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Beach Party, Welcome Reception on Tap as San Diego Openers June 17

By Robert P. Ito

The 31st Biennial National Conven-I tion is just around the corner, June 17 - 23rd. San Diego Princess Resort is the site. The San Diego Convention Planning Committee has been hard at work for the past two years coordinating the various planned activities.

Volunteers will be needed the entire week, starting with the Beach Party and Welcome Reception to be held in conjunction with our annual picnic on June 17th. The picnic will be held at Ski Beach across from the San Diego Princess Resort. Delegates and their families will be attending and participating in our games such as the geta and gunny sack races, balloon toss, and other family fun events. Yes, this is Father's Day so what would be a better way to spend it than out at the annual picnic with delegates and their families from across the country. Under Carol Kawamoto's command there might even be some special Father's Day games and prizes for just the Father's in the group.

CONVENTION UPDATE

A bento lunch is being planned for the delegates. So help will be needed to help distribute the lunches. More importantly, is our hospitality that we can show by inviting some of the delegates and their families to your picnic area. Most of the delegates will not be bringing umbrellas to shield them from the sun, so it would be awfully nice if we could all just make available some room in your area for a few extra families. Let's show that San Diego welcomes the delegates by making that extra effort to start the convention with a GREAT WELCOME!

There will be the usual business session conducted that you may or may not want to attend. But there also will be workshops that may be of interest to you. Topics such as U.S. Japan Relations, Leadership Development, Financial Planning for Retirees, Longrange Planning, Youth Involvement in will be taking place Monday through Wednesday (June 18-20). If you want to just attend some of the workshops the cost is only \$35.

day night at a cost of \$40 per person Dr. Peter Irons will be the guest Sayonara Ball (dinner and dancing) at the magazine of the American Associa cost of \$45 per person. San Diegans ation of Retired Persons. the individual event.

day National Golf Tournament to be crash of early October 1987, the Senate held Wednesday and Thursday at the bill never got to the floor for a vote in Rancho San Diego Golf Course. The the first session of the 100th Congress. hole in one prize is either \$10,000 or It was April 19, 1988, when Sen. a new car. The cost for the tournament Matsunaga made his floor speech for is only \$125 for JACL members and passage of "A bill to accept the findings



ROBERT ITO-1990 National JACL Convention Chair.

cludes cart, green fees, prizes, snacks and drinks, and the award lunch. You can sign up by completing the Convention Registration Form or by contacting Glenn Tsuida, Golf Chairman at (619) 425-6560 for additional registration

What would a convention in San Diego be without a bowling night and a deep sea fishing trip. On Thursday night, a Family bowling Fun Night is planned and on Friday a deep sea fishing trip is scheduled out of Seaforth Sportfishing. Tady Lures will be donating jigs for all those that go. Gary Ishida is coordinating the Bowling Night and Mike Ito is skippering the fishing trip.

In 1966 when the last National Convention was held in San Diego the community came forward and hosted successful events. It is hoped that again the community will come forward and participate, volunteer, and do whatever you can to make this upcoming Convention in 1990 just as successful.

For more informnation on the Convention, please contact the San Diego office at (619) 230-0314.

In Tribute to Sen. Spark Matsunaga:

Initiated Probably More Statutes of Benefit to Those of Japanese Ancestry'

By Mike M. Masaoka (For Pacific Citizen)

When in the light of thought I ask Myself; Just who am I and what, What Lasting imprints good or ill,

Have I for future mortals wrought? 'Tis then my pride in vainness cries, My ego ebbs to naught from high, And sadly do I realize

The plight of many a soul as I; Be born, to live, to suffer, die, Unseen, unheard, unknown, unknelled;

Like chips upon a checkerboard No choice, no will, resigned, compelled!

This was the sad lament then composed by Lt. Spark M. Matsunaga, who was recuperating at the time from wounds in an hospital near the Battle of Hill 600, Monte Cassino, Italy, in winter of 1943-44 with the 100th Infantry Battalion (Separate), then attached to the 34th Red Bull Division, of the Fifth United States Army in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

But how wrong he was.

Between his tragic passing early Easter Sunday, April 15, 1990, and his frustrating thoughts on that historic Italian mountain top almost half a century earlier, this wounded Nisei veteran who thought that he would never be able to under his GI Bill for military service make any contribution beyond his battle and he was on one of his many trips record, which would be much more to Washington to lobby for statehood than most would be able to give even for the deserving Territory of Hawaii. in the best of circumstances, would I had heard of this eloquent young Nisei construct one of the most remarkable, officer from some officials of the War constructive, and inspired lifetimes in the proud epic of Japanese Americans.

Though the hundreds of obituaries, editorials, news stories, and special articles that were carried in the publications and other media throughout the world, and especially in the United States and Japan, paid tribute to many of his better known accomplishments, including the Pacific Citizen, the official national weekly of the Japanese American Citizens League which featured his magnificent career, there is much more to the Matsunaga saga than any could summarize or even hint at. I certainly do not begin to have the credentials or the credibility to do so, even though in my autobiography They Call Me Moses Masaoka, I singled him

"[A]s a legislator whose skills and interests lie in many fields. He has initiated probably more statutes of benefit to those of Japanese ancestry than any other American Japanese member of Congress. In addition to being a poet in two languages, he was the principal sponsor of the National Peace Institute Foundation. He has been a close friend and is recognized as probably the hardest working member of Congress. Author of two published books, he has honored me by introducing me to visiting Japanese and others as his Nī-san, 'big brother,' "

. . . probably remembering that I was exactly one year and one week older than he.

Then I first met Spark, he was VV attending Harvard Law School Relocation Authority who wrote about this Purple Heart veteran from the 100th Battalion who spoke better English than most of us mainlanders in the 442nd and was attached to the Military Intelligence Service at Fort Snelling, Minnesota. Though he spoke more Japanese than the average West Coast evacuee, he was considered too valuable and important to us to be sent to the Pacific, since he was speaking practically every day to some group of citizens in the midwestern and southern communities about the un-American evacuation, relocation, and detention of his fellow Japanese Americans and convincing them of the righteousness of his pleas.

I recall that he was credited with about 500 presentations in less than two years, all of which were well received and believed because he was an impressive and handsome wounded officer of the Red Bull 34th Infantry Division, most of whose personnel were from Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, etc. Wearing his captain's dress uniform, with his rows of medals, decorations, ribbons, patches, etc., and reading his press publicity stories of storming the hills around the monastery of Cassino and trying to cross the angry Rapido River with his comrades-in-arms from the 1988 was the year the senator was hav- 34th; his persuasiveness and charm ing recurrent colds or flu symptoms and won over many a midwesterner who was absent more than he had ever been had never seen a Japanese person be-

> Islands and on the mainland. He dis- election when he tried for the National abused me early of the myths held by Continued on Page 8 so many of us mainlanders that there

was no prejudice or discrimination against the Japanese in Aloha land and that harmony and goodwill were the practice among all of the peoples and races there.

He once revealed that when he was in junior high school in Kauai he complained to his civics teacher, who happened to be from the east coast, about the discrimination and injustices which he felt the Japanese had to endure in Hawaii. He then learned the meaning of democracy and the republican system of government. Even then, in the late Twenties, when few dreamed of statehood, young Matsunaga proclaimed that when he grew up he would be a United States Senator from the State of Hawaii and that he would legislate fairness in the laws for every citizen regardless of race, color, creed, etc.

After working his way through high school as a stevedore and warehouseman, he continued to work his way through the University of Hawaii to his Bachelor's Degree in Education as a laboratory assistant, earning Phi Kappa Phi, Pi Gamma Mu, and Real Dean honors, while also winning a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the ROTC. After his graduation in June 1941, he volunteered for the Army since he had a premonition that there might well be war between the United States and Japan. He was sumarily rejected, but he joined with hundreds of other young Nisei and insisted upon the right to serve his country. When Reserves and National Guardsmen of Japanese origin in the Territory of Hawaii were activated into the 100th Infantry Battalion in the spring of 1942, he received his commission and joined what became the segregated 100th Battalion whose only non-Nisei officers were white. Subsequently, when the 100th Battalion became the First Battalion for the 442nd, he became a member of this segregated military unit. Thus, he learned early many of the problems faced by the 442nd with its officers only whites policies, as well as those of the black troops in World War II.

When he received his honorable discharge, he found that he was one of the few, if not the only individual, to have served in the 100th, in the 442nd, and MIS. After almost two years as a veterans' counselor of the United States Department of the Interior in Honolulu, he became the Chief, Priority Division, of the War Assets Administration, there. After about a year in that civil service post, he decided to go to law school, which he did in 1948. Receiving his LLB from Harvard with honors in 1951, he became the Assistant Public Prosecutor in Honolulu for two years. He entered private practice in 1954, when he was elected to the Territorial Legislature (House). He was elected House Majority Leader in 1959, when Hawaii gained admission as the 50th State. He was unsuccessful in running We discussed the problems facing for the Lieutenant Governor's chair in those of Japanese origin in both the the State's first election, but he won

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Remembering Sparky in Action:

JACL, Biracial Families, and others That Day in Conference June 14, 1988, Reconciling the House-Senate Bills

By Grayce Uyehara

The JACL Award Banquet is Mon- The photograph accompanying this L column was taken on June 14, 1988, in Senatur Spark Matsunaga's ofspeaker. The Masaoka Award Dinner fice by David Walberg, a freelance is Wednesday night at a cost of \$35 photographer from Chicago who came per person. Then on Friday night is the to Washington for Modern Maturity,

aren't expected to stay at the hotel but Rep. Barney Frank (D-Mass.), Sen. your support of the convention would Matsunaga and I were working on the be appreciated by attending one or all conference bill—putting together a bill of these dinners. You can register by which reconciled the House and Senate simply completing the Convention redress bills. The House bill passed on Registration Form and signing up for Sept. 17, 1987, but unfortunately, with pressure on the budget bill and the un-For the golfers, don't forget the two expected intrusion of the stock market

\$150 for non-JACL members and in- and to implement the recommendations

of the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians."

None of us present in the gallery will forget his impassioned story about life in the camps and his total commitment to winning redress. He broke down and could not speak. The minority leader on this bill, Sen. Ted Stevens of Alaska, came to Sen. Matsunaga's rescue and took over on the floor to give Mr. Matsunaga time to recover.

The floor discussion took up the whole next day before the vote. Sen. Matsunaga managed the floor throughout the long day. I seem to recall that

Last month I was interviewed live on John Hockenberry's evening talk show, "Heat," after Hockenberry summarized Sen. Matsunaga's leadership

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Wave of the

By Patti Adachi

The Chicago JACL Chapter recently passed resolutions supporting two American Indian civil rights issues.

The first issue involves the University of Illinois' use of an American Indian mascot. American Indian organizations have been asking the U of I to eliminate this mascot on the grounds that it reinforces stereotypes of the American Indian. They are deeply offended by the use of their sacred dance, drums, and dress as entertainment during football and basketball games. The U of I officials have refused to eliminate the mascot.

"We have things in our culture that are important to us, as you have things in your life that are important to you," said activist James Yellowbank to the JACL chapter board of directors. "What we are asking is for the University to respect us as human beings."

The second issue involves the Chippewa Indians of northern Wisconsin who are fighting to exercise rights guaranteed in treaties signed with the federal government over 100 years ago. After decades in which state game wardens prevented the Indians from hunting, fishing and gathering on lands which once belonged to them, these rights were finally reaffirmed in a 1983 federal court decision.

In the last few years, the Indians have been verbally and physically assaulted by members of anti-treaty organizations. At times, hundreds of such opponents gather on the boat landings, shouting racist epithets such as "Save a walleye, spear a pregnant squaw!", referring to Indians as "timber niggers", and throwing rocks and ballbearings.

sists the solution is for the Indians to make them difficult to understand, the exchange these rights for cash or gov- U.S. Supreme Court ruled last month. ernment services. Said Chippewa Walt Bresette, "Indians win rights, whites of a 66-year-old Filipino who was debeat up Indians; therefore the only so- nied a job with the Hawaii Department lution is for the Indian to SELL rights. of Motor Vehicles because of his heav-What ever happened to the enforcement of laws?"

Yamasaki and the Rev. Michael Yasutake are founding members of the Indian Treaty Rights Committee. Both volunteered to be "witnesses for nonviolence" and went up to northern Wisconsin to help ensure the safety of the spearfisherman. Several other JACL members plan to witness in the next week.

There are many parallels in the experiences of Japanese American and American Indians. Both have suffered from forced evacuation and incarceration and have been victims of racial discrimination and negative stereotypes. American Indians are now facing a formidable movement to abrogate their treaties. Aware that our battle for redress would not have been won without the support of non-Japanese American individuals and organizations, the Chicago Chapter believes that JACL, as a civil and human rights organization, should support these issues.

The Chicago Chapter is seeking Midwest District Council support for Chippewa Indian treaty rights and plans to present a resolution at the National Convention in June.

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CHALLENGER MEMORIAL CAMP—Los Angeles County Supervisor Mike Antonovich (left) joins Dottie Yoshino, who represented astronaut Ellison Onizuka, and Barry Nidorf, chief probation officer, at the "launching" of the Challenger Memorial Youth Center in the Antelope Valley. Antonovich said members of the ill-fated Challenger Space Shuttle are to serve as role models for young people, to inspire them to be the best that they can be.

U.S. Supreme Court Rules:

Foreign Accent by Asians Can Be Civil Service Job Barrier

WASHINGTON — Asian and other immigrants may be refused employ-The Wisconsin state government in- ment and job promotions if their accents munities have decried the decision, say-

The court refused to hear the appeal ily accented English. The lower court had ruled that the DMV did not violate Chicago board members Joy the 1964 Civil Rights Act, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of na-

Asian Attorneys to Hold First Midwest Conference

MINNEAPOLIS — Midwestern Asian Pacific American attorneys will hold their first conference May 4-6 in this city's Embassy Suites Hotel. The Minnesota chapter of the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA) and the Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Chicago Area (AABA) are cosponsors. The conference is presented in cooperation with the JACL Twin Cities Chapter.

Panel discussions include diversity in the Asian Pacific American community, the civil rights agenda for the 1990s, and the glass ceiling for women and minorities. Steve Cooper, commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Human Rights, is keynote speaker at a dinner to be held at the Village Wok

The conference originated as an outgrowth of the first organizational conference for NAPABA held in Chicago in October 1988. "We found that the members of the Asian Pacific American legal community in the Midwest, were, in many cases, encountering the same concerns and working toward goals common throughout the region. We hope that by initiating interaction between Asian Pacific American attorneys during this conference, there will be a greater likelihood of cooperative organization throughout the Midwest region," explained Sandra S. Yamate, vice president of AABA and NAPABA central region governor.

For information, contact Terry M. Louie, (612) 725-3855 or Sandra S. Yamate, (312) 641-1555.

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tional origin, race, sex or religion.

Advocates for immigrant coming that employers may use it to discriminate against those who have accents they simply do not like.

Stewart Kwoh, executive director of the Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California, told the Los Angeles Times that his organization had received complaints from several Chinese-born engineers who work at aerospace firms and believe they have not so long ago. been kept at mid)level positions because of their accents.

groups and is so diverse now that if we play favorites, if we start choosing the accent we like as the standard, . . . gets very dangerous," Kwoh said.

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JACL Brief in Vietnam Fishing Case, Says 'Don't Repeat Mistakes' of 1948

SAN FRANCISCO—On April 10, the the purpose of national security in the filed an amicus curiae brief on behalf of Vietnamese American fishermen being prosecuted for fishing based upon a 200-year-old statute barring non-citizens from owning or operating commercial fishing vessels on the ocean. The fishermen are U.S. permanent residents.

National JACL President Cressey H. Nakagawa filed the brief on behalf of the organization. It was developed in cooperation with Nakagawa's law office and the JACL Washington office.

"The statutes challenged by the appellant Vietnamese fishermen represent another installment in the history of discrimination against Asian immigrants, and like other laws which exclude Asian Americans from the fundamental opportunity to earn a living. They should be struck down," argued the brief.

The brief pointed out that Japanese American fishermen helped open up the San Francisco and Monterey Bay fishing industries, the same areas the defendants in the present case fished.

Like the Vietnamese, Japanese American fishermen were discriminated against because of their race and immigration status. The brief cited Takahashi v. Fish & Game Commission (1948), a Supreme Court case that overturned California state fishing license requirements designed to bar Issei fishermen from the same industry

While the law in the present case is a federal one, the JACL asserts, its jus-"Los Angeles has so many different tification and its effects are the same.

The federal law being enforced by the U.S. Coast Guard against the Vietnamese American fishermen was originally enacted some 200 years ago for

Japanese American Citizens League era of wooden ships and sails. Yet the Coast Guard seeks to defend its enforcement against the tiny fishing boats operated by the immigrant fishermen on the same basis.

The JACL brief questioned the validity of this national security pretext. "when the targets are singled out on the basis of their immigration status, when they pose no real security threat, and when there is little evidence of enforcement of the law against others."

Noting that similarly spurious claims of national security had been used to justify the mass relocation and incarceration of Japanese Americans during World War II, the brief urges the court, "to examine national security claims against the reality of the existing situa-

The brief notes that it took 46 years for redress to be provided for the relocation and that the JACL undertook the redress campaign largely to ensure that no other group would face a similar fate. Enforcing this law would allow a repetition of the injustices confronted and overcome by the Issei fishermen 42 years ago. The brief concluded:

"Now, some 42 years after the Supreme Court's opinion in Takahashi, Appellant Asian immigrants are confronting a similar legal barrier to the full exercise of their rights as residents of the United States. We urge this Court to consider the lessons of our history. We did not pose a threat to national security. We helped build and expand a strong California fishing industry. And we became citizens when the law allowed it. We urge the Court to halt enforcement of the challenged laws so that Vietnamese American fishermen can again participate in the American economy."

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Peace Corps to Focus on Asian **American Recruits**

From the Korea Times

LOS ANGELES — The Peace Corps will focus its recruitment efforts on minority groups, especially Asian Americans, according to Paul D. Coverdell, national director of the worldwide development.

Coverdell said the Peace Corps wants to ensure that all Americans have the chance to benefit from the volunteer experience.

About 2,000 Asian American Peace Corps volunteers have served in 99 developing nations since the agency's first countries, he added.

teers are Californians, far more than MIS president. from any other state.

Other benefits include work experience at a high level of responsibility "that is recognized by employers," priority for federal jobs and student loan deferments scholarships, Townsend said.

Applicants must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, be in excellent physical condition and have a skill or degree in an appropriate field. There is no upper age limit.

For more information, call Townsend at (213) 209-7444.

No. Calif. Athletes to Compete in 1990 PSW Nisei Relays

SANTA ANA, Calif.— A Northern California contingent is expected to participate at the 39th annual JACL Nisei Relays on Sunday, June 24, at Rancho Santiago College (formerly Santa Ana Jr. College), it was announced by Carrie Okamura, Relays co-chair and Orange County JACL president.

The last time a team from Northern California competed in the Pacific Southwest District JACL track and field meet was as a statewide meet of champions in 1980, in a North-South duel which began in 1978 at the West Los Angeles College oval. The series ended in 1981 because of travel expenses. The 1990 meet is not a regular state meet, Okamura emphasized.

"However, our expectation is that an official, separate state meet will be reinstated in 1991 with Northern California hosting the state meet," she

Registration forms will be available shortly at the JACL Regional Office, 244 S. San Pedro St., Rm. 507, Los Angeles, CA 90012, (213) 626-4471, or the JACL chapters. Entry deadline is June 9; the fee is \$8 per athlete.

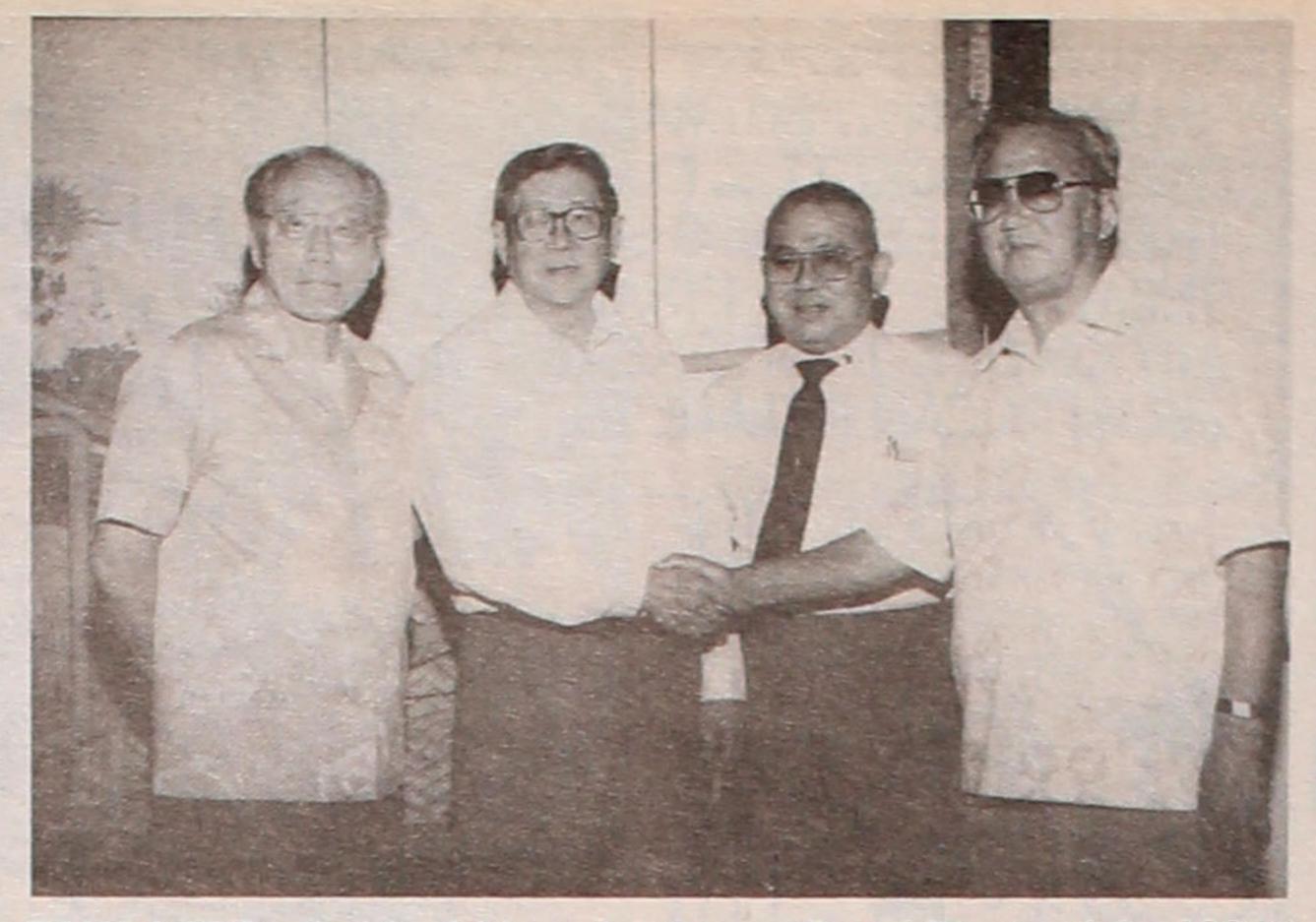
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group was assigned to Ghana in 1961, TRUE HERO—On April 11, at the Annual Board Dinner of the 100th/ according to Joanne Townsend, the 442nd Veterans Association, Hiroshi "Hersey" Miyamura announced agency's public affairs manager. Cur- his acceptance as a member of the Board of Trustees of the newly rently, about 150 Asian Americans are formed 100th/442nd/MIS World War II Memorial Foundation. Miyamura among 6,300 volunteers serving in 68 was visiting Los Angeles to be interviewed for the coming presentation on Heroes, a TV series honoring Medal of Honor winners. He was a More than 126,000 volunteers have member of the 100th Battalion during World War II and then won his served in the developing world since Medal of Honor during the Korean War. Miyamura stated that he was the program was established by the late honored to be asked to serve as a Trustee of the Foundation. Mr. President John F. Kennedy 29 years Miyamura (2nd from L) is shown here being congratulated by Ben ago. More than 17,000 former volun- Tagami, 100/442 Veterans president, Col. Young Kim (L) and Jim Mita,

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa. — Ten South- had been interrupted by Evacuation to east Asian students will be awarded col- continue with their careers by assisting lege scholarships of \$1000 each at a with college placement, the obtaining ceremony May 15 at the 15th and of scholarships, housing and counsel-Cherry Sts. offices of the American ing. More than 3500 Nisei were assisted Friends Service Committee. The by the council. awards will be given by the Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund (NSRCF), an organization based in Connecticutt dedicated to helping Southeast Asians to continue their educations. The NSRCF carries on the spirit of a group which extended a helping hand to Nisei students nearly 50 years ago.

Principal guest speaker will be Thomas R. Bodine, a former staff member of the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council, who visited all ten relocation centers to interview prospective student relocatees in his capacity as the field representative of the Council. Mayor W. Wilson Goode will extend the city's welcome.

Also participating in the awards ceremony will be Lafayette Noda, President of the NSRCF, and Matthews Hamabata, Dean of Haverford College. Herbert J. Horikawa, Director of the Temple University Counseling Center, will act as master of ceremonies. Several members of the national board of NSRCF will attend the ceremony, including Kay Yamashita, who worked with the wartime Student Relocation Council in Philadelphia.

In making the awards, the NSRCF is returning to its spiritual roots. The NSRCF was formed in 1980 by Nisei who were helped to continue their own educations by the National Japanese American Student Relocation Council. The wartime council, which was founded by the Philadelphia-based American Friends Service Committee, enabled Nisei students whose education

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to List 73 Names of Nisei War Dead BLACKFOOT, Idaho—The JACL In-

JACL Minidoka Project Memorial

termountain-Idaho Centennial Minidoka Relocation Project has added 20 more names to its memorial plaque listing the Nisei GIs from this camp who gave their lives during World War II for a total of 73.

Hero Shiosaki, who has been working with the Idaho Centennial Commission and the Bureau of Reclamation the past few years on the dedication, now set for 11 a.m., Saturday, May 26, acknowledged the Pacific Citizen's article with 54 names in the Dec. 1, 1989. issue which culminated in the additional names. The IDC will host a reception at George K's Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Rd., Twin Falls, following the ceremony.

Responding to the article were Arthur Doi, Sacramento; Mas Fukuhara, Seattle; Harry Inukai, Hood River; Mas Odoi, Spokane (then of Federal Way, Wash.); Bill Oda, San Jose; Sakae Ogawa, Hayward; and Calvin Oba, New York.

The plea was made after research at the Jerome (Idaho) Historical Library (near the campsite), it was noted "over 60 Nisei GIs" from Hunt were killed in action. Here is the updated honor roll: MINIDOKA CAMP HONOR ROLL

Eugene Takasuke Amabe, Robert Ando, Jack Asakawa, Robert Tsuyoshi Endo, Yasuo Peter Fujino, Peter Fujiwara, Edward Yukio Fukui, Fred Eichi Haita, Tom S. Haji, Ben Kayji Hara, John Hashimoto, Eugene Hayashi.

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Yoshito Noritake, Stanley T. Oba, Isao Okazaki, Takaaki Okazaki, Ken Omura (Pacific), Ken Omura (Italy), Satoru Onodera, Yohei Sagami, Tsukasa Saito, Shin Sato, Tadao Sato, Yukio Sato, George Katsuya Sawada, Toll

Tetsuo Shigaya, Masao Frank Shigemura, Jimmie Toshio Shimizu, Manzo Takahashi, Jimmy Takeda, Shoichi Takehara, Jim Yutaka Taketa, William Peter Taketa, Masaru Richard Tamura, Matsusaburo Matt Tanaka, Senji Tanaka, George Utaka Tatsumi.

Theodore Watanabe, Setsuro Yamashita, Goro Yamaura, Hideo Yasui, Shigeo Yoshitake.

Participants at the dedication include the Jerome High School band, a busload of visitors from Seattle and another

group from Spokane, Shiosaki addea. There is still time (until May 12) to contribute to the dedication project and be acknowledged in print in the souvenir program. Donations should be mailed to: JACL-IDC Minidoka Memorial Project, c/o IDC treasurer Bob Endo, 339 S. Grant, Pocatello, ID

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The sessions will be led by Lorraine Yamamura, Ph.D. They are sponsored by the Assistance League of Southern California Western Region Asian Pacific Agency. For reservations and more information, call Carolyn Okazaki, (213) 445-4224.

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A JACL View on U.S.-Japan Trade

s an American organization concerned primarily with domestic issues, the Japanese American Citizens League does not have a position on foreign policy matters such as U.S.-Japan trade problems.

JACL President Cressey Nakagawa made this clear recently as he began an address before a conference of Japanese diplomatic, consular and business officials in Atlanta, Ga. Then he proceeded to speak frankly about the actions of Japan and Japanese business in the U.S. that reflect badly on Americans who look Japanese.

The text of Nakagawa's speech was published in full in the April 13 issue of Pacific Citizen. Its underlying theme was that the Japanese need to be more sensitive to the concerns of Americans and Japanese Americans.

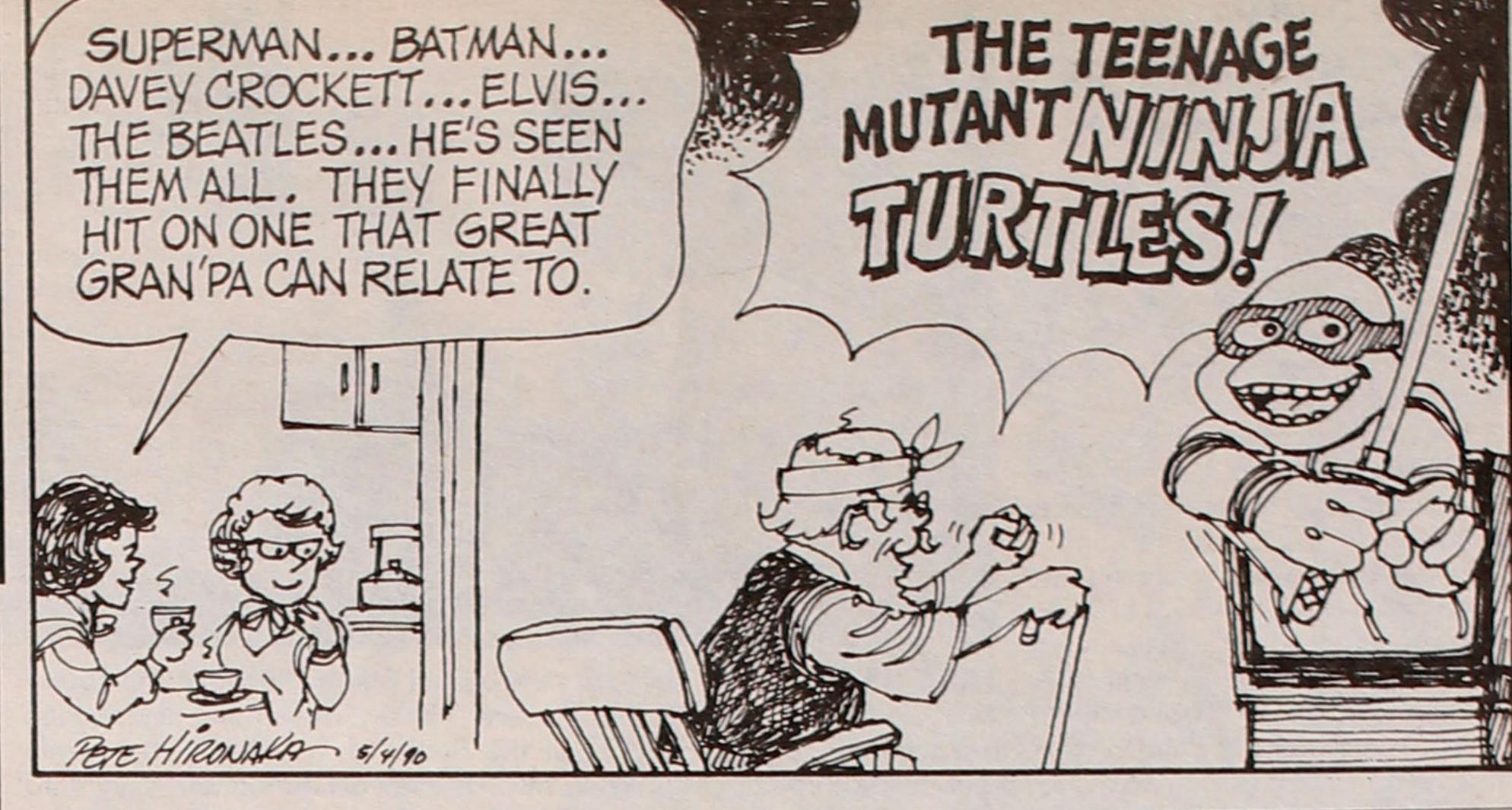
"Because the Japanese from Japan seem to go out of their way to create the potential for a negative backlash against Japanese Americans," Nakagawa said, "older Japanese Americans do not feel inclined to get involved in the merits of the issues surrounding U.S.-Japan relations."

The reaction to Nakagawa's straight talk has been encouraging. Some of those at the conference asked for a text to be shared with constituents. Others said they had had their eyes opened to a situation of which they had been unaware. A number of Pacific Citizen readers have commented favorably on publication of the full text.

The significance of Nakagawa's address is that a dialogue has been opened between prominent Japanese in the United States and a significant segment of the Japanese American population. While their citizenship and professions differ, they share the commonality of appearing the same. Therefore, what one group does can affect the other in profound ways.

The perception of arrogance or insensitivity on the part of Japanese businessmen reflects unfavorably on Japanese Americans. On the other hand, the historical accomplishments of Japanese Americans has smoothed the way to acceptance for Japanese business.

Japanese Consul General Shunji Yanai in San Francisco initiated the dialogue by inviting Nakagawa to speak. Nakagawa's response was to express clearly and forthrightly what many Japanese Americans had been complaining about only among themselves. The dialogue has begun. Let it continue with even greater candor in the interest of understanding and mutual benefit.





FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

Food for Thought at a Restaurant

A t a local restaurant the other day we noticed that the fork set out on the table with knife and spoon had a bit of the previous user's lunch still stuck in the tines. That's not a sight to stimulate appetites or respect for the establishment, but it seems to happen not infrequently.

The next time the waitress swished by I held up the fork without a word.

"Oh," she exclaimed. "You got something extra." Without another word she took the fork away and brought another one. No apology. No expressions of embarrassment. End of incident, to be regarded casually as though it was a routine happening, which probably it was.

You know how an incident like this would be treated in a restaurant in Japan? The waitress would be mortified, there would be a lot of bowing, and a string of apologies like: "Domo gomen nasai. Shitsurei itashimashita. Moshiwake arimasen. Honto ni sumimasen deshita. Domo, domo, domo, domo." And chances are the manager would come over to extend his regrets

that the honored guest had been offended.

If the Japanese apology is overly profuse, it hardly gives the impression of lacking sincerity. Chances are they're really, truly sorry they goofed. (Of course this wouldn't happen in a Japanese styled restaurant which provides pristine chopsticks.)

On the other hand the casual attitude of the American waitress, which we've come to expect and tolerate, would be highly offensive to a Japanese tourist. "Namaiki na onna (insolent woman)," he might mutter, "baka ni shiteru (she takes me for a fool)." Chances are the attitude, rather than the lack of sanitation, would be the more offensive.

Differences in culture and perceptions between Americans and Japanese can create and have created misunderstandings and bruised feelings. One example from true life has to do with the Japanese teenager who is a guest in an American home. He has been told to consider himself one of the family and help himself to anything he needs.

The day is warm and he becomes thirsty. Instead of going to the re-

frigerator, as his hosts expect him to do, he does what he would do at home in Japan. Continuing to lounge in his chair, he says, "Give me coke."

From his point of view this is a perfectly proper request. He thinks in Japanese that he would like to have a soft drink, so he composes a sentence mentally in Japanese, then translates it into English. The Japanese sentence was a polite "Coke wo kudasai," and its proper translation is "Give me coke," which is what he says from the depths of the easy chair.

What he doesn't realize is that what he thought was a polite request comes out as an arrogant demand. He doesn't realize that he should have gone to the refrigerator himself, or said, "May I have a coke," or "Please give me a coke." In his ignorance he makes himself to appear as a demanding foreigner, and his hosts may repeat the story to their friends and before long an entire people is being criticized and Japanese students become unwelcome.

Incidentally, how did you react the last time the remnants of someone else's meal showed up on your fork?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Mi Casa No Consul

I enjoyed Cressey Nakagawa's speech (P.C. April 13) very much. He had some important things to say and said them in a manner not quite so namaiki as some other JACLers have in the past.

But he and the P.C. should note that a consulate as well as a consulate general refer to the office. The person who runs the office is the consul or consul general. Thus both the editor's note and Cressey's first paragraph used the improper form. The plural of consul general is consuls general. And if you're referring to several offices, it's consulates general.

REIKO MURATA San Francisco, Calif.

Time for a New Program

Now that the Communist nations have been all but written off by some persons as a threat to the Free World, the more vociferous elements in our society can turn their full attention to the popular sport of Japan-bashing. The historical significance of next year's 50th anniversary of the Pearl Harbor attack and the beginning of the redress payments to Japanese Americans incarcerated in internment camps during World War II will not be lost on such forces. Look for a spate of analogies between the military threat of the '40s and the economic menace of the '90s.

To diffuse such tirades before they have telling effect, it would be advisable to start now with a project designed to build understanding between the people of our respective nations.

I have in mind the establishment of scholarships, grants and internships for the

people of our countries, with particular consideration given to the relatives of victims on both sides of World War II.

Consider, if you will, the impact of a student at Tokyo University whose great uncle perished in the Bataan Death March. Similarly, the cousin twice removed of someone who died at Nagasaki might study in one of America's leading universities.

Japanese corporations, U.S. and foundations dedicated toward better relations between the two nations could take the initiative in achieving this goal. The understanding which could develop would be more valuable than the project's cost.

JOHN J. KUMPEL West Hempstead, N.Y.

Point of Clarification

Mrs. Carl (P.C. April 13) raked me over a few coals for my "diatribe" against Beekman's article which she found "interesting and thoughtful."

I never implied nor intended to give the impression that anyone asking a Nikkei where he/she is from should be put down. It was merely to point out that our physical appearance sets us apart.

In the internment camps Mrs. Carl cited, how many American citizens of German and Italian ancestry were incarcerated in them? Probably none. How many of the Japanese aliens would have been American citizens in 1942 had they been allowed to become citizens? Probably a goodly number. So to try to equate the internment of German and Italian nationals with our incarceration is tenuous at best and a denigration of our experience at worst.

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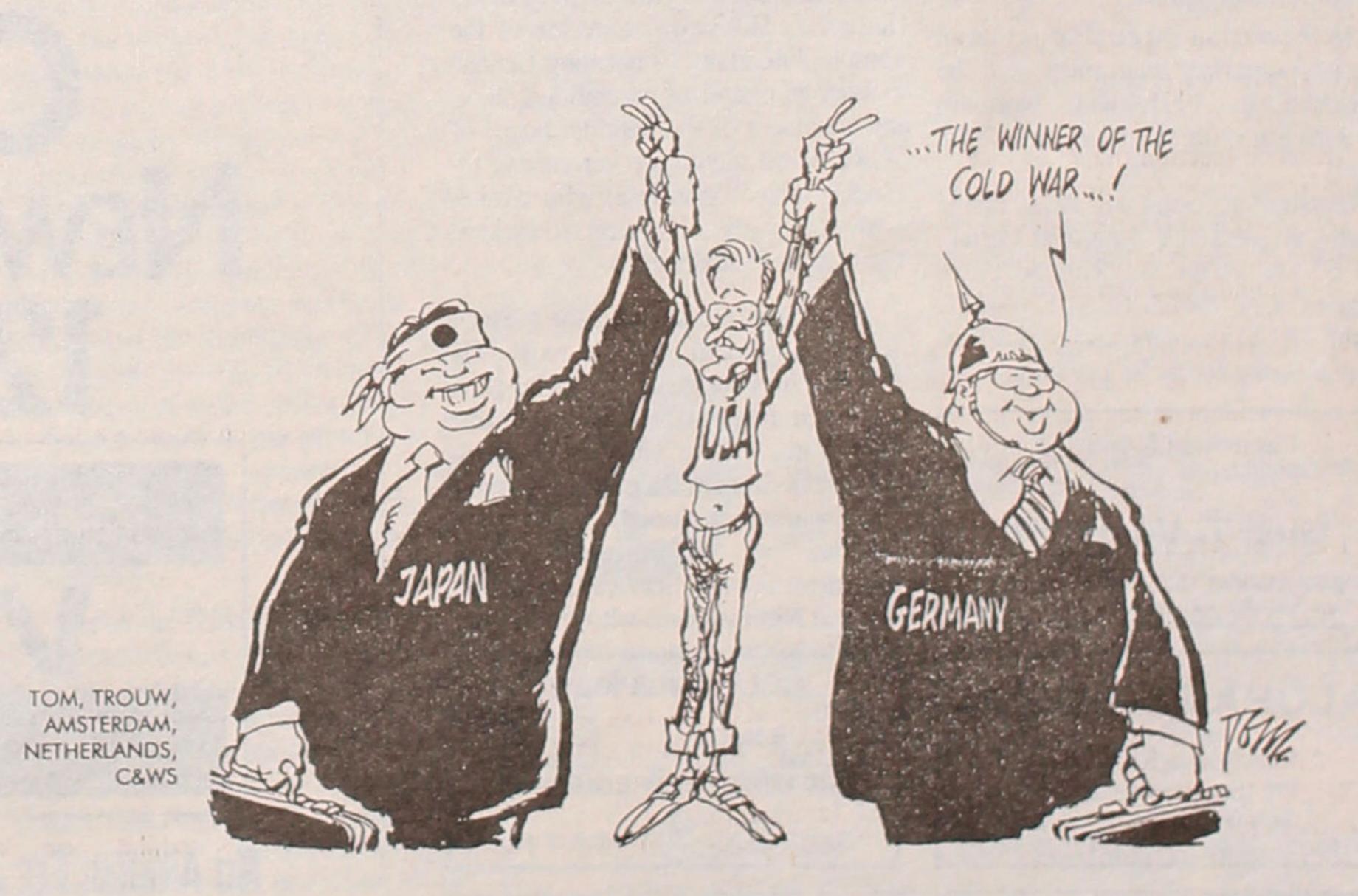
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SHIGEO YUGE Los Angeles, Calif. MONITOR



FORTY PERCENT OF THE American people believe that Japan is not a dependable ally, down 11 points from a year ago.

EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT of American opinion leaders believe the U.S.-Japan security pact contrib-

-from a Gallup poll, conducted in Feb. for the Japanese Foreign Ministry

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PANELISTS-Mei Nakano, Margene Fudenna and Diana Akiyama.

Oakland Museum - NJAHS Exhibit Symposium:

Japanese American Women Recall Camp-Related Experiences

From the Hokubei Mainichi

OAKLAND, Calif. — A standingroom-only crowd of more than 500 heard a panel of five Japanese American women speak of their experiences relating to the wartime incarceration, on Feb. 24 at the Oakland Museum Theatre.

jointly by the National Japanese American Historical Society and the museum in conjunction with the exhibit has been drawing a record number of tion." viewers.

On a stage flanked by huge sprays of spring blooms, the first three generations of Japanese American women were represented by Hisako Hibi, an Issei; Phyllis Hirata Mizuhara, Kiku Hori Funabiki, Mei Takaya Nakano moderator Alice Kajitani Nakahata, all Nisei; and Margene Fudenna and the Rev. Diana Akiyama, both Sansei.

A warm camaraderie developed among the panelists as they shared their stories, uncovering poignant as well as tragicomic memories of camp life. Some deep emotions surfaced even from the Sansei women, who were born after World War II.

They recalled their painful journey as they tried to piece together a tainted history of their parents. Because their parents were not forthright in telling the significance of the camp experience, Sansei perceived that there was something essentially wrong with themselves

Audience reaction indicated that interest in the camp experience of nearly 50 years ago is still alive. Said a Nisei woman after the program, "Thank you for the laughter and tears."

Hisako Hibi, a soft-spoken Issei whose art work is widely shown, related an incident in the Tanforan Assembly Center that is still unsettling to

"I was sketching the scenery one day in Tanforan when a guard snatched away my drawing pad," she said. "To this day, I do not understand why."

Hibi continued to draw and paint, and some of her works depicting camp life are now displayed in the exhibit.

Adolescent's Recollections

Phyllis Mizuhara was an 11-year-old who was crestfallen at having to give away her Shirley Temple doll as she and her large family were given orders to leave for camp. They were detained in Poston, Ariz. without their father, who had earlier been seized by the FBI as a prisoner of war.

"As an adolescent developing into Japanese heritage. the barrack to the latrine.

Mizuhara also told of her return to her home in San Bernardino after the camp's closure. "None of my classmates asked me where I was during the three years that I was gone. I felt hurt but relieved at the same time that I didn't have to put a guilt trip on them."

Kiku Funabiki, who was detained at The symposium was the first in a Heart Mountain, Wyo., injected a bit series of seven events being sponsored of humor when recalling the lack of privacy. "We no longer had private bathrooms, but rows of latrines facing each other which had no partitions "Strength and Diversity: Japanese either between the rows or seats, re-American Women, 1885-1990," which ndering me constipated for the dura-

> She added wryly that it was an apt metaphor for the condition of the Nisei. Then, as a small apology, she said, "If we seem to be indulging in indelicate talk, it is because our lives were reduced to such a low level."

> On a more serious note, Funabiki read a poem about cases of unnecessary deaths and mental breakdowns that occurred in camp.

"You will hear stories of good times and leisure by former internees," she told the audience, "especially from farm women who had struggled for their existence while raising many children. We all tried to make the best of a dismal situation.

"But stop and look at the big picture. What a price we had to pay for those good times as we remember horrible tragedies as those cited in the poem. What a price we all paid when none of this should ever have happened in a democracy.

"So for a certain Japanese Canadian (former Sen. S.I. Hayakawa) to declare publicly that the camp experience was a 'vacation' is an obscenity."

A Camp Wedding

Mei Nakano was still a tecnager when she was interned. Shortly after settling in the Amache, Colo. camp, she became a young bride.

She added a light touch as she described her wedding. "The wedding was an event to which many crashers drifted in for lack of something better to do. Our wedding gifts were items such as towels and soap from the camp

But she faced heart-rending situations after she became a mother. "Health problems for the newborn were legion. My own child, for instance, had been afflicted for six weeks with dysentery from the time of birth and was not expected to live. My sister's first child died during delivery.

'Most of these ills were cae to grossly inadequate medical care, poor diet, and stress."

Denial of Heritage

Margene Fudenna was raised in an all-white community and grew up an "all-American girl," denying her

young adulthood, I felt so embarrassed The camps were always used rather all the time at the loss of privacy, having candidly by her parents and their peers to live in one room with so many of as a reference point—"I haven't seen us," she said. Her mother fashioned a so-and-so since camp," or "We used to crude commode out of a gallon can for have things like that in camp." But there her to use because of the distance from were never stories of hardship or shame.

"It was not until eight years ago, when I attended the hearings given by the Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment (of Civilians), that I first realized that the 'relocation camps' that my folks referred to were in actuality prisons with barbed wire, watch towers and armed guards," she said. "To protect us, they left out a whole lot."

She continued, "I wanted to give a donation to a community group working toward redress and reparations, but couldn't bring myself to give them my name. I feared divulging my Japanese name because it might mean that 'they' would come to get me."

Fudenna finally signed a mailing list after attending every hearing scheduled in San Francisco. "That signature began a recovery process for me. I slowly began to reassess my life to accept who

Diana Akiyama is an Episcopalian minister with a degree in clinical psychology. Her father is a Nisei, her mother Caucasian. She recalled living with racist taunts as a child in Hood River, Ore., a community openly hostile to Japanese Americans then:

"I remember when in the third grade, a particularly bad day of taunting from white kids. I was walking home from school and harboring thoughts that I would not allow these kids to conquer me because if they went too far I would kill them. Imagine the circumstances which made a child so young react with such violent thoughts.

"I didn't tell my parents because I thought it was my fault that I was being taunted."

As a young adult in college, Akiyama, struggling to establish her racial identity, began to realize that her father's silence was a critical factor in her quest and had an intense discussion with him one day.

"I told him that we Sansei struggle to have a loving racial identity because the Nisei's silence about a significant part of their past, the camp experience, gave us nothing to build on. Like Margene, there was a conspiracy in the omission.

"Because I was so impassioned he finally spoke. 'Maybe we don't talk about it because we feel ashamed, like it was somehow our fault, as some rape victims feel.' "

"I will never forget that conversation because it revealed such a raw wound from the racism of the camp experience. I cry when I tell this story, not only with my tears but my father's. They are also tears for all the silent mouths and dry eyes."

After her emotional presentation, Akiyama summarized the program. From her professional point of view, she stressed the need for Nisei to tell their stories, since silence, denial and their damaging effects seemed to be a running theme in the discussion.

Openness, as painful as it might be, is an imperative to begin to heal the scars, to become whole and to affirm who we are—Japanese American," she said, citing the importance of making connections between those stories and the dynamic of racism in this country.

"Forums such as this provide an atmosphere for openness," said Akiyama, who announced that she has begun to organize support groups in the community.

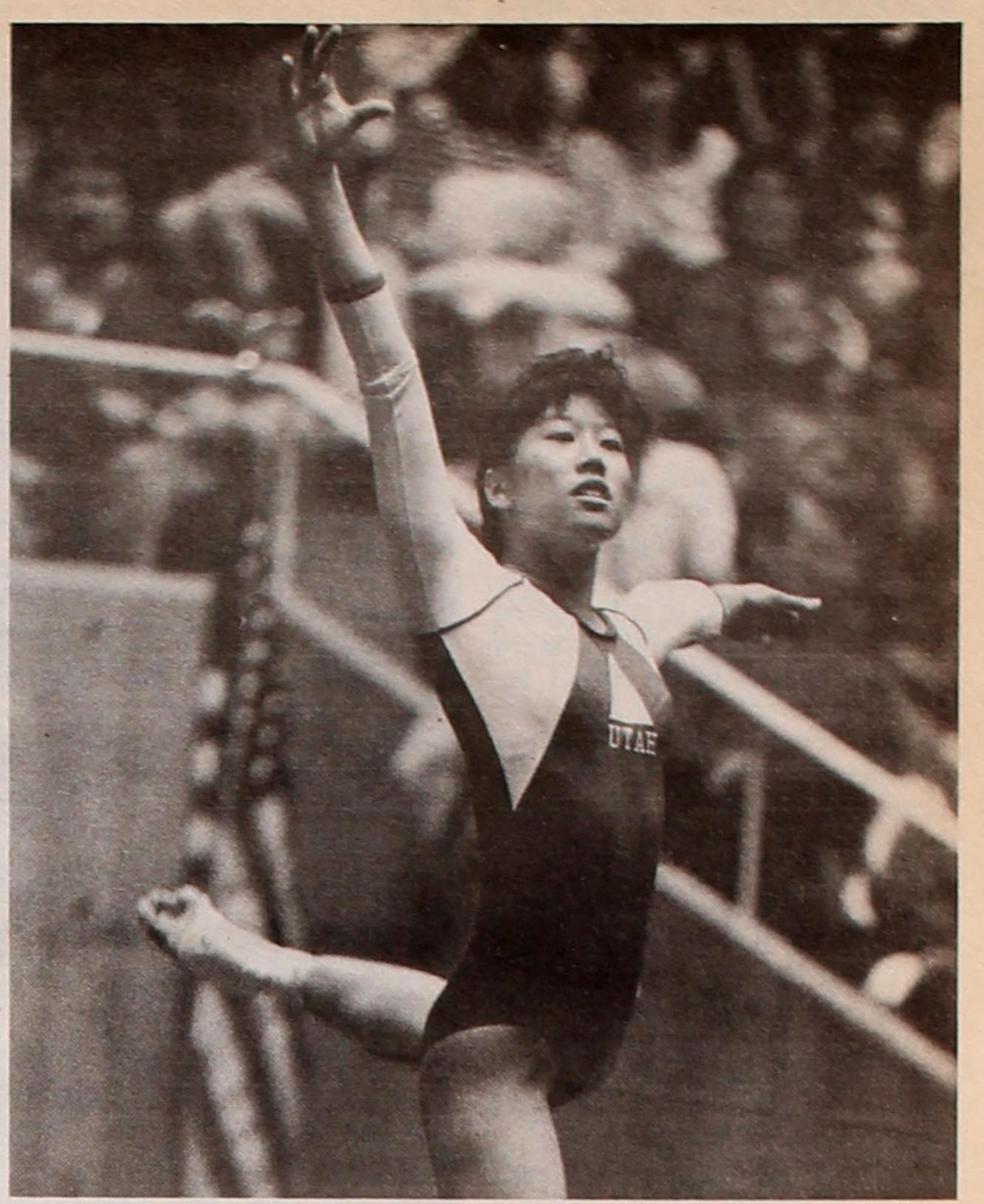
Focus on Wider Community

In conclusion, a panelist emphasized that the purpose of the forum was not to focus on the Japanese American community but to connect with those outside the community to promote mutual understanding and respect.

The women's exhibit series continued Sunday with screening of the films "The Departure" by Emiko Omori, "Otemba" by Kayo Hatta, and "Family Gathering" by Lise Yasui.

The next program will be "Voices of Japanese American Women Writers" on Saturday, April 21, 2 to 4:30 p.m., at the same site. The writers are Hisaye Yamamoto, Mitsuye Yamada, Janice Mirikitani and Cynthia Kadohata.

For more information on Rev. Akiyama's support groups, contact her at Stanford Memorial Church, Stanford 94305-2090.



CHAMPION—Kris Takahashi, co-captain of the U of U gymnastic team, helped her team win the NCAA women's gymnastics championship this year.

Sansei Co-Captains NCAA Gymnastics Women's Team Champs at Univ. of Utah

By Yas Tokita

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—Gymnastics is the "football" of women's sports. Lots of injuries. Kris Takahashi, cocaptain of the University of Utah gymnastics team, competed on Friday, the hospital in 1988. Her shoulder may April 20 in pain. She had tendonitis and a cartilage tear in her shoulder. But pain has rarely kept this senior, All-American out of competition. And on in only two events. Her score of 9.775 Friday in Corvallis, Oregon, she and teammates won the NCAA women's gymnastics championship again.

The U of U team won an unprecedented six straight championships from 1981-1986. It had second place finishes in 1987-1988 and fell to fifth pionship. I'll miss them. in 1989. The team is back on track in 1990, but it was a squeaker. Although scoring a record 194.90, the margin of victory was only 1/3 of a point over be nice to be able to relax." Alabama. Then it was Georgia, UCLA, Nebraska and Louisiana State. The host school Oregon State topped the second group capturing seventh, followed by Cal Fullerton, Towson State, Florida, Arizona, and Ohio State.

Because of the upsurge in interest in gymnastics in the U.S., competition at the collegiate level has been growing. of 194.90 is a huge increase and an indication of a much higher level of expertise.

"I've been competing since I was eight and I've had every injury in the book." Kris has fractured her arm, blew out her right knee in 1985, pulled stomach muscles which landed her in require surgery in May, and she will undergo ankle surgery this summer.

Because of injuries, Kris competed the uneven bars contributed to the team victory. "It's the best team I've been on. It's an honor to be part of a national championship team. Gymnasts at the college level tend to grow close—only we know what we have to go through to achieve the cham-

But Kris expressed relief at the competition of her career. "The workouts and training were long and hard-it'll

It's back to the books and pursuit of a degree in business management—expected in the fall of this year. "I'll finally get to do things I've wanted to do—" —You guessed it—like skiing

Kris is the 22-year-old daughter of Fred and Grace Takahashi—members The U of U won the 1983 championship of the Salt Lake City JACL chapter. with a score of 184.65. The 1990 score CBS Sports Special Edition will telecast a one-hour program with highlights of the April 20th meet on May 26. Check your local listings.



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House of Representatives in 1961 when Congressman Daniel Inouye ran for the United States Senate successfully.

As expected, he was personally active in many of the localjpolitical clubs as he, along with many, if not most, of the Nisei who served overseas in World War II, decided to join the Democratic Party and to help the Democrats take over the elective territorial offices since the Republicans already had established their line of succession over the years of influence and power. But already he was concerned with more than mere party politics, becoming involved with the JACL, for instance, in those days early in the Fifties when this mainland organization for the first time deliberately solicited financial and other support from the Islands in its efforts to secure naturalization and immigration rights and opportunities for those of Japanese and Asian ancestries.

Victorious in his November 1962 campaign for national office, he began a string of elective wins that stretched over 14 years (seven consecutive two)year terms) in the national House of Representatives and 13 (two full six)year terms and a year into his third term) in the United States Senate, usually winning by margins of more than 70% over his combined rivals.

If y wife Etsu and I remember Spark and his family's arrival in the nation's capital early in the winter of '63, for we met them at the then newly opened Dulles Airport and drove them to lunch in Bethesda, Maryland, where they subsequently purchased a home of their own in the area.

Spark was never the rich and wealthy congressman that some of them are but he somehow managed to put all five of his children through college, though he often admitted that this was difficult to do what with keeping his home in Honolulu as well as in Washington while providing demanding hospitality to his friends and constituents from the newest Aloha State.

Spark's Consideration of Past Decade Is Noted in Masaoka's Tribute

Always compassionate and courteous almost to a fault, he earned a reputation for doing his homework well,
often being cited by Capitol police officers as working until 3 or 4 every
morning in his office before going
home for a few hours rest. He also
gained fame for taking his constituents
from Hawaii out to lunch in the rather
ornate Senate Dining Room, often
times hopping from table to table greeting and "talking shop" with old friends
and new ones during the lunch hours.

Another sign of his consideration was his insistence over the past decade that an employee drive me back to the office downtown or to my home in nearby Chevy Chase because he worried about my heart ailments in the cold and rain, even though I had approached him for a favor or two as a professional lobbyist. He always thanked me for spending my time with him, and he always reported without failure that he was praying daily for a return to my good health. I, of course, repeated my intentions to do likewise, although I am certain that he was more conscientious than I in calling on the good Lord for his attention to my health than I was to his.

When he was sworn in as the official Representative from Hawaii (which was entitled at the time because of population pressure to only one such voting representative), he first fought for assignment to the Agriculture Committee in order to most appropriately handle the major economic problems of his State.

Later, as he learned more and more of the political maneuvering which determined the success or failure of most legislative efforts, he transferred to and won a seat on the powerful Rules Com-



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mittee, which along with the Ways and Means and the Appropriations Committees are the most crucial and prestigious in the whole House because its members have the power to determine the rules under which various bills are considered and voted upon.

He soon mastered its tricky and tradition-steeped procedures enough to author a definitive volume entitled, Rulemakers of the House, with Dr. Ping Chen of Eastern Illinois University as co-author. Then Speaker Carl Albert of Oklahoma, a Rhodes Scholar, described it on publication as "Rulemakers of the House promises to become one of the standard works in its field, and I commend it to all students of the legislative process, both within and without the Congress." It remains today the textbook in more than a hundred colleges and universities as the final word on the operations of the 435-seat House of Representatives whose parliamentary maneuvers have determined the fate of more legislation than any other single factor, including the threat of presidential veto.

When Spark was sworn in, JACL was already involved in legislation which would eliminate the last vestige of racial discrimination in the immigration laws by repealing the racist concepts and quotas of the 1924 Immigration Act and the doubly prejudiced Asia-Pacific Triangle in the 1952 Immigration and Nationality Act (Walter-McCarran Act).

The Kennedy brothers, President John and Attorney General Robert, were agreed that the basic immigration and naturalization codes should be updated by eliminating the so-called national origins quota system for determining the number of immigrants each country should be entitled to in the way of annual immigration restrictions. They reasoned that Americans in general and those on the Pacific Coast in general were so opposed to immigration from the Pacific and the Asian countries that no attempt should be made to change the Asia-Pacific Triangle formula under which the nationals of any nation in the Triangle area would be

charged to the yearly total of the ancestral country of origin, and not to the country of nationality held by such aliens as was the situation for Europeans.

Legislation of this type in those days originated in the House, so JACL called upon Spark, as the only Member of Asian ancestry in that chamber at that time, to lead the drive to provide the same opportunities for prospective Asian and Pacific peoples to enter the United States for permanent residence as would be enjoyed by European immigrants.

Though not much more than a freshman lawmaker tackling complicated and legalistic statutes that summarized the Europe-first, and only-the-Europeans doctrine, in immigration law that was first enunciated when the Republic was founded in the late eighteenth century, Spark provided fresh insight into this age-old issue and the legislative struggle ended up in favor authorizing for the first time in United States immigration legislation equality in opportunity to be admitted as legal immigrants to Asians and Pacific Islanders as were those whose roots were deep in the heart of the European con-

With this congressional victory for Asians assured, Spark was called upon to lead another JACL assault on a major concept and permanent legislation.

This time it was the Title II of the Internal Security Act of 1950, often confused with the Walter-McCarran Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 which was also co-authored by Pat McCarran of Nevada, chairman of both the Senate Judiciary Committee and its Immigration Subcommittee, and Francis Walter of Pennsylvania, second-ranking Democrat on the House Judiciary Committee and chairman of its Immigration and Naturalization Subcommittee.

The Title I of the Internal Security Act provided for laws to bolster up the internal security of the country against the allegedly threatening danger of communism to the domestic tranquility, while Title II allowed the Attorney General to resort to the detention of aliens and citizens more or less automatically in cases of war, invasion, and/or insurrection or rebellion.

JACL led the fight against this specific statute because of melancholy reminders of the American Japanese World War II experience with internment, detention, and concentration camps, no matter what they were called, in which civilian authorities were authorized to imprison civilian citizen and alien persons without due process or other safeguards of the Federal Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

In April 1969, both Senator Daniel Inouye and Congressman Spark Matsunaga introduced identical bills for the repeal of Title II, the arbitrary detention provisions of the 1950 Internal Security Act.

While the Senate proposal was referred to the Judiciary Committee, the House bill was referred to the Internal Security Committee in the House

Spark's Critical Role in 'Repeal Title II' Enabled Passage in 1971

whose chairman was Richard Ichord of Missouri. Both committees held extensive hearings, with the experience of Japanese Americans in World War II being the principal motivation for enactment.

The Senate committee approved its version and the Senate passed it without undue controversy or difficulty.

In the House committee, however, a majority insisted that some safeguards to protect the public safety should be written into the law against possible civil disobedience. It proposed a public mechanism be set up for expeditious personal hearings to avoid a repetition of the tragic Japanese American history. In the light of JACL's mandate, the Ichord Formula was unacceptable.

In the next 92nd Congress, Inouye reintroduced his bill and Ichord his committee-approved measure. Spark came up with a new strategy changing a section in the United States Code as it pertains to the imprisonment of prisoners. With the Speaker's permission, the new bill was referred to the Judiciary Committee whose subcommittee chairman for this case was Robert Kastenmeier, a Wisconsin liberal whose Administrative Assistant was and remains Kaz Oshiki, an able, skillful, and popular individual who strongly represented our position and our views.

To offset the Ichord claim that his bill would not only repeal arbitrary detention but also extend some protection to the public, Kastenmeier provided that no citizen or individual shall be detained or otherwise imprisoned except pursuant to an act of the Congress.

The Judiciary Committee then adopted the revised Matsunaga formula, sending it also to the Rules Committee as was also the Ichord proposition.

Now that Matsunaga was a member of the potent Rules Committee, he was in the critical position to lobby for his version, which he did well and promptly. On Sept. 25, 1971, President Nixon on his way to meet Emperor Hirohito in Anchorage, Alaska, signed the bill that wiped infamous Title II off the statute books.

Then there was another bill that required Spark's personal attention, one that would give those of Japanese ethnicity the opportunity to exchange certain of their prewar yen deposits in Japanese banks to their prewar rates, approximately four yen to the dollar against the 360 to one dollar ratio proclaimed by the U.S. Justice Department of Justice and its Office of Alien Property.

One final example of the Matsunaga way had to do with an outmoded and obsolete statute which prohibited the use of Mongolian and/or coolie labor on United States Government reclamation projects.

When he asked me about it, I shook him off, saying that the prohibitions were dead and moot because there were no longer any such archaic codes outlawing Asian workers in operation.

No matter, he responded, as long as

there is any discrimination on the books against Asians, and especially Japanese, whether used or not, it should be nullified.

Otherwise, he told me plainly, there well might come another time when another era of hate and prejudice might develop against Asians and those who don't like us will take advantage of such opportunities and crucify us again.

Remember, eternal vigilance, Mike.

Spark managed to have the law eliminated by the passage of his special bill for that specific purpose, and I have never forgotten that message and warning implicit in his personal actions.

While never avoiding or evading the chance to eliminate discrimination and inequities against Asians and others of Asian and Pacific origins, Spark also assumed a leading role in Japanese American matters. Though the House Foreign Affairs Committee has little to do with such international issues as the reversion of the Ryukyu Islands (Okinawa, etc.), for example, Matsunaga moved in to take the lead in the House actions leading up to the return of both the Ryukyu and Bonin (Ogasawara) chains of islands off the Japanese mainland to Japan by the United States, an unprecedented action by a victorious power to a defeated enemy in modern times.

If we of Japanese origin don't take the lead in such issues involving the land of our ancestors and the country of our citizenship, how can we expect other Americans with no such ties to exercise interest, concern, and mutual advantage, Spark asked many a time when questioned as to his constant attention to such international problems.

There is little argument that Matsunaga's greatest achievement as a United States Senator was his almost single-handed success in persuading the Senate to enact his so-called redress legislation which benefits those of Japanese ethnicity for their World War II denial and deprivation of constitutional civil and human rights in the 100th Congress.

Because of the tight budgetary constraints in the Congress at that time two years ago, plus tremendous ill will towards Japan and the Japanese people due to trade and other imbalances that caused most Americans in polls to express their belief that the Japanese now constituted a greater threat to their wellbeing and prosperity than did the Soviet Union, the overwhelming consensus was that the Senate would refuse to adopt such redress measures as to not only express a national apology to the evacuated individuals but also to add token solatium payments of \$20,000 to each living evacuee as of the date when President Reagan signed the legislation into law.

'His Very Presence Mitigated Much of the Hatred and Antagonism Toward Japan on Part of His Colleagues . . . '

That the Junior Senator from Hawaii was able to persuade 73 of his colleagues, more than enough to override any presidential veto, to join in cosponsoring this significant measure was the magic signal that resulted in a voice vote favoring this redress of the wartime grievances of those of Japanese ancestry, even though that vote took place almost 45 years after the fact of evacuation, exclusion, and incarceration.

No doubt many who personally did not favor this corrective and remedial measure joined in the co-sponsorship and final endorsement of this extraordinary congressiional language because of their personal friendship and affection for the Hawaiian lawmaker.

To be more perceptive, though, Matsunaga's greater and more beneficial role might well be in that his very presence mitigated much of the hatred and antagonism toward Japan on the part of his colleagues that in another and earlier era would have been described as warmongering, or now Japan-bash-

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angry, humiliating, and threatening attitude toward Japanese success in developing an American market in just about every line of human endeavor and competition, in trade and commerce, in financing and jinvesting, even in mutual security, international politics, and multilateral universal leadership.

It has been a most difficult period for Spark, particularly since he became chairman of the International Trade Subcommittee of the Finance Committee some six years ago.

On a number of occasions, we discussed several of the Senate's 99 to zero "sense of the Senate" resolutions which demanded that the President seek to lessen Japan's competitiveness and productivity or the tough new laws to force Japan to open up its access to American goods and services, etc.

Matsunaga's understanding of both sides of the issues, his innate fairness and his hope to judge economic matters on their economic implications and not their political potency, and his true patriotism that he would not take any action or speak out for any conduct that is not in the mutual interests of his country and, for example, Japan, or even the multilateral effect on the free world, endeared him to many and softened his words and deeds when he had to speak out on a major controversy.

A s might be expected, when Nobuo Matsunaga was the Japanese Ambassador to the United States, which was for almost four years up to last December, there was considerable confusion between the advocacies of the American and the Japanese Matsunagas. But because both were "gentlemen" and diplomats in the truest sense, the two countries and governments benefitted from their relationships, fearful that without their principled advocacies there would be emotional reactions from both sides that would tear apart the close and intimate relationships that were built up over the years of discussions, consultations, and negotiations. Spark's career is living testament that such honorable and honest diplomacy can succeed, and must, if our bilateral

and multilateral relationships are to mature, continue, and prosper.

The alternatives are too dreary and weary to contemplate.

As has been mentioned often before, the Senator's talents were many and varied. He was a scientist, for instance, who could look far into the future and divine a space age for his Islands.

As the attractive jacket to his latest book, The Mars Project: Journeys Beyond the Cold War, indicates the cold wars, the star wars, and years of nuclear confrontation with the Soviet Union have brought us a profound sense of foreboding for the survival of our planet.

The imaginative, yet practical, Hawaiian Nisei initiated a series of joint resolutions in the Congress during the past decade to ensure that the two countries do not extend their confrontation into space. The key resolution, calling for a wide range of joint ventures with the Soviet Union and other forwardlooking nations, was passed by Congress and signed by the President in

Matsunaga has further suggested that we plan an International Space Year for 1992. These and other steps may lead to a joint United States-Union of Soviet Socialist States manned mission to Mars by the turn of the century.

Recent trends in U.S.-U.S.S.R. relations suggest that the visionary Matsunaga may not have been far off his mark in his most recent dreams of promoting democracy in space and bringing mankind to the full realization of the magnitude of this challenge.

Several years ago, I remember discussing with Spark what we each wanted most to achieve and to be remembered for. I reminded him that for years I had dreamed of an heroic appropriate monument or memorial here in Washington, D.C., to pay tribute to America's soldier dead, and especially to the Nisei volunteers of World War II who truly portrayed what real patriotism was despite the unprecedented demands made upon them under the most adverse of circumstances.

Spark conceded that his were to develop the art and practice of peace as an instrument of public policy and to conceive of a peace academy where the most qualified Americans could apply for scholarships and research.

If we have our brightest and ablest young men and women go the the Army, Navy, and Air Force Academies to learn how to win wars, why shouldn't we also have a Peace Academy to train our best and our most brilliant to win the peace, for haven't we learned yet that the winning and keeping of the peace is always more difficult, consumes more years, and costs billions more than winning armed conflicts, Spark repeatedly asked—and rightly

Spark's 'Dream' Recalled: a U.S. Peace Academy for Qualified Americans

When he finally attained political stardom by being elected to the National Congress, he started on his long crusade for a Peace Academy. Early in the last decade, he and his cohorts gained the ultimate triumph when the Senate approved and nominally funded what was called the Peace Foundation. Though he had been without question the single most pivotal figure in the long years struggling for this ideal, the Peace Institute was named after a fellow senator with many more years of senior-tion; ity on the committee that reported the legislation put forth by this World War II military hero, a West Virginian who was the last survivor in Congress of Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal of the early '30s. And the senator who moved the name designation was Matsunaga himself.

Though bitterly disappointed, know, Spark literally picked himself again off the political floor so to speak and started anew, this time to establish a Pacific Peace Institute to be headquartered in his beloved Hawaii and to branch out and serve the great Pacific Basin, where more than twothirds of the planet's population resides and where the coming age of civilization is bound to center.

Now, in deserved tribute, his new Peace Institute in Honolulu has been renamed the Matsunaga Peace Founda-

Though there is much more that could be written about the many and great contributions made by United States Senator Spark M. Matsunaga since he penned his poetic lament at Monte Cassino, Italy, in 1943-44, while in an Army hospital—and should be, space prohibits me that pleasure and honor, perhaps I can officially mention his Senate Committee assignments and other Senate responsibilities as one of the easiest ways in which to summarize his duties in the United States Congress. as follows:

Committee assignments:

Finance Committee, second ranking majority member; chairman of the Subcommittee on Taxation and Debt Management (when he gave up his chairmanship of the International Trade Subcommittee last year at the request of his colleague from Montana who felt he needed that particular position to successfully be reelected this coming November and because this year, after passage last year of the Omnibus Trade Act, Spark felt that the question of successfully managing the national debt was the single most important issue that has to be faced by the National legislature at this time),

A ranking majority member of the Subcommittees on International Trade and on Energy and Agricultural Taxa-

Labor and Human Resources, ranking majority member on the Subcommittees on Aging,

Education, Arts, and Humanities, and Labor;

Veterans' Affairs, second only to the Chairman, with no standing subcommittees.

Other Positions:

Chief Deputy Whip or Assistant Leader, Senate Democratic Conferference, Solar Coalition, Senate Office tribute. Building Commission, National Commission on Working Women, Concerned Senators for the Arts, Congressional Clearing House on the Future, and Senate Commerce National Ocean Policy Study.

To this simple recitation of his official designated duties must be added such constituent services as fulfilling their requests for information on social security, medicare, government publications, agency activities, etc.

Thus, it is hardly correct to charge,

as some do, that politicians do not have to work hard for their periodic compensation. When it comes to hard and conscientious public service, not many, if any, spent as much time and trouble as did the late United States Senator Matsunaga. His State, and the Nation, certainly received more than their money's worth from this gentleman's meaningful performance as a Senator of the United States of America, a title he wore proudly and even more proudly served.

On Monday, April 16, 1990, the President of the United States ordered that the American Flag, which the lawmaker so proudly served until prostate and bone cancer killed him, be flown at half mast in tribute to a gallant American and a great public servant until

On April 16, President Bush Orders Flag at Half Mast in Tribute to Matsunaga

after his funeral had been officially completed.

On April 18, Senator Alan Cranston of California, the Majority Whip, on behalf of himself and Senator Inouye, offered Senate Resolution 271,

"That the Senate had heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Spark M. Matsunaga, late a Senator from the State of Hawaii.

"Resolved that when the Senate recesses today, it recess as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senator." The Secretary of the Senate then closed these actions by ence, Working Group on Trade, Arms announcing that every one of the 99 Control and Foreign Policy Caucus, United States Senators announced their Environmental and Energy Study Con- individual support of the resolutions of

Later that same afternoon, Congressman Richard A. Gephardt of Missouri, Majority Whip of the House of Representatives, gained the floor and officially announced the death of Senator Matsunaga. He thereupon noted that the Congressman had at one time served with distinction as a Member of the House and moved a privileged resolution (H. Res. 377), similar to that voted unanimously by the Senate, which passed the House, too, without objection. Then, pursuant to the House

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OBITUARIES

Kenichi Nishimoto, 76, ex-HEW Official Former HEW official, professor and a decorated 442nd veteran, Kenichi Nishimoto of Takoma Park, Md., died April 2 at the U.S. Yokota AFB Hospital in Japan. He was in Japan engaged in research since January. A native of Stockton, Calif., and a UC Berkeley graduate with a master's and doctorate in public administration postwar from American University, he came to Washington in 1942, worked for the WRA before joining the Army where he was awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart. He returned after the war, joined the Interior Department, then transferred to the Health, Education and Welfare in the mid-'50s. He was director of the management policy office of its Indian Health Services when he retired in 1973. He then taught for 10 years at Univ. of District of Columbia's college of business & public management. He also served on the Takoma Park City Council from 1970-1978.

Dorothy Nagai, 80, Pacoima, Mar. 30, Hawaiiborn, survived by sis Nancy Yoshida.

Shigeo Nakata, 84, Torrance, Mar. 21, Hawaiiborn Kibei, survived by w Sally, s Ray, Jeffrey, d Shirley Clounch, 7gc.

Alan K. Oda, 40, Los Angeles, Mar. 21, survived by p Paul/Tamae, sis Mary Szanto.

Shizue Okayama, 85, Pasadena, Mar. 25, Wakayama-born, survived by s Masao, Mitsuo, d Yukiye Uyematsu, Chisato Takemura, Amy, 9gc,

Frank T. Osugi, 84, Gardena, Mar. 21, Hiroshimaborn naturalized citizen, survived by w Shinobu, d Grace Hataoka, May Kawamura, Jen Sieben, 5gc.

Hana Otoshi, 87, San Fernando, Mar. 21, Niigataborn naturalized citizen, survived by d Keiko Kawakami, Chieko Cano, Mitsuyo Tomita, Yoko Motoyasu, Ruth Kongkeo, Masako Kikumoto, Yoshiko, Oida, 16gc, 9ggc, br Richard Wada (Hawaii), sis Sumiye Saito (Japan).

Shizue Fukute, 79, Gardena, Feb. 19, Hawaiiborn, survived by h Masayoshi, s Edward, Eugene, d Tamiko Momita, Naomi Tanaka, 13gc, br Seiichi Iwanaka, sis Sakiko Honnaka (Honolulu), Marilyn Stockton (Lompoc).

Hatsuko Hamada, 78, Los Angeles, Mar. 15, San Francisco-born, survived by Hideo, d Hisako Masuda, 5gc, sis Yuriko Morioka, Kazuye Komoto, Moriye

Hideko M. Harada, 95, Los Angeles, Mar. 9, Hiroshima-born naturalized citizen, survived by s Yoshiaki, Tsutomu, Haruo, 5gc, 3ggc.

Masu Hata, 97, Gardena, Feb. 20, Hiroshimaborn, survived by s Masanobu (San Diego), Masaharu (Rocklin), Ted, Harry, d Mary Jane, 4gc, 4ggc.

George Hayashida, 73, Victorville, Calif., Mar. 12, Ft. Lupton-born WWII-MIS veteran, survived by w Ruth, s Alan (San Diego), David (Yorba Linda), Steven, br Charles (Blanca), sis Mable Yoshizaki (Los Angeles), Grayce Ikari (Spring Valley Lake, Calif.), 3gc, aunt Kiju Hayashida (Denver).

Yasuko K. Yasuda, 95

Yasuko Yasuda passed away April 5 in Salt Lake City. She was born Nov. 3, 1894, in Otani, Ito-gun, Wakayama, Jāpan, the daughter of Masajiro and Nuie Miki. She married George Y Yasuda Feb. 11, 1916, in Wakayama and their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He preceded her in death August 1979. They both were naturalized U.S. citizens. Surviving are five children: sons George (Sioux Falls, SD), Tomy and his wife Norma (Lancaster, CA), daughters Pricilla (Wallace) Nagao (Honolulu), Lily (Ralph) Shino (Tokyo), Mariya "Mardi" (Shigeru) Motoki, Salt Lake City; 11 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren.

Member of Dai Ichi LDS Ward, Mt. Olympus JACL, Jordan Doshi-kai, Kiwa Doshi-kai, Salt Lake Issei Center. Funeral services were held April 11 at Mackay Deseret Mortuary.

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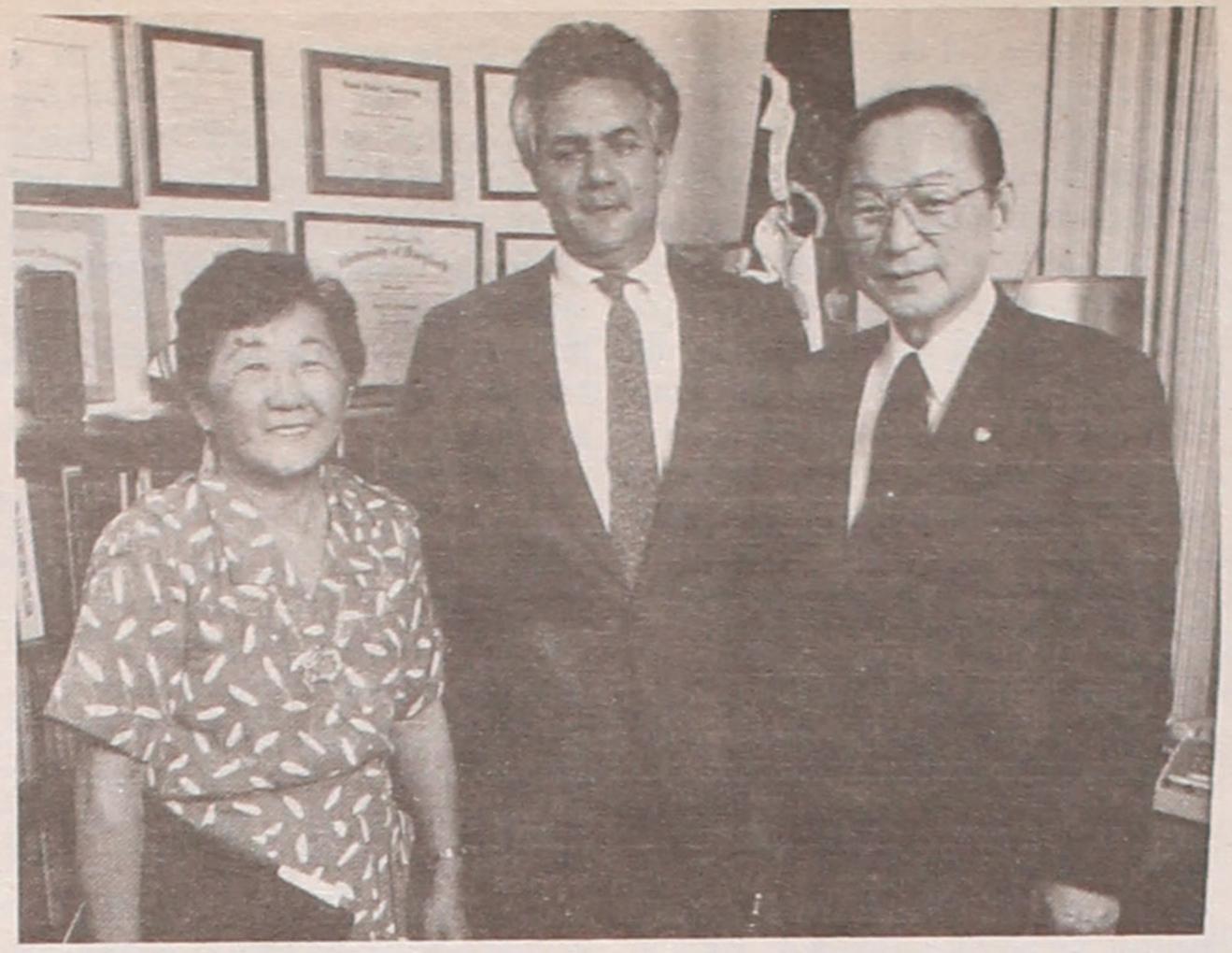


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REDRESS BILL CONFEREES—Hammering out the redress conference bill in June 1988 were (from left) Grayce Uyehara, then JACL-LEC executive director, Rep. Barney Frnk (D-Mass.), and the late Sen. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii).

UYEHARA

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in the Senate to lead the redress bill to passage. "Heat" is produced by PBS in New York and carried by 20 other stations. Hockenberry asked about my work with the senator and whether I spent time in a camp.

Of course, I, personally, feel we of the Japanese American community lost a close friend, leader, adviser and role model. The senator generally spoke with impeccable articulation and vocabulary, but he was also a man capable of the common touch when he told stories to support his ideas. We particularly enjoyed his use of "pidgin" En- rector.

glish when the story took place in Hawaii.

of Sen. Matsunaga leaves a great void in the Japanese American community, but more for all of us who seek peace. priority.

The senator was a consummate and caring legislator. He knew he was in Washington for one reason—public service. Unabashedly, I can say he was the kind of politician Washington needs today to restore luster to Congress and its responsibility to make good laws.

I told Hockenberry that the passing The senator gave peace legislation high

Grayce Uyehara is EDC governor and the former JACL-LEC executive di-

San Jose's Resource Center Slide Show on Nihonmachi Centennial to Be Shown

SAN JOSE, Calif. — This year marks the 100th anniversary of the San Jose Nihonmachi, one of a few distinctive Japanese American neighborhoods on the mainland. The Santa Clara Valley Japanese American Resource Center (JARC) will feature a slide presentation of "Nihonmachi: A Historical Review" at its fundraising barbecue on Saturday, May 19, in the San Jose Buddhist Temple annex.

Duane Kubo, director of the DeAnza College Media Center, and Curtis Fukuda, native-born San Jose Sansei and a professional photographer, are preparing the slide program. An expanded version of the photographs will be exhibited in September during the centennial celebration of San Jose Nihonmachi.

Barbecue steak dinners will be served at the fundraiser from 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. by the Nisei VFW. San Jose Taiko will perform.

Reservations are recommended. For tickets or more information, call Ken Iwagaki (408) 354-4957 or Rudy Tokiwa (408) 733-7692.

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Downtown L.A. JACL, Nanka Nikkei Fujinkai Mothers of the Year to Be Honored

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Kinuko Ito, 89, was born in Hiroshima, Japan. Her artistic skills extend to the biwa, shigin, shodo and karaoke and she used them to instill upon her children the appreciation of beauty and the lesson of discipline which is required to attain any goal She has served as president of the Centenary United Methodist Church Federation Women's Auxiliary.

Kame Kanashiro, 90, was born in Okinawa. At Heart Mountain, Mrs. Kanashiro was the "block mother" taking care of infants and the sick. To help preserve her cultural heritage, she has served as a board member of the Hokubei Okinawa Kenjin-kai for the past 25 years and is an advisor to the Okinawa Fujin-kai.

Yoneko Kato, 77, was born in Fukushima, Japan. After raising her own children, Mrs. Kato volunteered her time to several worthy causes. She served in several leadership positions in the PTA. She has also volunteered her time to cultural organizations and served as president for such groups as the Fukuoka Fujin-kai, the Southern

LOS ANGELES — Four distinguished California Japanese Women's Society women, Kinuko Ito, Kame Kanashiro, and the Amimono Club. During her Yoneko Kato, and Sally Sayano tenure as the president of the Women's Tsuneishi will be honored at the 28th Society she served on the welcoming Annual Mothers of the Year luncheon committee when Emperor Hirohito and co-sponsored by the Downtown Los Empress Nagako visited Los Angeles Angeles Chapter of the Japanese Amer- in 1975. In November, 1984, Mrs. ican Citizens League and the Nanka Kato received the Fifth Order of the Nikkei Fujin-kai on May 6, at the New Sacred Treasure presented by the government of Japan.

> Sally Sayono Tsuneishi, 65, was born in Kohala, Hawaii. She worked with the church youth and women's groups as advisor and mentor. She also volunteered to community organizations and taught craft classes to seniors and handicapped children and was a sponsor of a Vietnamese family. In 1983, Mrs. Tsuneishi re-entered college and graduated from Cal State LA with a BA degree in English Literature. She is currently a volunteer in the Los Angeles Holiness Church's Crisis care Program and tutors a hearing impaired

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■ FLORIN

Florin JACL will sponsor fall talent show; dancers, vocalists, pianists, instrumentalists, etc., are encouraged to participate. Info: Pearl Zarilla or Paul Takehara (both 916) at 635-2815 or 363-8800.

■ INTERMOUNTAIN DC

A dedication program commemorating the Minidoka Relocation Camp as a National Historical Site, a part of the Idaho Centennial Celebration, Sat., May 26, 11 a.m. at the "camp gate." Information, reservations, or to make a contribution to the Minidoka Memorial Fund, contact Bob Endo (206) 742-7824, Hid Hasegawa (208) 529-1529, or Hero Shiosaki (208) 785-2157.

■ LOS ANGELES AREA

Downtown Los Angeles JACL Chapter and Nanka Nikkei Fujin-kai sponsors 1990 Mother of the Year Luncheon, Sun., May 6, 12 noon-3 p.m. at New Otani Hotel's Golden Ballroom, 120 South Los Angeles St. in Little Tokyo; \$25 per person; Please call in reservations by April 30 to Amy Tambara (818) 308-2243, (213) 722-3897 evening; or Lillian Inatomi (both 213) 636-8456 day, 822-3363 even-

■ PACIFIC SOUTHWEST DC

Reception honoring Dr. Chang-Lin Tien, first Asian American to be named chancellor of a University of California campus, May 9, 5-7 p.m., Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, Blue Ribbon Room, 135 N. Grand Ave. Cosponsored by PSWDC; hosted by Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy. Tien begins his tenure at University of California, Berkeley, on July 1.

A Northern Calif. contingent is expected to participate at the 39th annual JACL Nisei Relays on Sunday, June 24, at Rancho Santiago College, Santa Ana. Registration forms: JACL Regional Office, 244 S. San Pedro St., Rm. 507, Los Angeles, CA 90012, (213) 626-4471. Entry deadline is June 9.

■ RENO

Breakfast honoring mothers, Sun., May 20, 8-10 a.m., Knights of Phythias Hall, 980 Nevada St., Reno. Info: (702) 827-4216.

SAN DIEGO

"JACL: The Wave of the Future," the 31st Biennial JACL National Convention, June 17-23, San Diego Princess. Highlights: Business sessions, workshops, beach party, National Awards banquet, Masaoka Award dinner, Sayonara Ball, golf tournament, deep sea fishing. Tijuana trip, speech competition, Youth Conference, 1000 Club Wing Ding. Info: (619) 230-0314.

Scholarship dinner, Tom Ham's Restaurant, Harbor Island, 6 p.m., to honor 15 high school graduates. Dr. Kenji Ima will speak on relationship of Indochinese community to the Nikkei community. Tickets \$16. Info: (619) 230-0314 or Tets Kashima, (619) 271-7257.

SAN JOSE

Casino night fundraiser, Fri., May 18, Italian Gardens. Sponsors for gaming tables sought. Proceeds go to college scholarships. Info: K. Ono, (408) 295-

San Jose JACL Doubles Tennis Tournament, Sat., June 16, at West Valley College, Some 52 teams consisting of 104 players are expected to participate. Entry deadline June 8; \$18 per team with round robin format. Info: Sayeko Nakamura (408) 267-9032 or JACL office (408) 295-1250.

White Elephant Sale, Sat., July 14, at Issei Memorial Building parking lot from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Donated items are needed and most welcomed. Info: (408) 295-1250.

■ SOUTH BAY

U.S.-Japan Relations Cmte. of South Bay JACL meeting, Mon., May 7, 7:30 p.m. at the Ogawas, 22947 Felbar Ave., Torrance, to discuss crucial issues in the bilateral relations between both nations.

■ STOCKTON

Tomo No Kai Grand Canyon Tour, hosted by Stockton Buddhist Temple, Sept. 18-25, 1990; \$620 per person, double occupancy; additional \$165 supplement added for single accommodations. Info: (209) 982-0939.

■ VENTURA COUNTY

Redress filing procedures, latest information, etc., meeting with ORA Executive Director Bob Bratt, Wed., May 16, 7-10 p.m., Casa Serena, 3605 Peninsula Rd., Oxnard. Info: Camarillo-Mori Abe (805) 484-1570; Oxnard—Janet Kajihara (805) 983-2612; Ventura-Stan Mukai, (both 805) 650-1705 (h), 989-4502 (w); Conejo Valley-Ken Nakano (both 818) 889-4952 (w), 991-0876 (h).

MATSUNAGA

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Daniel Congressman Resolution, Akaka and Congresswoman Patricia Saiki, both of Hawaii, and Congressman Norman Y. Mineta of California were appointed to the House funeral committee of the late Spark Matsunaga.

In lieu of flowers, the Matsunaga fam-Lily suggests that the Senator's memory be honored by contributions to the Matsunaga Peace Foundation, P.O. Box 1038, Honolulu, Hawaii 96808.

The Matsunaga Peace Foundation, it is explained, is a recently incorporated nonprofit public charity devoted to the support of institutions and scholars pursuing peace studies, research, and the application of conflict resolution techniques and which was inspired by the late Senator.

worthy cause and individual. It will sons.

demonstrate that in the eyes and hearts of his peers he has certainly earned and deserved this perpetual tribute to a great and good man whose life was far from being in vain. Lest we forget what he has meant to all of us who knew and benefitted from his good works, as well as all others who were the beneficiaries of his magnificent life.

Upon her return to Washington this past weekend, his wife Helene has not yet determined on whether, when, and where to hold memorial services in his honor, though in all probability one may be held in Washington within the week or two.

In the meantime, the New York Times announced that the late lawmaker is survived by his wife, the former Helene Hatsumi Tokunaga, who lived with him Kensington, Md., and Honolulu; three daughters; Karen Hardman, also of Kensington, Diane Segards of Mississippi, and Merle of Thailand; two sons: Keene of Anaheim, California, Because we know that the late Sen- and Matthew of Honolulu; three ator Spark M. Matsunaga wanted in his brothers: Andrew of Honolulu, Satoru heart this kind of living tribute to his Ikeda and Yutaka Ikeda, all of Honmemory, may I be so bold as to suggest olulu; two sisters: Dorothy Ueno of such contributions as a mark of respect, Honolulu and Mitsuko Ueno of affection, and friendship for a most Hanapepe, Hawaii; and three grand-



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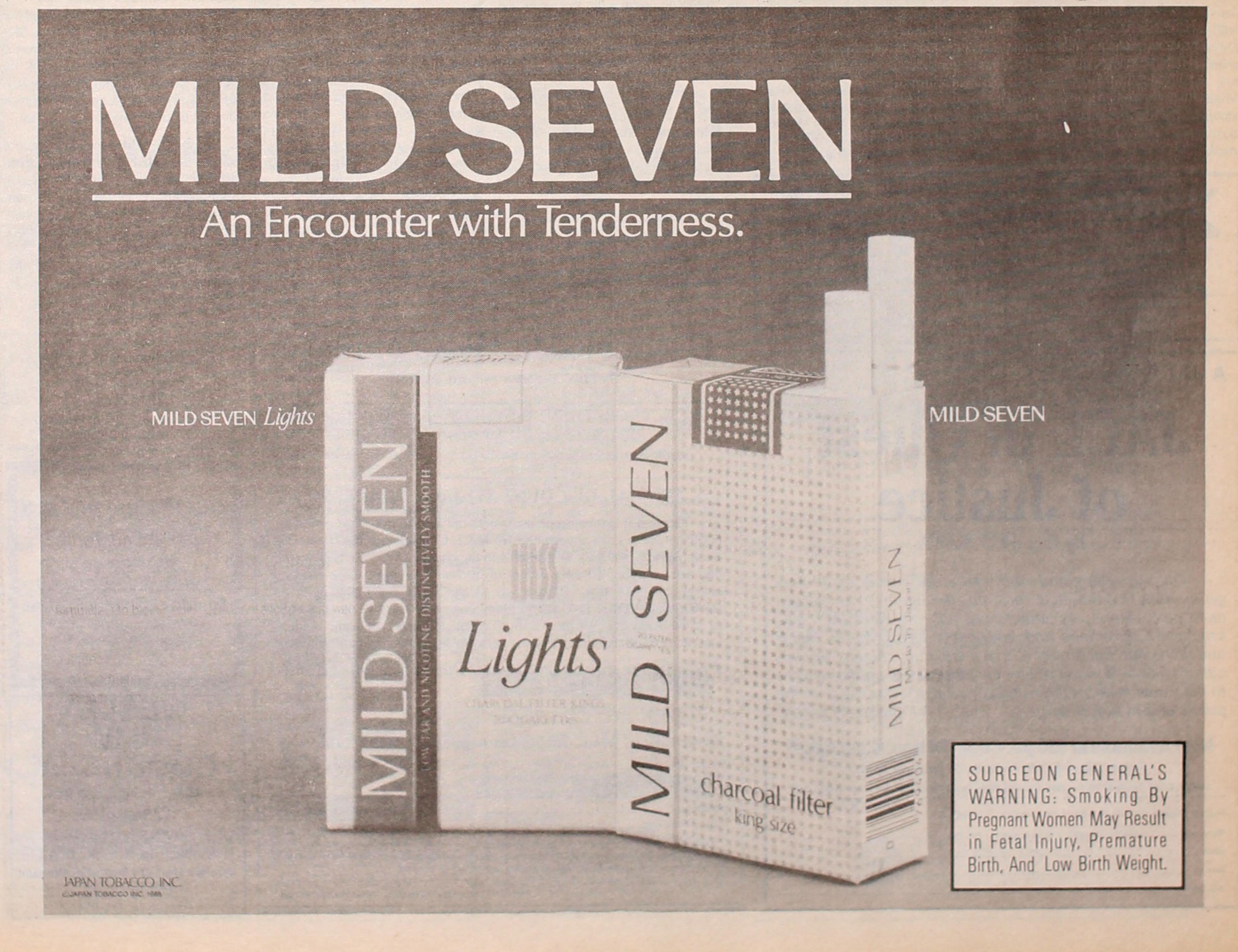
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Okinawan MIS Veteran, Educator, Sen. Inouye's Aide Tells His Story

BOY FROM KAHALUU: An Autobiography. By Tom Ige; foreword by Governor John Waihee. Distributed by Univ. of Hawaii Press, 2840 Kolowalu St., Honolulu, HI 96822; 186pp, \$25 hard (1989).

It didn't take but an hour to flip through and thoroughly enjoy Dr. Tom Ige's life story—from growing up in a farming community then known as "Okinawa Town" on the Windward side of Oahu, playing baseball, graduating from U.H. in 1940, coming to the Mainland for his M.A. and Ph.D. in economics from the Univ. of Wisconsin and to teaching for 30 years at Minnesota and Hawaii. During WWII, he was a Purple Heart MIS veteran.

Published in connection with the 90th anniversary of Okinawan immigration to Hawaii and dedication of the Okinawan Cultural Center, Ige started writing (as he admits in the introduction) at age 72 "when my mind had grown a little soft and my stamina was no longer vibrant," as he begged for understanding.

JACLers may remember him in Washington in the 1963-64 session as the administrative assistant to the just elected Senator Daniel Inouye. Ige, allowed a two-year leave from teaching, never forgot the "March on Washington" in 1963 as he stood behind the rostrum at the Lincoln Memorial to hear Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. deliver his memorable speech. Among the senators pictured standing on the steps behind the rostrum is Dr. Ige, who had taken Sen. Inouye's place for he was in the Senate presiding that day.

Of his stint with the MIS during WWII, he particularly recalls what it was to be of Okinawan descent to be Senator Inouye's legislative acumen, in Okinawa fighting with the American Eun's final chapter on "the next stepforces. It was "a very trying experience appropriations" might not have ... the spiritual toll was even harder sounded as glum. to bear."

Among the many anecdotes is one Book Party Slated that occurred in 1946 in Duluth, Minn., when his daughter was born. The doctors there had virtually no experience delivering Oriental babies who are born with a noticeable blue birthmark at the lower back. It disappears as the child grows older. "Being a rare phenomenon, doctors from all over northern Minnesota came into observe this strange mark, I like to tease Dianne now that more people examined her okole than for any other baby."

The centerpiece, however, is the 1942 summer exchange of essays in The Nation about the Japanese in Hawaii. Albert Horlings, a journalism professor at the Univ. of Hawaii, had charged the majority of the Nikkei could not be trusted; he favored evacuation and said Congress was gambling for not letting the public know why the Japanese were still in Hawaii. Ige, then a student at Madison, Wis., knew it would be difficult for any Nisei in Hawaii to respond because letters he had received from home in Hawaii were all censored. He immediately replied. Ige's reply (Aug. 8) made us nod in complete agreement. It was a very "cool" and collected response.

-HKH.

Books to P.C. Briefly Noted by Harry K. Honda

THE CIVIL LIBERTIES ACT OF 1988: A Study of Congressional Bill H.R. 442 and Its Impetus, the Japanese American Redress Movement. Senior honors thesis by David H. Eun, Virginia Beach, Va.; Harvard College, March 1989; 130pp, appendix.

A copy of David Eun's thesis on the Redress bill for his B.A. degree in government from Harvard is part of the P.C. Bookshelf. It details the 18-year effort to have H.R. 442 passed by the Congress and signed by the President. The campaign is well chronicled, scholarly footnoted and presented in a highly readable style.

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SAN FRANCISCO — Center for Japanese American Studies, National Japanese American Historical Society and the JACL Women's Concerns Committee are cosponsoring a book party for Mei Nakano, author of Japanese American Women: Three Generations, 1890-1990, on Saturday, May 5, 2-4 p.m., Christ United Presbyterian Church, 1700 Sutter St. Nakano will be present to sign books, which will be available for purchase. Janice Mirikitani will read poetry and musicians Miya Masaoka and Susan Hayase will perform.



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WOMAN OF THE YEAR—Mary Furutani of Gardena, Calif., is honored as the 53rd Assembly District's Woman of the Year. A founding member of the Gardena Pioneer Project, Ms. Furutani has spent two decades providing social services for Japanese American senior citizens. She is bilingual in Japanese, and also does information referral and case management work for social services. Ms. Furutani is seen here between Assemblyman Richard E. Floyd and her daughter-in-law Lisa Furutani.

Utah University Nikkei Hopeful for Miss America Crown in 1990

OGDEN, Utah — Stephanie Kunie Sato, Miss Asia of Utah for 1989, is presently preparing to compete in the Miss Utah Pageant of 1990.

Sato will graduate from University of Utah with a B.S. degree in health education and hopes to pursue a career in physical theraphy. She is a member of the National Eta Sigma Gamma Honor society, and has done extensive volunteer service, including work as a youth counselor for economically disadvantaged students.

She is proud of her Japanese heritage. She has firsthand knowledge of the hardship endured by the Japanese Americans during World War II from her grandmothers, Amy Sato and Fujie Kunomoto, both longtime members of the JACL. She feels it is important to carry on many of the Japanese traditions passed on to her.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter N. Sato of Idaho Falls, have stressed to their children the need for good education, hard work, initiative and perseverance.

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The Salt Lake and Ogden area Japanese Community have expressed its full support of Ms. Sato's efforts.

Asian Career Women Topic for May 5 Panel

SAN FRANCISCO — The Pacific Asian American Women, Bay Area Coalition (PAAWBAC) will present a panel discussion, "The Asian Pacific American Career Women: Past, Present 'Asian Law Day' Talk and Future." The presentation, which is free to the public, will be held Saturday, May 5, from 1:30-4 p.m. at the Japanese Community and Cultural Center, 1840 Sutter St.

Chinga Pan, Caridad C. Vallangea, and June Uyenoyama. These panelists represent four diverse career fields: media, entrepreneurship, white collar careers and the arts. Each will incorporate the "Past, Present and Future" theme as it relates to their personal experiences. and discuss the role APA women can play in the respective fields.

Later this year, PAAWBAC plans to host a discussion addressing APA

women and politics.

Media Group to Examine Race Relations Coverage

LOS ANGELES — As part of Asian Pacific Heritage Week, Asian American Journalists Association will sponsor a roundtable discussion on "Coverage of Race Relations in the '90s." The program will be held Wednesday, May 9, 7 p.m., at the Harry Chandler Auditorium, 5th floor, L.A. Times Bldg. (entry through the Globe Lobby, 1st and Spring Sts.)

Journalists, editors, local politicians and community advocates will participate in a lively, informative discussion that critiques the issues and coverage of Los Angeles' multiethnic communities. Has coverage been accurate, fair, consistent, informative and insightful? What stories did the media cover substantially or not at all? How must news coverage of race relations change in the '90s from the way civil rights was covered in the '60s.

Included among the participants are: Tritia Toyota, KCBS-TV anchorwoman, who will serve as moderator; Itabari Njeri, author and staff writer, Los Angeles Times; Enrique Rangel, staff writer, Orange County Register; K.W. Lee, editor, Korea Times English Section; Harut Sassounian, publisher, California Courier; Frances Fernandez, adviser, ASUCLA student publications; Clarence Brown, media affairs director, United Way; Ann Curry, broadcast reporter, KCBS-TV; Tony Valdez, broadcast reporter, KTTV-Fox; Judy Chu, mayor, Monterey Park; Evelyn Fierro, mayor pro tem, South Pasadena; and Mark Ridley-Thomas, executive director, Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

The public is invited to attend. For more information, call Brenda Paik Sunoo, Korea Times English Section, (213) 487-5323, x173.

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LOS ANGELES — Attorney Bert Kawahara is the featured speaker at this year's Asian Law Day, Saturday, May The panelists include: Janice Gin, 5, 1-3 p.m. in the Little Tokyo Towers community room, 455 E. 3rd St. Kawahara will speak on wills. Organizers will also present updated information on obtaining redress payments.

> Admission is free and presentations will be translated into Japanese. Sponsors are Japanese American Bar Association, Little Tokyo Service Center, Asian Pacific American Legal Center and Los Angeles County Bar Associa-

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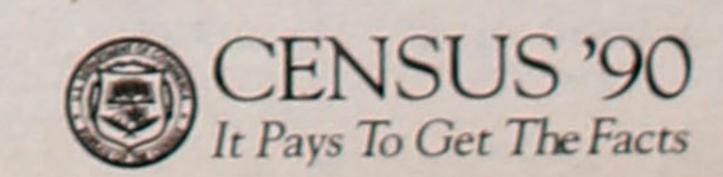
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May 8—Second Annual Asian Pacific Heritage Week Luncheon, sponsored by Asian Business Assoc. and Asian American Architects/Engineers, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Shangri La Restaurant in Downtown L.A. Info: (213) 399-9184.

May 12—"Diversity in Education and Careers," a conference for high school and college students hosted by Asian Pacific Alumni of UCLA, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Moore Hall 100. Keynote address by Dale is May 10. Info: Akio Yamamoto, (415) 964-9995; Minami. Info: Angela Oh, (213) 688-1198.

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May 17—One-day UCLA Extension seminar on attracting Japanese and European investment in U.S. real estate, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Century Plaza Hotel, 2025 Ave., Century City. Info: (213) 206-1409.

May 18-Nikkei Helpline Benefit reception, Union Church Social Hall, 401 E. 3rd St., 5:30 -8:30 p.m.

May 19-20—Book Fair sponsored by Friends of Little Tokyo Branch Library, Japanese Village Plaza, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Drop-off dates: May 5, 12, 948 E. 2nd St., back door, 10 a.m.-noon. Info: (213) 874-6731; (818) 363-5198.

May 25—"Opera" Dinner sponsored by the Japanese Philharmonic Society of Los Angeles, 7 p.m. in the Golden Ballroom, New Otani Hotel. Musical performance of "The Marriage of Figaro." Tickets: \$95, (\$85, JPSLA members.) Info: (213) 770-1358.

June 2—Sage United Methodist Church bazaar, 11 a.m.-7 p.m., 333 S. Garfield Ave., Monterey Park. Food, games, exhibits, entertainment. Info: (818) 280-4060.

June 6—Fundraising golf tournament to benefit Gardena Pioneer Project, sponsored by Cherrystones Restaurant, Chester Washington Golf Course. Info: Karen Chomori Uyekawa, (213) 894-2370.

June 16—Jazz pianists Deems Tsutakawa and Glenn Horiuchi, 8 p.m., Japanese America Theatre, 244 S. San Pedro. Info: (213) 680-3700.

Aug. 16-19—Reunion of the Kubasaki High School, Okinawa, Japan, Class of 1980, Avalon, Santa Catalina Island. Open to all KHS graduates and attendees; targeting the classes of 1978-82. Info: G. Johnston, (213) 782-0351.

• OAKLAND, CALIF.

Present - May 18 Ceramic sculpture by studio artists and Judy Hiramoto, Creative Growth Art Center. Info: (415) 836-2340.

• ORANGE COUNTY, CALIF.

July 6 & 7-The 1900 USJF Junior, Youth & Team National Judo Championships hosted by Nanka Judo Yudanshakai; Buena Park Hotel & Convention Center, 7675 Crescent Ave., Buena Park. Info: (both 714) Ted Okada, 821-5397 or Masaru Harada, 737-7913.

• PORTLAND, ORE.

Aug. 3-5—Greater Portland Nikkei Reunion, registration deadline: June 1; Red Lion Inn, Lloyd Center. Info: (503) 654-9437.

• SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

May 6-Nisei Widowed Group monthly meeting, Sun., 2-4 p.m. at the home of George Toriumi; new members welcome. Info: (both 415) 221-0268 or 482-3280.

Present-May 13-Exhibit: "Strength & Diversity: Japanese American Women, 1885-1990," cosponsored by National Japanese American Historical Society; Oakland Museum, 1000 Oak St., Oakland; admission free. Info: (all 415) NJAHS, 431-5007; Museum, 273-3842 or 273-3401.

May 19-"J-Town Revue," a Nikkei talent show sponsored by Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California, 3 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., AMC Kabuki Theatres, Japantown. Sydnie Kohara and Clyde Kusatsu, emcees. Info: (415) 567-5505.

June 1-Nihonmachi Legal Outreach Auctionmania II, 6 p.m., Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California, 1840 Sutter St. Info: Tami Suzuki, (415) 668-5229.

June 3—38th Annual JACL Junior Olympics track and field meet at Chabot College in Hayward, sponsored by JACL's No. Calif./Western/Nev./ Pacific Dist. Council; age groups from 8 and under through 40 years and older; ENTRY DEADLINE Tom Oshidari, (408) 257-5609.

• SAN JOSE, CALIF.

May 16—Yu-Ai Kai, Japanese American Community Senior Center, conducts trip to Berkeley Rose Garden, Spenger's Fish Grotto for lunch, and Takara Sake Company. Departs 565 N. 5th St. at 9 a.m. Info: (408) 294-2505.

May 23-Yu-Ai Kai, Japanese American Community Senior Center, sponsors trip to Nut Tree Factory outlet in Vacaville; departs 565 N. 5th St. at 8 a.m. Info: (408) 294-2505.

• SEATTLE

May 7-12—Seattle Internatl. Children's Festival presents Japan's Play to Play Co.'s "The Animal Conference," Seattle Center Arena; music, puppets and origami masks included in stage production. Info: (206) 684-7346.

May 9—Sharon Nakamura, Seattle Central Community College graphic illustrator, presents "Making a Creative Living," a talk on women in artistic careers, noon, Room BE 1110 at the college, 1701 Broadway.

May 19—Nippon Kan Heritage Association presents "Children's Spring Festival," a program of dance, shamisen, judo, calligraphy and koto, 7:30 p.m., Nippon Kan Theatre, 628 S. Washington St. Info: (206) 624-8801.

May 19—Ayame Kai Rummage Sale, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Seattle Buddhist Church, 1427 S. Main St. Drop-off dates: May 16-18, 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Seattle Buddhist Church. Info: (206) 882-6284.

May 26—30th annual Japanese Community Queen Coronation and Scholarship Pageant, 5:30 p.m. cocktails, 6 p.m. dinner, Evergreen Ballroom, Bellevue Red Lion Hotel. Info: Terry, (206) 325-7888; Jane, 624-1114.

WATSONVILLE

May 19-20-Watsonville YBA Reunion (circa 1940-1956) planning meetings during Chizu Iwanaga's visit in Watsonville. Info: (all 408) Mas Hashimoto, 722-6859; Ernie Ura, 724-4366; or Jackie Yamashita, 724-7860.

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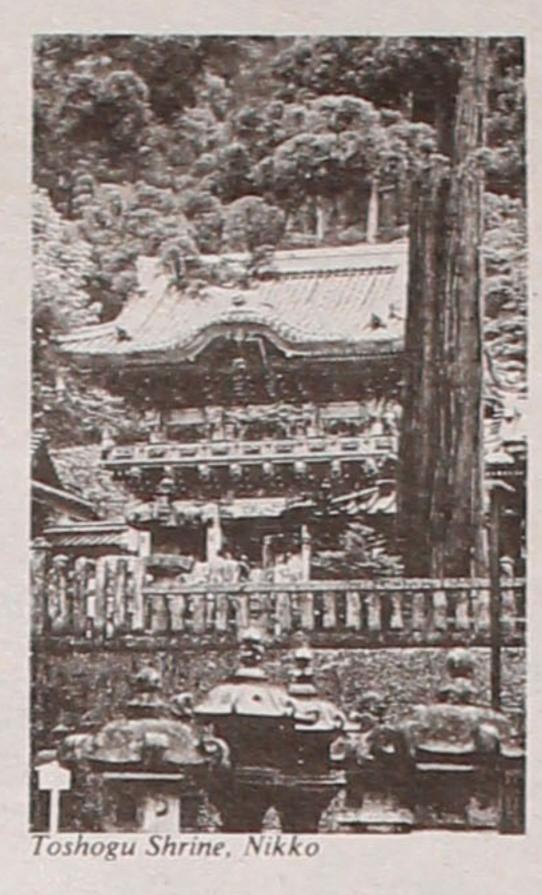
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- # 9 Portugal/Spain & Morocco Jun 1 - Jun 17 Toy Kanegai, escort
- #10 Parks & Canyon Spectacular Jun 10 - Jun 22 Yuki Sato, escort
- #11 Salmon Fishing Jun 28 - Jul 5 P & G Murakawa, escorts #12 Japan Summer Basic Tour
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- Jun 26 Jul 1 George Kanegai, escort #14 Alaska Cruise and Land

May 22 - Jun 3

- Masako Kobayashi, escort #15 Oberammergau (Passion Play & Medjugorje) Jul 7 - Jul 23
- Toy Kanegai, escort #16 Scandinavia & Russia Aug 6 - Aug 25
- Nancy Takeda, escort #17 Canadian Rockies Aug 1 - Aug 12
- Yuki Sato, escort #18a Continental Europe Sep 20 - Oct 6 Yuki Sato, escort
- #19 Niagara Falls & Canada/NE Fall Foliage Sep 27 - Oct 11 Bill Sakurai, escort
- #19a Old Japan & Shikoku Tour Oct 1 - Oct 15
- Toy Kanegai, escort #20 Hokkaido & Tohoku Tour Sep 23 - Oct 8
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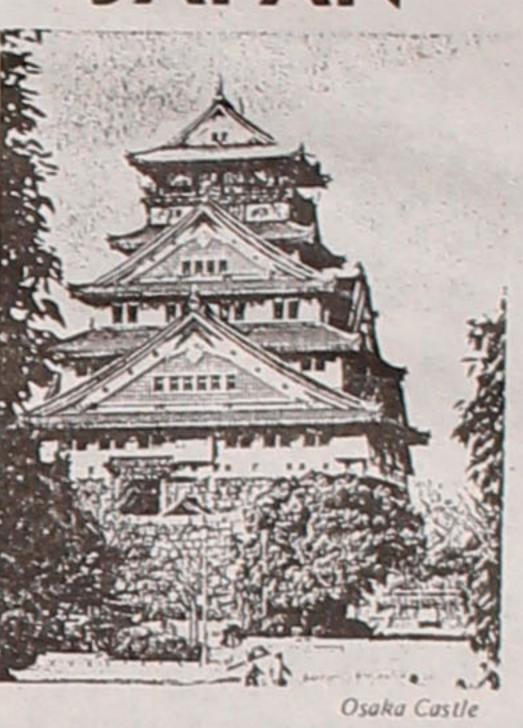
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