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Coalition Calls for Ethnic Studies Course

STANFORD, Calif. — At a Sept. 28 campus rally attended by 400 students, the newly organized Students of Color Coalition explained its platform for expanding multicultural education.

The coalition, comprised of the Asian American Students Association. the Black Student Union, Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MEChA) and the Stanford American Indian Organization, was formed in response to recent racist incidents on campus.

"We deserve respect and that respect, as we have seen, will most probably only come out of education," said Edwin Cooka, a member of the Stanford American Indian Organization.

The student groups say they want the university to institute an ethnic studies requirement for graduation from Stanford and expand the curriculum and minority faculty to teach the new courses.

Some students carried signs that read, "Racism: the province of the ignorant and uneducated" and "Caucasians need Black history the most."

Some White students feel minority students are overreacting to recent incidents in which posters were defaced in a racially derogatory way in a campus dormitory, said Stacy Leyton, a White student who is a member of the Council of Presidents of the Associated Students.

Many others sympathize with the minority students but don't feel they have a role in fighting racism or are

held by secret ballot on Nov. 29.

similar payments from the Japanese government.

afraid they will "unintentionally say something racist," she said.

Leyton urged the many White students attending the rally to work with the Students of Color Coalition on strengthening ethnic studies by joining the Associated Students' new Committee on Democracy in Education.

Martha Nakagawa of the Asian American Students Association said the need for a more formal and thorough ethnic studies program is evident from the confusion on campus over Okada House, the Asian American theme house, and East House, the East Asian studies theme house.

"Asians have been in the United States for quite a long time and have developed their own history and culture apart from East Asia," Nakagawa said. "But the widespread ignorance of this fact leads us to believe that there is a need for ethnic studies."

Octavio Pedroza of MEChA stressed the importance of campus cultural centers and ethnic theme houses. Most Chicano students come from workingclass families in the Southwest and want to go back to their communities in order to better living conditions, he

The campus community centers are "integral in creating an atmosphere on this campus where we can come together, talk and organize ourselves." said Pedroza. "That's why we are demanding a full-time dean and increased staffing and resources for El Centro Chicano."

13,639 Names to Be Included

Memorial Honoring Nikkei WW2 Vets, MIS Proposed

LOS ANGELES — A memorial in- Nikkei would be directly or indirectly scribed with 13,639 names of Japanese related to the men on the memorial. Americans who served in WW2 will be part of Little Tokyo's First Street Plaza Project, according to retired Army Col. Young O. Kim, chairman of the 100th/442nd/MIS World War II Memorial Committee.

According to Kim, a veteran of the 100th Battalion, Japanese Americans "served not only the U.S. but served to prove the loyalty of Japanese Americans, which ultimately proved beneficial to all Asian Americans." Kim also felt that such a memorial would be a "shrine" which many Japanese Americans would want to visit since many

Nakajo Files Grievance Against S.F. State

SAN FRANCISCO -- Steve Nakajo, a part-time instructor for the Asian American Studies Department at San Francisco State University, recently filed a grievance against the department after he was dropped from the staff earlier this year.

The grievance, which also names the department chair, George Woo, demands an official explanation why Nakajo "wasn't considered for a teaching position this semester and why the department failed to impart proper notice that he was being removed from his teaching position." He is also seeking reinstatement to his Asian American Studies classes.

According to Nakajo, he was not formally contacted by the department informing him of his termination. Instead, he found out in a phone call he made to the Asian American Studies Department Aug. 31 to confirm the time and date of a meeting. While speaking with Assistant to the Dean of Ethnic Studies Jim Okutsu, Nakajo was asked if he had been contacted by Woo. Replying negatively, Nakajo was told by Okutsu that Woo had relieved of his teaching responsibities.

In an article printed in the Nov. 8 Hokubei Mainichi, Woo, when asked Continued from Page 8

"I think what they contributed to the Japanese American community and to the war deserves a memorial," he added.

The First Street Plaza Project is a \$200 million redevelopment project covering a little over 11 acres, which encompasses Los Angeles' First, San Pedro, Temple and Alameda Streets. The only things which will remain north of First Street are the MOCA (Museum of Contemporary Art) warehouse, the old Nishihonganji, the old Union Church and the store fronts along First Street.

Although a developer has not been chosen, Kim speculated that the finalist will be the Barker Group. According to Kim, the developer must build a 65-square-foot addition to the Japanese American National Museum (JANM) and the veteran's memorial.

The developer must include a central plaza, with a minimum of 20,000 square feet. The developers placing the memorial in the plaza will have priority over those who don't, Kim said.

Currently there are plans to conduct a design competition for the memorial, which doesn't have size specifications yet. "All we want as veterans is that all the names be on it," added Kim. He also said that the committee will look at the criteria used for the Vietnam War Memorial. As for funds, the committee would like for the developer to bear all of it, although the developer may want to bear none of it. "We can't accept the position that they can't pay for any of it," said Kim, who added, "We are willing to help out with fundraising."

Optimistically, the memorial could be completed within four years, about the same time the First Street Plaza Project reaches completion.

Immigration Control and Reform Act

Mineta, Matsui, Irked by Report

WASHINGTON — Reps. Norman Mineta and Robert Matsui (both D-Calif.) report misgivings about job discrimination based on a General Accounting Office (GAO) report on the 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act (IRCA).

"The GAO report substantiates many of the concerns I had about this bill when we debated in 1986," said Mineta. "The GAO states that about one out of every six employers with some awareness of the IRCA employer sanctions provisions began or increased the practice of asking only foreign-looking persons for work authorization documents or hiring only U.S. citizens. This statistic translates into more than 500,000 employers nationwide."

'Turns the Clock Back'

Matsui said that the report indicating widespread job discrimination among American employers is "a clear sign that the system has broken down and is in desperate need of repair." He added, "Asking only those who don't look or sound like they came over on the Mayflower to prove they are authorized to work turns the clock back to a darker period in our nation's past."

The high number of incidents is blamed on employers' fears over a 1986 immigration law that imposes criminal penalties against those who knowingly hire illegal immigrants. The same law, however, prohibits employers from discriminating on the basis of national origin and states that offenders can be fined and required to provide back pay.

According to Mineta, "While there was a need for illegal immigration reform and a solution to the undocumented alien dilemma, the employer sanctions proposal of the IRCA legislation continues to raise the potential for discrimination against Americans, both citizens and permanent residents who 'look or sound foreign.'

"Private businesses should not shoulder the burden of enforcing our laws by acting as immigration or police agents. We must avoid such a situation and remain ready to challenge the silent acceptance of any form of discrimination," Mineta concluded.

Firm to Provide JACL-LEC with Free Legal Services; Nakahata Named Lead Counsel

By Rita Takahashi

The law office of Jenner and Block has agreed to provide pro bono legal services, or free legal service, to the JACL-LEC. John Nakahata, a Jenner and Block associate, has been named lead counsel.

Founded in 1914, Jenner and Block employs 250 attorneys in offices located in Washington, D.C., Chicago and Lake Forest, Illinois. The Washington, D.C. office specializes in issues that may require combinations of legislative, litigative and administrative initiatives.

Currently, the firm is researching evidence and information related to eligibility questions raised by the enactment of the Japanese American redress bill, now known as Public Law 100-383. Under Nakahata's leadership, the law office will draft supporting documentation that will be supplied to the Department of Justice's Office of Redress Administration.

Nakahata says he is "pleased to have the opportunity to help correct one of

the Diackest Stains on our constitution . . . It is important to ensure that redress is implemented quickly and fairly so that all eligible individuls will receive payment."

Presently program vice president of the Washington, D.C. JACL Chapter Board, Nakahata has previously provided research and other assistance to JACL-LEC. A graduate of Harvard Law School and former JACL Thomas T. Hayashi Law Scholarship recipient, Nakahata joined Jenner and Block as an associate in October, 1987. As a member of the Bars of California and the District of Columbia, his law practice is primarily in the areas of civil and regulatory litigation.

Angus Macbeth, former special counsel for the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians, has also agreed to offer supportive legal services to JACL-LEC. Currently, he is an attorney at the law office of Sidley and Austin in Washington, D.C. In the past, Macbeth provided many hours of pro bono services to JACL-LEC.

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The P.C. is accepting submissions for the 1988 Holiday Issue. This year's theme is redress. To contribute material, send your completed text or query letter to Holiday Issue, Pacific Citizen, 941 E. Third St. Suite 200, Los Angeles, CA 90013. Deadline: Nov. 30, 1988.

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TOKYO — Takeo Miki, former Japanese prime minister, died Nov. 13. Miki, who was 81, had been hospitalized since June after a cerebral hemorrhage left him partially paralyzed. In the 1930s, he studied in the U.S. at American University, Southwestern University and at the University of California. After returning to Japan prior to WW2, he was elected to Parliament and became known for his pro-American sentiments when he strove to forestall a war between the U.S. and Japan. Because of his clean record, he became the chief of Japan's Liberal Democratic Party and Japan's prime minister in 1974, posts he held for two years. Study of Vets Fails Conference Committee

NEWS IN BRIEF

Inouye Says He Will Be Next Majority Leader

SEATTLE - Sen. Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hawaii), speaking at an Oct. 27

fund-raiser for Rep. Mike Lowry (D-Wash.), who was then running for the

U.S. Senate and later lost to Republican Slade Gorton, said that he will be the

next majority leader of the Senate. This year, said Inouye, "will go down in

history since the Founding Fathers developed this unique government. Forty-

seven years ago, men and women who looked like me were put away. In a

few weeks, I will be elected majority leader of the United States Senate. This

couldn't happen in any other country." Inouye, along with Sens. J. Bennett

Johnston of Louisiana and George Mitchell of Maine, is seeking the post

currently held by Sen. Robert Byrd of West Virginia. The elections will be

Ex-POWs Oppose Pay to JA Internees

LAS VEGAS — The 26,000 members of Ex-Prisoners of War say they will

oppose payment of \$20,000 each to Americans of Japanese ancestry who were

evacuated, relocated or interned in U.S. camps during WW2. At its 41st annual

national convention held in September, the group passed a resolution to finan-

cially back the efforts of Americans for Historical Accuracy, a California-based

veterans group, to get an injunction to the legislation. Members stated they

could not support paying reparations when American POWs had not received

Miki, Former Japanese Prime Minister, Dies

WASHINGTON — A provision authored by Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) requiring the Veterans Administration to study post-traumatic stress disorder suffered by Asian American Vietnam veterans was approved by the Senate on Oct. 18, but rejected in conference committee. The amendment had been passed as part of the Veterans' Benefits and Program Improvements Act of 1988. Darryl Huff, Matsunaga's press secretary, told the Pacific Citizen the amendment failed approval because the 100th Congress was about to adjourn at the time of the bill's passage and there wasn't enough time for a floor debate on the amendment in the House. "There were a number of amendments that were killed in conference," said Huff. "The ones that got through didn't require a lot of debate." Huff said Matsunaga intends to pursue the adoption of the provision.

Imamura, Tsubota Honored During Nat'l Minority Enterprise Week

SEATTLE — Part of the weeklong celebration here of National Minority Enterprise Week, Oct. 3 to 7, were vignettes in the press. Two included Sansei businessmen Lawrence Imamura, owner of Officemporium, and Craig Tsubota, president of Tsubota Industrial Supply Co., which was founded by his grandfather in the 1930s.

Imamura was honored as one of four business owners of the year. Tsubota

was accorded the Commerce Department's Regional Minority Supplier/ Distributor Firm of the Year award in San Francisco.

In the state of Washington, some 1,500 companies are certified as minority-owned and another 2,200 women-owned are similarly listed in the state Office of Minority and Women Business Enterprises, which qualifies them for state, county, city and metro projects.

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Over 175 Attend JACL-Sponsored Redress Workshop

GARDENA, Calif. — Over 175 people attended a redress workshop sponsored by the Gardena Valley JACL Chapter and the National Coalition for Redress and Reparations (NCRR), held on Nov. 5 at the Ken Nakaoka Memorial Center.

Alan Nishio of NCRR, along with National JACL President Cressey Nakagawa and George Ogawa of JACL-LEC, answered questions regarding the Civil Rights Act of 1988. This law, signed by President Ronald Reagan, redresses 60,000 surviving Japanese American internees forced to evacuate the West Coast and enter concentration camps during WW2. The law provides an apology on behalf of the United States, as well as \$20,000 per internee in redress for eligible Japanese Americans.

"Many of the questions raised were regarding special cases," said Nakagawa. "The Office of Redress Administration will review each case to determine if the individual qualifies for redress."

Former internees or individuals who know of relatives or friends may feel free to contact the Office of Redress Administration, Department of Justice. The office has a toll free number. 1-800-228-8375, operating between 8:30 a.m and 8:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. For the hearing impaired, the number is 1-800-548-0279.

Jonathan Kaji, president of the Gardena Valley Chapter, was very satisfied with the large turnout. "We hope to hold other redress workshops in the South Bay area. These workshops serve not only in answering questions but also setting aside any fears or anxieties that the internees may feel. This time, the government is on our side."

DEATHS

Rev. Hiram Hisanori Kano, 99, died Oct. 24 at Fort Collins, Colo. Born in Tokyo, Jan. 30, 1889, Kano was a graduate of Tokyo Imperial University. He moved to Nebraska in 1910 and farmed near North Platte while serving Issei and Nisei in Episcopal missions in Mitchell and North Platte. Kano's father was Viscount Hisayoshi Kano, governor of Kagoshima and a member of the House of

Kano is survived by his wife Ai, son Cyrus of Boston and daughter Adeline of Fort Col-



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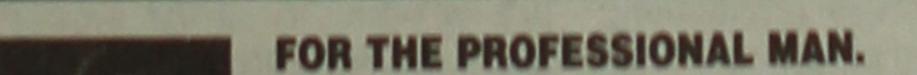
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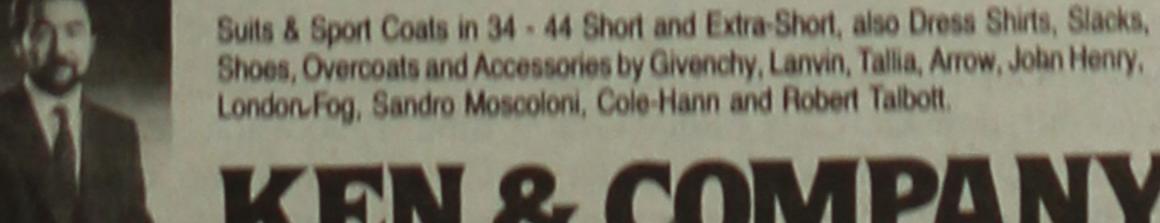
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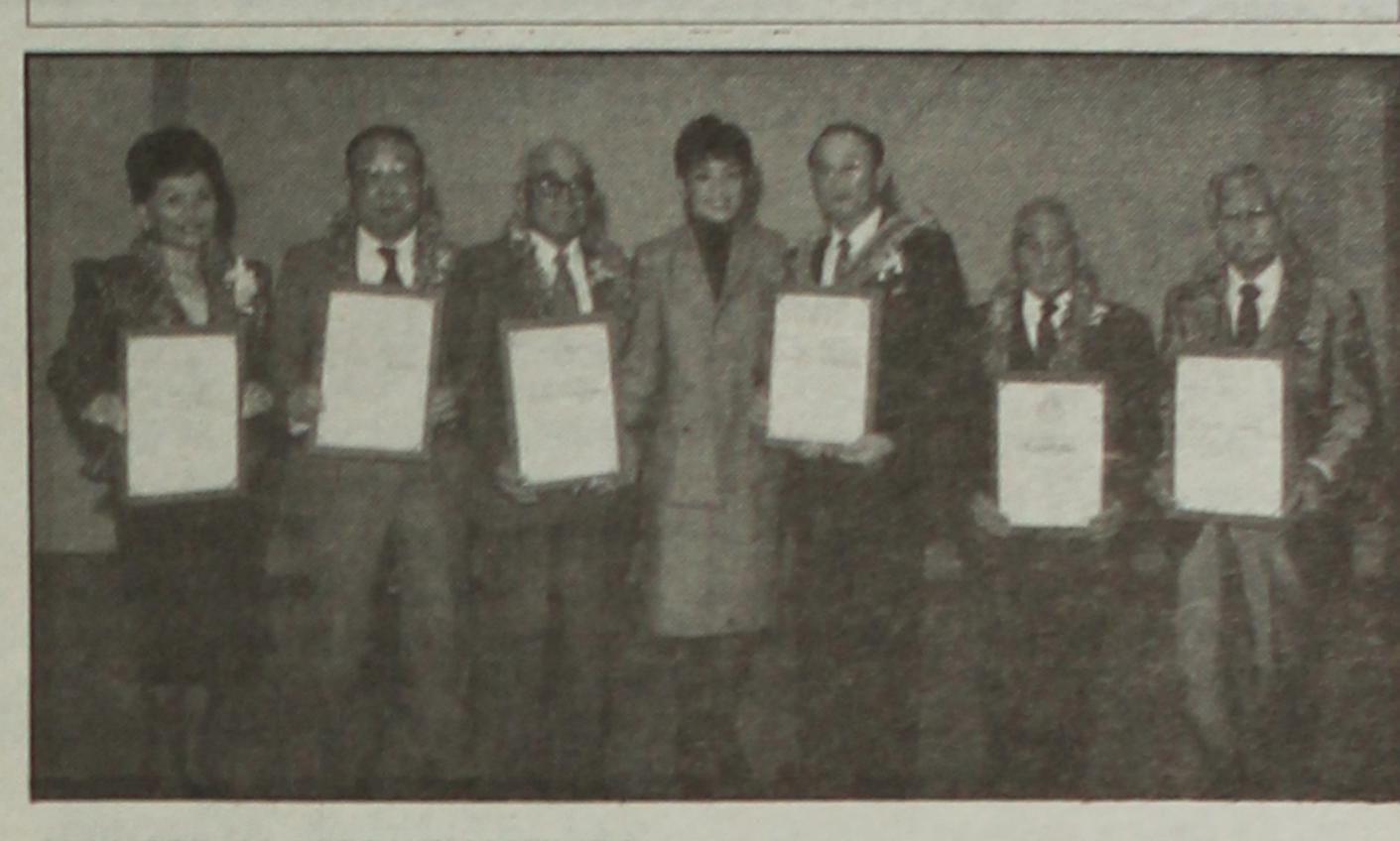
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PIONEER AWARD RECIPIENTS — Lynn Sakamoto, center, deputy to Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, presents Los Angeles County Certificates of Commendation to the 1988 recipients of the Gardena Japanese Cultural Institute's Pioneer Awards. Awardees were cited for their contributions to the Japanese American community during the organization's fifth annual Endowment Dinner, held Nov. 10 at the Holiday Inn Harbor Gateway. Standing with Sakamoto (from left) are Ann Arase, Yutaka Fukunaga, Rodney Kamiya, Daniel Nakashima, Kaneji Oka and T. Frank Yamane.



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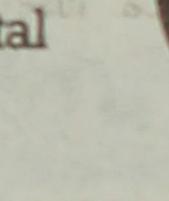
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1989 Brawley Reunion Date Set

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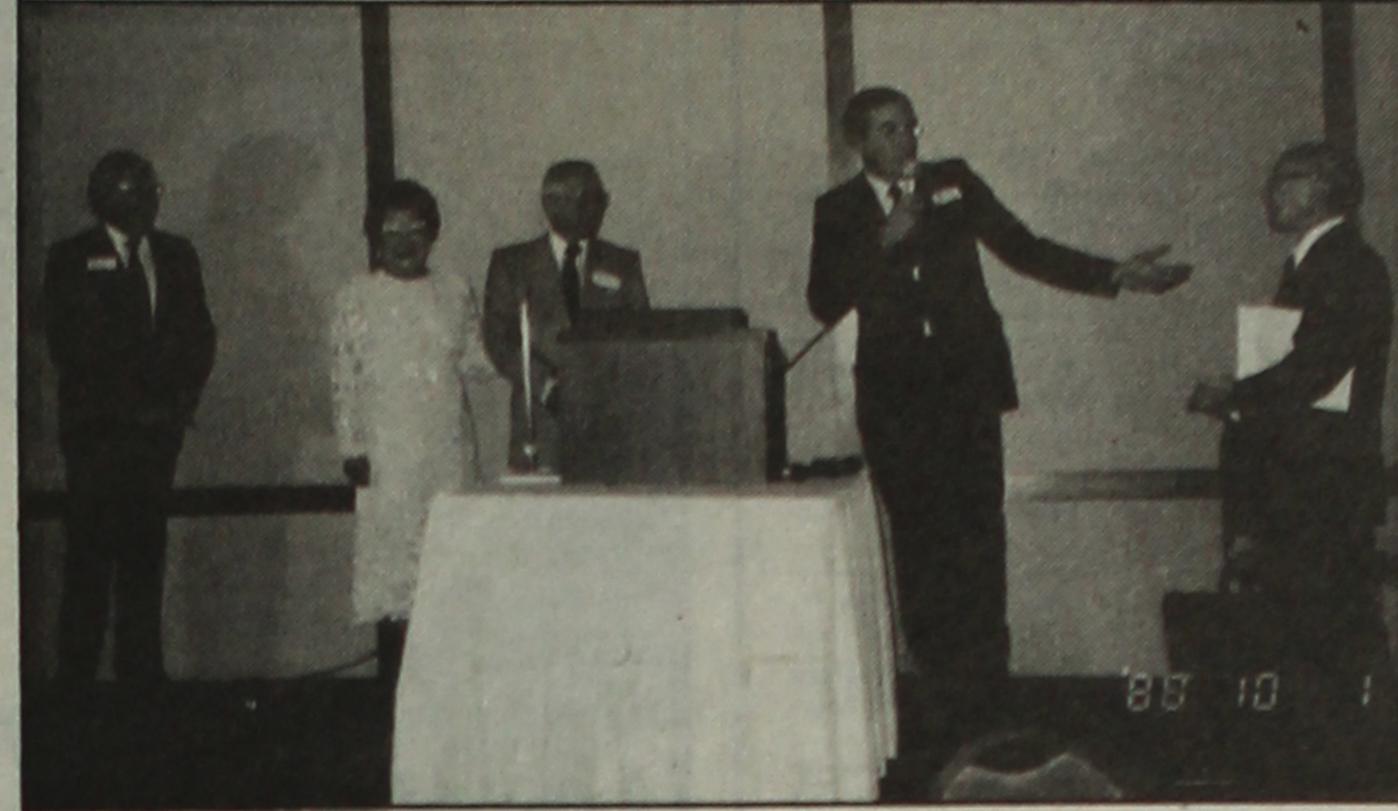
ROCKVILLE, Md. — Close to 200 friends, associates and colleagues gathered together Oct. 1 at the Lakewood Country Club to help Kiyoshi Patrick Okura celebrate his 77th birthday.

Okura is a nationally and internationally known mental health advocate, as well as an active JACLer, having served as National president in 1962-64. He currently serves as the National Aging and Retirement chairman. He has been involved in Asian Pacific American mental health and human service work for the past 25 years and now serves as the national chairman of the National Asian Pacific American Families Against Substance Abuse (NAPAFASA), where he is actively engaged in promoting substance abuse prevention programs in the American communities Asian throughout the country.

Tributes were given to Okura for his work in mental health, JACL, in Asian American activities, civil rights, child advocacy and church activities by his longtime friends and associates.

As part of the celebration, Dr. Bertram S. Brown, psychiatrist and former director of the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) and world renowned mental health expert, and Phillip Hallen, president of the Center for Effective Philanthropy and president of the Maurice Falk Mental Health Foundation, announced the birth of a new foundation in honor of Okurathe Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation.

Dr. Brown stated the foundation honors a lifetime of mental health and human service leadership by assuring



BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION — K. Patrick Okura, internationally known mental health advocate and former JACL National president, was joined by 200 friends and relatives at an Oct. 1 celebration of his 77th birthday at the Lakewood Country Club in Rockville, Maryland. Pictured (I to r) are Phillip Hallen; Okura's wife Lily; Okura; Dr. Bertram S. Brown, former director of the National Institute of Mental Health; and Tosh Hoshida, master of ceremonies.

that this new foundation will support new and promising young Asian American leaders who will continue to carry on Okura's work.

The newly created foundation plans to provide fellowships and stipends for promising Asian American professionals in the fields of mental health and human services. A planning board of directors will meet to outline the details of how this foundation plans to carry out its mission.

The board members are:

Bertram S. Brown, M.D., chairman; Phillip Hallen, Pittsburg, Pa.; Ford Kuramoto, Ph.D., Los Angeles; Mike Masaoka, Chevy Chase, Md.; William Marutani, Esq., Philadelphia; Harry Kitano, Ph.D., Los Angeles; Frank Sato, CPA, Annandale, Va.; Jin Kinoshita, Ph.D.,

Bethesda, Md.; Tosh Hoshida, Rockville, Md.; and Lily A. Okura, executive director, Bethesda, Md.

Lily and Pat Okura have donated \$25,000 to the Okura Mental Health Leadership Foundation and are committing substantial yearly contributions, as well as the \$20,000 in redress money each will receive in 1990. Generous contributions have been received since the announcement and birth of the foundation on Oct. 1, 1988.

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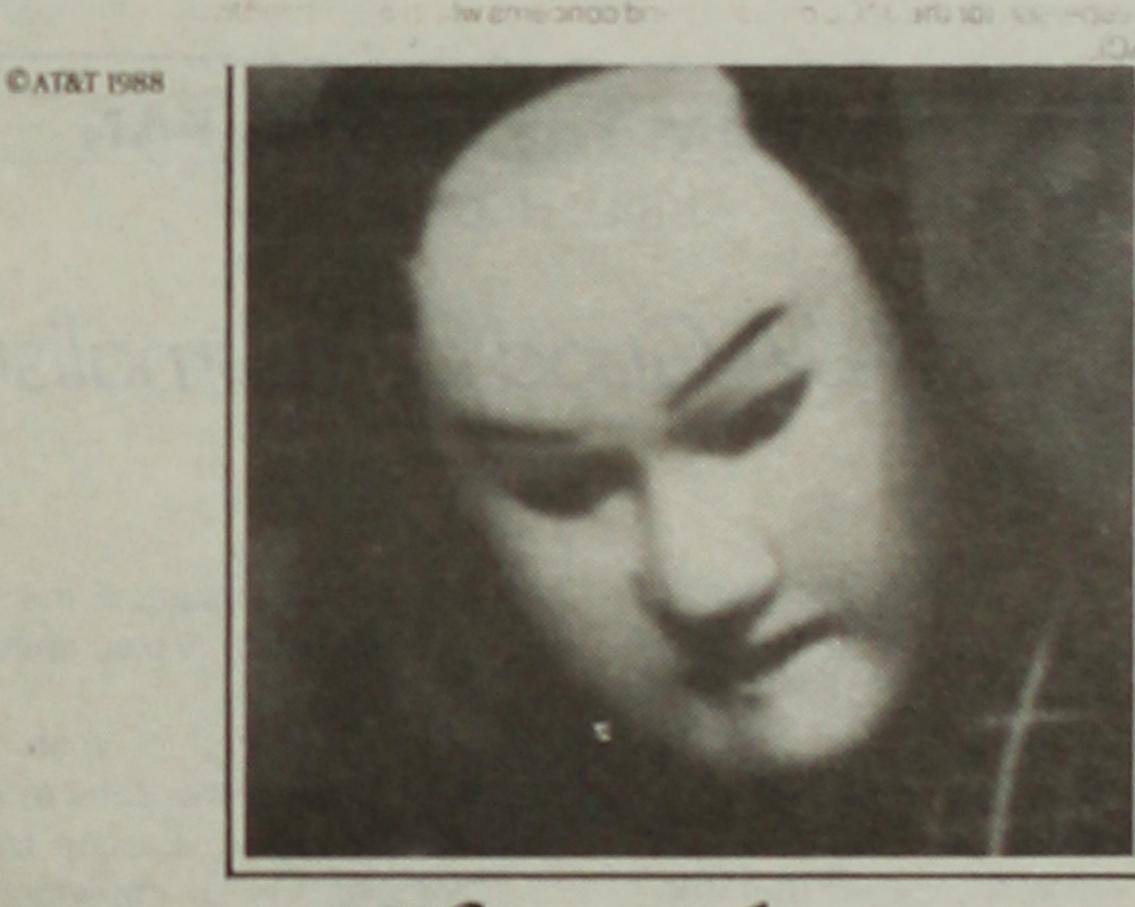


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Going Out on Top

A LL GOOD things must come to an end. In this case it is the tenure of Mike Mansfield as our ambassador to Japan. Named to the Tokyo post by President Carter in 1977, Mansfield has served in Japan longer than any previous U.S. envoy. Last week he announced that he and wife Maureen would be coming home before year's end. At age 85, his retirement is well-deserved.

Mansfield's service in Japan is distinguished by far more than length. Straightforward, sensitive, well-informed, he brought to Japan the wisdom and prestige gained in long years of service in Congress. He quickly recognized that the United States and Japan shared the world's most important bilateral relationship and every aspect of his stewardship was in furtherance of that tie.

Mansfield earned the respect and confidence of the Japanese. When he spoke, they listened. At the same time they were confident Mansfield would report their position fairly and with understanding to Washington.

U.S.-Japan relations have not been smooth at all times during his tenure. The problem of trade imbalance has persisted. Recurring Mideast crises, underscoring the vulnerability of Japan's petroleum sources, renewed U.S. demands that Japan bear a larger share of Free World defenses. Japan has been blamed unfairly for persistent American budget deficits.

Mansfield's unflappable presence kept these flare-ups in relations between friends from blowing up into full-blown crises. Ambassador Mansfield deserves a heart-felt "Well Done" from both the American and Japanese people.

FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

AAJA Good for Journalism

For those of us from other parts of the country, it's always something of a surprise to visit the West Coast and see all those Asian faces on television newscasts and Asian names in newspaper bylines.

Media organizations like the American Society of Newspaper Editors and the Associated Press Managing Editors Association have for a decade or more been concerned with hiring and advancing more women and racial minorities. Most of the effort has been with Blacks and Hispanics, undoubtedly because they make up the largest blocs among minorities. Unfortunately progress has been slow, except with women who make up an impressive percentage of newsroom staffs and are showing up in more and more executive positions.

Meanwhile, a young organization called the Asian American Journalists 'Association (AAJA) has been carrying on a spirited and effective campaign of its own to promote more and better media jobs for Asian Americans. Their relatively high visibility on the West Coast is only part of the picture. Witness the reports given by chapters around the country at AAJA's recent convention in Los Angeles:

Los Angeles chapter, 150 members; San Francisco Bay Area, 120; New York, 100; Seattle, 75; Sacramento, 40; Portland, 14; Dallas-Ft. Worth, 6, with a potential of up to 40; New England, 12. In addition there's a Washington, D.C. chapter for which no figures were given, and individual members elsewhere around the country.

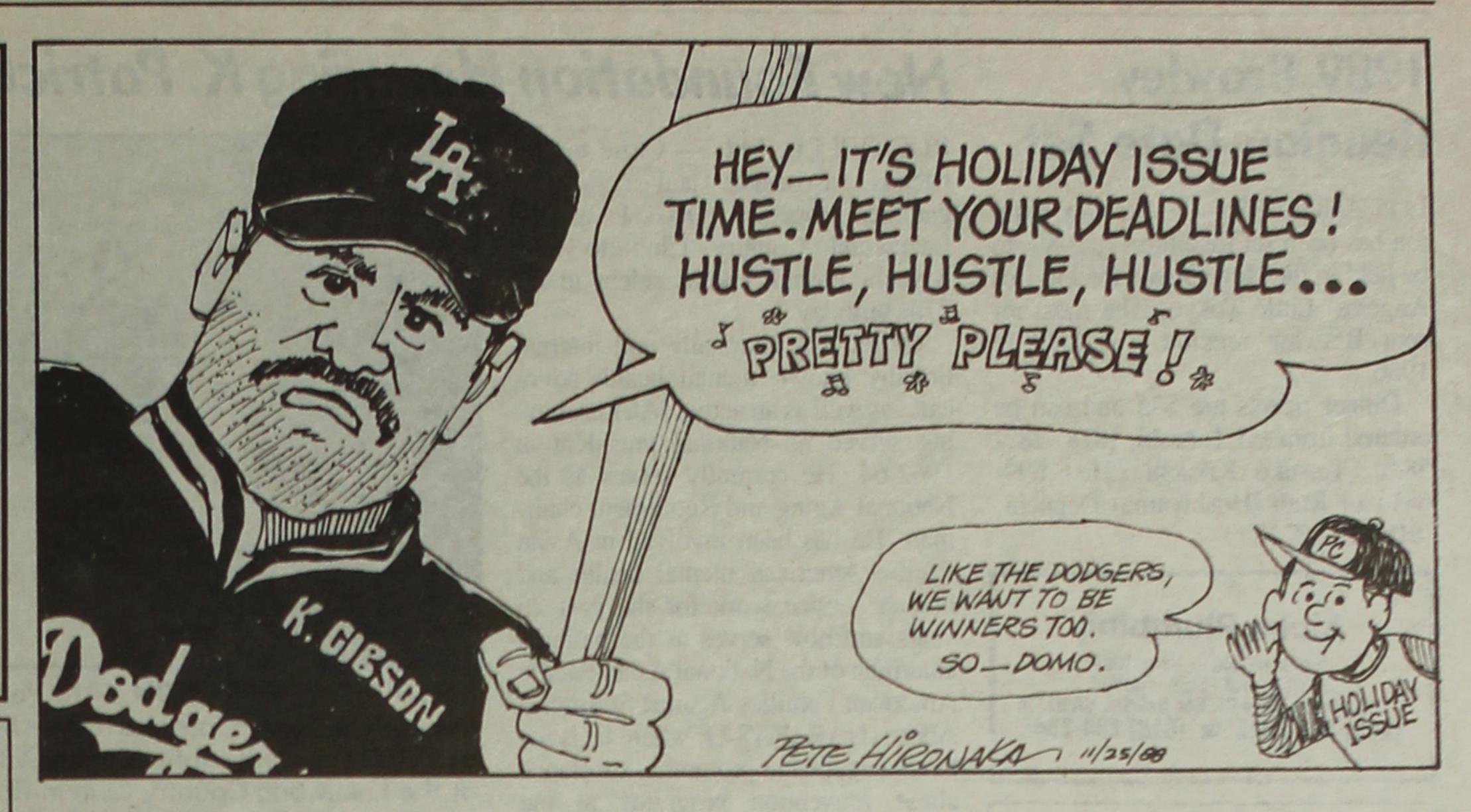
Of course not all the members are TV anchorpersons or editors and byline reporters for metropolitan dailies. But the members are impressive indeed in a profession that until fairly recently was very predominantly male and lily white.

One of AAJA's chief goals is to help other Asian Americans to enter the news profession. Raising money for scholarships is an important part of the program. The Los Angeles and San Francisco chapters have been particularly active while the national organization awarded more than \$55,000 in 1988. Is the program worthwhile? About 250 students applied for the scholarships.

AAJA's membership includes ethnic Chinese, Japanese, Koreans, Filipinos and others. AAJA came along at a particularly fortuitous time. The owners of television and radio stations and chains, and newspaper publishers and executives of chains—the people who have the ultimate control over media pursestrings—only recently became aware of the need to open up opportunities for minorities. Thus, many have supported AAJA in substantial measure, although more help is always welcome.

AAJA's scholarship program is recognition that once the doors to employment and promotion are cracked open, it is up to the individual to produce. For a long time it was the lament of editors that qualified minorities—people who could get the job done—just weren't available. Well, Asian Americans are proving that they can indeed get the job done, and AAJA is helping to make sure that more of them have an opportunity to get into the pipeline to responsible positions in the media.

Gives an oldtimer a good feeling about his profession which hasn't always been kind, fair or sensitive to minority needs.



College Would Focus on Human Rights

By Shosuke Yagi staff writer Mainichi Shimbun

Affluent, cosmopolitan Japan lags far behind other industrial democracies in protecting human rights. The solution, says educator Sueo Murakoshi, is a college devoted to the study of discrimination and civil rights.

Murakoshi teaches minority studies at Osaka City University and heads the Buraku Liberation Research Institute. The institute studies the causes of prejudice against Japan's largest minority, the "burakumin," and proposes remedies.

Outcastes Continue to Suffer

Burakumin are descendants of Edo period (1603-1867) outcastes, who were discriminated against because they performed hereditary occupations considered ritually impure, such as the slaughter and processing of animals. Although physically indistinguishable from other Japanese, they were forced to live in segregated settlements.

In 1871, the Meiji government legally abolished pariah status, but former outcastes, said to number about 3 million, continue to suffer discrimination in marriage, employment and housing. Many still live in 6,000 segregated communities scattered across Japan.

Murakoshi says his proposed college will not focus exclusively on burakumin problems but will train experts with an international perspective on peace and human rights. Operating outside the rigid hierarchy of mainstream universities, the unique institution will help revitalize Japan's conservative education system. It should also spur the teaching of human rights in undergraduate curricula everywhere.

"When I began teaching about discrimination 23 years ago, most students didn't have a clue what my course was about," Murakoshi says. "Many thought the term integration meant children's stories, which is pronounced the same in Japanese but written with different Chinese characters."

Classes on minority rights have gradually increased. A quarter of Japan's 1,000 universities and junior colleges now offer courses that in some way touch on human rights or social problems.

But few professors are specialists, and the courses lack substance. Many teachers consider them a diversion from their main academic interests.

Most colleges with human rights curricula are in western Japan, where burakumin ghettos are numerous. Many universities offer only a one-semester course.

"The University of Tokyo," Murakoshi says, "is at the top of the academic pecking order. Graduates are assured a place among the government or business elite. Predictably, the school does not support minority studies. A university worthy of the name should have courses about the age-long struggles of oppressed peoples to achieve liberty, social equality and happiness."

"If centers of learning shun that responsibility, then it is up to the public to shoulder it. We are calling for a

totally new concept in higher education," Murakoshi adds.

The project's timing also reflects changes in the anti-discrimination movement. Over the years, pressure from the Buraku Liberation League (BLL), a national organization, has forced the central and local governments to improve educational opportunities for buraku youth.

But young people who pass the battery of stiff entrance exams required by the nation's leading colleges tend to hide their identity. With academic or career success hanging in the balance, the pressures to deny one's background become overpowering.

"The brightest people leave the community, depriving the movement of young leaders," Murakoshi says. "By 'passing' as ordinary Japanese, they not only give in to discrimination but tacitly condone it. It's a defeat for all of us."

College Open to All Minorities

The human rights college will train buraku community leaders. Enrollment will also be open to other minorities, including Koreans, aboriginal Ainu and Okinawans. The school will admit ethnic minorities from the United States and other countries.

Murakoshi intends to establish exchange programs with similar institutions abroad, such as China's Central Nationalities Institute. He is also in touch with Black colleges in the United States and a university in India dedicated to the liberation of outcaste groups. Murakoshi expects to start with about 300 first-year students. By the fourth year, there should be 1,200 students, and that figure could climb to 1,500 if a graduate school is added.

As presently envisaged, the institution will have literature and social science departments, but the core curriculum will consist of philosophy and social studies. Emphasis will be on the problems faced by burakumin, national minorities, the physically handicapped and women.

Training will be offered in the major Asian and European languages. Murakoshi also foresees an adult-education program.

Planners are looking at sites in Fukuoka, Hiroshima and Osaka. Total costs are estimated at \$77 million. Most of the money will be raised by the BLL, local governments, religious and other organizations, and private donors, both in Japan and overseas.

Finding Jobs for Graduates

The biggest problem, according to Murakoshi, will be finding jobs for graduates. "One obvious source of employment is the 2,000 BLL branches throughout the country. Each local office can probably hire at least one graduate. We would also like to place a human rights specialist in every municipality and in companies with more than 100 employees."

Murakoshi hopes there will be strong public support for the institution. "We need a new approach to learning, one that makes human rights a household word."

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JOHN HAYASHI

The JACL Midwest District: Nikkei in America's Heartland

Indianapolis, Chicago, neapolis/St. Paul, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Detroit, Cleveland, Dayton and Cincinnati. What do these cities have in common? Cities bidding for the 1992 Summer Olympics? Potential sites for the 1996 JACL National Convention? No, none of the above. In these metropolitan areas covering seven states in the nation's heartland are the nine chapters of the JACL's Midwest District. Each chapter goes by the name of its city except Minneapolis/St. Paul and Indianapolis, which are known as the Twin Cities and Hoosier Chapters respectively.

The Midwest District of the JACL has approximately 1,750 members in its nine chapters, ranging from 60 members in the Hoosier Chapter to 800 in the Chicago Chapter. The JACL regional office is also in Chicago, where current acting National Director Bill Yoshino has served as regional director for over 10 years. On the district level, I am currently serving my first term as district governor, with April Goral of Milwaukee as first vice-governor, Tom Hara of Twin Cities as second vice-governor and Jeff Koshi of St. Louis as district youth representative.

Although the relocation camps in Rowher and Jerome, Ark. brought many Japanese Americans from California to the Midwest and eventually to the Midwestern cities where they located permanently, many Midwest District members are native to the Midwest, especially among Sansei. non-Asian and youth members. Midwest District JACL members are therefore a unique mixture of native Californians, native Midwesterners, Issei, Nisei, Sansei, Yonsei and non-Asian Americans all living in a part of these United States where Americans of Japanese descent are a relatively small percentage of the population. The protection and furtherance of Japanese American civil rights and a common interest in the Japanese American heritage and future in the Midwest brings these individuals of diverse backgrounds together within the framework of the JACL.

The Midwest District members' enthusiasm, hard-work and common interest to promote JACL and Japanese American goals was best exemplified during the redress efforts and the Vincent Chin tragedy. In each of these

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Careless Error

Bill Hosokawa is no Japanese language expert, but he knows that the Japanese word for August is Hachigatsu, not Shichigatsu, as he wrote in his Nov. 4 Frying Pan column. Such carelessness is inexcusable. BILL HOSOKAWA Denver, Colo.

Doubting the Credit

I question whether Ronald Reagan truly deserves much credit for his lastminute support of the redress bill. Redress was earned through the winning combination of dedicated community activists, savvy lobbyists, and the Japanese American members of Congress, and not granted by any extraordinary act of presidential goodwill. While the president in the end may have sympathized with the cause, the irony of the final outcome is that even after all the years of dedicated lobbying and public education efforts, the final task for the passage of redress required the governor of New Jersey to enlighten the native Californian president with a long-overdue lesson in recent California history.

The facts remain that the Reagan administration was opposed to redress from beginning to very near its end, and the last-minute reversal can be attributed to several political factors. Republican presidential candidate George Bush had endorsed the redress bill while campaigning in California on June 6, before Reagan announced his reversal. According to interviews conducted by the Miami Herald, the president's closest aides advised Reagan not to risk "an all-but-certain veto override" in the heat of a presidential election year (Herald, June 26, 1988, p. 3A).

The unprecedented rejection of Dan Lungren as the California state treasurer nominee also played into the politics of redress. The rejection effort was led by Asian American civil rights advocates, and Lungren paid the price for his controversial opposition to monetary reparations. The Lungren episode reinforced the political presence of the Asian American constituency in California, and influenced the endorsement of redress by Bush, and eventually, by Reagan.

In short, redress was a political victory. But it can also be seen as the affirmation of a dynamic spirit of community activism and the rejection of quiet assimilationism. Let us give credit where deserved, and only where deserved.

AL MURATSUCHI Washington, D.C.

Spreading the Credit

In his letter last month, Mike Masaoka tried to give virtually all the credit for the enactment of the redress bill to the JACL-LEC's Grant Ujifusa. The only other person he mentions is Grayce Uyehara, also of the JACL-LEC. It seems to me that it is fairly self-serving for Masaoka, the best known of JACL's leaders, to make such an unfounded claim.

As a JACL member and former president of the Golden Gate Chapter, think the JACL, including Grant Ujifusa and Grayce Uyehara, can rightly be proud of playing an active role in getting the redress bill passed and signed. But it was far from a one man or single organization show. We won precisely because the active support for redress went far beyond any single individual or organization.

In the first place, I find it hard to believe that Masaoka fails to even mention Congressmen Norman Mineta and Robert Matsui, and Sen. Spark Matsunaga, who, along with many others in Congress, played undeniably critical roles in getting the bill passed. Obviously, President Reagan couldn't have signed the bill if it never passed in Congress. I think it is safe to say that without the efforts of these leaders, we couldn't have won our great victory.

In the second place, I think it is inaccurate and petty to dismiss the tens of thousands of letters written to President Reagan and members of Congress, and the testimony and lobbying by hundreds of people. When Reagan had to decide whether to sign the bill or not, I think it would have been difficult for him to ignore the at least 20,000 letters and mailgrams he received urging him to sign the bill. No matter what individuals talked to him, if there was no broad support for the bill among the public or in Congress, signing the bill might not have received serious consideration.

While some leaders complain about the supposed "apathy" in the community, it seems that too often these leaders are unwilling or unable to recognize and credit grassroots people when they do play an active role. Unfortunately, some leaders seem to feel when anything happens, it must be because of what they themselves did, not what everyone accomplished by pulling together. I think that it was, in fact, the enormous and unprecedented grassroots outpouring from the community that convinced many community leaders and organizations, including the JACL, to actively take up the redress battle, despite their early doubts about whether it could succeed.

Finally, if letter writing and lobbying had almost no effect, as Masaoka seems to claim, then why did the JACL-LEC itself call on the community to write letters, send mailgrams and do lobbying on behalf of the bill?

Other groups that did as much for redress, or more, than the JACL, have not tried to take all the credit for the redress victory. Nor have they tried to dismiss or belittle the efforts of the JACL or any other group. Instead, they have tried to work cooperatively with members of Congress, 442nd/100th/ MIS veterans, JACL, the coram nobis legal teams, NCJAR, various Asian American and other organizations that supported redress. As the JACL contemplates its future and considers why its membership has been in decline, the question of attitude toward working with other groups and toward the community itself is something to keep in

Lastly, I think that unless other JACL leaders speak up and clarify the matter, most people will assume that Masaoka is speaking, unofficially or otherwise, for the JACL.

DONNA KOTAKE San Francisco, Calif.

Suggestions for Finding Social Justice

As an active member of the Korean American Coalition, I would like to make some suggestions . . . regarding the KAC/JACL Community forum, which on Nov. 12 discussed controversial issues affecting Asian American communities.

In order to help people escape the realm of social injustice, we all must sacrifice a substantial amount of time and energy to form a concentrated and collective power to achieve what we truly want and need.

Many Asian Americans who hold higher degrees do not receive adequate placement or reasonable compensation in the job market. It's up to community members to support them by writing letters to the board of education and meeting with either government officials or board members to correct the situation. We should educate and inform people to be tactical and apply planned strategies while job searching.

Although many Asian Americans do not vote, we should encourage them to exercise this basic political right. We can do so by educating them about how to participate more in the American political system. Asian Americans can take a more active role by writing letters to government officials, paying personal visits to political authorities and forming groups to express the concerns of our communities.

To promote understanding between minority groups, we should train and hire bilingual counselors for Asian Americans in the secondary education school system. In Gardena High School, for example, numerous fights have broken out between Korean and Japanese American students due to their socio-economic differences and stories about Japanese brutality towards Koreans during Japan's colonization of Korea for 36 years.

Communities should also make an effort to understand the culture and tradition, political and religious backgrounds, of other ethnic groups.

Asian Americans must also understand the oppression taking place within our communities. Many Asian American women accept their oppressive roles within the traditional family structure and while employed with Asian-owned businesses because they have been taught to behave obediently and subserviently to men. We need to educate our communities on the importance of each gender's role at work and at home. Asian American women can also be taught leadership skills at community-sponsored seminars.

All of us want to be accepted in mainstream America. And maybe some day we will be recognized and understood for who we really are.

GRACE YOON Los Angeles, Calif.

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PAULA MUNE Lower Lake, Calif.

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instances, JACL members worked together to build coalitions in furtherance of JACL goals. As a result of these events, the district is now well educated in both the legislative and judicial processes and what influence the JACL can exert.

Redress lobbying of the 14 U.S. senators and 97 members of the House of Representatives representing the JACL Midwest District area, especially in the absence of a large Japanese American constituency in these states, was not a simple task. Under the guidance of Henry Tanaka, district redress chair, and the redress chairs in the nine district chapters, funds were raised, contacts were made throughout the district and adjacent states and the redress bill was finally passed.

The Vincent Chin trial and appeals emphasized the anti-Asian violence issues for Midwest District members. The case showed what roles the JACL can play in civil rights issues and what can be accomplished with coordinated efforts.

As the JACL begins to face new issues in the future—declining JACL membership, anti-Asian violence, and U.S.-Japan relations, for example the Midwest District feels well prepared to handle those issues. Despite a strong West Coast influence, the JACL is alive and well in the Midwest. If you get the chance, come visit anytime and see for yourself.

For the Record

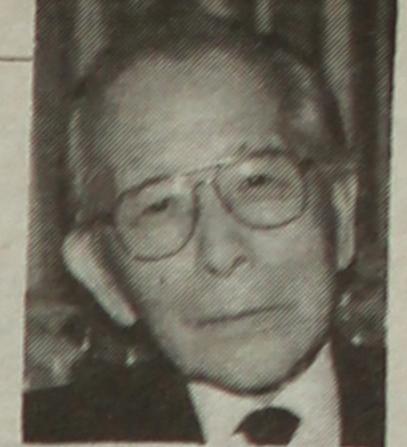
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MOSHI MOSHI

JIN KONOMI

There Never Was a Hideyoshi Toyotomi



The current Japanese practice of rearranging Japanese names vis-a-vis westerners has been so long established that it almost looks natural, and is taken pretty much for granted. So much that it has actually become a rule, though unwritten, of the Japanese grammar.

While it is not unique—the Hungarians do as the Japanese—it is unique in the Far East. The Chinese, Koreans, Vietnamese and Burmese do not, although some of them who are resident in American do so. Ling Yu-tang, who was resident for a time and wrote best sellers in America, and U Thant, the Burmese statesman who served as secretary general of the United Nations for 10 years, never rearranged their names.

In my fifth year in grade school my cousin, who was in middle school, taught me to write my name in Latin script. I asked him why I had to write my name backwards. He said, "Because the Americans and Englishmen do so." I thought it was no answer, though I did not press the point. I have never ceased to wonder why.

There is speculation that it is the vestigal reminder of the Rokumeikan

In 1880 Inouye Kaoru, the minister of foreign affairs, ordered built a sumptuous building (by the standard of those days, that is) expressly for the purpose of providing a place for the Tokyo Society—practically created ad hoc-to socialize with the foreigners. From its opening in 1884 to 1887, when it was closed, it was the nightly scene of dinners, dances, games and other recreational activities in the western manner. It became the name and symbol of the age in which the Japanese overzeal for westernization reached heights of absurdity, creating the image of the Japanese as servile, fawning sycophants of the westerners.

It would be just dandy if it were true, although I am inclined to disagree. Japan is one of the best documented countries in the world, yet it is a curious fact that no records of the first cases of name rearrangement are extant, and nobody knows how or when this important culture change came about. For that reason my speculation is that it took place at lower levels-in trade and academic rela-

More important, however, is the re-

thinking that is taking place regarding the propriety and moral implication of the practice.

Why should the Japanese rearrange their names, just for the convenience of the westerners? Why shouldn't westerners learn that Japanese names follow the family name first and given name last formula?

Fukuzawa Yukichi, the great educator of the early years of the new regime, and founder of the Keio University, never adopted the new fad. Neither did Enomoto Takaaki, the first minister to Russia.

The Romajists, the advocates of replacing kanji-kana writing with the Latin alphabet, have steadfastly observed the old Japanese formula. Far East magazine has maintained the Japanese formula ever since its inception some 30 years ago. In an essay, "Haruo Suzuki is No More" (Bungei Shunju, Nov. 1982), the writer gives the reasons why he changed his calling cards to "Suzuki Haruo." He puts forth the most telling argument: Legally, "Haruo Suzuki" does not exist.

For that matter, he says, there never was a Hideyoshi Toyotomi or Iyeyasu Tokugawa. After this essay appeared, Mr. Suzuki reports, one in 10 of his friends followed his example.

In the 1930s, I used to meet quite a few visitors from Japan whose calling cards put their family names before given names.

The most powerful push, however, seems to come from American writers. My recent reading of Edwin O. Reischauer (My Life Between Japan and American), David Bergamini (Japan's Imperial Conspiracy) and Frank Gibney (Japan: The Fragile Superpower) called my attention to the problem. They seemed to be saying that the Japanese have no reason for rearranging their names to please the westerners. I went to a little branch library and found the following authors of similar persuasion: John Whitney, R.H. Manson, J.G. Caiger and Christopher Mar-

I intend to go back to my boyhood way of writing Japanese names. But please do not misunderstand me. Japanese Americans have no reason to rearrange their names. They are Americans, living in the American cultural milieu. What they are using are their legal names.

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Present—The Wash, a film written by Philip Kan Gotanda, directed by Michael Uno and starring Mako and Nobu McCarthy, Laemmle's Grand, 345 S. Figueroa. Info: 213 617-0268.

Nov. 26—The 20th Annual People's Potluck, 4 pm, 1766 Seabright Ave., Long Beach-Harbor Community Center. Sponsored by the Asian American Student Association of CSULB alumni to celebrate Asian American Studies and student activism. Entertainment: Benny Yee, Atomic Nancy, and Visions. Admission: \$5 plus food for 4. Info: Sher Maimoni, 213 546-5002 or Don Fujita, 818 369-6229.

■ Nov. 25, 26 & 27—"Japan Expo '88," trade and cultural exhibition, Los Angeles Covention Center, 1201 S. Figueroa. Admission: \$5, adults; \$3, children. Info: 213 533-6000.

■ Nov. 29—Curry House Weller Court 5th Anniversary Celebration, 11 am-2 pm, 123 S. Onizuka St., Suite 306 (outside of restaurant). Rain: Weller Court, 2nd fl. Fee: \$1. Proceeds benefit City of Los Angeles Special Olympics Team. Info: 213 620-0855.

■ Dec. 1—"The Cambodian Community in Southern California," a forum sponsored by Leadership Education for Asian Pacifics (LEAP), JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. 5:30 pm, reception. 6:30-8 pm, panel presentation. Registration: \$15, non-LEAP members; \$10, current LEAP members. \$20 at the door. Info: J.D. Hokoyama, 213 485-

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■ Dec. 3—Asian American Drug Abuse Program's (AADAP) People's Party, 7:30 pm-midnight, Consolidated Plaza (formerly Parkview Women's Club), 3725 Don Felipe Drive. Fee: \$12 by Nov. 25, \$15 at door. Checks payable to AADAP, 5318 S. Crenshaw Blvd., L.A. CA 90043. Specify number of desired tickets, amount enclosed, name, address and phone number. Info: 213 293-6284.

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■ Dec. 4—Second Annual Koi Auction, Cal State Long Beach, Earl Burns Miller Japanese Garden. 12:30 pm, koi preview. 1 pm, auction, conducted by the Zen Nippon Airinkai Koi Club of Southern California. Admission is free. Info: 213 985-4126.

■ Dec. 6—Amnesty International USA reception for the Asian American community in honor of Human Rights Day, 6:30-8:30 pm, JACCC, 244 S. San Pedro St. Info: 213 388-1237.

■ Dec. 8—Glenn Horiuchi and his trio, the Loa, 3321 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica, 8:30 & 10:30 pm. Cover charge: \$5. Info: 213 829-1067.

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■ Jan.3-March 7—"Japanese Ceramics— Advanced," UCLA Extension, MOA Ceramics Studio, 8554 Melrose Ave., West Hollywood. Section 1 meets on Tuesdays, Jan. 3-March 7, 9 am-noon; section 2, Tuesdays, 7-10 pm. Instructor: Keikichi Sato. Fee: \$225, plus materials. Info: 213 206 206-8258.

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■ Jan.4-March 9—"Japanese Ceramics— Beginner's," UCLA Extension, MOA Ceramics Studio, 8554 Melrose Ave., West Hollywood. Section 1 meets on Wednesdays., Jan 4-March 8, 7-10 pm. Section 2 Thursdays, Jan. 5-March 9, 9 am-noon; Section 3, Thursdays, Jan. 5-March 9, 7-10 pm. Instructor: Keikichi Sato. Fee: \$225, plus materials. Info: 213 206 206-8258.

■ Jan 9-March 20-"Japanese Papermaking: Cast Paper and Decorative Techniques," a 9-session UCLA Extension course, Extension Art Studio, 1450 2nd St., Santa Monica, Mondays, 7-10 pm. Instructor: Yoshio Ikezaki, Fee: \$215.

■ Jan. 9-March 15-"Japanese Flower Arrangement," offered by UCLA Extension, MOA Studio, 8554 Melrose Ave., West Hollywood. Sections 1 & 2: Mondays, 10 amnoon and 3-5 pm. Sections 3 & 4: Wednesdays, 10 am-noon and 3-5 pm. Instructor: Kayoko Maekawa, Sangetsu School. Fee: \$165. Info: 213 206-8258.

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■ Present-Dec. 6—"The Streets of Dai Fau: Arnold Genthe's Photographs of San Francisco's Old Chinatown," New York Chinatown History Project, 70 Mulberry St., 2/f. Hours: Sun.-Fri., 12-5 pm. Info: 212 619-4785.

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■ Dec. 3—"Visions of an Asian American Writer," an afternoon with Philip Kan Gotanda, 10 am-2 pm, Film Arts Foundation, 346 9th St., 2nd floor. Admission: \$15, NAATA and FAF members, \$20 non-members. Sponsored by the National Asian American Telecommunications Association, with funding provided by the San Francisco Foundation and the Zellerbach Family Fund. Info: Chrys Fa, 415 863-0814.

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■ Dec. 17 & 18—"Mochitsuki," 12 noon-4 pm, Buddhist Church Gym, 640 N. 5th St. Asian American Social Club participating. Volunteers needed to make mochi. Orders being taken to buy mochi. Dinner afterwards to be arranged at a local restaurant. To volunteer: Berdi Oshidari, 408 289-1067, or Susan Nakamura, 408 448-5445. Info: Yu-ai Kai, Japanese American Community Senior Service, 565 N. 5th St., 408 294-2505.

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pm.Info: 206 363-6338.

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■ Dec. 3—"New Horizons VI," dance to benefit Keiro Nursing Home sponsored by Seattle Japanese Gardeners Association, Seattle Buddhist Church, 1427 S. Main St., 9 pm-1 am. Music by the Continentals. Info and tickets: Kaz Nakata, 206 246-8975 or Tosh Tokunaga, 206 722-3456.

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Nakajo has stated that there has been no written or verbal communication between himself and Woo since the winter of 1987, when the two met to discuss the reassignment of one of Nakajo's classes to another instructor. This fall, Nakajo's remaining section was also reassigned to another instruc-

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quoted as saying that Woo has a "personal vendetta." His grievance is being handled by the California Faculty Association and a faculty rights advocate is seeking a mediation session between Nakajo and Woo. A group calling itself the Steve Nakajo Support Committee is mounting a campaign to have supporters write letters to Philip Magee, dean of Ethnic Studies, Robert

Corrigan, president of San Francisco State and copies of the letters to Woo.

Nakajo is the executive director of Kimochi, Inc., a Japanese American senior citizens' service group. He was the co-chairman of San Francisco's 1988 Cherry Blossom Festival, but was removed after controversy relating to the elimination of the women's beauty contest.

Namba Elected Florin Chapter President

SACRAMENTO — Attorney Curtis Namba was elected Nov. 1 as 1989 president of the Florin Chapter of the JACL, replacing 1988 President Richard K. Uno. Serving with Namba as chapter officers for 1989 are Titus Toyama, president elect; Richard K. Uno, first vice president; Carol Hisatomi, second vice president; and Andy Noguchi, third vice president.

Other officers include: Bill Kashiwagi, Commission on Aging; Alfred Tsukamoto, historian; Fumi Okamoto.

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Following the election meeting, a video tape of the CNN television program "Cross Fire" with Mike Masaoka and Lillian Baker giving their differing views on the redress law was shown.

The installation dinner is scheduled for Jan. 21, 1989 at the Fuji Restaurant, 13th and Broadway. Cocktails are at 6 p.m., with dinner from 7 to 8 p.m. The Florin Chapter meets the second Monday each month at the Florin Buddhist Church Annex, 8320 Florin

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CHICAGO

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• Christmas Dinner Dance, Dec. 17, Alondra Country Club, 16400 S. Prairie Ave., Lawndale. 6 pm: No host cocktails. 7 pm: Dinner. Cost: \$22; after Dec. 10, \$25. Music by Taka. Hosted by Orange County members. Info and reservations: 714 637-9274 or 213 477-6997 or 714 893-2158.

JAPAN

 Christmas party dinner/dance, Dec. 10, 6-9 pm, Cafe Bon Cinq, Akasaka Twin Tower basement. Features a live band, buffet, door prizes and raffle. Reservation deadline: Dec. 1. Members, ¥5,000; non-members, ¥6,000. Exit Toranomon station (Ginza Line) & walk back toward Akasaka (10 min.) Info: Barry Saiki, (03) 503-6451 or Bert Fuji, (03) 321-5141.

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- Holiday Luncheon Party for all seniors in the San Mateo area, Martin Luther King Center, 725 Monte Diablo St., Dec. 13, 11:30 am. Participants are asked to bring a \$5 gift for a gift exchange. Info: 415 343-2793.

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 Mochi-tsuki, Dec. 18, 2-5 pm, Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church, 6601 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda. Children, \$3.50; JACL Members, \$5; non-members, \$7. Info: 703 683-0214.

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