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Photo by J.K. Yamamoto

ON THE STUMP - Sen. Ted Kennedy runs through his stands

on foreign and domestic issues of concern to Asian Pacifics.

# Kennedy: Mondale committed to Asian Pacific issues

by J.K. Yamamoto

LOS ANGELES - Campaigning of the Asian famililes recognize, in California on behalf of presi- and that is the importance of famdential candidate Walter Mon- ily...as a result, we've been able dale, Sen. Edward Kennedy (D- to see the growth of the whole Mass.) told a gathering of Asian Asian community...and it has Pacific Democrats that he and been a source of strength, it's Mondale share concerns about been a source of diversity, and it discrimination against Asian Americans.

Kennedy was repeatedly interrupted by applause as he gave his views to approximately 200 Asian American supporters at an Oct. 24 program held at the Beverly Plaza Hotel and sponsored by Asian Pacifics for Mondale-Ferraro.

He called the 1952 Walter-Mc-Carran Immigration Act discriminatory because it "restricted the number that could come here to 123 . . . from the whole Asian Pacific basin. We fought that battle in 1963, again in 1964, and finally in 1965 the first major piece of legislation that I had the opportunity to floor manage in the U.S. Senate eliminated the national origin quota system to permit some since their introduction in the ear-20,000 ... to be reunified with their families here."

The bill, Kennedy said, "recog-

nized something which I think all has made a contribution to every aspect of our life."

Kennedy was critical of the Simpson-Mazzoli immigration bill because of a provision admitting brothers or sisters of individuals living in the U.S. only if the brother or sister is unmarried. "I had brothers and sisters that were married, and they were just as much my brothers and sisters after they were married as they were before they were married," he said, suggesting that the Reagan Administration, despite its promotion of family values, did not oppose this provision.

The senator said he supported bilingual education programs ly 1960s. "I've seen that program grow to include some 30 different languages to help young people

... to not only learn their English but be able to keep up with the other children."

The program became not only bilingual but also bicultural, he continued, "so that culture and tradition and family values... could be preserved and maintained in our society. I've seen the attempts that have been made to undermine that over the past years, and we have resisted those efforts."

Kennedy expressed concern about human rights under the U.S.-supported governments of the Philippines, South Korea and Taiwan. While recognizing those countries' strategic importance to the U.S., he stressed the importance of "seeing progress made ...towards democratic institutions," citing the cause of slain opposition leader Benigno Aquino in the Philippines and of Kim Dae Jung in South Korea.

Calling the WW2 internment of Japanese Americans "a blight upon our statute books," Kennedy, who co-sponsored redress bill S 2116, said, "I would welcome the

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# Former CWRIC member Lungren, redress foe, challenged for House

the 42nd district, and Democratic ternees. challenger Mary Lou Brophy.

Lungren was the only active member of Congress to serve on the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, which held public hearings in 1981 and released its findings in

#### Bush tours Chinatown

SAN FRANCISCO — Vice President George Bush praised Chinatown as a neighborhood that shows "strong belief in faith, family and hard work" during an Oct. 17 campaign swing that included a reception at Grand Palace Restaurant, Asian Week reports.

In his only reference to administration policy, Bush recalled his stint as ambassador to China and said, "We have improved relations with China without damaging our relationship with Taiwan." Steve Jeong, who arranged the gan-Bush ticket.

LONG BEACH, Calif. - Redress 1983. Though he supported the for Japanese Americans interned conclusion that the internment during WW2 is one of many areas was unjust, he dissented when the of disagreement between Rep. Dan other eight commissioners rec-Lungren (R-Calif.), now running mmended a community fund and for reelection as congressman of individual payments to former in-

> In testimony before House and Senate subcommittees, Lungren has argued that payments would set a precedent for other minorities to file claims; that money is not necessary to make an apology sincere; that fixing a dollar amount for loss of freedom is "degrading" to former internees; and that in view of the budget deficit, redress does not "stand up" to social security, defense, and other needs.

> Brophy's position is that "when you make a mistake, you've got to make amends. We've got to hold the government accountable." She feels that reparations will make the government "a lot more cautious" about taking similar actions in a future crisis. She charges that Lungren's stand typifies his "antipeople" attitude.

A family therapist and former visit and accompanied Bush on teacher, Brophy favors a number his walking tour of Chinatown, of other legislative efforts that said that Chinese Americans were Lungren has opposed, including showing enthusiasm for the Rea- increased federal education funds, Continued on Back Page

# Dymally promises next term will see active legislating

GARDENA, Calif. - Rep. Mervyn Dymally (D-Calif.) was feted by over 250 supporters at an Oct. 25 fundraising dinner sponsored by the Asian/Pacific Committee for Dymally.

Dymally, whose reelection bid is being challenged by Republican Henry Minturn, represents the 31st district, which includes Gardena, Compton, Carson, Hawthorne, and Bellflower. The district is about 8% Asian, 25% Hispanic, and 30% Black.

"It has bothered me ... as I look at the Congress and I see so many Southern congressmen who do not represent their constituents," Dymally told the gathering at Gung Hay Restaurant. "They have large blocs of ethnic groups, they have large blocs of poor people, and they continue to vote for cuts in the child nutrition program, cuts in medicaid, cuts in social security."

Redress Issue

Dymally said he had been concerned that he was similarly out of touch with his Asian constituents and credited his aide Jim Fukumoto with helping him understand community concerns. "It's been a very, very rewarding experience for me to feel a part of this extended family."



Photo by J.K. Yamamoto

Rep. Mervyn Dymally

Noting that Gardena has the largest JA population of any city in the continental U.S., Dymally said he took pride in having been the first member of Congress from California to introduce legislation proposing reparations for Nikkei interned during WW2 (HR 7843, introduced in Dec. 1982). He later co-sponsored HR 4110, the redress bill debated during the last session of Congress.

He added that if reelected he

would appoint Bert Nakano, spokesman of the National Coalition for Redress/Reparations (NCRR), to the California State Democratic Central Committee to voice minority concerns such as redress.

Dymally opposed the Simpson-Mazzoli immigration bill, which he considered discriminatory. During debates in the House, he said, "there was not one time when the Asian and Black caucuses swayed away from the Hispanic Caucus" in opposing the

But he cautioned, "It is not enough to react. We need to move forward on some very progressive legislation of our own. I trust everyone will be involved in that."

Dymally has introduced two other pieces of legislation addressing Asian/Pacific concerns. One would provide citizenship for Pilipinos who fought for the U.S. during WW2 and were promised but not given-American citizenship; the other would give citizenship rights to residents of Samoa who live under U.S. protection but cannot enter the U.S. without a

During the dinner, Dymally was honored by the City of Gardena, the City of Carson, the local Samoan community, and NCRR.

In the June 5 primary, Dymally garnered 50,100 votes to Minturn's 8,234 and is therefore not considered to be in a close race.

#### Commentary

## Asians drawn to both candidates

by J.K. Yamamoto

active role in it.

the Democratic national conven- has not. tion. Asian Republicans have worked to mobilize community support for Reagan and to expand their role at the party's national convention. Both sides have stepped up voter registration.

The Field Poll estimates that 463,000 of Camornia's Asian Americans are registered voters, of which 225,000 are Democrats. 110,000 are Republicans and 128,000 are unaffiliated. This indicates that the Democratic party is preferred, but it also shows that Asians are not a monolithic voting bloc. What makes Asian voters

#### Retiring supporters

Six members of Congress who co-sponsored redress bills HR 4110 or S 2116 are not seeking reelection on Nov. 6: Reps. Geraldine Ferraro (D-NY), Dan Marriott (R-Utah), regulation have aided small busi-Richard Ottinger (D-NY), James nesses and thereby the entire Shannon (D-Mass.), and Paul Simon (D-Ill.); and Sen. Paul Tsongas (D-Mass.). Ferraro, who is running for vice president, and Simon, who is running for senator, automatically give up their seats in Congress; Tsongas has chosen not to run because of his health.

choose one party over another?

Asian Pacific Americans are If the sole criterion were awarebecoming increasingly aware that ness of and sensitivity to Asian they not only have a stake in the American issues, the Democrats outcome of the presidential elec- would have the advantage. In the tion but that they can also play an presidential race, only the Democratic side has addressed com-This year, there has been a flur- munity concerns about redress, ry of political activity among bilingual education, immigration Asian Pacifics. Asian Democrats laws, racial violence, and Asian have expanded the party's Asian representation at the federal lev-Pacific Caucus, campaigned for el. Walter Mondale, for example, candidates in the primaries, and has issued an Asian American increased Asian representation at platform while Ronald Reagan

#### 'Economy Good for Minorities'

The Republicans have not ignored Asian Americans, but their recognition of Asians and other minorities has not involved specific proposals for action. Both the Democratic and Republican platforms have planks calling the WW2 internment an injustice, but the Republican statement stops short of supporting redress. And instead of civil rights measures, the GOP platform states that the administration's economic policies have benefitted and will continue to benefit minorities.

But when Asians judge candidates by their overall domestic and foreign policies, opinion is divided. Reagan's Asian supporters agree with his contention that economic growth helps minorities and say that his tax cuts and de-Asian American community. Many therefore see no need for special minority programs.

Those who stress individual effort with as little reliance on government as possible may view affirmative action, bilingual education, bilingual ballots, social ser-

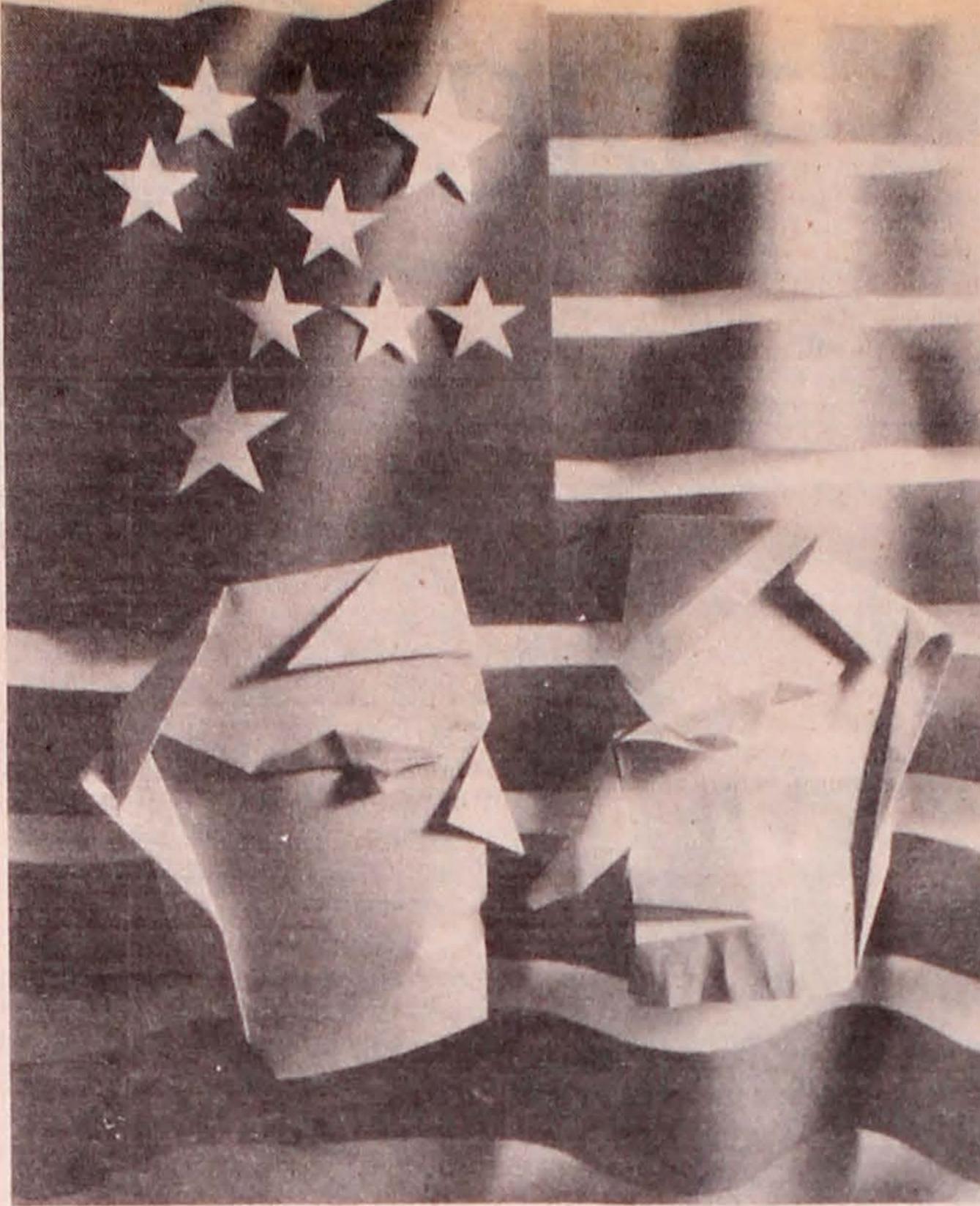


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PAPER TIGERS? — Origami artist Daniel Nakamura presents "Mondale and Reagan" as part of

an exhibit of original works at East Los Angeles College (see Community Activities, page 3).

vices and perhaps even redress as a type of welfare or charity.

In an interview with Rafu Shimpo, Japanese Americans for Rea- Mondale's Asian supporters point gan-Bush chair Steve Nakashima to cuts in senior citizen and day said he was a Republican because care centers, CETA funding, and "Nobody gave me or my parents student loans as well as the inanything. We had to earn it. The creasing military budget.

On the owner nand, Asian Demo-

crats see Reagan's domestic policy as hurting the majority of Americans, including minorities.

Republican Party believes in giv- In the area of foreign policy, ing people an opportunity to ad- Reagan's anti-communist stance vance themselves, not a handout." appeals to many new immigrants Continued on Page 7

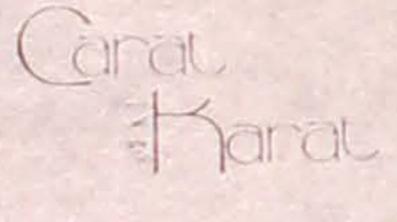
#### Nisei Post receives Veterans Day honor

CHICAGO—Nisei Post 1183 color guard and rifle squad have been invited to participate at the annual Veterans Day program Sunday, Nov. 11, at Daley Center Plaza, announced Art Morimitsu.

The Cook County Council of the American Legion, largest in Illinois, singled out Nisei Post 1183 from more than 300 Legion Posts for the honor. The Nisei Post was recognized recently when its resolution acknowledging the injustice of the WW2 internment of Japanese Americans was passed at the national convention of the American Legion at Salt Lake City! harmanagas arew ancish

Veterans of Foreign Wars passed a similar resolution at its national convention this year. The two organizations have a combined membership of more than four and one-half million.





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#### **Community Affairs**

LOS ANGELES — Calif. Attorney General John Van de Kamp speaks at a meeting of four Asian American bar associations Thursday, Nov. 8, at Miriwa Restaurant, 750 N. Hill. Sponsors are Japanese American Bar Assn., So. Calif. Chinese Lawyers Assn., Korean Amerian Bar Assn., and Philippine Lawyers Assn. No host cocktails begin at 6 p.m, with dinner at 7 p.m. Cost is \$14 (checks payable to JABA). Reservations: Paul Suzuki, 1054 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

Asian/Pacific Women's Network and Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics present "Leadership to Win," a workshop on Saturday, Nov. 17, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at International Student Center, 1023 Hilgard Ave. near UCLA. Topics include non-verbal power; team-building, and leadership styles. Cost of workshop and box lunch is \$10, students; \$15, APWN members; \$20, others. Information: Feelie, (213) 206-8616.

Inner City Cultural Center presents a"Gala Night of Nights" Nov. 12, 8 p.m., at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion of the Music Center. Among the

many performers are Sumi Haru, Robert Ito, Mako, Nobu McCarthy, and Sab Shimono. Proceeds benefit the center's Elaine Gayle Kashiki Memorial Theatre Fund. Information: (213) 972-7611, 387-1161.

Japanese American Cultural and Communty Center will receive one of 47 challenge grants from the National Endowment for the Arts. The grant of \$250,000 is to be matched 3 to 1 by the JACCC within three years It will be used to establish an endowment and cash reserve, eliminate notes payable and purchase technical equipment for the Japan America Theatre.

Japanese Village Plaza and its designer, David Hyun, received one of 91 Federal Design Achievement Awards administered by the National Endowment for the Arts. Village Plaza was commended for having helped to revitalize Little Tokyo.

MONTEREY PARK, Calif. — David Nakamura exhibits new origami works at Vincent Price Gallery of East Los Angeles College, 1301 Brooklyn Ave., through Nov. 21. The wellknown artist produces works ranging

from a few inches to more than 8 feet in height. Exhibit hours are noon to 3 p.m., M-F; 7-9 p.m. Tues. Nakamura demonstrates his techniques each Tuesday evening. Information: (213) 265-8841.

SAN FRANCISCO—Nisei and Retirement presents Miyo Kirita Burton and Lee Burton in a workshop titled 'Getting What You Want,' Saturday, Nov. 3, in the hospitality room of the Japantown Sumitomo Bank, 1-4 p.m. The Burtons show a film and techniques that will help Japanese Americans overcome negative aspects of some values that may be blocking them from getting what they want, community including "gaman," "enryo" and a 'shikataganai' attitude.

Watanabe Dance Co., considered one of the best companies in the Bay Area, performs at the Foothill College Theatre, Friday, Nov. 16, 8 p.m. Featured on the program is "E.O. 9066." Tickets are \$6; \$5, students and seniors.

MILWAUKEE — The Go For Broke photo exhibit will be displayed at the War Memorial Center Nov. 12-30.

# Legal center offering bilingual services

LOS ANGELES—Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California, a private nonprofit organization, announces that its fall programs include free bilingual legal services for primarily low-income families and individuals in the areas of housing, immigration and citizenship, employment discrimination, and

Foundation trains new leaders for Asian Pacific

LOS ANGELES — Fourteen LOS ALTOS HILLS, Calif.—The June Asian/Pacific individuals have been selected to participate in Coro Foundation's inaugural public affairs course for leaders in the Asian/Pacific community.

> The program aims to provide participants with the background to become more effective bridgebuilders between their own and other communities. More than 70 hours of training are conducted during the 7-week course.

Selected for the program were Marshal Chuang, Kathy Colobong, Loia Manuele Fiaui, Maye Ifumi Fukumoto, Marsha Hirano-Nakanishi, Ayako Grace Kim, Gladys Christina Lee, David Hyun, Than Pok, Wesley Ru, John Ta, Julia De Lacey Takahashi, Loc Dinh Tran, and Kent D. Wong.

Coro Foundation conducts leadership programs from centers in Los Angeles, San Francisco, St. Louis and New York.

senior citizens government benefit programs.

Additionally, the center offers legal educational seminars to community organizations upon request.

The center is also continuing advocacy and educational programs: monitoring developments in immigration laws; monitoring acts of violence against Asian Pacific Americans; negotiating with Universal Studios on ending stereotyped portrayals of Asian Pacific Americans in movies such as "Sixteen Candles"; investigating possible class action cases of employment discrimination in aerospace companies and government agencies; and assisting in a non-partisan voter registration drive.

Legal counseling services and requests for seminars are available by appointment only. The Asian Pacific American Legal Center accepts calls Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at (213) 746-6029.

#### Inouye to speak in L.A.

LOS ANGELES — Sen. Daniel Inouye of Hawaii will speak on behalf of the Democratic ticket in the presidential race at a reception sponsored by California Asian/Pacifics for Mondale-Ferraro Nov. 1, 5:30 to 8 p.m., at Miriwa Restaurant, 750 N. Hill St. in Chinatown. Admission is \$25 each. For further information, call Jeannie Park at (213) 850-6700.

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# Senior legislators set priorities for next session

By Mabel Ota, Los Angeles Senior Assemblywoman

SACRAMENTO—California Senior Legislature held its fourth annual session in the State Capitol here Oct. 1-5. Since the average age of the Nisei is now 64 years, we need to know about legislation which will affect our lives.

The 80 Senior Assembly members and 40 Senior Senators were greeted at opening ceremonies by Gov. George Deukmejian and Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy. Secretary of State March Fong Eu administered the oath of office.

Asians were represented by Alice Tsou (Chinese) and myself (Japanese American). However

the needs of the elderly are similar—the greatest concerns appear to be related to health.

We heard testimony on 108 legislative proposals in committee hearings, floor sessions, debated and passed bills. (I also introduced two bills.) We prioritized 10 bills which we shall lobby before the state legislature next year. Four bills were prioritized for the federal government.

The state priority bills were:

1—Nursing Home Patients Protection Package: This package was passed in the 1984-85 session of the California legislature and vetoed by the governor on Sept. 29, 1984. We proposed that this package Continued on Next Page

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# A Good Year for the PC



This will be my final report as the PC board chairperson. Dr. Cliff Uyeda will be taking over as the new chairperson.

Let me start out by saying that 1984 was a very good year for PC, thanks to the hard work and dedication of the PC staff and the groundwork and direction established by Dr. Uyeda and the PC board in 1982. We anticipate continued growth and progress in the nity). coming biennium.

The financial statement for 1984 are reconciled.

We are also looking for a place to on the business side. move to, and this cost has not I hope the PC with the addiseems prohibitive.

and Harry was able to get a years. newer, reconditioned model for and chapters to support the PC fund drive. In addition I would like to thank each of you who have contributed for your generosity. Since interest rates are so high we would like to avoid any major financing so our goal is to raise at least \$25,000.

Staff has received some very supportive letters from the membership and chapters, with contributions running as high as \$500. To many the Pacific Citizen is JACL and they appreciate the expansion and improvement in PC by the staff.

Also, regular membership subscriptions increased by 688 (which should mean new members), but Thousand Club subscriptions decreased by 55. If an effective membership campaign is established the continued improvement in PC should help in the solicitation of new members.

Now that the confusion on who really runs PC has been clarified, we are starting to move to achieve the goals for PC (ultimately a 24-page weekly newspaer for JACLers and the commu-

#### Editorial Assistance

Barring any unforeseen event, indicates that PC exceeded its Robert Shimabukuro will be comprojected income of \$341,940 by ing on as the assistant editor in \$20,473.91 (\$362,413.91). Expenses mid-November. Bob is a past projected at \$341,940 were also Portland Chapter JACL presilower at \$334,184.12. This resulted dent, a graduate of Reed college, in a net gain of \$28,229.79 plus an-sensitive to Asian American isother \$1,000 to \$1,500 expected sues, and an excellent writer as after payables and receivables evidenced in his article about the recent National Convention. J.K. Although this is a good start in Yamamoto, who has done an exbuilding an operating reserve, cellent job filling in during the there are some major expendi- summer, will continue to help out tures required for improvement on weekends so there will be more and growth in the near future. A 16-page issues. Assuming that new typesetter that Harry Honda revenue increases as we expect it has been investigating will cost will, by the first part of the year close to \$40,000 with terminals. PC will be looking for an assistant

been determined. However the tional staff and expansion to 12 \$40,000 or so required to fix up the and sometimes 16 pages has been warehouse we were interested in able to provide a more informative and interesting publication to PC has received close to \$11,000 the membership. I'm sure with in contributions from the mem- the continued expansion Dr. bership towards new equipment. Uyeda and the staff will improve The processor had to be replaced the PC even more in the next two

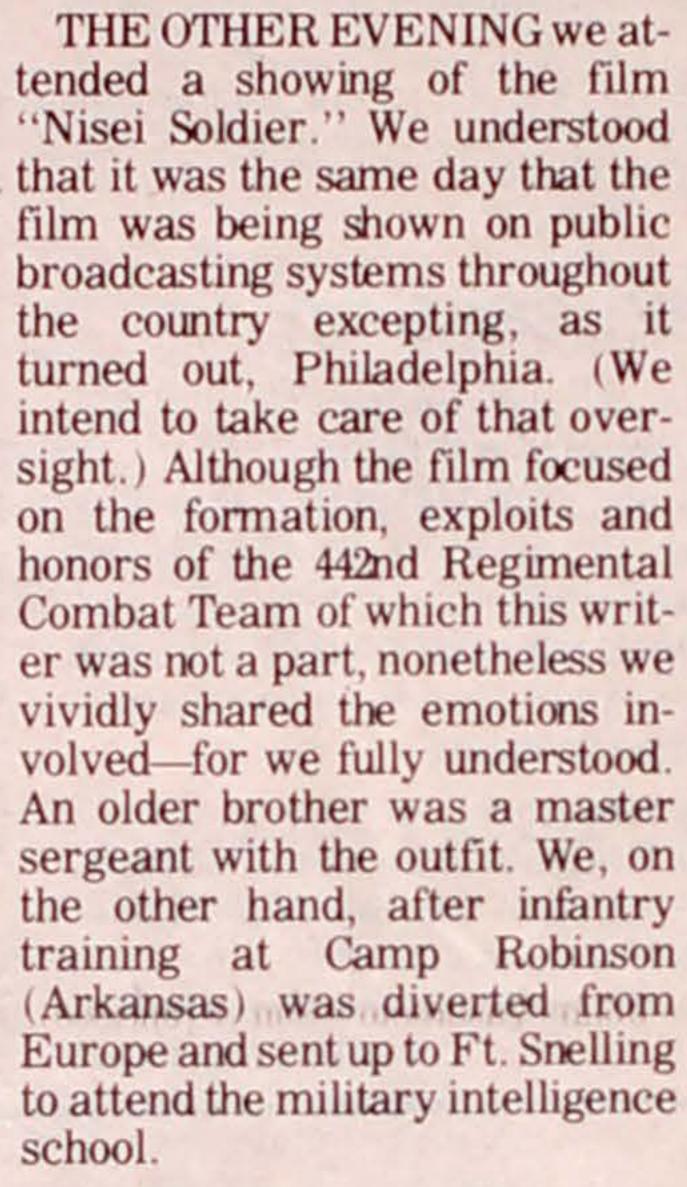
Harry Honda as General \$2,000. I would like to ask each of Manager/Operations and I cer- panese driver." One of them had you to urge your fellow members tainly appreciate the support of our subscribers and hope you will send in your letters and encourage your friends to join JACL and receive the PACIFIC CITIZEN...

> The next few years are very critical for PC in achieving its growth and potential but I feel very optimistic about it.

# Buddaheads and Kotonks

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AFTER THE SHOWING of the film, a sizable group retired to a lounge where a handful of vets from the outfit were present, including at least two haole officers. These haole officers were absolutely flabbergasted when they reached Camp Shelby (Mississippi) to be greeted by a "Jano idea that there was a Nisei outfit or even that Nisei were serving in our military, and when he saw the mass of buddaheads and kotonks, he thought they were ChiBill Marutani nese. It wasn't long, however, was going on (as opposed to the that both officers became aware dogface), told of periodically re-

of the type of men they were to viewing the bulletins awarding in the field of battle.

100th Battalion from Hawaii (the buddaheads) watched the arrival of mainland Nisei (kotonks) who had volunteered almost entirely from behind barbed-wire camps, there apparently was a degree of cautious reservation. It seems, according to one buddahead, that the Hawaiian Nisei, who spoke pidgin English (as a symbol of rebellion), resented these kotonks who spoke English "like a haole" and by their more reserved manbuddaheads attend a social affair absolutely no doubt.

at one of the nearby camps— Jerome and Rohwer. They were frisked and patted down before entry into camp. After the Hawaiian boys saw whence these haoletalking "haughty" kotonks had come, some understanding and peace came. And the rest is history: it was one helluva fighting outfit.

A MEMBER OF the outfit who was a medic, and thus was in a better position to see overall what lead, and their confidence and medals. This was when the regipride were more than confirmed ment was attached to the 36th Division. There would be DSC DOWN AT SHELBY where the awards (Distinguished Service Cross), followed by Silver Star, and so on through Bronze Star He told of glancing at the list and seeing many higher awards being given to members of the 36th Division, and then when it came to the 442nd, even though the recital of the award was identical, the medal would be of a lower class.

> One of the haole officers spontaneously commented, "That's what happened!"

IT MATTERS NOT whether ners gave the impression of being you, or anyone of us, did or did not haughty. And so some physical serve with the 442nd. If you had, encounters erupted. Another vet there is no doubt that you would told of reading an item relating have served gallantly as every that the regimental commander other Nisei in the outfit did-budarranged to have a contingent of dahead or kotonk. Of this, we have

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be reintroduced in the 1985-86 regular session.

2—Taxation—Designation to Seniors' Fund: It would extend the date of repeal from Dec. 31, 1986 to Dec. 31, 1989 of the law allowing California income tax check-off donation for Seniors' Fund.

3—Community Residential Care—Long-Term Care Service: These bills would correct the abuse and neglect which threaten the health and safety of the elderly who reside in community residential care or board-and-care tacilities.

4—Housing—Senior and Handicapped Citizens: It would establish the Senior and Handicapped Housing Act by authorizing the sale of tax-exempt revenue bonds, make public lands available for construction of housing for seniors and handicapped persons.

5—Health—Nursing Home Ownership: This legislation would prohibit a corporation or individual from owning or controlling more than 25% of the aggregate of beds of skilled nursing facilities in a health service area.

6—Transportation—Elderly and Handicapped Persons in Rural Areas: It proposes additional funding for transportation services accessible to ons by all nuclear powers.

the elderly and handicapped in rural areas.

7-Abuse of the Elderly: It would establish a program to provide emergency shelters, foster care homes, and counseling to abused, neglected, or abandoned elderly persons.

8—Health—Fees: Providers of health services would be required to disclose in writing a schedule of fees and whether payment is accepted directly through Medicare.

9—Crimes—Frail Elderly: Add to existing law an additional sentence to those persons who commit a crime of violence against a person who is elderly or frail or disabled.

10—Medi-Cal—Rehabilitation of Elderly Stroke Victims: Medi-Cal benefits be expanded to cover rehabilitation treatment for elderly and other stroke victims.

Federal priority bills:

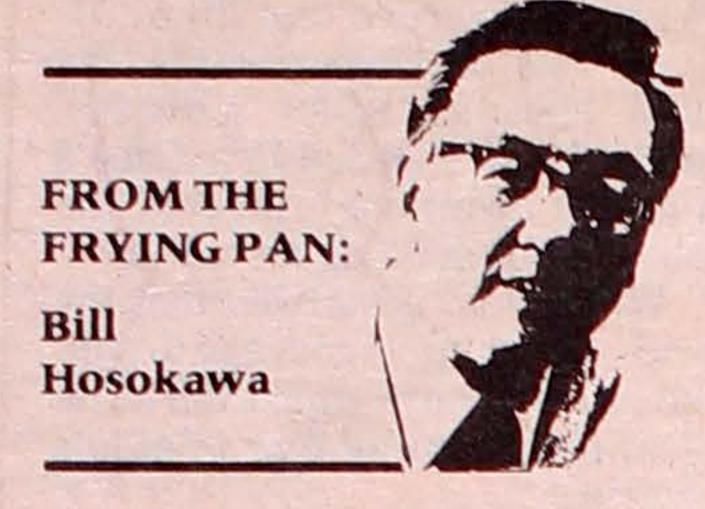
1—National Health Care: Proposes a national health care program for all citizens.

2—Social Security Act: Repeal certain recent changes and amend to improve benefits.

3—Medicare: Revise to include preventive medicine and wellness programs. 4—Arms Control: Elimination of nuclear weap-



# An Irreplaceable Newsman



days later his boss Roy Essoyan ered, many of the Nisei talked got together to toast him and fete ment official, presumably in a

and in New York which is the and most of the others stayed. heart of AP's world-wide news Like a lot of other people in network. He is a newsman who government the man who advised understood the business, particu- the Nisei was wrong and some larly the wire services which are very good guys became involuna different breed of cat from tary exiles. The war years in an newspapers even though they alien land were not a happy time,

valuable, in addition to his skills said recently. as a newspaperman, was his com- What these and other Nisei

nese. He was at home in either language and that had an incalculable effect in upgrading the quality of reportage out of Tokyo during decades of particularly sensitive relations between Japan and the United States.

Kay is a Nisei who grew up in Southern California during the dark Depression days. Several years before the war he, along Kay Tateishi, Tokyo supervis- with a number of other Nisei, ing editor of the Associated Press, went to Tokyo on no-strings-atretired last week. They threw an tached scholarships to study Jaoffice party for him, and a few panese. When war clouds gathand a few of his closest associates about going home. A high governhim for a long and valuable position to know, told them they career. could head for the States if they They'll miss Kay's profes- wished but assured them there sionalism in Tokyo where Kay would be no war and there was has worked these many years, nothing to worry about. So Kay

both deal in news. but "I've never done anything I What made Kay particularly should be ashamed of," Tateishi

mand of both English and Japa- stranded in Japan have been able

to do after the war has been of enormous value in bridging differences of language, culture, customs and understanding between our two countries. What is distressing, however, is that their generation, like Kay Tateishi, is riding off into the sunset years.

The question is, who will replace them, not necessarily as high-profile policy-makers, but as the technicians who with their know-how could keep the machinery of relations between the two countries operating smoothly.

The answer is, nobody. Yes, Japan has sent a large number of its brightest young people to the States on exchange programs, and to study in our colleges. And a smaller number of Sansei have gone to Japan to become experts in Japanese law, cultural and business practices, and the like.

But few of them have acquired the nitty-gritty, grassroots, nutsand-bolts expertise that the Nisei strandees were forced to develop in order to survive during the most difficult of times. In countless small and usually unrecognized ways they were able to help avoid friction and promote understanding in the postwar era.

It may be years before we become fully aware of the importance of their contribution, but it isn't too early to recognize

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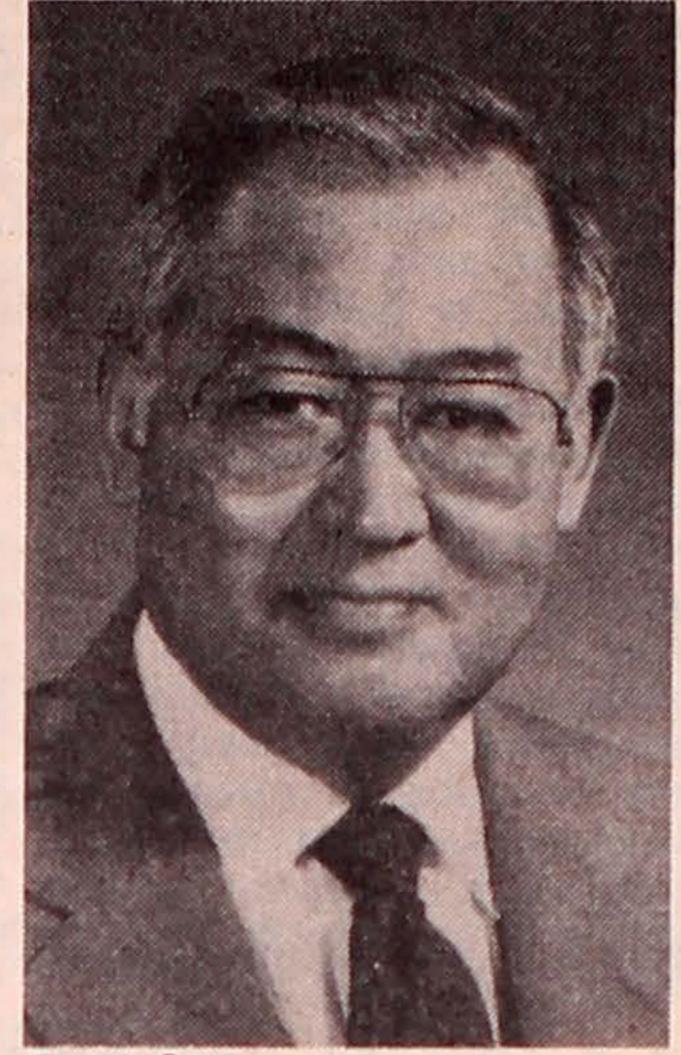
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# Chapter Pulse



Frank Sato

#### West Los Angeles

SANTA MONICA, Calif. - Making his first speaking engagement in So. California as national president of JACL, Frank Sato addresses the chapter's installation dinner Saturday, Nov. 10, at the Holiday Inn, Bayview Plaza.

Sato will elaborate on JACL national goals and comment on the contemporary Washington scene, which will have special significance after the presidential elec-

Members and friends are invited to call chapter president Sid Yamazaki, 931-1026, or Virginia Tominaga, 820-3365 for dinner reservations. Deadline is Nov. 6.

In addition to the installation ceremonies, a chapter scholarship will be presented for the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans. This annual tuition award for local high school students covers a week-long, inresidence seminar with government and media leaders in Washington, D.C.

#### Contra Costa

EL CERRITO, Calif.—An open house of the local JACL office at 5035 Wall Ave. has been scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 11, from 2 to 5 p.m. There will be light refreshments.

A large desk has been donated by the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank of San Francisco (via Emi Shinagawa). Other donations of furniture are welcome. Call Tom Arima, 525-9615, to donate.

#### East Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES-Members are invited to spend an evening at East West Players to see their performance of "A Song for a Nisei Fisherman," starring Robert Ito, Sunday, Nov. 18. A box supper will be served at 6 p.m., and curtain time is 7:30 p.m.

Cost for the evening is \$15. Proceeds go towards the fund for redress legislation. For reservations call Mable Yoshizaki, (213) 263-8469, or Milton Noji, (213) 620-1424 days or (818) 284-7140 eves.

#### Milwaukee

MILWAUKEE-The annual Holiday Folk Fair, the chapter's only source of outside income, will be held Nov. 16-18 at the Milwaukee MECCA. Advance tickets are \$4. At the door, tickets are \$5 adults, \$4 children, free under 6. Volunteers are needed Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 14-15, to help set up the exhibit and sale booths, as well as the Folk Fair days. To volunteer, call Helen Inai, 332-1696.

JAYs: On Nov. 10, the JAYs will be repackaging fortune cookies for the Holiday Folk Fair at the International Institute from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Also, they will be cooking food Nov. 15, 6-10 p.m. To volunteer, call Paula Kiefer, 242-5971.

# JACL-Calif. Blue Shield holds line on cost increases

SAN FRANCISCO—For the first Jan. 1, 1985, the quarterly rates time in many years, no rate will remain effective through the change will be required in the year as follows: JACL-California Blue Shield health plan, it was announced this gle subscriber and one dependent past week (Oct. 24) by John T. \$426.48; Subscriber and two or Yasumoto, JACL-CBS chair.

committee, in approving the 1985 fits and deductibles remain the contract with the Blue Shield of same. California Co., cited three reasons for this good news:

group improved favorably this past year.

2—Overall picture of the economy has been brighter compared to the previous two years.

3—The health care industry is under better control as cost trends showed greater stability.

Effective January 1985 With the new contract effective

#### On the administrative committee are:

Single subscriber \$216.60; Sinmore dependents \$548.64. The The JACL-CBS administrative plan's medical and dental bene-

The Calif. Blue Shield officials commended the JACL adminis-1—Claims utilization of the trative committee by stating the stability of the plan over past two years was obviously the result of the effort put forth and ability of the insurance committee to make important and sometimes difficult decisions.

> Yasumoto added that two years ago, the plan was required to modify benefits and increase deductibles because of high utilization. Today's results indicate that the decisions were in the right direction.

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### Local redress chair to review textbooks

SALINAS, Calif. — The editor-inchief of social studies textbooks for the McGraw-Hill Book Co. of New York has indicated to Violet de Cristoforo, chair of the Salinas Valley JACL redress committee, that textbook materials relating to the Japanese American internment during WW2 will be referred to her for review as to accuracy and fairness. De Cristoforo, a former internee of Jerome and Tule Lake concentration camps, is a 20-year retired employee of McGraw-Hill.

The redress committee chair urged JACLers to make similar contacts with other book publishers. She also suggested that state departments of education be contacted to ask for their cooperation in checking how social studies textbooks treat the Japanese American internment

# -Letters-

#### Hey You!

Re "Hawaiian Punch" by John Saito (Oct. 12 PC): John, your Honolulu airport experience made me roar with laughterhow well I remember my beloved Hawaii.

Your last paragraph, "maybe we need to tell the racists, 'you like I punch your face?' " should be a spirited "you like I punch your face!!!" Believe me, John, it is not a question mark. Those guys are swift. They will back it up.

Hawaiians, regardless of their racial background, are a special breed of people—they are independent, free spirited, uninhibited and culturally overloaded.

To know them is to love them. M. YAMANAKA

Palo Alto, Calif.

#### Ticket to ride

Re bakappei derivation by Yasuo Ishida (Sept. 28 PC):

The word "bakappei," meaning "lottery ticket," originated in China. Bok — white; kop — pigeon; pell-ticket or paper. The Chinese business and gambling houses used white homing pigeons to deliver verification messages. When the Chinese emigrated to the States and opened up gambling houses, they used this terminology to denote "lottery tickets" although runners instead of pigeons were used to inform gambling houses of the winning Chinese characters (kanji) for the

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day. Kanji instead of numbers were marked on the ticket.

The Issei version of this word is: Ba-prefix of bakuchi-gambling; ka-prefix of kakeruwager or bet; pei comes from suffix hei-note or paper, i.e., shihei—pape I money or note. Thus the word means "gambling wager paper" or "lottery ticket."

When I was growing up in Stockton my family ran a hotel in the Chinese gambling house district. I believe that the Issei and Nisei of Little Tokyo are well acquainted with "lottery tickets" since Japanese and Chinese gambling houses flourished in this area before the war. Many transient Issei laborers (buranketto kazuri — bed roll carriers) gambled away their seasonal earnings and had to stay at boarding houses on credit.

> RICHARD K. HAYASHI Stockton, Calif.

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# Photos of prewar life being compiled

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The exhibit will offer a retrospective review of significant aspects in the lives of Issei and Nisei. This special photo collection will cover such subjects as: beginnings in America, Nihonmachi, businesses and occupations, family life and schools, organizations and churches, sports and entertainment, and theater and music.

Some 250 photographs will be mounted on six kiosks (each a four-sided, free-standing structure).

Community help in uncovering family photographic treasures of community is being asked by the photo committee. Selected photographs will be reproduced and the Those who have old photos or who would like to help in defray-Thank you for your wonderful ing some of the cost of exhibit Hoshide, photo committee chair, JOHN and HARUKO HIROHATA 6969 Seward Park Ave. S., Seattle, Mesa, Ariz. WA 98118.

# Asian voting patterns studied

by Elizabeth Lu, East West

SAN FRANCISCO - How do Asian Americans vote? For whom do we vote? Just how much political clout do we have?

Until now, the answers to these questions have only been rough estimates or wild guesses, often used by politicians to suit their own purposes. A recent in-depth study by graduate researcher Grant Din seeks to set the record straight.

politicians and Preventing commentators from misinterpreting the preferences and voting behavior of Asian Americans was a major reason why Din undertook as part of his work towards a master's degree in public policy anal-

One of Din's major findings indicated that despite the apparent tendency of Chinese American voters to vote for conservative candidates and issues, the Chinese American voters in precincts where over 20% of the residents are Chinese often supported more liberal candidates and causes.

This finding seems to refute S.F. Examiner columnist Guy Wright's assertion that the 61.6% 'yes' vote on Proposition O, the 1983 bilingual ballot initiative, proved that even San Francisco's Chinese community favored the elimination of bilingual ballots.

Wright had contended that the vote should "give courage to politicians who have supported bilingual ballots out of fear of ethnic

reprisal." Wright stated in his column that the heaviest vote in favor of Prop. O, which recommended elimination of bilingual voting materials, came from the Richmond and the complicated statistical study Sunset districts, two areas with substantial numbers of Asian

> Americans. challenged Din's findings Wright's claim by proving that precincts with higher concentrations of Chinese Americans do not necessarily vote the same way as the entire area.

> In fact, as confirmed by a Chinese for Affirmative Action study, inner Sunset and Richmond, Continued on Page 9

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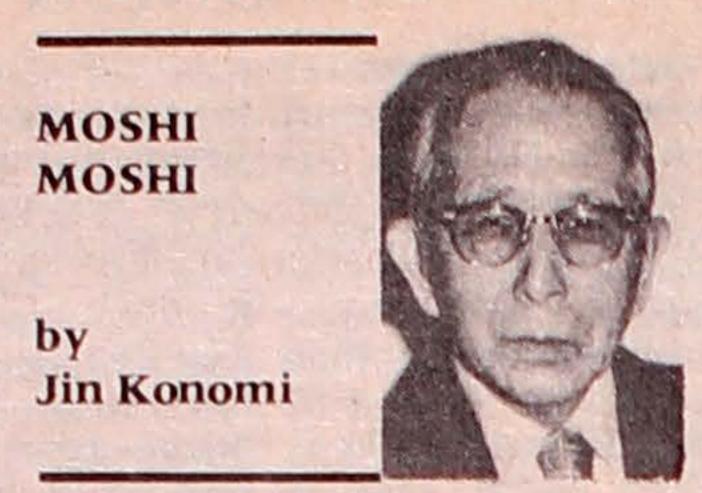
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# Two Japanese Teachers

Satoru Semitsu teaches mathematics, and his wife Junko teaches English, at a high school in Hanford, a small city of about 50,000 in Central California. In a state where there are more teachers with Japanese names than there are bars and boutiques with Japanese names in Tokyo, there is nothing remarkable about this fact—except that they are Japanese from Japan.

In 1964 America was still being plagued by the acute shortage of science and math teachers that had developed in the wake of the Sputnik shock of '57. Semitsu, a teacher, too. She had no reser in Japan, was caught in the inten- why can't I, too?" sive recruitment drive for teachtry.

final plea, "Come on, lend a should be ashamed." hand!" he made up his mind. It When Junko applied for a job was a rather characteristic Japa- four years later, she was internese response. Besides, the chal- viewed by the same board chairlenge of the idea—he, a Japanese, man. After commending her teaching American students—ap- briefly on her excellent performpealed to his derring-do. His mot- ance during her probation period,



invoked whenever the going became rough. There were many such times, for he was carrying the double load of math and education courses.

Then his wife wanted to become then a graduate student at UC vations about her wish. Although Berkeley preparing for an as- briefly, she had taught English in sured, but predictably dull, a high school in Tokyo. She said to career in some corporation back her husband: "If you can do it,

He sailed through the job interers. In spite of some serious mis- view. The school board chairman givings about changing his life's had apparently decided beforeplan in mid-course, and so late in hand to hire him. He told Semitsu life—he was already 29—he let about the three Nisei teachers in himself be talked into giving it a the district, all survivors of the relocation, and all splendid teach-When the recruiter, the head of ers. His parting words were: the mathematics department, "You are Japanese, too. If you concluded his hard sell-talk with a can't do as well as they, you

to was "Go For Broke!" which he he devoted most of the interview

time expatiating in wonderment on what he considered the Japanese values in the Nisei teachers, and showed a frank puzzlement for the failure of other ethnic groups to develop similar values. "It was an easy interview," she said, "because I was the listener most of the time" Then she laughed: "The chairman told me that my English was much better than yours."

Semitsu and Junko have been at Hanford 18 and 15 years respectively. Both have been cited and honored as outstanding teachers. What was involved in their transformation from Japanese teachers into American teachers; what their performance; what they consider the troublesome problems of American education, and how they have coped with some of them; how they evaluate Ameri-

can education and how they evaluate Japanese education from their American perspective: These are the matters they deal with in their book, co-authored and published early this year under the title America no Chugakusei wa, Ima..... (The High School Students of America -Now).

Written in Japanese for Japanese readers the book is not a proper subject of review for this paper. But it is such an interesting and stimulating book, so full of keen and wise observations that I wanted to commend it to those of the readers who can read Japanese. Those who cannot may file Japanese qualities helped them in away the names of the authors will think of importing teachers and the book in some corner of from Japan. This is not too wild an their memory, for I expect it will idea. Recently the State of be translated into English not too Georgia imported math and lanlong in the future.

At a time when U.S. Secretary Germany.

of Education Bell is seriously thinking of introducing the juku concept into American education, it may be reassuring to most Americans that the authors are emphatically opposed to such an idea. It is also interesting to note that Semitsu and Dr. Francis Nakano (9/21 PC) seem to share considerable of the so-called Japanese values.

And a final afterthought: There may be another teacher shortage in America, for teaching has been in low esteem for some time, and has not been attracting the brightest of the high school graduates. When the shortage really comes, I wonder if American education from West guage teachers

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who have escaped from repression By the same token, other Asian in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia. Reagan's continued support of Taiwan despite normalized relations with China has undoubtedly earned him support among Chinese Americans hostile to the Beijing government.

But the foreign policy question also cuts both ways. Because Reagan has backed the non-communist governments of the Philippines and South Korea without pressuring them on human rights, full support from those communities is not assured.

Some Asian Democrats suggest that the appeal of Reagan's foreign policy may be canceled out by his domestic policies. "Asian Pacific immigrants start out in their own country with a very great perception of the Republican administration," said attorney Mike Eng in a Washington Post interview. "Then after they get here and they can't get a job, and get attacked on the street because of their skin color, get discriminated against in schools with no bilingual education, the question of foreign policy recedes. You can't eat foreign policy."

Jim Ly, an immigrant from Vietnam, concurs. "The longer you settle here, the issues become social and you tend toward the Democrats."

Attitudes among Asian Americans can vary according to ethnicity. JAs, as the only Asian American group in which the American-born outnumber immigrants, may not be sensitive to issues such as immigration and bilingualism because of their minimal impact on the JA community. and vote accordingly.

groups may be unable to relate to the redress issue. And personal wealth, regardless of whether one is naturalized or native-born, can affect attitudes about refugee assistance, job assistance, and other social services.

More and more Asian Americans have recognized the need for mutual awareness in order to achieve political clout, particularly in view of the wave of anti-Asian violence inspired by Japanese imports and the influx of Asian immigrants. Hence, multiethnic organizations such as the Asian Pacific Democratic Caucus have developed an agenda that integrates issues from the various communities.

Mondale's weak spot in this regard, as pointed out by Lance Izumi of Japanese American Republicans, is that Reagan "has opposed protectionist schemes such as domestic content legislation, which his opponent favors." Such legislation is seen by some as prolabor but anti-Japanese. Fred Fujioka, a Mondale supporter, admits that he disagrees with his candidate on that point but adds that Mondale had the sensitivity to drop his hostile references to Japan after being told about the rise of anti-Asian sentiment.

Interest among Asian Pacifics in the Nov. 6 election is at an alltime high. While Asian involvement in both parties will continue regardless of the outcome, it is vital that all of us study the issues and the candidates, determine what is best for our community,

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# 'The Good War'

Reviewed by Jane B. Kaihatsu, San Francisco

In his latest release, The Good War: An Oral History of World War II (Pantheon Press,\$19.95). Studs Terkel has brilliantly captured the voices and stories of "the good war" in a way which has never been done before. His special knack for choosing a cross-section yields a fascinating selection of men, women, Japanese Americans, Japanese, Germans, Blacks, cartoonists, infantrymen, homosexuals, conscientious objectors, military brass, New Deal lawyers—all those whose lives were touched by this war. Although I did not live through WW2, I have learned through this book that indeed, this war touched EVERYONE and changed America forever.

The revelations are startling—graphic accounts are told of life in combat; its horrors and atrocities equivalent to those which the Vietnam War unleased. It becomes crystal clear that war is horrible no matter which war it is.

The other outstanding aspect of this book is the candor with which all people tell their stories—bad things about the "Good War," like the lynching of Black soldiers and the Japanese American internment, and good things like the economic development war projects gave to tiny rural communities.

#### Turkel's Record of Support

For Japanese Americans, this book has a special significance because it covers a time that became the turning point in our history. Mr. Terkel is very kind to the Japanese Americans, as he has always been. His sympathy with the plight of the Nisei internees and his outrage at the failure of his peers, including Walter Lippmann, to stop the incarceration is not well-known in the Japanese American community.

In 1981, Terkel testified before the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians supporting the movement for redress. A previous book, American Dreams: Lost and Found (1980), unfolds the story of Aki and Jun Kurose of Seattle and their camp and resettlement experience. He provided commentary for John Tateishi's And Justice for All (Random House, 1984) and graciously reviewed the film, "Unfinished Business: The Japanese American Internment Cases" produced by Steven Okazaki. When interviewed on NBC's Oct. 1 "Today Show" about The Good War, he stated he wanted to have his readers know what it was like to live during this time—"what it was like for a Nisei to be a prisoner in his own country," for example. Terkel also hails the Sansei for inquiring about their parents' camp experience.

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He told me in a conversation once, "The Nisei, they won't say anything. But you Sansei must ask-and get their stories known."

Personal Stories

It is fitting that Terkel should delve even further into the Japanese American experience. He selected Peter Ota of Los Angeles and Yuriko Hohri of Chicago in the passage, "A Sunday Morning," to relate their stories as an infantryman out of an internment camp and a young internee, respectively.

Equally interesting are the stories which described the mass hysteria which helped lead to the camps. One man who returned to his rooming house via the Golden Gate Bridge the evening Pearl Harbor was attacked found it pitch-dark and his landlady huddled in the darkness. He flipped on the lights; she screamed, "The Japs are comin"! The Golden Gate Bridge has been bombed!" Nothing he could say would convince her that all was well and he himself had just driven over the bridge. But she and thousands of others were panicked, fueled by Hearst papers proclaiming, "Japanese Invade West Coast."

While only two Japanese Americans are profiled, several non-Nikkei interviewees refer throughout the book to the injustices of internment. Stories like a man remembering his boyhood walk to school past the Nikkei homes falling eerily silent one day. Where did they go? A woman who was in nursing home in Central California recalls her two Japanese American classmates were taken away. "We were at war," she said. "And those girls should have been nurses, too." A man, battle-weary from fighting in the Italian campaigns remembers some "Jap[anese] boys who were also fighting hard in

Lastly, Terkel probes at great length the technology which changed the future of humanity. Why the atomic bombs were dropped and subsequent questions are dealt with the points of view of the "hibakusha" (A-bomb survivors), physicists and even the pilots of the bomb-carrying aircraft. Their answers are not always clear and some are not just, but it is fascinating to analyze the human perception of this terrible creation.

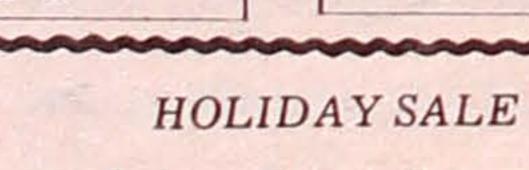
The truth is, The Good War has something to say for everyone, including the Nisei and especially the Sansei. Never before has such a comprehensive work of personal views been amassed on this era. Our thanks should go to Studs Terkel, who kept us in mind although he was not asked to do so.

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#### KENNEDY

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opportunity...to try and find out what compensation and what renumeration can be achieved" for former internees.

He went on to blast Reagan for his "retreat" on civil rights, blaming him for "destroying the independence" of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and for the defeat of the Civil Rights Act of 1984. "I am deeply distressed ... when we have a president who is silent on the issue of discrimination. No one can be silent on the issue of discrimination and prejudice here— We all must speak! ... It's unacceptable when we're going to find brutalization of people in our society whose skin is not white."

While serving in the Senate with Mondale, Kennedy said, "We were . . . trying to do what could be done legislatively to root out discrimination and prejudice" through such bills as the Voting Rights Act.

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Kennedy invoked the name of his late brother John when discussing immigration and civil rights legislation as well as in his conclusion, in which he quoted JFK as asking voters to "help in bringing Mr. Nixon back to the beauties of California" in the 1960 campaign. Sen. Kennedy urged the audience to do the same for President Reagan.

Also speaking briefly at the fundraiser were Violet Rabaya of Asian/Pacifics for Mondale-Ferraro, Calif. Secretary of State March Fong Eu, and state senator Art Torres.

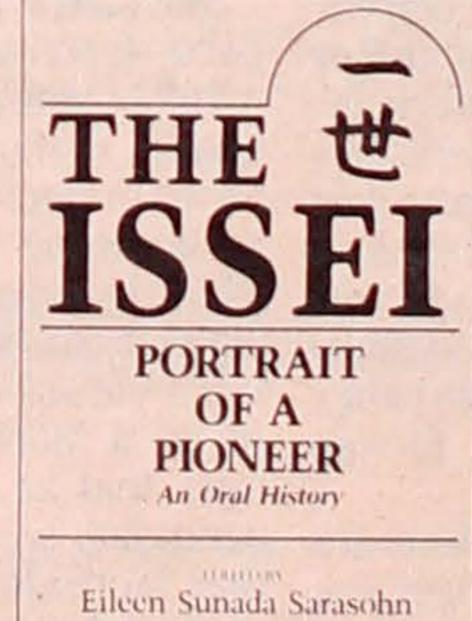
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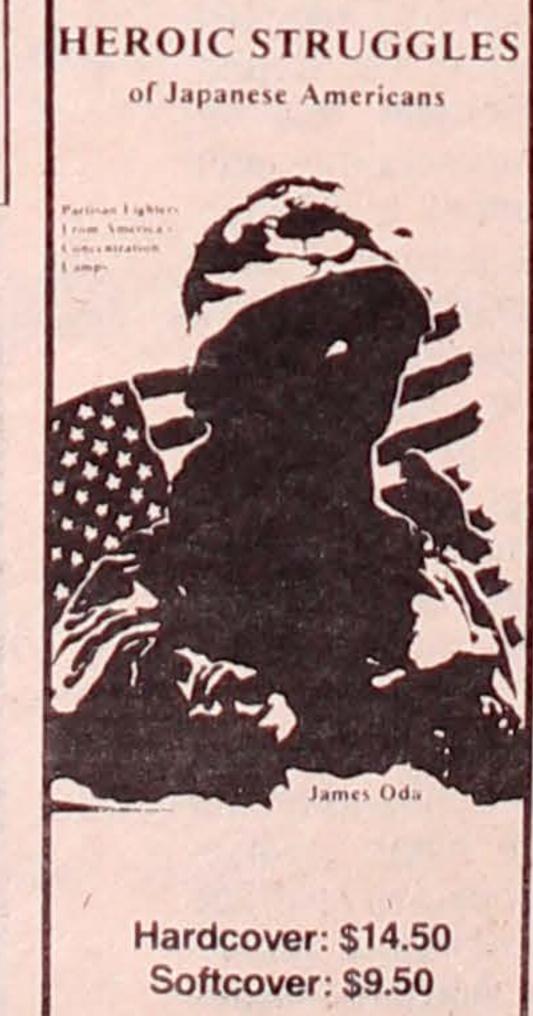
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## **VOTING PATTERNS**

which are more heavily populated by Chinese Americans than the voted overwhelmingly against Prop. O.

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#### **Turnout Increasing**

A separate study undertaken by Prof. Richard DeLeon of S.F. State University also confirms Din's results. DeLeon, who advised Din on his research project, found that although an estimated 75% of white voters supported Prop. O, only about 49% of the Asian voters favored it.

"Selective, general analysis such as that performed by Wright, can be not only misleading but dangerous in its public policy implications," asserted Din.

Misconceptions about Chinese American voters, even if positive, are also distortions that should be avoided, said Din. He cited Supervisor Wendy Nelder's observation that the turnout of Chinese voters is increasing and that "the Chinese in this city will be a force to be reckoned with" mainly because the 1983 anti-smoking measure Nelder sponsored passed by 51.9% of the vote in "Chinese precincts."

The Chinese voter turnout in those precincts increased from 31% in an April recall election against Mayor Diane Feinstein to 38% in the November election, "but the citywide percentages are exactly the same," contended Din, who suggested that more studying the correlation between people voted in November be- supervisoral candidates in the cause the issues were more important.

Din's research also revealed

Chinese Americans in his study area (Chinatown, Sunset, Richouter portions of the two districts, mond) tended to be lower than that for non-Chinese and for voters in the city as a whole. The number of Chinese voters in San Francisco, representing less than half of all Chinese in that city, comprised only 5.5% of all San Francisco voters.

Din attributed the low voter registration rate among Chinese Americans to apathy, lack of knowledge of the political system, and socio-economic factors. The registration rate was lowest in Chinatown, where the residents were found to be poorer and less educated than those in either Sunset or Richmond.

In terms of party affiliation, Chinese Americans often opted to stay outside the party structure, registering instead as "decline to state" at a rate much higher than that for the general population.

"Perhaps it's a willingness to get involved to vote but nothing beyond that," surmised Din, adding that this group "potentially can be targeted voters for certain politicians."

The correlation between Chinese American voters and candidates, especially Chinese American office-seekers, was also examined by Din.

#### No Pan-Asian Unity

The lack of inter-Asian unity was one significant finding. In 1982 election and Asian American voters, Din found that Ben Tom, a Chinese American who finished that the voter registration rate for 7th out of 24 in the race, definitely

showed a positive correlation with Chinese and Japanese Americans.

However, Din also discovered that Tom had a negative correlation with "other Asians," a group consisting of all Asian Pacifics other than Chinese and Japanese Americans. The majority of this group was Filipino.

This discovery could signal distressing news for inter-Asian/Pacific support, said Din, who recommended that Tom maintain his ties with the Chinese community,

where most of his strength lies, and expand his base with outreach to the Filipino community.

Din would like to see this study used by candidates for better understanding of the Asian community. He would also like to see comparison and replication studies made on the same topic. Prof. Don Nakanishi of UCLA, who also advised Din on his thesis, is currently working on a similar, but more extensive, study of the Asian American population in

Southern California.

Din spent 40 to 50 hours poring over voting records and tabulating the number of Chinese American voters by hand. He spent twice as long processing the data on computers. He conceded to some margin of error due to the fact that not all Asian names can be spotted easily. Interracial marriages and surnames such as Lee and Young, which could also be non-Asian surnames, made tabulations difficult.

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Los Angeles-'Song for a Nisei Fisherman,' by Philip Gotanda, with Robert Ito, East West Players, 4424 Santa Monica; tkts 660-0366

#### • NOV 2 (Friday)

New York-'Asian Americans in Corporate America' is topic of forum, AT&T hdgs aud, 550 Madison Ave.; 7pm, free

#### NOV 3 (Saturday)

Placer County—Capt Gordon Nakagawa guest spkr at ann'l Goodwill Dnr, St. Joseph's Parish Cntr, 11610 Atwood Rd, Auburn, 6pm

Fresno-'Go For Broke' reception, Metropolitan Museum, 7-9pm; Eric Saul, spkr; info 233-0591

Los Angeles-Friends of Echo Goto reception, Univ Hilton Hotel, S Figueroa at Exposition, 4-8pm, no donation

#### NOV 4 (Sunday)

NCWNP District—4th qtrly mtg, Barbary Coast Inn, 808 N Main, Salinas, CA; info (415) 921-5225

San Francisco-Nisei Widowed Group, 2-4pm, James Yamaguchi res; info Elsie Chung, (415) 221-0268

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dinner Seattle-Nisei Vets bazaar, 1212 S King,

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Los Angeles-Am Assn of Retired Persons mg, JACCC, 244 S San Pedro, Rm 410, 1:30pm; topic supplementary ins to Medicare. Info (213) 293-3165, 263-8469

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#### ● NOV 9-10

Los Angeles- Washington med cntr volunteers hold holiday boutique, 12101 W Washington Blvd, 10am-4pm

#### ● NOV 10-11

Fresno-Central Calif Dist Cncl mtg; Rep. Chip Pashayan Sat eve spkr

 NOV 10 (Saturday) Los Angeles-Little Tokyo Health Fair, 9am-1pm; Union Church, 401 E. 3rd; info

Sonoma County-Sushi nite, Memorial Hall in Sebastopol, 6:30pm

#### Midwest DC-Dist council mtg hosted by Detroit Chapter

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might have been wondering ... One more histor-

ic item about Port Los Angeles—where Japanese

of the 1890-1920 era held picnics and beach par-

ties: Nevada's U.S. Sen. John Jones and Kern

county wool grower Col. Robert Baker had pur-

chased in 1872 from the heirs of the original

owner a part of the Mexican rancho San Vicente y

Santa Monica to build a great harbor (Port Los

Angeles) and a city (Santa Monica). They stocked

the rancho with sheep (we remember them in the

1930s grazing on the hills where Loyola-Mary-

mount is today). They also started the Los An-

geles & Independence Railroad, from the Port to

Inyo County, but the line never went past Los

Angeles. After the 1886 land boom, 300 acres were

conveyed to the U.S. government for the Soldier's

Home ... Port Los Angeles was supplanted by

San Pedro by 1912—and it may have been a bless-

ing for the area west of Hollywood blossomed into

a favored residential area, which it is today. The

Japanese had a major role putting in and main-

Nikkei of the 1930s in this area congregated in

the Santa Monica, Sawtelle (since renamed West

L.A.) or Venice-Palms language schools and

community halls. Santa Monica's was located at

1824-16th St.; Sawtelle at 2110 S. Corinth (still in

The JACL chapter was first named Bay Dis-

Before the war Santa Monica had a thriving

community. Local Japanese associations, news-

paper offices, churches, clubs and businesses

were in the area roughly bounded by 16th and

17th, Santa Monica Blvd. and the Santa Monica

Freeway today. Most of that community is no

more. Perhaps, it was poetic and mythical as

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movies often are that the film version of "Fare-

well to Manzanar" showed the Japanese family

living in Santa Monica, though the author's fam-

ily had lived on Terminal Island—as recalled in

In West Los Angeles — along Sawtelle Blvd.

from Santa Monica Blvd. to Olympic Blvd. -

fourth of them had listed phone numbers. The Venice community today (about five miles southeast near and around Centinela and Culver Blvds.) has the newer and brighter landmarks in the region, such as its community center on Braddock St. west of Centinela. Prewar, some Japanese stores (Hayashi, Kamoto) were near Centinela and Washington, but the chop suey

nese families lived in the neighborhood; about a

houses which the Issei ran were just blocks away from the ocean front. The famed Venice celery farms that the Issei-Nisei growers had until the 1950s stretched on both sides of Ballona Creek. Less than a mile north was Trolley St. (as it was called in the '30s) where the red cars coursed, heading toward Playa del Rey and points south toward Redondo

Beach. Majority of the 200 families in Venice in the 1936 Japanese directory have rural mail addresses and even fewer phones than their counterpart in Sawtelle. I should have Dr. Roy Nishikawa or Frances Kitagawa, who grew up in Venice, recount these years as it's difficult to pinpoint what's where with Rt. 1, Box numbers in

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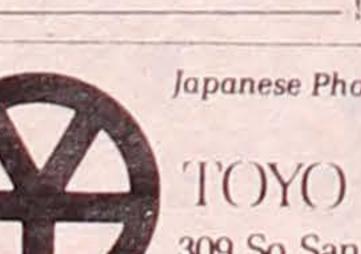
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#### Organizations

Contra Costa JACLer Endo. Emiko Shinagawa of Richmond, Calif., was presented on Oct. 24 with a distinguished service award by the American Assn. of Blood Banks for her years of work with the National Clearinghouse Program, which handles the transfer of blood and blood credits Chapter nationwide. She retired as administrative director of Irwin Memorial Blood Bank of San Francisco in 1982, after 32 years of employment.

#### Education

terey Peninsula College 4-18-84-7-3-84..... 5,552.21 was one of two recipients of the Monterey Peninsula Foundation's Allen Griffin awards for excellence in teaching. He has taught political science at the college since 1971 and is adjunct professor of international relations at the Monterey Institute of International Studies. MPC students voted him "outstandteacher of the year" for 1982-83.

Redress Pledges Amounts acknowleged by JACL Headquarters

for the period of: Oct. 1-Oct. 18, 1984. Sep. 30 Total: \$130,149.98 This Report: (8).\$4,540.41 \$134,690.39 Oct. 18 Total:

Diablo Valley JACL (2 chks in memory of K Kubokawa) \$60; Lodi JACL \$230; Omaha JACL \$404.16; Olympia JACL \$210; San Jose JACL pledge) Livingston-Merced JACL ('84-'85 pledge) \$10; Seattle JACL (2 chks for '84 pledge) \$626.25.

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Thank You!

Here are the 11 JACL chapters and one committee which have contributed to the JACL-Pacific Citizen typesetter fund. Downtown L.A. JACL contributed this week with a challenge to other JACL chapters to support the PC and be counted.

As of Oct. 27, 1984 Riverside Contra Costa St Louis ..... Salinas Redress. Downtown L.A. ....\$100 Sn Fernando Vly ...\$200 Grtr LA Sngles ..... \$50 Hoosier .....\$100 San Jose .....\$100 Sonoma County ....\$100 Marysville ..... \$50

#### Book Sales: 'And Justice for All'

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#3 total (5 chapt, 7 cs)

\$12,609.02 Redress Fund #4 total (3 chapt, 5 cs) Redress Fund \$13,221.56

REPORT #4 Hoosier \$238.77, Seattle \$238.77, Florin (3 cs) \$1,350.

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Chapters are now soliciting greetings for the Holiday Issue with an Advertising Kit sent to them in September. Chapters not receiving it should call the PC Business Office (213—628-3768) pronto.

The kits, in two parts, contain: 1-Insertion orders of the 1983 ads; a new rate card (\$8 per column inch, \$4 per one-line greetings). 2-Various printed forms, sample issue, etc.

Chapter commissions remain the same: standard 15% (any issue, Regular or Holiday), or bulk rate with commissions ranging between 20 to 50% depending on the amount of ad space contracted in

the Holiday Issue.

The usual deadlines apply:

Nov. 15—Reservations for bulk-rate space. Nov. 30—Ad Copy for First Section.

Dec. 7—Absolute deadline for all copy.

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#### Political motive suspected in slaying of journalist

SAN FRANCISCO — The murder of journalist Henry Liu Oct. 15 has prompted speculation in the Chinese American community that he was killed by pro-Taiwan individuals angered at Liu's critical biography of President Chiang Ching-Kuo and his accusations of human rights violations on the part of the Taipei government.

Liu was shot at his Daly City home by two Asian men who escaped on bicycle. The 52-year-old native of mainland China recently obtained American citizenship and ran a gift shop as well as writing for the San Francisco Journal, a strongly pro-Beijing newspaper.

Both the PRC consulate and Taipei's Coordinating Council for North American Affairs have issued statements deploring the murder, while the American Civil Liberties Union and Chinese for Affirmative Action have requested the FBI to investigate.

## BROPHY-

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reintroduction of the Equal Rights Amendment, a verifiable nuclear freeze, and continuing toxic waste cleanup funds. She also opposes programs that Lungren supports, such as covert activities in Central America and increased spending on new weapons systems.

She describes herself as a "coalition candidate," citing support from seniors, women's groups, teachers, environmentalists, labor unions, anti-nuclear activists, and other organizations.

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"head to head" with the incumbent, with polls indicating 42% support for her and 48% for Lungren. She hopes to attract large numbers of Republicans and undecided voters as well as Democrats.

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#### **BOOKSHELF-**Continued from Page 8

growing number of titles on this subject published in the United States.

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Another is a novel by Joy Kogawa, Obasan (David R. Godine, 306 Dartmouth St., Boston, MA 02116, \$12.95), a lyrical account of the Japanese Canadian experience during WW2 and an American Library Assn. Notable Book in 1982. It has particular relevance as ofcommissions

Canada and the U.S. reconsider the wartime WW2 treatment of Japanese Canadians and Americans. While thoroughly gray in type, the novel is exquisite relating "an emotionally experience, wrenching lightened by the sensitivity and grace of her prose" (to quote the Victoria Times).

Tanka, the poetic form of the Japanese courts and extremely popular today, is said to often express innermost, pent-up emotions. The anthology, Poets Behind Barbed Wires (Bamboo Ridge Press, 990 Hahaione St., Honolulu, HI 96825, 73pp, \$5 pb) is a collection of poems composed during WW2—by four Hawaiian Issei leaders who were interned and kept in mainland enemy alien camps.

The four are Yasutaro Soga (1873-1957), Nippu Jiji publisher who founded the Santa Fe (N.M.) Tanka Club; Dr. Motokazu Mori (1890-1958), a physician who wound up at Crystal City to found the Texas Tanka Club; Tokiji Takei (1903—), prewar Japanese language teacher on Maui who was a Texas Tanka

Club co-founder; and tanka. George Hoshida, the Otokichi Ozaki (1904—), illustrator, was another Japanese teacher in Hilo Hawaiian detainee in varicamps to the WRA camps life through sketches. The at Jerome and Tule Lake.

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