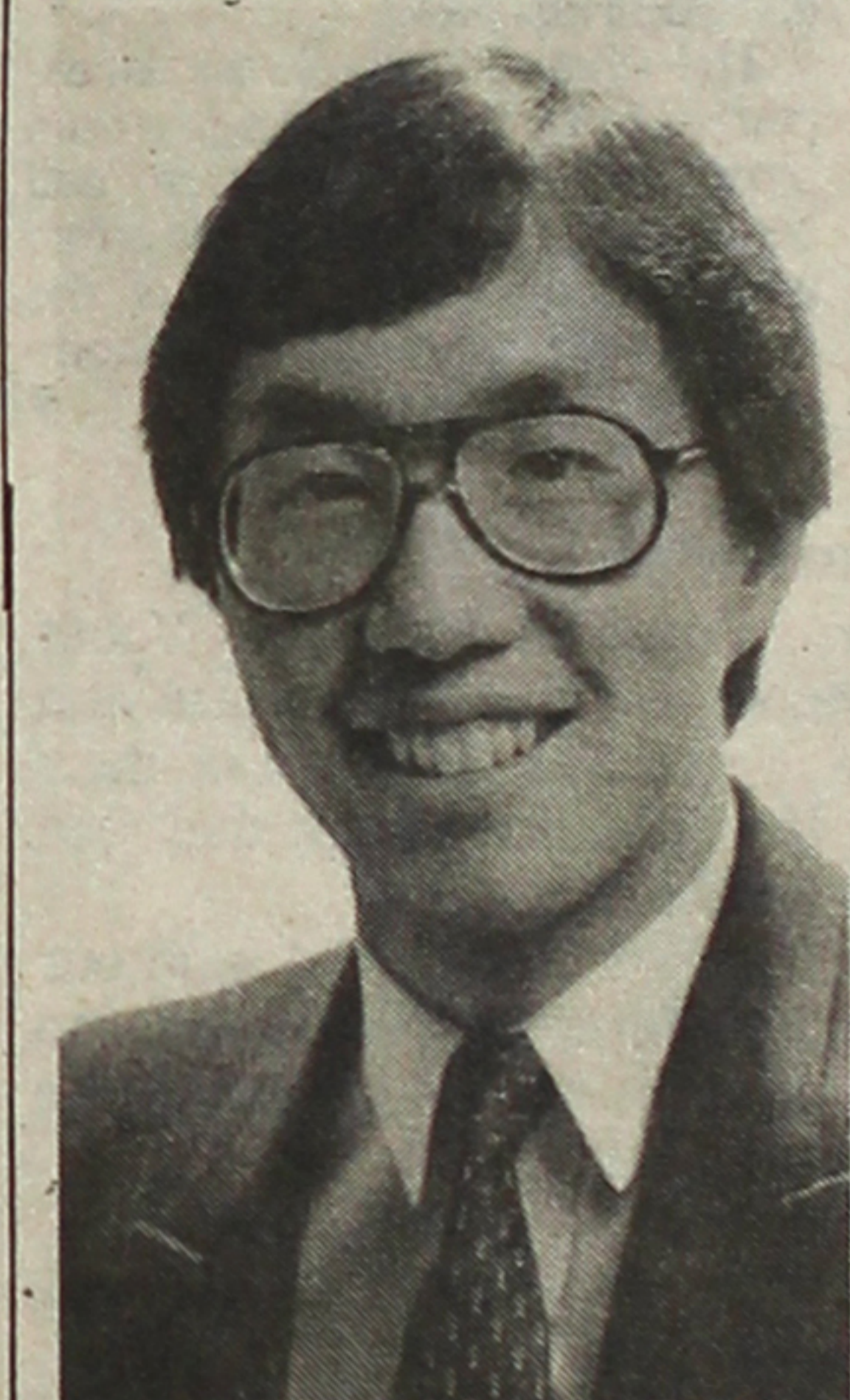
in the Pacific Citizen and Midwest for Japanese-speaking staff member Eiji Tanabe to tell JAACL program and drive for Issei naturalization.

May 28—State of California stymied in effort to escheat Coachella Valley farm of Katsumi Nagata; Nisei defendant still in U.S. Army.

May 28—About 2,000 Issei aliens who aided U.S. war effort facing deportation, N.Y. Times reports from Washington; Eberharter bill would grant Attorney General right to stay deportation of Issei on hardship basis.

May 30—Nisei (Chick Hirashima of Los Angeles) is mechanic of winning car, driven by George Robson, in Indianapolis 500 race.

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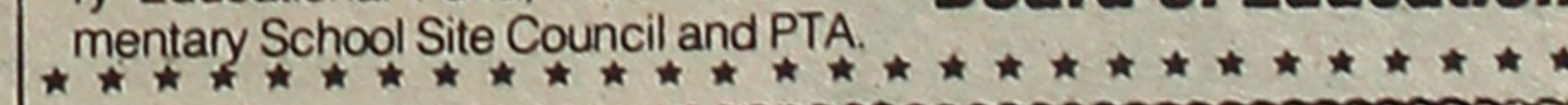
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However, some commission members are known to have said in the past that they will not go through picket lines and may refuse to attend the hearings.

He said he is afraid the media will also play up what is going on outside (picketing) and "we are most anxious to have them cover what is happening inside at the hearings than outside."

He said he expects some "anti" witnesses, but "we are not worried about them."

'Only Chance We Have'

Tateishi said these hearings are most important as this will be "the only chance we have to present our pleas as the Evacuation issue is never going to come up again for government review."

He urged those who will be testifying to make their presentations brief and concise and to include only statements they can back with proof.

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He said those who are apprehensive about speaking should submit written testimony.

A check for \$3200 (or 86% of its \$3,700 goal) was presented to Tateishi for the JACL redress fund by the host Monterey Peninsula chapter. He also received checks for \$300 from Fremont JACL, \$200 from the Stockton chapter and \$1870 (or 83% of its \$2,200 goal) from French Camp chapter.

Tsujimura's Japan Trip

The meeting was attended by Dr. James Tsujimura of Portland who reported on his recent trip to Japan made possible by a grant from Japan Foundation to promote contacts with people of Japan.

He said he met Premier Zenko Suzuki, ex-ambassador to U.S. Fumihiko Togo, foreign minister Masayoshi Ito and others. All were aware of the problems faced by the Nikkei in America and are willing to open the door to help.

During his 15-day trip, he visited Hiroshima and said one has to visit the A-Bomb museum to get the full impact of the bombing.

He asked if there are any plans to send an exhibit to America, possibly at the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C. The reply of the museum director was they would be happy to do so, but only if asked to send it. Tsujimura said JACL might work on it.

He also visited Meiji Mura in Nagoya and museum there commemorating Japanese who left to settle overseas in the Meiji period.

Idaho Falls honors graduates and Issei

The Idaho Falls JACL held its annual Graduation-Issei Appreciation Night, May 15, at Ada's Cafe. Attending Issei were I. Saito, Mrs. T. Nishioka, Mrs. R. Ueda, Mrs. S. Shikashio, Mrs. M. Shikashio, Mrs. M. Tanaka, S. Sato, Mrs. N. Tokita, Mrs. Y. Yamasaki, and Mrs. A. Furukawa. Unable to attend was Skyline High School senior Stu Sato, who was competing in the Idaho State high school track championships at Boise.

During the evening an activity committee was selected to plan local programs as the summer outing, steak fry, and charter bus trip to Jackpot. Committee members are May Ogawa, Martha Sakaguchi, Shoji, Nukaya, Deto Harada and Hid Hasegawa.

The chapter newsletter is expected to be published again on a bimonthly basis. Yoshi Ochi will be in charge of initiating this effort which should fulfill some of the communication needs of the members and the chapter. #

memorating Japanese who left to settle overseas in the Meiji period. A building from Hawaii and another from Brazil are on the grounds as permanent memorials and they are looking forward to one from the U.S.

They would like to hear about any buildings in the U.S. and they would be willing to send persons to inspect it.

Kubokawa reported on the international Pan American Nikkei conference being held in Mexico City and the JACL international relations committee's plans for a tour party leaving July 22 and returning July 29.

He said Spanish will be the official language with simultaneous translation planned in English and Japanese. A series of general meetings, lectures and workshops are planned, plus a tour.

Cost for eight-day trip will be \$698, plus \$80 conference registration fee and thus far 50 signed up to go.

Hirota announced JACL-sponsored Japan trip to leave Oct. 6. Cost will be \$730. Already 100 reservations have been made from San Jose, 50 each from San Mateo and Sacramento and 50 from Bay Area.

He said a Sayonara party with Japan JACL chapter in Tokyo on

Puyallup Valley fete for graduates June 14

Area graduates from high school and college will be honored at the Puyallup Valley JACL graduation banquet June 14 at the Poodle Dog Restaurant in Fife. Dr. James Doi, UW dean of education, will be guest speaker. Elsie and Harry Taniguchi are dinner co-chair.

Among the 12 college graduates are Hiroshi W. Nakano (MBA in public health administration), Cornell; Diane K. Tanbara (MBA in health services administration), Michigan; and Ed Yoshida (J.D. in law), San Francisco. Chapter listed 16 graduates from high schools. #

WLA JACL scholarship dinner set June 5

Allan Nishio, dean of student development at CSU-Long Beach, will be guest speaker at the annual West Los Angeles JACL scholarship dinner June 5 at Bullock's Westwood. Tickets are \$10.25 with reservations available from board members or co-chair Toy Kanegai (820-3592) and Sid Yamazaki (391-4048).

Chapter has awarded over \$3,000 in scholarships over the past year, including grants to Japanese school, vocational awards and a Presidential Classroom for Young American award.

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the night before departure for home has been planned.

Events for Youth

District track meet will be held Sunday, June 7, and State JACL meet on June 21, both at Chabot College in Hayward.

The proposed JACL Scholarship for Youth Leaders Seminar scheduled for Asilomar this summer has been canceled, according to Ben Takeshita. The district had earlier allocated \$250 for the seminar, but the delegates voted to raise this sum to \$500 to help send delegates to the JACL's national youth convention in Irvine.

Plans are to charter a bus for those going from Northern California at the cost of some \$1,400 and the request for \$500 was approved after it was reported that with this sum the fare could be lowered to \$20 per person.

Hirota also said that tapes of the Japan-produced documentary "Yankee Samurai," recently shown here, are available. It was to go.

Stockton JACL to honor eight scholars

The 1981 Stockton JACL scholarship winners and their parents will be honored June 7, 1 p.m., at Kazan Restaurant. Honorees at the luncheon are:

\$500 JACL-Elizabeth Humbargar Scholarship—Lisa Matsuo, Stagg High; d of M/M David T. Matsuo.

\$100 Stockton JACL Awards—Janet Takemoto, Stagg High, d of M/M Dick Takemoto; Glen Hori, Edison High, s of M/M Lester Hori; James Tabuchi, Stagg High, s of M/M George Tabuchi.

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\$100 Sumitomo Bank of Calif.—Mark Matsuo, Stagg High, s of M/M Masami Matsuo.

Special Recognitions—Wendy Kurihara, Edison High, d of M/M Masami Kurihara; Carol Nishimori, Edison High, d of M/M Tadashi Nishimori; Greg Fukuhara, Franklin High, s of M/M Frank Fukuhara.

\$250 Foreign Student/JACL-Humbargar—(to be announced).

Bill Shima, scholarship chair, E. Humbargar, Mrs. George Baba, Toyo Ijuin, Dr. Kengo Terashita, Edwin Endow and Sam Itaya were judges this year.

JACL tennis tourney

SAN JOSE, Ca.—Entry deadline for the July 19 local JACL-California First Bank-Sumitomo Bank tennis tournament at San Jose State is Wednesday, July 1. Entry forms are available at the banks and at Pete Nakahara's law office. Competition is to be classified by men's and women's Aye, Bee and Fun Group mixed doubles.

announced that the VHF tapes may be purchased at \$14 each by contacting Ted Morodomi at 2852 Stratford Av., San Ramon 94583.

The third quarterly N.C.-W.N.-P District Council meeting will be held in Oakland.

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Let's get behind the National Youth Program and send our youth to this year's National Youth Conference. If JACL wants to have young people take an interest in the organization, the organization has to take an interest in youth.

(The No. Cal.-W. Nev.-Pacific District Council, at its May 3 meeting, voted \$500 to help defray travel costs of youth attending the National JACL Youth Conference June 22-27 at UC Irvine.) #

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● **Education**
Dr. Chris Shinya Tomine was appointed director of administration and business affairs at CSU-Sacramento following a nationwide search of four months, according to President W. Lloyd Johns. On campus as acting director of Asian American Studies and professor in civil engineering, he was born at Tule Lake, raised in Alameda and graduated in engineering physics at UC Berkeley and his M.S. and Ph.D. from Oregon State.
Soroptimist International of Los Angeles West honored **Dr. Gail Mielko Nomura** for research work on Asian women. Currently, she is doing research on Issei women in the Hawaii sugar industry, as a post-doctoral fellow, UCLA Asian American Studies Center. She is also doing research on The Nisei Question in Pre-war Hawaii, and the Establishment and Development of Women's and Minor's Bureau under the Allied Occupation of Japan.

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ment of Women's and Minor's Bureau under the Allied Occupation of Japan.
● **Religion**
Two long-time ministers of the Buddhist Churches of America were named bishops and have assumed foreign posts, it was announced early last month by the BCA. They are **Rev. Shawsheh Sakow**, who was named bishop of the Hompa Hongwanji of South America in February; and **Rev. Shodo Tsunoda**, named to the Buddhist churches of Canada. Both are retired BCA ministers. #

Rose Festival princess
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Portland JAACL's community project: Nikkei phone book
PORTLAND, Ore.—As a community service project, the Portland JAACL is nearing completion of a Nikkei phone directory, expected to contain about 2,000 names from Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington counties and Vancouver, Wash.
Chapter co-president Miyuki Yasui spells out how it's being accomplished in the current newsletter.

1—Collecting the names from Ma Bell's directory, supplementing that with membership lists from various community groups.
2—Then telephoning all the names to check the accuracy of the information and permission to list them in the JAACL directory.
3—Everyone listed will receive a copy of the directory, which is expected to be finished this summer.

The phone committee has been meeting regularly over the past two months at Benjamin Franklin Savings & Loan and The Prudential Life Insurance Co., using their offices and telephones. "Thus as many as 15 of us have been able to work together at one time, that resulted in fun rather than tedium," Yasui noted.

The experience has been enlightening. About 40 names presumed to be Japanese were Czech, Dutch, Finnish, Rumanian or Russian in origin. Others offered opinions about JAACL (one thought it was "radical"). Some asked how newcomers can meet other Nikkei. Some members said they were not on the chapter newsletter list.

Some businessmen didn't wish to be added to the classified section as "they don't need any more business". But it is expected to serve as an index of the Nikkei talent in the area.

Issei who happen to be living in the same household are to be listed separately. Those who are married are being asked for both names.

And to JAACLers who live outside the designated area, confirmation is requested (since the committee is not making any long-distance calls for confirmation) by writing or calling: Portland JAACL Directory, c/o Yasui, 227 SE 52nd Ave, Portland, Ore. 97215 (234-4714).

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me from the family house on the night of his departure with specific instructions for the term of his illness and final disposition of his body and possessions. I was perturbed when he told me to put it on paper. "To make sure you don't make any mistakes." Forgetting the sober content of our conversation, I lashed back in characteristic fashion. "I'm not a total idiot." He chuckled. Our usual sense of ease was restored. Send me a signal when you are dying, I asked. I required time to prepare our father and youngest sister. Our father died a year later on my brother's 47th birthday without learning our secret. My brother was also never to know that our father was terminally ill with cancer for a year.

Toward the end of last year, I developed a ridiculous habit of placing my robe within reach at night and checking the telephones to see that they were operating. One night, I realized I was repeating a pattern of other death waits. On January 3, 1981, I dreamt of my brother for the first time in years. The journal entry: "A death dream." On January 20, official word of approaching death. My brother had re-

ceived the medical opinion on January 7, four days after my dream.

"Promise not to come at that time or after," he had asked. I tried to avoid answering. We have always relied on the hard, cruel rules of our childhood. A promise given is a promise kept. Exasperated with my hesitation, he raised his voice, "What do you want to observe?" The image of vultures came to mind. And I, disgraced in coveting my terrible self-image at the forfeiture of his dignity and pride, gave my reluctant, firm word.

Two anxious years are past. The sad secret carried like a stone. Sometimes, too heavy to bear alone. At those times, I turned to loyal friends, who never violated my trust and preserved my brother's privacy. To them, I owe appreciation for offering understanding, not hope. It would have been a false gift, for there was no hope. My brother died peacefully, without pain. Until the last, he was faithful to the Asian concept of masculine dignity. There were no tears.

I did not weep when he died. Not this second time, nor the first, when he died as an artist. The grief is too deep for tears. A wound that cannot be cleansed with water. Not all the water in the sea that carries his ashes away, leaving behind his memory. Memorial Day is not today. It is every day. #

News services asked to stop poll projections

WASHINGTON—The League of Women Voters and the Committee for the Study of the American Electorate, along with 30 national organizations including the JACL, asked the major networks and wire services May 5 to voluntarily refrain from projecting the results of presidential elections while any polling places are still open.

The request, made in a letter by LWV President Ruth J. Hinerfeld, came as a result of reports of individuals leaving the polls without voting after Ronald Reagan was named the projected winner of the 1980 presidential election.

"We do not believe that any news agency should refrain from full and fair reporting of actual and final counts when they become available. But a projection, no matter how it is derived, is not the same as actual results and can have the effect of influencing those results," said Hinerfeld.

Hinerfeld's letter also noted that since some West Coast elections, from state to U.S. representative, were decided by margins from 25-800 votes, such projections could have influenced the results and may do so in future elections. #

Seinan Ctr. gets grant for new bldg.

LOS ANGELES—The Seinan Senior Citizens Center has received a \$368,000 grant from the Los Angeles Community Development Department to start the construction of a new community service center.

The center had been previously housed in the Southwest L.A. Gardeners Association for the past 10 years.

The monies for the construction of the new center comes from the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development. The \$368,000 grant will be used for the physical structure and the property it will occupy. Ground-breaking ceremonies are scheduled for May 28, noon, at W. Jefferson Blvd. and 12th Ave. #

Fundraiser set for Carole Fujita

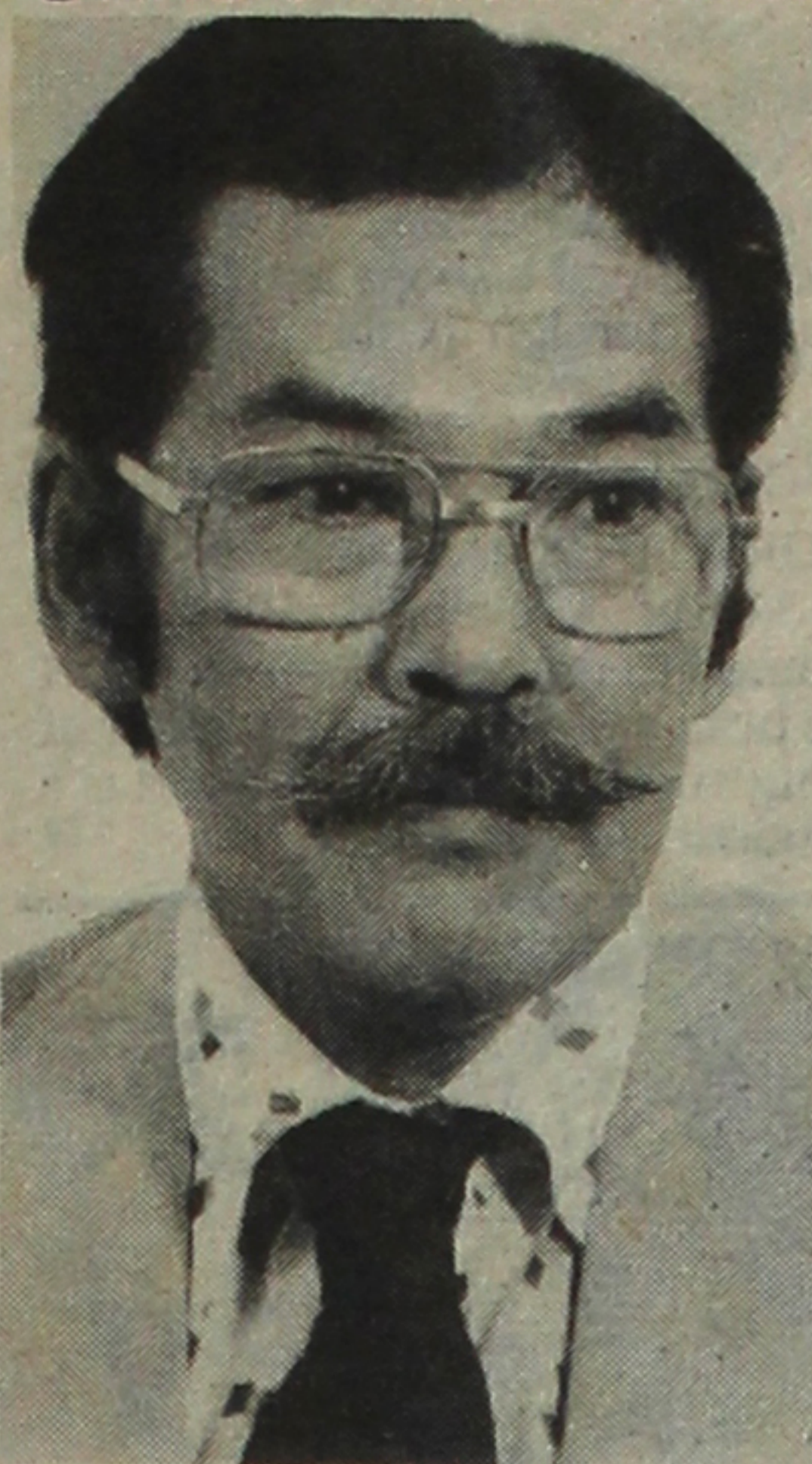
GARDENA, Ca.—To acknowledge Dr. F. Carole Fujita's recent promotion at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center (PC May 15), Friends of Carole Fujita Support Group will hold another chow mein luncheon fund-raiser on Sunday, June 7, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Gardena Buddhist Church, 1517 W. 166th St. Tickets are \$5. Info contact: George Naohara (213) 323-0354, John Saito 626-4471, Ed Shiraki 896-8181, Irene Iwamoto 936-7791.

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Dayton—World a'Fair festival (3da), Conv Ctr.
- **MAY 30 (Saturday)**
Seabrook—Cult Awareness festival, Bridgeton City Park.
Pacoima—Benefit variety show for sr housing project, JACC, 7:30pm.
- **MAY 31 (Sunday)**
PSWDC/San Fernando Valley—Qtrly sess, 9am; SFVJACC.
- **West Los Angeles**—Health fair, Sawtelle Gakuen, 12:30-4pm.
Milwaukee—Graduates dnr, Zorba's Res't, 4:30pm.
- **JUNE 3 (Wednesday)**
West Valley—Bd mtg, JACL Clubhouse, 7:30pm.
San Francisco—Asn Am Bar Assn fund-raiser, Satow Bldg, 6-9pm.
- **JUNE 5 (Friday)**
West Los Angeles—Schol dnr, Bullock's Westwood; Alan Nishio, splr.
Monterey Peninsula—Reno bus trip (return Sun).
- **JUNE 6 (Saturday)**
Orinda—Ethnic Festival (2da).
San Jose—Grand sumo matches

- (2da), Independence High School.
Los Angeles—Retirement mtg, LTSC, 9am.
- **JUNE 7 (Sunday)**
Stockton—Schol Award luncheon, Kazan Res't, 1 pm.
- **JUNE 12 (Friday)**
Los Angeles—Carnival (3da), Maryknoll School.
Los Angeles—John Anson Ford Award Luncheon, USC Town & Gown Hall, 12n; Justice Cruz Reynoso, splr. (Amy Uno Ishii, posthumous honoree).
- **JUNE 13 (Saturday)**
Los Angeles—Retirement mtg, LTSC, 9am-12n; Dr Hiro Enomoto, splr.
Los Angeles—Asn Business Assn/Asn Amer Architects-Engrs dnr, Biltmore Bowl, Biltmore Hotel, 7:30pm; Gov Edmund Brown Jr, keynote splr.
Palo Alto—Peninsula Redress Comm forum, Cubberly High, 7:30pm.
- **JUNE 14 (Sunday)**
Fresno—Picnic, Woodward Park.
Hosier—Bd mtg, Katsuko Scott res, 7:30pm.
Monterey Peninsula—Comm picnic, County Fairgrounds.
Puyallup Valley—Graduates dnr, Poodle Dog Res't, 7pm; Dr Jim Dri, splr.

Ohno elected to Nat'l Science Academy



Susumu Ohno, Ph.D.

Common Cause adds Nikkei director

WASHINGTON—Sue K. Embrey of Los Angeles was elected in April to the national governing board of Common Cause and is its first Asian American director in the organization's 10-year history. She will serve a three-year term. #

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vide the Hawaiians from the rest of the community.

She said, "People who do not take the time to understand us want us to get into a melting pot situation and want us to relinquish our identities. Yet, scholars throughout the world say that (cultural) identity can be retained while still living with each other (in a multi-cultural environment).

"The Japanese in Hawaii are no longer the majority. That in itself will show the trend in politics in the future," continued DeSoto. "All of us can agree that the political posture of the state of Hawaii is slowly evolving so that representation in both houses of legislation has no idea of what you and I have gone through to get to where we're at. So they (legislators) are prone to making statements as 'Why should my people pay for what happened to your people?'"

Tsujimura said, "Many of the problems Frenchy is facing are exactly the same ones

LOS ANGELES—Susumu Ohno, Ph.D, chairman of the Division of Biology at the City of Hope, was elected to the National Academy of Sciences, the official adviser to the federal government in the matters of science and technology.

Ohno has a world-wide reputation for his original work in cytogenetics, sex differentiation pathology and vertebrate evolutionary mechanisms.

A native of Japan, Ohno joined the City of Hope in 1952 and had previously served as Research Fellow in the Pathology Department of the Institute for Infectious Diseases at Tokyo University.

● Awards

Akira Yoshida, Ph.D. director of biochemical genetics research at the City of Hope Medical Center, was named winner of the 1981 Human Genetics Award by Prof. Eiji Inoue, president of the Japanese Society of Human Genetics. Yoshida will receive the award later this year in ceremonies at Fukuoka, Japan. #

Konko Church to celebrate 50 yrs.

SAN FRANCISCO—The Konko Church of San Francisco will celebrate its 50th anniversary May 30-31 at the Social Hall and at the adjacent Christ United Presbyterian Church facilities.

that we (JACL) are working on." He noted that the Native Hawaiian Claims bill has passed the U.S. Senate twice but has not passed the U.S. House. The Native Hawaiian Claims bill seeks reparations for what the Hawaiians consider the illegal overthrow of their sovereign nation in 1893. "If it is submitted again, it may pass. But in order to pass, we have to push it. We have to use all the influence that we can muster in order to get something like this," said the national JACL president. "I think we can work together."

The Japanese were the only ethnic group to publicly support the Hawaiians in getting President Reagan to re-establish the Native Hawaiian Study Commission. "I know that the board of trustees was humbled by the sign of 'true aloha,'" emoted DeSoto.

Earl Nishimura, president of the local JACL chapter, recognized the similarities in problems between the Hawaiian and Japanese American communities. "For the last 50 years, the Japanese have

Suzume-no-gakko

PACOIMA, Ca.—A two-week "Suzume no Gakko" summer program for children, 2nd through 6th grades, on Japanese cultural experiences will be held at the SFV Japanese Community Center starting Monday, June 29. Enrollment is limited. Info contact: M. Kushida (360-6718).

Asian/Pac. Youth Conf.

LOS ANGELES—The Asian/Pacific Youth Coalition conference will be held June 26-27 at the Student Union, CSU Los Angeles. Workshops will focus on gangs, drug abuse, the draft and other youth issues. Info contact: Elyn Braga (213) 933-7277.

WLA health fair

LOS ANGELES—A Health Fair, sponsored by the West L.A. JACL and Auxiliary, with more than 10 free health services or education and three minimal fee services will be offered Sunday, May 31, 12:30-4 p.m. at the Sawtelle Japanese Institute, 2110 Corinth Avenue. Minimal fee services include a tetanus shot, blood tests and a mobile chest X-ray. #

Watercolor preview

REDLANDS, Ca.—A preview/reception of watercolor paintings by Riverside JACLer Robert Meltzer will be presented June 9, 7 p.m., here at the San Bernardino County Museum, 2024 Orange Tree Lane.

been fighting because of the kind of treatment we have been receiving from our government," he said. "Up to 1952, there were 500 repressive or discriminatory laws against Japanese in this country. Even after the war years, where we had a glorious war record, we were not recognized automatically. We had to fight for civil rights," Nishimura continued.

Anyone in Hawaii affected by Executive Order 9066 can come forward to testify and should contact Mrs. Patsy Sasaki, JACL research chairperson at (808) 533-6753. #

Renew JACL Membership

Koto-samisen

LOS ANGELES—In honor of 10 students receiving their degrees in koto and samisen from the Miyagi Institute of Japan, the Kensho Kai, composed of students of Mme. Jyorokusho Kinoya, will present a concert on June 7, 1:30 p.m. at Zenshuji, 123 S. Hewitt St. Proceeds will be donated to the JACC Theater building fund.

Medicare gap

LOS ANGELES—To gain an understanding of the gaps in Medicare and supplemental plans, the Nisei Continuing Education Committee of the Japanese Pioneer Center will host a seminar on Saturday, June 6, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Little Tokyo Service Center, fourth floor, Japanese American Cultural and Community Center. Robert E. Doane from the State Dept. of Insurance will be present. #

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