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## Bainbridge Island Program

### E.O. 9066 Photo Exhibit Traces Japanese American Internment

BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, Wash.—“Executive Order 9066,” a photographic exhibit documenting the WW2 internment of Japanese Americans, will highlight a program on the internment at Bainbridge Island High School on Nov. 8-9, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Two documentaries about Bainbridge Islanders during WW2, “Emi of Bainbridge” and “Visible Target,” will be shown throughout the two-day program, which is sponsored by the Bainbridge Island Japanese American Community Club and the island’s School District Multi-Cultural Advisory Council.

Included in the program are panels and discussion groups focusing on the history of Japanese Americans on Bainbridge and their WW2 experience, and a reception for Walt and Millie Woodward, publishers of the Bainbridge Review during WW2 and the first recipients of JACL’s Edison Uno Memorial Civil Rights Award in July.

“E.O. 9066” is being exhibited on loan from National JACL. The exhibit, primarily featuring War Relocation Authority photos by Dorothea Lange but also including photos by Toyo Miyatake, Ansel Adams and the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, was produced in 1972 by Lange’s assistant, Richard Conrat, and his wife, Maisie. Funding for the project came from the Guggenheim Foundation and the California Historical Society.

The exhibit was produced under the joint sponsorship of the National Archives, the California Historical Society and JACL.

While portions of the exhibit were featured in Seattle and Bremerton earlier this year, this showing will be the first time the complete exhibit will be on display in western Washington.



WRA photo by Dorothea Lange  
1942 Hayward, Calif. photo

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WRA photo by Dorothea Lange  
Grandfather and grandson, Manzanar, Calif., 1942.

## Monterey Park Council Rescinds Resolution on Language, Aliens

by J.K. Yamamoto

MONTEREY PARK, Calif.—The City Council voted 3-2 on Oct. 27 to rescind a resolution asking Congress to make English the nation’s official language.

The rescission marks the latest round in the battle between proponents and opponents of the “Official English” movement, which has drawn national attention to this Los Angeles suburb during the past year.

Resolution 9004, passed by the council in June, supported “legislation to make English the official language of the United States,” declared that Monterey Park will never become a “sanctuary city” for Central American refugees, instructed the police department to “cooperate with the INS in regard to illegal aliens,” and asked Congress to “pass legislation to control United States borders.”

Members of the multiethnic

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## Mineta, Matsui Split on Immigration Package; Community Leaders Wary

by J.K. Yamamoto

The immigration bill given final approval by the House on Oct. 15 and the Senate on Oct. 17 has for the most part been debated and discussed in terms of its effects on Latinos, but a number of Asian Americans feel the bill could have an impact on their communities as well.

The mixed feelings that some have expressed about the legislation are exemplified by the differing votes of Reps. Norman Mineta and Robert Matsui (both D-Calif.). Mineta was among the 173 House members who voted against the bill that came out of a House-Senate conference committee, and Matsui was among the 238 who supported it.

### Amnesty and Sanctions

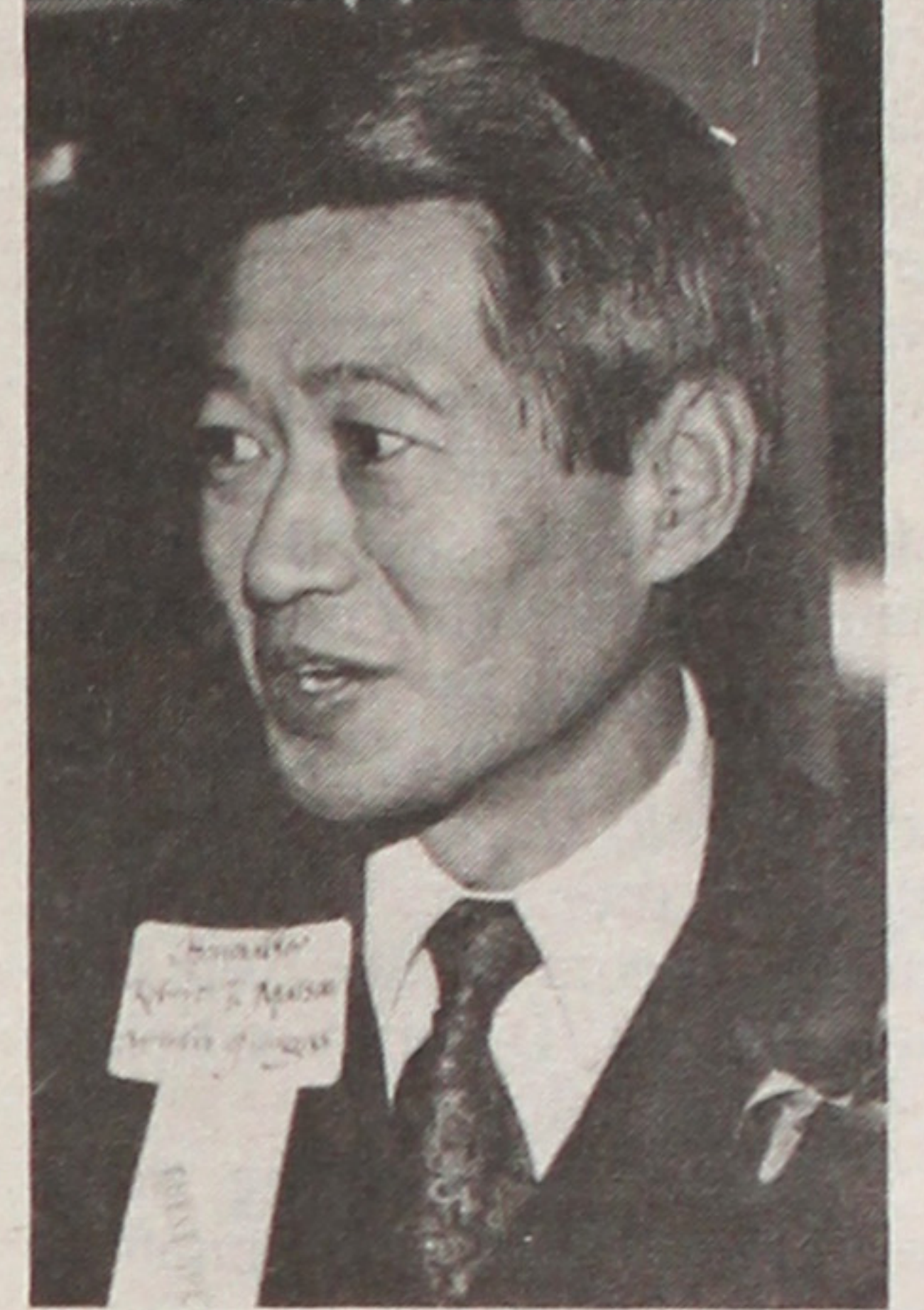
“This is probably the first time Norm and I voted differently on a major bill involving minorities,” Matsui told the PC, adding that some of his Hispanic colleagues also seemed split on the bill.

“I voted for the immigration bill basically for the amnesty provisions,” he said, referring to the bill’s offer of legal status to illegal aliens who have resided in the United States continuously since Jan. 1, 1982. “I felt this was the last chance for any type of immigration bill, and maybe the last chance for the amnesty.”

“I have a lot of reservations



Norman Mineta



Robert Matsui

with the bill,” Matsui acknowledged, “especially the employer sanctions. But I thought this was the best we could get.”

It was precisely because of the penalties that would be imposed on employers who hire illegal aliens that Mineta opposed the bill.

“In our own area of Santa Clara County, where we have a high number of these high tech... companies,” Mineta told the PC, “there is a very high percentage of employees who are Asian Pacific Americans from the more recent immigrant groups, like the Vietnamese, the Thais, the

Cambodians, the Korean Americans.

“I think... there’s going to be a very adverse impact in the sense that they’re going to sound foreign, look foreign, and employers are going to be very reluctant to hire them for fear that they may be undocumented aliens. Many people who have been paroled in may not yet have the proper papers, so they may be suspect.”

### Absence of Safeguards

Mineta, who doesn’t think the bill includes any safeguards to prevent discrimination, said he foresees “a great deal of poten-

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## AALDEF Project

### Congressional Hearings on Violence Sought

NEW YORK — Amid heightening concern about inadequate government response to violence against Asian Americans, a national committee is calling for congressional hearings to focus national attention on the issue.

The committee is part of the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund’s Anti-Asian American Violence Project, which was kicked off earlier this year in response to increasing reports of racially motivated violence.

### Recent Incidents

According to committee members, the 1982 killing of Vincent Chin in Detroit, Ku Klux Klan-related attacks against Vietnamese fishermen in Texas, and assaults against Southeast Asian refugees in Massachusetts have demonstrated the national scope of the problem.

But they are increasingly concerned that numerous incidents of violence, intimidation and harassment directed at Asian Americans are not being reported, documented, or addressed.

Without mechanisms to monitor cases, they say, the widespread nature of anti-Asian violence has gone unnoticed by government authorities, who have tended to downplay the racial aspects of the attacks.

“Looked at individually, violence against Asian Americans in Texas, California, and Massachusetts might seem like isolated

incidents,” said Margaret Fung, executive director of AALDEF and head of its Anti-Asian American Violence Project. “But that disregards the economic scapegoating and racist feelings against Asian Americans that have motivated those attacks. And those sentiments represent a growing trend throughout the nation.”

### Isolated Areas

Community leaders are also concerned about attacks against Asian Americans who are isolated from large Asian American communities and support services. After a 1983 attack on a Laotian refugee in Fort Dodge, Iowa, for instance, authorities had

problems locating bilingual assistance for the victim.

AALDEF program director Stan Mark said the group is seeking to establish a national network of local community groups and leaders who can mobilize legal, medical and counseling assistance in such cases.

“What we are facing is so broad,” he said, “the only way it can be dealt with is by using what local groups already have in place. You can monitor the situation all you want, but it does you little good if the services aren’t there to help.”

Although AALDEF and other

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## Holiday Issue Submissions

The Pacific Citizen is now accepting non-returnable articles, editorials, short stories, poetry, photographs, etc., for this year’s holiday issue (Dec. 19), which will be themed “Japanese Americans: A Model Minority?”

In addition, elementary, junior high and high school students are encouraged to participate in a PC essay contest, “What Being Japanese American Means to Me.” Winning essays will be published in the Holiday Issue and first-place winners in each of the three school division categories will be awarded \$25.

Written material must be typed, double spaced. Photographs should be black and white and measure at least 5X7 inches. All submissions must include sender’s name, address and phone number. Contest entries must also include student’s grade and school. Please send all submissions to the PC, 941 E. Third St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90013, by Dec. 1, 1986.

## Senator's TV Ad Anti-Japan, Opponent Says

SEATTLE — Charges of "Japan-bashing" have been leveled at Sen. Slade Gorton (R-Wash.) because of television commercials in which he accuses his Democratic opponent, former congressman Brock Adams, of hurting American fishermen by working as a lobbyist for Japanese fishing interests.

In the commercial, a fisherman says he is upset that Adams made a lot of money after registering as a foreign agent and lobbying for the Japanese fishing fleet in Washington, D.C.

"We didn't need the Japanese taking our fish," says the fisherman, "and we didn't need Brock Adams helping them."

During a fund-raiser for Adams held in Seward Park by about 100 members of the Asian American community, Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif.) criticized the ad campaign.

"We have to sensitize members of the House and Senate so that Japan-bashing or Korea-bashing or Taiwan-bashing or Hong Kong-bashing don't become practices we see in debates," he said.

"I am as upset with some of the practices of the Japanese government on trade issues as they [members of Congress] are. But I think there's a way of dealing with it without becoming racist."

Japan-bashing "doesn't make for good foreign policy, it doesn't make for good trade policy, it doesn't make for good ethnic politics," he said.

Adams himself called the ad inflammatory, and his campaign manager, Ellen Globokar, said the commercial "tries to capitalize on people's fears."

Gorton aide Phil Watkins said the ad didn't insult Japan or distort Adams' record. Adams once appeared as a lobbyist before the



F. Carole Fujita (center), a licensed pharmacist and founding member of the Los Angeles chapter of Asian Pacific Legal Defense and Education Fund, receives an Award of Merit from Supervisor Kenneth Hahn at the second annual Los Angeles County Commission for Women awards luncheon, held Oct. 20 at the Los Angeles Music Center. Also taking part in the presentation is commissioner Miya Iwataki, a Hahn appointee.

## Methodist Grants Awarded

SAN FRANCISCO—Asian American Endowment Fund, a project of the National Federation of Asian American Methodists, has award-

ed its 1986 grants.

Receiving \$500 Continuing Education Grants were: Rev. Eduardo Cajuat of Dallas and Lily Villamin of Claremont, Calif.; Rev. Timothy Rathod and Edmond Christian, both of Chicago, were awarded \$300 each.

The \$200 Christian Education Grant went to Transgeneration Fellowship of Korean American United Methodists of Owings Mills, Md. and to Oakland (Calif.) Chinese Community UMC Day Camp. The latter also received the \$100 Chinese Ministry Grant.

The endowment fund was created in 1980 to develop and support ministries for Asian American United Methodist Churches. Stewardship training workshops have been conducted for local churches.

Application forms for the 1987 grants are now available and will be due in March 1987. Recipients will be announced in July. Info: Asian American Endowment Fund, 330 Ellis St., Room 508, San Francisco 94102; (415) 776-7747.

Senate Commerce Committee and opposed an amendment to increase observers who make sure Japanese fishing boats are not violating catch limits, Watkins charged.

Adams' actions, said Watkins, demonstrate a conflict of interest for someone hoping to represent the state's fishing interests.

Adams denied that his lobbying activities were detrimental to Washington fishermen, saying that most of his activities were directed at joint ventures in which American fishermen catch bottom fish and supply them to Japanese offshore fish processors. The joint ventures have pumped \$80 million into the U.S. economy, he added.

—from reports by Seattle Times and International Examiner

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### 'Responsibility for Wrongdoing'

## Chicago Episcopal Diocese Endorses Redress for JAs

CHICAGO — A resolution supporting redress for Japanese Americans interned during WW2 was passed by an overwhelming vote at the 149th annual convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago at the Cathedral of St. James on Oct. 17.

Rev. S. Michael Yasutake, priest on staff at Cathedral Shelter of Chicago and a member of the clergy team at St. Matthews Episcopal Church in Evanston, introduced the resolution with the backing of the Evanston Deanery to the convention. About 700 delegates from 140 congregations in the upper third of the state of Illinois attended the convention.

In introducing the resolution, Yasutake said, "The main intent of this resolution is to encourage our society to accept responsibility for its wrongdoing in the past and to recompense for it in hopes that it would fortify our society not to engage in similar acts at

present or in the future.

"In times of social upheaval and rapid change, it is the helpless and the powerless who are made to suffer the most. In this case, it happened to Japanese Americans. But it could happen to any group of people. Congregations and individuals are urged to support this current move for redress in whatever way possible."

The resolution encourages the congregations and the people of the diocese to "support the concept of monetary redress, as expressed in the congressional bills H.R. 442/S. 1053 and in the class action lawsuit in behalf of some 120,000 Japanese American victims of racism during and immediately after World War II."

The national chief legislative body of the Episcopal Church, the General Convention, passed a similar resolution when it met in Anaheim, Calif., in September 1985.

## Proposition 63 'Serves No Purpose,' Professors Say

SACRAMENTO—English scholars from educational institutions statewide said they will oppose Proposition 63, the "Official English" measure on the Nov. 4 ballot, because "it serves no purpose."

A letter signed by 65 professors and scholars with an interest in English states that Proposition 63 will "make acculturation more difficult for immigrants who have not yet mastered English" and betrays the "American tradition of linguistic openness."

Opponents claim that the initiative, which would make English the official language of California, is intended to deprive immigrants of bilingual government services.

The measure is "unnecessary," the letter says, because "recent

immigrants and their children are learning English even more rapidly than immigrants of earlier generations."

The letter was endorsed by chairpersons of linguistics and English departments at Stanford University, San Francisco State University, USC, and six University of California campuses.

In a related development, Norman Cousins, longtime editor of the Saturday Review, has resigned from the advisory board of U.S. English, an organization which seeks to have English declared the official U.S. language. Although he at first supported the initiative, he said, "I now recognize that Proposition 63 has a negative symbolic significance."

—from a report by UPI



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## Onizuka Gets Promotion to Full Colonel

WASHINGTON — A bill giving astronaut Ellison Onizuka a posthumous promotion to full colonel was passed Oct. 17 by the Senate and Oct. 18 by the House of Representatives.

The bill was introduced by Sens. Spark Matsunaga and Daniel Inouye (both D-Hawaii) on July 21.

The Hawaii-born Onizuka was an Air Force lieutenant colonel when he died in the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger in January. According to Matsunaga, Onizuka was not on a promotion list at the time because he had just been promoted from the rank of major after his first shuttle flight in 1985.

Matsunaga had hoped that the bill would increase the survivor benefits going to Onizuka's wife Lorna and their daughters Janelle and Darien. However, the Senate Armed Services Committee decided against an increase "lest a costly precedent were to be set," according to a release from Matsunaga's office.

## Film Fest Set for November

PHILADELPHIA — The 1986 Philadelphia Asian American International Film Festival will open Nov. 9 at the International House, 3701 Chestnut St., with a 2 p.m. screening of Lisa Hsia's "Made in China."

The festival will showcase films by and about Asians and



Farm Security Administration photo by Russell Lee  
1942 Los Angeles photo included in E.O. 9066 exhibit.

## BAINBRIDGE ISLAND NIKKEI

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"Emi of Bainbridge," produced in 1979 at the Virginia Northwestern Educational and Telecommunication Center by writer-producer Michael Toshiyuki Uno, traces the return of Emiko Tanooka to the island after a 40-year exile. Forced to leave Bainbridge in her senior year in high school during WW2, she recalls her life in the Manzanar camp, then visits her former home and friends.

"Visible Target" is an award-winning documentary of the Bainbridge Japanese Americans, the first Japanese Americans to be relocated (see Apr. 18 PC). Included in this film are interviews with the Woodwards, whose newspaper denounced the internment orders as unconstitutional.

Produced by John de Graaf, Chris Anderson and KCTS-TV (Seattle), the film has been broadcast nationally on PBS and has received first-place awards from the Chicago Film Festival, Athens (Ohio) International Film Festival and Best of the Northwest.

These two films will be the subject of a discussion group at 3 p.m. on Nov. 8, while Rod Slemmons, Associate Curator of Photography at the Seattle Art Museum, will present a lecture and slide show about the works of Dorothea Lange at 2:30 p.m. on Nov. 9.

"Rescission of Executive Order 9066—Where Are We Today," a panel composed of representatives from JACL, Washington Coalition on Redress, and Gordon Hirabayashi's *coram nobis* legal team, will follow the slide show at 3:30 p.m.

Asian Americans, ranging from short, light dramas to documentaries.

Tickets are \$3.50 for general

admission and \$2.50 for International House members, students and senior citizens. Info: (215) 387-5125, ext. 222.

## Congressmen Offer Help

# Theft of WW2 Vet's Medals Gets Strong Public Response

DENVER — Following an Oct. 8 article in the Denver Post about George Sakato, a WW2 veteran whose medals were stolen last month by a burglar who broke into his Adams County home, many people have called him or the newspaper to express concern and offer help to replace the lost medals.

Sakato says he can't believe the flood of calls he's received. Among those who responded to his plight were Reps. Tim Wirth (D) and Dan Schaefer (R) and Sen. Bill Armstrong (R), all of Colorado; an Iowa man passing through Denver; a California newspaper reporter; and the owner of a military relics shop in Colorado Springs.

Military awards clerk Herman Cooper of Fitzsimons Army Medical Center in Aurora, Colo., said officials there may be able to arrange for replacement of the stolen medals and decorations—Distinguished Service Cross, Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman's Badge, and numerous campaign ribbons and Oak Leaf Clusters.

Personnel at Fitzsimons are even willing to donate their Purple Hearts and Combat Infantryman's Badges to Sakato, Cooper said.

Steve Johnson, president of Militiaman, Inc. in Colorado Springs, offered to replace whatever medals he can at no charge. And Ed Tynan, owner of Tynan's Volkswagen in Aurora, said he will pay a \$1,000 reward for the return of the medals.

Sakato, 65, a retired U.S. Postal Service employee, said he hopes

to have the original medals returned so that they can be placed together in a frame as a memento for his daughter Leslie.

"That would mean more to me than replacements," said Sakato, even though he is grateful to those who have offered substitute medals.

Sakato is overwhelmed by the public reaction to his loss. "I just can't believe they would respond so quickly like this," he said. "Deeply inside, I feel greatly about this."

Of all the medals stolen, the Distinguished Service Cross means the most to him. He received it for knocking out three German machine gun nests and leading an assault on an enemy-held position at Biffontaine in southern France.

"It's more of a memento of when my buddy died," Sakato explained, his voice breaking. His friend, Saburo Tanamachi, was mortally wounded in a German artillery attack.

"My buddy tried to say something," recalled Sakato. "He was bleeding through the throat. I tried to stop the bleeding, but I couldn't. His voice was just a gargle. He died in my arms."

"I was mad. And I cried. I just couldn't take it. I got my machine gun and ran up the hill. The others followed, and we finally took the hill."

Tanamachi, who was 23 when he died, went through basic training with Sakato. "We joined the same company. We were very close," said Sakato.

—from reports by the Denver Post

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**EDITORIAL**

**Tolerance and Diversity**

On Nov. 4, Americans will be going to the polls to elect a new House of Representatives, one-third of the U.S. Senate, and 36 state governors. The fate of numerous judgeships, state and city officials, ballot initiatives and referenda are also to be decided.

If for no other reason than the size of the electorate, two California ballot initiatives may have significant national impact, propositions 63 and 64. Proposition 63, the so-called "Official English" initiative seeks to make English the "official" language of California, while Proposition 64 calls for a quarantine and isolation for those with AIDS or AIDS-related conditions.

While the desire for an "official" language seems innocuous enough, the movement represents an anti-immigrant sentiment which has been fueled by trade imbalances, unemployment, racial intolerance and a seeming indifference towards the rights of non-White Americans by the present administration and the general American public.

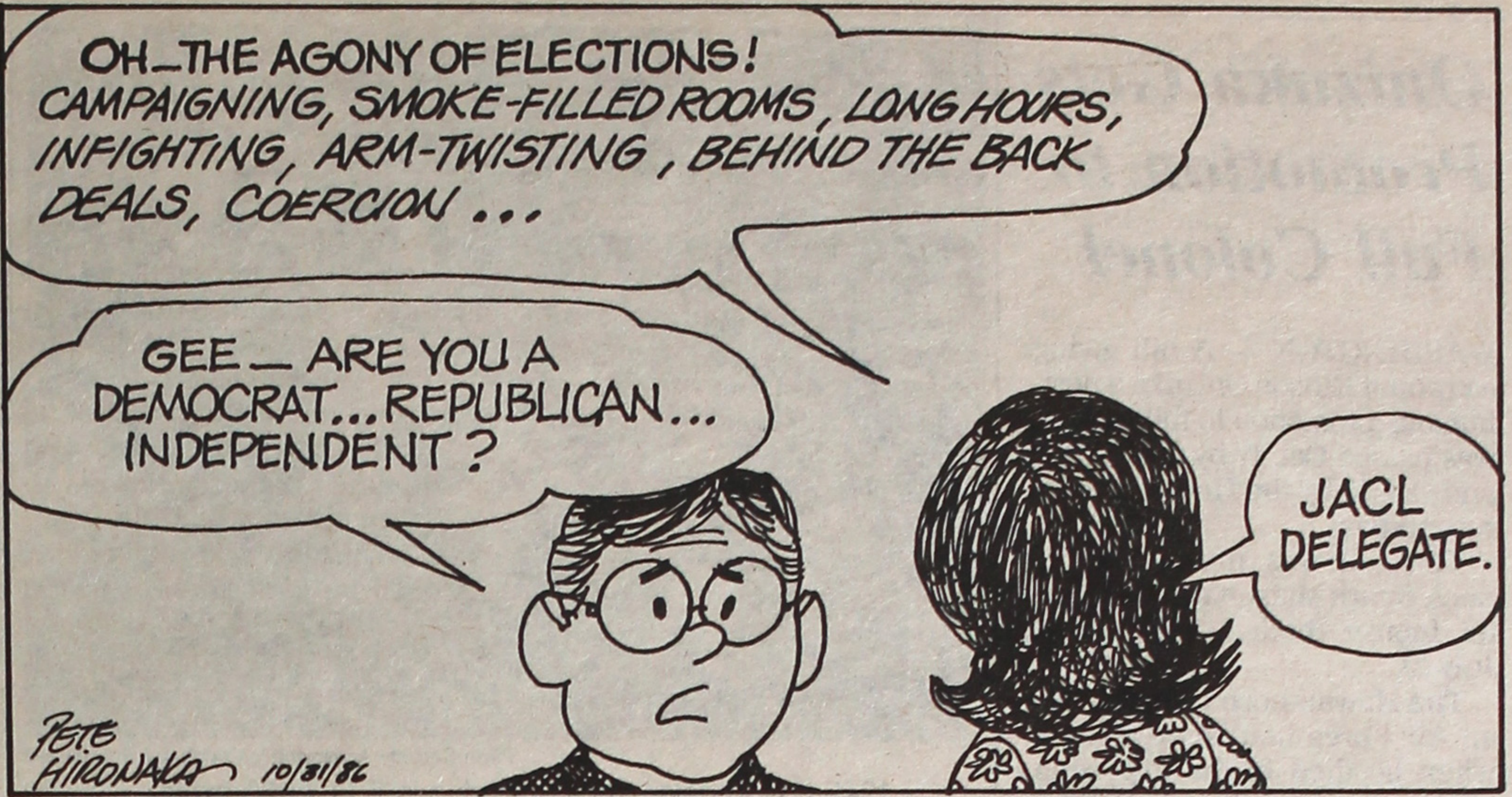
Proposition 64, like 63, plays upon the fears of Californians regarding AIDS. While we recognize the concerns over the transmission of the disease and public safety, Proposition 64 reinforces and heightens anti-homosexual attitudes.

Both propositions do nothing to heal divisions or promote unity. Instead, both exacerbate public attitudes towards those who are "different" from mainstream Americans. A strong statement from California would perhaps prevent similar initiatives and legislation from being enacted elsewhere.

PC readers should understand well the harmful effects of an American public fearful of those who look, act, think or speak differently from mainstream White America. When this public fear is transmitted to minority groups, thereby fostering inter- and intra-ethnic divisions, it is extremely important that public officials and media take a strong position allaying such fears before the situation reaches the hysterical plateaus of WW2.

PC has taken a stand against both California propositions (Aug. 1 and July 4 PC). Additionally, strong voter sentiment in California and elsewhere for candidates promoting tolerance and diversity would do much to better the climate for all minority groups.

The PC urges readers to vote for candidates who will work to ensure the tolerance and diversity which has enabled immigrants and minorities to participate in and contribute to the vision of a just American society.



**Major Plans for Youth**

As National Youth Council chair, I serve as one of two youth representatives on the National Board. For those of you who are unaware of the structure of the JACL Youth Program, let me briefly explain how it is organized:

Chapter-sponsored Japanese American Youth (JAY) groups are represented at their respective district levels by one district youth representative (DYR). The National Youth Council consists of the DYRs from each of the eight JACL districts and two elected national youth officers. Currently, those officers are myself and Ruth Mizobe, national youth representative. This council is responsible for planning and implementing programs for use at all levels of JACL.

The National Youth Council has major plans for this biennium, especially the initiation of a National Youth Newsletter to build a network of communication between the JAY groups across the country. The JAYs can utilize this publication to share ideas, accomplishments, obstacles and solutions they have experienced. It will also promote interaction among the groups, hopefully resulting in joint ventures and new friendships.

The council would like to continue the implementation of educational workshops which address leadership and career development skills for high school and undergraduate students. Successful pilot programs have resulted in instructional manuals for ease of organizing such

**By the Board**

by Diana Kato  
National Youth  
Council Chair



events. This biennium we hope to incorporate cultural traditions and Japanese American-related issues into the curriculum of these workshops.

Also, with the hope of increasing youth/student memberships, a marketing strategy will be outlined, based on research of current and potential youth draws. This may include the production and distribution of brochures and/or a visual presentation of the National Youth Program.

The National Youth Council hopes to play an active role in the youth programs which are planned for the multi-district conferences and the 1988 National Convention by sponsoring activities which address specific needs and interests of Japanese American youth. The less costly National Convention will enable a significantly greater number of youth to attend and participate.

With access and participation as the key focuses of the National Youth Council, and with the strong National JACL commitment behind the youth and their programs, the outlook of turning these plans into accomplishments is promising. If achieved, the National Youth Program base and the potential to build upon it will be strengthened.

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Mile-Hi	6	Wilshire	6
Milwaukee	112	Central Cal DC	6
Mont'y Pnsia	11	Eastern	6
Mt Olympus	2	Intermountain	6
New England	2	Midwest DC	6
New Mexico	8	Mtn Plain	14
New York	84	NCWN/PC	20
No San Diego	7	PNWDC	5
Oakland	90	PSWDC	20
Olympia	84	Ad Dept	525
Omaha	2	PC Office	170
Orange City	2		
Pacifica			
Pan-Asian			

(93 of 113 chapters participating)

**1-LINE GREETINGS: 797 (95.8%)**

Boise Valley	56	Reno	53
Cincinnati	7	St Louis	30
Cleveland	22	San Benito	24
Cortez	15	Sta Barbara	15
Dayton	23	Seabrook	33
Delano	15	Sonoma Cty	15
Detroit	32	Spokane	32
Flt Lupton	20	Tulare Cty	10
GLA Singles	20	Twin Cities	85
Gresh-Tr	39	Venice-Culver	15
Milwaukee	29	Ventura Cty	15
Mt Olympus	10	Wash, DC	23
Olympia	18	West L A	35
Pasadena	20	White Riv Vly	31
Philadelphia	28	PC Office	
Placer Cty	52		
Poc-Blackfoot	10		

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Thank You!

**The Pledge Scorecard**

by Harry Kajihara  
National President

To date, approximately \$50,000 of fourth-year (Oct. 1, 1985 to Sept. 30, 1986) redress pledges have been received by the National JACL. If all chapters participated, approximately \$64,000 more would be received.

The previous administration, anticipating payment of the full \$114,000 in fourth-year pledges, enacted the advancement of \$75,000 from JACL to LEC for support of the redress pursuit. This advancement, however, was stopped at \$50,000 due to a JACL deficit. At the Oct. 10-12 National Board meeting, action was taken to defer further advancement of the remaining \$25,000.

If the outstanding pledges do

not materialize by the next National Board meeting, scheduled for Feb. 13-15, 1987, it may be necessary to recall the \$50,000 advance to LEC. This recall of funds may potentially harm the LEC redress pursuit by severely curtailing the scope of redress activities.

The table below shows the current standing of 113 JACL chapters and their participation in the fourth-year pledge effort. (The Southern California American Nikkei and Nikkei Leadership Association chapters are not included because they were not in existence when the chapter pledge apportionment was enacted. However, any amount that SCAN and NLS can contribute to the redress pledge effort will be gratefully welcomed.)

**FOURTH-YEAR PLEDGE STANDINGS**

Chapter	Pledge (\$)	Received (\$)
<b>PACIFIC SOUTHWEST:</b>		
Arizona	\$1670	
Carson	525	525
Coachella Valley	545	
Downtown Los Angeles	690	
East Los Angeles	3220	

Chapter	Pledge (\$)	Received (\$)
Gardena Valley	4235	
Greater L.A. Singles	865	
Greater Pasadena	140	
Hollywood	1145	
Imperial Valley	220	
Las Vegas	185	
Latin America	285	
Marina	665	
Nikkei Leadership Assn. Chapter	310	
North San Diego	2685	
Orange County	260	
Pacifica	870	
Pan Asian	635	705
Pasadena	130	
Progressive Westside	435	
Riverside	2315	
San Diego	1725	1725
San Fernando Valley	930	
San Gabriel Valley	415	
San Luis Obispo	600	600
Santa Barbara	430	
Santa Maria	1740	
Selanoco	885	
South Bay	225	
So. Cal. American Nikkei	1310	500
Torrance	930	
Venice-Culver	5455	
Ventura County	670	
West Los Angeles	1250	\$1250
Wilshire	1665	1000
<b>N.C.W.N.P. / JAPAN:</b>		
Alameda	2000	2000
Berkeley		
Contra Costa		
Cortez		

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# Letters to the Editor

## Yakamashii Yasuhiro

I don't see that Prime Minister Nakasone's apology means anything while at the same time he refuses to retract his racist and sexist remarks.

How ignorant can a head of state be that he could be so arrogant in the face of the less-than-ideal state of affairs in Japan—the inordinate number of suicides, not to mention the slums?

Before he looks down his nose at minorities in America, he should acknowledge and correct the inequalities in his own country.

MARY TANI  
Los Angeles

## Not a Racist Statement

Why all the fuss over Nakasone's remark that Blacks and Hispanics bring down the educational level of the United States? It's obvious that he did not mean this in terms of genetic inferiority.

What he meant is that in the United States minority groups are deprived in social and economic terms and lead deprived lives. Hence, the statistics on education regarding minority groups lower the educational indices of the United States as a whole.

All he said is that minority groups lack opportunities for a middle-class lifestyle, including higher education. To place any other meaning upon it is to distort Nakasone's intent.

JOHN SATO  
Seattle

## Both Sides Need Reforms

The racial remarks made by Japan's Prime Minister Nakasone are damaging to both the people of the United States and Japan. If his apology came from the heart, it needs to be backed by reforms on civil rights issues both here and in Japan.

He must initiate the education of Japanese corporations here to promote civil rights and social responsibility to their employees and surrounding communities. He must also eliminate discriminatory laws against minorities in Japan, including the one million Korean residents who have been deprived of their human rights with the imposition of a fingerprinting requirement and the denial of their voting rights.

The Reagan Administration should also be admonished for its ready acceptance of Nakasone's earlier explanation that his statement was taken out of context.

As a Japanese immigrant in this country, I am concerned about the growth of chauvinism on both sides of the Pacific. Incidents of harassment against Japanese American persons and corporations have been reported here. At the same time, strong U.S. pressure against Japan due to the economic conflict has resulted in increasing anti-American attitudes within Japan.

Such responses are very mindless, as were the attacks against Japanese Americans here five decades ago and the Japanese fascist regime's promotion of anti-American feelings to consolidate its power. What is needed now is not chauvinism but civil rights reforms on both sides by both governments.

TOMOJI ISHI  
Berkeley, Calif.

## Cartoonist's Intent

After reading the PC report on the Times of London cartoon that accompanied an article on Michi

Yasui Ando's belated receipt of her diploma from University of Oregon ("Newspaper's Caricature of Nisei Sparks Criticism," Sept. 12), I was not outraged but perplexed as to what message the artist meant to convey through his odd use of a racial and ethnic caricature.

I have considered carefully the whole cartoon, not simply the caricature, and the context in which the cartoon appeared—an article on Ms. Ando in the Times Higher Education Supplement. I am convinced that the artist, Ken Pyne, did not intend the caricature as an insult to Japanese Americans. On the contrary, the cartoon depicts the racism in America that led to the WW2 internment of Japanese Americans and Ms. Ando's forced departure from Oregon and the university.

The artist's purpose was to suggest the conflicting emotions—pleasure and bitterness—that Ms. Ando might have felt at receiving the degree that would have been hers 44 years earlier, but for the disruption in her life caused by America's inability to differentiate Japanese Americans and the Japanese enemy.

The caricature, showing Ms. Ando purposely attired in Japanese pilot garb, reminds us of the ridiculous, distorted image that many Americans harbored with regard to Japanese Americans during WW2. As we revel in Ms. Ando's success, the cartoon says, let us not overlook the dark period in history that made her success so long in coming.

Perhaps Ken Pyne could have conveyed his message more clearly. Perhaps. It is, however, the message that matters and I am one who has received it.

JANET KEI ADACHI  
Sudbury, Mass.

## 'Informer-Baiting'

I suggest Peter Suzuki (Letters, Sept. 19 PC) write the story about the Manzanar Riot, defending the "courageous" stand taken by its pro-Japan organizers.

There are those who are today rationalizing their anti-American behavior by the apologetic stand: "I did it because I believed in the U.S. Constitution" and "I was innocent but framed." As some riot leaders had said openly, "We are working for Japan's victory," it was clearly evident on whose side they were aligned.

In regard to informer-baiting, some JAACL leaders were often unjustly condemned as "informers." The truth of the matter is that the mountainous volume of confidential information on each and every Japanese American, which must have required millions of dollars and man-hours, could not have been compiled by JAACL members.

To begin with, JAACLers were not bilingual and therefore were not capable of infiltrating into Japanese-speaking pro-Japan organizations. This information was provided surreptitiously by bilingual members of the pro-Japan groups themselves. Files on pro-Japan Issei leaders were seemingly accurate and extensive. This proves that U.S. intelligence succeeded in planting their own agents inside these groups in the same manner that they have agents provide inside information concerning the Mafia or the Communist Party.

As for Suzuki's redbaiting, this is hardly becoming for an honorable university scholar. What has he to gain? Fame and fortune?

JAMES ODA  
North Hollywood, Calif.

# Rose Bird—A Story of Perseverance

by Ernest Iiyama

In February 1985, at the Day of Remembrance event in San Francisco, I had the honor of introducing Chief Justice Rose Bird as the main speaker.

In researching her background, I found that her life was very much like that of many Nisei. She came from a humble family and struggled and persevered through many hardships to rise to the position of Chief Justice of the State of California. One could only have the highest respect and greatest admiration for her.

Bird had the "guts" of a pioneer. Thus, she was the first woman to be hired by the Santa Clara County Public Defender's office and the first woman to hold a cabinet post—in the Department of Agriculture and Services—in the history of our state. She then became the state's first woman chief justice. Former Gov. Jerry Brown was so impressed with Bird's work that he appointed her to this position.

Naturally, there was opposition to this "upstart" moving up so rapidly without going through the system.

Opponents want to get rid of the "Bird Court" because it gets in their way. Very cleverly, they are using the emotional issue of the death penalty. They claim that the State Supreme Court has reversed all the death sentences brought to it, and that not a single death sentence has been carried out. People think that these prisoners are free and roaming the

streets again.

The sentences were not reversed in the sense that they were found not guilty; most were sent back for retrial because of some technicality in the law. None are free and roaming the streets. Every one of these prisoners is still in prison.

There are seven justices on the State Supreme Court. Therefore, at least four votes are needed to make a decision. The fact is that about 60 percent of the reversals of death sentences were unanimous votes which included the justices appointed by Gov. Deukmejian or by Gov. Ronald Reagan.

Another matter that is not publicized is that Bird has publicly stated that she would vote for a death sentence if it is obtained within the law and the Constitution.

Under the previous chief justice, Donald Wright, over 175 death sentences were reversed and no death sentences were affirmed. Nothing is said about these reversals.

Why is Bird running for confirmation when she is being maligned so much? She says that one reason is the satisfaction of being one of those who are looking after the frontiers of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

She has mentioned the case in which Japanese Americans are suing the U.S. government for having stripped them of their rights and property during WW2: "The beauty of the whole system is not only do we see three and

four generations of the Japanese American community banding together to bring these actions, but also to see that you have an institution in which the most powerful government on this earth can be brought into court and made to confess error."

Bird also thinks that an Asian justice should be sitting on the Supreme Court because Asians are a major part of our culture and our society.

Many are saying that since a majority of the people in the state favor the death sentence, the Supreme Court justices should vote for it. We Japanese Americans know from our wartime experience that this could be disastrous.

Justices of the Supreme Court were engulfed in anti-Japanese hysteria at the time and disregarded our Constitution and laws, voting that it was military necessity that forced Japanese Americans from their homes and incarcerated them in camps. Emotion won over reason.

We need justices in our Supreme Court who have integrity and honesty, and who believe in defending the constitutional rights of our people.

Rose Bird is like a *daruma*. You can't keep her down. She bounces right back.

Look at the facts! Wade through the lies! Your intelligence will tell you who to vote for!

Iiyama writes from El Cerrito, Calif.

## Sacramento Report

# Calif. Senior Legislature: '86 Proposals

by Mabel Ota

I was the lone Japanese American among the 120 elected senior legislators who attended the 6th annual session of the California Senior Legislature (CSL) in Sacramento during the first week of October.

The 40 senior senators and 80 senior assemblypersons were elected by their peers, 60 years of age and older, from 33 planning and service areas in the state. They are elected to serve for a two-year term. CSL legislators are volunteers but are reimbursed for travel and living expenses during the session and when needed to testify before legislative committees during the year. They are volunteers in their communities during the rest of the year, following up on legislation, making talks before senior groups and keeping the advocacy lines open to state legislators.

After deliberation, debate and voting on 120 legislative proposals, all dealing with senior concerns, 10 state priority proposals and four federal priority proposals were selected.

The top 10 state priority items are:

1. **Universal Comprehensive Medical and Hospital Protection**—would provide for a panel to present to the governor and Legislature by Dec. 31, 1987, a proposal for a universally comprehensive and affordable health plan for all residents of the state.

2. **In-Home Supportive Services—Entitlement**—would amend the IHSS program as a state entitlement program to include pre-admission screening and outreach,

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Diablo Valley	565	565
Eden Township	1000	1000
Florin	600	600
Fremont	500	595
French Camp	720	720
Gilroy	675	675
Golden Gate	190	20
Honolulu		160
Japan	375	375
Livingston-Merced	940	940
Lodi		840.50
Marin County	425	425
Marysville	1360	1320
Monterey Peninsula		
Oakland	490	580
Placer County	1370	1370
Reno	385	385
Sacramento	4500	4500
Salinas Valley	1910	1910
San Benito County	365	365
San Francisco	5000	2500
San Jose	3000	3000
San Mateo	3200	3200
Sequoia		
Solano County	250	250
Sonoma County	1500	
Stockton	2025	2025
Tri-Valley	285	285
Watsonville	1710	1710
West Valley	1515	1515
<b>PACIFIC NORTHWEST:</b>		
Gresham-Troutdale	\$660	
Lake Washington	305	
Mid-Columbia	870	
Portland	780	
Olympia	205	
Puyallup Valley	940	
Seattle	3030	2835
Spokane	610	630
White River Valley	345	
<b>MOUNTAIN PLAINS:</b>		
Arkansas Valley	\$370	
Fort Lupton	475	
Houston	170	
Mile High	435	
New Mexico	300	
Omaha	545	294.50
<b>EASTERN:</b>		
New England	130	
New York	995	
Philadelphia	775	
Seabrook	890	
Washington D.C.	1245	
<b>MIDWEST:</b>		
Chicago	\$3915	
Cincinnati	545	
Cleveland	990	
Dayton	505	
Detroit	885	
Hoosier	355	355

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## Community Calendar

Nov. 1-15

### ANAHEIM

Nov. 15 Orange County Sansei Singles will host a Dance Celebration from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 1850 S. Harbor Blvd. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Info: Harvey Hanemoto, (714) 492-1229, or Grace Masuda, (714) 496-7779.

### SANTA CRUZ

Oct. 29-31 The California Association of Affirmative Action Officers will hold its fall conference, "Creating Excellence: The Affirmative Action Professional," at the Convention Center of the Holiday Inn. Workshops will provide for discussion and exchange of issues and ideas impacting equal employment opportunity and affirmative action. Registration: Members, \$150; Non-members, \$175. For information, write: CAAAO, P.O. Box 29146, Oakland, CA, or call (408) 425-1691.

### LOS ANGELES

Nov. 1 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Asian American Journalists Association holds its sixth annual career seminar for student journalists at Topping Student Center, USC. Professional journalists who will offer help in pursuing a career in print or broadcast news include Tritia Toyota and Ann Curry, KCBS-TV; Joanne Ishimine, KABC-TV; Frank Kwan, KNBC-TV; Sharon Maeda, Pacifica Radio; Bill Sing, Los Angeles Times; and Pauline Yoshihashi, New York Times. Program is free; campus parking is \$3.50. Info: (213) 389-8383.

Nov. 8 8:45 am-noon A workshop designed to help widowed men and women cope with the trauma of losing a spouse will be held at Little Tokyo Service Center, 244 S. San Pedro St., Room 411. A workshop in Japanese will be led by Yasuko Sakamoto, MSW, and the English-language session will be led by Vicki Sekiguchi, LCSW. Info: LTSC, (213) 680-3729. There is no fee, but participation is limited to 15 persons for either session.

Nov. 9 Hazel Endo will address the Nikkei Widowed Group at the Pioneer Center Social Hall, Room 4-B, 244 S. San Pedro St. Endo will speak on "Past, Present and Future," following a 1:30 p.m. potluck lunch.

### MONTEBELLO

Nov. 12 Discussion on independent Super 8 and 16 mm filmmaking, sponsored by Visual Communications and the Asian Pacific Resource Center, will take place at 7 p.m. at the Los Angeles County Library of Montebello, 1550 W. Beverly Blvd. Speakers will include filmmakers Abe Ferrer and Pamela Tom, and screenwriter James Aceron. Info: James Aceron, (213) 680-4462.

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## New York JA Group Marks 40th Year

NEW YORK — The Japanese American Association (JAA) of New York celebrated its 40th anniversary at an Oct. 4 dinner attended by about 400 people.

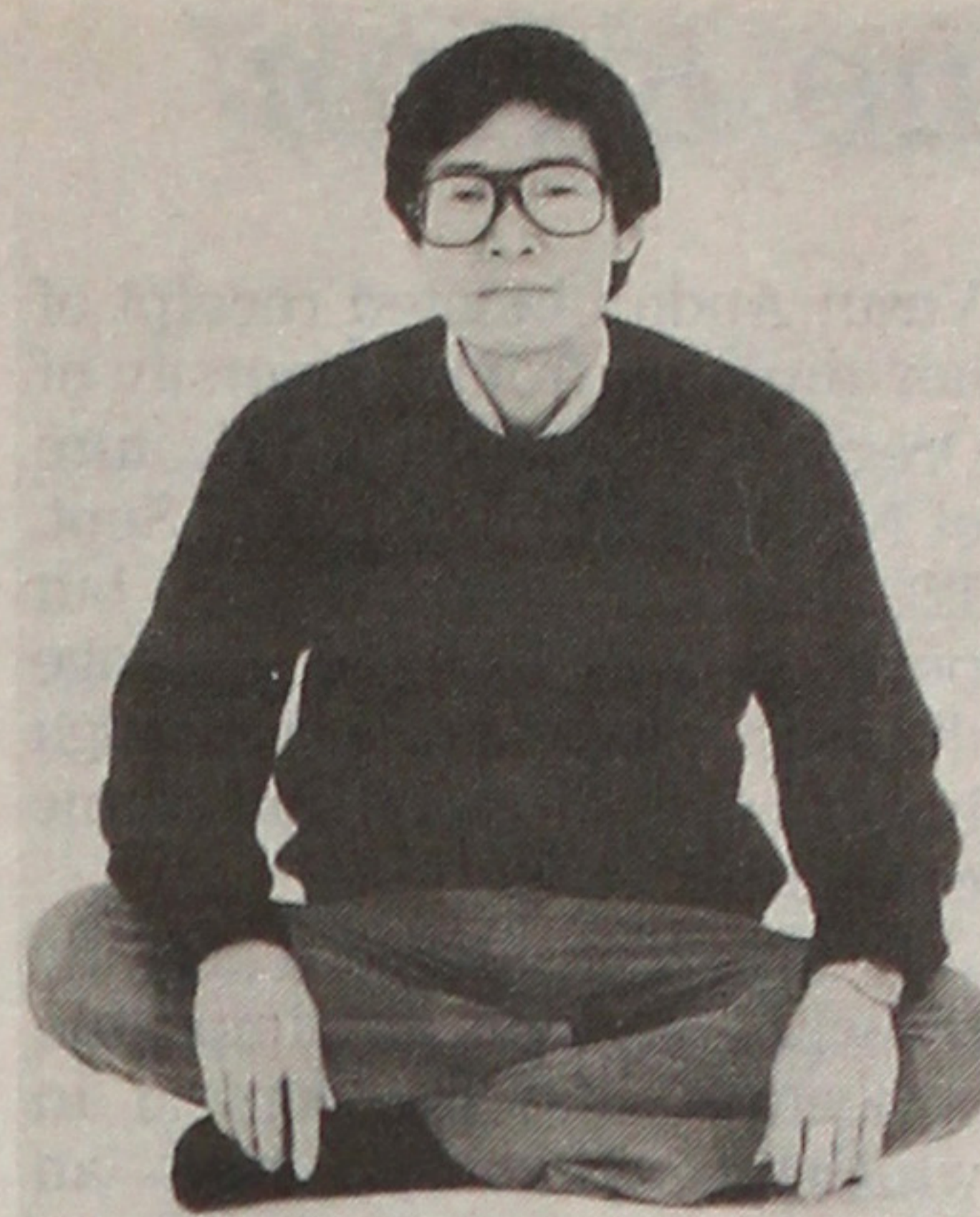
Highlights of the evening included an address by Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii), an audio-visual presentation of JAA's history, and a performance by acclaimed jazz artist Toshiko Aki-yoshi.

Matsunaga spoke of the need for Japanese Americans to raise and discuss the issue of redress, especially since next year marks the bicentennial of the Constitution. "It is incumbent upon us to make our view known on this issue, ideally with one voice... I know of no other way to heal this festering wound," he said.

"Japanese Americans have a special role to play in the reaffirmation of the Bill of Rights."

G. Gentoku Shimamoto, honorary president of JAA, gave a history of JAA and its predecessors—Japanese Mutual Aid Society, incorporated in 1907 to aid Japanese immigrants, and Japanese Association of New York, formed in 1914 and dissolved in 1942 with the outbreak of WW2.

JAA began in 1946 as New York American Committee for Japan Relief, which raised funds to send food and clothing to Japan. The campaign raised \$80,000 between 1946 and 1951, and JAA was able to send powdered milk, cotton goods, used clothing and medical supplies to Japan.



Artist Hirokazu Kosaka will teach an eight-week class in sumi-e, Japanese brush painting, beginning Nov. 1 at the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center, 244 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles. Class will meet every Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon. Info: (213) 628-2725.

Hidetoshi Ukawa, consul general of Japan, expressed gratitude for JAA's relief effort for war-torn Japan, calling it "an act long remembered."

Current JAA president Francis Sogi said the organization hopes to meet the changing needs of Japanese Americans and Japanese in New York.

The audio-visual presentation of JAA's past activities was put together by Julie Azuma, Fae Minabe, Lani Sanjek, Tamio Spiegel and Michael Starker. Yoshio Terasawa, chairman of Nomura Securities International, served as master of ceremonies.

—from a report by New York Nichabe

### For the Record

The Oct. 17 article on the Japanese American Library's *Books-in-Print* did not give the correct post office box number for ordering copies. The correct number is 590598.

In the Oct. 10 "Nikkei Newsmakers," Dr. Norihiko Mihara was incorrectly identified as vice president for the Office of Minority Affairs at University of Washington. He is the assistant vice president for that office.

## Ozaki Picked as Spokesman for Retirees

CHICAGO — Yoji Ozaki has been selected as one of 19 volunteer spokespersons for the American Association of Retired Persons, as part of an AARP campaign to educate and inform the minority communities of benefits available to them through association membership.

Ozaki's plans include moderating a panel discussion of minority leaders from the Chicago area this fall. His hope is that participants will be able to articulate the needs of their communities and what AARP can do to help them.

Individuals interested in becoming a minority spokesperson for the AARP Minority Initiative are asked to contact Marie Phillips, AARP Minority Initiative, 1909 K. St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20049.

## A/P Talent to Be Showcased on Special LP

LOS ANGELES — Asian Pacific American singers, musicians, composers, producers, arrangers and graphic artists are being sought by the Association of Asian/Pacific American Artists for an upcoming record album.

The album is being designed to showcase the talents of Asian Pacifics and to show their potential for commercial viability within the American music industry.

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HOUSTON — The Mountain Plains District Council kicks off its weekend-long district meeting Nov. 7 with a "Steve Hasegawa Shrimpfest and Potluck Dinner" at the Post Oak YMCA, 1331 Augusta, at 7 p.m. All delegates and chapter members are welcome.

A business session beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday will be followed by an Aging and Retirement workshop hosted by Dr. Toaru Ishiyama of Cleveland at 10 a.m. at the Four Seasons Hotel, Houston Center, 1300 Lamar St. JACL's Aging and Retirement movie, "A Tale of Nisei Retirement" by filmmaker Emiko Omori, will be shown during the workshop.

LEC Director Grayce Uyehara will lead a redress workshop at 2 p.m., which will be followed by the second business session and election of district officers at 4 p.m.

A Cajun-style Farewell Banquet will be held at Drusilla's on Richmond Ave. at Loop 610. Price for the dinner is \$30.

On Sunday, Houston JACL is hosting a tour of NASA and Webster town. Webster is the area in which Issei farmers grew rice during the early 1900s.

Information on the weekend's activities can be obtained by calling Betty Waki at (713) 643-1338.

# Watsonville to Show 'Yankee'

WATSONVILLE, Calif. — The documentary "Yankee Samurai" will be screened Nov. 14, 7:30 p.m., at Watsonville Buddhist Temple, 423 Bridge St. The film deals with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Guest speaker will be Eric Saul, former Presidio Army Museum curator. Sponsor: Watsonville JACL. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted for next year's Smithsonian exhibit on Japanese Americans. Info: (408) 728-7728.

## Chapter Pulse

### ARIZONA

• Chapter will host its annual picnic Nov. 3 at 11 a.m. at La Pradera Park, south of Glendale Ave. between 39th and 43rd Ave. Cost: Over 12, \$3; under 12, free.

### MILE-HI

• Denver newspaperman and PC columnist Bill Hosokawa will serve as master of ceremonies at a benefit showing of "Yankee Samurai" Nov. 11, 7:30 p.m., at the Corkin Theatre of the Houston Fine Arts Center, 7111 Montview, Denver. Eric Saul from the National Japanese American Historical Society will speak after the film. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$15 for adults. Proceeds will go the National Japanese American Historical Society and the chapter. Info: Bob Sakaguchi, (303) 469-4337; Tom Masamori, 237-3041; Toshio Johnston, 442-8133.

### G. L. A. SINGLES

• All are invited to the chapter's annual fundraiser "Dance Off the Turkey" Nov. 29 at the Japanese Cultural Institute, 16215 S. Gramercy Pl., Gardena. No-host cocktails at 7:30 p.m., dancing to the music of John Sherri from 8 p.m. to midnight. Non-singles are welcome. Cost: \$8 per person. Tickets: Nikky, (213) 426-9571. Info: Marion, (213) 621-3345 or (714) 893-2158.

### MARINA

• Daniel Nakamura, the "king of origami," will demonstrate the art of origami at the next chapter meeting Nov. 6 at the Burton Chace Park in Marina Del Rey. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Info: Shirley, (213) 558-4255.

### SAN FRANCISCO

• This year's Sushi-Sake event will be held at the Rock n' Bowl, Stanyon and Haight Streets, Nov. 7, 6-9 p.m. The \$10 admission price covers sushi, sake, rental shoes and use of the bowling lanes. Sushi will be provided by Chef Atsushi Ogawa, while sake will be provided by Takara Sake. Tickets may be ordered by sending a \$10 check to JACL San Francisco Chapter, P.O. Box 22425, San Francisco, CA 94122. Info: (415) 641-1697.

### WEST LOS ANGELES

• Southern California American Nikkei and Nikkei Leadership Association chapters will join the WLA chapter in a joint installation dinner/dance Nov. 8 at the LAX Hyatt, Century and Sepulveda Blvds., from 6 p.m. Featured speaker will be Rose Ochi, director of criminal justice planning for L.A. Mayor Tom Bradley. Dance music by Stonebridge. Cost: \$25. Info: Virginia, 820-3365; Shig, 473-0629; Phyllis, 822-7470.

### CLEVELAND

• Chapter holds its 16th annual Holiday Fair on Nov. 8, 3-8 p.m., at Euclid Central Junior High School, 20701 Euclid Ave. (near Chardon Road) in Euclid. Japanese foods and crafts will be sold; the program will feature an Ikebana demonstration, doll display, kimono fashion show, and performance by the Sho-Jo-Ji Dancers. Info: (216) 486-4200, ext. 218 (8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) or Sachie Tanaka, (216) 229-2491.

## CCDC

# Conference Offers Workshops

FRESNO — Workshops on inter-generational relationships, anti-Asian violence and the future of JACL, plus the installation of 1987-88 district officers and board of directors, will highlight the 37th annual Central California District Council conference at the Hilton Hotel, Nov. 7-8.

Two morning workshops, "You and Your Aging Parent," presented by Dr. Satsuki Tomine, and "Anti-Asian Violence," presented by Patti Chang and Lt. Art Venegas of the Fresno Police Department, are scheduled for the 10:15-11:45 time slot Nov. 8.

Tomine is an associate professor and director of the Summer Institute on Aging at California State University Fresno.

Chang, a community law fellow at Fresno Merced Legal Services, has written articles on mail-order brides and international female sexual slavery, and

has worked with battered women. Venegas heads the Southeast Asian Neighborhood Service Officers Unit.

An afternoon session on the goals and objectives of JACL, "Vision 2000," will be coordinated by attorney Dale Ikeda, Clovis JACL member.

Keynote speaker for the installation banquet starting at 6:30 p.m. will be news anchor Tritia Toyota of KCBS-TV, Los Angeles.

Opening the conference will be a reception for past district governors on Nov. 7, 7-10 p.m. The election of CCDC officers for the coming year will take place on Nov. 8, 9 a.m.

Registration for the workshops is \$5. Cost for the luncheon is \$12, while the banquet fee is \$25.

Those interested in attending should call conference chair Mae Takahashi at (209) 237-4006 or 431-4144.

# Scholarship Forms Available

SAN FRANCISCO — Applications are now available for the 1987 JACL National Scholarship Program. Over \$45,000 in awards will be offered to 45 outstanding scholars.

Categories include freshman, community college/trade school, undergraduate, graduate, first-time entering law students, and students in the performing and creative arts.

Fae Minabe of New York has been appointed chairperson of the National JACL Scholarship Committee. She attended UC Davis and Harvard University and is currently vice president of New York JACL and vice governor of the JACL Eastern Dis-

trict Council.

JACL members, their immediate dependents and any American of Japanese ancestry may apply. For information and applications, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the nearest JACL chapter or regional office, or to National JACL Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco 94115. Application deadline is March 1, 1987.

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NEW IMMIGRATION LEGISLATION

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tial abuse if the law is not carried out in a fair and equitable way." He voted for the bill when it was first passed by the House in order to see what the conference committee would do with it. "The conference committee didn't improve upon it, so when it came back I voted no," he explained.

**JACL Reaction**

JACL national director Ron Wakabayashi also said he is primarily concerned about the employer sanctions, "which have the potential to create an environment questioning the status of all non-white workers regardless of citizenship."

"In the coming year, we will be carefully studying and monitoring the regulations and implementation of the bill," he stated. "In the meantime, we join with other ethnic and civil rights organizations in cautioning people who seek amnesty under the bill to first obtain legal assistance before contacting the INS."

"Provisions to protect against discrimination are very weak," commented attorney Bill Tamayo of Asian Law Caucus in Oakland, Calif.

One problem with the amnesty program, according to Tamayo,

is getting documentation from an employer to verify that one has been a U.S. resident since before 1982. An employer might choose not to provide documentation, he said, since it would be an admission of having hired illegals—which could lead to INS raids in the future.

Applicants for amnesty must also pass a test which Tamayo likened to "a citizenship test without getting citizenship" because they would be ineligible for such federal benefits as welfare and food stamps for the first five years.

**Asian Illegals**

The impact of the bill would be felt in the Asian American community because "there is a large Asian undocumented population," he said, citing past INS raids in Los Angeles' Little Tokyo and other Asian communities.

Richard Katsuda, Los Angeles-area president of Asian Pacific American Coalition USA, felt that farm workers granted legal temporary resident status for two years under the bill could be exploited by their employers.

"They don't have the same kind of recourse that citizens have in terms of labor organizing"

in the event of unfair treatment, he said.

Katsuda recommended "a lot of networking among Asian Pacific and Latino organizations to look at what the implications of the bill are."

**'Good News and Bad'**

Henry Mui, national executive director of Organization of Chinese Americans, said in a written statement that the bill "means both good news and bad news for the Chinese American community."

While the employer sanctions could result in discrimination in hiring, he said, a provision raising the Hong Kong immigration quota from 600 to 5,000 per year is "the greatest news... for those with families and relatives waiting for a visa to immigrate to the States from Hong Kong."

(Mineta also supported this provision, which was originally a separate piece of legislation.)

OCA president S. Andrew Chen said that his group, along with other civil rights organizations, will be monitoring the effects of the bill.

Robert Shimabukuro contributed to this article.

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SENIOR LEGISLATURE

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and increased compensation for IHSS workers.

**3. Rural Transportation** — would establish a system of rural transportation or provide subsidies to existing transportation systems to provide transportation at a reasonable cost to seniors and the handicapped.

**4. Gramm-Rudman Shortfall** — would appropriate state funds to offset the shortfall of federal funds in order to maintain senior service programs at their 1985-86 funding level. (I am the author of this bill.)

**5. Bioethics** — would establish a state advisory committee on bioethics which would conduct studies of, and develop creative solutions to, problems concerning ethical, legal and economic health care choices.

**6. Liability Insurance: Non-Profit Agencies** — would create an insurance fund for the purpose of insuring against the legal liability of non-profit entities.

**7. Mobile Home Residents and Tenants** — would establish an agency to protect the rights of mobile home residents regarding rental agreements, leases, ordinances, rent disputes, etc.

**8. Rights of the Terminally Ill** —

would revise the Natural Death Act by clarifying terms and methods of making certain determinations.

**9. Rent Subsidy for Seniors** — would require a rent subsidy be provided for low-income seniors who rent dwelling units.

**10. Ombudsman** — would increase funding for Long-Term Care Ombudsman program.

The top four federal priorities are:

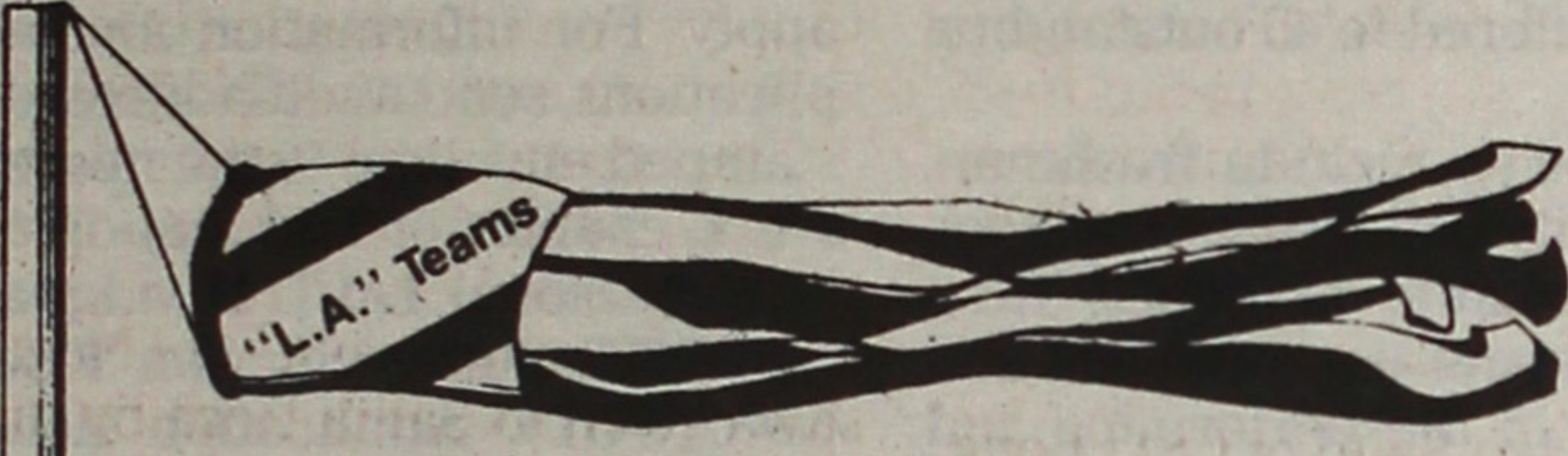
**1. National Health Care Plan** — would establish a comprehensive and affordable health care plan for all residents.

**2. National Health Insurance Plan** — would establish such a plan by the end of next year.

**3. Income Tax: Head of Household** — would grant head of household status, for tax purposes, to any individual maintaining a household.

**4. Gramm-Rudman: Social Services** — would repeal provisions of the Gramm-Rudman Act and restore budget allocations for human services programs.

California senior legislators will be advocating passage of the aforementioned items throughout the 1987 state and federal legislative sessions.



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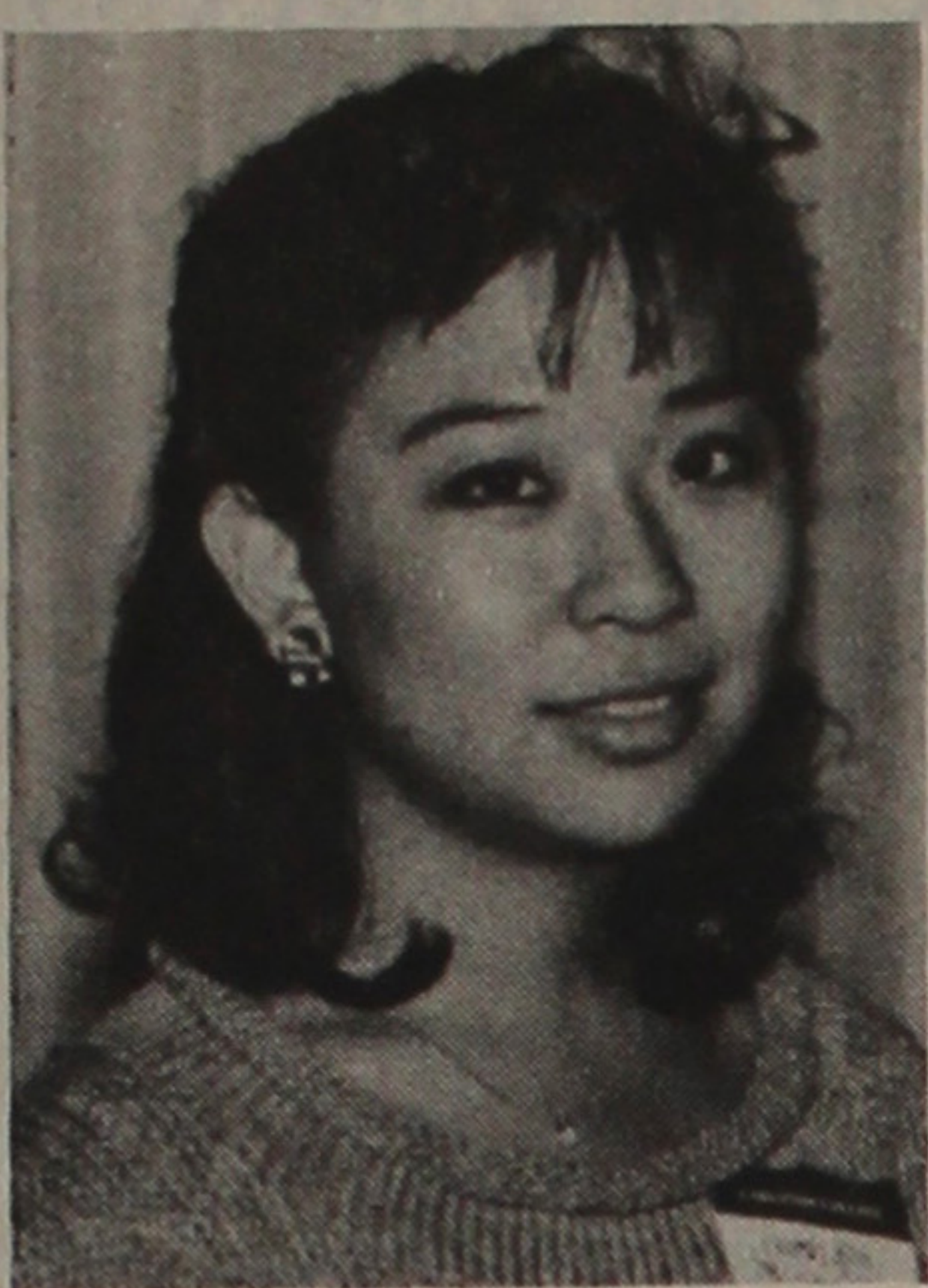
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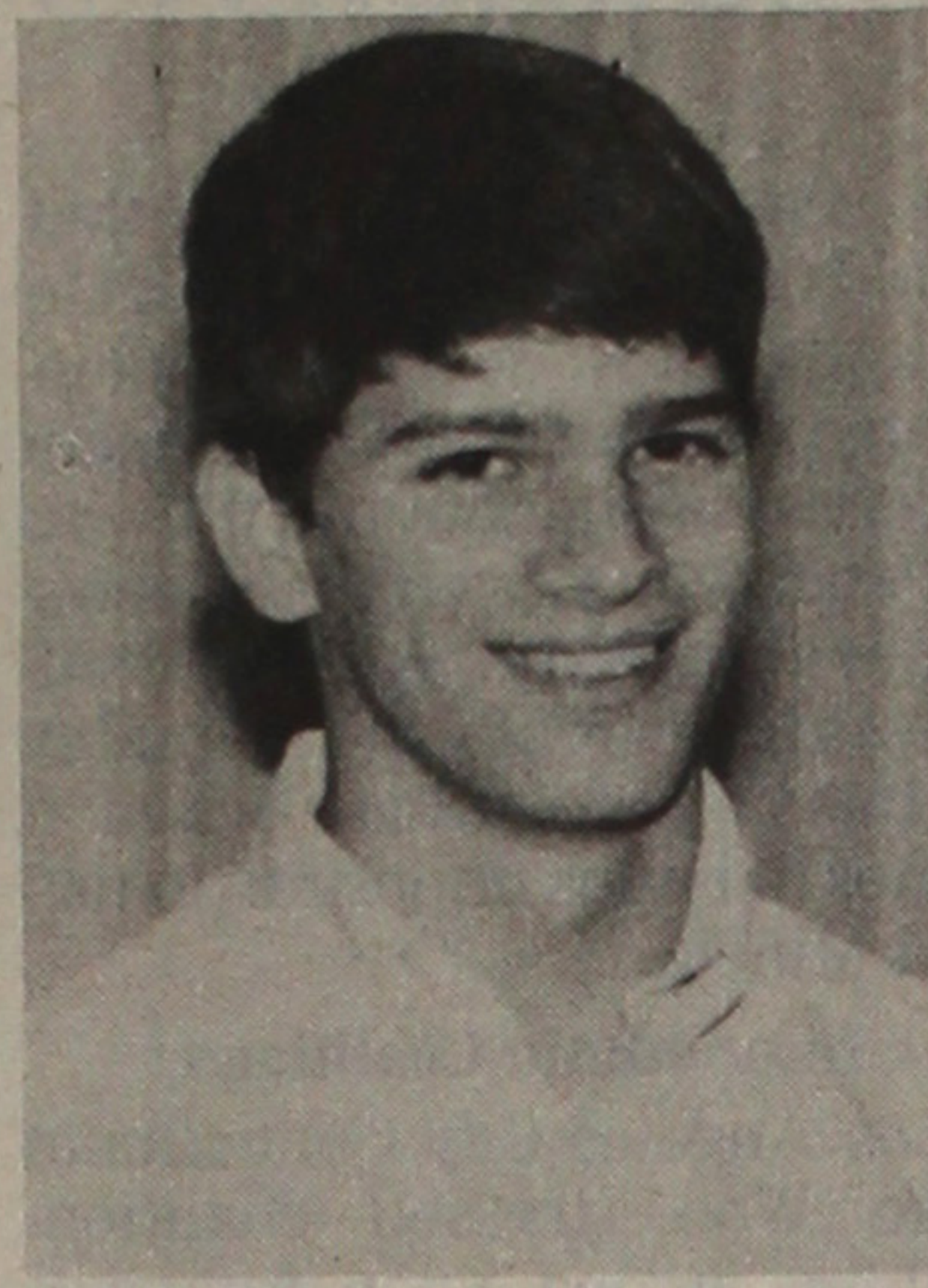




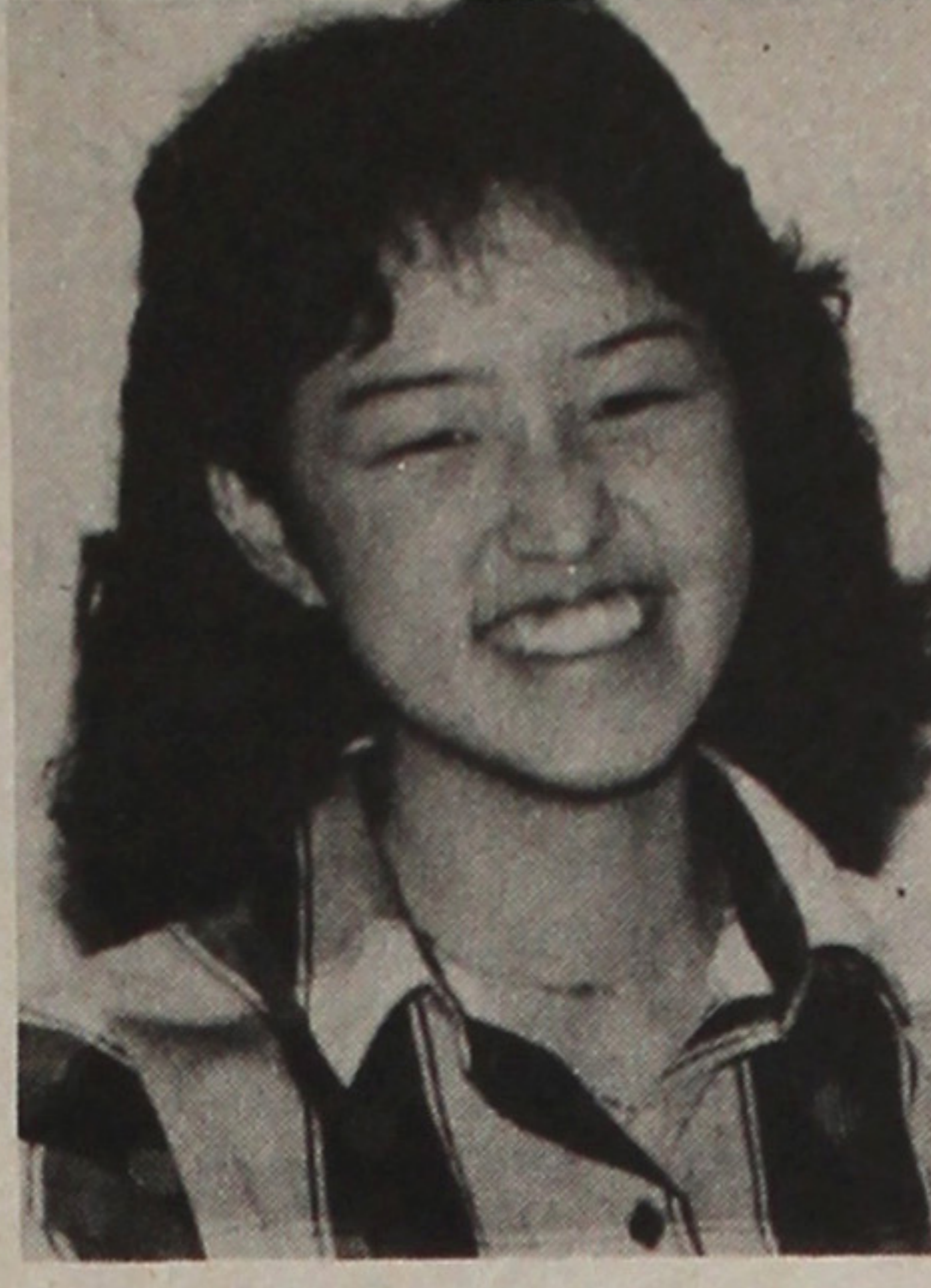
# Carleton College Names Freshman Scholars



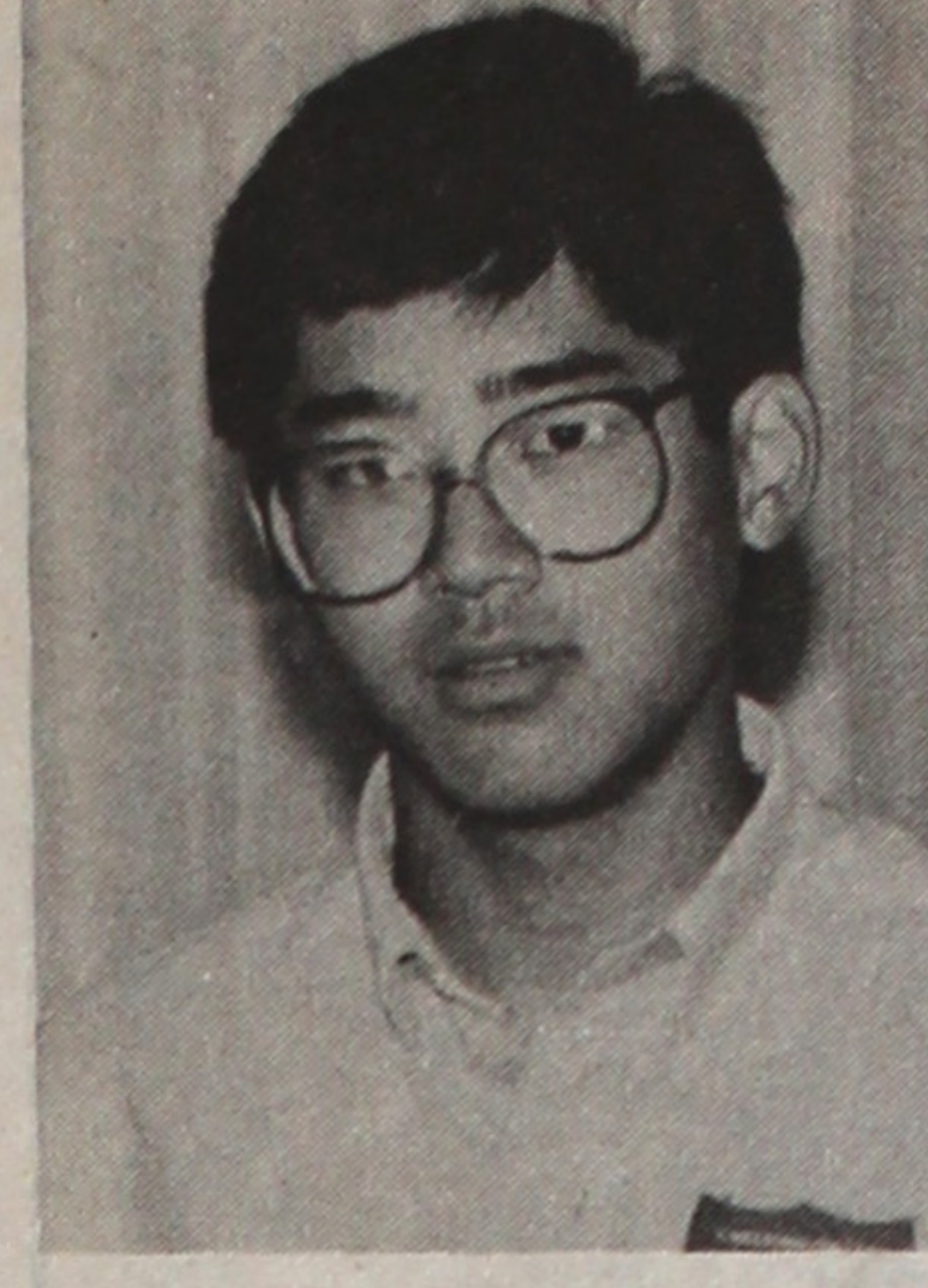
**Sarah Kim**, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Young Rock Kim of Munster, Ind., has been named a Carleton/Korean American Community Service Center scholar. Kim is a 1986 graduate of Morgan Park Academy.



**Thomas Masuda**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Masuda of Fridley, Minn., has been named a Carleton/Japanese American Citizens League scholar. Masuda is a 1986 graduate of Fridley High School.



**Ann Watanabe**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Watanabe of Aiea, Hawaii, has been named a Donald J. Cowling scholar. Watanabe is a 1986 graduate of Iolani School.



**Christopher Hirose**, son of Dr. and Mrs. Hideo Hirose of Golden, Colo., has been named a Carleton/Japanese American Citizens League scholar. Hirose is a 1986 graduate of Fridley High School.



**Christine Yun**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Su Kun Yun of Minneapolis, Minn., has been named a Carleton/Korean American Community Service Center scholar. Yun is a 1986 graduate of North Community School.

## Singles: Future Source of New Members

The findings of a recent survey of JACL singles undertaken by the National Singles Concerns Committee indicate that JACL Nikkei singles surpass the average Asian population in terms of education, affluence and employment.

Moreover, the survey reemphasized the importance of providing for their social, intellectual and emotional needs in future programs if JACL hopes to continue to attract this segment of the population.

### Assessing Needs

The purpose of this survey was to obtain a better understanding of Nikkei singles who are involved in JACL activities. Since the formation of Greater Los Angeles Singles Chapter and of the Marina Chapter, which has a large singles component, it has been of special interest to assess their needs. These two chapters have been noted for increasing membership in the Pacific Southwest District.

A profile of 220 singles shows that 66 percent are members and 34 percent are non-JACL; 67 percent are women and 33 percent are men. They reside in 60 cities, as far north as Seattle and as far east as New York. The majority resides in California.

This was not a random sample. The survey included all single individuals who had attended meetings of the Greater L.A. Singles and Marina chapters. Others included those who had attended the Second National JACL Singles Convention held in San Jose in September 1985 and the 1985 Tri-District Convention held in Fresno.

### Age Range

The Nikkei singles were almost evenly divided between the 35 percent who had never married, the 29 percent who were divorced, and the 36 percent who were widowed. The age range was as follows:

- a. 10 percent between 20 and 29;
- b. 27 percent between 30 and 45;
- c. 39 percent between 46 and 60;
- d. 24 percent 61 or older.

These singles also reflect the high educational standards of many Japanese Americans. A total of 52 percent had college degrees (31 percent undergraduate, 21 percent graduate). This total exceeds the U.S. census findings of 1980, which reported that 35.52 percent of Asians had at least a bachelor's degree.

This high educational standard undoubtedly influenced their affluence, as the following

indicates:

- a. 23 percent earned \$10,000-\$20,000 per year;
- b. 47 percent earned \$21,000-\$35,000;
- c. 14 percent earned \$36,000-\$45,000;
- d. 16 percent earned over \$46,000.

In view of the fact that the U.S. median family income is approximately \$21,000, these Nikkei singles are exceptionally affluent. These figures also indicate above average income for single Nikkei women, who made up two-thirds of the sample.

According to the 1980 census, Asian Americans lead the nation in terms of full employment with 68 percent fully employed. At 69 percent, the Nikkei singles reflect this figure.

Also of specific interest were preferences for programs: 80 percent of the subjects selected social activities as a primary expectation of JACL; 45 percent chose intellectual activities; 43 percent chose the need for support groups; and 32 percent selected networking.

As for specific activities, 79 percent were interested in travel, 56 percent in social dancing.

Other interests were gardening, hiking, skiing, sewing, bowling and camping.

### Application of Results

What are the implications of this survey? Since the membership of JACL has been dropping, the survey points to numerous areas that can be applicable if JACL is to continue as a viable organization:

- a. Initially, JACL must recognize the fact that single people are a real source of new membership and thus encourage the formation of singles chapters or auxiliaries to existing chapters;
- b. Provide social, educational and intellectual activities in addition to national and local concerns;
- c. Provide support groups for networking, especially for members who live in geographically isolated areas;
- d. Further assess needs at the district and national level.

The National Singles Concerns Committee members who assisted chairperson Midori Watanabe Kamei are: Meriko Mori, Kei Ishigami, Hana Sheperd, Sandi Kawasaki, and Sono Kondo. Special appreciation is extended

### Kagoshima Delegation

## 'Grape King' Territory Toured

SANTA ROSA, Calif. — Kaname Kamada, governor of Kagoshima Prefecture, followed in the footsteps of his countryman Kanaye Nagasawa with a goodwill delegation of 24 on Oct. 14 and 15.

Nagasawa, whose home from 1875 to 1934 was Fountaingrove Ranch, became known as the "Grape King of California."

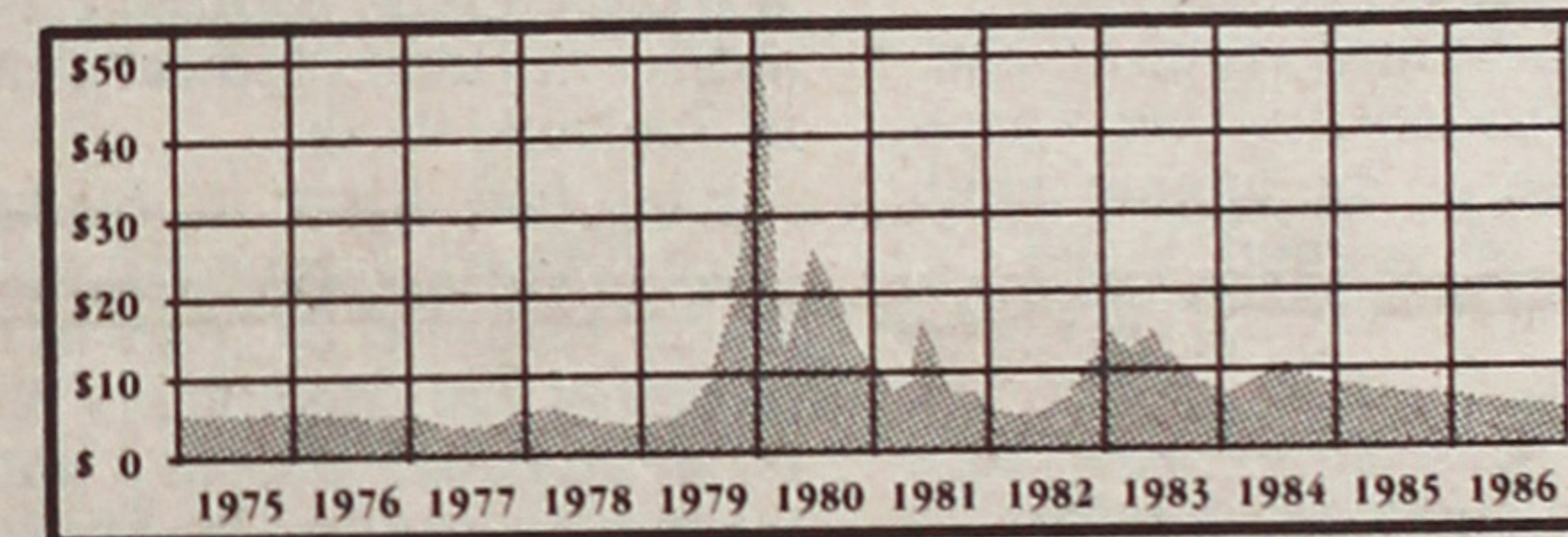
to Dr. Noriko Saito of CSU Long Beach, who assisted in the summary of the survey, and Karl Nobuyuki, president of Greater L.A. Singles Chapter, for his technical assistance.

The delegation's tour began with the Round Barn, which was refurbished and dedicated to Nagasawa in 1983, and ended at the new Fountaingrove Country Club, whose Japanese-style design is also a tribute to Nagasawa.

The group was greeted by Mayor Ritch Burkart and City Council members in the council chambers, where a bust of Nagasawa given to Santa Rosa by the people of Kagoshima is displayed.

The visit was coordinated by Friends of Kagoshima and its Kagoshima counterpart, Friends of Santa Rosa.

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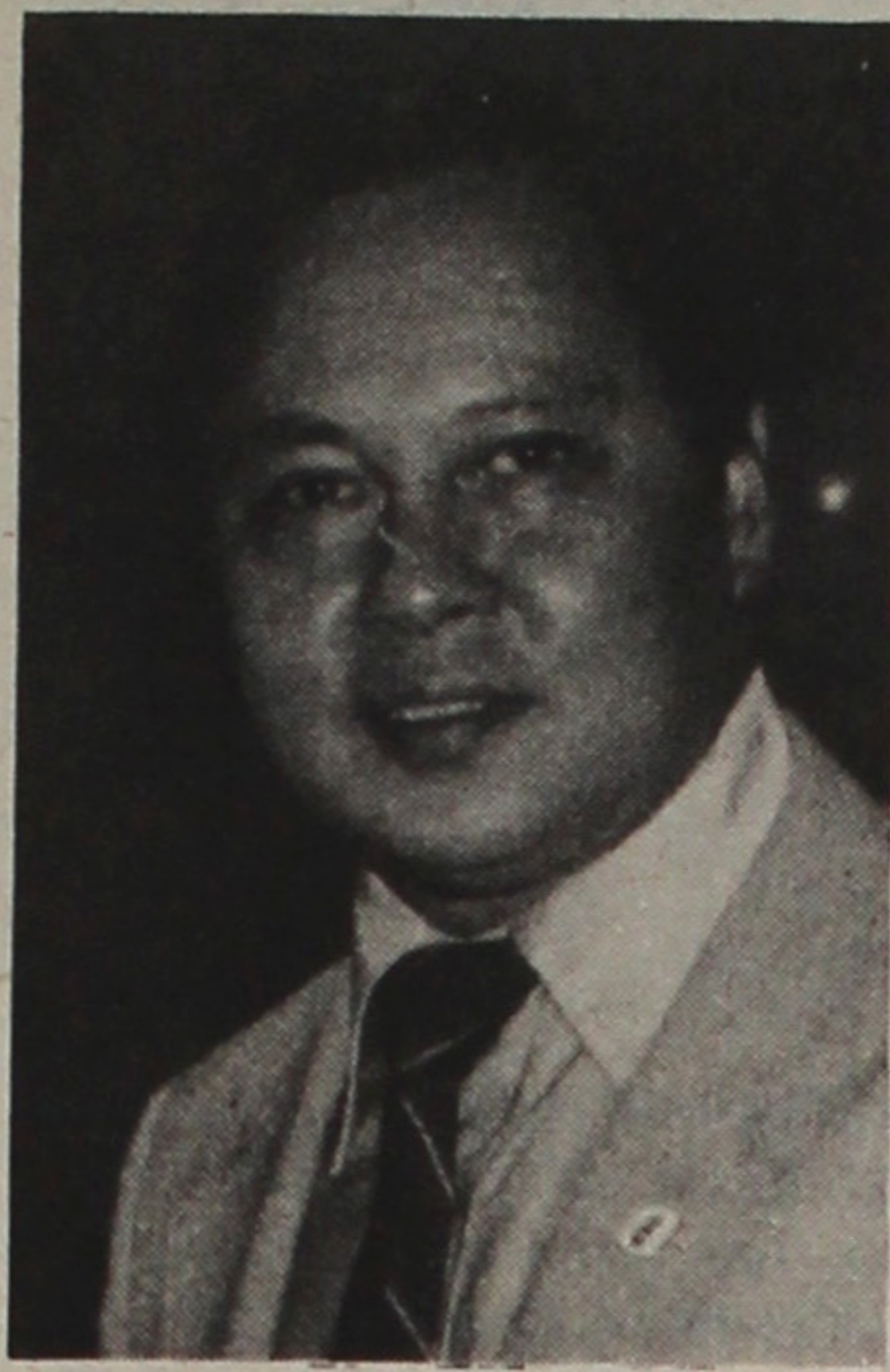
LOS ANGELES—An overflow crowd of family, friends and political and civic leaders gathered Oct. 27 at United Methodist Church, 815 N. Hill St., for the funeral of local Chinese leader Howard Quon.

Quon, 54, collapsed and died of an apparent heart attack while participating in the Oct. 20 Bradley Run for California, a statewide fund-raising relay sponsored by Mayor Tom Bradley's gubernatorial campaign.

He was about midway through his half-mile leg of the relay when he collapsed near the corner of Spring and College streets in Chinatown. Paramedics rushed him the short distance to French Hospital, but all efforts to revive him were unsuccessful.

Quon was president of the Chinese American Citizens Alliance in 1984 and 1985. He also was, at the time of his death, the grand representative of the organization's Los Angeles lodge.

In addition, he was instru-



Howard Quon

mental in the formation of the Chinatown Public Safety Association and the Los Angeles Police Department Service Center for Chinatown.

Quon is survived by his wife, Marilyn; two sons, Gary and Steve; and two daughters, Linda and Cathy.

## Deaths

**The Rev. Kiyoshi Tanimoto**, an American-educated Methodist minister who survived the atomic bombing of Hiroshima and then led a movement on behalf of its victims, died Sept. 29 in Hiroshima of pneumonia and kidney failure. He was 77.

Tanimoto, a central character in John Hersey's book *Hiroshima*, had lectured extensively in the United States about the bomb's effects. Between 1948 and 1950, he gave 582 presentations.

In 1955, he led a group of "Hiroshima maidens," young women disfigured by the atomic bombing, to the United States for surgery at New York's Mt. Sinai Hospital.

He is survived by wife Chisa, two sons and three daughters.

**Takashi N. Noda, DDS**, of College Park, Md., died Sept. 24 from a heart attack.

Noda was a member of the

American Dental Association, the Southern Maryland Dental Society and Xi Psi Phi, the national dental fraternity. In addition, he was a past president and board member of the Hawaii State Society.

He is survived by wife Marie, sons Lawrence and Michael, and sister Chiko Noda.

**Thomas H. Imai**, an infantry sergeant with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team during WW2, died Aug. 25 from cancer at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, Wash.

Imai had lived in Spokane since 1943. His career as a watchmaker included 25 years of employment with Montgomery Ward & Co., and nine years as a watchmaking instructor at Spokane Community College.

He is survived by wife Shizu, daughter Diane, brother Joe Sohei, and sisters Itsue Tsuruoka and Sumie Mizushima.

## A/P Demo Conference

# Politicos Stress Coalitions as Key to Success

SAN FRANCISCO—Asian Pacific Americans are a growing voting bloc in state and national politics, but do not wield a corresponding political influence, agreed participants in the third biennial leadership conference of the California Democratic Party's Asian Pacific Caucus, held Sept. 13-14 at Miyako Hotel.

One of the conclusions to come out of the conference, entitled "The Empowerment of Asian Pacific Americans Through the Electoral Process," was that Asians need more political savvy, a unified agenda, an end to divisive infighting, and coalitions with other groups in order to achieve justice and equal opportunity.

Prominent Democrats addressing the gathering included Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley, Assembly Speaker Willie Brown, and Rep. Robert Matsui of Sacramento. California Secretary of State March Fong Eu's scheduled appearance was canceled.

### 'Harsh Realities'

In his keynote address, Rep. Norman Mineta of San Jose exhorted the audience to awaken to the "harsh realities of the political evolutionary process," wherein "the strongest, most resilient survive" while others fall to the wayside.

"In an ideal world, the National Democratic Party would seek us out, but this is not an ideal world and we have always had to fight for our rightful place. And we always will," he said.

Referring to the Democratic National Committee's disbanding of its Asian Pacific Caucus last year, Mineta said, "I share the anger, but don't forget the old adage: Don't get mad, get even!"

Asian Americans "play a more significant role in our nation and our party's political life than ever before," he noted, "but we still have a long way to go. Public life and political activity are constant, never-ending struggles... success depends not only on being right, but being persistent; not only on articulating, but continually advocating and educating."

Mineta commented that the Republican Party is aggressively recruiting Asian voters even as the Reagan Administration has become increasingly hostile to Asian concerns.

He cited as an example the Justice Department's response

last year to a House bill that would require the government to compile statistics on crimes motivated by bigotry. Department officials, saying that the bill was unneeded, suggested that a newspaper clipping service would suffice. "That is really the mentality of this administration when it comes to issues important to us," said Mineta.

### Inter-ethnic Coalitions

Los Angeles City Councilman Mike Woo stressed coalition-building among Asian groups as well as with other communities. "Unless we are able to unify the various ethnic factions in the Asian community, that could be a stumbling block in presenting ourselves to the larger community," he said.

In last year's council election, Woo said, he had to "figure out some way to appeal to that broad range of people" in his district, which is only about five percent Asian. He attributed his defeat in his 1981 campaign to failure to convince non-Asian voters that he would be sensitive to their concerns as well.

"Asian candidates have a special kind of predicament," he said. "We are forced to perform a juggling act between the need to be Asian to build a base of support, but not be overly Asian and put [other] people off."

Supervisor Willie Kennedy, one of five women and two Blacks on the Board of Supervisors, reiterated the themes of unity within a community and coalition-building. "I have seen too many communities destroyed by political infighting," she said. "The effect is that the outside community doesn't take us seriously. The effect is that we lose."

### Majority in S.F.

Noting that San Francisco is roughly 25 percent Asian, 12 percent Black and 12 percent Hispanic, with large numbers of gay and women voters as well, Kennedy said, "When you add all that together, that forms a majority. If we can form a coalition, we can put Julie Tang [who is running for supervisor] into office on Nov. 4."

Tang herself said during an afternoon workshop that she has "a lot of faith in San Francisco constituents—the liberal climate prevails."

Other panelists speaking on the coalition-building theme were Board of Supervisors candidate Pat Norman, JACL national director Ron Wakabayashi, San Jose Mayor's Advisory Committee on Minority Affairs member Julie Hatta, and Keith Carson, an aide to Rep. Ronald Dellums of Berkeley.

Wakabayashi stressed the importance of forming ongoing networks between minority groups rather than creating coalitions on an issue-by-issue basis.

During a workshop on anti-Asian violence, Wakabayashi said that San Francisco is one of the few Bay Area counties that has yet to hold hearings on the problem. "Certainly in this city that has nearly 30 percent Asians, if there's not going to be empowerment here, it's going to be harder in other places," he said.

### Reporting Violence

Moderator Randy Okamura, president of the Japanese American Democratic Club, and panelist Ken Kong, chair of Chinese Progressive Association, said that a better system for reporting incidents of racial violence is needed.

Other workshops covered Asian Pacific voting trends, educational rights, involvement in the labor movement, and development of candidates.

At the evening awards banquet, speakers included Congressman Matsui, Board of Supervisors President John Molinari, and University of California Regent Yori Wada. Recipients of California Asian Pacific Caucus Leadership Awards were Alice Bulos of South San Francisco, Yasushi "Chewy" Ito and Maeley Tom of Sacramento, Collin Lai of Los Angeles, supervisorial candidate Tang, and Bert Nakano of Gardena.

The second day of the conference included a debate on Proposition 63, the ballot initiative which would make English the state's official language. Defending it was Stanley Diamond, chair of the California English campaign; on the opposing side was Wilma Chan of Californians United Committee Against Proposition 63. Golden Gate JACL president Donna Kotake moderated.

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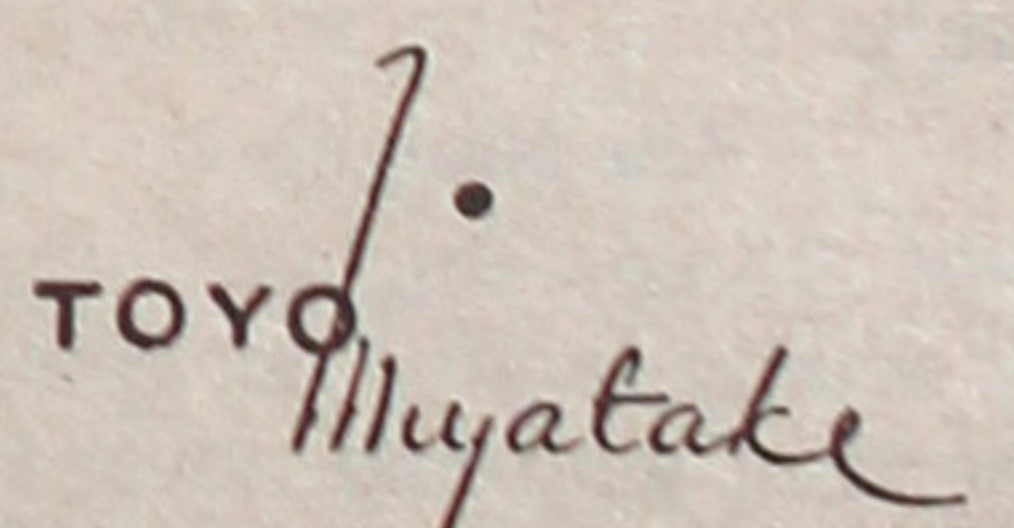
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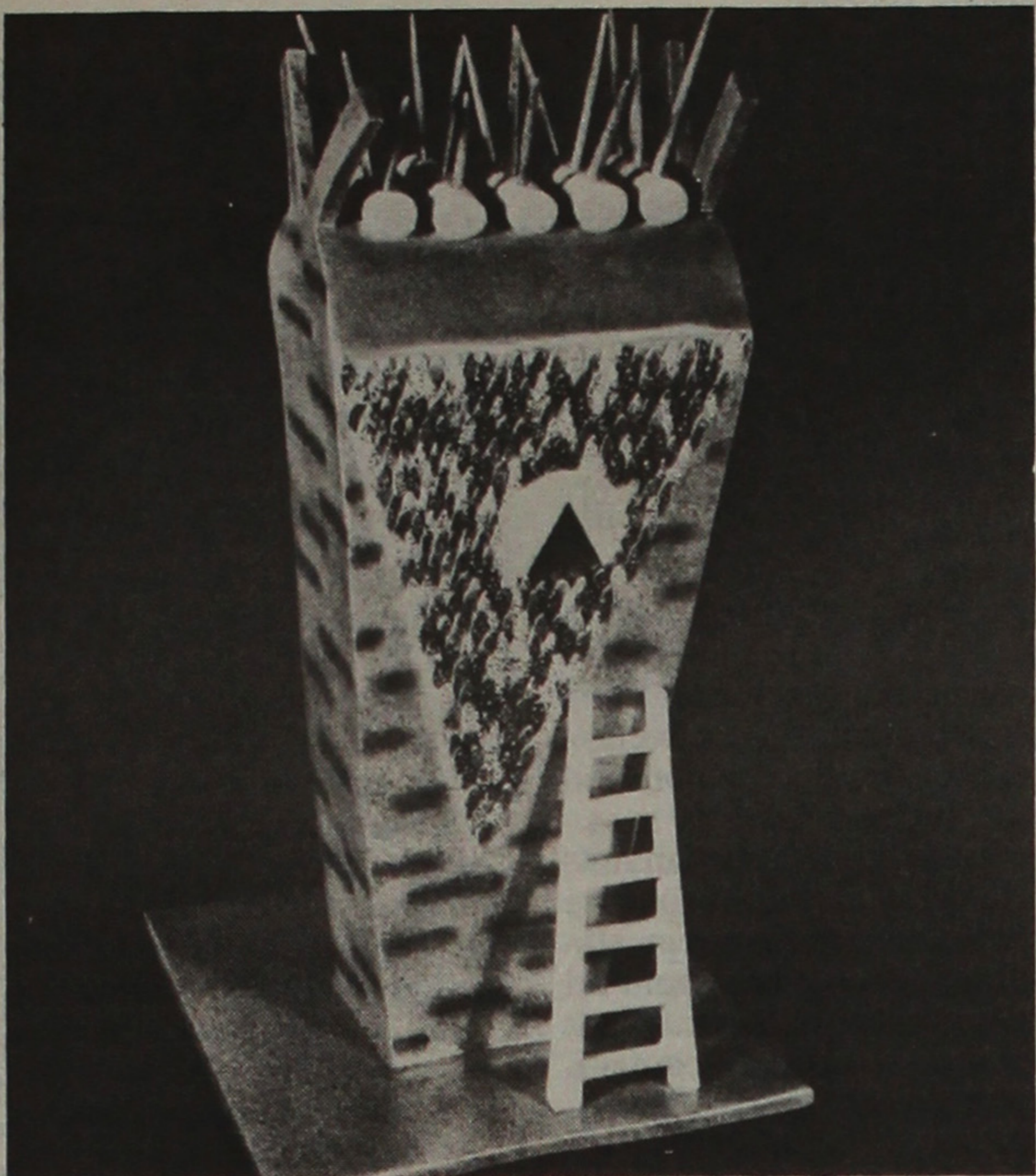
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## PANA Starts New L.A.-Area Affiliate

LOS ANGELES—Noritoshi Kanai, president of Mutual Trading Co., was elected interim president of Pan American Nikkei Association's (PANA) new Southern California affiliate at an Oct. 3 kickoff dinner at New Otani Hotel.

The evening began with greetings, in Spanish, from Carlos Kasuga, president of PANA International, read and translated into English and Japanese by Consuelo Morinaga and Edgar Sekiguchi, respectively.

Dinner, emceed by Ron Shiozaki, was followed by reports from: Luis Yamakawa on the 1987 PANA convention in Buenos Aires, July 23-26; Harry Honda on the 11th Nikkei International Sports Festival held in Mexico City in August; and Sam Fujii on karaoke championships.

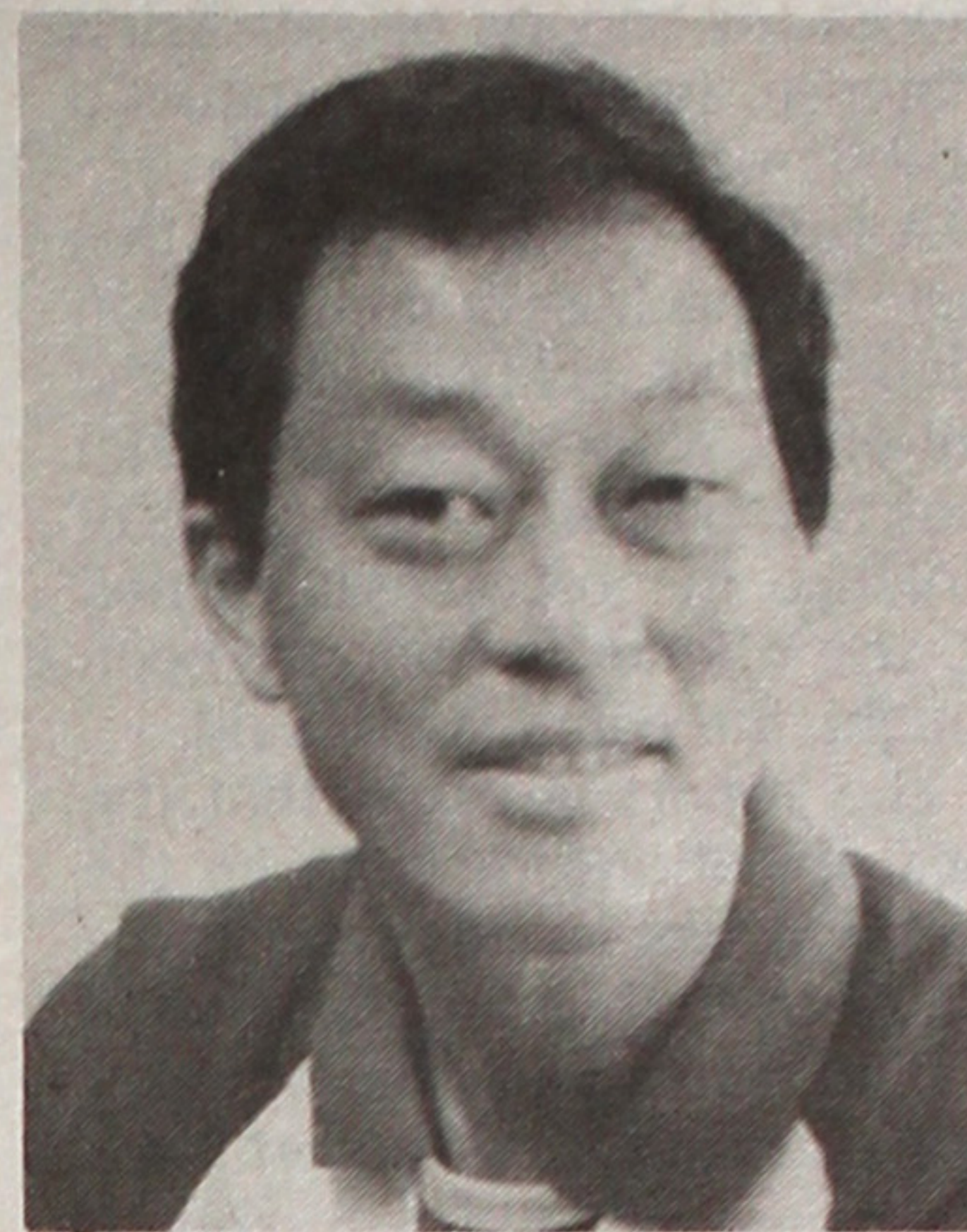
## JA to Do Research in China

SAN FRANCISCO—An \$861,000 grant to develop marine biotechnology in China has recently been awarded, with Dr. Arthur Michio Nonomura named as chief technological advisor for the United Nations project.

The project proposes to increase the productivity of salt evaporation ponds through application of novel biotechnologies. Advanced and classical approaches will be used to manipulate and control marine algae, bacteria and crustacea to improve the quality of salt and multiply the value of the salt ponds.

Nonomura will be leading an international team of scientists and will coordinate administration from the U.N., the People's Republic of China Ministry of Light Industry, the Salt Research Institute and the Shandong College of Oceanography to get the project under way.

Nonomura will be shuttling



Arthur Nonomura

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## MONTEREY PARK RESOLUTION

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Coalition for Harmony in Monterey Park (CHAMP) denounced the resolution as a xenophobic reaction to the large number of immigrants in the city. Asians, Latinos and Anglos each make up roughly one-third of the city's population.

### Vote Changed

Following testimony on both Resolution 9004 and the state-wide "Official English" measure, Proposition 63, Mayor Monty Manibog and Councilmen Chris Houseman and Cam Briglio voted to rescind 9004; council members Barry Hatch and Pat Reichenberger upheld it. Briglio's withdrawal of support enabled the opposing side to prevail.

"Obviously, I'm delighted," said Manibog after the vote. "I've been working at it ever since the resolution was passed." He said that he concentrated on changing Briglio's vote because Hatch and Reichenberger, both strong proponents of "Official English," were "hopeless cases."

### 'Fractured City'

"The resolution has fractured and polarized the city pretty badly... But now we can get back to bigger and better things," he said.

During the hearing, CHAMP member Jose Calderon presented the council with 4,800 signatures which he said were collected from residents opposed to the resolution. He urged the council to take "a historic position which will be heard... throughout the state and throughout the country."

Longtime resident Stan Krauthamer said he was "thoroughly ashamed" of the notoriety Monterey Park has achieved in other parts of the country. "I'm ashamed of the City Council... of the manner in which they're dealing with this diversity of culture."

### 'Professional Minorities'

Frank Arcuri, who led a petition drive to make English the city's official language last year, accused his detractors of being "professional minorities that... profit from the division that a bilingual society produces" by maintaining ethnic voting blocs. He included Manibog, a Filipino American, in that category.

Arcuri's campaign was directed primarily at the growing number of Chinese-language business signs in the city.

Former councilman David Almada was on hand to urge that 9004 be killed. Almada was ousted along with fellow council members Rudy Peralta and Lily Chen in the April election; all three had opposed Arcuri's city English measure.

Speakers from CHAMP and Californians United Against Proposition 63 reiterated their position that the city ordinance and the state initiative would serve to deprive immigrants of bilingual services without providing more classes for those who want to learn English.

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**VIOLENCE**

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groups have begun watching the media for reports of anti-Asian violence, monitoring remains a problem.

A report released earlier this year by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights acknowledged the national scope of—and racial motivation behind—many acts of violence. In most cases it learned of, the offenders had not been caught, the commission said.

The report stressed that the lack of nationwide data on the problem has greatly hampered efforts to analyze and respond to it. The limitations some groups face in monitoring the problem "leads inescapably to the conclusion that there needs to be a mechanism to gather these statistics on a national basis," the report concluded.

Members of AALDEF's advisory committee feel that congressional hearings will not only dramatize the extent of the problem but also bring together Asian American community groups that have been seeking to address the issue. In many cases, those groups have worked without knowledge of each other.

Committee member Nicholas Chen said the committee hopes to have congressional hearings scheduled before the end of the year. Whether or not hearings will be held will depend largely on public outcry through letters and phone calls to congressmen and senators, Chen said.

AALDEF, which is based in New York, is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization that employs legal and educational methods to address problems in Asian American communities. Other groups on the advisory committee are Asian Law Caucus, San Francisco; Asian Pacific American Coalition, Palo Alto, Calif.; and Organization of Chinese Americans, Washington, D.C.

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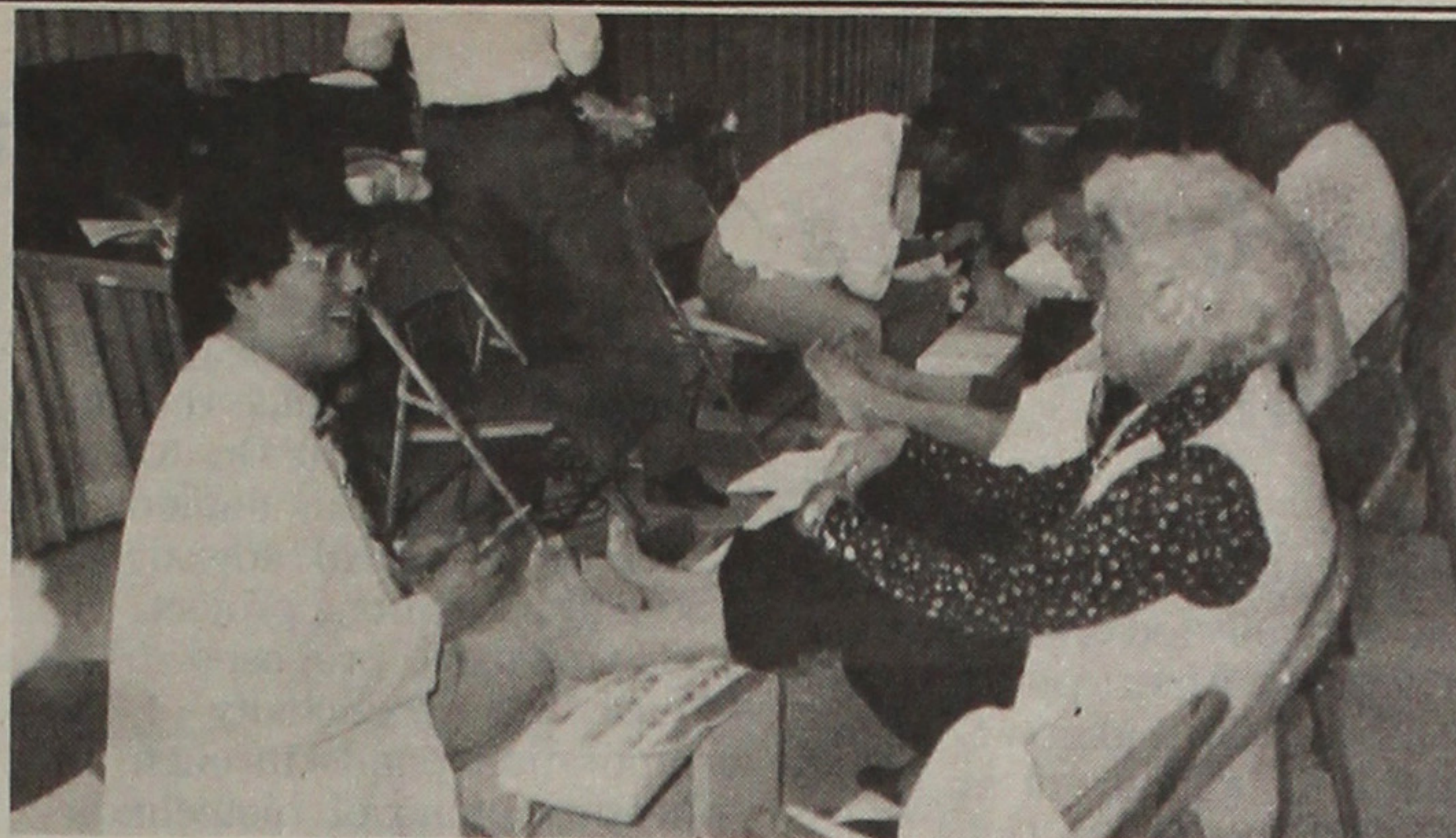


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**SOMETHING AFOOT** — Foot exams were among the services offered to seniors at the annual Little Tokyo Community Health Fair, held Oct. 25 at Union Church in Los Angeles. To mark the fair's 15th year, presentations were made by actress Kim Miyori and spokespersons for Mayor Tom Bradley, Councilman Gilbert Lindsay, and Assemblywoman Gloria Molina.

**Politics**

A fundraiser for elementary school teacher **Bob Machida**, Democratic candidate for New York State Senate, attracted about 25 people to Asmara African Restaurant on Oct. 18. The benefit was arranged by Dawit Belai, an Eritrean who was once a student of former Peace Corps teacher Machida in Belai's hometown of Senafe, Ethiopia.

About 75 people attended a fundraiser for Los Angeles School Board candidate **Warren Furutani** Oct. 19 at the home of Suki Ports in New York. Singer/songwriter Chris Iijima said that though Furutani's election would not affect New Yorkers directly, "everyone is interested in getting the right people into office."

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NEW YORK — Asian American Health Forum (AAHF), a newly established group of Japanese, Chinese, Filipino, Korean and Vietnamese American health leaders, held its first national forum Aug. 21-23.

The forum dealt with problems related to reported discrepancies in health between minorities and whites. Dr. John Umekubo, an internal medicine specialist practicing in San Francisco's Japantown, led a section concerning the acquisition and interpreting of data.

The more than 75 participants were selected for their expertise in health issues in their own ethnic groups as well as general minority health matters. Issues of concern included Hepatitis-B virus immunization of newborns of virus-carrying mothers; cultural and language obstacles to access to quality health care; and parts of the country where such

services for Asians are not available or accessible.

Participants included Sumiko Hennessy of Denver; Irene Hirano, Donald Okada and Nathaniel Tashima of Los Angeles; Sherry Hirota, Steve Nakajo and Reiko True of San Francisco; Y. Scott Matsumoto of Honolulu; K. Patrick Okura of Philadelphia; and Gail Tanaka of Seattle. Dr. Harry Lee, chief of medical staff at Chinese Hospital in San Francisco, chaired the planning committee.

For more information on the organization, write to AAHF, c/o Chinese Hospital, 845 Jackson St., San Francisco 94133-4899; or call Janice Louie or Elizabeth Weston at (415) 391-6146.

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