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Views on U.S.-Japan Trade Negotiations to Be Exchanged at Convention Workshop

By Yosh Tamura

The month of April 1990 was highlighted by extraordinary developments in U.S.-Japan trade negotiations. In the first week of the month, Japan agreed to U.S. demands on two of the Super 301 items—eliminating trade barriers to Japanese imports of U.S. satellites and supercomputers. During the same week, Japan also agreed to the U.S. Structural Impediments Initiative (SII) proposal. These SII concessions by Japan included: farmland taxation law changes in urban districts to ease land use, revising the large scale retail store law to provide easier access to foreign products and merchandise, and increased spending for public works such as highways and sewage systems. During the last week of the month, U.S. and Japan agreed on the last Super 301 item—wood products.

CONVENTION UPDATE

So upbeat was U.S. Trade Representative Carla Hills about these accomplishments, that at a Congressional hearing on the day of the wood products agreement, she indicated that she was not planning to initiate a second round of Super 301 negotiations with Japan this year. The following day President Bush, after discussion with members of the Economic Council, decided not to cite Japan under Super 301. Carla Hills has expressed her desire to negotiate with Japan on other unresolved items; i.e., semi-conductors and rice under a more friendly atmosphere, rather than under Super 301 provisions which are perceived to take the "blackmail approach."

There are a number of skeptics about

the immediate benefits of these negotiated trade agreements. Senator Lloyd Bentsen, chair of the Senate Finance Committee, has expressed his concern about not making an immediate impact on the reduction of the U.S. trade deficit and warned that "failure to name Japan on Super 301 this year could poison the well on future trade issues."

"I think it's much ado about not very much," said Clyde V. Prestowitz, president of the Economic Strategy Institute and a former trade official with the Commerce Department.

Across the Pacific, the Japanese are looking at these agreements more positively. It's interesting to note that the majority of the Japanese are supporting U.S. positions regarding trade issues. According to an article in *Nihon Keizai* (Japanese business paper) a poll conducted prior to the April trade negotiations found that 85% of the people surveyed were in favor of full or at least partial acceptance of U.S. demands. Also in the same poll, slightly over half supported rice imports. If these recently concluded accords were fully implemented at the earliest possible time, Japanese consumers would emerge as winners in the form of a higher standard of living. Prime Minister Toshiki Kaifu said at a nationally televised news conference in April that "Japan has agreed to U.S. demands for a series of reforms in order to raise Japanese living standards and maintain friendly relations with the United States." Indeed, better housing, cheaper consumer products including rice and other food products, cable TV, more highways, improved sewage systems, etc., can be expected by the Japanese. To cite one example

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Photo by Alvina Lew

DR. MARK TANOUYE

Caltech Rally Demands Tenure for Prof. Tanouye

By Alvina Lew

PASADENA, Calif. — "Tenure For Tanouye" was the battle chant of over 75 supporters of Dr. Mark Tanouye as they marched to the administration building on the campus of the California Institute of Technology two weeks ago.

Sponsored by the Greater Pasadena Area JACL, the demonstrators, carrying placards "Bigotry has to GO!", "We Want Justice Cal Tech," "Tenure for Dr. Tanouye," endured the noon-day heat as they heard supporting speeches from representatives of NAACP, APSU (Asian Pacific Student Union), and JACL and former Mayor of

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Mile-Hi JACL's Horiuchi to Meet with Colorado Revenue Officials

WASHINGTON — Recently, JACLEC received a letter from a Colorado Department of Revenue official that redress payments would be included in

determining eligibility for Colorado assistance programs.

JACL Joins in White House Event for Asian Americans

WASHINGTON — At a recent ceremony in the White House Rose Garden, President George Bush proclaimed Asian Pacific Heritage Month, 1990 before an audience of Asian American community representatives, media and dignitaries.

JACL Washington Representative Paul Igasaki represented the Japanese American Citizens League at the event.

President Bush acknowledged the role of Senator Matsunaga in the creation of Asian Heritage Week and Month stating, "I think this ought to be his day."

"As shown by public-spirited leaders like Spark Matsunaga," added the President, "Asian Pacific Americans are beginning to excel in the field of politics . . . While politics is often a second, third, or fourth generation profession, the time is coming when more and more Asian and Pacific Americans will seek office to lead our cities, our states and our nation."

The White House also held an issues briefing focusing on foreign, economic, defense and trade policy.

"I am pleased to see the Congress and the President in agreement that Asian Heritage programs warrant a month-long observance," said Igasaki.

"When Governor Jim Thompson and the late Mayor Harold Washington extended Asian Heritage observances in Illinois several years ago, it enabled increased media attention and more flexibility in scheduling community events.

The President's proclamation brings Asian Heritage month into similar status with Black History month and other programs celebrating the contributions of American minority groups.

Following publication of this information in the Pacific Citizen, JACLEC Executive Director JoAnne Kagiwada received a phone call from a very concerned Bob Horiuchi, JACL's Mile High Chapter redress chair. He reported that Governor Roy Romer had signed a bill on April 26, 1989, which explicitly removed "restitution payments to Japanese Americans from financial determinations in connection with state-funded social service programs."

This action, taken over a year ago, was the direct result of the efforts of Horiuchi's redress committee.

JACL members testified at legislative hearings and worked with Revenue Department staff in drafting the bill.

Convention Extends Early Bird Rate

SAN DIEGO — The San Diego JACL Convention Planning Committee has announced that the early bird registration rate for the convention has been extended to June 16.

"What this means is that for those who haven't yet registered for any of the convention activities can do so at the lower rate identified in the Registration Brochure," convention chair Robert Ito pointed out.

"For example, the six-day package at \$165 will still be available up to the start of the convention. Anybody registering for any of the events after the start of the convention will be charged the regular rates. This extension also applies for anyone who wants to register for any individual or optional events."

Check the registration brochure for the individual and optional rates and remember that through June 16, you pay only the early bird rate.

Youth/Student Registration is also being extended to June 16. Registration for Youth/Students is being coordinated through the National JACL Headquarters.

Now the Front-Runner in Peru's Presidential Runoff:

Fujimori Cites Economic Aid Key to Drug War

LIMA, Peru — Alberto Fujimori, 52, the unexpected front-runner for the presidency of Peru, said in an interview May 9 that economic aid is the key to a victory in the drug war rather than greater U.S. military and police aid.

Relaxed and confident after a five-day campaign tour the first week of May through the slums of Lima, he now leads novelist Mario Vargas Llosa in all opinion polls with the respected Apoyo firm giving Fujimori a 44% to 36% edge.

Fujimori said the U.S. offer to provide \$36 million in training and equipment for the Peruvian military to fight the guerrillas who defend the traffickers would be pointless on its own. Past emphasis on police action over the past decade has shown "repression has no effectiveness."

He said, however, he would accept military and police aid if it were combined with far-reaching development funds that would enable the peasants to switch from coca to legal crops.

The former rector of the National University of Agronomy said the coca

growers in Upper Huallaga Valley, for instance, will not give up their lucrative crops unless they had the roads and markets for legal crops.

"If we abandon the growers, they are going to keep producing more coca. These people cannot get their products to market. What they need are roads and transport that will permit agriculture to be profitable," the agronomist said. "If there are roads and a railway,

'Come See the Paradise' a Hit at Cannes Festival

CANNES, France—Alan Parker's film story about the Japanese Americans during World War II, "Come See the Paradise," was premiered at the 1990 Cannes Film Festival this past week. While critics were divided by the film's sentimentality dealing with interracial marriage and the internment, to the general festival-goers it was an early favorite. To be shown in the U.S. later this year, it stars Dennis Quaid and Tamlyn Tomita.

then the legal crops are going to be as profitable as the coca."

\$63.1 Million Slated

This fiscal year, the U.S. is providing Peru about \$3 million in aid for its anti-drug program and the amount is scheduled to rise to \$63.1 million—\$36 million to outfit and train Peruvian soldiers to help them combat the Sendero Luminoso (Maoist movement) in the valley who, police say, have ties with drug traffickers and coca growers.

Fujimori noted that the \$63 million in assistance is considerably less than the \$120 billion that is spent annually in the U.S. to buy cocaine.

"While there is misery, Sendero is going to continue advancing," he said. "It is necessary to recognize the profound cause of each one of these problems."

His party, Cambio 90, was founded to fight both poverty and the Sendero. At the April 8 primaries, Fujimori had heavily outpolled Vargas Llosa in the highlands where the Sendero revolts occurred.

NEWS BRIEFS

Columnist Breslin Regrets Racist Remarks

NEW YORK—*Newsday* columnist Jimmy Breslin has apologized for his racist, expletive-filled newsroom tirade against staff reporter of Korean descent, Ji-Yeon Mary Yuh, 25, who had complained on an internal computer message that his May 3 column was sexist. The newsroom tirade by Breslin called her "slant-eyed . . . a yellow cur."

The remarks were reported by the *Daily News* and in a complaint from *Newsday* staff members to their managers. On Sunday (May 6), Asian American groups called for Breslin's resignation for the outburst. *Newsday* the same day said Breslin had apologized to the staffers on Friday as an internal computer message. He was also suspended for two weeks without pay.

Commenting on Breslin's remarks, *Baltimore Sun* columnist Wiley Hall III observed, "Tolerance of bigotry and stupidity has run out. The world has changed. *Newsday* ought to run somebody else's column; someone whose attitudes are not mired in America's racist past."

WRA Camp Artist Henry Sugimoto, 90, Dies

NEW YORK—Wakayama-born water color artist Henry Y. Sugimoto, 90, died May 8. His paintings of WWII camp experiences at Jerome were done of grain, sugar bags and bedsheets to show the agony, plight and anxiety of evacuees. Donations in his memory may be made to the Sugimoto Scholarship Fund, Calif. College of Art Alumni Office, 5212 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94618.

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RISING STAR—Cook County State's Attorney Cecil A. Partee congratulates Lynn Kawamoto on her new appointment as Supervisor of the State's Attorney's Juvenile Division.

Rohwer Reunion Banquet for July 20 Sold Out, 'But Many Still Coming'

LOS ANGELES — Despite the "sold-out" sign which has been out since February for the first Rohwer camp reunion banquet at Stouffer Concourse Hotel on Saturday, July 21, many people around the country are still coming to Los Angeles to meet their friends at the reunion, the hosts beamed.

Some 1,200 names for the banquet have been published in the reunion newsletter, invoking unexpected enthusiasm for tickets and the "sold-out" sign. "The banquet will only be about three hours. There's a lot of time before and after, so come on down," general chair Nick Katsuki urged.

The Friday-Saturday reunion will feature a golf tournament Friday at Lakewood Golf Course with 96 signed on, according to Alice Noda, co-chair. The photo exhibit with Stone Ishimaru's slide show will occupy two rooms, reports exhibit chair Kango Kunitsugu.

Prewar San Gabriel Valley Reunion Slated Sept. 1

WEST COVINA, Calif. — The second prewar San Gabriel Valley Reunion will be held on Saturday, Sept. 1, at the East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center, 1203 W. Puente Ave. Registration fees are \$40 single, \$75 couple if paid by July 7; \$45/\$85 by deadline of Aug. 4. Pre-war residents 80 years of age and older will be admitted free. Golf tournament will be held on Friday, Aug. 31, beginning at 1 p.m. at the Azusa Greens Country Club, Azusa. Entry fee is \$25.

The first reunion in 1987 attracted 500 persons. Former pre-war San Gabriel Valley residents who have not received the 1990 invitation are urged to write to:

Reunion Chair Bacon Sakatani, 210 N. Shadydale Ave., W. Covina, CA 91790, (818) 338-8310 (eve).

Monterey Apt. Nisei Landlord Appeals Whopping \$9,750 Water Bill

MONTEREY, Calif. — When Terry Miyamoto of Seaside opened her last bi-monthly water bill, it was \$9,750 due by May 15. She and seven tenants of her old apartment house are hooked up to one water meter.

Her plight is part of the story now becoming more common each day as the state's four-year drought continues. She probably will not have to pay the full \$9,750, officials at the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District said, but she may have to pay an uncomfortable part of it.

She and thousands of other water customers have appealed to the district's water rationing office. They leave the same office with a quantity of blank water census forms, each being advised to get an accurate count of tenants and to convince them somehow to use less water.

Officials thought Miyamoto had rented to undocumented aliens and the poor who may be crowding more than one family into a unit. They probably were afraid to complete the water census forms distributed by the district to gauge each property's water ration.

A water ration for a residence or business amounts to 80% of the 1987 usage.

The California American Water Co., which sells water to the city, is asking the state Public Utilities Commission for rate hikes to match—as sales are down about 35%. This would escalate

Miyamoto's bill even higher.

The 110,000 residents here will have to cut back 40% if the drought continues this year, according to the company.

As Miyamoto was leaving the office, she was not sure how she could get her tenants to cut their water use by 20%, let alone 40%. "It would be cheaper for me not to have any tenants," she said.

Monterey gets its water from underground sources and the Carmel River, now a sandbar at its mouth by the ocean. Old-timers remember steelhead salmon run upstream to spawn. The area averages 18 inches of rain per year—but it has been averaging half of that the past four years.

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Her Redress Money Going to Pay for Climbing Property Tax for Home

HONOLULU—During World War II, Shizu Heau, 72, a retired school teacher, was interned at the Gila River (Ariz.) WRA Center and will be eligible for a government apology at \$20,000 in redress. She doesn't know when it will come, but she knows what she'll do with it.

She still lives in a three-bedroom, two-bath Kahala tract home that she and her husband Allen bought in 1958 for \$31,000 leasehold. Ten years ago they paid \$40,000 for the fee simple title to the lot at 1014 Hunakai St.

This year, she watched the tax assessment of their lot jump from \$272,900 to \$394,000; the house up about \$2,000 from last year's \$71,000 evaluation. When the redress comes, she said, "That's where it'll go—to the city—and (we can) keep on living here."

But she is appealing the assessment as the city has proposed some kind of

tax relief, but she's not holding her breath for that to come. Speculators, many of them foreign, have brought up Kahala properties, tear them down and ask \$1 million or more for the development.

Heau knows she can sell her house and make a whopping profit but Kahala Elementary School is where she worked and she likes the neighborhood too much to move. To get a comparable house would mean paying \$350,000 and too far away, she added.

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Labor Activist's Papers Donated to UCLA Library

LOS ANGELES — A wealth of original documents pertaining to pre-World War II labor and leftist activities of Japanese immigrants and their descendants has been donated to the UCLA Library's Department of Special Collections. The papers of longtime Japanese American labor activist Karl Yoneda have become a part of UCLA's Japanese American Research Project (JARP) Collection, one of the finest archival collections on the history of Japanese immigration and Japanese American life in the United States.

Yoneda, a San Francisco resident, was honored Apr. 30 at a reception in the special collections area of the University Research Library.

The collection includes some 32 archival boxes, primarily original documents, published materials and other primary sources on the prewar labor movement. Most of these materials, especially those in the Japanese language, exist nowhere else.

Among the papers are documents relating to Yoneda's wife Elaine Black, a labor activist who died in 1988, and their wartime internment at Manzanar Camp in central California. Also preserved are documents about the couple's participation in various post-war Japanese American activities including the redress campaign of the 1980s.

Karl Yoneda was born in Glendale, Calif., in 1906, but received his education in Japan between 1913 and 1926. He returned to the United States in 1927, joined the American Communist Party and launched his career as a labor activist. A longshoreman by trade, he was affiliated with the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, and also served as a CIO labor organizer.

After his release from Manzanar, Yoneda served in the U.S. Military Intelligence Service as a Japanese language specialist in the China-Burma-India theater.

Sacramento JAACL Wants Office Coordinator

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — A part-time person to coordinate the Sacramento JAACL Office at 2124 Tenth St., next to Ouye's Drug Store, is being sought by the chapter board to succeed volunteer Tom Okubo who recently quit to handle personal business developments. The position requires from 12 to 15 hours a week. Written applications should be sent to the JAACL office at 2124 10th St., Sacramento, CA 95818.

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HIROSHIMA—The Grammy Award winning band will be one of the featured musical groups performing at the JCYC's 20th Anniversary Celebration on Sunday, May 27, at the San Francisco Palace of Fine Arts. Band members are (L-R): Danny Yamamoto - Drums; June Kuramoto - Koto; Dan Kuramoto - Keyboards, Woodwinds; Machun - Vocals, Guitar; Johnny Mori - Taiko, Percussion.

JCYC to Celebrate 20th Anniversary, Five Distinguished Awards to Be Presented

SAN FRANCISCO — On Sunday, May 27, the Japanese Community Youth Council (JCYC) invites its supporters to attend its 20th anniversary celebration, which will take place at the Palace of Fine Arts (Lyon and Bay Streets).

Awards will be presented to five distinguished recipients: Robert T. Matsui, U.S. Congressman; Cressey Nakagawa, Nat'l. JAACL president; Jerry Enomoto, Nat'l. chair of the JAACL Legislative Education Committee; Daro Inouye, attorney and community leader; Janice Mirikitani, artist and activist.

The evening entertainment features music by the well-known jazz/fusion group, Hiroshima, and Bay area singer Colette Ikemi.

Over the course of its twenty-year history, JCYC has developed a wide range of innovative programs, including "Uncle George's Produce," and has sponsored major programs such as Asian American Communities for Education (AAE), the Mayor's In-School Youth Program (MISY), and Asian Youth Substance Abuse Program (AYSAP).

Distinguished Award Recipients
The Phillip Burton Humanitarian Award will be bestowed on U.S. Congressman Robert T. Matsui for his work on behalf of redress, as well as other issues involving the Japanese American community.

Special Recognition Awards will be presented to the JAACL and LEC for their leadership throughout the educa-

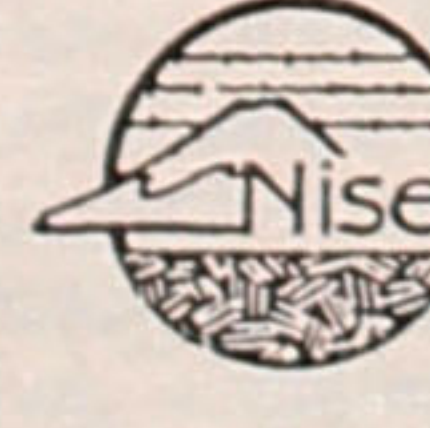
tional and legislative campaign to pass the redress bill. Cressey Nakagawa, National JAACL president, and Jerry Enomoto, National chair of LEC, will accept the awards on behalf of the organizations.

Outstanding Leadership Awards will be given to attorney Daro Inouye and to poet Janice Mirikitani for their activism on behalf of their community.

Incorporated in 1970, JCYC has consistently been a vigorous youth advocate. The primary purpose of the agency is "to provide for and foster the educational, social, and cultural development of Japanese American youth in San Francisco." Under the leadership of JCYC's Executive Director, Jeff Mori, and his dedicated staff, the Japanese Community Youth Council has served the needs of thousands of San Francisco and Western Addition youth, of all ethnic backgrounds, by offering them a wide range of activities, programs, support, counseling and employment opportunities.

Limited seating is available for the gala 20th Anniversary Event. JCYC requests a \$50 donation, and reservations will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis. To attend, write to the Japanese Community Youth Council, 2012 Pine St., San Francisco, CA 94115, or call (415) 563-8052.

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'Manzanar Project' in Ethiopia Started as Fish Farm off Red Sea

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. Dr. Gordon Sato's quest to fight starvation in Ethiopia has been titled the "Manzanar Project" — a fish farm on the outskirts of Mersa Teklay facing the Red Sea.

Sato named the project to square away the injustice and humiliation that Manzanar had imposed on him and other Japanese Americans during World War II. The project was started this year to help feed a starving, oppressed people in the desert.

Sato, who is director of the W. Alton Jones Cell Science Center, Inc., here, became acquainted with the plight of the Eritreans who have been fighting a civil war with the Ethiopian government for 30 years and facing starvation.

With financial support of Shingo Nomura, president of the Center for Global Action, Sato began to teach the Eritreans to farm fish for survival and perhaps build a viable economy. Prior to 1988, Eritreans had not considered fish farming a necessity because of their proximity to the Red Sea.

Early this year, Dr. Sato sent a Chinese shrimp farm expert, named Yung, to Eritrea to assess the situation. He recommended the project be based at Mersa Teklay as the area houses local commerce, mechanical plants, lumber yards and a shipbuilding operation.

There will be fish enough to distribute locally and to Port Sudan, a 10-hour drive north, Sato predicted.

Yung observed the Eritreans are committed to the project, which has three kinds of fish farms: (1) man-made shoreline ponds, (2) natural fish ponds and (3) fish cages. The water temperature during October-May at 27 degrees Centigrade is considered ideal for raising fish, shrimp and crab.

The man-made fish ponds are connected to the ocean. Rocks and wooden gates prevent fish from escaping during the tidal movements that change from 24 to 35% of the fish pond water.

The natural ponds are the many shallow bays in Mersa Teklay. In three hours, the Eritreans can stretch nets across the channel, which can be raised to allow fingerlings to enter the pond. Yung noted this was the most economical method to fish farm as there are hundreds of sites which can be utilized. Mangrove trees must be planted around these natural ponds to help feed the fingerlings.

Fish cages, made of wood and lined with nets, can be placed in protected waters off the reef some 500 meter from the shore.

The Eritreans are farming mullet and milkfish, which Sato noted are the same kind of fish the Chinese farmed centuries ago. The fingerlings mature from 2 to 3 cms. to 20-25 cms. in about four months.

In order to feed the fish, water from a fermenting pond of animal and human waste is pumped and filtered to a second pond with algae, which is then pumped into the fish ponds.

The Eritreans are also farming other fish, the yellow-fin black sea bream, emperor and grouper. One pond is devoted to crabs which live around the mangrove trees. Shrimp is a new project and the Eritreans are experimenting with three varieties.

Yung noted that as the project expands, more Eritreans can be involved. If they had enough trained people, another group of farms could begin at another site along the Red Sea, he added.

Sato has been seeking donations to help supply the Eritreans with farming equipment to dig the ponds and fish farm. Anyone interested in donating should write the W. Alton Jones Cell Science Center, 10 Old Barn Rd., Lake Placid, NY 12946-1099.

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The Gate at Minidoka

Near the site of the entry gate where armed soldiers once stood guard, the Minidoka Relocation Center Memorial will be dedicated on Saturday, May 26. The camp, not far from Twin Falls in south-central Idaho, was the home during World War II of more than 9,000 Japanese Americans uprooted from communities in Washington and Oregon.

With the exception of a few who settled in the state, most of those who were in the camp are gone from Idaho. The sad history of the Evacuation is nearing its final chapter with an official government apology to Japanese Americans and promise that payment of token compensation will begin within the year. But the monument will perpetuate, as is proper, the memory of the shame.

Invitations to the dedication carry these words:

"The ceremony will mark the completion of a monument which interprets the Minidoka Relocation Center and will recognize the individuals who resided at the Center during the period from August 16, 1942, to October 26, 1945."

Some will note that the site, referred to as "Center," could have been called a "concentration camp." In place of "resided," words like "imprisoned" or "incarcerated" might have been used.

The absence of harsh language is significant. It is indication that while the Evacuation experience must not be forgotten, the bitterness is fading.

It is equally significant that sponsors of the project are the Intermountain District Council of JACL, the Bureau of Reclamation which has jurisdiction over the land on which the camp was located, and the Idaho Centennial Commission. They represent people of the area. Most of them were never confined in the camp, nor were they directly responsible for its creation or its operation. As individuals they did not feel the sting of unjust rejection. The JACL committee co-chairmen, Hero Shiosaki and Masa Tsukamoto of the Pocatelto/Blackfoot chapter, are native Idahoans.

Yet, by sponsoring the monument, they are demonstrating their sensitivity to the meaning of the Evacuation. As Americans they understand the shame of what happened, and they are helping to make sure the shame is not forgotten.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

BILL YOSHINO

Foremost Convention Fundraiser

SAN FRANCISCO "1990" marks the 10th anniversary in which the JACL Sweepstakes has been a convention-year fundraiser for the organization.

The fundraiser is important to JACL. In fact, the formal title, Sweepstakes, is the JACL National Support Fund Drive. It is a fund used to support the important work of JACL. Currently, it is the only internal fundraising event engaged in by the National JACL. As with all funds secured for the organization, this campaign financially enables the JACL to implement its mission, its purposes as an organization and its biennial "Program of Action".

Our organizational purposes are noble. They are to protect, secure and uphold the civil and human rights of Japanese Americans and to strive to secure and uphold such rights for all people.

Our purposes also call for us to participate in the development of understanding among all social and ethnic groups in the United States and to promote and sponsor programs and projects which are designated to encourage Japanese Americans to participate in the mainstream of American political and social life.

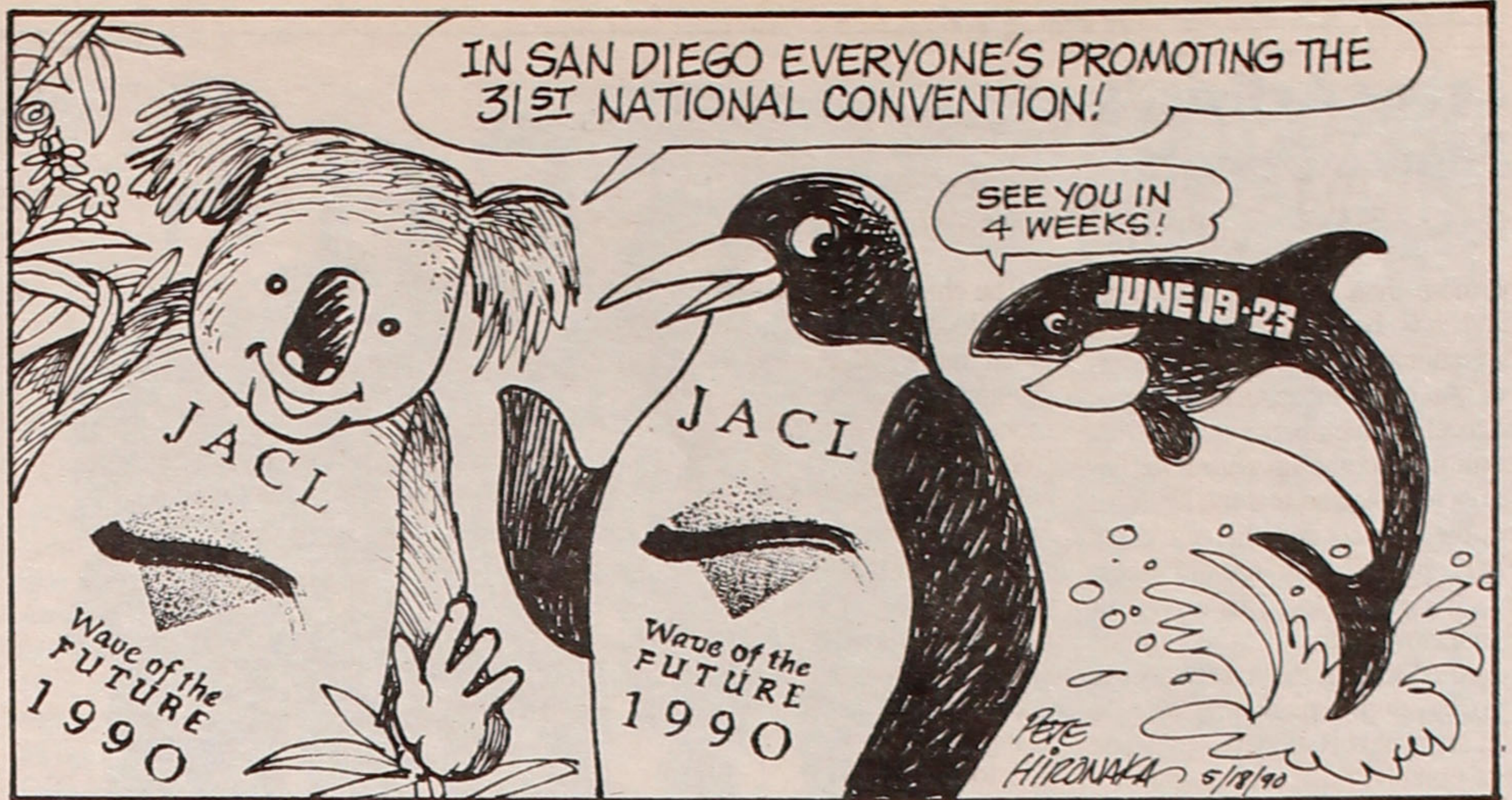
Indeed, these are noble purposes, but then, JACL has a noble past. JACL has taken an active role in dismantling discriminatory barriers which prevented persons of Japanese ancestry from land ownership, employment, the right to

vote and the realization of citizenship. But with all of our accomplishment, there is still much to do. Intolerance continues to exist within our society. The proliferation of "hate groups," the continuing trend of violence toward Asian Americans, the growth in Pacific Rim economics and the resultant Japan-bashing, and a lessened sensitivity in human and civil rights demonstrates the continued need for an organization such as the JACL.

We have many members who have contributed a lifetime of involvement to JACL and the work they have contributed and the purposes of the organization they believe in can be carried through time from one generation to another. That is the value of an organization such as ours.

Without financial support, however, the effectiveness of the JACL will be eroded. Your contribution to the campaign is a contribution to sustaining the work of JACL. For further information contact your chapter president, or you can write to us at Headquarters, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115 or call (415) 921-5225.

This year the campaign offers one \$5000 prize and ten \$1000 prizes. As in past years, the number of tickets issued will be limited to 2,500. To date we have acknowledged \$20,500 in contributions. Our break even amount is approximately \$18,000.



FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

What's So Real About the 'Ninja' in a Movie Reel

A couple of the grandkids, namely Steve who is 10 years old and Stephanie who is 6 or 7, I don't remember which, wanted to see a movie on the big screen the other day. I was elected to be their escort.

What they wanted to see was "Mutant Teenage Ninja Turtles." Or maybe it was "Teenage Mutant Turtle Ninjas." Anyway, the title didn't make much sense. Steve explained it had to do with a philosophical rat and some turtles that got caught up in radioactive waste which transformed them into people-sized creatures who could talk. Great story line if you're into science fiction.

The first shock I encountered was the price of tickets. For kids under 12, \$3.50 apiece and the same for senior citizens of which I am one. Seeing movies free on television spoils one for encounters with the inflated real world.

It turned out we were the first ones in the theater. Eventually we were joined by perhaps a dozen or 15 others

and none of them left before the last karate chop was delivered. That says something about the public's taste, or lack of same, in cinematic entertainment.

The turtles live in a New York sewer, order pizzas by telephone and have a crush on a lady TV news reporter. Somehow they get involved in trying to thwart a bunch of young thugs in ski masks who are the disciples of the boss ninja who wears an iron mask and an outfit like that of the bad guys in a Star Trek episode.

At this point it would be helpful to explain ninja. My reference books tell me ninja were practitioners of ninjutsu, or the art of invisibility in medieval Japan. They were the spies of feudal lords. They trained themselves to go without food or sleep for days at a time, walk noiselessly, climb perpendicular walls, leap over high fences at a single bound, see in semi-darkness, and wore tight black costumes to make them-

selves invisible. And when need be, they were fighters of enormous strength, skill and cunning.

As it turned out in the movie, the ninja were the bad guys. They had the advantage of numbers and great fighting ability, but in the end they are done in by the talking rat and the turtles which have Italian names. I got the impression that Central Casting rounded up extras from half the karate gyms in Los Angeles to play ninja roles.

I thought that Steve, who has a young boy's fascination for violence and has been a student of karate, might have his imagination stirred by all that fighting and jumping and pounding on the screen. (Remember how you tried to walk mom's clothes line after you saw the tight wire act at the circus?)

"How did you like the movie?" I asked Steve as we left the theater.

"I thought it was stupid," Steve said. He reinforced my confidence that he will grow up to be a sensible young man.



EAST WIND

BILL MARUTANI

'Dokkoi - Sho!'

THE OTHER WEEKEND, after putting in a long afternoon working around the yard, I was about to put the lawn tractor back up the ramp into the tool shed, to find that the battery had worn down. The engine wouldn't start. Well, only one thing to do: push the tractor up the ramp and into the shed. Gave it a couple of heave-ho's, including a couple of running starts. No go; the tractor simply rolled back each time. Determined that that tractor was not going to prevail, I gave it one more try—this time (spontaneously) with a "Dokkoi-sho!"

And darned if the thing didn't make it up, over and in.

THAT GOT ME wondering. What prompted me to resort to that *kake-goe* (shout of encouragement) of all things? It had not been my habit to use "dokkoi-sho." Even when learning judo as a youngster, every once in a while one might resort to a *kake-goe*, in my case usually as a sign of frustrating vengeance—which means that I had many an excuse to use *kake-goe*. But invariably restraint and decorum dictated that one should use *kake-goe* sparingly and on most rare occasions. Few things look as stupid as using *kake-goe* in judo and being bested.

If you're going to lose (*Ippon tori-masu.*) it's far better to lose unobtrusively as possible.

AT AN EARLY opportunity, I looked into a pocket *jiten* (dictionary) to seek to determine if "dokkoi-sho" was written in *kanji* characters, and precisely what it meant. Since a kid, I'd heard the Issei use the term and over the years, and I simply assumed that I knew what it meant. If challenged to give a definition, I would have guessed something along the lines of "Heave!" or, paradoxically, "Easy-does-it." When I was trying to push that balky tractor up the ramp, it was the former; but if one were to articulate the term slowly—*dok-koi-sho*—pausing just slightly between each syllable, such as in the course of gingerly flipping over

a pancake, it has a different meaning. For me anyway.

But what about the *jiten*; what does it say?

THE JITEN EXPLAINS that "dokkoi-sho" is a "kake-goe" equivalent to "yo-heave-ho!" or "alleyoop!" If the term is written in *kanji*, I didn't find it; it was written out in *hiragana*. But one answer leads to another question: What does "kake-goe" (a *kanji* compound of "hang" and "voice") mean? Since we still have the *jiten* in hand, it's a simple matter to check that out. The *kanji* "kake" and its various pronunciations,

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MONITOR

According to *TV Guide*, Innkeeper Dick Loudon on the Bob Newhart show might be done in by the Japanese in the series' final episode. Apparently a Japanese investor has plans to buy the entire peaceful Vermont town and turn it into a giant golf course. Newhart's character refuses to sell out. He is killed by a flying golf ball soon afterwards.

I am a second-generation American. I only regret that I am becoming a minority just when I am getting accustomed to being part of the majority.

—Letter to the editor of *Time* magazine in response to its cover story: "America's changing colors"

JACL LEGACY TRUST FUND

DENNY YASUHARA

Pacific Northwest District Governor (1983 - 1989)

'50 - 35 - 15%' Allocation Proposal

For more than a year now, a trust fund has been proposed by the JACL National Ways and Means Committee. At each subsequent National Board meeting, members requested that the committee come up with a definitive, concrete plan so that the National Board, the districts and chapters could have a chance for thorough discussion and reach a consensus. This was never done and now at the last meeting the Board voted to turn the matter over to staff to develop a marketing plan to present at the next National Convention and presumably, then, to seek approval there at the National Council meeting.

Several years ago, a national dues raise was enacted in like matter. The local anger, turmoil and feelings of deceit by the membership lingers to some extent even today. No major fundraising effort should be carried out and approved without the Chapters, first, having the right to examine its details, provide input and only then moving forward with its implementation—not before.

For several board meetings, I have requested not only from the National Board, but committee members, a commitment of a significant proportion of the proposed legacy trust fund to go directly to the chapters. The initial proposal that earmarked 10 percent for the districts/chapters and 90 percent for national operations and programs, was obscene.

The chapters need local programs to meet local needs and chapter operational monies and not more national programs and more national operational monies at the expense of the chapters' welfare. Almost all of the dues monies collected by the Chapters go to National JACL and for many chapters all of the money does. Many chapters are barely able to make ends meet and are "hand-to-mouth" organizations. Such insensitivity to local and chapter needs is deeply troubling. When are people going to learn that it is local activity and local programs that increase support for the national organization and not the reverse? The locals can't have those without money!

In the past, how many of us have heard from national officers and board members how important the chapters are and how indispensable the P.C. is? Or even from some of the very people who are trying to implement the current plan? Do 10 percent and 0 percent allocations from the trust fund reflect being important and indispensable? This is the kind of periodic rhetoric, accompanied by minimal support and lack of responsiveness by National JACL that has steadily eroded its trust, credibility and support over the years. One cannot tell people how important they are and then ignore their programmatic and financial needs. Isn't this what the majority population and establishment have done consistently to minorities? Isn't

this what JACL has fought against for so long? I do not contend that National JACL needs no money. I contend that local needs and concerns warrant much greater consideration. It is the national network of chapters and their viability that makes a national organization not national headquarters or the Washington office. Where would have redress been without their work and financial support? We wouldn't have even had an operational Washington LEC-JACL Office if it weren't for that.

Some final points need to be made about the Legacy Trust Fund proposal. Control of sizeable amounts of money should not be left to a few people on the National Board (majority of the board or less), who, more often than not, serve only two years. Moreover, with only three meetings annually, decision-making becomes increasingly vulnerable to manipulation and limited to a few . . . no matter how honorable and well-meaning people are. Those conditions of inexperience, infrequency of meetings and therefore, inadequate time, makes the organization *excessively staff-dependent*, not only for information, but for decision-making, as well. That's not their job. This ultimately leaves the organization accountable to fewer and fewer people and responsive to even less. That's just the nature of things, not because some people are more honorable or dedicated than others. Such organizations soon become small self-perpetuating kingdoms serving no one but themselves. No non-profit membership organization should find themselves in that position. It is our responsibility (as a member) to see that it does not happen. If it does, we (the chapters and the members) have no one to blame but ourselves.

Therefore, it is recommended that the chapters and other grassroots supporters of JACL reject the Legacy Trust Fund proposal unless a substantial proportion of the funds are allocated/earmarked for the individual chapters and some to the Pacific Citizen. (Perhaps, 35 percent—chapters, 15 percent—PC, since they already receive some of the dues money, and 50%—National JACL). Further, that appropriate control and accountability be left with the chapters and district. Possibly, a committee of district representatives and one national representative. . . the district representatives being selected by the chapters in the district.

If these issues are not satisfactorily resolved, it is recommended that chapters not support or solicit for the national trust fund effort and begin individual trust fund campaigns for local programs and operations and decide at a later date, what monies to contribute to National JACL and the PC.

I am sure arguments will surface that delaying implementation of the trust fund effort will adversely affect the income. Better that than increasing disenchantment and lack of support to say nothing of proper procedures. Secondly, that it would be too difficult or time consuming to determine which chapters should be credited or receive some donations. This latter could be credited to the district or the nearest chapter to the donor's address. Insofar as delaying the implementation of the proposal, had the committee done its job as requested, the proposal would have been thoroughly discussed and implemented long before now.

Finally, if donors disagreed with the distributions, they would always be free to earmark contributions in any manner they wished.

If the National Board does not make a decision on the allocation of revenue, and implements the fund drive, it is recommended that the membership not support the effort and continue as suggested previously.



Photo by Alvina Lew

'TENURE FOR TANOUE'—One of the battle chants raised at Cal Tech by the assistant professor's supporters at a JACL chapter-sponsored rally.

TANOUE TENURE

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Pasadena, Loretta Thompson-Glickman.

Michael Balaoing, aide to state Sen. Art Torres, passed out copies of Senate Bill 2644 on Minority Tenure, which is part of a package of faculty tenure bills sponsored by Torres and based on past hearings of the Senate Special Committee on UC Admissions.

SB 2844 seeks to codify into California law a recent unanimous Supreme Court decision ruling which provides that universities, as employers enjoy no special exemptions from civil rights laws that allow government investigators full access to their personnel files.

The demonstration was triggered as a result of a recent report filed by a Caltech committee which found no bias in Dr. Mark Tanouye's denial of Tenure last year (June 21).

A letter of protest was hand carried to Cal Tech's president Thomas Everhart, whose office is in the administration building. Everhart did not make a personal appearance.

Tanouye is an assistant professor of biology and denial of tenure means he is fired by Cal Tech.

Tanouye says that he is allowed to work on campus and research grants have carried him financially. In 1989, he received \$445,000 in grant money for his research from government agencies.

When asked why he didn't go to other universities, Tanouye replied, "Frankly, there are a few times in people's lives when they can actually take a stand and point out something that is really unfair. This is really an unfair decision. It is not based on science or accomplishments. It is a racial issue. . . It is a case of a little guy fighting the big guy. The big guy usually wins because they have more money and more time."

Tanouye continued, "I am a scientist. My job is science and not to fight endlessly for Asian causes at the expense of my science. Ultimately I will be more effective as a role model because I do good science. And it will be the case if Cal Tech makes it so that I am not a very effective scientist, even if they allow me to stay—we are talking about a year."

Tanouye has received offers from George Washington University, University of Colorado, University of Texas, University of California at Davis, and was expecting one from UC Berkeley within the week.

Deukmejian Proclaims Asian/Pac Islander Month

SACRAMENTO — Gov. George Deukmejian has signed a proclamation declaring that the month of May will be Asian/Pacific Islander Month in California.

The proclamation cited the many significant contributions people of Asian/Pacific ancestry have made to the economic, cultural and societal evolution of the state.

Deukmejian referred to them as "exceptional citizens" and paid tribute to their special heritage.

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has a surprising number of meanings, including: "suspend, caught, begin, cost, oppose, splashed, weigh, consult, dependent, anchor (down), duty (in charge), (to) tax, bite (of a tool), installment (payments), and—get this one—"buckwheat noodles in soup." Be that as it may, the next time I'm in a noodle shop and have a hankering for *soba*, I'm not going to chance it by ordering "kake." With the myriad of meanings that come with "kake," there's no telling what might end up on the table.

"KAKE-GOE" IS SOMETHING many sports fans engage in, for it means to shout encouragement. As for me, tomorrow I'm hooking up a battery-charger to that tractor battery. My back can't stand too many of those *dokkoisho's*.

TAMURA

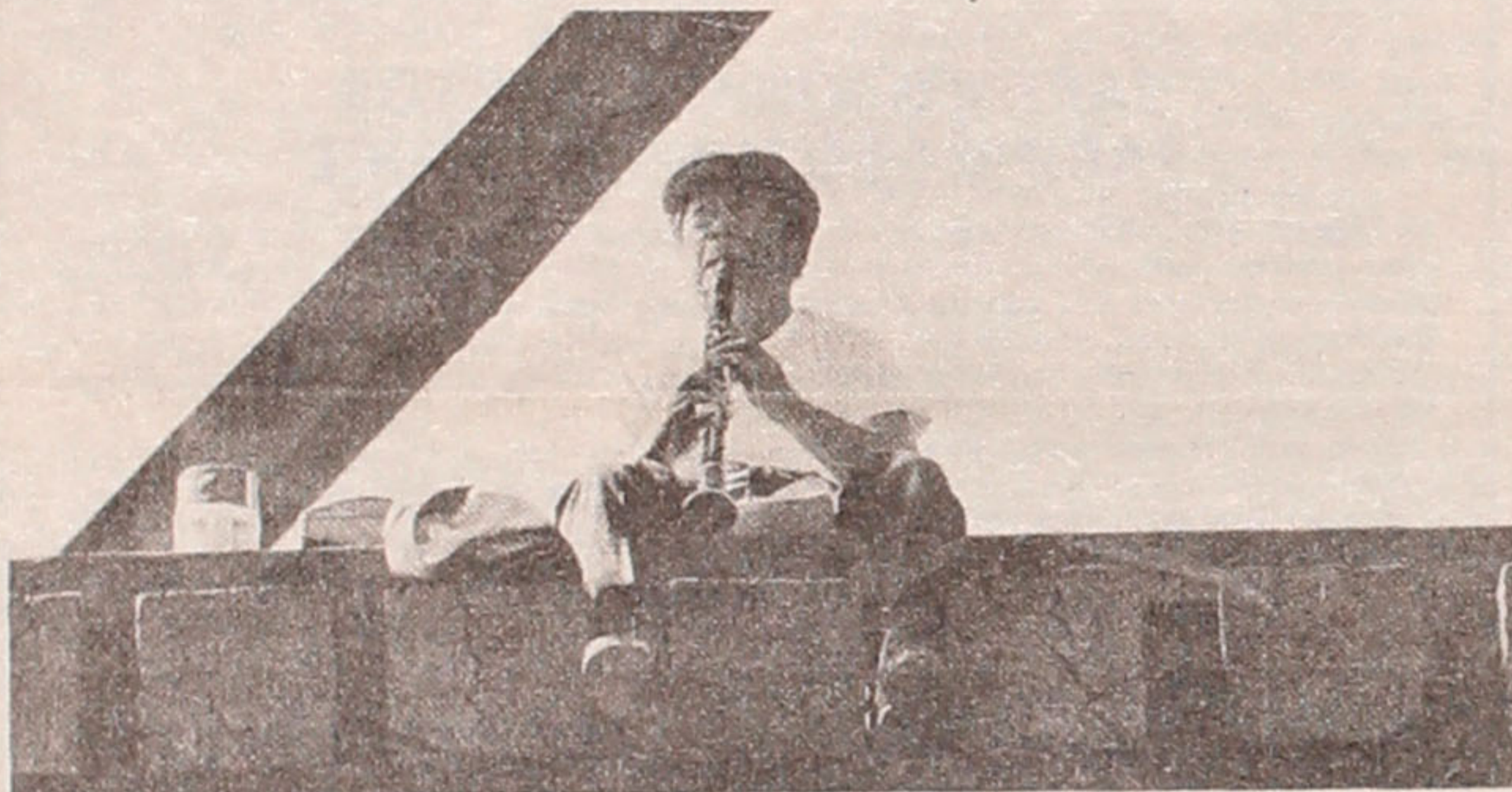
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of such benefits, according to an article appearing in the weekly *Shukan Gendai*, March 24 issue, the importing of U.S. oranges forced farmers in the Kawasaki area (50 miles from Tokyo) to stop growing tangerines. This in turn opened up lands permitting new business ventures in the construction of affordable housing (\$300,000 range) within commutable distance from Tokyo (1½ hours by train). Thousands of young people working in Tokyo are attracted to this area in search of their dream homes.

What should be Japanese focus on trade issues in the 1990s? According to the book *Forecast in Japan 1990s* published by Mitsubishi Research Institute in 1989, the biggest task for Japan is to increase her share of imports. Included are interesting statistics which show that Japan is not the largest exporting country. On a per capita basis Japanese exports, in terms of dollars, in 1989 was only \$1,878 as compared with West Germany's \$4,807 and the Netherlands \$6,337. Imports for Japan, West Germany and the Netherlands were \$970, \$3,731 and \$6,229 respectively. These statistics show that Japan is the "smallest" importing country among the three based on a per capita basis. Another related statistic appeared in the *Wall Street Journal* (Feb. 20, 1990) showing West Germany's current monthly trade surplus of about \$30 billion compared with Japan's billion a month. Yet there are hardly any complaints about Germany in the U.S. or Europe because West Germany's manufactured goods imports equalled 16.6% of its total output of goods and services. Comparable Japanese imports of manufactured goods was only 3.4%.

So Japan has a big task ahead in the 1990s—passing legislative measures to implement the SII agreements, carrying out commitments made in Super 301 and eliminating other trade barriers still pending.

Some of these issues will be taken up at the scheduled panel discussions on U.S.-Japan relations (June 19) at the JACL National Convention in San Diego. Plan to attend some of these thought provoking discussions of concern to all of us.



SOLO—Susan Inouye's award-winning film "Solo," about a clarinet-playing internee, will be featured May 19 at the Asian Pacific American International Film Festival at UCLA's Melnitz Theater.

Asian Pacific American International's:

Film Festival to Present New Works

LOS ANGELES — This year's Asian Pacific American International Film Festival, set for May 12 through 27 at UCLA's Melnitz Theater, will be distinguished not only by an examination of the roots of independent Asian American cinema, but its future as well.

Presented by Visual Communications, UCLA Film and Television Archive, UCLA Asian American Studies Center and the Mayor's Asian Pacific American Heritage Week Committee, the festival provides a comprehensive survey of cinematic works by and about Asians and Asian Pacific American themes.

This year the festival will recognize the 20th anniversary of Visual Communications, founded in 1970 by UCLA film school students and community members. Echoing the spirit of innovation and community awareness at that time, VC board member and founder Robert Nakamura stated, "We had the freedom to learn on our own and make mistakes, because we were the first media arts organization of its kind and didn't have the pressure of conforming to anyone else's expectations."

The May 20 program will showcase works produced by Asian American film students in UCLA's Ethnocommunications Program, where many founding Visual Communications members received their formal training.

L.A. Premiere Showings

The festivities begin on May 12 with

the Los Angeles premiere of "First Date," by Peter Wang, the director of "A Great Wall". Among other scheduled films are: "My Degeneration," John Moritsugu's farcical look at popular culture as seen through the rise and fall of an all-girl rock band, *Fetish* (May 26), and Japanese Korean director Kim U-son's award-winning "Yun's Town" (May 27). A nominee of the 1989 Hawai'i International Film Festival's prestigious East West Center Award, "Yun's Town" is a love story between a Korean teenager and her beau, a Japanese youth who understands little of Korean people and their situation of discrimination in modern Japan.

Among the many Festival offerings are new works by Academy Award-nominated directors: "Days of Waiting," Steven Okazaki's portrait of artist Estelle Peck Ishigo; Arthur Dong's visually stunning "Forbidden City, U.S.A." and Christine Choy's experimental documentary of the Chinese opera in the U.S., "The Monkey King Looks West."

The Festival will also feature new works by local filmmakers such as Susan Inouye (the award-winning "Solo") and Myron Murakami ("Flight In The Shadow").

Tickets are available at the UCLA Melnitz Theater box office on the day of the screening only. For program information, contact the UCLA Film & Television Archive at (213) 206-FILM or Visual Communications at (213) 687-4848.

OBITUARIES

Mitsue Onizuka, 76, Keolu, Hawaii, March 14 of a stroke and brain hemorrhage; mother of the late astronaut Ellison Onizuka, survivors include Claude. Kazuko Sagara, 63, Sacramento, April 19; Tokyo-born, h Masao, s Stanley, Dale, Julian, in-law m Itsue; sis in Japan. Ryohei Saito, 75, Fresno, April 13; survived w Yoshiye. Seiki Saito, 84, Los Angeles, March 5; Hiroshima-born, survived by nieces Amy Okagaki, Ike Kawakami, Noreen Yamaoka, Yuri Saito, Mary Nakaji (all San Jose), nephews Tadashi Saito (Japan), Robert, Ted, Julian (all also San Jose). Sueno Sanjyo, 100, Sacramento, April 5; Miyagi-born, survived by s Frank, Richard, Albert, d Eiko Onodera, Beth Ishikawa, Ruth Ito, Marjorie Grannaeil, 22gc, 25gc, 26gc. Minoru Senaha, 62, San Francisco, Feb. 12; Hawaii-born Korean War veteran, survived by br Kuwase, Hajime, Stanley, sis Hiroko, Eileen, 8 nieces/nephews. Taka Sugii, 96, North Hollywood, April 4; Yamaguchi-born, survived by s Masaru, Yoshihiko, d Mitsuye Mikawa, Kumiko, Tsuneko, 7gc, 3gc. Misao Suyeishi, 91, Monterey Park, April 1; Fukuoka-born, survived by s George, Pete Tadao (San Francisco), 4gc, 5gc. Frank N. Tanaka, 82, Vista, April 3; Hiroshima-born naturalized citizen, survived by w Kimiyu, s Frank Jr, Richard, Jerry (Montebello), Tad (Castro Valley), d Marjane Chalmers (Palo Alto), Sally Takata (Moraga), 12gc, 2gc. Midori Tomota, 99, Gardena, March 30; Hiroshima-born, survived by s George, Ryo, d Mariko Smoot, 11gc, 12gc. Aiko Alice Tsuyuki, 67, Los Angeles, April 4; Ehime-born, survived by s Richard, d Mary Tagiku, Cathy, Vicky, 6gc, br Yoshiyuki Kimura, in-law s Baron Ujiye, br Shigeru Tsuyuki, sis Toshiko Osaka. Jack J. Wada, 72, Augusta, Ga., March 31; Redlands, Calif.-born retired Army veteran. Kazuyo Yoshida, 54, Watsonville, April 21; San Jose-born, survived by h Edward, s Gary, Kelly, m Masayo Kochiyama, br Yutaka, sis Fumiyu Nakatsu. Masaharu Yamakido, 66, Rosemead, Mar. 18; Torrance-born, survived by br Haruo, Atsumi, Tadao (Riverside), sis Chidori Nakamura, Akiko Maruyama.

THE CALENDAR

- CHICAGO: May 23—Roosevelt University Presidential Seminar on Asian Americans in Illinois: A Force to Watch in the 90s... LOS ANGELES AREA: Present-May 24—Painter Carol Miura-McCormack exhibition "There and Beyond"... PORTLAND, ORE.: Aug. 3-5—Greater Portland Nikkei Reunion... SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA: May 19—"J-Town Revue"... SAN JOSE, CALIF.: May 23—Yu-Ai Kai... SEATTLE: May 19—Nippon Kan Heritage Association... WATSONVILLE: May 19-20—Watsonville YBA Reunion...

JACL PULSE

- DELANO: Delano Nisei Reunion, Sat., May 19... FLORIN: Florin JACL will sponsor fall talent show... INTERMOUNTAIN DC: A dedication program commemorating the Minidoka Relocation Camp... PACIFIC SOUTHWEST DC: A Northern Calif. contingent is expected to participate at the 39th annual JACL Nisei Relys... RENO: Breakfast honoring mothers... SACRAMENTO: Sacramento JACL Chapter sponsors a JACL Scholarship Awards Banquet... STOCKTON: Tomo No Kai Grand Canyon Tour...

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THE NEWSMAKERS



FIRST HUMAN-POWERED HELICOPTER FLIGHT—at Cal Polytech/San Luis Obispo, Calif., on 11/12/89: Designer of the DaVinci III and Project Manager, Neal Saiki, with an assistant, as they work on attaching the propellers to the end of the helicopter rotor.

► Neal Saiki, project manager of the Da Vinci project at California Polytechnic State University, and fellow student Kyle Naydo are the first persons to design a non-engined rotor craft that hovers off the ground. A cyclist generated enough power in their craft to spin the propellers and stay aloft for 8 seconds. If the student team can get a craft to hover for 60 seconds at an altitude of 3 meters, they will win the Igor I. Sikorsky Human-Powered Helicopter Competition. No one has claimed the \$20,000 prize in ten years.

► Pro Tempore Magistrate Kimi Kondo has been appointed a Seattle Municipal Court Judge. Kondo joins Ron Mamiya as an Asian Municipal Court Judge. As Pro Tempore Magistrate she was responsible for over 80 cases per day from traffic violations to drug cases. Kondo earned her law degree from the University of Puget Sound in 1977. She has been a member of the Asian Bar Association since that time, and she is also a member of the JAACL.



DR. JON BYRON SUZUKI

► Jon Byron Suzuki, DDS, SM, Ph.D., has been appointed dean of the University of Pittsburgh's School of Dental Medicine. He is currently professor of periodontics and microbiology at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry and a member of the division of oral and maxillofacial surgery in the department of surgery at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He is active in 18 professional organizations including the American Dental Association and the International Association for Dental Research. Suzuki received a bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry from Illinois Wesleyan University (1968), a Ph.D. from the Illinois Institute of Technology and the title of specialist in public health and medical microbiology from the American Academy of Microbiology in Washington, D. C. (1972). He received his D.D.S. from Loyola University of Chicago (1978) and his certificate in clinical periodontics from the University of Maryland (1982). Dr. Suzuki is well-respected for his contributions to research in dental medicine. He has received more than \$2 million in federal funding and numerous grants from private industry for his investigations. He serves as president of the Maryland chapter of the American Association for Dental Research (a position he has held since 1983) and has served as an advisor in immunology for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) since 1976.



PAUL OSAKI

► Paul Osaki has been named acting executive director of the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California. Prior to assuming this position, Osaki, 29, served as the Center's program director. His duties included developing and implementing the Center's first full year of programming. In his tenure, he helped establish over 100 programs and activities for the community including the Nikkei Recreation and Leisure Club. He received a degree in Therapeutic Recreation with an emphasis on creative arts from San Francisco State University. He has worked with several community non-profit organizations, including the Japanese Community Youth Council, the Buchanan YMCA, and the Korea Community Youth Center. Most recently, he was a leisure and vocational development counselor with the Asian American Recovery Services, Inc., where he developed the award winning "I Can Do That" Theater program.

► Fairfield, Calif., city councilman Garry Ichikawa has returned to office after leading a field of four candidates with 6,334 votes. Ichikawa, 42, is an attorney specializing in family law. A native of Fairfield, he received his bachelor's degree from UC Berkeley in 1969, served in the Army, and received his law degree from UC Davis in 1976. Before being elected to the City Council, he served on the Solano County Community College Board.

► Kristina Katayama, 21, has been selected to participate in the musical show "Up With People," which is performed throughout the world. Each year 600 students are accepted from over 10,000 applicants for the international cast and band. Following a five-week staging and orientation session in Tucson, Ariz., this summer, the Peninsula College student will travel for a 10-month period covering over 30,000 miles.

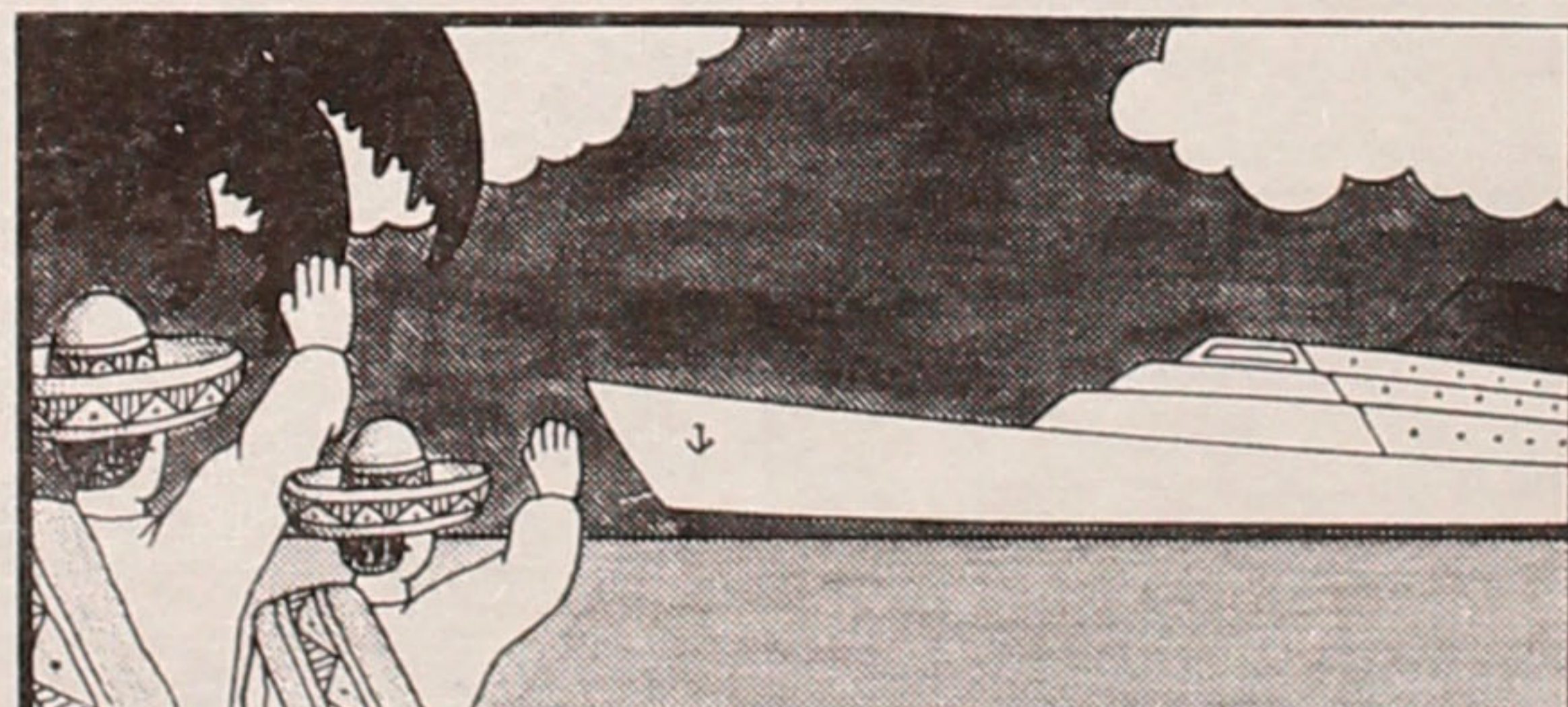


DR. DONALD M. OKADA

► Donald M. Okada, M.D. of Rancho Palos Verdes, recently joined the Board of Directors at Little Company of Mary Hospital, Torrance, Calif. He is the first Asian American board member. He has been an obstetrician in private practice in Torrance and on staff at Little Company of Mary Hospital for 23 years. He has served as chief of staff and vice-chief of staff at the hospital. He is an active member of South Bay JAACL. Dr. Okada received his undergraduate degree at UC Berkeley and his medical degree at UCSF. He has served as a fulltime faculty member at UCLA's School of Medicine.

► Mabel T. Ota, longtime Wilshire JACler and a retired educator, was appointed in March by Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley and confirmed by the City Council as commissioner to the newly organized Commission on Disability, which is concerned with mandates of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

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► "Aunt" Hazel Roberts, a prewar Sunday School teacher in San Gabriel Valley's Baldwin Park Methodist Church, celebrated her 92nd birthday just before Easter with former students, most of whom were sent to WWII internment camps. Alice Uyeda of Torrance, who attended, recalled Aunt

Hazel "was the only one who would take all of us in. She made a good life for us and" who with her late husband Ted, who ran a dairy, "went to bat for us." Said Roberts: "Those were sad days. I visited them at the fairgrounds in Pomona, when they were there. That was a terrible thing."

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