



Remarks Outrage Cambodian Americans Gubernatorial Candidate Asked to Apologize

BOSTON — A group of immigrant leaders called on gubernatorial candidate John Silber to apologize for comments to the *Worcester Telegraph & Gazette* Jan. 24 in which he complained that Massachusetts has become a "welfare magnet" for Cambodians and other immigrants.

"Why has Massachusetts suddenly become so popular for people who are accustomed to living in the tropical climate? Amazing. There has got to be a welfare magnet going on here and right now I am making a study to find out precisely what the magnet is," Silber was quoted as saying in an editorial board meeting with the newspaper.

"For an educated man, John Silber says some stupid things," said Daniel M. Lam, director of the Massachusetts Office for Refugees and Immigrants. "When he attacks one ethnic group, as he did yesterday with Cambodians, he insults all Americans. He owes all of us an apology."

Lam spoke at a news conference in which he was joined by Blacks, Latinos, Italians, Puerto Ricans and representatives of Cambodian and other minority groups who criticized Silber's remarks and called on him to apologize.

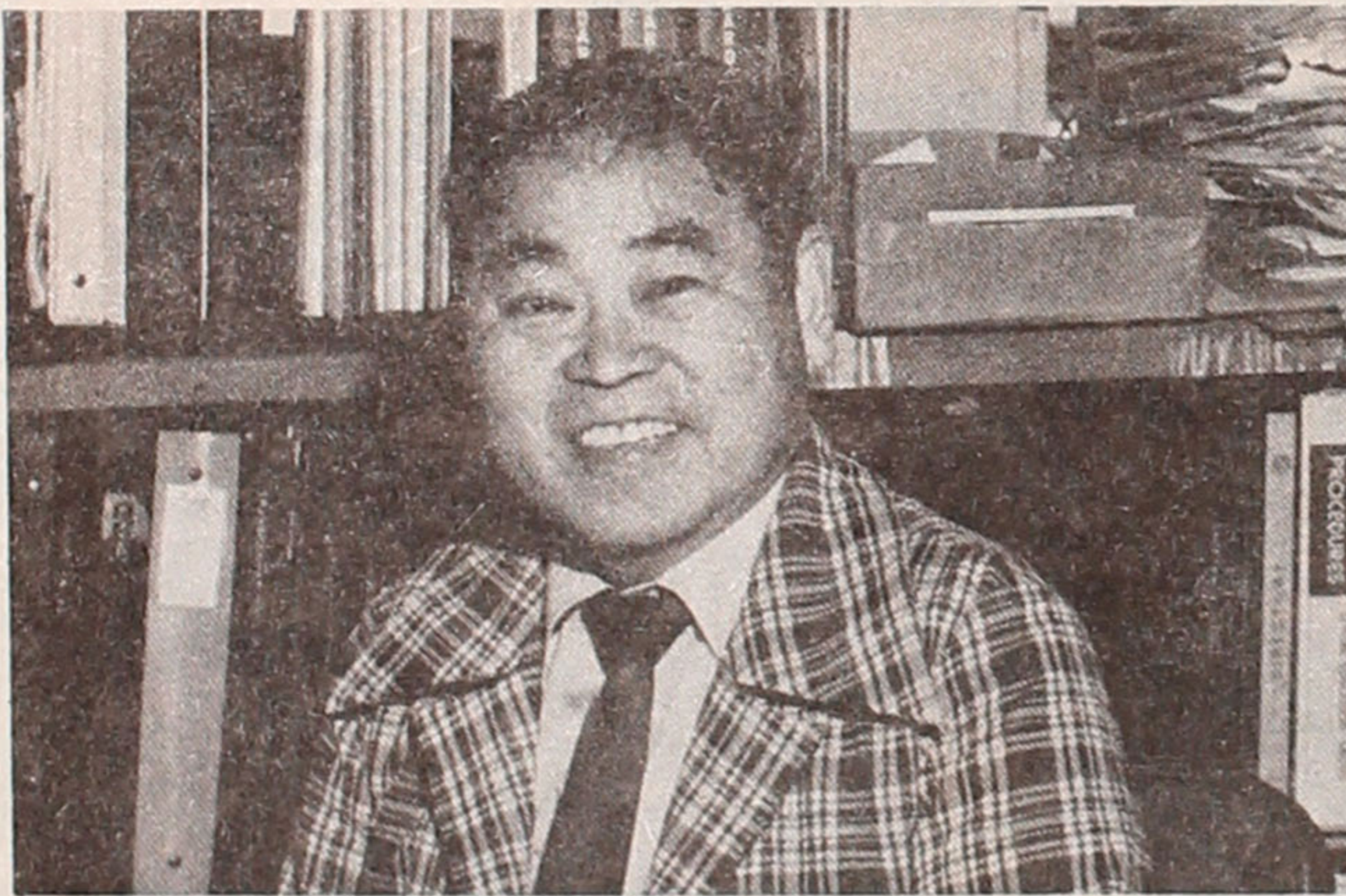
"The typical welfare recipient is not an immigrant," said Lam, "but a White woman, 30 years of age, born in Massachusetts, with two children. In fact, only a very small percentage of welfare recipients are Asian."

According to figures released by the Department of Public Welfare, more than half of the state's welfare recipients—54%—are White, 24% are Hispanic and 18% are Black. The remaining 4% fall into the category listed as "others," which includes Asians, Native Americans, and Pacific Islanders.

Dominic Bozzotto, president of the Boston hotel workers' union, said at the news conference that Silber's remarks about Cambodians recall those about other immigrant groups that came to the United States. "John Silber is not only arrogant, he's ignorant," Bozzotto said. Noting that Silber's home state of Texas has a warm climate, Bozzotto asked: "What's the magnet that brought him here?"

Rithipol Yem, an immigrant from Cambodia, told the crowd he has a full-time job, is going to Brandeis for his doctorate, and supports his family. "I am not unique," Yem said.

"Cambodians have moved to Lowell for the same reasons other Americans go to a new place," said Lam. "They had family or friends there, hoped to find a job in the area's strong economy, and were attracted by local institutions. It is absurd to argue, as Mr. Silber did, that those who criticize him for his insensitivity are guilty of McCarthyite tactics," said Lam. "Instead of blaming the victim, Mr. Silber should apologize."



HAMASAKI HONORED—Morris K. Hamasaki was honored posthumously last week when the Los Angeles School Board voted to rename the elementary school he was principal at for 11 years after him.

L.A. School Named after Morris Hamasaki

LOS ANGELES — After presentation with a petition with more than 1,000 signatures urging a name change for Riggin Elementary School, the Los Angeles School Board voted Feb. 13 to rename the school to Morris K. Hamasaki Elementary School, in honor of the school's former principal.

The school will be the first in the district named after an Asian American. Hamasaki, who died last July at 58,

was the school's principal for 11 years. He was known for his dedication and devotion to the school's students and parents.

Although the official name change won't take place until July 1 for accounting reasons, the sixth-grade class requested that the school's sign and the programs reflect the change for its graduation.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Chang-Lin Tien Named UC Berkeley Chancellor

SAN FRANCISCO — Chang-Lin Tien was named the new chancellor of the University of California, Berkeley Feb. 15. Tien, 54, will on July 1 succeed Ira Heyman Michael Heyman, who held the post for 10 years. The appointment makes Tien the first Asian American to head a UC campus. An expert in heat transfer who helped design the space shuttle's heat shielding tiles, Tien was a professor at UC Berkeley for 29 years, vice chancellor for research for two years and executive vice chancellor at UC Irvine. He was born in Wuhan, China. He graduated from the National Taiwan University and earned master's degrees in mechanical engineering from both the University of Louisville and Princeton University. He also earned a doctorate in mechanical engineering from Princeton in 1959. Tien reportedly wants to institute mandatory courses in ethnic and international studies and more than one year of university-level foreign language.

Mineta Keynotes Chicago's Lunar New Year Banquet

By Patti Adachi

CHICAGO — Chicago's Japanese American community hosted the seventh annual Asian American Coalition of Chicago Lunar New Year Banquet on Feb. 17 at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare. More than 1,100 people from Chicago's Asian American community attended the banquet, the area's largest pan-Asian event of the year.

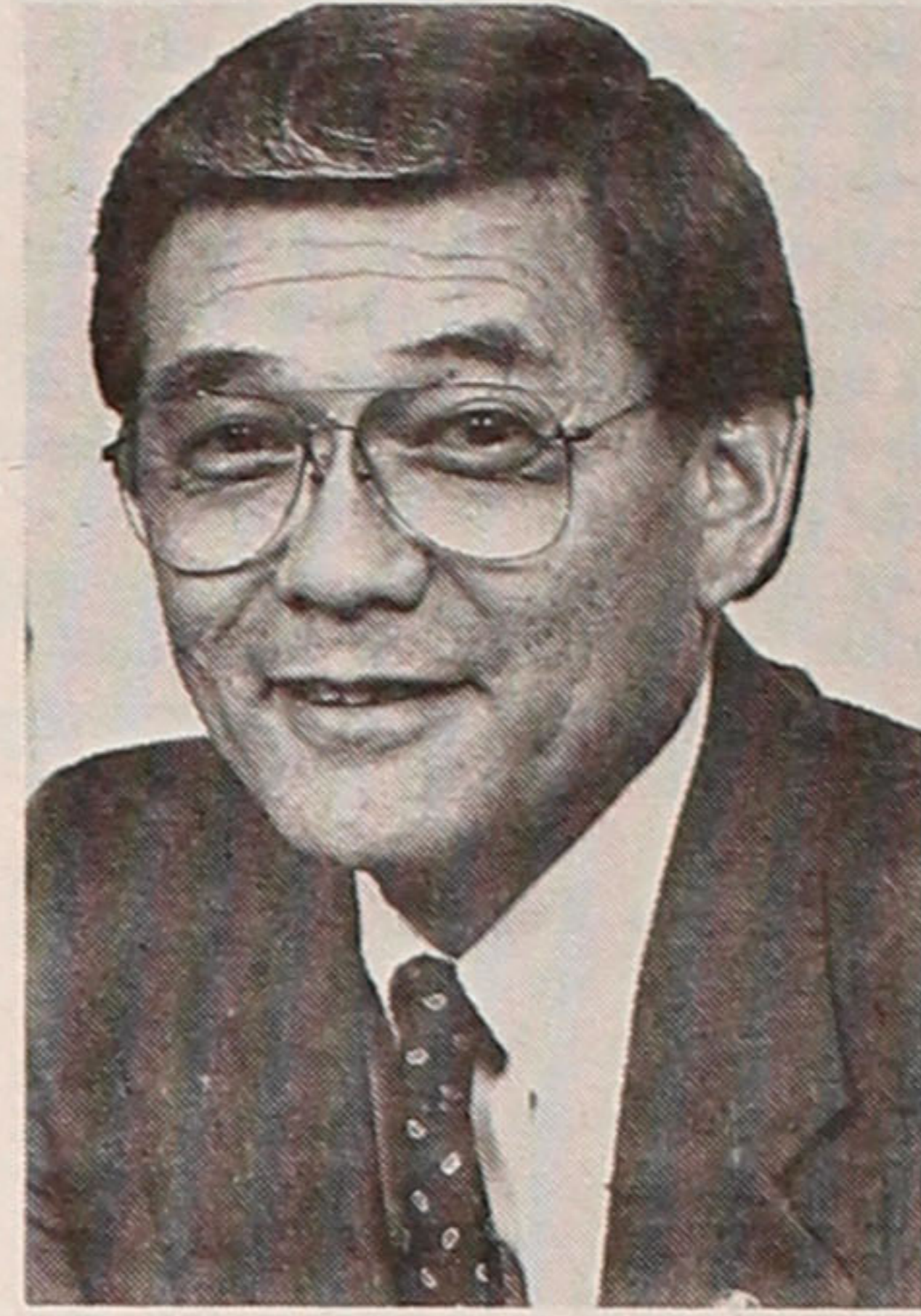
WBBM-TV news and anchor/reporter Adelle Arakawa and WLIT-FM radio personality and assistant program director Gene Honda were co-emcees. Shig Wakamatsu introduced the keynote speaker, U.S. Rep. Norman Mineta. Speaking on the banquet's theme of "Strength Through Unity," Mineta talked about what is both the strength and the cause of many of this country's problems: its ethnic, racial and cultural diversity.

Mineta's Comments

Mineta said the United States is not a melting pot but a tapestry, with the many different colored strands all contributing to the whole and he firmly emphasized that each community has the right to enjoy its own culture, its own religion, or its own language.

Mineta stressed, however, that while each community could hold on to its individual cultural heritage, it is equally important for people to recognize that in terms of political power, strength comes through unity.

"The lesson of the Evacuation is that we did not have access to the political leaders of the time. We had no champions. We had no access to the political



REP. NORMAN MINETA

process. We have to make sure that we have that access in order to make sure that a similar forced evacuation never happens again," Mineta said.

According to the California Democrat, the lesson of the successful Redress battle waged by the Japanese American community is that when a community is small in numbers, it is essential to form coalitions and mobilize at the grassroots level.

In looking to the future, Mineta felt it important that there be a close, coordinated alliance of all Asian Americans in order to fight racial discrimination and in order for Asian Americans to be a political, social and cultural force in this country.

Inclusion, Not Exclusion

Mineta stressed the importance of education and the importance of fighting insidious quotas that "would prevent our brightest children from getting the education of their choice." He added that the recent appointment of Chang-tin Tien as chancellor of the University of California Berkeley is one very important step in assuring that Asian American students have equal access to higher education.

At the same time, Mineta said Asian Americans must work with the Hispanic, Black, Jewish and other minority communities for equal opportunity for all because "we will benefit only from the politics of inclusion, not exclusion."

Following Mineta's address, Arthur Morimitsu received a Japanese American community award. Some of his activities include serving as the Midwest chair of Go For Broke/MIS National Nisei Veterans Organization, the chair of the National JACL Veterans Affairs Committee, and as the JACL Midwest District Council representative to the Legislative Education Committee.

Morimitsu was instrumental in getting veterans organizations to support Redress legislation. He has served for eight years as president of the JASC Board of Directors, is a member of the Chicago Veterans Affairs Committee for the city of Chicago, and is on the governor's Volunteer Advisory Board.

The co-chairs for this event were Ron Yoshino and Tom Teraji. Each year a different Asian American community hosts the banquet.

Sheridan Tatsuno Addresses West Valley JACL Installation

By May Yanagita

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. — The West Valley JACL Chapter Installation dinner/dance was held at the NAS Moffett Field, Officers Club on Jan. 13. Judge Taketsugu Takei installed the new officers:

David Muraoka, pres.; Henry Ogimachi, 1st v.p.; Tom Ige, 2nd v.p.; Aki Okuno, rec. sec.; Nori Kondo, cor. sec.; and Sho Hikido, treas.; Jim Sakamoto, Tom Taniguchi, Janet Kaku, Ray Uchiyama, Gordon Kanagaki, Tattie Kikuchi, Doris Kasahara, Susie Sakamoto, Sumi Tanabe, Harry Kaneko, Art Okuno, Bob Kaneko, John Kaku, Tak Takei, Betty Saito and May Yanagita, board members.

Outgoing president, John Kaku, and incoming president, David Muraoka, both gave short speeches. This event was chaired by Tom Ige.

Highlight of the evening was an interesting and informative talk given by guest speaker, Sheridan M. Tatsuno, president of Neo Concepts, Fremont, and author of *Created in Japan: From Imitators to World-Class Innovators*, (Harper & Row, 1989). The following

is a summary of the speech:

Speech

U.S.-Japan relations are undergoing a major transformation because of Japan's growing technological and financial strength. According to Tatsuno, the top 10 banks in the world are Japanese, with assets of nearly \$3 trillion. In computer chips, seven of the top 10 companies are Japanese. Recently, (the U.S.) has seen the emergence of Japanese luxury cars, such as Nissan's Infiniti and Toyota's Lexus.

Tatsuno believes that fierce Asian competition and U.S. enforcement of intellectual property are forcing Japanese companies to develop creative new products. Since 1986, the strong yen has doubled production costs in Japan. Because the Japanese no longer can sell products purely on the basis of price and quality, they must innovate to maintain their competitive edge.

During the 1990s, Tatsuno believes Japan may leapfrog the United States in more than a dozen industries, ranging from car electronics and supercomputers to artificial teeth and language translation phones. The impact on Silicon Valley, Wall Street and Capitol Hill, he believes, could be profound—the economic equivalent of "Sputnik 2."

For Nikkei, the implications of Japan's push to creativity will be mixed, he related. On the positive side, Japan is likely to make more contributions to science and technology instead of merely imitating the West. U.S. and Japanese companies will conduct

Yamaguchi Wins First in Pairs, Second in Singles

SALT LAKE CITY — Kristi Yamaguchi and Rudi Galindo won the pairs competition for the second straight year at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships Feb. 9.

Yamaguchi, of Fremont, Calif., also placed second to Jill Trenary in the women's singles finals Feb. 10. Yamaguchi, who admitted she was fatigued, fell twice during the Saturday finals.

The 18-year-old will compete in the World Championships next month.

more joint research and form joint venture companies, providing new job opportunities for those interested in Japan. The increase in Japanese companies opening branches locally will introduce Japanese ideas and culture to the West. The concept of zero-defect quality, for example, has clearly benefited U.S. consumers.

On the other hand, Tatsuno thinks that growing Japanese investment and their rapid expansion of Japanese "transplant" factories are creating fears of a "yellow peril." Recent articles in *Newsweek*, *Time*, *Business Week*, and the *New York Times* frequently revert to emotion-laden words, such as "economic war," "invasion," and "Japanese takeover" to sensationalize their points. According to Tatsuno, this form of "Japan-baiting" will worsen U.S.-Japan relations and lead to growing anti-Asian violence. Tatsuno believes that JACL must remain vigilant during these times of growing U.S.-Japan acrimony.

Confusion

Japanese Americans will also be affected by the increasing number of racial and sex-

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Deadline for Nat'l JACL Scholarships Announced

SAN FRANCISCO — All freshman scholarship applications for the 1990 JACL National Scholarship and Awards Program are due to JACL local chapters scholarship chairperson by March 1, it was announced by Cheryl Kagawa of JACL National Headquarters.

Applications and brochures for the 1990 National Scholarship and Awards Programs are available from the local JACL chapter, regional office or National Headquarters. Students requesting applications or brochures from National Headquarters should enclose a legal-size, self-addressed stamped envelope to: JACL National Scholarship Committee, 1765 Sutter St., San Francisco, CA 94115.



RIVERSIDE JACL LEADER—Meiko Inaba, re-elected to her second term as Riverside JACL president, reviews the 1989 chapter activities, the annual Sendai Festival being one of the highlights.

San Jose JACL Installs New Officers and Board

SAN JOSE — As guests and family members looked on, new officers and board members for the San Jose Chapter of the JACL were installed by Judge Wayne Kanemoto at the Issei Memorial Building on Jan. 12. Tom Shigemasa became the 40th president of the chapter, and the following make up the cabinet:

Susan Mineta and Tom Nishisaka, vice presidents, activities; Mark Kobayashi, v.p. civic affairs; Jim Takasugi, v.p. finance; Miles Yamamoto, treas.; Kathy Takeda, rec. sec.; Grant Shimizu, corr. sec.; and Susan Nakamura, Ann Shiraishi, delegates.

Directors who began a two-year term include:

Marvin Aoki, Katie Hironaka, Art Honda, Mike Honda, John Kimura, Leon Kimura, Paul Kimura, Karl Kinaga, Bill Kogura, Helen Mineta, Susan Mineta, Yosh Morimoto, George Neyama, Claire Omura, Eiichi Sakauye, Grant Shimizu, Jim Takasugi, Miles Yamamoto and Nadine Yamamoto.

Continuing directors are:

Perry Dobashi, Gary Jio, Mark Kobayashi, Jan Kurahara, Wayne Mitsunaga, Aiko Nakahara, Susan Nakamura, Judy Niizawa, Tom Nishisaka, Tom Shigemasa, Junji Shimazaki, Mai Shimizu, Ann Shiraishi, Karen Shiraki, Wayne Tanda, Kathy Takeda, Sharon Uyeda, and Eva Yamamoto.

Art Honda served as the master of ceremonies for the evening. Leon Kimura, outgoing president, made his remarks and thanked the board for the support given him. Leon was presented with the presidential plaque and pin for his years of service, 198-89. Incoming president, Tom Shigemasa, spoke of the challenges that lie ahead for the chapter.

Wayne Tanda presented board member Yosh Morimoto with a pin and certificate, representing his 10 years of service to the chapter. Morimoto, of Bento Xpress, also catered the refreshments offered to the attendees. Among those attending the installation program were advisory committee chairman, Yosh Uchida, and Rep. Norman Mineta, also a member of the advisory committee.

Carlos Kasuga Urges PANA-USA Nikkei to Keep Faith with Issei Spirit and Values

By Harry K. Honda

LOS ANGELES—The founding principles of the Pan American Nikkei Association were reiterated by Carlos Kasuga of Mexico City, PANA International president, in remarks during the PANA-USA New Year dinner Feb. 10 at the New Otani Hotel.

As PANA, the international organization of native-born Nikkei and Japanese residents in North and South America, enters into the 1990s, Kasuga said he had often wondered why the Japanese Americans (*Norteamericanos*—as Latin Americans refer to those in the United States) became interested in the Latin American Nikkei. He felt it was due to the common heritage and bond created by the Issei immigrants and parents. And, he continued, that it was now up to the Nisei to pass on these cultural values of *gimu* (duty / obligation) and *gambatte* (perseverance) to the upcoming Nikkei generations.

With most of the 100 present knowing very little Spanish (Kasuga is a native of Mexico), he spoke in Nihongo. He briefly covered the Japanese immigration history into Latin America which was family-oriented, unlike the Spaniard colonists to Mexico, Peru and South America who were mostly single men. Like the English and French, the Japanese emigrated as families, planting their cultural values in the Americas.

Kasuga urged individual bridges of cultural understanding be built and to keep alive the heritage of the Issei. "And we should contribute in the spirit of *gimu & gambatte* for the betterment of the respective countries of one's birth. This is the PANA dream and principle," he reminded.

PANA-USA President Noritoshi Kanai acknowledged and thanked the many who contributed to the success of the Fifth PANA Convention held here last July. He announced PANA-USA officials will be present at the annual

Overseas Japanese Association convention in Tokyo in May to discuss immigration and education issues which were raised at the PANA convention by Nikkei from Latin America.

Greetings were also extended by Akemi Miyake, president of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce of Southern California and an Orange County Japanese community leader, who related how impressed he was at the tremendous turnout (estimated at 60,000) at the 80th anniversary celebration of Japanese immigration to Brazil two years ago. "It could never happen in the U.S.," he said, "of that many *Nihonjin* gathering in one place."

Longtime benefactor of Japanese-American causes and the Olympic Games, Fred Wada, told of the recent meeting with Isak Higa, Nisei attorney from Peru, who believed there were many Peruvian Nisei here in need of assistance and that PANA-USA could extend a hand. Higa was here to relate the opening of a service bureau in Tokyo to help Peruvian Nisei in Japan.

The call for PANA's next convention in 1991 in Paraguay was repeated but the dates have not been set. Canada is expected to host the 1993 convention.

Placer County Installs 1990 Officers

ROSEVILLE, Calif. — About 50 people and guests attended the installation dinner of the Placer County JACL at Wong's Garden, under the chairmanship of E. Ken Tokutomi late in January. Mike Fluty, fifth district supervisor, spoke on some of the problems of Placer County.

The new officers are as follows:

Chester Yamada, pres.; Hugo Nishimoto, 1st v.p.; Dick Nishimura, 2nd v.p.; Alfred Nitta, 3rd v.p.; Eiko Sakamoto, corr. sec.; Hisa Mune, rec. sec.; Ellen Kubo, treas.

Hike Yego was presented with a past president's pin by Chester Yamada, newly elected president.

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California's Roberti Compiles Legislation of Interest to Asian Pacific Islander Americans

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—A compilation of 169 bills and joint resolutions in the 1989-1990 California legislative hoppers of interest to the Asian-Pacific Islander community was prepared last November by Georgette Imura and Maelley Tom of Senate Pro-tem David Roberti's office.

There were 56 bills and 12 joint resolutions introduced in the senate and 74 bills and 27 joint resolutions in the assembly. They dealt with catastrophic health insurance, services for Amerasian children from Vietnam, hate crime statistics, economic development with Japan, China and other Asian nations, foreign investors providing jobs, minority fellowships, housing, and California participation at the 1990 Osaka World Expo (which was passed and signed).

Several of particular interest to Japanese Americans include—

SJR 12, Dill (D-Gardena): Japanese American Reparations. Urges Congress to authorize the sum of \$500 million for the upcoming fiscal year and every fiscal year thereafter for as long as necessary for the payment of reparations to Japanese American survivors of World War II internment camps. *Status: Adopted, Resolution Chapter 28., 1989.*

SJR 19, Marks (D-San Francisco): Japanese American Reparations. Urges the President and Congress to authorize monies sufficient to expeditiously pay reparations to Japanese American survivors of World War II internment

camps within the time required by federal law. *Status: Senate Rules Committee.*

AB 1800, Moore (D-Los Angeles): Birth Certificates: Deletion of Racial Slurs. Provides a remedy for correction of birth certificates which contain entries regarding race or color which the registrant considers offensive. *Status: Signed into law, Chapter 610, 1989.*

AJR 12, Floyd (D-Gardena): Reparation Payments to Japanese Americans. Urges Congress to immediately vote the maximum authorized annual amount of payment of federally mandated reparations to survivors of the World War II internment of Japanese Americans. *Status: Senate Rules Committee.*

ACR 37, Speier (D-South San Francisco): Textbooks: Japanese-American Internment Experience. Urges the state and school districts to adopt instructional materials that reflect accurate and objective versions of the Japanese-American internment experience as a violation of human rights. *Status: Adopted, Resolution Chapter 92, 1989.*

Hollywood School in Seattle Was Gakuen

SEATTLE — An old red-brick schoolhouse named "Hollywood" near Hollywood Hill north of here was built in 1912, but closed ten years later for lack of students.

Helen McMann, who still lives near the school, told the *Seattle Times* recently, that in the late 1930s, it was used as a Japanese language school until World War II. Today, the two-story structure is an official state landmark.

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D.C. JAACL Chapter Holds 44th Installation

ARLINGTON, Va. — The 44th Annual Installation Dinner of the Washington, D.C. JAACL was held on Saturday, Jan. 27 at the Fort Myer Officers' Club. Greetings were extended in behalf of the new ambassador of Japan, Ryohei Murata by minister-envoy-extraordinary and minister-plenipotentiary of the Japanese Embassy, Yoshio Karita.

Guest speaker was Dr. Jin Kinoshita, scientific director of the Eye Institute, National Institute of Health, whose topic was "Journey from Oblivion." Dr. Kinoshita was recently saluted into the *Congressional Record* by Rep. Norman Y. Mineta.

Grayce Ueyehara, governor of the Eastern District Council, installed the following officers:

Lily A. Okura, chair; Linda Miki Kiyosaki, v.p. for Programs; Key K. Kobayashi, v.p. for Membership; Peter Nakahata, treas.; Betty Monmonier, rec. sec.; Steven Nošec, editor, D.C. News Notes; James Furukawa, scholarship chair; Joseph Ichiuji, ads manager; Ralph Lake and Hisako Sato MacQueen.

Key Kobayashi, awards chair, awarded the JAACL Silver pin to the Rev. Shoji Honda for his outstanding service to the Arlington Memorial serv-

ices for the past 10 years. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to Sens. Daniel K. Inouye and Spark Matsunaga and Reps. Norman Y. Mineta, Robert Matsui and Patricia Saiki for their outstanding work in the completion of Redress.

Entertainment was provided by Mays Aaron Nakashima. On the installation Dinner Committee were:

Terry Kobayashi, Julia Kuroda, Betty Monmonier, Barbara Nekoba, Chiyo Yoshihashi, Katherine Matsuki, Eugene Redden, Gerald and Nancy Yamada, Yasue Redden and K. Patrick Okura.

HSST Rail Proposal for L.A.-Orange County Made

LOS ANGELES — HSST Corp., a Japanese firm which demonstrated aerodynamic trains at the Expo '86 in Vancouver, B.C., told state Senate appropriation and transportation committees Feb. 2 that it is willing to pay for a \$30-million-per-mile magnetically levitated commuter rail linking Los Angeles, Orange County and San Fernando Valley along the freeways in exchange for rights of way and an exclusive agreement to operate the rail line.

A five-mile demonstration along the Santa Ana Freeway from Anaheim to Santa Ana in Orange County could be ready to operate within 18 months of approval, according to Eiji Ikeda, HSST general manager.



Photo By Aki Iwata

WASHINGTON, D.C. JAACL INSTALLATION—The Washington, D.C. Chapter of the JAACL held its installation dinner Jan. 27 at the Fort Meyer Officers' Club in Arlington, Va. Pictured from the left are Minister-Envoy-Extraordinary and Minister-Plenipotentiary of the Japanese Embassy Yoshio Karita; Washington, D.C. JAACL Chapter Chair Lilly A. Okura; and Dr. Jin Kinoshita, the installation dinner's guest speaker.

Discrepancy Among Nikkei, Caucasian and Japanese Male Diabetes Rates under Study

SEATTLE — It's a mystery why 400 Nisei men had a rate of diabetes four times as high as Japanese men in Japan and twice that of White Americans, according to a University of Washington team of researchers.

Although the reasons for this paradox won't be fully known until the research is complete, several clues have already been uncovered during the first seven years of the study. The \$2.3 million venture is funded by the National Institutes of Health.

Although diabetes is largely genetically based (if one identical twin has the disease, the other usually does also), the fact is that genetically similar populations living in different environments can have very different rates of diabetes. The UW researchers are trying to discover what environmental factors might be involved in their study and also more about the intricate interplay between genetic and environmental influences.

No Insulin Treatment Variety

They are studying the types of diabetes that affects older people and usually does not require insulin injections as treatment, rather than juvenile diabetes which must be treated with insulin. This type is one of the chronic degenerative diseases that, as a result of environmental changes, has emerged as a major health concern in Westernizing societies, according to the research team.

Two environmental factors, diet and the social-cultural environment, appear to be associated with the higher incidence of diabetes in the Nisei, says the project director, Research Associate Professor of Anthropology Donna Leonetti. Entitled the "Japanese American Community Diabetes Study," the project also involves the Schools of Medicine and Public Health, with Professor of Medicine Wilfred Fujimoto as principal investigator.

The diet in Japan is, of course, high in rice and vegetables, with fish as a major protein source, while the typical American diet is much higher in red meats and fats. The researchers, including dietitian Christine Tsunehara, have discovered that, although the Nisei

often eat more Japanese style foods such as soy sauce and rice than do the White Americans, their total consumption of proteins, carbohydrates and fats is very similar to that of the larger American community. One might assume, therefore, that their incidence of diabetes would also be similar to that of White Americans.

A Preliminary Explanation

The researchers conjecture that the Nisei have more diabetes than their similarly-fed American countrymen in part because they are genetically more susceptible to the disease than are White Americans. While this susceptibility is kept under control in Japan by that country's extremely low-fat diet, here—with a fatty diet—rates can and do soar.

The study is also looking at the nurturing environment the Nisei experienced as children, says Leonetti, because the more positive the nurturing, the less susceptible one is to certain diseases. "Researchers now see both heart disease, which is correlated with diabetes, and diabetes as rooted in childhood. We know that heart disease doesn't start when you're 65 and have a heart attack. We may be able to see how the early environment protected a person—or didn't—with respect to diseases in old age."

Indeed, Nisei who are first-born sons—the most favored position in Japanese society and the most protected and indulged—also have developed less diabetes. The same is true of Nisei who received more rather than less education. "Education is a very powerful tool with which to protect yourself from the onslaughts of the world," Leonetti points out.

While the study probes the experiences of Japanese immigrants, she notes that it also has broader applications. "We're seeing an epidemic of diabetes around the world with populations that are becoming Westernized or modernized. This is true with the Polynesians, Mexican Americans, American Indians and Indians who have migrated from India."

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Mineta Urges Passage of New Law to Safeguard against Future Oil Spills

WASHINGTON — Rep. Norman Y. Mineta (D-Calif.), chair of the House Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, said the offshore oil spill Feb. 7 near Huntington Beach, Calif., illustrated the urgent need to enact the Oil Pollution Prevention, Response, Liability and Compensation Act of 1989.

Mineta was named Feb. 8 to the House-Senate conference on the act, which passed the House on Nov. 9, 1989 and the Senate 10 days later. Differences in the House and Senate versions must be eliminated before the bill can be sent on to the president and become law.

"There is only one California coastline with all its beauty, wildlife preserves and beaches. The spill makes it crystal clear that every day we delay enactment of the Oil Pollution Prevention Act we risk a disaster that could defy containment and stain our shorelines beyond all recognition. That was the lesson of the Exxon Valdez. That's the message of the American Trader," said Mineta. The American Trader is the 811-foot, single-hull tanker which spilled more than 290,000 gallons of heavy Alaska crude near Huntington Beach.

Under the House bill, all new tankers and barges will be required to have double hulls and double bottoms to protect against spills which result from a puncture in a single out hull.

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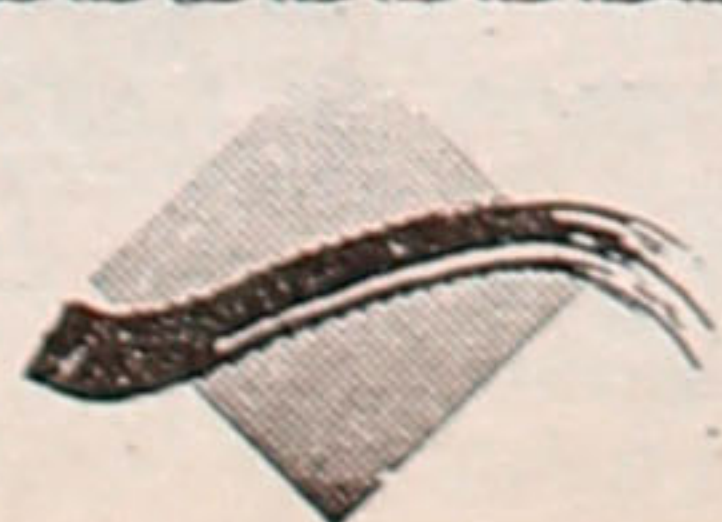
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EDITORIAL OF THE PACIFIC CITIZEN

Affirmative Action: A Clarification

The following editorial by JACL National Director Bill Yoshino, in response to last week's Pacific Citizen editorial, clarifies the JACL's position on affirmative action.

The Feb. 16 Pacific Citizen editorial, "Affirmative Action Quotas," expressed an analysis directly counter to established JACL support of affirmative action programs. While the editorial expressed some valid concerns about the growing anti-Asian discrimination in university admissions, it oversimplified a complex problem by assuming that affirmative action "quotas" were the basic cause. It also accepted without question the assumption that any sort of program to overcome the effects of discrimination amounts to a "quota" that admits unqualified minorities or women. It is not so simple.

Under the law, quotas reserving slots in college admissions for women or minorities are not allowed and have not been for some time. The terminology is often used as an inflammatory code word by those who would attack affirmative action programs.

Affirmative action programs are not the only considerations applied in the admissions process besides grades and test scores. Special consideration for rural students, athletes and children of alumni is given, yet not blamed for taking potential Asian slots. At most private schools, legacies favoring children of alumni affect far more slots than affirmative action.

In the Pacific Citizen editorial, gross statistics comparing White student percentages at U.C. Berkeley with population figures fail to consider that a comparison of Black, Hispanic or American Indian student percentages with their proportion of the population would be even more disproportionate. In fact, discrimination against Asians is apparent not from rising numbers of other minorities, but from the fact that despite higher grade and test averages the admission rates of Asians Americans are held consistently below that of Whites. Analyses have shown that this is achieved through methods such as changing to heavier weighting of SAT Verbal scores (where Whites score higher) over SAT Math scores (where Asians score higher). Other complex methods are used, but affirmative action does not appear to be to blame.

Affirmative action was not the result of seeing too many Whites, but of seeing too few minorities and women, including at one time, Asian Americans. Unlike today, Ivy League universities once admitted few Asians. Should we knock the ladder down behind us now that we have overcome the problem in colleges? If we do, then we are also sacrificing an important tool for overcoming discrimination in the workplace. We are saying we do not feel action is necessary to overcome the "glass ceiling" and other discrimination barring Asians from promotion and tenure opportunities.

The situation for Asians in colleges is similar to Jewish students who faced ceilings in their admissions earlier in this century. The laws have changed since then and so has the makeup of society and our universities. Discrimination is harder to find and document. The JACL will not set the interests of Asian Americans seeking to avoid racial discrimination against the interests of other groups in their quest for educational opportunity. Simplistic analysis and blaming other minority groups will only distract us from doing something about the real problem.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Newsweek's Japan-bashing

As a Japanese American, I am alarmed at the rise of the anti-Japanese sentiments and crimes of hatred directed towards the Asian population in this country, contributed in great part by the popular media sport, "Japan-bashing." Perhaps I was too sensitive, or, I failed to see the humor in the cover of the Newsweek Magazine of Oct. 9, 1989, depicting a kimono clad woman as the Statue of Liberty. Along with this in bold letters, was "Japan Invades Hollywood," referring to Sony's \$3.4 billion deal for Columbia pictures.

Because of my perception with Newsweek Inc.'s insensitivity and participation in "Japan-Bashing," I am making it known to them that for this reason, I will not be

renewing my long standing subscription to the newsweek magazine. The question which keeps coming back to me however is whether I missed reading any article in the Pacific Citizen or the JACL expressing similar reactions to the cover-theme of Newsweek's Oct. 9, 1989 issue.

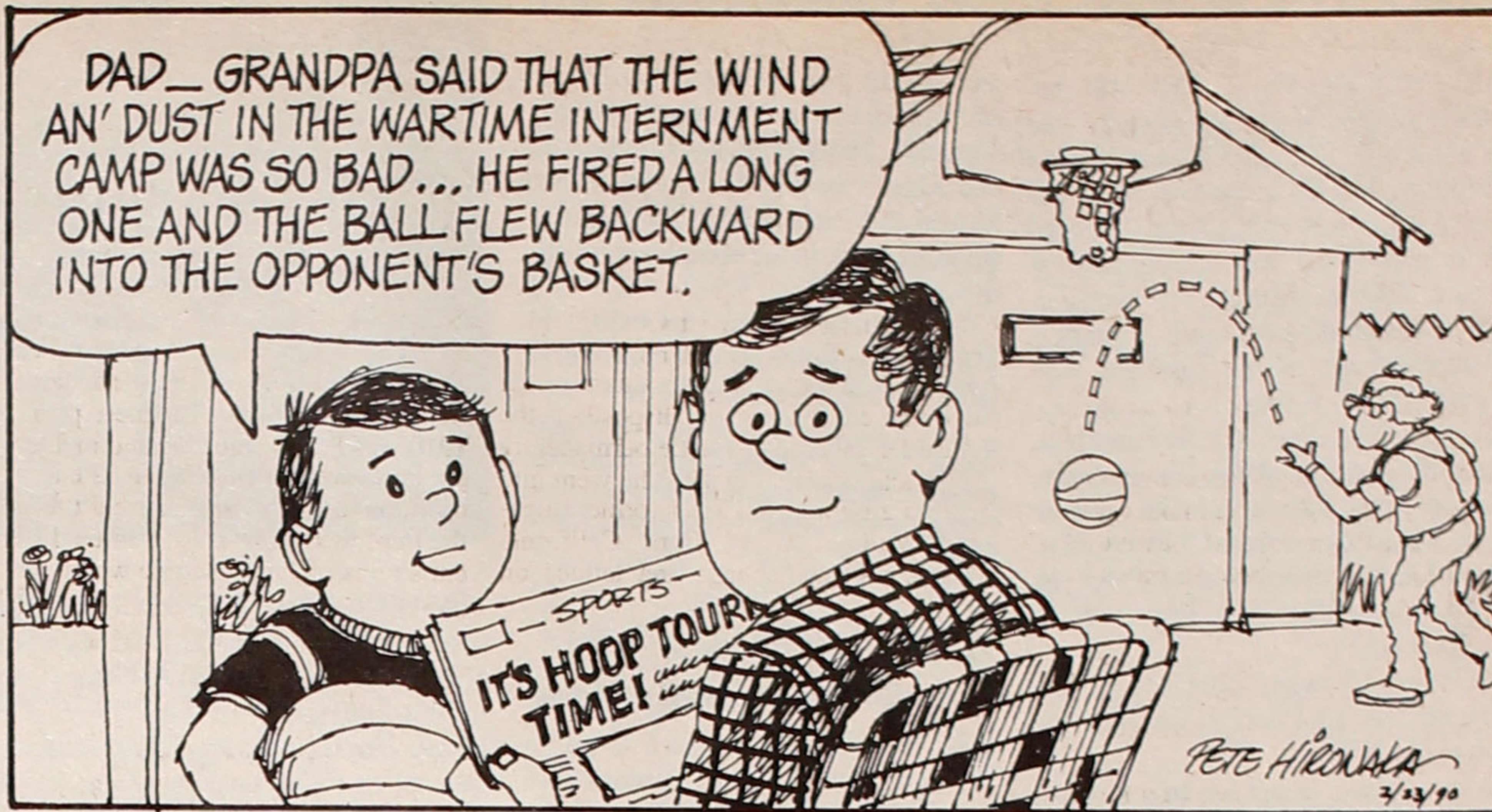
I hope there were others "out there" who felt as I did about the Newsweek Magazine cover and cancelled their subscriptions.

ANDREW NOB OKUMOTO
San Francisco, Calif.

Useful and Not So Real

For people who have a hard time keeping time (and who doesn't?) the article "The Dead Watch-Battery Blues," by Bill Hosokawa (Feb. 2, P.C.) could be useful.

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FROM THE FRYING PAN

BILL HOSOKAWA

Sensitivity the Key to Avoiding Insults

You may have noticed a commercial on TV recently that has to do with using your hands to speak Italian. It's been appearing so frequently I don't know how you could miss it. Anyway, the guy is selling frozen pizzas or spaghetti sauce or something like that, I don't recall for sure, and he says the way to speak Italian is to wave your hands and shrug your shoulders and use certain words which I cannot remember at the moment.

One way to look at this commercial is to say it is the most demeaning kind of stereotyping, which I think it is. But if there have been protests, they've escaped me. Perhaps most people don't think the commercial stereotypes Italians and so they think nothing of it. Mario Cuomo doesn't talk like that, and neither does Lee Iacocca. Everybody knows it, so why fuss about a silly TV commercial?

Now let's look at this from another angle. Suppose, instead of a television actor mimicking a stereotypical Italian, someone was mimicking a stereotypical Japanese, hissing through his teeth and bobbing his head and grinning toothy grins and saying "Ah, so" while peddling soy sauce or instant noodles.

Some questions: How would you as a Japanese American feel about the Japanese stereotype? What would you do about it? And why?

Perceptions can be an unfunny matter depending on the eye, or the ear, of the beholder. Some time ago I learned that in Boston it's a no-no for newspaper reporters to refer to police vehicles as paddy wagons. Why? Because for some folks it brings back memories of days when male Irish immigrants, often referred to as Paddy, were being picked up frequently for public drunkenness.

Then just the other day I learned that many Finns consider it an insult to be called Finlanders. A Finn wrote to the Toronto Star to point out that Finlander "is a pejorative label and is in the same category as Jap, Paki and Wop." There was no further explanation other than that Finlander, while not truly offensive, has a substandard connotation. I wonder if the same holds true for Laplanders, Icelanders, Greenlanders, Netherlanders, Thailanders, Swazilanders, Switzerlanders and maybe even Polanders.

What makes this confusing is that

people from Sweden don't seem to mind Swede, nor do Turks from Turkey, Thais from Thailand, Poles from Poland and Czechs from Czechoslovakia. These shortened forms seem to be widely accepted as proper. Thus it is understandable that some Americans see nothing wrong in referring to Japanese as Japs. What they miss is that "Jap" was a hate word with a long and bitter history of racism, its use during World War II being only a revival of an earlier practice.

Not many years ago Negro was proper and Negroes resented being called Blacks. Then Black became the proper term and Negro became improper. Once I suggested that if Japanese Americans took the same attitude and accepted Jap, there would be less cause for outrage. Some of our number took strong exception to the idea and I prefer not put it forward again. There is enough already about which to become angry.

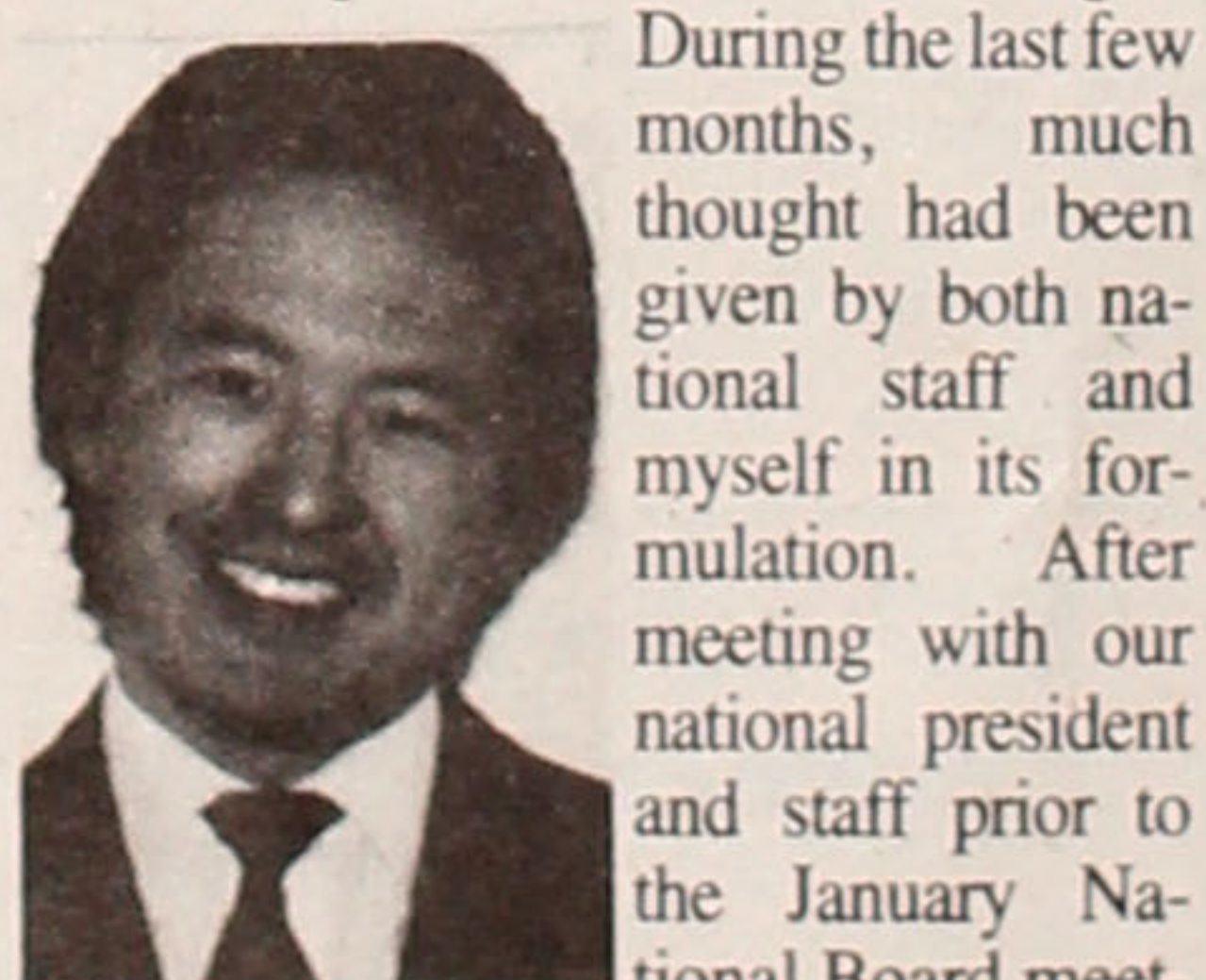
Tread softly in these sensitive times. Newspaperman is no longer proper since women tell us they also are journalists as well as chairpersons. Fortunately, we all continue to be humans.

BY THE BOARD

ALAN NISHI
NATIONAL JACL TREASURER

Back in Black

With the National Convention just months away, it is time again for the development of the biennial budget.



During the last few months, much thought had been given by both national staff and myself in its formulation. After meeting with our national president and staff prior to the January National Board meeting, a biennial budget proposal was drafted which called for a no-dues-increase for the 1991-92 biennium. I presented this budget proposal at the last National Board meeting and after a few minor revisions, it was approved by the National Board for presentation to the National Council at the San Diego convention.

To enable us to go with a no-dues-increase budget during the 1991-92 biennium, emphasis will be placed on the generation of outside revenues from sources such as national fundraising events, VISA affinity card program and the convention sweepstakes. The foundation for this concept has already begun as during 1989, National JACL

has raised outside revenues of approximately \$22,000 from a corporate dinner fundraiser held in San Francisco last fall and \$15,000 from the VISA affinity card program. In addition, National JACL has derived additional revenues by renting out excess office space at National Headquarters.

With greater emphasis now being placed on outside revenue sources, the need for a fundraising mechanism, such as the concept of the Legacy Fund, as well as the development of other sources of revenue to support the national budget will be vital to the maintaining of a balanced budget without the dependence upon dues increases.

I plan to distribute the proposed 1991-92 biennial budget with a detailed narrative to the district councils and chapters prior to April 19 (60 days prior to convention), as required by the National JACL Constitution and Bylaws.

Also at the January National Board meeting, I reported on the pre-audit results of the 1989 budget.

Tentative results show that we have made it through another year in the black with a 1989 budget surplus (revenues over expenses) of approximately \$80,000 versus a 1988 budget surplus of about \$10,000.

Although membership revenues fell

about 8% short of our original budget projections, we were able to compensate by increasing outside revenues (fundraising, investments, rental, etc.) by close to \$39,000 over original budget projections and by reducing overall budget expenditures by approximately 12% from the original 1989 budget. This was achieved by a combination of reduced payroll expenses due to staff vacancies during the year and tight budgetary controls on expenditures.

Let me again remind that these figures are tentative until the closing of the books for 1989. This budget surplus came at a very opportune time as it allowed us to get through another year without borrowing from outside sources and build a margin in our cash flow.

A cash flow margin is important as it is utilized to cover both prior years expense accruals and beginning of the year expenses until January membership revenues are received. It is also used to cover any unanticipated expenditures or shortfalls during the year.

Until we can maintain a stable revenue base, it is critical that a sufficient

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PLANTED IN GOOD SOIL

Excerpts: Chapter XVII

First Japanese Texans Contribute to State's Farm Industry

By Masakazu Iwata

Continued from the Previous Week

The Rio Grande Issei community was responsible for the commencement of Japanese agricultural activities in Uvalde County, about 90 miles west of San Antonio. In 1950 Tomohachi Miyauchi settled there to begin cotton, lettuce, cabbage, and pepper production, but adverse climatic conditions, especially hailstorms hindered operations.

In El Paso, in the extreme western part of Texas and on the Mexican border, the Japanese were a familiar sight at the turn of the century as they came with ease across the border from Mexico into the United States, a freedom of movement that was checked by the implementation of the provisions of the Gentlemen's Agreement. Another factor that made for their presence in El Paso were the frequent Mexican revolutions that forced Japanese in agriculture or mining in Mexico to cross the border into the sanctuary of the United States. Many of these undertook agricultural or other activities around this border city. One interesting Japanese enterpriser was a former bureaucrat from Tokyo, Shūichirō Saitō, who with Kanae Nagasawa and in concert with publisher Chandler of the *Los Angeles Times* launched ventures first in the Imperial Valley, then in Texas rice, and finally in cotton in El Paso. In 1918 Saitō sent his nephew, Ihei Kawanishi who was serving as a judo instructor to Douglas Fairbanks in Hollywood, to El Paso with ten men, but the venture failed. Earlier in 1916 Kametarō Takahashi, Goraku Daitō and another partner purchased 30 acres at Ysleta at about \$50 per acre. They cleared unimproved land and as such contributed to the development of the region and were welcomed by the people. Earlier, Daitō

through his gambling activities had secured funds to invest in land in Sonora, Mexico. The unfavorable future in that country caused him to dispose of the Mexican land and to settle permanently in Ysleta where after 1923 he went into cotton growing. In 1918 a former Imperial Valley farmer from California began raising cabbage and lettuce on 100 acres of leased land.

As early as 1915 there were enough Japanese residing in the El Paso district to warrant the establishment of a Japanese association, while in 1930 a Japanese hall was erected and a language school established, which continued to operate through the Issei era.

In summary, the history of Japanese immigrant agriculture in Texas is noteworthy inasmuch as it is in sharp contrast in many respects with the general pattern in the rest of the United States. It will be noted that the Japanese immigrants in the main arrived in this country with a limited supply of money and knowledge of the English language, and those who ultimately undertook farm operations did so usually on un-cleared marginal lands after having spent some years as railroad or mine workers in many cases.

They, therefore, almost to the man experienced untold hardships and difficulties in the initial phase of their career as farmers. However, the Japanese who settled in Texas after the turn of the century generally were directly from Japan, wealthy, and better equipped educationally to cope with the new conditions in an alien land and culture. For example, the heads of four families prior to 1910 arrived in the United States with over \$10,000. Some were former members of the Diet and of the peerage in Japan.

The Japanese immigrants very early made invaluable contributions to the

rice culture of the state, the first among them beginning his operations in Webster, Harris County, in 1903. The largest rice farm owned by a Japanese prior to 1910 was 3,500 acres located in Terry, ten miles west of Beaumont. Their contribution to this phase of agriculture was the introduction of at least three different strains of Japanese rice which were found to produce better crops than that based upon the wild rice seeds previously sown by Texas rice growers.

The report of the Immigration Commission indicated that in 1908, the 25 farms it had investigated produced \$259,000 worth of crops, 95% of this amount representing rice. Among the pioneer rice growers who continued production of this grain were the Saibaras who, when they ended their operations in 1964, were utilizing every modern farm equipment, such as tractors, combines, and trucks.

Besides rice, the Japanese were raising vegetables and oranges and were also engaged in the nursery industry in various parts of Texas. The Rio Grande Valley in south Texas, the region in which the Japanese have been most active in growing crops other than rice in more recent times, was the site of one of the earliest commercial nurseries, founded in 1909 by one considered to be the earliest Issei settler in the valley. The so-called "orange boom," the race to sell and set out Satsuma orange trees imported from Japan toward the end of the first decade of the century, was initiated by enterprising Japanese Texans and can be considered a saga of daring though abortive entrepreneurship worthy of historical observation.

It is a truism that when the Nisei members of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team rescued the surrounded company of Texans in Europe during World War II, it was not the first time that the Japanese and white Texans met.

To Be Continued

JAPANESE PRESS TRANSLATION

KENJI TAKEUCHI

Cracking the Japanese Market

TOKYO

Foreign corporations are staking a claim to the Japanese market, undeterred by the strong yen, sky-high real estate prices and a labor shortage. Many expatriate firms are determined and resourceful enough to do business the Japanese way.

Washington complains loudly about Japan's "structural impediments" to fair trade, including a labyrinthine distribution system, price cartels and exclusionary business dealings within corporate groups.

But a growing number of American and European companies, acting through Japanese subsidiaries, are surmounting the obstacles that once drove them to despair.

"We spent our first 20 years plus in hibernation," says Shojiro Makino, president of Grace Japan, a subsidiary of U.S. chemical products manufacturer W.R. Grace Co. "Our history really begins in 1987." That was the year W.R. Grace renewed its commitment to the Japanese market.

The Tokyo firm was founded in 1960 as a wholly owned subsidiary, a rarity at the time and an indication of the U.S. executives' high hopes for the market here. Management planned to start with can- and bottle-sealing compounds and expand into other lines.

The parent company's enthusiasm quickly flagged, however. W.R. Grace manufactures a wide range of products, from packing films to microwave absorbers, but Grace Japan was restricted to sealants. Expansion plans were forgotten.

In 1987, Makino finally persuaded the home office to reconsider. He pointed out that the firm's main international competitors include such Japanese behemoths as Asahi Chemical Industry, Sekisui Chemical and Kureha Chemical Industry. "If we can't grab a share of their home market," he argued, "how can we expect to beat them elsewhere?"

At a policy meeting in Tokyo, the U.S. firm's top management agreed to make the Japanese market a major focus of their global strategy. After that, things moved quickly.

The subsidiary entered into joint ventures with several Japanese concerns, vastly diversifying its activities. In 1988, a research laboratory was built in Atsugi City, near Tokyo. Last May, a packing mater-

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ial discrimination lawsuits being filed against Japanese companies. Japan's growing nationalism will heighten community tensions, as witnessed in Nakasone's comments and the recent Sanrio's Sambo Doll case. Plaintiffs often fail to distinguish between Nikkei and Japanese nationals. For example, Black community groups have boycotted Nikkei businesses, mistaking them for Japanese companies. As more Japanese companies open their doors in the Nikkei community, the confusion will become even greater.

Tatsuno felt that JACL could play an instrumental role in protecting the civil rights not only of Nikkei, but all Asian Americans, who are often targets of anti-Japanese hostility. To alleviate these tensions, JACL could sponsor study groups and work with Nikkei legislators to become more knowledgeable about U.S.-Japan relations and its implications on the Nikkei community.

JACL could also help educate Japanese corporations about their social responsibilities in hiring, promotions, and community participation; and JACL could also educate the broader public about differences between Nikkei and Japanese nationals, he said. Finally, JACLers could encourage their children and grandchildren to study Japanese culture and language to prepare themselves for future careers.

ials' plant was constructed on the same site.

Grace Japan's sales figures for the year ending in December 1988 were ¥8.5 billion (about \$65 million), up 8% from the previous year. Projections for 1989 exceed ¥10 billion (about \$77 million).

ICI, the British chemicals giant, is another foreign company that revised its Japan strategy in the late 1980s with impressive results. ICI's presence here dates back 70 years, but its Tokyo-based subsidiary has emerged recently as a major player in the market.

In 1987, ICI Japan built research centers in Tsukuba and Ushiku in Ibaraki Prefecture, northeast of Tokyo. The Tsukuba facility, which specializes in basic and applied research on polymer composites, is being expanded. The firm is also building a polyester film plant in the nearby town of Tamazukuri.

According to William Madden, the subsidiary president, Japan's burgeoning technological strength is one factor behind this upsurge in activity. Another is the boom in Japanese direct overseas investment.

"Toyota will soon launch production in Britain," Madden says. "By earning a reputation as a reliable supplier in Japan, we can boost business with Toyota in Britain."

Makino and Madden both acknowledge that a policy change was overdue. By underrating Japan's technological prowess and the importance of its market, foreign firms allowed their Japanese competitors to go unchallenged at home. Grace and ICI are now rectifying that error.

International Business Machines, BMW, MacDonald's, and Coca-Cola are frequently cited as examples of major foreign companies that have made good in Japan. Another success story is Amway (Japan), which has done a remarkable job of exporting its nonstore-retail system for housewares and cosmetics.

Founded 10 years ago, Amway (Japan) is the U.S. corporation's tenth overseas subsidiary. It quickly became the multinational's biggest seller, racking up sales of ¥75 billion (about \$550 million) in 1988—a full 30 percent of global turnover. The same year, the subsidiary declared earnings of ¥26 billion (about \$190 million), making it the 181st-ranked company in Japan and the top retailer of pharmaceuticals and cosmetics.

One key to Amway's success is a direct-sales method that bypasses expensive middlemen. "Distributors" are largely married women. Working on commission with no sales quota, they introduce Amway products and recruit new sales agents at demonstrations held in their homes. The system has worked surprisingly well in Japan.

Three-fourths of Amway (Japan's) products are U.S.-made, and favorable yen-dollar rates have substantially lowered its purchasing costs. With Japanese competitors loathe to start a price war, the subsidiary has held prices steady and widened its profit margin.

Amway has overcome the distribution and pricing practices that Washington targeted in the Structural Impediments Initiative, which began in Tokyo last September.

Other foreign companies are just beginning the long, arduous task of competing in Japan. Some start with a sales office, one expatriate executive and a secretary.

The German president of a West German manufacturer's tiny subsidiary puts it succinctly: "Quality and price make or break a business in any country. After that, success is just a matter of perseverance."

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JAPAN BASHING ITEM

Jokes and Anger in Wake of Rockefeller Center Deal

In the wake of the Mitsubishi Estate Co.'s agreement to pay \$846 million for controlling interest in the Rockefeller Group, which owns Rockefeller Center, the deal has been breeding jokes and anger. Here are some excerpts as published Dec. 18 in the *New York Times*, that are seldom seen in print on the West Coast.

NEW YORK — Richard Colby, a long Island R.R. engineer, standing in line before Christmas for the Donohue show at 30 Rockefeller Center, did not like it: "Certain things are sacred. Radio City, the (Christmas) tree. What are they going to do, have a bonsai now that it's 51% Japanese?"

Outside, a woman sells T-shirts that say: "Welcome to Wokafellar Center."

Soon after the deal was announced, NBC announcer Bill Wendell began: "From New York, a subsidiary of Mitsubishi, it's *Late Night with David Letterman*." And later, three Japanese men with briefcases were shown handing Wendell fistfuls of cash in return for buildings on the New York skyline behind Letterman's desk.

Charlie Cacioppo of Franklin Square, L.I., who had come to see the Christmas tree, said: "You want to know the truth—they're getting back at us for the atomic bomb. . . . What we did to their cities, now they are trying to do to us by taking over our city. It's time to play hardball. We worked hard for this, and now they're taking it away. Soon everyone will be working for them." (Cacioppo already does. He said he's a salesman for a Nissan dealer.)

Madeline Aquila of Dix Hills, L.I., another Rockefeller Center visitor, said she's been having nightmares about a TV program that enumerated all that the Japanese have bought up. "It's terrible. America should wake up. No-

body can step on you unless you let them."

Norman Siegel, executive director of the New York Civil Liberties Union, said the verbal assaults against Japanese Americans had surged since the Rockefeller Center deal (which added 15 million square feet to the 14.3 million square feet in Manhattan already in Japanese ownership or control).

"It's a xenophobic, knee-jerk response that some people still think they're fighting World War II. Character assassination and jokes, though protected by the First Amendment, are un-American. They violate the principles of diversity and pluralism that America is supposed to be all about and New York, especially.

"We too were immigrants once, and some of our parents and grandparents had it heaped upon them unfairly and we shouldn't be doing it now," Siegel said.

Editor-in-chief Akiko Imura for OCS News, a newspaper published for Japanese in the U.S., commented: "The judgment of the American people buying American real estate is a cause for concern. They feel they are very good to Americans. However, they (the buyers) see a lot of anti-Japanese feelings."

The Japanese rank well behind the Canadians in their holdings and have only recently surged past the British and the Dutch on first-class commercial office space in Manhattan. Less than a fifth of this type of property is foreign-owned, the *New York Times* pointed out.

And Americans who work for Japanese companies say that when the conversation turns to where they work, it suddenly takes on a harder edge. One woman employee for a Japanese trading

firm in Manhattan, told the reporter: "The first people say is you're a traitor. I turn around and explain that the Japanese don't own as much as you think they do. The problem is the Japanese have a much higher profile in the U.S. right now."

Gerald Curtis, director of East Asian Institute at Columbia University, said: "There was a lot of intense European concern about the dominance of American money (in the 1950s). Now there's American concern about the power of Japanese money. Well, in retrospect American investments in Europe helped revitalize the European economy, and Japanese investments in this country are going to help revitalize the American economy.

"It's getting more negative attention than it deserves," Curtis said. "The Japanese may buy a big building or a part of Rockefeller Center, but they can't bring it back to Tokyo. It's still there—it means that Japanese money is in the U.S. economy. It's one way to recycle Japanese surpluses."

Some maintain that anti-Japanese sentiment is rising when few politicians are willing to speak out on this issue," Curtis added, "because they're playing to a large audience that's engaged in this activity. If there's this growing climate of Japan-bashing and they don't have that many Japanese in their districts, why stand up for an unpopular group?"

Co-chairman Scott E. Pardee of Yamaichi International (America) Inc., the New York subsidiary of a Japanese investment firm, said he was troubled that people "are relying on stereotypes based on some image they have in their minds that doesn't relate directly to the people I'm working with or the people I know."

Snake River Valley JACL to Host IDC Board Meeting

ONTARIO, Ore. — The Snake River JACL will host the Intermountain District Council board meeting slated for Saturday, March 10, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Ichiban Room, 112 SE 2nd St. in Ontario.

Highlights on the agenda include discussion of the Minidoka Project dedication ceremony, an update on the proposed Malheur County Japanese American Cultural Center, chapter activity reports and discussion on a district newsletter.

The annual Snake River Chapter Casino Night will follow at 6:30 p.m. in the Commercial Building at the Malheur County Fairgrounds. Tickets are \$20 per person.

Information on Amtrak or airline schedules can be obtained by calling Iseri Travel, (800) 424-4226. For more information, contact, IDC Gov. Randy Harano, (503) 889-5532.

San Jose JACL Holds Inventory to Raise Funds

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Levis, Dockers, jewelry, pots, shirts, neckties, and lingerie were some of the items that a volunteer crew of 25 JACLers and others listed and counted at the semi-annual inventory night at the Emporium Valley Fair on Jan. 17.

The San Jose JACL expressed thanks to the crew for raising some money for the chapter, as well as to Karen Thomas, personnel manager, and Terry Brown, store manager, for inviting the chapter to participate. The "listers" and "counters" were:

Rose Fukuba, Bette Harada, Grace Inouye, Leon Kimura, Mark Kobayashi, John Kohut, Helen Mineta, Aiko Nakahara, Tom Nishisaka, Gary Okazaki, Kay Ono, Tami Ono, Carrie Shigemasa, Lei Shigemasa, Sue Shigemasa, Tom Shigemasa, Emi Shimizu, Grant Shimizu, Kathy Takeda, Mine Tanaka, Kenneth Toy, Bette Uchida, Sharon Uyeda, Kirk Yamamoto, and Miles Yamamoto.

Gardena Valley JACL Seeking Queen Candidates

GARDENA, Calif. — The Gardena Valley Chapter of the JACL is seeking candidates for its 1990 Miss Gardena Valley JACL Queen Contest, to be held in April.

The winner of of the contest will represent the chapter in the annual Nisei Week Queen Pageant to be held in August.

Requirements and applications can be obtained by writing to Jonathan T. Kaji, 15112 1/2 S. Western Ave., Gardena, CA 90247 or calling (213)327-7790.

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JACL PULSE

ARIZONA

- Bingo/Bento Night, Sun., March 18. Reservation deadline: March 15. Info: (both 602) M. Takiguchi, 934-9637 or H. Tanita, 944-2050.
- Scholarship Awards Banquet, Sun., April 29, Fountain Suites Hotel, 2577 W. Greenway Rd., Phoenix. Info: 602 861-2638.

GILROY

- Ballroom dance lessons, every Monday, Morgan Hill Buddhist Church Annex, 7-8 pm. Cost: \$1/ea. ● Display items for Gilroy Museum Day of Remembrance exhibition (present-March 10) needed. Info: Gayle Glines, 408 842-5094.
- JACL Golf Tournament, Sat., April 21, Gilroy Golf and Country Club. Info: Mike, 408 847-3218.

LAS VEGAS

- Redress dinner, 6:30 pm, Fri., March 9, Cathay House Restaurant, 5300 W. Spring Mt. Rd. Cost: \$15/ea. Special guest: Grant Ujifusa. Info: F. Fukumoto, 702 362-3742.

PSWDC

- Pacific Southwest District Council JACL Recognition Luncheon, Sun., March 4, Lawry's California Center (213 225-2481), 570 W. Ave. 26. Cost: \$20/ea. Lunch: 1:30 pm. Program: 2:30 pm. Send checks made out to Pacific Southwest District Council JACL to JACL Office, 244 S. San Pedro St. #507, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Reservations, info: PSWDC office, 213 626-4471.

RENO

- Scholarship Teriyaki Dinner/Sushi Sale, Sun., March 19, noon-4pm, Senior Citizen Center, 9th & Sutro St., Reno. Help needed for food preparation. Volunteers: J. Sun, 702 331-2097.

SACRAMENTO

- Scholarships applications for local high school and junior college graduates being accepted. Application deadline: March 1; should include a copy of official transcript, SAT scores, a list of school/community activities, awards received and a brief autobiographical sketch. Applications: 916-447-0231. Info: A. Kubo, 422-5513.

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.

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- Scholarships applications for high school seniors who are children of JACL members or are of Japanese ancestry. Scholarship range: \$100 to \$1,000. Top applicants will be considered for National JACL scholarships. Application deadline: March 1. Application forms can be obtained from local guidance counselors or by calling the S.J. JACL office. Info: (both 408) S.J. JACL, 295-1250, or S. Uyeda, 259-3656 (after 6 pm).
- Annual bride tournament, Sat., April 7, Wesley Methodist Church, 566 N. 5th St. Categories: Major, intermediate and junior, with prizes for each section. Info: A. Nakahara, 258-7874.
- Casino night fundraiser, Fri., May 18, Italian Gardens. Proceeds to go to college scholarships. Info: 408 295-1250.

SNAKE RIVER

- "Casino Night," Sat., March 10, 6:30 pm, Commercial Building, Malheur County Fairgrounds. Cost: \$20/ea. Proceeds to go towards chapter scholarships. Info: (both 503) C. Maeda, 889-6493, M. Iseri, 889-8691.

WEST L.A.

- "Multiracial Asian Identity in the Arts," a free public lecture by playwright/poet Velina Hasu Houston, Tues., Feb. 27, 7:30 pm, West Los Angeles Buddhist Church (corner of Corinth & La Grange). Endorsed by *Amerasia Journal*. Info: G. Omatsu, 213 825-3415.
- Candidates for Miss Western Los Angeles are sought, will the winning applicant to participate in the Nisei Week Festival Queens Pageant. Applicants must be at least between 19 years old and no more than 25 years on Aug. 18, 1990. Applicants must reside in the Western region of Los Angeles. Info: (both 213) Eleanor, 398-9813 or Jean, 390-6914.

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cash flow margin be maintained, especially if the organization is looking at stabilizing membership dues as we are attempting to accomplish this biennium.

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I plan to comment further on the proposed biennial budget in my next P.C. article, which will appear prior to the National Convention in June.

THE CALENDAR

DELRAY BEACH, FLA.

- Present-April 15—"The Cult of Tea: An Exhibit Commemorating the 400th Anniversary of the Death of Sen no Rikyu," the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd.

LOS ANGELES AREA

- Present-March 4—"Lu-Huan: Stone Carvings by a Chinese Master," an exhibition featuring his stone carvings, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, 900 Exposition Blvd. Museum hours: T-Su, 10 am-5 pm. Admission: Adults, \$3/ea; students and senior citizens with ID, \$1.50/ea; children 5-12, .75/ea; children under five and museum members free. Info: 213 744-DINO.
- Feb. 28—Reception to raise funds for the production of an educational video for Asian Pacific American domestic violence victims, 6:30 pm, W, KSCI-TV studios, 12401 W. Olympic Blvd. Donation: \$25/ea. Sponsored in part by the Asian Pacific Women's Network/Domestic Violence Project. Info: Patricia Kinaga, 213 237-0562.
- March 2 & 3, 7-10—Research Acting Institute presents the L.A. premiere of *Interrogations*, created and performed by Yoshi Oida, Patriotic Hall 1816 S. Figueroa. Showtimes: F & S, 8:30 pm; W & Th, 8 pm. Tickets: \$14/ea.; group rates available. Info, reservations, 213 660-6880.
- March 3—"Spring Fling Dance," fundraiser for the East San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center, Inc., ESGVJCC gym, 7:30-11:30 pm, S, 1203 W. Puente Ave., West Covina. Tickets: \$9/ea. Info: 818 960-2566.
- March 3—Tokyo International Music Ensemble, S, Japan America Theatre, 244 S. San Pedro St. Pre-concert lecture: 7 pm. Concert: 8 pm. Tickets: \$15/ea.; JACC and Los Angeles County Museum of Art members, \$12/ea. Info: 213 680-3700.

PHOENIX

- Feb. 29-March 3—"Japan Week '90," sites throughout the Phoenix-area. Info: Japan America Society of Phoenix, 602 968-6650.

SAN DIEGO

- March 7-14—Pacific Rim Film Tour, co-sponsored by Hawaii's East-West Center and the Department of Telecommunications and Film of San Diego State University. March 7, La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art, 7:30 pm, *Far from War*, 9:15 pm, *The Birth*. March 9, SDSU Little Theatre, 7:30 pm, *Chilsu and Mansu*, 9:30 pm, *Mauri*. March 14, La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art, 7:30 pm, *Yun's Town*. Admission for all films: Free. Info: 619 594-6575.

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

- Present-May 13—"Strength & Diversity: Japanese American Women, 1885-1990," an exhibition co-sponsored by the National Japanese American Historical Society and

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● March 4—Crob & Spaghetti Feed fundraiser for Sakura-Kai Senior Center and the Berkeley Nikkei Senior Center, Su, 4-7 pm, Albany Memorial Hall, Albany. Donation: \$15/ea. Tickets, info: 415 524-3055.

● March 4—Meeting of the Nisei Widowed Group, Su, 2-4 pm, home of Haru Baba. New members welcome. Info: (both 415) Elsie Uyeda Chung, 221-0268 (S.F.) or Yuri Moriawaki, 482-3280 (482-3280).

● March 10—Christ United Presbyterian Church Rummage Sale, S, 10 am-5 pm, 1700 Sutter St.

● March 10—The annual Northern California Japanese American Senior Center's Shin Nene Kai, Mt. View Buddhist Temple, 10:30 am-2:30 pm.

SAN JOSE

- March 25—Jackson-Taylor Business & Professional Associations's 1990 Annual Dinner, Su, Bini's Bar & Grille, 337 E. Taylor St. Cocktails: 6 pm. Dinner: 6:30 pm. Info: 408 298-4303.

SAN LEANDRO

- March 31—Japanese Evangelical Missionary Society's first Northern California Women's Luncheon, S, 9:30 am-1 pm, San Lorenzo Japanese Christian Church, 615 Lewelling Blvd. Guest speaker: Sue Tatsui. Cost: \$7/ea. Info: Sylvia Chow, 210 Jenay Ct., Martinez CA 94553 or call 415 228-9448.

SEATTLE

- March 3—Annual Sukiyaki Dinner, S, 4-7 pm, Blaine Memorial United Church, 3001-24th Ave. South. Take-out: 3:30-7 pm. Pre-5 pm diners eligible for door prize (take-out diners not eligible). Highlights: Bonsai display by James Nakahara and Japanese doll display by Michiko Ono. Tickets: Adults, \$6/ea.; 70 & over and 11 and under, \$4/ea. Info: 206 723-1536.
- March 4—Annual Pancake Breakfast, sponsored by the Seattle First Hill Lions Club, Su, 7:30am-1 pm, Kawabe Memorial House, 221 18th Ave. S. Admission: Adults, \$5/ea.; seniors, \$3/ea. Proceeds to Seattle's Keiro Home and Kawabe Memorial House. Info: (both 206) Ted Nakamura, 621-3104 (days) or 725-9892 (eves.).

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LETTERS

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But Mr. Hosokawa falls short of realism in his column, having to do with time, "Presentism: A Worthless Exercise?" (Feb. 9, P.C.)

This country was founded, we've been taught, on the standards and principles of the Almighty God's written word, the Bible, which standards and principles are timeless and do not change whether it is 1942 or 1990 or in the days of Thomas Jefferson.

God, having created time and space, is not subject to either time or space. Therefore we can rely on his written prophecies. They remain true to his changeless standards of righteousness.

MARY TANI
Los Angeles.

de Cristoforo Slighted

What at first glance appears to be an interesting overview of the recent activities of the Salinas Chapter JAACL (P.C. Jan. 26, 1990) on closer examination proves to be the second endeavor of a thinly-veiled public relations campaign for the benefit of particular members of the chapter.

Although most of the spacious article might be acceptable to the uninitiated, two particulars are rather unconvincing to those who are familiar with the questionable activities of some of those concerned, and it becomes necessary to examine them under the intense and impartial light of truth.

In the first place, in spite of the fact that the writer related how the 1989 Day of Remembrance was celebrated at the Kinenhi site by the Salinas Chapter and those of the Monterey Peninsula, San Benito County, Gilroy and Watsonville, strangely enough the four individuals pictured alongside the memorial plaque are all members of the Salinas Chapter. Which leaves one wondering—Were the other four chapters not represented at the celebration, or did their representatives all decline to be photographed at the memorial? In which case, why did they refuse?

In the second place, the writer refers in glowing terms to the two stalwarts who, several years ago, allegedly "spearheaded" the construction of the Kinenhi memorial. Really? Perhaps if his research had been more carefully done the writer would have determined that one of the two stalwarts not only did not spearhead anything but, in reality, had to be begged by the Kinenhi coordinator to participate in the erection of the monument because, as a long-time resident of the area and as a businessman, he would have been helpful in that significant undertaking. But, when he finally consented to join the Kinenhi Committee he very modestly chose to be its treasurer rather than its "spearhead."

Actually, it was Violet Kazue de Cristoforo (who served as the chapter Redress chair for a period of four years, in addition to performing the duties of official delegate and Kinenhi coordinator) who convinced the chapter Board of Directors that a memorial should be erected at the former Salinas Assembly Center and was appointed to bring that project to completion.

After months of research and writing a justification for a State Historical Monument, it was she who attended the meeting of the State Historical Resources Commission in Sacramento, in May 1983, to receive the approval for the erection of California Registered Historical Landmark No. 934 near the site of the former Salinas Assembly Center.

It was also the Kinenhi coordinator who, after many meetings with the city manager, was given permission by the city of Salinas to select an appropriate site for the monument and to begin preparations for its erection. In addition, it was through her efforts that the city of Salinas purchased the bronze plaque for the monument and donated it to the Kinenhi Committee.

But, strangely enough, at a meeting with the City Council to receive the final approval for the monument a "Nisei Major" was reported to have telephoned the local newspaper and the mayor to protest the erection of the Kinenhi because, the caller assured them, such a monument would cause a "backlash" against the Japanese Americans.

Too bad that the writer of the P.C. article did not bother to check his facts, or to read the Dedication Brochure for the Kinenhi unveiling. If he had he would have avoided such a delusive article about the two "stalwarts" who allegedly spearheaded the construction of the monument at the former Salinas Assembly Center.

WILFRED H. de CRISTOFORO
Salinas, Calif.

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Rev. Kakusho Izumi, 88, Buddhist Minister

Honolulu, Jan. 21, at home. From Hiroshima, and ordained in 1926, he served in various Buddhist churches in Hawaii, was interned during WWII in a Mainland camp, in charge of Hongwanji Radio Hour in the 1950s, retired from the Betsuin in 1965.

Ed Nakano, 49, School Superintendent

Feb. 2, Honolulu, of cancer. Appointed Leeward District superintendent in 1987 following 20-year career as teacher and principal, was 1976-78 president of Hawaii State Teachers.

Barbara Reynolds, 74, Hon. Hiroshima Citizen

Wilmington, Ohio, Feb. 11, of heart failure. She and her husband-anthropologist Earle Reynolds were sent by the U.S. government in 1951 to study effects of atomic bomb radiation on the growth of children in Hiroshima. In the 1960s she founded the World Friendship Center in Hiroshima, created the Hiroshima/Nagasaki Memorial Collection of nuclear memorabilia at Wilmington College in southern Ohio near where she was born. In 1986, she became the first non-Japanese woman to be designated an honorary citizen of Hiroshima. For the past decade, she had lived in Long Beach, Calif., working with Cambodian refugees.

Ko Hirata, 85, Stockton, Dec. 10; w Toshie, s Henry, d Grace Shiba, Ruth Kamita, br Kaname, gcs.

Alice C Tomita Yoneda, 81, Hilo, Dec. 7. Surviving: s Ted Takashi (Stockton), d Jane Ogi, sis Chito Kawakami, Peggy Brown.

N. Muneko Kawabe, 85, Reedley, Jan. 3. Surviving: d Edith Iwo, in-law Kunimitsu, 3gc, 2gcs.

Sode Kawano, 93, Fukuoka resident of Sacramento, Dec. 31. Surviving: s Shizuo, Jack, Thomas, Jim; d Natsuko Shimada, Mary Fong, gcs and gges.

Masao Kishi, 71, Sacramento, Dec. 20. Surviving: w Fumiko, d Arlene, Yasuko Kitahashi (Japan), sis Sumiko, Eiko Kiwata (both Japan), gcs.

Roy Kunitake, 74, San Francisco, Jan. 2. Surviving: w Yoshiko, s Masayoshi Urayama, 4gc, 3 sis Shizuko Araki, Chiyoka and Harumi Kunitake.

Kazuko Kurotori, 85, Sacramento, Dec. 14. Surviving: Tadashi, Isamu, 2gc.

Shigeki Abe, 90, Kochi-ken resident of Sacramento, Jan. 10. Surviving: d Jean Yoko Choy, s Kay.

Shige Daijyogo, 93, Hiroshima-born matron in Lodi, Jan. 4. Surviving: 3 s Kazuo, Jimmy, Tom; 2 d Yoshiye Kamei, Nobuye Sakahara; gcs.

Kiku Enomoto, 93, Wakayama resident of Watsonville, Dec. 19. Surviving: s Mitsuo Maegoto, d Yoneko Yamamoto, Yuriko Nishita, 11gc, 8gcs, br Hiroshi Michiya (Japan).

Itsuko Hamamoto, 86, Yamaguchi-born resident of Napa, Calif., Jan. 7. Surviving: s William, Henry, d Mary; 2 brs Hideo & George Hirooka; 3 sis Shizuko, Hisayo (both Japan) and Momoye.

Helen M Hasegawa, 56, Yuba City, Dec. 20. Surviving: h Tom, s Calvin, Steven, d Audrey, Lauri, Patti Rosetti, gc, f Shigeki Abe, br Kay, sis Yoko Choi.

Wesse F. Hashimoto, 65, Reedley, Jan. 8. Surviving: 6 br Shig, Akira, Yasuo, Nori, Akinobu, George Hashimoto; 3 sis Rosie Uyeda, Mary Hashimoto, Lily Araki.

Saburo Kariya, 73, San Mateo, Jan. 3. Surviving: br Masazo.

Lillian Katsuyo Takeshita

Lillian K. Takeshita passed away on Feb. 11 at her home in Honolulu. Wife of the late Thomas K. Takeshita, she moved to Honolulu after having lived in Washington, D.C. from 1945 to 1973. In the nation's capital, she worked at the Library of Congress and was active in the Japanese American Citizens League. She was born in San Francisco in 1905 and spent years in Wyoming, Salt Lake City and Los Angeles. She was interned at Heart Mountain. She is survived by her daughters, Joy Teraoka and Lyn Moy, eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

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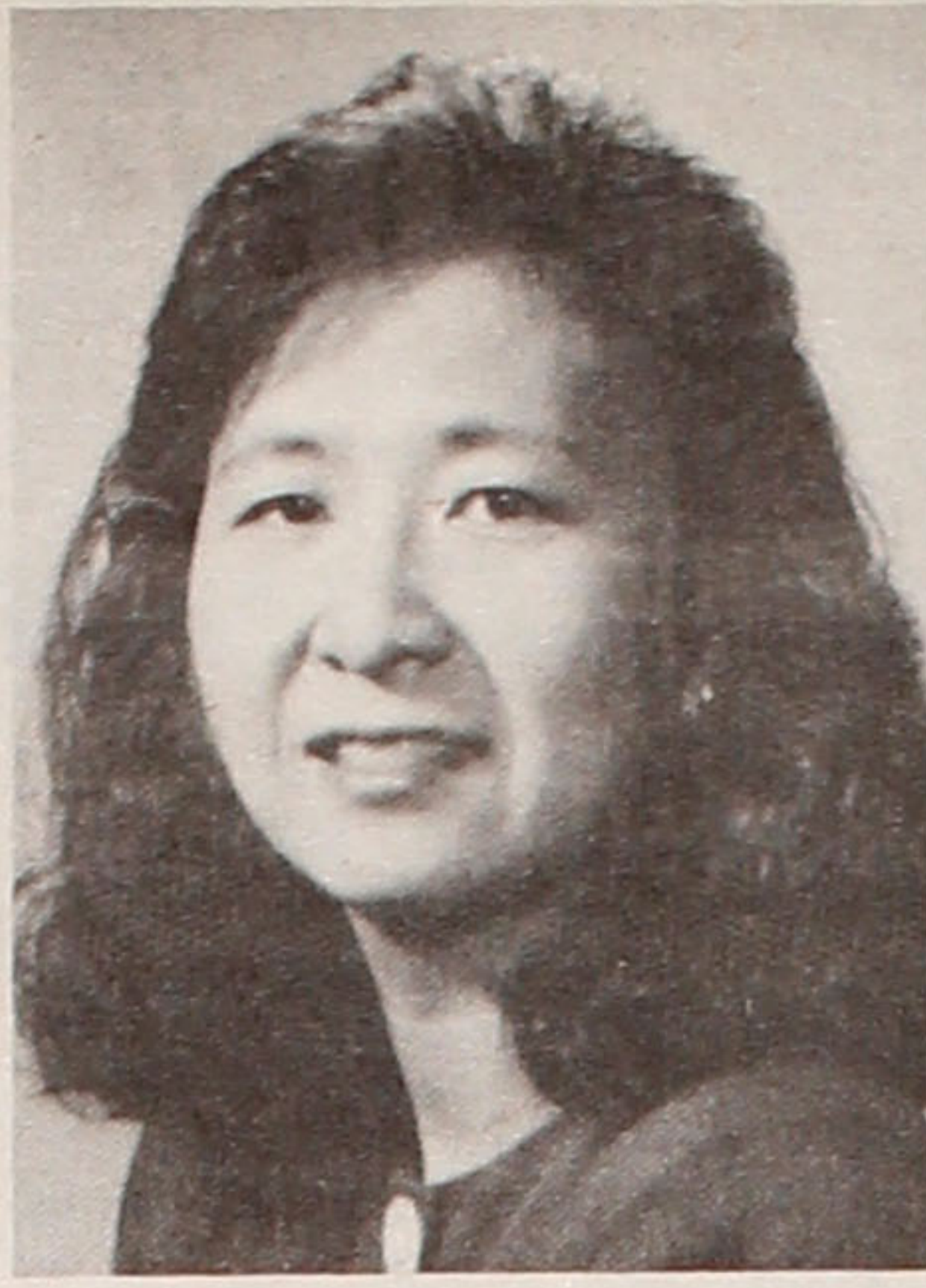
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MARI MAYEDA

► **Mari Mayeda**, of Oakland, Calif., and a 1980 recipient of the JACL-Tom Hayashi Law Scholarship, is a member of the Saperstein, Seligman & Mayeda law firm with offices in Oakland and Los Angeles. A UC Davis graduate and a cum laude graduate of Harvard Law School, she served as law clerk to former California Supreme Court Justice Cruz Reynoso and joined Saperstein & Seligman in 1984. She has written and lectured on employment law and civil rights attorneys' fees litigation, and represented plaintiffs in consumer and employee private class actions. She is on the Asian American Bar Association board of directors.

► **Fred Matsubara**, 22, of Winnepeg, Canada, and a senior at Mayville (N.D.) State, is preparing for his fourth year in U.S. college baseball as a pitcher who has been strutting his stuff on both sides of the border. During the summer break, he pitches for St. Boniface in the Manitoba Red-Boine senior league. Matsubara finished with 2.14 and 2.03 ERAs at Mayville, which is one of the top teams in the North Dakota College Athletic Conference. He started pitching at age 10 in the Pee Wee league. . . . When a Japanese TV crew found Colorado reserve fullback **Roger Yago** on the roster at the picture session just before the Orange Bowl, the Tokyo coordinator Chika Kujiraoka thought she had a big story in Yago. After all, Yago is of Japanese ancestry (a Sansei who lived all his life in Colorado), but speaks only English. "We were rather excited to find a Japanese name, a Japanese person, for the time probably in the history of this bowl game," she noted.

► Washington Governor Booth Gardner's office announced **Paul Isaki**, 45, governor's special assistant for economic development policy, was appointed acting director of the state Department of Trade and Economic Development, after John Anderson resigned last month.



STANLEY H. FURUTA

► **Stanley H. Furuta**, past distinguished president of the Evening Optimist Club of San Fernando, was elected vice president and account executive by J. Morey Co., Inc. Insurance Agents and Brokers. A USC graduate in business administration, he previously was associated with Equitable Life Assurance Society (1961-1980), vice president of Inouye, Masunaka Co., Inc., until June 1989 when Marsh & McLennan, Inc., acquired the Nisei firm and then continued as v.p. of the Japan client service division for the latter. Furuta will develop accounts for life, employee benefits and property/casualty business.

► **Dennis Uyemura**, 41, of Seattle is the executive vice president & chief financial officer for First Interstate of Washington. As one of the eight executive vice presidents and the only minority in the upper management level, Uyemura has 75 people reporting to him. His career demonstrates a successful switch from teaching to the board room, from science to fiscal matters, from an isolated laboratory to diversifying communities' involvement.

► Newly-appointed Japanese Consul General **Kiyohiko Arafune**, 51, to Los Angeles and his wife arrived Feb. 6, replacing **Hiromoto Seki** who has returned to Japan last month for reassignment. He is a 1962 graduate of the University of Tokyo in law, studied two years at Oxford and served in Britain, Nigeria, Malaysia, West Germany, Washington and the United Nations.

► Nisei golfer **David Ishii** kept the Hawaiian Open title home with his 279 total, 9-under, at the Waialae Country Feb. 11. The tournament was telecast on NBC. He also hung on Feb. 4 for his fifth Hawaii Pearl Open championship at the Pearl Country Club, where he is the club pro. With a 54-hole total of 4-under 212, he was 11 strokes off his record 15-under-par 201 he set last year. Ishii plays most of his golf on the Japanese tour.

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Ralph M. Parsons Gives JACCC \$20,000 for Programs

LOS ANGELES — The Japanese American Cultural and Community Center received a \$20,000 grant for its community programs from the Ralph M. Parsons Foundation.

The funds will go toward staff support and assistance in producing brochures and other promotional material, according to Christine Aihara, director of the program.

Community Programs was begun in October of last year. Programs included "Oshogatsu," "Children's Day," the Chibi-K run, "Kokoro" Concert Series, and the "Fresh Tracks" series.

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