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## Why USSR-Japan have not signed WW2 peace treaty . . .

### Territorial jurisdiction of Sakhalin, Kuriles

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Special to the Pacific Citizen

The downing of an unarmed commercial Korean Air Lines 747 (Sept. 1) near Sakhalin (Karafuto) by a Soviet fighter plane suddenly focused attention to an area little known to the American public. A CBS statement that the Soviets were in Sakhalin "illegally" evoked both surprise and confusion.

In Japan the presence of the Soviets in the islands immediately north of Hokkaido has been a burning issue for over 40 years. The four Soviet held northern islands closest to Hokkaido are historically claimed by Japan as an integral part of the Japanese territory.

On Aug. 8, 1945, two days after the atomic bomb fell on Hiroshima and on the day before the second atomic bomb fell on Nagasaki, the Soviet Union entered the war against Japan. The war was over in a matter of days.

The Soviet army occupied these islands in early September 1945, and ousted more than 16,000 Japanese living there. Even on a cloudy day some of the islands are clearly visible from Hokkaido. The closest is only two nautical miles (3.7 kilometers) away. It's like standing on the pier at the Fisherman's Wharf in San Francisco and seeing Treasure Island in the middle of San Francisco Bay.

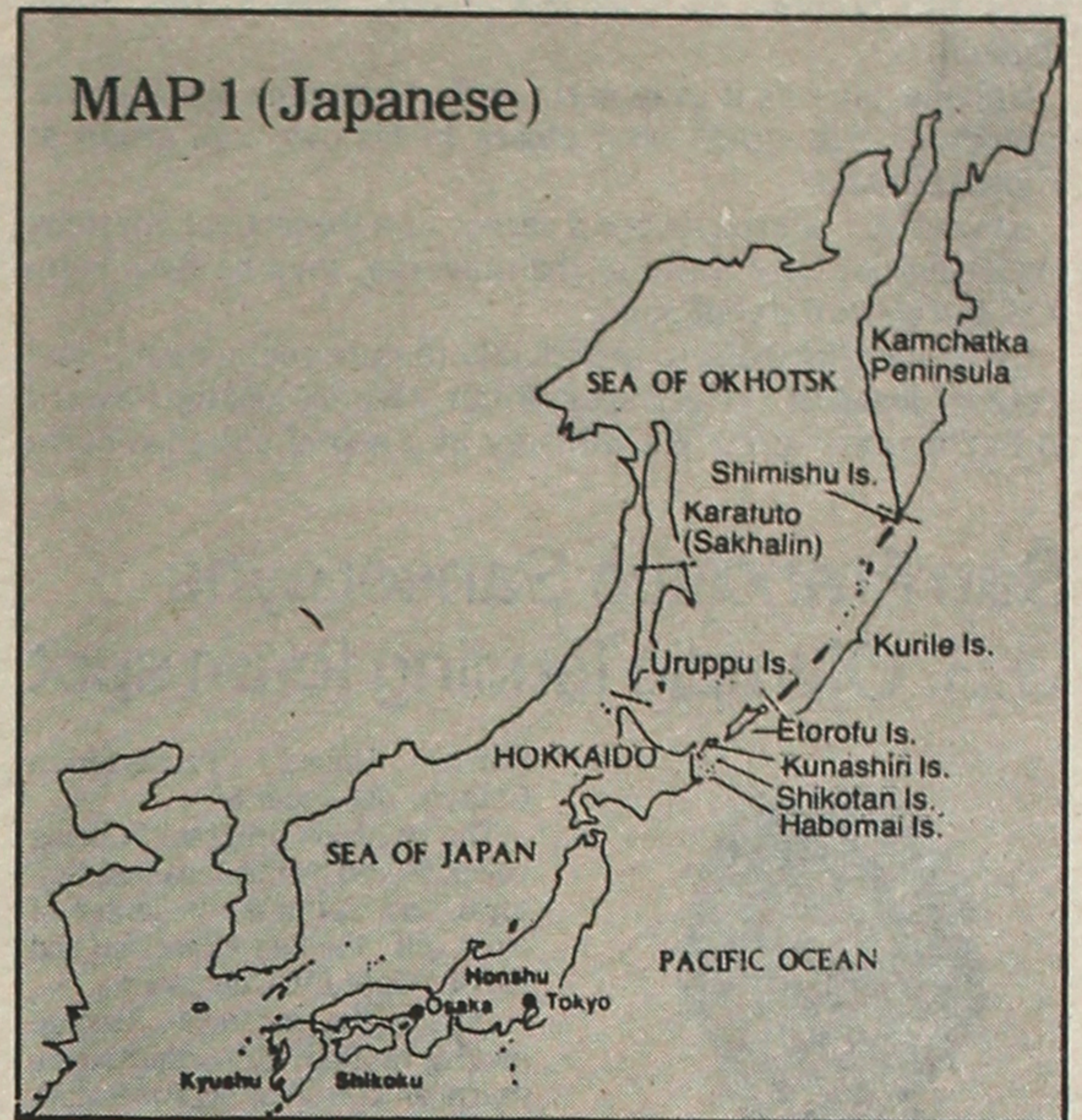
These islands had been settled and developed by the Japanese before the first Russian reached the Pacific ocean on the shore of Okhotsk Sea in 1639. When the Cossack colonel, Atlas-

sof, explored the Kamchatka peninsula in the late 1690s, he found the Japanese residing there.<sup>1</sup> The Sakhalin (Karafuto) island was not visited by Russians until 1805. The Japanese were then also there.

The 19th century saw the European powers extending their influence and demanding favored treatments throughout the Far East. Perry opened Japan with a treaty in March 1854. Russia obtained her treaty with Japan in February 1855, which established the boundary between the two nations as between the islands of Etorofu (Iturup) and Uruppu (Urup). The Kurile islands lying to the north, beginning with Uruppu, were assigned to Russia. The island of Sakhalin was held jointly. In the treaty of 1875, however, Japan ceded Sakhalin to Russia in exchange for the entire Kurile islands chain.

At the Portsmouth Treaty of 1905, which ended the Russo-Japanese War, the southern half (from 50 deg. N) of Sakhalin was ceded to Japan. During WW2 Allied leaders meeting at the Yalta Conference (Feb. 11, 1945) talked about eventually assigning the southern Sakhalin and the Kurile islands to the Soviet Union without naming the islands to be involved in the term "Kurile islands." The Potsdam Declaration (July 26, 1945) stated that the disposition of the territories would be made by the peace treaty.

In the San Francisco Peace Treaty (Sept. 8, 1951) Japan renounced claim to those Kurile islands and the portion of the Sakhalin island which Japan acquired by the Treaty of Portsmouth in 1905. The Peace Treaty did not indicate to which



country these areas should finally belong. The Soviet Union did not sign the San Francisco Peace Treaty.

Joint Declaration: Oct. 19, 1956

Although still without a peace treaty, diplomatic relations between the two countries were restored under the Japan-Soviet Joint Declaration (Oct. 19, 1956) with a statement that negotiations for a peace treaty, including territorial issues would be continued.

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## Tsutakawa sculpture dedicated at Puyallup Fairground

PUYALLUP, Wash. — Fear—of sabotage, of espionage, of "colonization of West Coast states by the 'Japs'"—energized by racism and the shock and outrage over Pearl Harbor, led to an unprecedented trampling on civil liberties in the spring of 1942.

The FBI immediately conducted raids on Japanese American homes. Hundreds were forced to sell their homes, farms and businesses for prices as low as five or 10 cents on the dollar, recalls Carlton Smith, staff writer for the Seattle Times in the Aug. 22 issue.

The King County assessor ordered a hurry-up collection of property taxes owed by Japanese Americans before they left.

It took 41 years and \$41,000, but on Sunday, Aug. 21, there was an attempt to make amends.

It was at the same Puyallup Fair Grounds, where an estimated 800 people, including Gov. John Spellman, gathered to witness the unveiling of a memorial to the sacrifices made by those who were victims of what many now agree was war hysteria.

Earlier objections over erecting the memorial inside the fairgrounds were overcome. That memorial, a silicon-bronze sculpture in the form of a column, is to portray "a feeling of friendship, of more harmonious relationships for a better world to live in," said its creator, internationally known sculptor George Tsutakawa of Seattle.

It was not for the remembrance of the hardness and misery of the evacuation that he made the sculpture. "Instead, I was more concerned about the future generations.

"What it depicts is human

people—old people, young people, men, women, children, even babies. They are gathered around in a circle holding each other in a happy relationship."

Answers Critics

"Forty-one years ago, a dark chapter in our nation's history took place on these same grounds," said Gov. Spellman. "We must resolve that never again shall such an injustice take place..."

Spellman says he has received many letters from constituents, asking him if he had forgotten Pearl Harbor, if he had forgotten the mothers of those who gave their lives in defense of the country.

"I haven't forgotten. But all those letters reflect a common confusion: confusing war between Japan and the United States with the mass deprivation of constitutional rights solely because of their race. Their freedom was trampled for no good reason."

Bill Yanagimachi, who graduated from high school while at the Puyallup Fairgrounds in 1942, and who later went on to serve with the famed 442nd Combat Team in Italy, was among those attending the ceremony.

Internment Recalled

Theresa Takayoshi, 62, said she remembered clearly what happened that "dark day."

"They came for her, her husband and their two children from their home on Seattle's Capitol Hill.

"We got one room, separated from families on both sides only by a partition that didn't extend to the ceiling." There

were no water faucets in their quarters, and the bathroom was a "privy" outside.

Shigeko Uno, 68, was in a hospital when authorities came to pick her up and her spouse. Fourteen days later, Shigeko walked into the fairgrounds carrying her infant daughter Naomi who became the youngest person in camp. Naomi, now 40, married and living in Bellevue, didn't attend the dedication.

Shigeko recalled those out-houses, "There were four or five holes to sit on—side by side—with no partitions between them. Women aren't used to going to the bathroom like that. There was always a line."

Mothers with babies would stand in line early in the morning at a small washhouse where hot water would be turned on at 6 a.m. Each carried a bucket filled with soiled diapers, and a scrub-board.

Tsutakawa, now 73, served with the Armed Forces during World War II, while some 40 of his relatives were in camps.

### Salinas Nisei seeks Chualar school seat

SALINAS, Ca.—Kenji Yonemitsu, a board member of Salinas Valley JACL and resident of Chualar School District is running for a school board office, Sept. 20, when a recall election is held.

A new board will ensure more equitable opportunities for Nikkei pupils, a Yonemitsu supporter said.

## Calif. supreme court denies Mitsue Takahashi's petition

Special to the Pacific Citizen  
SAN FRANCISCO, Ca.—Mitsue Takahashi's petition for a hearing by the California Supreme Court was denied Aug. 17 although Chief Justice Bird was of the opinion the California Teachers' Assn. case should be heard.

Livingston school district board member Fred Kishi noted, "The Livingston School Board has won every level of the state courts to justify our firing of a very incompetent teacher three years ago.

"If Takahashi persists in pursuing the other court hearings (or the federal level) based on groundless charges of discriminatory practices, the school board and administrators are prepared to counter-sue her and her supporters for all court and legal costs, along with substantial punitive damages," he warned.

Attorneys for Takahashi (see Aug. 25 PC) had argued in the petition to the state supreme court that she was dismissed on charges of having failed "to maintain a suitable learning environment" even though the district admitted no such guidelines were established. It was further asserted the appellate court failed to apply proper legal standards to her dismissal and evidence for termination was not substantial.

Her attorneys had further contended the evidence for incompetence "was contrived, not based on credible testimony, or unrelated..."

Mitsue Takahashi is the first teacher in the state to be dismissed for incompetence. JACL's interest in the case has been, without taking sides on the question, that a fair hearing is assured.

## Once-fired Nikkei teacher gets job back temporarily

HOUSTON, Tex.—When one black instructor, with two years of experience, took a leave-of-absence on Aug. 3, the vacancy became available to Betty Waki whose employment was previously terminated by the Houston Independent School District under a "Singleton ratio" policy.

The August newsletter of New Mexico JACL commented Waki's dismissal as an attempt by the school district to achieve ethnic balance.

The "ratio" policy aims employment on racial make-up of student

population. Asians are classified as Caucasian in Houston.

Daniel H. Watanabe, president of Houston JACL, in acknowledging the concern of the National JACL, wrote to Ron Wakabayashi, national director, that "the situation, at least for now, will allow Betty Waki to return to the school this fall." She had been on standby until now.

"This latest action in no way has altered or modified the HISD policy. But it does allow a breather until the other instructor returns, or the district changes its mind," Watanabe said.



Photo by Bob Delabar

**MONUMENT DEDICATED**—State Sen. George Fleming speaks before nearly 1,000 people at the unveiling of a memorial sculpture done by George Tsutakawa at Puyallup Fairgrounds, once living quarters for 7,200 wartime internees. #



## 13-year-old Fukuoka genius youngest scholar at Caltech

LOS ANGELES—After a record-breaking educational leap through six years of junior and senior high school in a single year, 13-year-old Sho Kuwamoto is about to set another academic mark, this time at the California Institute of Technology.

When the math and science whiz enrolls this month, Kuwamoto will become the youngest student ever at the famed Caltech.

Unbelievable as it may seem, only 14 months ago Sho was attending sixth grade with others in his own age group at Thousand Oaks.

Kuwamoto, who envisions a career as a theoretical physicist exploring the basic laws of the universe, says he feels comfortable about the challenge.

"We found him to be a remarkably mature young man," said Dennis Meredith, Caltech spokesman. "We are looking forward to having him here." He will stay at a school-assigned dorm

during his studies and visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hidehiko Kuwamoto, in Thousand Oaks over the weekends.

### Rapid Skip Through Secondary Curriculum

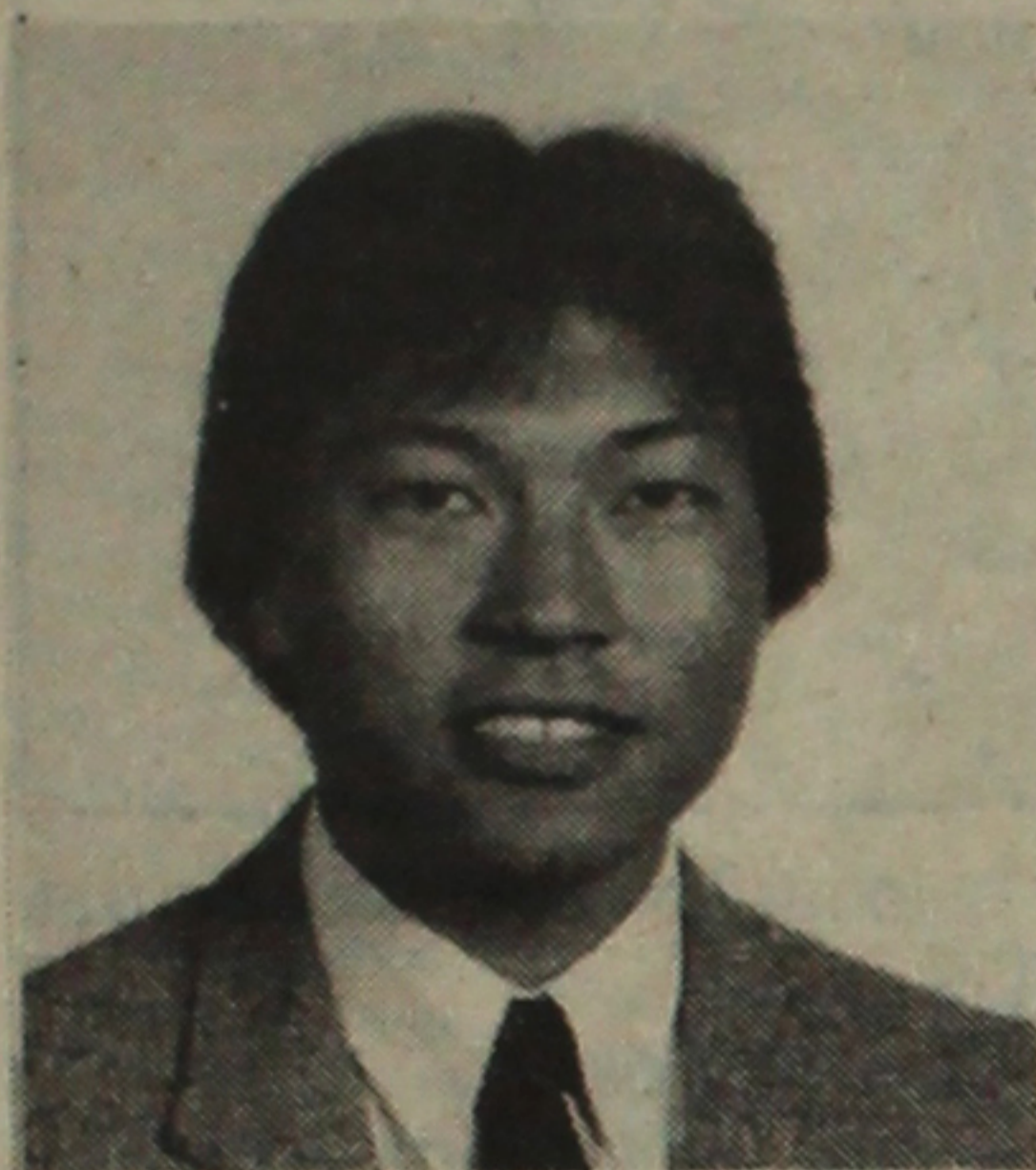
Sho's mercurial rise through secondary school began without "warning" in the sixth grade at Madrona Elementary School. He thought his schooling as "pretty good, but nothing that unusual".

His father said Sho taught himself mathematical exercises, including the multiplication of fractions, at age 3. When he was placed in programs for gifted children, he was already flashing through advanced calculus and physics.

Although Sho, who is 4'11" and weighs almost 100 lbs., and born in Fukuoka, Japan, he speaks English like a native Californian, and favors California living.

He worked this summer programming advanced computer software for a Westlake Village firm, his mother Kimiko, who drove him to and from work, said.

## San Francisco Sansei eyes U.S. Olympic fencing team spot



George Nonomura

SAN FRANCISCO—A reception for George Nonomura, 25-year-old leading contender for the 1984 U.S. Olympic fencing team, will be held Friday, Sept. 9, 7:30 p.m. at the

Christ United Presbyterian Church, 1700 Sutter St.

The two-hour program is being co-sponsored by the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of No. Calif., the San Francisco and Golden Gate JACL chapters.

During the reception, George and his brother, Dr. Arthur Nonomura, an instructor at Halberstadt School of Fencing, will give a demonstration in the art.

Prior to the 1984 Olympic games, Nonomura will be the first Nikkei competing on the U.S. fencing team in six European countries, as well as five U.S. National qualifying events, reported Janey Egawa, JCCC-NC project coordinator.

Nonomura comes from a fencing family of eight offspring.

## U.S.-raised teenager gets two-year murder sentence

OSAKA—A 19-year-old U.S.-raised Japanese youth who killed his aunt and seriously injured an uncle in Osaka last year, was given a jail term of two to four years at the Osaka District Court last month (Aug. 11).

Lawyers for the defendant in Suginami-ku, Tokyo sought a lenient term, claiming that the youth was suffering from culture shock.

Lawyers said that he was a victim of long-term residence abroad.

But Judge Keijiro Yamada said, "Many youths return to Japan after staying abroad for a long time and most experience problems of adjustment. It is understandable that he suffered culture shock and was emotionally in trouble."

Judge Yamada gave the term without probation.

The accused lived in New York for 11 years, since he was four years old, with his father who works for a major Japanese electric appliance company.

At the age of 15, he returned to Japan to prepare for university entrance examinations. He graduated from a senior high school in Tokyo, but failed a college entrance examination because of problems with the Japanese language.

Deeply distressed by his failure, he visited his uncle Kenzo Iizuka, 64, in Higashi-ku Osaka on Dec. 11 last year.

To release his frustrations, he killed Mrs. Iizuka, 55, by repeatedly stabbing her in the chest and back. He also hit Iizuka on the head, seriously injuring him. —Mainichi Daily News.

## Olivers name first woman trophy winner

MONTEBELLO, Ca.—Denise Ann Yamada, scholar-athlete from Dos Pueblos High School, Santa Barbara, became the first distaff winner in the 23rd annual Sportsmanship Award competition, sponsored by the Olivers Club.

A 4.0 GPA June graduate, she will enroll at Duke University in Durham, N.C., in the fall with a full pre-med scholarship. The 5'10" athlete excels in low-hurdles, high and long jump and volleyball.

Yamada has leaped higher than her height by half-an-inch in May at the CIF division track championships at Cerritos College, the 5'10½" mark still the best this year.

The daughter of Robert/Kay Yamada will concentrate in volleyball at Duke where there is no women track team.

The 66-year-old Olivers Club was formed by the late Nellie Grace Oliver who volunteered her service to youngsters living in Little Tokyo with recreational and citizenship programs.

## Vernon Yoshioka earns key endorsements

SAN DIEGO, Ca.—Candidate for Community College District B trustee in the Sept. 20 primary, active JACLer Vernon T. Yoshioka received key endorsements from State Sen. William Craven, 38th District, and Dr. Al Anderson, campaign director for U.S. Sen. Pete Wilson, according to campaign officials Aug. 30.

Both represent prominent and major Republican support. Earlier, Yoshioka received support from community leaders and many other San Diegans "who agree (with Yoshioka) that the incumbent Gene French has lost interest...and that most Californians are in favor of tuition, as I am," quoting Yoshioka.

### Entertainment

Rick Shiomi's hit play, "Yellow Fever" (set in Vancouver, B.C. in the 1970s about a down-at-the-heels Japanese Canadian detective getting into the case of a Cherry Blossom queen who disappears) will be the fall season opener at the Toronto Workshop. Canasian Artists Group, recently formed to develop a national audience for works of Asian Canadians, is co-producer with Terry Watada, Susan Carter and Phillip Ing, producers.

### Fine Art

Noted watercolorist Henry Fukuhara of New York is giving a lecture-demonstration at the Oyster Bay home of the well-known art patron Dr. Stella Russell on Sept. 9. His works have been

on display at the L.A. County Museum of Art, Nassau (N.Y.) Community College, Huntington and Hecksher museums and has won awards from the National Watercolor Society and Montana Miniature Art Society. (His pencil sketches inside the WW2 concentration camps for Japanese Americans have appeared in the Pacific Citizen.—Ed.)

### Theatre

Actor Burt Lancaster and hibakusha Shigeko Sasamori received citations for their performances in "Race to Oblivion" and their contributions to Physicians for Social Responsibility's educational campaign about the medical and psycho-social hazards of nuclear weapons.

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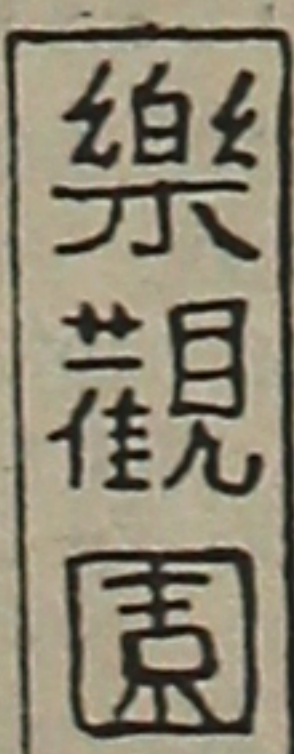
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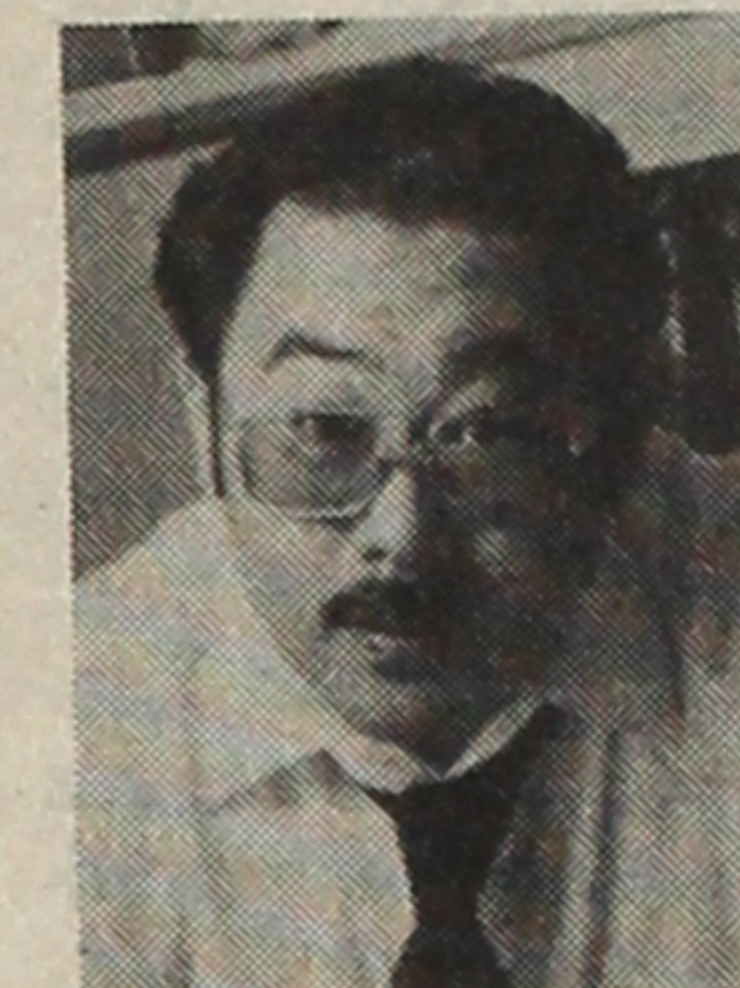
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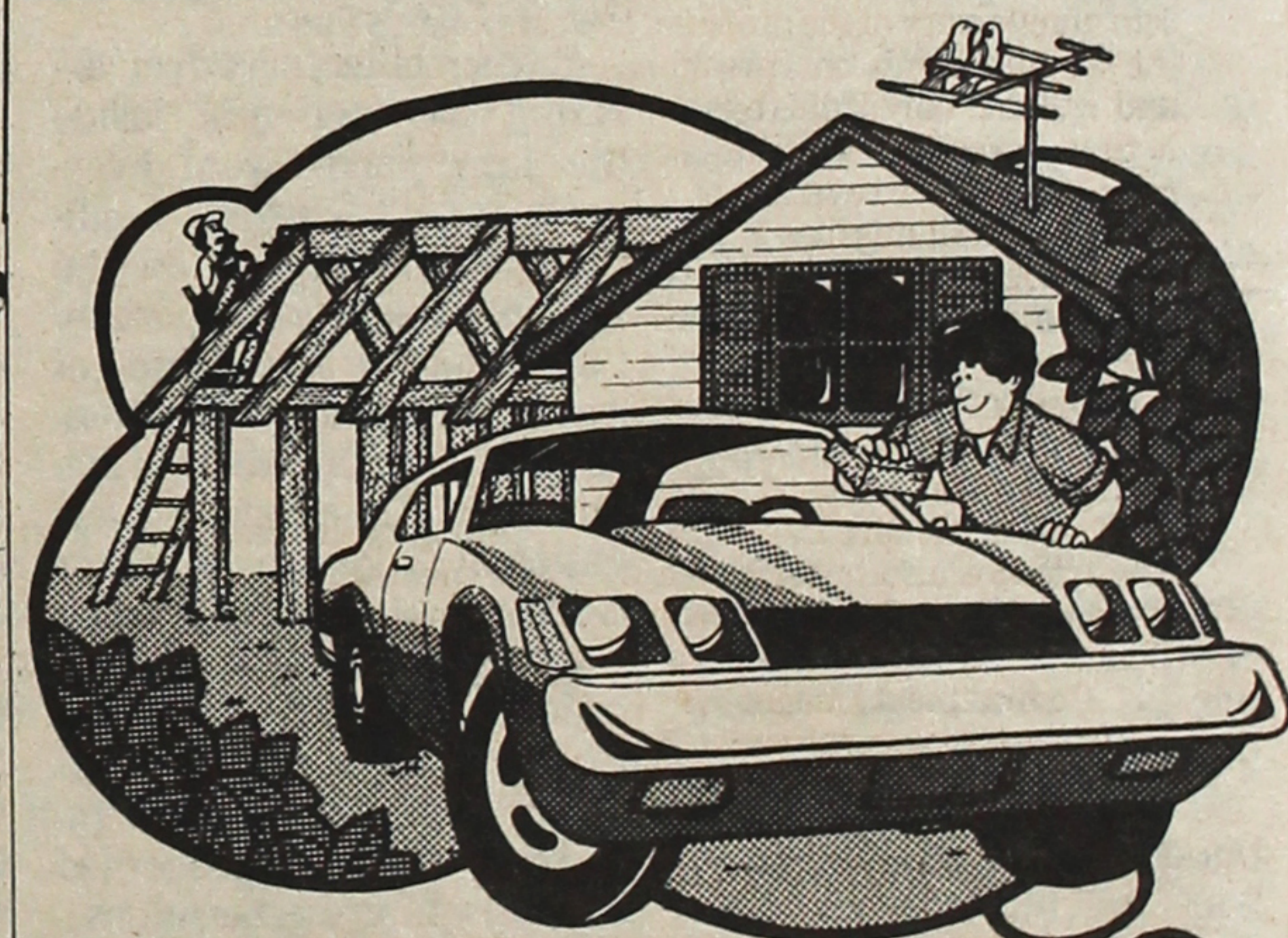
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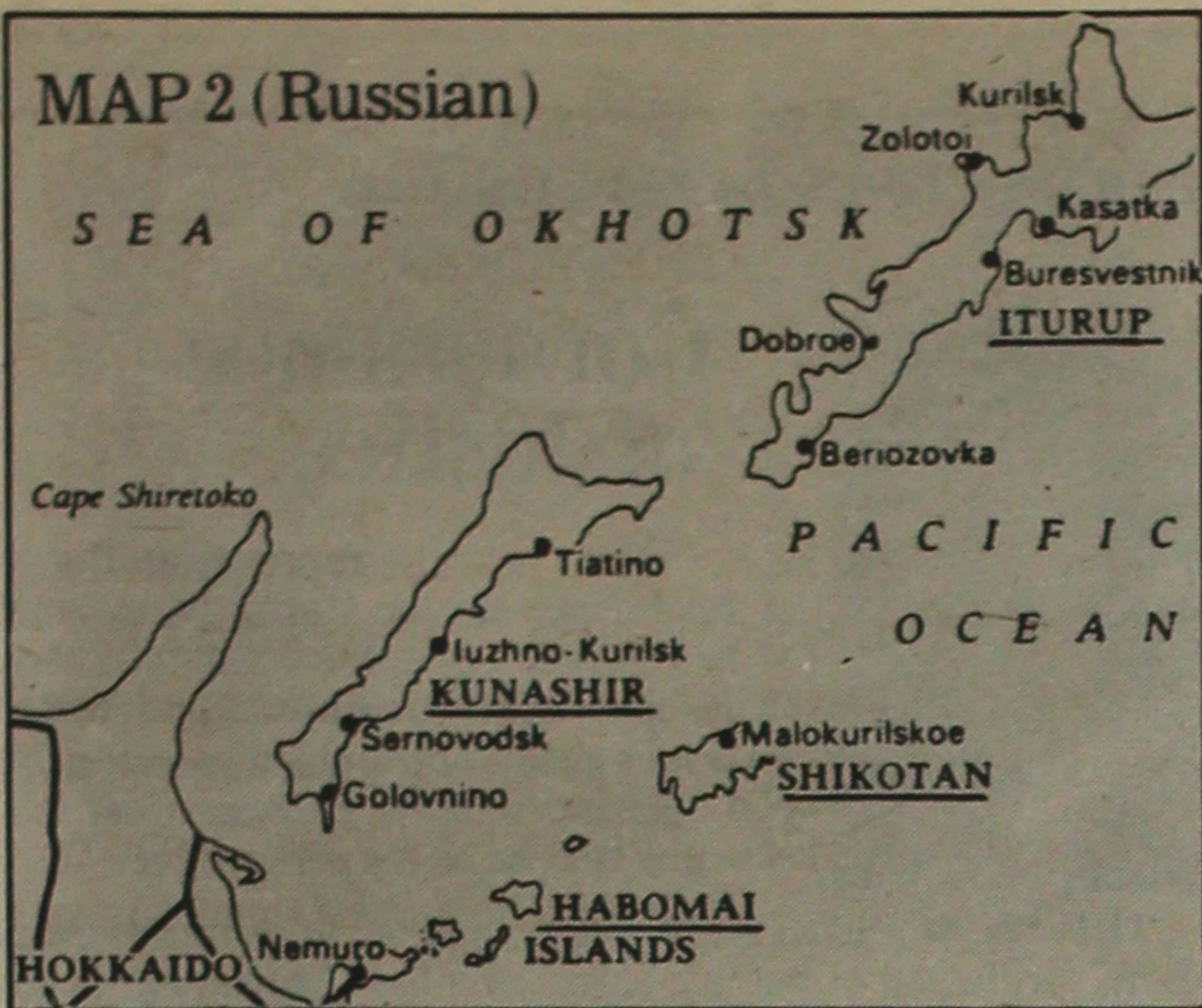
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## MAP 2 (Russian)



## SAKHALIN

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In 1973 a Joint Communique by Brezhnev and Tanaka agreed that negotiations on the northern territorial issue should be continued between their two countries. However, subsequent meetings have been fruitless. In 1976 the Soviet Union demanded that those Japanese wishing to visit the graves of their kins in the now Soviet occupied islands must acquire valid passports. No visits have been realized since 1976.

Also in 1976 the Soviet Union established a 200-mile fishing zone, including the waters surrounding the four islands. Japan, thereby, lost her traditional fishing grounds which she had utilized since centuries before the first Russian came to the area. To Japan's protests the Soviet government continues to reply that there is no "territorial issues" outstanding between Soviet Union and Japan. This appears to be in direct contradic-

## 22 Japanese on downed KAL 007

NEW YORK—Korean Air Lines Sept. 2 announced the nationalities of the 269 people aboard the 747 jetliner flight 7 from New York to Seoul which was shot down by the Soviets on Wednesday afternoon (Aug. 31): 81 Koreans, 22 Japanese, 34 Taiwanese, 103 others (at least 30 were U.S.) and a crew of 29. Those with Japanese surnames: Hanako Hiroki, Miwa Inoue, Noriko Inoue, Sammy Inoue, Masuyo

Ishihara, Hazel Ishihara, Hiroaki Kawana, Ikuko Kobayashi, Shoichi Kobayashi, Tomiko Kono, Takeshi Nakazawa, N. Nakano, Shin Okai, Yoko Okai, Noriyuki Osaka, Midori Osedo, Koyumi Mano, Kiyonori Takemori, Keiko Tanaka, Tomiko Shimizu, Miyoko Shimizu, Shoichi Yamaguchi, M. Yamaguchi, Hitomi Kitao, Yaeko Tomitaka, S. Iishiki, L. Iishiki and Kazuko Yoden. #

## Man from Japan joins anti-nuke trio in U.S. fasting in protest

OAKLAND, Ca.—Mitsuyoshi Kohjima, 34, traveled all the way from Japan to join three other protesters who refuse to eat until there is a turnaround in the nuclear arms race.

Their fast began on Aug. 9, the 38th anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima, and will end only if there is some action toward ending the arms race, such as a reversal of U.S. plans to install missiles in Europe or a Soviet decision to remove its missiles pointed toward Europe, they said.

Kohjima, a former Buddhist monk, is fasting with Dorothy Granada, 52, her husband Charles Gray, 58, and Andre Lariviere, 34. The trio are also being joined by three people in Paris and two in Bonn.

## Commitment Undaunted

For the past several weeks, Kohjima and the others have been

housed at the Catholic Building in Oakland and are keeping their spirits up through rest, meditation and prayer.

"They're getting worn out physically, but their spiritual side and their commitment is getting much stronger," said a spokesperson for the protestors during a press conference, reported Asian Week.

Organizers of the fast said that the four are saving energy by reducing their physical activity and taking frequent half-hour rests. While they drink eight to 12 glasses of purified water a day, a physician checks in with them to note their weight, blood pressure and heart rate.

Along with other fasters in Europe, the protestors in Oakland have promised to keep fasting until death or until "significant changes" are made by the U.S., U.S.S.R. or European nations regarding nuclear weapons. #

## With everyone complaining about cooked rice, cafeteria closes door

HONOLULU—Had not a cafeteria at the East-West Center been forced to close its facility, the following editorial in the Honolulu Star-Bulletin and Advertiser would have been rather humorous. But, the constant complaint took its toll.

"The only thing everyone at the East-West Center agrees on," so the saying went, "is that no one can agree on the correct way to cook rice."

And with people coming to the EWC for a few weeks to a few years from across Asia and the U.S., rice was a topic of constant conversation, informs the editorial.

"The Chinese liked theirs dry; the Japanese moist, Indians said one way; Indonesians, Thais and Vietnamese (in their day) all said other ways. Some preferred rice white; others said brown was best. And Americans, well, Americans were even known to put butter on their rice or eat it with sugar and cinnamon."

The cooks tried to prepare the rice to please everyone—or at least to displease everyone equally.

The cafeteria, after 20 years of operation and three caterers closed on July 25, after a losing cause. #

tion to the Japan-Soviet Declaration of 1956 and the Joint Communique at the time of the 1973 summit meeting.

More recently the Soviet Union has been building up its military power in the Far East—Pacific region. The deployment of military forces and the construction of military facilities have been observed on the two largest islands, Kunashiri and Etorofu, since 1978. Now another island, Shikotan, also has Soviet military forces. In the summer of 1982 the Soviet rebuilt the runways on Etorofu and the older MiGs based there were replaced with newer models.

## Aftermath of the 1945 Yalta Conference

It seems that President Roosevelt at the Yalta Conference in February 1945 was still under the misapprehension that Japan had wrenched the Kuriles and the southern Sakhalin from Russia in 1905 "by violence and greed". The southern Kuriles had always been an integral part of the Japanese territory, settled and developed by the Japanese and had never belonged to a foreign country. Before and at the Yalta Conference, ample data had been provided the President by the State Department with a recommendation that the southern Kuriles be retained by Japan for economic and historic reasons. An American historian noted that the ailing President Roosevelt had only the foggiest notion of what and where the Kuriles were.<sup>1,2</sup>

Before the revolution, Russian writers readily accorded Kunashir and Iturup to Japan.<sup>3</sup> A Russian publication as late as June 1945 conceded that Japanese had discovered these islands. But this passage was deleted in a revised edition that appeared two years later.<sup>4</sup> A French explorer La Perouse visited the area in 1787; he excluded the islands, including Urup (north of Iturup or Etorofu), from the Kuriles.<sup>5</sup>

## Kurile Archipelago

In 1947 a memo dated October 14 was prepared by the Director of the State Department's Policy Planning Staff, George F. Kennan, which stated: "The southernmost islands of the Kurile archipelago would be retained by Japan." The memo was approved Oct. 29 by Secretary of State George C. Marshall.

During the Senate ratification of the Peace Treaty with Japan, the Senate Foreign Relations Committee stated that nothing in the treaty diminished Allied or Japanese rights in the Kuriles and southern Sakhalin or implied U.S. recognition of Soviet territorial claims attributable to Yalta. With this proviso, the treaty won the committee's recommendation and easily passed the Senate.

Both the Japan Communist Party and the Japan Socialist Party are for the return of the entire Kurile chain to Japan. The People's Republic of China is supporting Japan's claims. The northern territorial issue is an assignment the United States President and the Congress both undertook but remains unfinished to this day. To the Soviet Union and the United States

## Asian Film Festival set for local debut

LOS ANGELES—A unique festival featuring recent films from Asia and new works by Asian American filmmakers is planned for a two-day exhibition at the new Japan America Theater.

The 1983 Asian American International Film festival, now on U.S. tour after a successful opening in New York City, is also appearing in Boston, Philadelphia, Washington and Chicago. The Los Angeles dates are Oct. 8 and 9.

Shown will be 16 films, feature length and short-subject, animated works, documentaries and experimental vehicles.

For program details, call Nancy Araki/Kathy Harada at 680-4462.

## Venice JCC to honor Dr. Mitsuo Inouye

CULVER CITY, Ca.—Dr. Mitsuo Inouye will be honored at a testimonial dinner, sponsored by Venice Japanese Community Center on Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Pacific Hotel, 6161 Centinela Blvd., from 7 p.m. Proceeds will go to center's building fund. In charge of tickets, at \$25 per person, are Min Ioki 397-7929, Jin Asakura 822-6428, and Tokuji Matsuda 827-3651. Reservation deadline is Sept. 20.

## Social, economic conference slated

LOS ANGELES—"Exploring the 80s: Social and Economic Trends", a conference co-sponsored by the Asian Pacific Women's Network, and the USC Asian/Pacific Student Services, will be held on Saturday, Sept. 17, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., at Student Activities Center, USC. Co-chairs are Mira Sinco, Pearl Mihara, Pat Lin.

Hank Koehn, vice president, Futures Research Division of Security Pacific National Bank, will be the guest speaker. #

the significance of these islands is primarily military. To the Japanese it is a return of a part of their country which was theirs before the Western nations ever explored the northern Pacific. Moreover, the waters surrounding these islands have been a major source of food to feed the Japanese people. For nearly 20 years now Japan has been sending missions to the United Nations for the support of her claim to the four Soviet-held northern islands.

All the individual Kurile islands have retained their Ainu designations. There are some differences in the Japanese and Russian spellings. Japanese—Etorofu, Kunashiri, Shikotan, Habomai. Russian—Iturup, Kunashir, Shikotan, Habomai.

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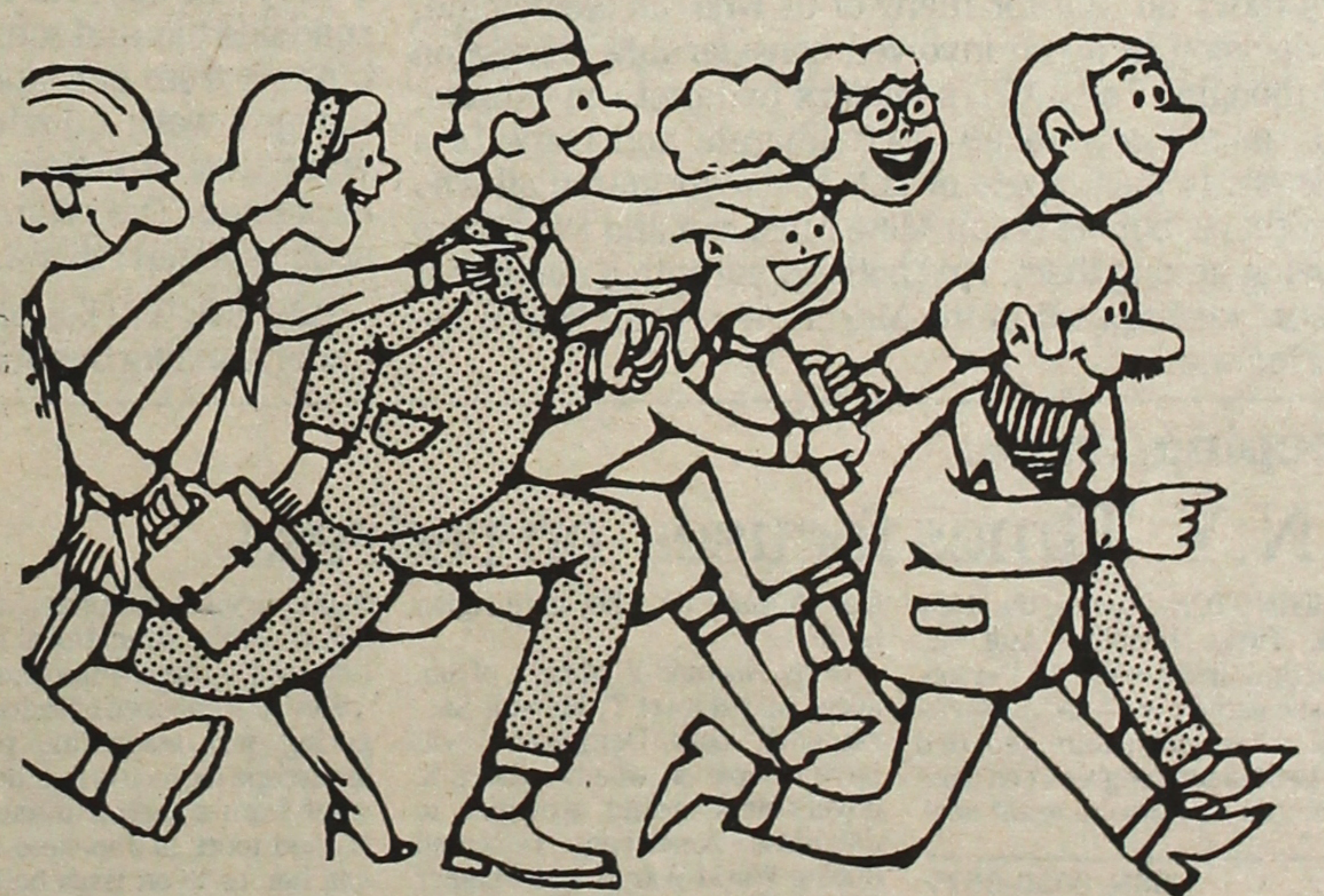
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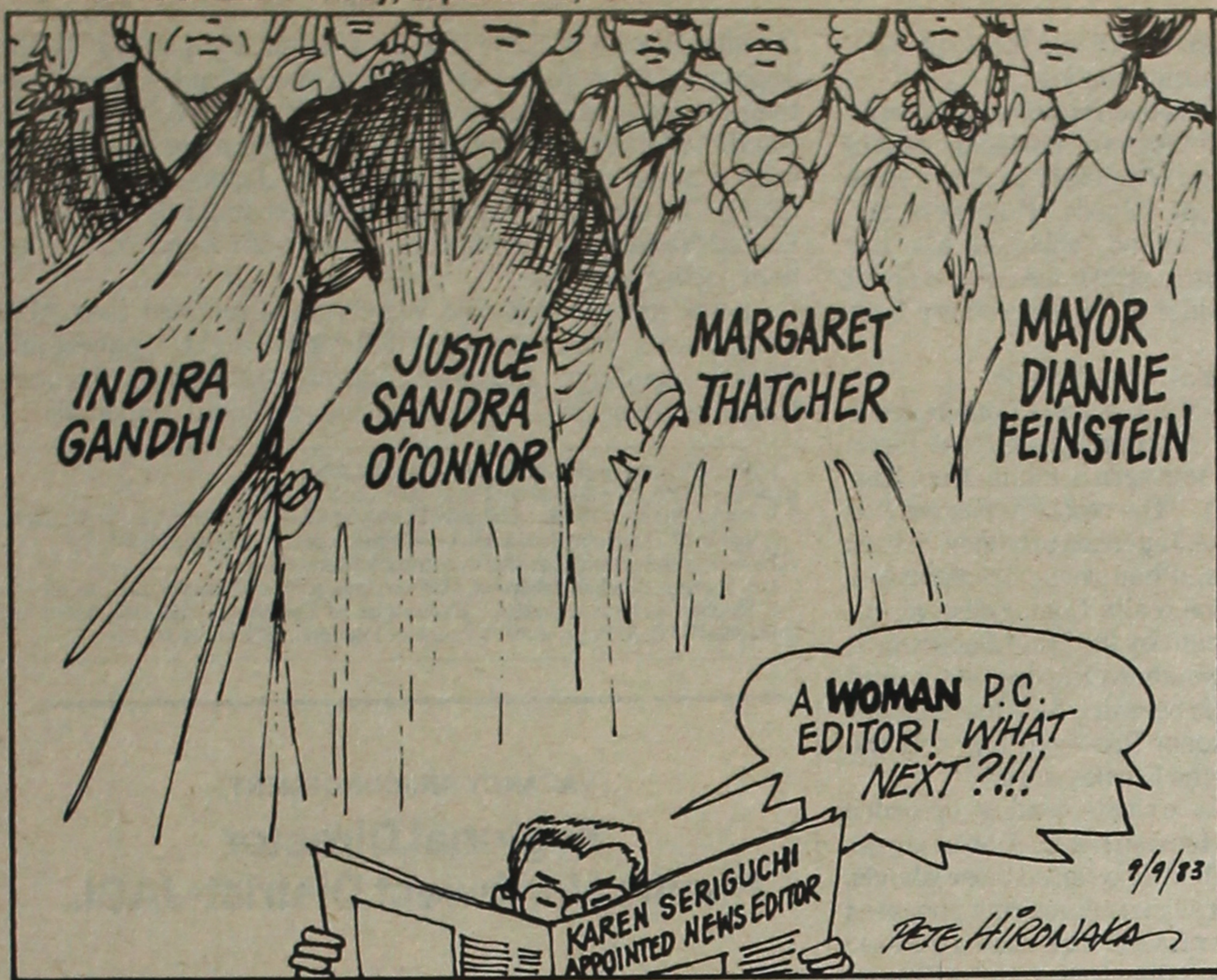
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Letters:

● Let's get involved

Based on the recent letters to the PC from Ken Masugi, it seems he's more concerned about his status and title than the issue of redress. I don't know if he has any involvement in the Japanese American community since I can't seem to find anyone who knows of him in the community. Perhaps if he hasn't been involved in the community it would be well for him to obtain some awareness and sensitivity before becoming a self-styled expert as Sam Hayakawa purported to be. How he was selected to testify before the congressional committee is hard to understand since he's certainly no expert...

Titles and status do not mean much to those who are involved since there are doctors, attorneys, professors, teachers, accountants, farmers, housewives, social work-

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PERSPECTIVES: by Jerry Enomoto

Cornerstone of Justice



Sacramento, Ca.

I appreciate Editor Harry permitting me to resurrect "Perspectives" to allow me the opportunity to express my views on two issues about which much has already been said and written. Perhaps what follows may be seen as my perspective.

**THE \$20,000 ISSUE**—The letter (Aug. 12 PC) from Harumi Befu, professor of anthropology, Stanford University, is the first issue. Contrary to his view, I believe that individual compensation makes good sense. Monetary damages for doing injury is a cornerstone, if you will, of the justice system under which we Americans live. We are not naive enough to believe that there is enough money in the world to make up for the loss of a life, one's limbs, reputation, etc. Nor are we crass enough to feel that \$20,000 compensates for the material and non-material damages inflicted by the incarceration.

Simply put, if you wrong me the matter may be heard in a court of law and, if proven, a judgment is entered and a sum of money is awarded.

In this case the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians may be seen as the plaintiffs' attorneys and the Congress of the United States the jury. The big difference is that the commission was appointed by the President who, in a sense, represents the defendant—the government of the United States. The CWRIC, I am sure, was keenly aware of the controversial nature of this issue and, as the professor notes, did also recommend the establishment of a foundation to be dedicated to the advancement toward a better society—a goal to which we all aspire. Nevertheless, monetary compensation was recommended. A realistic view of this is that once the decision to make that recommendation is made, the amount cannot be so large as to bankrupt the government, nor so small as to be ridiculous. The \$20,000 is obviously a compromise and indeed symbolic, but significant enough to be more than an apology. The CWRIC should be complimented for having the guts to face a tough issue.

The idea that "compensation", or whatever term is used to define payment, should be limited in its purpose is ridiculous. Indeed it is impossible to turn back the clock and "pay back" people literally for what was lost, either time or money. Nonetheless how each recipient uses the money is entirely his or her business. If compensation is awarded, the government is admitting that I was wronged and that I am due a sum of money as redress. That is what it means. To use it for whatever purpose I choose makes no "mockery of compensation", if we understand why compensation is being made. We were victims. There was no nobility in the internment—let's not become confused about who owes what to whom.

I wholeheartedly endorse the hope that many recipients, if indeed compensation is made, will pledge money to whatever fund best accomplishes movement toward the goal of social justice for all. But let's let that be the free choice of each recipient.

The fact that Professor Befu was not interned has nothing to do with my reaction to the "diatribe". Neither am I interested in analyzing subconscious motivations. Everyone is entitled to their opinion, I simply disagree with his (or hers).

Lastly, in response to the professor's invitation to an "objective" and "dispassionate" discussion, although I always try to be objective, I am seldom dispassionate and internment was not a dispassionate matter.

**VINCENT CHIN**— I have spent 30 years of my life in the field of criminal justice and have always tried to do what I could to introduce compassion into an essentially cruel business. I have also tried never to lose sight of the need for the treatment of offenders to be as reasonable and fair for offenders as well as victims. It is from that perspective that I believe what I have seen about the Vincent Chin case establishes its outcome as the perennial miscarriage of justice.

Reading the letter from the sentencing judge only reaffirmed that belief. I could understand, even if I couldn't agree, with a system which limited the judge's options to the point that the sentence given was the only alternative. That was not the situation in Mr. Chin's case. It seems to me that the lightest possible sanction was imposed under circumstances that clearly called for more severity. How the judge justified that is beyond me.

Crime and its punishment is an incredibly difficult subject. Extreme actions on either end of the continuum like this exacerbates the problem and increases the public's doubt, and sometimes contempt, for the fairness of law.

The lenient treatment accorded the slayers of Mr. Chin is indefensible, regardless of the ethnicity of the victim. Given the history of racism in our society however, the Asian community's concern is justified. It is both significant and right that a federal grand jury is convening to investigate.

Jerry Enomoto, the last National JAACL president to serve two consecutive terms (1966-70), was a consistent conductor of "Perspectives" in the PC each week.—Editor.

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EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani

'March on Washington': 1963



Philadelphia TWENTY YEARS AGO. (My goodness, has it been that long?) Down in Washington, D.C., there were hundreds of thousands of citizens of this nation who came from throughout the land to congregate in a truly peaceful assemblage, a conglomerate of every facet of our society. They gathered before the Lincoln Memorial, along the reflecting pool, and stretching back to the Washington Monument. And there on the uppermost steps of the Lincoln Memorial, behind those white, majestic pillars could be seen the huge statue of the Great Emancipator—gripping the arms of the chair as if he were about to rise momentarily—there were assembled the Black leaders of the country. And then Martin Luther King Jr. took the microphone and his "I-Have-A-Dream" speech resounded to shake the soul of every person there.

We were there. That day.

LOOKING BACK FROM today's perspective, joining in that march and assemblage was not, in and of itself, a momentous act—albeit the occasion was momentous. Very much so. But for many of us who did participate, the decision to do so involved considerable discussion and thought. For JAACL's leaders had met—in Omaha, Neb., as we now recall—to deliberate and come to a decision: to participate or not. We've forgotten all who were there, but we recall Mike Masaoka and Pat Okura as being among them. And both, along with a number of others, participated in the March. We recall Harry Takagi for one.

AT THE OMAHA meeting, it surely was Mike's suasion and leadership that led to the decision to participate. None of us—at least, to the best of this writer's knowledge—had ever "demonstrated". It was not among the ethics handed down to us by our parents. For some of us, the decision to participate was not without some trepidation. Right up to the last minute. Looking back, we are grateful for Mike's suasion.

IT WAS QUITE an experience, one that we shall not forget and will remember with warmth. For that day, there was "something in the air" as we walked, side by side, in a common bond with a united spirit. We recall sitting along the grassy slope near the Lincoln Memorial, alongside a Black lady who was attired in a white uniform, perhaps that of a maid or a practical nurse. We didn't know one another, and yet somehow we very much sensed that we were not strangers. It was all orderly, dignified and yet filled with electricity.

ON THE WAY back home, we made a refreshment stop as we traveled up Maryland's Eastern Shore. It was a very hot day. As it turned out, the stop was a local, roadside bar and some of us had forgotten to remove the buttons from our lapel marking the occasion. The local patrons were quizzical about the buttons, wondering what they stood for. Quite innocently, one among us explained. The room turned quite chilly. We gulped our sodas and left; this was no time to tarry.

AND NOW, IT is 20 years later. We wonder how much understanding has been achieved in those two decades. #

Keeping Track:

N.Y. Times focuses on redress

WASHINGTON—Under the New York Times headline Aug. 12, "Wartime Internment: A Personal Issue at the Fore", David Shribman, in a special feature, reported that two Nikkei congressmen from California now have a great deci-

sion to make on a key civil rights issue.

Reps. Norman Y. Mineta, of San Jose; and Robert T. Matsui, Sacramento, both Democrats, will have to vote on whether the U.S. government should apologize to Japanese Americans relocated during World War II and whether those who were confined in internment camps should receive monetary compensation.

The Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians concluded this spring that the detention and relocation of 120,000 American citizens during the war had been a "grave injustice".

Mixed up in the controversy are the difficult issues of civil liberties and the passions of Pearl Harbor and World War II, now four decades past.

After the Recess

When the 98th Congress returns this month, it will begin to examine a \$1.5 billion proposal that would provide a formal national apology, grant \$20,000 each to the estimated

60,000 surviving victims and establish a special educational foundation for Japanese Americans.

How the question of redress, lingering just below the political landscape for nearly four decades, went from a matter discussed in hushed tones in Japanese American homes to an issue before the House of Representatives is a story of "changing attitudes and, according to experts on the issue, the coming of age of American citizens of Japanese descent."

In many ways, in fact, Mineta and Matsui personify those changes, the article noted. For years, both carefully guarded the details of their confinement, even from their children.

"And they tried, in the fashion of many ethnic groups to emphasize their similarities with other Americans rather than their differences."

Mineta, 51, and Matsui, 41, agree that the change came with the civil rights movement, with the questioning and rebellion of the 1960s and with the maturing of third gen-

eration Japanese Americans. The young people kept asking; What happened? What was it like?

● Hostage to History

The Indianapolis Star Tuesday, March 22, 1983

Ed. Note: As the date of this editorial indicates, its comment on redress is directed to the class-action suit filed Mar. 16 by NCJAR. (Nat'l Council for Japanese American Redress; William Hohri, Chicago, chair)—not with the CWRIC recommendations which most of the clippings submitted to us in recent weeks are addressing.

"A grave injustice was done," a special congressional panel ruled last month concerning the World War II internment of people of Japanese ancestry. Surely all thoughtful Americans agree.

But the verdict was arrived at in the healing perspective of time, not in the painful aftermath of a vicious surprise attack on United States forces and a formal declaration of war.

The congressional panel concluded the internment was moti-

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



## Haiku: Poetic Impulse

Denver, Colo.

From time to time I've written in this space about my parents, both of whom died many years ago this month. They were interesting people of certain modest accomplishments, and it was not entirely a son's pride that led to their mention.

I have not written of my father-in-law because I never knew him. He died at an early age some years before I met his daughter, who in time became my wife. His name was Taro Miyake, not to be mistaken with a professional wrestler of the same name. The Taro Miyake of whom I write today was a wrestling fan, but he made his precarious living as editor and publisher of a small weekly Japanese language newspaper in Portland, Ore.

I have heard bits and pieces about Taro Miyake. He was a kindly and gregarious man. When his wife sent him out to collect on some of the bills due him, chances are he would sit down for warm, happy conversation and the matter of money never would come up. He loved to fish, and to eat.

But I write of him today for other reasons. The other day a small package came in the mail. It was a book of haiku poems by Miyake published in 1937. Some old friend of his had discovered it among her possessions, and she wanted Miyake's daughter to have it. There were other copies, of course, but they must have been lost during the war.

It is a shame that we cannot read and appreciate the poems. We have no idea what they are about. Do they tell of the beautiful Oregon that he had made his home? Are they about the land he left as a youth, the thoughts he had as he struggled to make a living and support his family? Does he speak in anger or philosophically about the discrimination that he faced as an Oriental in a white man's land?

We will not know until we find someone to read and translate them for us. What we do know from the fact that he wrote haiku and had them published was that he was a sensitive man, a cultured man. We had known earlier that he had been a prize-winning photographer. He experimented with tinting his art-quality prints and some of them had been accepted for shows. Now his poems reveal another dimension.

Like most other Issei, Taro Miyake came to the United States as a youngster, his education incomplete. And like so many other Issei he made time away from the needs of making a living to practice the arts and develop hobbies.

As a group the Issei displayed many talents. They could sing the classics, play the bamboo flute and other instruments, perform the kabuki, write critical essays and poems. Some were eloquent speakers. Others were painters and calligraphers.

Among the women were accomplished teachers of tea ceremony and flower arrangement, singers and dancers. Some, like Taro Miyake's wife, Tora, had been educated in mission schools and had learned the piano and other Western instruments.

In many respects the Issei were a remarkable people. They worked with enormous energy and zeal, but they also knew that life needed cultural enrichment. And a little book, written by a relative I never had the opportunity to meet, reminded me of that fact. #

## Bookshelf

### Citizen 13660 reprinted

CITIZEN 13660 (Univ. of Washington Press, Seattle, \$8.95) Reprint of 1946 original, new preface.

"Citizen 13660," a memoir of life in a World War II relocation camp, first published by the Univ. of Washington Press, Seattle, \$8.95. It has a new preface by the author/artist, Mine Okubo. Each page of the book has a cartoon illustrating the life of the author. It begins in Switzerland in 1939 with the declaration of war on Germany by England and France, and ends as she leaves Topaz Camp in Utah in 1944.

The title of the book comes from the family number she and her brother were assigned by the War

time Civil Control Administration. She was first detained at a temporary camp built at Tanforan Race Track. In September she left by train for Utah and the newly-built Topaz camp, in windswept semi-desert country in the center of the state.

The author says in the preface of her camp experience:

"I am often asked, why am I not bitter and could this happen again? I am a realist with a creative mind, interested in people, so my thoughts are constructive. I am not bitter. I hope that things can be learned from this tragic episode, for I believe it could happen again." #

## LETTERS

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ers, etc., and having an education does not necessarily mean intelligence as demonstrated by Hayakawa.

Let me suggest to Ken Masugi, Harumi Befu, Hashime Saito and the others who feel as they do that they get involved in the community and maybe in time they'll change their mind and if not that's OK, but I'm sure they will have gotten something out of it and also contributed to the community in return. Some of our best people started out with similar feelings until they got involved.

HENRY S. SAKAI  
Long Beach, Ca.

### ● \$20,000 Issue

Professor Harumi Befu (Aug. 12 PC Ltrs.) argues that while the U.S. government must apologize for its decision to intern the Japanese Americans, there is no need for the program of individual compensations. Since this view seems to be held by a considerable number of Japanese Americans—especially those Nisei who are highly successful and somewhat conservative, it deserves some attention.

Prof. Befu opposes individual compensations for the following reasons: (1) Many internees have died; (2) no amount of money can fully compensate for the losses and sufferings involved; (3) it may become an appeasement instead of a legitimate compensation; (4) these compensations should be given to a foundation; and (5) there may be a political backlash.

A critical difficulty of Prof.

have often advocated such a position ostensibly to appease those elements in American society who can not really bring themselves to accept complete racial equality. Normally, this kind of argument is quite cleverly structured so that it is nearly impossible to detect its underlying racism. But it is sometimes ridiculously persistent as it was in the case of former U.S. Senator S.I. Hayakawa.

Prof. Befu supports the proposal to set up a foundation to promote "the cause of social justice," thus implying that he is indeed seriously interested in racial equality. If so, he would look more consistent should he stop advocating a separate and second-class legal status for the Japanese Americans.

AKIRA KUBOTA  
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### ● Big Mountain People

The articles of the Big Mountain People written by Dr. Clifford Uyeda has prompted the Japanese American Redress Committee to pay heed to the plight of the Navajo Indians living in northeastern Arizona.

In "Another 'Relocation'" (Part I), Uyeda wrote that 10,000 Navajos are being forced by the government to vacate the grazing lands of their ancestors which rightfully belongs to the Native Americans—the same land that is sought by the industrial giants. Beneath their sacred land lie deposits of oil, coal and uranium.

For Japanese Americans, this scenario is familiar. In 1942, a hasty, mass evacuation of 120,000 took place with dispatch. The

Navajos however, have until 1986 to move or be removed. Again, the rights of American citizens are being ignored by the United States government.

A contribution was sent directly to the Big Mountain Fund by the Japanese American Redress Committee (JARC) to lend support in their resistance—as Uyeda pointed out in his column—to the ugly "relocation" plan.

EDDIE SATO

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### ● Keeping Track

Belatedly I am sending you the editorial which appeared in the Monterey Peninsula Herald regarding the Internment, and some "Letters to the Editor" responses to that editorial.

I hope you use some of them as encouragement to our readers to express their opinions and rebuttals to such a biased editorial. The redress issue must be brought out in its true light for all Americans to understand if we are to win this issue.

It's going to be a long, up-hill battle, but we must do it.

VI deCRISTOFORO  
Salinas, Ca.

### ● Injustices to GI

While you publish much on the hardships and injustices related to the incarceration of civilians of Japanese ancestry during World War II, you have done little to describe the injustices rendered to Japanese Americans who served in the military during World War II.

During a good part of 1944, I was a patient in Dibble General Hospital, an Army hospital in Menlo Park, Calif. In the bed next to me, for a time, was a young Japanese American from Maui, Hawaii. It was through him that I was able to perceive the racist attitude of many Californians towards a young American who had been seriously wounded, while fighting in Italy as a member of the U.S. Army.

While I was stationed within visiting distance from my home in Sacramento, he was thousands of miles from his home in Maui. I still remember his question-and-answer when he was by-passed by the Red Cross Gray Lady with her bookcart. "Do you know why she did that? That's because I'm Japanese!"

He also could not get the civilian barbers near the hospital to cut his hair when he was out on a pass for a few hours. I became aware at the same time that Japanese American names were purposely left off of billboard-sized honor rolls of those serving in the armed forces from towns in California's Central Valley.

When this young man was finally transferred from the Menlo Park Hospital he told me to come see him, if I came to Maui. When I finally reached Maui in 1968, I looked in the telephone book for his name—to no avail.

If any of your readers know what has happened to Fred Nakamoto, I would like to hear from them. I have often thought of him.

RICHARD T. SCHULTZ  
Hayward, Ca.

### ● VFW resolution

Mike Masaoka, Senator Daniel Inouye, and other Nisei Veterans eloquently defended the cause of Japanese Americans in repudiating the biased statement of VFW national commander James R. Currie.

Their emotion-stirring defense is based on their own experience of fighting and rallying tens of thousands of Japanese Americans for America during the darkest period of our history.

It is a known fact that our participation in the war reduced the length of the war against military Japan by two years. The mere fact that we fought for America is profoundly significant in that it proved America was not fighting a race war as claimed by the Japanese militarists and some American racists.

America owes the deepest gratitude to Masaoka, Inouye, Aiso and other Nisei veterans. Yes, we wrote a glorious chapter on the true meaning of patriotism in American history. No other American group ever volunteered from behind barbed wire and fought so heroically for the country that oppressed them.

In this connection it is noteworthy that the Sansei dissidents who defend and praise the cause of the instigators of the camp riots

are strangely silent in counteracting the outrageous statement of the VFW commander.

JAMES ODA  
Fontana, Ca.

### ● Some bouquets

As an avid reader of the PC, I am recommending the paper as a resource for a college course my brother, Richard Thomas, will be teaching this year on the whole matter of the relocation and reparations issue. I am continually impressed with the pro and con coverage you are giving to the CWRIC recommendations, and the response from various individuals and groups around the country.

I deeply appreciate the various columnists who consistently write for the paper, especially Bill Marutani whose piece entitled "Justice Delayed" (Aug. 19 PC) was especially appropriate to those who still insist on blaming Japan's attack and war on the U.S. on the people of Japanese ancestry who came here to live, or were born here.

WARREN C. THOMAS  
McMinnville, OR.

### ● About writing

I am a Sansei and am beginning (have been for past five to six years) to accumulate material—published art, posters, poetry, prose, documents, for my modest archives on Japanese American history. Would you be able to suggest any resources, help information in this regard?

Also, I have done some writing of my Sansei experience vis-a-vis American society-culture, i.e. poetry, essay, and wonder if you could suggest avenues for me to share with others who have done so as well.

JOHN MURAO  
Inglewood, Ca.

Gathering of such material is the task of a wide-ranging reader of newspapers, books, magazines, school publications, newsletters, etc. A recently-published book which can offer leads is Elaine Kim's "Asian American Literature: An Introduction to the Writings and Their Social Context" (Temple University Press, Philadelphia, 1982). Also helpful may be the PC reference list of current Japanese American newspapers, available free at our office or send a 20-cent stamped envelope. As for submitting material to the Pacific Citizen, we are in the process of organizing the annual Holiday Issue, which has considered and published original pieces in the past. Deadline this year is Oct 30. —GM/O

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## Keeping Track:

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vated primarily by politics and mostly unwarranted fear. No proof exists of sabotage or of substantial reason to believe sabotage was planned. Yet 120,000 Japanese Americans were herded into camps on the West Coast and held prisoner.

Their humiliation and economic loss are basis of a suit filed last week against the government for \$24 billion in reparations—\$200,000 for each internee or survivors.

Plaintiffs charge the government conspired to deprive internees of their constitutional rights by fabricating claims of military necessity. The suit should be dismissed for several reasons.

Bad judgment and unreasoned fear may have prevailed at the time, as government documents appear to show, but the charge of official conspiracy borders on nonsense. The passage of time does not enable any court to enter the minds and hearts of the men who made those judgments, nor can it—from the distance of 40 years—divine the temper of a besieged government and a citizenry stunned by the unprovoked slaughter of Pearl Harbor.

Moreover, to award even token reparations would hold American citizens and taxpayers hostage to every misguided action of their government. What happened to Japanese Americans during World War II must not be forgotten. It is a lesson to be absorbed by the national conscience, not a sin to be redeemed by the treasury. #

## ● A program of shame

Cleveland Plain Dealer  
Saturday, July 2, 1983

When the United States went to war with Japan in 1941, it was not just a military response to that December's day of infamy. It was to protect, both at home and throughout the Pacific Basin, the political and philosophical ideals that are the foundations of this nation. That is why we have ever since felt confusion—and yes, some guilt—about our treatment of Japanese Americans during the war's early years.

More than 100,000 Japanese Americans were detained, stripped of rights and possessions, and placed in detention camps before being relocated away from what was considered the strategic and vulnerable West Coast. It was a program of shame, a policy that lacked any moral or legal foundation. It was a policy predicated on racism and panic.

The United States was afraid, and that was to be expected. We had just been hideously bludgeoned by a surprise attack. There was no telling, in those early months and years, what new attack was being prepared. Hindsight is not always cheating, however, and we can now see clearly that the policy of interning and then relocating Japanese Americans was itself an infamy.

As inexcusable as the relocation policy was, it would be even more horrific if now, with the benefit of our hindsight, we did nothing to make retribution. That is why we so warmly welcome the proposal by the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment that the government formally apologize and pay some \$20,000 to each of the some 60,000 internees who are alive today. The money is not punitive: many of the victims suffered severe and lasting economic hardship as a result of their disenfranchisement. But the substance is in the apology, a reaffirmation to the Japanese Americans who unjustly suffered from our fears and panic that war abroad does not mean the suspension of rights at home.

The argument against the reparations—that the Japanese did it to us—only prompts the obvious answer: We went to war precisely because of that difference between us. (It has ever since been a question, incidentally, why the German

Americans on the East Coast were not interned.)

There is an enormous and frightening incongruity in the knowledge that while Americans were fighting and dying throughout the Pacific to protect our democracy, we at home were—and in some quarters still are—trying to demolish it. —(From Henry T. Tanaka)

## ● U.S. apology to mistreated Americans

Minneapolis Tribune  
Sunday, July 3, 1983

Controversy has arisen around recent proposals that the U.S. government make amends to American citizens of Japanese background who were forcibly detained in "relocation centers" for 2½ years during World War II. A commission appointed by Congress recommends "apologies of the nation" and a \$20,000 payment to each of the 60,000 camp survivors still alive. Some objectors consider such proposals preposterous. We find them fitting and a credit to the nation.

The central point of the commission's report is this: American citizens lost liberty and property by government action because government officials feared that Japanese Americans might be disloyal. "Ethnicity determined loyalty," said a general in charge of West Coast security at the time. "Race prejudice" and "war hysteria," says the commission, looking back. There was no evidence of Japanese American spying or sabotage, and thus no good grounds to round up and imprison 120,000 innocent residents. For such a "grave injustice" apologies and compensation are appropriate.

Few who remember the public mood just after Pearl Harbor—one enthusiast laid a patriotic ax to the Japanese cherry trees in Washington, D.C.—will contest the commission's latter-day assessment of the relocation episode. But some who remember cite that mood—and fears that Japan would attack the West Coast—as part of the reason why extreme and race-based security measures seemed called for. They are offended that wartime leaders like President Franklin Roosevelt and Secretary of War Henry Stimson should now be charged with "a failure of political leadership" for actions taken in the heat of emergency. No apologies or compensation are called for, say the commission's critics.

Such testy reactions are understandable but beside the point. The point remains that with little protest from the general population a large group of citizens was officially branded suspect and put behind barbed wire. Whatever the extenuating circumstances then, they do not justify withholding token payments and apologies on behalf of the nation now. A regrettable mistake deserves to be regretted. America should be big enough to say it is sorry.—(From JACL Midwest Office).

## Peninsula Area Comments

"I do not agree with reparations for Japanese Americans," wrote T.A. Miller of Sunnyvale, Ca. to the Peninsula Times Tribune (July 24), Palo Alto. Pearl Harbor left a hatred for the Japanese, and being put into camp was partly for a safety precaution, Miller claims, suggesting that some were patriotic Americans but "how could you be sure." "I say in no way do we owe them anything."

Jean Libby, Palo Alto, in the same paper supports reparations to those unconstitutionally incarcerated. "It would be more fair if those who most benefited from the forced evacuation and resettlement would pay the reparations. We should all contribute to this tardy restitution."

West Coast was threatened after Pearl Harbor, and Japan furnished the relocation reasons, said Lagratta Huff, Los Altos. He saw Japanese going about freely around Chicago and St. Louis. Others could

## JACL Leadership Development (5) ...

# Both Enlightening and Inspirational

By GENE SEKIYA  
(CCDC Representative)

This is the fifth in a series of personal evaluations of the inaugural JACL-Washington, D.C. Leadership Program held June 19-25 by the district selectee.

AGENDA—I feel that the way in which the program was set up helped me to better understand the objective of the program. Each of the speakers had a very distinctive topic and style of delivery, so it made it quite easy for me to recall who said what about which topic. For some constructive criticism, maybe it would help to set up some time at the end of the day to discuss the day's activities and at that time have either a verbal or written evaluation of each speaker, or a single one on the speaker which most stuck out in each person's mind.

Also, I would have liked a little more time to talk with some of the speakers in a casual atmosphere, as the limited chance we had at a couple of dinners. There, both they the speakers and we the "audience" would be on more of a personal level, rather than imposing a "we are waiting for your lecture" type situation upon them. Maybe they didn't feel that, but at certain times, I felt as if we were giving that sort of impression. Ideally, I would like to see this program expanded over a longer period of time, but financially, this is probably unfeasible at the present time.

All in all, I was expecting a very busy and fulfilling week of intense instruction of the legislative process and about the JACL/Nikkei role in the United States Governmental System, and I indeed received it.

LOGISTICS—I look back upon the various conditions of the

locate in the Midwest and East, and 3,600 or more chose to do this. "U.S. and England paid for the care of victims held in camps by Japan. She should pay the English, Dutch and other citizens held in isolation where only half survived. Open up the files for the whole reparation debt".

Harold Eggers, Mountain View, believed the best thing to do is forget the injustice. "Forget indignant letters; forget trying to de-

port former Nazis; forget prosecuting Klaus Barbie (what useful purpose could possibly be served by exciting the passions of the French?); forget efforts to extract payment or retribution; and write off the affair as misfortunes of war, and a general recognition that things are tough all over. Permanent irreconcilable hatreds are made of memories of injustices kept alive, sometimes through good intentions. #

## Reactions to NCJAR suit

PASADENA, Ca.—When Shirlee Smith wrote a column (July 25) in the Pasadena Star-News, she mentioned that the Justice Dept. had filed a motion in U.S. District to dismiss the \$24 billion suit brought against the United States on behalf of Japanese Americans who were interned during World War II.

The suit was filed in March, seeking \$200,000 for each of those interned or their survivors. (This should not be confused with the CWRIC recommendations or the bills in Congress. Smith does not specify NCJAR—National Council for Japanese American Redress in her column.—Ed.)

Initial public reaction by Pasadena to the \$24 billion law suit was mainly negative, as indicated on the opinion page of the Pasadena Star-News (Aug. 18).

June Dessoie expressed bitterness about "reparations". "I lost two husbands to war injuries suffered at Tinian and Mindanao... I know many, if not all, Japanese here knew of the imminent attack and didn't even warn us."

But another said: "We were at war with Germany as well as Japan. Why were only Japanese being taken away?" Pat Greutert recalls about her friend Maryann Hasegawa, with her dark curls and neatly pressed dress, "standing beside me at school, reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. I wondered about 'liberty and justice for all.' Who was 'All'?"

H.E. Fletcher, Arcadia, said if Japanese Americans persist that government pay them billions, "the rest of us have to react". He suggested American blacks be paid to make up for his ancestors being made slaves. "Most Caucasians really didn't know any Japanese very well. At least not well enough to vouch for their loyalty to the United States."

Daniel E. Whitlow, Pasadena, claims the evacuees at Poston, Ariz., where he worked, "were anything but mistreated". They

had all they needed: cigarettes, three copious meals a day of the best. They had fashion shows, luau, baseball, volleyball—the privilege of going into town daily at Parker, Ariz., he said.

"Don't you think it is wrong to blame the Japanese Americans for Pearl Harbor attack, Bataan Death March and the sinking of the USS Arizona?" asked Mack Yamaguchi. "(Why not) blame us for dropping the atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki...?"

Robert K. Yasui, Jr., San Gabriel, emphasized: "While we, as a society, reap the benefits sown by the careful planning of the past generations, we must in addition bear the moral responsibility of paying for the uncompensated mistakes of these generations. We have the grand opportunity to repair the damages".—(From Mack Yamaguchi.)

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program as being quite good. Staying at Georgetown University dorms gave us a very nice, relaxing environment that "freed" us from the congestion and impersonal feeling of staying at a hotel. For me personally, it gave me the same type of casual, friendly atmosphere as when I go to visit my friends that live in the dorms at the university that I attend. (Also, I was quite lucky to have one of the rooms where the air conditioning was working, and so I didn't have to sweat it out during the warm nights.) Lastly, it gave me the opportunity to meet not only the people in the program at a casual pace, as having the option of going to any of the numerous shops and hangouts in the university area, or just going for a walk at night, but also, I was able to meet some of the people that attend the university and briefly become acquainted with them.

Transportation was well taken care of by both David (Nakayama) and our leaders. Although we did take public transportation (taxi), with the small size of our group, it was the quickest and easiest way of getting from place to place. Besides, EVERYONE takes taxis in Washington, D.C. It also provided a good teaching ground for many of us that had hardly ever taken taxis. For instance, we learned to watch out for the drivers trying to rip-us-off, the tipping-the-driver circumstance, and basically for us not to be so trusting (and naive) of even the most basic things as taking taxis.

SUMMARY—As I look back over the entire program, it's hard for me to realize that we were able to cover so much in such a short period of time, and how quickly our group came together to both learn and share ideas as a single group.

I was continually having to ponder and reanalyze my stance on certain issues, not necessarily changing them, but rather giving more time to consider the alternate view to that which I hold. I realize that you cannot be too strict in the matter of following what you feel is "right", nor should you discard what you believe in just to appease someone else, but rather find a medium where both you and the other person will feel comfortable. A typical example that became very clear to me is the concept of the "good ole boy" system. It may not always be good but it isn't always bad; it is just the thing that works the best in the situation of diplomacy and protocol.

Having seen and met so many Nikkei so highly involved within the workings of the government was both enlightening and inspirational. Although I had participated in the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans, and was previously exposed to many of the same areas that the Leadership Program covered, I think I got more out of it this time around because of the smallness of our group and psychological stroking that the Nikkei speakers presented as role models. We were given many "inside views" and advice on how to pursue careers and how to possibly avoid making crucial mistakes.

In closing, I feel that the Sansei can and probably will carry on the ideals that the Issei brought over from Japan, and how the Nisei and the JACL was able to start the transformation of those ideals and implement them within the Japanese American society (as well as) with the American society. #

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## JACL-Hayashi law scholarships ...

## Two winners picked 1st time

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—For the first time in its eight-year history, a tie for the National JACL Thomas T. Hayashi Memorial Law Scholarship has resulted in the awarding of two full scholarships, one to Jeri Christine Okamoto of West Linn, Ore., and the other to John Tatsuo Nakahata of Mill Valley, Ca., it was announced this past week (Aug. 31) by Dr. Tom Tamaki, chairman of the selections committee.

Each will receive \$700 for the 1983-4 academic year and additional \$700 for their junior and senior law school years, for a total of \$2,100 each, provided that the awardees maintain satisfactory grades throughout their graduate careers.

Coincidentally, both of the winners had almost identically high Legal Standard Aptitude Test scores, were also graduated with high honor from their respective universities and accepted for admission to top ranked law schools.

**Jeri Okamoto**

Okamoto, 22, was born in Denver, Colo., to Herbert and Chiyoko Okamoto, graduated with honors from Cypress High School, and West Linn High School, Linn, Ore. At Cypress High she was a member of the National Honor Society, drill team captain and a baton twirler. At the West Linn High, she was a National Honor Society student government representative, an All-State Oregon dance team member, Miss Drill Team USA first runner-up, and the top 10% of all Oregon scholars, and a JACL

academic scholarship winner.

She majored in liberal arts at Oregon State followed by summer session at Portland State University, and graduating from the UC Santa Barbara with a double major, Law and Society and Speech Communication this past spring.

Selected as Miss Portland 1979, she was fifth runner-up in the Miss Oregon preliminary for Miss America and an Oregon State freshman honoree. At UC-Santa Barbara, she was a California Public Interest Research Group volunteer, participant in the Capitol Hill internship program, head songleader, academic peer adviser, Mortar Board member, chairman of Professor of the Year selections committee, member of Dean's Honors list and Honors Program (Law), graduating with Highest Honors and Distinction in both majors.

She was also active in several voluntary student legal services, a volunteer coach in Special Olympics, student representative to the First Amendment Committee for Student Publications, and in Sigma Delta Chi/Society of Professional Journalists. She was also the Gardena Valley JACL Nisei Week Princess.

She plans to attend Georgetown University Law School this fall.

Her father, a retired Internal Revenue Service employee, is active in the Gardena Valley JACL, chaired the Sayonara Dinner at the National JACL convention last summer (1982), a former President of the Portland Chapter, and member of the National JACL President's Personnel Committee.

**John Nakahata**

John Nakahata, also 22, the son of Dr. Donald and Alice Nakahata of Mill Valley, Calif. He and his parents are active with the Marin JACL Chapter. He plans to attend the Harvard University Law

School this September.

A '79 honor graduate of Tamalpais Union High School, he was active in music and athletic circles, a member of the pep band, concert band, orchestra, and high school choir, the College of Marin community band, and Marin County Youth Orchestra. He was a four-year member of the high school track and field team and for three years on the cross-country team.

A member of the student senate, he was a National Merit Scholarship Commended Student, the Bank of America plaque winner in Science and Mathematics, a winner of several honorary scholarship societies, and was designated as UC-Davis Regents' Scholar, and was awarded National JACL's scholarship honors—the Mr. and Mrs. Takashi Moriuchi Award of Morristown, N.J.

He continued his activities in music and in athletics at Wesleyan University, being a tympanist and percussionist with the university orchestra for four years; as a member of the cross-country team for three seasons and with the track and field team two seasons.

Particularly active in the Wesleyan Asian Interest Group for four years, he served on the Minority Admissions committee and of its charter committee. He was delegate to the Asian American Conference (ECASU), produced on campus "Life in the Fast Lane—Requiem for a Sansei Poet" and coordinated the Inaugural Asian American Weekend this spring (1983).

He graduated with honors from the College of Social Studies. In addition to another National JACL Scholarship, he received the Davenport Grant for summer research, awarded for promising research projects, especially ones leading to a Senior Honors Thesis,

and the Baldwin Fellowship—for a "public spirited" Wesleyan graduate attending Harvard Law School.

**Other Finalists**

Five other finalists, not necessarily in order were Jim L. Kaput of Philadelphia, a graduate of the Univ. of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Finance; Kiyoshi Nishida of Washington, D.C. a masters graduate of East Tennessee State University; Joel Daniel Lee of San Francisco, International Christian University, Tokyo, and UC-Santa Barbara; Dean Yasuki Sugano of Honolulu, University of Hawaii at Manoa and New York University; and Mary Lou Wakimura of Denver, Colo., Univ. of Colorado.

**Selection Committee**

Other members of the selections committee, are Harry Takagi of Washington, D.C., Ron Inouye of New York, New York, and Kiyomi Nakamura of Seabrook, N.J.

The memorial law scholarships were established nine years ago by the Eastern District Council of the Japanese American Citizens League to not only honor the memory of the late New York Nisei attorney Tom Hayashi who was the first EDC chairman, its first National JACL vice president, and a former National JACL legal counsel, but also to encourage others of Japanese ancestry to enter the legal profession as a means of seeking justice under law for all through resort to the judicial process and of promoting international understanding and goodwill, especially in trade and finance through the development of a worldwide system of litigation and arbitration.

Interest on the private contributions received by the Law Scholarship Fund almost a decade ago provided the necessary monies for this year's scholarship awards. Previously, the full scholarship based on merit, and such other "need" scholarships in lesser amounts and for a single year, were awarded each year as funds from the interest of the principal sum were available. #

## JACL &amp; CACA get together

LOS ANGELES—Local leadership in the Chinese American Citizens Alliance (founded some 80 years ago in San Francisco as a citizen group to combat racial discrimination) and the Japanese American Citizens League (founded some 50 years in San Francisco for the same reason) got together at the PSWDC third quarterly session Aug. 28 at Little Tokyo Towers—a first in PSW history.

Superior Court Judge Ernest Hiroshige, luncheon speaker, was instrumental in gathering the two groups—having earlier suggested to PSW governor Cary Nishimoto the Japanese American and Chinese American communities should get to know each other better, work on common problems and develop coalition politics which can have tremendous impact on the future of the Asian American community as a whole.

Dr. William Tom, Los Angeles CACA Lodge president, headed his group while Howard Quo, secretary, gave a brief history of the pioneer Asian American organization which, until 1978, was all-male.

Nishimoto introduced the JACL-PSW leadership, chapter presidents and officers. Among the areas of concern he mentioned were immigration law, the rising incidence of crime in the street and violence against Asian Americans.

Also addressing the group were two youth. Shirley Oseki, Roosevelt High School student, reported on her recent one-week stay at an interracial summer camp. The PSWDC has been sponsoring students to these events for many years. Randy Fujimoto, PSW selectee, related his experiences at the JACL Washington D.C. Leadership Development program.

The next DC session (also to elect new PSW officers for the biennium) will be held in Las Vegas over the Nov. 18-20 weekend at the Hacienda Casino-Hotel. Reservations at \$70 per person (two nights/double occupancy, round trip bus transportation, registration, continental breakfast, two dinners) should be made through the PSW-JACL office, 244 S. San Pedro St., #507, Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 626-4471. Those wishing to fly, the additional cost is \$35 per person and reservations by Sept. 30 is required to insure the low fare, it was announced by George Kanegai, trip coordinator. #

## Salinas seniors and guests picnic

By VIOLET de CRISTOFORO

SALINAS, Ca.—Close to 150 Nikkei seniors from Salinas, Gilroy, Morgan Hill, Watsonville and Monterey enjoyed a sunny day picnicking beneath the famous Monterey oak trees at the Royal Oaks Regional Park here Aug. 14. The Salinas JACL Seniors were hosts for the day.

Barbecued steaks were prepared by Harry Sakasegawa, Roy Kimura, Bob Kitaji, Ken Sato, Mike Sasaki, Henry Tanda and Jimmy Tanda. The Salinas Senior Ladies delighted the guests with sushi, salad, chili beans and many other gochiso. Watermelons and cantaloupes were furnished by Gilroy JACL, lettuce by Tanimura and Antle Co., onions by Hibino Farms, soft drinks by Watsonville JACL, beer by the Monterey Peninsula JACL, and flowers by TST Flowers.

Entertainment was provided by the Salinas Karaoke Club under leadership of Tokumi Yamaguchi, and many seniors added by singing their favorite songs.

The Salinas Seniors have set a Reno Fun Trip for Sept. 24-25. Fare is \$49 per person, and reservations are on a first come basis. #



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## Kotonks and JAs

San Francisco

Next year, hundreds of JACLers will attend the 1984 convention to be held in Honolulu. I look forward to attending this convention, not only for the special events planned, but because this convention will be held in my home-town.

Going home is always a special time for me. Although I am looking forward to the 1984 convention, I am also experiencing some apprehension at the thought of the possible collision of worlds between the "local" Japanese Americans and the "mainland" Japanese Americans.

Since living on the mainland, I've become aware of the perceptions (or misperceptions, as the case may be) that mainland JAs have of Hawai'i JAs. And, because I've grown up in Hawai'i, I'm very familiar with the stereotypes that Hawai'i JAs have about their mainland counterparts. For those of you not familiar with these stereotypes, let me share my perceptions of these misperceptions with you.

Having grown up in Hawai'i, my experience with mainland JAs was very limited. However, I knew that Kotonks (mainland JAs) spoke "correct" English, as opposed to "pigeon", and were thought to be "Haole-fied". In this context, "Haole-fied" means to be "white-washed" or without the values or life-style that made one a "real" JA (Hawaiian-style, of course!). And how, in our innocent eyes, could they be JAs when they spoke like Haoles, dressed like Haoles (their tastes in Aloha shirts were touristy, at best), couldn't pronounce "Ala Moana", didn't know the difference between chop chae and kau yuk, and took showers in the morning, not baths at night?? No, I was certain that Kotonks were another breed of people, entirely apart from the (ah hem), real JAs.

Now on the other side of the Pacific, I came to learn that Kotonks also held their own beliefs about Hawai'i JAs.

Almost no one in Hawai'i escapes using pidgin English at least some time during the day. If the sentence structure is correct, then the inflection at the end of a question goes down instead of up. If it's not one thing, it's another. It did not occur to me, until I was so informed, that the use of pidgin, especially "heavy pigeon", is easily interpreted as indicative of "inaka-pe-ness," being backward, or perhaps, less intelligent. ("Smart" people speak smart English? or Haole-fied people speak Haole English...?)

I knew, as soon as I met my father one dreary Seattle morning dressed in a bright red, three quarter sleeve, Aloha shirt, that there may be a grain of truth in the Kotonk belief that Hawai'i JAs dress loudly. And, after hearing my brother yell, decibels over everyone, at the Oakland airport, "Eh Lia! I can see smoke when I blow!!", I can possibly see why Kotonks might think that Hawai'i JAs are loud and maybe even, crude. (My brother only meant that he could see his breath.)

One mainland perception, of which I've recently become aware, is that Hawai'i JAs are thought to be egotistical in their general manner, and especially in their thoughts about being Japanese Americans. I can see how one could interpret Hawai'i JAs as being egotistical, however, I would temper that a bit and call it a strong feeling of ethnocentrism. Yes, I admit to being very proud of being a JA from Hawai'i, and am not afraid of proclaiming it so loudly.

It is not, however, the case that mainland JAs are not proud of their heritage. By no means is that true. I have a hunch that there may be a qualitative difference in the ethnic identity mainland and Hawai'i JAs experience. Only since living on the mainland have I discovered in myself the strength of my Asian identity and Japanese American identity. This probably could not have occurred in Hawai'i since I would have always felt empowered, and never felt that I could be part of an oppressed group.

My mainland experience has helped me understand why, perhaps, mainland JAs seem more reserved, more passive, and less out-spoken than us loud-mouthed Hawai'i JAs. "The nail that sticks out gets pounded in"—this paraphrased Japanese proverb was apparently reinforced into the personalities of those interned in camps during WW2. The camp experience, I've come to realize, is an extremely heavy burden with which to live each day of one's life. Even the Sansei, my cohorts, bear traces of that experience which so profoundly affected their parents.

In Hawai'i, on the other hand, the incarceration experience, at least to my generation, seems far removed. We may hear of it in school, if we're lucky, but more than likely, the stories, the feelings, and the experiences are never personalized for us. The numbers of people interned in Hawai'i were small, and the effect on the people today is seemingly nonexistent.

Certainly, differences that may sometimes appear as wide as the distance that separates Hawai'i and the mainland, exist. However, I've discovered that the similarities we share as Japanese Americans are far more salient than those differences. Each of us, in our own way, lives as a Japanese American. It's the rare individual among us that does not somehow abide by "on", "giri", and filial piety. On the surface level, it's so easy, much too easy, to make blind judgments based on another's appearance, accent, or life-style. This would be a regrettable mistake for who and what we are is found just

## Shig Wakamatsu set for Japan trip

LOS ANGELES—Shig Wakamatsu of Chicago, former national JACL president and continuing chair of the JACL-Japanese American Research Project executive committee, and his wife Toshi are planning to visit Japan with the West L.A. JACL group tour, according to Steve Yagi, tour leader. The group departs Oct. 1.

The trip is a gift from his many friends who honored him for his longtime dedication to the JACL cause at the last National JACL Convention here. #

## Ventura slates international fair

OXNARD, Ca.—Ventura County JACL members and their children will participate in the seventh annual International Food Fair, Sunday, Sept. 11, at California and Main Sts.

Under the direction of Marsha Miyasaka, youngsters will perform in singing/dancing the Tanko Bushi.

## Letters

### Renewal process

Would you please check your records again to see if my subscription is paid for now (Aug. 12)? So far, I've missed eight issues. I paid my JACL dues on Feb. 17, 1983. I called our treasurer in May about my PC nearing the cut-off date. He told me he'd take care of it. In August, I called the president (who) told me he'd get it straightened out.

Hope my paper gets here before the year's end. DISGUSTED Cleveland, Ohio

By virtue of this letter (the only indication of a renewal received thus far at the PC Office), the subscription has been reactivated.

All JACL subscribers should remember that PC allows a two-month grace period for membership renewals to be turned in by the chapters before the paper is stopped.

### 1000 Club renewals

I am working hard not only to increase regular members but also 1000 Club members.

Please do not cancel Pacific Citizen to 1000 club members even if they don't pay their dues on time as all of the St. Louis 1000 Club member's wives are also members. I heard some complaints.

KIMI DURHAM  
Membership chairperson  
St. Louis, JACL

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This year, the JACL renewal applications for 1984 include forms for both 1000 Club and regular members—separately in most instances.—GM/Op.

beneath those obstacles that sometimes blind us.

So, if you happen to meet my loud father or brother in Hawai'i next summer, or if you, Dad or John, meet my kotonk friends strolling in front of the Pacific Beach Hotel, expect to need the time, and by all means, take the time necessary to learn, and appreciate the differences between us, but above all, find those basic beliefs, feelings and thoughts that we share, for that is what makes us all, Japanese Americans. #

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August 29, 1983



# JACL Chapter Redress Pledges Received

Actual revenue is indicated below in the summary prepared by National Headquarters for the period indicated. Chapters which have oversubscribed will probably cover the non-participation of others. For FY1984, the National Board in July approved a \$195,000 for the JACL Redress Committee.

Five-dollar per member (25,853 as of 9-30-82) \$129,265.00  
 Received 8-17-82 to 8-9-83 88,365.00  
 Balance Needed for FY1983 Budget \$40,901.00

## NATIONAL SUMMARY BY DISTRICT COUNCILS

District	Membership	Amt Pldgd	Received
Pacific Southwest	7,689	\$ 38,445	\$ 30,475
No. Cal.-W. Nev.-Pacific	10,924	54,620	33,680
Pacific Northwest	1,489	7,445	6,015
Mountain Plains	450	2,250	935
Midwest	1,810	9,050	4,830
Central California	1,679	8,395	6,120
Eastern	834	4,170	3,310
Intermountain	978	4,870	3,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25,853</b>	<b>\$ 129,265</b>	<b>\$ 88,365</b>

## CHAPTER SUMMARY: NO. CAL.-W. NEV.-PACIFIC DISTRICT

Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd	Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd
Alameda	286	1,430	1,250	Monterey Peninsula	435	2,175	2,000
Berkeley	317	1,585	1,665	Oakland	111	555	290
Contra Costa	465	2,325	500	Placer County	263	1,315	1,370
Cortez	191	955	990	Reno	71	355	385
Diablo Valley	148	740	125	Sacramento	919	4,595	
Eden Township	303	1,515		Salinas Valley	362	1,810	1,910
Florin	97	485	1,040	San Benito	75	375	365
Fremont	180	900	800	San Francisco	1,424	7,120	1,540
French Camp	152	760		San Jose	1,058	5,290	3,000
Gilroy	140	700	675	San Mateo	659	3,295	3,200
Golden Gate	29	145	150	Sequoia	703	3,515	3,415
Honolulu	37	185	420	Solano County	43	215	320
Japan	74	370	375	Sonoma County	448	2,240	
Livingston-Merced	191	955	210	Stockton	425	2,125	500
Lodi	320	1,600	1,515	Tri-Valley	80	400	
Marin County	82	410		Watsonville	313	1,565	1,710
Marysville	212	1,060	2,405	West Valley	311	1,555	1,555
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10,924</b>	<b>54,620</b>	<b>30,425</b>				

## CHAPTER SUMMARY: MIDWEST DISTRICT

Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd	Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd
Chicago	863	4,315	2,000	Hoosier	67	335	350
Cincinnati	91	455		Milwaukee	142	710	
Cleveland	97	485		St. Louis	88	440	500
Dayton	98	490	1,025	Twin Cities	209	1,045	
Detroit	155	775	955				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,810</b>	<b>9,050</b>	<b>4,830</b>				

## CHAPTER SUMMARY: PACIFIC NORTHWEST DISTRICT

Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd	Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd
Columbia Basin	28	140	90	Portland	212	1,060	800
Gresham-Troutdale	133	665	665	Puyallup Valley	217	1,085	1,125
Lake Washington	60	300	140	Seattle	501	2,505	1,500
Mid-Columbia	175	875	750	Spokane	99	495	630
Olympia				White River Valley	64	320	315
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,489</b>	<b>7,445</b>	<b>6,015</b>				

## CHAPTER SUMMARY: MOUNTAIN PLAINS DISTRICT

Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd	Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd
Arkansas Valley	69	345		Mile-High	80	400	450
Fort Lupton	97	485	475	New Mexico	66	330	10
Houston	26	130		Omaha	112	560	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>935</b>				

# New Sumitomo-Nat'l JACL scholarships total \$3,000

SAN FRANCISCO, Ca.—The Sumitomo Bank of California will increase its 1984 National JACL scholarship funding to \$3,000 from the present \$2,000.

Sumitomo Bank president Teruhisa Shimizu declared Aug. 26, "The long association Sumitomo Bank of California has with JACL Scholarship Award Program has been a major source of satisfaction and pride for us over the years."

The 1984 Sumitomo Bank of California scholarship awards will be distributed by the National JACL scholarship program to three deserving students, one from each of the freshman, undergraduate and graduate categories. Each award will be of \$1,000 to the student.

Applications for this award and over 25 other through National JACL will be available in October 1983. For information, write to: National JACL Scholarship Program, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115.

## JACLers hold roast for Mr. Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—A surprise roast for Jack Ozawa who is Philadelphia's Mr. JACL was held at the home of Tom/Mary Murakami on Aug. 6. PC columnist Bill Marutani listed the character qualities of the honoree on his 60th year although his actual birthday is in April.

Those in attendance at the party and on committee were: Betty Endo, George Oye, Grayce Uyehara, Allen Okamoto, Tom Tamaki, Teresa Maebori, Tom Murakami, Tsuyuko Ikeda, Gladys Kamihara, Kevin Nakashima, Yuri Kita, Yone Okamoto, Sim Endo, George Higuchi, Roy Kita, Miiko Horikawa, Martha Nakamura, Miyo Oye, Kuniaki, and Masako Miller.

## West L.A. Sansei, Marina to hold awareness workshop

LOS ANGELES—A three-part series of presentations, improvisationals and discussion groups will be held to raise awareness of young adult Asian Pacific Americans in the McKay Lounge at Loyola Marymount University from 7:30 to 10 p.m. on Sept. 14, 21 and 28.

Entitled "Intimacy vs. Isolation": Crossroads for a Young-Adult," the workshop is sponsored by the Western Region Asian American Project (WRAAP) in conjunction with the Marina and WLA Sansei JACL chapters and the Asian Pacific Supportive Services at Loyola Marymount University.

Part one: "Most important intimacy: Myself" will feature Warren Furutani of UCLA Asian American Studies Center addressing identity/self concept issues,

## WLA CL auxiliary plans fashion show

LOS ANGELES—West Los Angeles JACL Auxiliary has set Oct. 16 for its annual fashion show at The Broadway. Theme will be "Fashion from the Orient". Brunch will be served at the Hyatt Regency Hotel.

On the committee are Toy Kanegai, Eiko Iwata, chair; Yuki Sato, Amy Nakashima, Mary Yanokawa, Jean Ushijima, Phyllis Murakami, Stella Kishi, and Miye Yoshida.

For details, call Amy at (213) 473-9969, or Toy, 820-3592. Ticket will be \$25 per person.

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values and attitudes of being Asian American.

Part two: "Intimacy between two or more" will have licensed clinical social workers Laura Shiozaki, Ken Mitsuata and Grace Choi covering how family, friends and the media influence personal choice of significant other and interracial relationships.

In the final section, "Intimacy: What's it all about?" Dr. Harry Kitano and Amy Mass, licensed clinical social worker, will address issues related to definitions of intimacy: fusion, attachment dependency, separate but close, expression of intimate feelings, how to be close, expectations of significant other, commitment, communication and divorce issues.

The improvisation comedy group Cold Tofu will be present on all three dates to participate in the program of the workshop.

The cost of the entire program is \$10. Each individual workshop is \$4. For information contact Emily Yamanaka at 478-8241.



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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>2,250</b>	<b>485</b>				

## CHAPTER SUMMARY: CENTRAL CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd	Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd
Clovis	127	635		Reedley	154	770	500
Delano	57	285	165	Sanger	204	1,020	820
Fowler	129	645		Selma	135	675	655
Fresno	478	2,390	2,085	Tulare County	249	1,245	1,240
Parlier	146	730	655				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,679</b>	<b>8,395</b>	<b>6,120</b>				

## CHAPTER SUMMARY: EASTERN DISTRICT

Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd	Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd
New England	2	10		Seabrook	176	880	
New York	195	975	1,065	Washington, DC	310	1,550	1,400
Philadelphia	151	755	845				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>4,170</b>	<b>3,310</b>				

## CHAPTER SUMMARY: INTERMOUNTAIN DISTRICT

Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd	Chapter	Memb	Pldg	Rec'd
Boise Valley	144	720	500	Salt Lake City	222	1,110	
Idaho Falls	55	275	500	Snake River	248	1,240	500
Mount Olympus	172	860	500	Wasatch Front North	46	230	500
Pocatello-Blackfoot	91	455	500				
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>4,890</b>	<b>3,000</b>				

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# NHK historical TV series of 1984 spotlights U.S. Nikkei

Starting Sept. 15, Japan Broadcasting Corp. (Nippon Hoso Kyokai—NHK) will begin filming on location in San Francisco and Marin County and later in Los Angeles, Minneapolis and Washington, for its year-long historical TV drama for 1984, *Sanga Moyu*, based on the story of a Kibei editor on a prewar Little Tokyo vernacular newspaper. To be shown on prime-time on TV in Japan, its story dramatizes the lives of Issei, Nisei and Kibei (Nisei who were sent as youth to Japan and had returned to the U.S.) through prewar and WW2 period.

The best selling publication, *Futatsu no Sokoku*, written by famed writer Toyoko Yamazaki, was selected as the source for the TV series. *Sanga Moyu* will be directed by Sota Yamamoto, starring Toshiro Mifune, Koshiro Matsumoto and Yoko Shimada.

A dinner-lecture-reception for Toyoko Yamazaki is scheduled Thursday, Sept. 15, 6 p.m., at Miyako Hotel, San Francisco. Tickets at \$25 are available at Kinokuniya. MIS president Harry Iida will among those honoring the author for immortalizing the MIS Nisei in her novel.—Editor.

## Tokyo

On the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, a squadron of Japanese naval planes attacked Pearl Harbor, marking the beginning of the days of misfortune and misery that tore apart the links between the two friendly peoples, the Americans and the Japanese.

While both of the two peoples on either side of the Pacific were forced to undergo hardships and sufferings throughout the war, there was a group of people in the United States that felt themselves literally torn apart both physically and mentally as a result of the outbreak of the war; first- and second-generation Japanese Americans known as Issei and Nisei.

The Japanese people who began immigrating into the United States in the second half of the 19th century had gradually settled down and established themselves in the rural regions of California and elsewhere, many as farmers or railroad workers.

Unfortunately, very few of them spoke any English and tended to cluster together to form communities of their own. As a result, they were looked upon as a kind of people who refused to mingle with those of other races and, eventually were branded as a group of aliens, whom the law said could not be naturalized.

## Theme: the Dual Nationality Problem

Meanwhile, a series of U.S. laws banning Japanese immigration increasingly tightened the administrative control over the activities of Japanese Americans in California. Fortunately, the children (Nisei) born of the Japanese immigrant families in the United States were automatically American citizens by right of birth under the U.S. Constitution.

But when a child was born, many of the Japanese parents under the urge of the nostalgic feelings toward their native country, reported the birth to the Japanese government as well.

Consequently, many of the Nisei children born in the United States became a holder of two nationalities, Japanese and American. When the world was in peace, a dual nationality did not present any problem.

But once the Pacific War (as World War II is called in Japan—Ed.) started, involving their two fatherlands into the misfortune of fighting each other, the Japanese Americans and their families were dealt a decisively heavy blow both mentally and physically.

Thus, they found themselves literally severed into two, just because of their having had dual nationalities both of which were equally dear to them.

Hence, they were forced to undergo many months and years of physical hardships and mental agonies.

## Year-Long Series Dramatizes Dilemma

This year-long TV serial will take the viewers through the years of upheaval that began on Dec. 7, 1941 and through the various scenes of historical events and incidents that actually took place at the Manzanar internment camp where Japanese Americans spent their lives during the war, on the battle-fields in South Pacific islands and the Philippines, the military occupation of Japan, the devastations caused by the atomic bombs and, finally, the International Military Tribunal for the Far East.

The drama depicts, in an impressive way, the love and friendship between Japanese Americans, Japanese and Americans, all of whom bravely lived through the agonies and miseries during the unfortunate war fought between the two countries.

January 1942—a U.S. Army camp in Arizona. A grueling series of questioning was going on against the Japanese American leaders who had been arrested on the day the war broke out.

Kenji Amou, a reporter for *Kashu Shimpō*, a Japanese-language daily in Los Angeles, was among them. Kenji (to be played by stage star Koshiro Matsumoto) was the eldest son of Otoshichi and Teru Amou, a Japanese couple who had immigrated from Kagoshima, a prefecture in Japan's southernmost large island of Kyushu, toward the end of the 19th century.

The Amous were running a small laundry in Little Tokyo, Los Angeles. In his boyhood days, Kenji was sent back to Japan and, after graduating from a college, returned to the United States (Kibei).

Just like most other Nisei boys and girls in those times, Kenji was one of the dual-nationality holders. He had a younger brother, named Tadasu, who happened to be still living in Japan as a college student at the time the war started and was recruited into the Japanese army as a private.

Severe questioning by an American interrogator goes on: "If you were to fight against the Japanese troops, would you be able to shoot your enemy even if you found out that the enemy you were facing was your own kid brother?"

"How fortunate would I be if I could be loyal to a single fatherland and a single national flag without being suspected of my loyalty!" was Kenji's answer filled with agony.

Early summer of 1942—under the Executive Order No. 9066 all the Japanese Americans living in the coastal regions of California, Oregon and Washington were moved to inland camps.

Otoshichi Amou's (father is played by Toshiro Mifune) family, too, lost all of its assets and was sent to Manzanar Camp.

In the middle of a desert, there suddenly emerged a community inhabited by more than 10,000 Japanese Americans separated by barbed wires from the outside world. In this Manzanar Camp, a series of incidents occur: the confrontation between the group pledging its loyalty toward the United States and the group supporting the cause of Japan; a riot, over the question of food, that led to death of two persons; and the loyalty test given to all the Japanese Americans.

It was under such circumstances that Isamu, the youngest of Amou's sons, volunteered to join the 442nd Regiment made up solely of Japanese Americans.

Even in such a harsh environment, there still could be found some heart-warming episodes filled with humanism: the friendship formed between the Amou family and a Dr. Peterson who, despite the prejudices held by some of the people around them, unhesitatingly used penicillin, a most precious medicine in those days, to save the life of Kenji's little son

when he had been suffering from pneumonia; and the young American nurse named Marianne who vowed eternal love to Isamu on the eve of his departure to the battle-ground.

Meanwhile Kenji, following the persuasive advice given by Col. Hopkins of the U.S. Department of Defense, became an instructor at the American Army Language School at Minnesota and in 1944 left the country, along with his students, to take up his post as a language information officer attached to the Army headquarters in Australia and in the Philippines.

The tragedy took place in the cemetery on the outskirts of Baguio in Luzon, the Philippines. That was in 1945 when the war was drawing to its close. An unexpected encounter occurred between Kenji, a U.S. information officer, and Tadasu, his younger brother, a Japanese soldier, each standing against the other as an enemy.

Kenji shot his brother and caught him as prisoner. Now, between the two, an irrepressible feeling of distrust was born.

Meanwhile, on the battlefield in southern France, Isamu, the youngest of the Amou brothers, took part in the operation to rescue the Texas Battalion which had been stranded in the Vosges.

After the fierce fighting that made its name world-famous after the war, the 442nd Regiment succeeded in rescuing the Texas Battalion, even though Isamu himself was severely injured in the action.

## Peace Comes, Kenji Visits Hiroshima

The peace returned to the world. The first assignment given to Lt. Amou after his landing on Japan as a member of the U.S. occupation forces was to join in the investigation of the damages made to the city of Hiroshima as a result of the atomic bomb explosion.

Hiroshima was nothing but an endless stretch of wilderness. But there he met Nagiko, his sweetheart of the prewar years he spent in Japan.

To his deep sorrow, Kenji learned from Nagiko (portrayal by Yoko Shimada) that both of her parents had been killed by the atomic bomb and that she herself had been afflicted heavily with atomic disease.

For Kenji who had been gripped by despair and anger, the renewal of friendship with Dr. Peterson, who had come to Japan as a member of a medical investigation team, was the only solace.

When the International Military Tribunal for the Far East opens, Kenji was appointed a monitor to check on the English-Japanese translation by the court interpreters.

## Kenji's Contradiction Materializes in Tribunal

It was the court where the United States, one of Kenji's two fatherlands, was to pass judgment on Japan, his other fatherland. Within Kenji's physical and spiritual self, a dreadful contradiction was generated.

As Kenji heard the verdict, "Death by hanging," translated into Japanese to be conveyed to the defendants, he painfully felt the sense of despair and anger, directed toward himself, surging from the bottom of his heart.

A week later, in the court even in the face of all that took place there, Kenji, took his own life.

For Kenji, who had been put through the ordeals of sufferings and agonies of being placed in between the two fatherlands, what really was the 'fatherland' or the 'war'? At the very instant of his death, Kenji thought he vividly saw two flags, one American and the other Japanese flying high amidst the sandstorm at Manzanar.

A great deal of blood was shed. But today, Kenji's two aged parents have at last acquired their U.S. citizenships, while Isamu, though heavily injured in action, has since married Marianne and is now a happy and good American citizen.—Kashu Mainichi. #

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### Making Our Move

#### New York

B.J. Watanabe and Ron Oshijima certainly are to be congratulated as co-chairmen of a vibrant and enthusiastic forum of the EDC-MDC Convention here (Aug. 11-14).

Grayce Uyehara, our EDC redress chairperson, did a marvelous job of "spreading the word" to the many congressmen representing the EDC-MDC constituency.

The workshop on Ways to Communicate Effectively, led by Professor Joanie Yamauchi, Ph.D., communications consultant at American University in Washington D.C., was extremely interesting and helpful. She is to be congratulated.

#### The Mike Masaoka Fellow Fund

I, along with Dr. Tom Tamaki of Philadelphia (who originally thought up the idea of a living memorial for Mike), were faced with the question of how best to administer the money coming into the Mike Masaoka Fellow Fund. The delegates felt that perhaps a more appropriate title might be the Mike Masaoka foundation with trustees serving on a voluntary basis to manage the fund.

Chiye Tomihiro of Chicago promptly volunteered her service as a trustee as well as expressing her desire to be a Mike Masaoka Fellow. Tom Tamaki became a fellow by presenting me with his \$1,000 check, as did Jack Ozawa, of Philadelphia. Jack, by the way, informed us that his employer, ARCO, has a matching gifts program for human rights causes on a two-for-one basis. Nobu Miyoshi of Philadelphia also joined the Fellow group. Other Philadelphians indicating their willingness to support this endeavor are Hiroshi Uyehara, Mary Watanabe, and John Nitta, president of the International Chick Sexing Assn.

Our good friend, Yosh T. Imai, financial adviser with E.F. Hutton, graciously assumed the chairmanship of the Mike Masaoka Fellow Fund for the New York Chapter as did Charles Nagao for the Seabrook Chapter.

Tom Tamaki informed me that Vernon Ichisaka of Seabrook will take on the Washington D.C. area with Frank Sato, our National Treasurer, to recruit Fellows in Mike's home district. #

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## Japan people concerned about children's education

TOKYO—More than half of Japanese young people studying in junior and senior high schools abroad feel anxious about their admission to higher education after they return home, an Education Ministry survey revealed.

The survey, the first of its kind in eight years, was conducted last October on children of Japanese parents in overseas service, including those who had already returned home.

The major concern of youngsters living with their parents overseas is whether they can keep up "with their classmates and advance to prestigious colleges and universities when they return."

An editorial in the Daily Yomiuri (Aug. 18) said the problem is growing bigger because in the past eight years, the number of children residing abroad has increased by 120 percent to 50,710.

The survey indicated that 79 percent of the parents strongly desire an increase of special schools or classes which will accept children returning from foreign countries.

A case in point: In Santana Wind (June issue), a publication of the Orange County JAFL in Anaheim, Ca., the Orange Kai Japanese Business Assn. also disclosed their immediate concern was schooling of their children, many of whom are bused every Saturday to Asahi Gakuen in Los Angeles.

With 2,000 student already enrolled, the gakuen has closed registration for the semester, an association spokesman said.

In Southeast Asian countries like Singapore and Indonesia, for instance, there is only one textbook for every five or six children. The New York Times recently printed a series of articles which revealed that American primary, junior and senior high schools are scholastically inferior to Japanese schools.

The ministry survey covered 7,000 children on overseas service and their parents; 4,000 children who had returned home, their parents and teachers; and Japanese firms doing business abroad.

The number of overseas Japanese pupils aged three to 14, subject to compulsory education, accounted for 66 percent of the total number and 48 percent of them attended Japanese school abroad.

The survey quoted teachers as saying that 92 percent of the pupils who returned home had no linguistic obstacle to study in Japan.

## High court rejects Lions' design appeal

TOKYO—The Tokyo High Court has rejected an appeal filed by the International Assn. of Lions Clubs on a patent registration of its metal badge.

The Illinois-based Lions office had sought reversal of the decision made earlier by a lower court in a civil suit supporting the patent office in refusing the Lions application. The Lions first tried to have it registered in 1966.

The patent office declined on grounds that a similar design—with the word Lions written in Japanese characters—had already been registered by a firm in the 1920s when the present Emperor's father was on the throne.

The lower court upheld the decision in its ruling issued on November 1981.

The Tokyo High Court said the designs by the Japanese enterprise and those of the Lions Club were very similar, with the difference only in the letter "S" lacking from the Lions in the Japanese design.

## Iwojima transformed into military base

TOKYO—Iwojima, scene of one of the most bloodiest battles between U.S. and Japanese troops during World War II, is rapidly being transformed into a key strategic military base, the Japanese Defense Agency said July 18.

The United States has asked Japan to make the island a forward base for F-15s as part of her sea-land defense program.

## Alumnae fellowship, Rotary grant will aid Nikkei study at Sophia

BERKELEY, Ca.—The University of California 1983-84 Japanese Women Student Alumnae Club fellowship has been awarded to Peggy Keiko Takahashi, reported William A. Shack, UC Berkeley dean.

Takahashi, 24, comes from a farming family in San Fernando. She received her A.B. degree from Pomona College in 1980, and her

undergraduate program included a junior year at Waseda in Tokyo.

In fall, 1982, she entered the Graduate Division in an M.A. program in Asian Studies. She completed her year of graduate study with a 3.9 gpa and is an outstanding student.

Takahashi's interest in trade relations between the United States and Japan plans to study the Japanese marketing process. She applied for and won the 1984 Rotary International graduate fellowship for a year at Sophia University.

She is enrolling in an intensive language program at International Christian University in Japan for the fall semester. Upon her completion, Takahashi hopes to work for the U.S. government in some capacity which would help her promote better understanding in trade relations.

## UTB Japanese program

ANAHEIM, Ca.—United Television Broadcasting, which had been televising its Japanese programs on Channel 18, moved Aug. 20 to KDOC (56), 9:30-11 a.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Sundays.



**AUTHOR HONORED** — Dr. Akemi Kikumura, who wrote "Through Harsh Winters", is honored by Friends of Little Tokyo Public Library Services at luncheon in which proceeds go to provide books for Innerscity Bookmobile Service. Tomiye Yonemura (left), is president of Friends group.

## '42 student relocation group compiling membership list

PORTLAND, Conn.—Those who have been assisted by the wartime National Japanese American Student Relocation Council and are not on a current list being compiled by the Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund, Inc., are expected to write to Nobu Kumekawa Hibino, secretary, 19 Scenic Dr., Portland, CT 06480.

Of the approximately 3,000 assisted during WW2, the NJASRC Commemorative Fund has a few hundred names, who have initiated the fund to help students now in need, especially those who have experienced comparable dislocations.

The first award, made last June 1982, of \$2,000 went to the American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia, for its own role to establish the NJASRC in 1942.

This year, eight \$500 scholarships were presented to Southeast Asian refugee students in the San

Francisco Bay area. Kenji Murase chaired the selection committee, which had received 150 applications.

"We would appreciate if any (PC) readers who know of Nisei assisted by the 1942 student relocation council would send names and addresses of such beneficiaries to the NSRC Fund, Inc." Mrs. Hibino said.

## Photos, slides on display at L.A. Fair

POMONA—Japan, the Philippines and Taiwan will be among the Asian countries to be represented in the 27th annual International Photography Exhibition at the Los Angeles County Fair, Sept. 15 through Oct. 2, according to Aileen Robinson, coordinator.

Classifications are in color and black and white prints, pictorial, nature and stereo slides.

## Aki Matsuri

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LOS ANGELES—Dr. Akemi Kikumura, authoress of "Through Harsh Winters," an account of her immigrant mother's experiences in acculturating to American social and cultural life, was luncheon guest of Friends of Little Tokyo Public Library Services.

Dr. Kikumura, who teaches American Asian Studies and anthropology at USC and UCLA,

was the first to be honored by the Friends group.

Proceeds from the recognition program will provide books for the Innerscity Bookmobile Service which stops every Saturday, 2:30-4:30 p.m. at Higashi Honganji.

Tomiye Yonemura, LTPLS president, said a Book Fair is scheduled Sept. 17-18 at the Japanese Village Plaza.

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