



Asian Family Affair Photo

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## New director of Wash. State Asian American Affairs picked

SEATTLE, Wa.—Elizabeth Dunbar was introduced as the new director of the Washington State Commission on Asian American Affairs in late October to the local community at the Wing Luke Museum here. Active in the Tacoma-based Asian American Alliance as director, she was appointed by then Gov. Dixie Lee Ray. Dunbar succeeds Diane Wong who has moved to California.

Dunbar's major concerns are the status of the commission, economic development for Asian communities throughout the state and refugee issues. Problems of identity, awareness and community acceptance of interracial families is a personal concern of Ms. Dunbar's which she plans to study if time permits, she told the Asian Family Affair.

She is from Tacoma, where she has lived off and on for the past 12 years. Her father was in the Air Force so, while growing up, she lived all over the country and the world. She

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## Busing rider delays commission funding

WASHINGTON—In the final hours of the lame-duck session, Congress has sent President Carter a Justice Department appropriations bill which includes \$1.5 million for funding the Commission of Wartime Relocation and Internment of Civilians.

Last Friday (Dec. 5), President Carter stated he would veto the measure that denies any funds to efforts by the Justice Department to enforce busing to achieve school desegregation. The rider to limit court-ordered school busing was passed by the House Nov. 21 by a 240-59 vote and by the Senate Dec. 3 by voice vote without a roll call.

The President believed a greater constitutional issue was involved: can the Congress decide which cases the Justice Dept. may bring? Congress, which has hold of the purse strings, in a way can decide—thus the rider to end mandatory school busing

for racial balance was appended, apparently to ensure a constitutional test.

JACL which hailed the Brown vs. Board of Education desegregation case of 1954 was not visibly concerned about the potential veto of the latest appropriation bill as some welcomed the additional time likely to develop by the delay to prepare for the commission hearings in view of the oversight the last time in missing proper attribution to Michi Weglyn's description of camp life in her "Years of Infamy" (see President's Corner this issue, page 4).

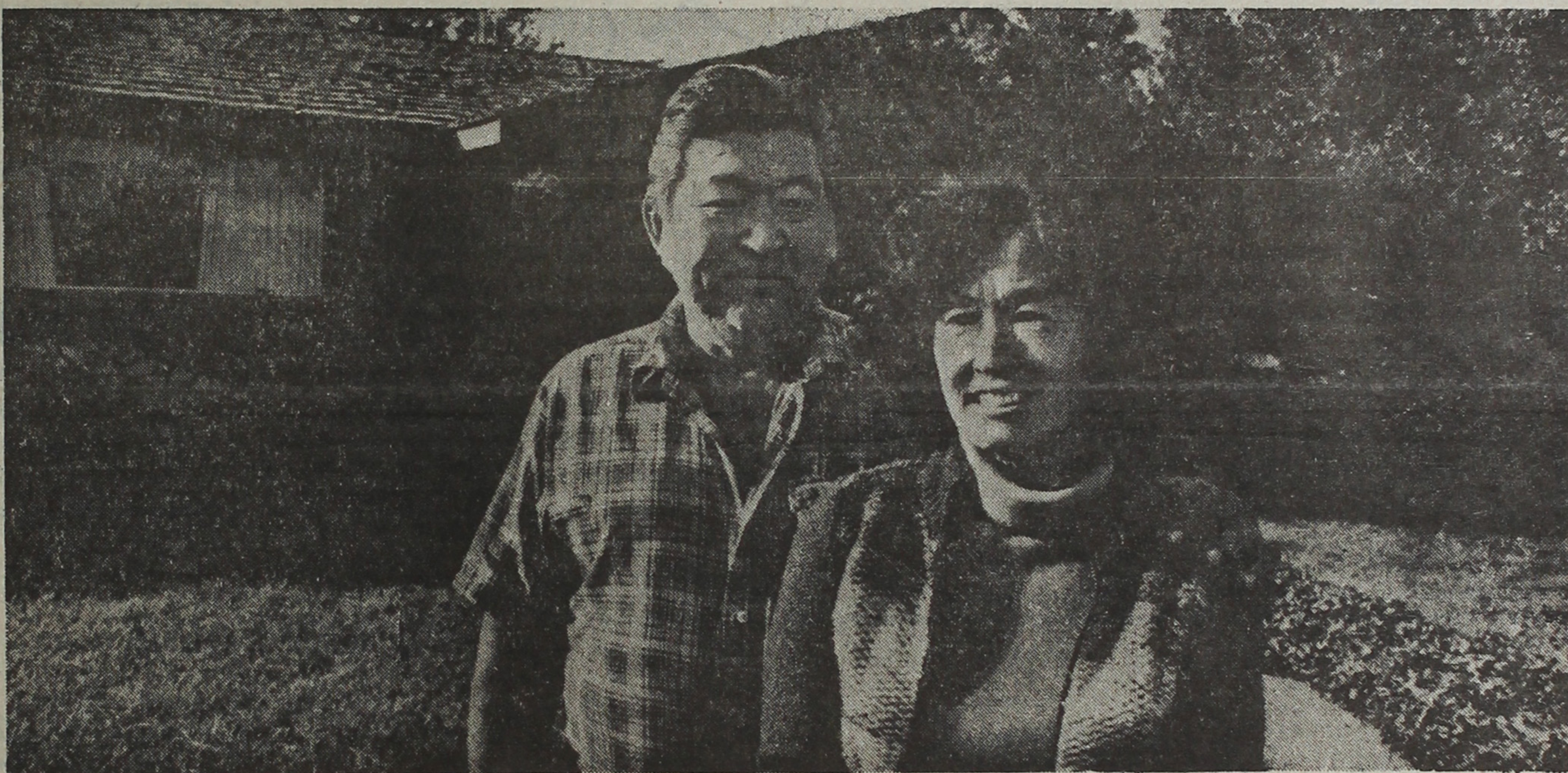
Rep. Norman Mineta's legislative assistant John Connerley explained the failure of the 96th Congress to authorize monies for the commission hearings at this time is but a "temporary delay" in the process. Since the commission is law and will receive funding, the question was when. "I'm sure it will be one of the first items taken up by the 97th Congress," Connerley reported. "It might take several months longer than planned to get the money."

The Commission members were to have been designated by this time, its staff organized in December-January with initial hearings in February (dramatically on Feb. 19, perhaps, on the West Coast).

## Holiday Schedule

The annual Holiday Issue dated Dec. 19-26 will be published next week. A two-week break will follow. The 1981 schedule resumes with the New Year Special dated Jan. 2-9 (deadline for which is Jan. 2)

—Pacific Citizen



Examiner/Gordon Stone

Mitsue Takahashi with her husband Kaz in front of their home. She plans to appeal the firing, the first of its kind in California

## A diligent teacher fired as incompetent

Dexter Waugh of the San Francisco Examiner went to Livingston in mid-November to interview Mitsue Takahashi, who was fired by the Livingston Union School District (Nov. 28 PC) for being "incompetent" after 20 years of professional career in Livingston. Waugh's report in the Sunday Examiner dated Nov. 23, which follows, has been reprinted by The Japanese American dailies. We join them but also include one of the large photographs appearing with this sensitively-written story.

—Ed/Note.

### By DEXTER WAUGH

LIVINGSTON, Merced County—Mitsue Takahashi was absolutely devastated. She had gone away at the end of the three-day hearing in October, anticipating a favorable ruling from the panel that would decide her future as a teacher.

She got the notice in the mail on a Thursday in November, from the Office of Administrative Hearings in Sacramento. The panel had voted 2-1 to uphold her dismissal as a permanent certified employee from the Livingston

Union School District.

After 20 years and countless students, including her own four kids, who had gone through her eighth-grade class, Takahashi had become the first teacher in California to lose her job solely because she was found to be incompetent.

A group of students with learning disabilities stopped her and hugged her. They didn't know it was her last day but, said Takahashi, "it was a good enough sendoff for me."

Popular with her colleagues and students, Takahashi had been accused of having no control over her students.

A custodian working in her classroom testified he heard students mouthing obscenities while Takahashi acted as if nothing was going on.

Two persons who had been school principals at Livingston Intermediate testified they had seen students yelling and running in and out of her room, while the teacher "ignored" the screams

Takahashi denied all the accusations. "They were not unruly. They did not misbehave. I am not incompetent," she said softly.

The move to dismiss a teacher for incompetence in a town of this size—about 4,600 people—was not an easy one, said Livingston Schools Superintendent Harold Thompson.

"It was a calculated risk that it might split the community because incidents like this sometimes create havoc," said Thompson. "So far, it hasn't."

"Everybody in the community knows the lady. She's been here a long time. In other regards, she is considered a good person. If she was somebody who was undesirable it would have been easy to do. But she's loyal and hardworking. The only basic problem was the kids just ran over her."

Takahashi, a native of near-by Turlock, was in the eighth grade when war with Japan broke out and all Americans of Japanese ancestry living on

the West Coast were herded into concentration camps. She spent the war years with her family in a camp in Colorado. Her teacher in the camp helped her get a scholarship to Northwestern University. She later graduated from Stanford University.

She married, moved to Livingston, raised four children, served in the PTA. One day, a previous superintendent told her there was an opening for a teacher. She applied and got the position.

Over the years Takahashi headed the Classroom Teachers Association, coached girls' sports and worked in the community recreation program. She loved teaching, she said.

Scores of teachers have been fired since 1971, when state law moved such dismissal proceedings out of Superior Court rooms and before a hearing panel. In the experience of Administrative Law Judge Rudolf Michaels, however, Takahashi's case was the first in which a teacher was

fired solely for incompetence.

In all other cases in which teachers were dismissed, incompetency was only one of the charges—combined with others such as unfitness, unprofessional conduct, immorality.

"Normally, the districts throw in about four or five different causes," said attorney Paul Loya, who argued against keeping Takahashi as a classroom teacher.

"I would have done that in this case if I thought they would have sustained. This was solely a case of competency."

Michaels said his office gets about 50 teacher dismissal cases a year, about half of which actually result in dismissal.

One argument offered by Fresno attorney Ernest Tuttle III was that Takahashi's students met the academic requirements set by the district. "Her kids did meet all the standards. Then to say she is incompetent, when the district

set standards and she met all the standards, we don't think that's permissible.

"Just because on a particular occasion a particular seventh or eighth grader acts up you can't hold a particular teacher responsible. This is a difficult age group to manage," he said.

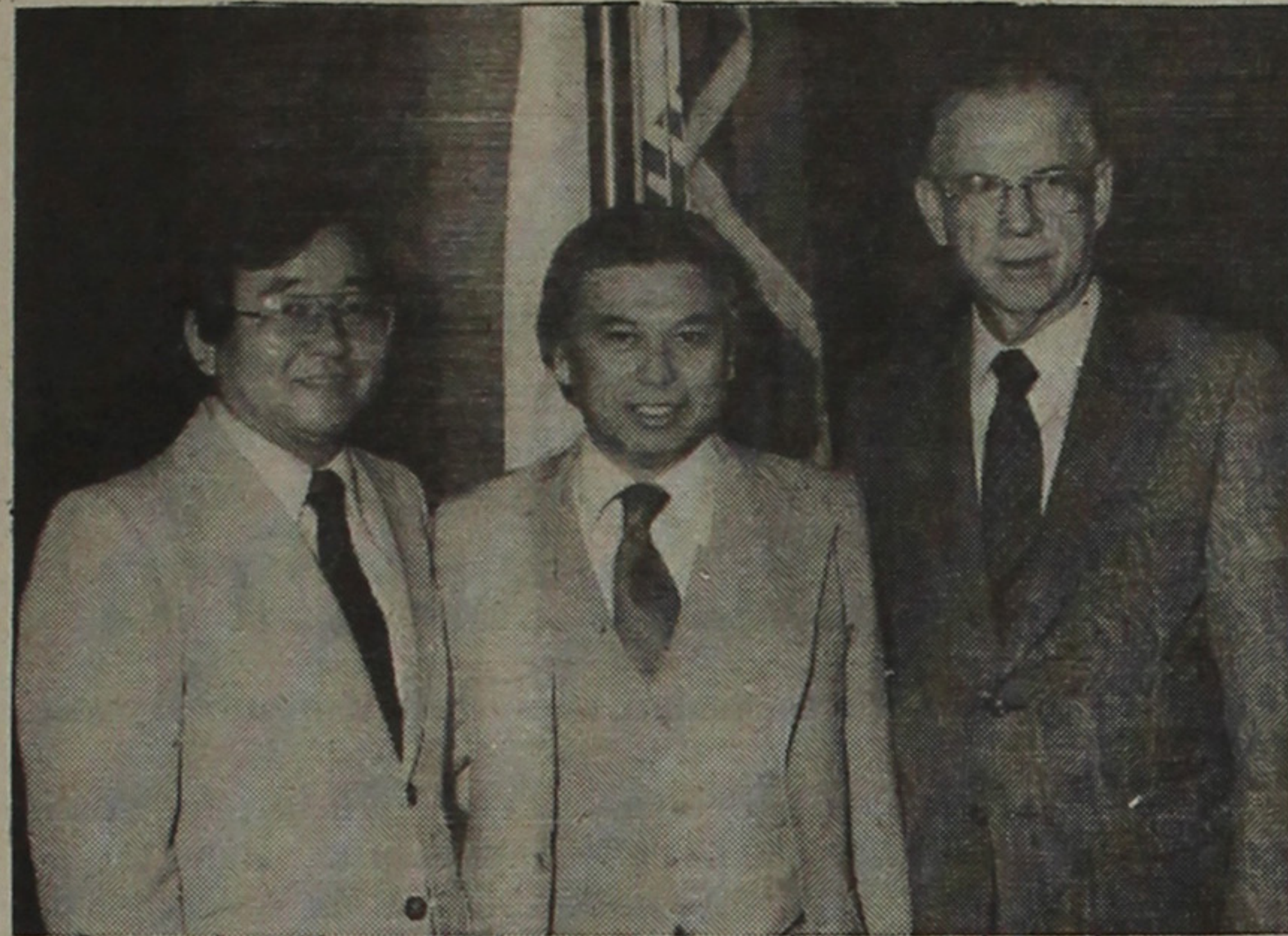
Tuttle's argument about academic standards "didn't go unheeded," said panel chairman Michaels. But, he said, "if you could get passing grades in a chaotic classroom, God knows what they'd do in an environment that is more conducive to learning."

Superintendent Thompson said officials had been aware of "the problem" for about 10 years. But the move against Takahashi began about four years ago when two principals started writing negative reports about her classroom control.

Thompson said the administration attempted to work with Takahashi, offering her spe-

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Supervisor Kenneth Hahn greets and congratulates the newest member of the Los Angeles City Board of Education, Anthony Trias (center), who recently attended a meeting of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. Also participating is Gardena City Councilman Mas Fukai, a deputy to Supervisor Hahn.

#### Deaths

**Oreste Vaccari**, 94, of Tokyo well-known Italian-born linguist who lived in Japan for over 50 years, died Oct. 22 of old age. He received the Third Order of the Sacred Treasure from the Japanese government in 1968 for his academic achievements.

**Suma Sugi Yokotake**, 74, of Los Angeles died Nov. 26 following an illness. She was the first Nisei lobbyist in Washington, having been instrumental in having the Cable Act amended in 1935. The section which held American women marrying aliens "ineligible to citizenship" (or Issei) would lose their citizenship was repealed. She was one of the first Nisei secretaries hired by the L.A. School Board of Education. She is survived by h Harry Hitoshi, s Makoto, d Shizuye Yoshimura, 7 gc, 2 ggc, br Sei (Yucaipa), sis Sumi Iriye, Tetsu and Tei. **Frank M. Yamaguchi**, 68, of San Jose died Dec. 2. One of the few Nisei engineers in prewar aviation industry in Los Angeles, he was with Lockheed just before retirement. Surviving are w Kimi, s Vincent and d Janice.

#### A/PA bilingual seminar planned

**BERKELEY, Ca.**—The third summer institute for educational research on Asian and Pacific Americans will be sponsored by the Asian American Bilingual Center of the Berkeley Unified School District July 9-16 at the Univ. of Hawaii Hilo campus and be continued July 17-24 at the Kamehameha School, Honolulu.

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## Why such a popular teacher was fired

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cial counseling and classes on assertive discipline. "But there wasn't much of a change in the classroom," Thompson said, and the district's governing board voted unanimously last spring to begin the procedure to dismiss her.

"I am diligent, I am for the school all the way," Takahashi maintained last week. "I never let up on any responsibility. I've always worked for excellence in the students. I never missed any conferences, meetings. I was never late."

Takahashi said she would send kids to the principal's of-

fice if they acted up. "I've always been diligent about that," she said.

But in Michaels' view, this only showed that the woman couldn't control her students. "She made an inordinately high percentage of referrals to the front office," the panel chairman said.

During a stroll around the spacious campus, with wide expanses of grass beneath sycamores and fruitless mulberries, Thompson reflected that behavior problems in Livingston are different than behavior problems in a big city.

"They are much less mature here," he said. "There's no

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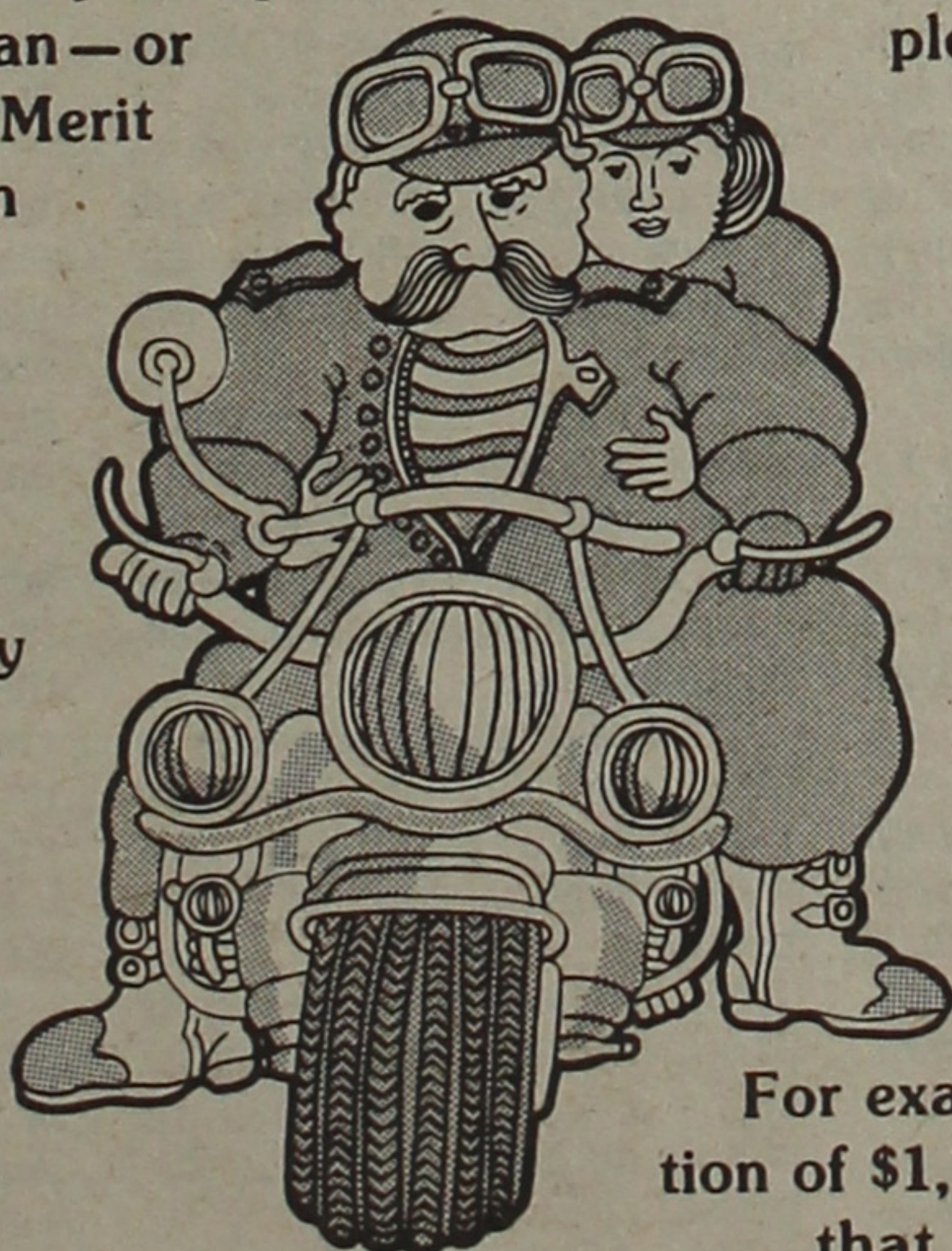
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## IN 1839 IN NORTH CAROLINA

Original Siamese twins  
naturalized U.S. citizensBy JIM BROWN  
(Hawaii Hochi)

Although barriers against naturalization of Asians of foreign birth in the United States were not lifted until this century, two very famous Chinese brothers did become citizens of this country in 1839.

They were the original Siamese twins, Chang & Eng, joined from birth by a band of flesh containing a common navel. They were born in Thailand in 1811 to a Chinese father and a mother who was 1/4 Thai and 3/4 Chinese. They came to the United States as young men and eventually settled in North Carolina. In 1843 they married two sisters. They had a

total of 21 children and died within two hours of each other in 1874.

The brothers later took the surname of Bunker. They were farmers, and until the Civil War ended, slaveholders. In the latter years of their marriage each had a separate household. They rigidly moved from one house to another every three days.

Today it is estimated that more than 1,000 of their descendants are scattered across the country. One of Eng's grandsons had twins, who were also named Chang and Eng. Their grandfather, Robert, youngest of the original Eng's sons, died in 1951—the last of the famous



Cut courtesy: Hawaii Hochi

Original Siamese twins in later life shown with Chang's son Albert (left) and Eng's son Patrick Henry.

## Fluor gives \$25,000 to JACCC

LOS ANGELES—The Fluor Foundation, headquartered in Orange County, has donated \$25,000 to the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center.

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JACCC President George J. Doizaki expressed appreciation to the foundation for its help and acknowledged the assistance of Izuo Miyashita, senior structural engineer at Fluor Corp.

## Ethnic studies grants offered

WASHINGTON—The U.S. Dept. of Education has extended its deadline for filing applications for grants under the Ethnic Studies Program to Jan. 8, 1981, according to the JACL Washington Office.

The grants provide financial assistance to nonprofit educational institutions, agencies and organizations in development and implementation of elementary and secondary educational curriculum in order to afford students the opportunity to learn about their own cultural heritage as well as those of other ethnic groups. Grants up to \$175,000/year will be announced in June. For information, write to USDE, Office of Educational Research and Improvement, Washington, DC 20202.

## TEACHER

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vandalism. For some reason, this little town is a model community, as far as young people. We've never had a case where a room was vandalized."

Sixty percent of the students, he said, are Latino, and 25 percent of the faculty speak English and Spanish. Although there is a large adult Japanese-American population, there are only two Japanese-American students in the school.

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is a graduate from Washington State University in social work, worked as a youth counselor in Portland and Puyallup and for the past 3 1/2 years has been director of the Tacoma-based Asian American Alliance. A member of the Puyallup Valley JACL, she assisted Art Wang in his successful bid as representative of the 26th district in Tacoma.

"We're between cycles," said Ken Hamaguchi, president of the predominantly Japanese-American Livingston Farmers Association.

Hamaguchi is one of many townspeople who don't quite know what to do about the Takahashi affair. "It's something we hate to talk about," said Hamaguchi. "Kaz (Takahashi's husband) is my friend, a member of the association. We're the same age."

Everyone involved insists there was no racial or personality clash clouding the case. Takahashi said she always got along well with the two principals who became her accusers.

Takahashi said she will not accept the panel's decision. "I still have faith in the American system of justice, and I am going to appeal," she said.

For now, she will get ready for the holidays. Her four kids, all grown and living in Southern California, will be coming home for Thanksgiving. "I'll work on the appeal," she said, "and reflect."

pair's children to die. The modern-day Eng owns the ancestral farm in North Carolina.

The most famous of the twin's descendants was Air Force Major General Caleb Vance Haynes, grandson of Chang, and chief of the American Bomber Command in China during World War II.

More details about the pair can be found in "The Two", a biography by Irving Wallace & Amy Wallace (Simon & Schuster, New York, 1978, \$10.95).

They were naturalized in 1839 following a petition to the Superior Court of North Carolina, citing their years of residence in this country, their moral character, and their willingness to renounce allegiance to the King of Siam.

At this time U.S. law provided for the naturalization of members of "the white race" only, but legal definitions of what "white" meant did not come until much later in the century.

The only known case of an Asian being naturalized is that of Joseph Heco or America Hikoze, whose real name was Hamada Hikoze. He received his citizenship

in Baltimore in 1858. Heco was one of a group of shipwrecked Japanese picked up by an American vessel in 1850 and taken to San Francisco. He later served in the U.S. diplomatic corps in Japan at the very beginning of relations between the two countries.

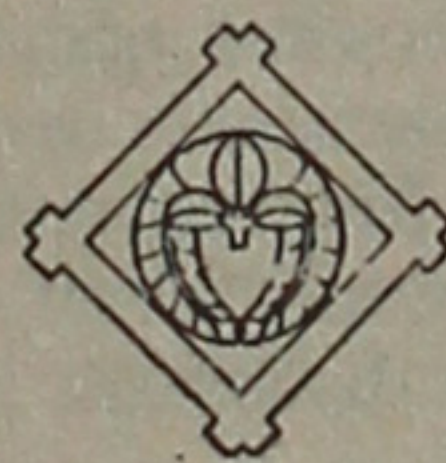
There may have been other cases in those early days, but if so they must have been few. The number of Asians in the U.S. at that time was very small.

The three examples fall in the realm of historical oddities. Frank Chuman's "The Bamboo People", a legal history of Japanese in the U.S., does not mention them.

Here is a capsule history of U.S. naturalization law, especially as it applied to foreign-born Asians.

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1873—Eligibility extended to "persons of African nativity or descent."

1882—Chinese aliens specifically barred from privileges of citizenship by statute.

1894—A U.S. district court ruled that an alien named Saito was of "Mongolian" race and could thus not become a citizen.

1903-25—A number of petitions for naturalization by

alien born Japanese who were veterans were rejected by the courts. Three of the cases were taken up to the Supreme Court. The legal decisions in effect stated that the "any alien" reference was superseded by the earlier "free white person" stipulation.

(A number of Asian veterans were naturalized after World War I, in particular in Hawaii. Judge Vaughn of the U.S. District Court in Honolulu granted citizenship to about 700 Asians. But as far as is known all such naturalization were later annulled by higher courts.)

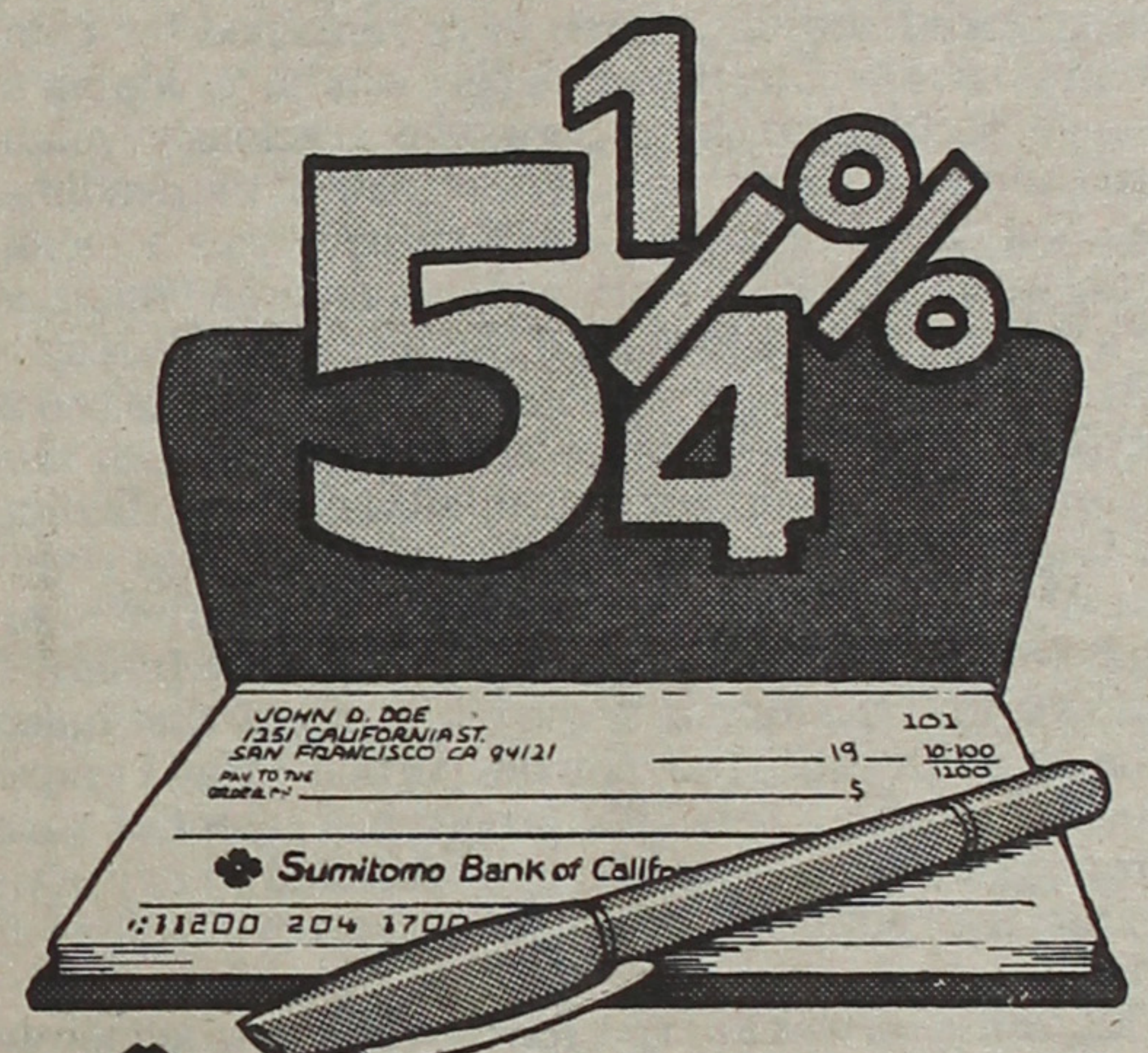
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### '...of Infamy'

Portland, Ore.

This is regarding the plagiarized passages of Michi Weglyn's "Years of Infamy: The Untold Story of America's Concentration Camps" (Morrow & Co.) and JACL's testimony presented at the Senate hearings, how this occurred and what remedial steps have been taken by JACL in an attempt to rectify our unintentional oversight. Our membership should be fully informed of this most unfortunate incident.

When JACL was notified of scheduling of the Senate hearing, which was held in March, a comfortable two-week work-period appeared to be sufficient time to complete our written testimony. However, when redress committee chair John Tateishi, whose dedicated efforts go far beyond descriptive superlatives, arrived in Washington, D.C., he was informed that the hearing date had been changed and only three days remained for completion of the JACL testimony. There was no choice but to delegate sections to volunteers who graciously volunteered and gave the time and effort to meet the deadline. The compilation of a 100-page testimony was a monumental task in itself; to work under such time limitation was a staggering challenge and was an incredible feat.

The testimony covers a period of over 100 years and is complete with bibliographies accompanying each section, giving acknowledgement to all authors (including Ms. Weglyn) of their works which were used as reference. One section, which quotes paragraph after paragraph verbatim several pages from "Years of Infamy," acknowledges the author in the bibliography that failed in the original text in the footnote portion. (May I empathetically interject here that proper placement of such hieroglyphics is not always readily recalled by any of us who are not routinely employed in the technicalities of writing.)

This omission was interpreted by many as a deliberate act of flagrant plagiarism and a careless if not predetermined slight towards Ms. Weglyn.

Rather, time did not allow for such hunting of missing footnotes nor fine-tooth editing of each volunteer-prepared section and sources. In truth, only one with a full intimate knowledge of the book (such as only the author who had culled and cultivated every word and phrase from a creative soul) could have conceivably caught the transgression of passages which were not properly attributed to its source.

The writing committee was proficient and responsive; it never professed to be professional nor infallible.

This is not to be construed as rationalizing or excusing our serious oversight and the grave injustice inflicted upon one whom we continue to regard with the same high esteem today as in the yesteryear of 1976 when we honored her as the Japanese American of the Biennium.

Although no apology could adequately express our regret nor any gesture eradicate our error, certain remedial actions have been taken in an attempt to rectify in some measure our unintentional wrong-doing:

1—Statement of our apology has been published in the Pacific Citizen and other Japanese American vernaculars.

2—An errata sheet has been published and sent to all recipients of our testimony by the regular Government Printing Office (U.S. GPO) mailing.

3—Letters by Dr. Suzuki and Ms. Stafford have been published in full in the Oct. 31 PC.

4—Copies of Ms. Weglyn's book, "Years of Infamy," have been purchased and will be sent to all persons and staff present at the Senate hearing as well as to those on the regular GPO mailing list who received a copy of our testimony.

Ms. Weglyn has suggested that "40,000 copies of 'Years of Infamy' may be purchased to distribute to key officials in the executive, legislative and judicial branches of our government and to high schools and colleges". She has graciously offered all her royalties thus received "to be donated to JAHFA (Japanese American Help for the

## ● 'Shogun': Positive Note

Editor:

I am dismayed at the consternation being expressed in your paper by some writers regarding the so-called stereotypes and violence in *Shogun* and also the supposedly growing problem of discriminatory practices as a result of the amazing success of Japanese industry in invading the American marketplace.

I was born in Japan and lived there until I was 23 years of age. One of my great-grandfathers was a samurai in western Shikoku. Both my grandfathers were Englishmen who went to Japan during the early Meiji years and married Japanese women. My wife is Nisei and I work in a urban community college.

The episodes in *Shogun* I thought, accurately depicts the conditions and mores of that period. I find that millions of Americans are now much more aware of the origins of Japanese culture and it has aroused their curiosity about a beautiful group of islands inhabited by remarkable race of people. I have innumerable questions put to me about certain behavior patterns of the Japanese in *Shogun*. Japanese history courses at UC Berkeley are overflowing with applicants as a result of *Shogun*. Kurosawa film festivals are being held all over the Bay Area. Sociologists and historians may nit pick at minor inaccuracies but the overall impression was extremely positive. Times were violent in the 1600's. Imagine trying to produce an epic motion picture of the Crusades without showing any violence! The depiction of the Japanese was as accurate as can be expected (Most of the technical crew were, in fact, Japanese). Compare this with what the motion picture industry has done to the stereotyping of Native Americans.

My colleagues openly express their admiration for the enter-



prise, ingenuity and quality of the Japanese products. They particularly admire their system of personnel administration when ironically much of the system is based on theories developed by Dr. Deming, a consultant based in Washington, D.C. (San Francisco Chronicle, March 16, 1980). Ibe Kyonosuke, chairman of the Sumitomo Bank recently wrote that although imported ideas help in improving their business skills it is really the inherent character of the Japanese - such as loyalty shown so vividly in *Shogun* that really enabled them to rise in 35 years from a pile of rubble to economic world prominence (Business Week, October 6, 1980).

LEONARD H. DOWN  
Berkeley

## REDRESS PHASE 3: by John Tateishi

### On Strategy

San Francisco



The National Committee for Redress met here at JACL Headquarters on the weekend of Nov. 21st to discuss strategies for the commission hearings, a meeting that brought together Committee members from each of the JACL districts, plus Kaz Oshiki from Washington, D.C., and relevant staff members.

Among other items on a full agenda, one of the important points aired was the strategy that JACL will pursue once the commission completes its hearings and issues its report to Congress.

There has been some discussion about seeking enabling legislation from Congress to waive the statute of limitations so that we could take our case to the courts, an idea first raised within the organization. It was felt that this approach to monetary compensation, based on the Sioux Nation precedent, might prove the most feasible of alternatives. The courts, it was believed, would be more amenable to a discussion of compensations for damages than would Congress.

It was felt, however, that this strategy would be too cumbersome and too costly both in time and money. It was pointed out during the meeting by those experienced in Congress that, in the first place, it is unlikely we would be able to get such legislation passed because it might inadvertently serve as a precedent for other groups seeking to rectify past injustices, and secondly, that we would still have to go to Congress for appropriations—regardless of a court order.

Furthermore, the Committee felt that such a measure would only add another step to the Commission process which some people have criticized as already too cumbersome and time-consuming. Therefore, it was decided in a unanimous decision that the JACL should go directly to Congress for compensation once the commission report is submitted. (Emphasis added—Ed.) Any added steps to the process and any further discussion, it was felt, would only be spurious.

The significance of this decision is that it reflects the committee's and the organization's commitment to a final redressing of the experience of the Evacuation.

We are well aware of what the odds would be in seeking reparations, but this does not deter the Committee and the organization from a reckoning to rectify a passed wrong.

Aging, Inc., New York), Hibakusha and to an Issei fund for impoverished aging". She further suggested that "monies collected from Issei after resolution of the 1948 claims act can be used towards this project." To my knowledge there is no such fund. It is regrettable that JACL lacks the funds to implement her noble plan. However, it is hoped that the upcoming commission hearings will provide to an even greater extent the opportunity to give a full and proper recognition to Ms. Weglyn and her invaluable contribution to history — which enlightens and benefits all Americans, Nikkei and non-Nikkei alike. We are confident that time and posterity will provide the redress she seeks.

Jordan, a freelance writer in Sacramento, is a regular contributor to the *Hokubei Mainichi*, San Francisco, and the *Kashu Mainichi*, Los Angeles.

By PHIL JORDAN

Sacramento, Ca.:

If you don't know the name of Leslie E. Grogan, don't feel bad.

Just the same, though, his name should be well known to historians, World War II buffs and, perhaps, particularly, Japanese Americans seeking answers regarding the "relocation".

Grogan, who lived in Daly City, died in undeserved obscurity a little more than five years ago, aged 79. His memorial is a nine-page, single-spaced "log" he is supposed to have typed up on Dec. 10, 1941.

In this log, Grogan tells how, starting on Sunday, Nov. 30, he began intercepting and copying radio messages he believed were coming from the Imperial Japanese Navy special attack force then on its way to attack Pearl Harbor.

Grogan was at that time the first assistant radio officer on Matson Line's old SS Lurline, plying the tourist and trade route between California ports and Honolulu. At the time of his potentially history-making intercept, the vessel was on its way to the islands, two days out of Los Angeles, three days from Honolulu.

On Dec. 3, the Lurline docked, and Grogan, with his immediate boss Rudy Asplund, called on the local naval intelligence office in the Alexander Young Hotel. They turned over their copies of their intercepts to a Lieutenant Commander Pease.

The Lurline left Honolulu for San Francisco on Dec. 5; two days later the passengers and crew learned—from the ships cooks, as it happened—that their nation was at war.

Essentially, Grogan's place in history ended on Dec. 10, when his ship docked in San Francisco. A naval intelligence officer, Lt. Comdr. Preston Allen, a personal friend of Grogan's, came aboard, demanded the ship's radio log. Asplund and Grogan refused to turn it over to him, but did give custody of it

to their skipper.

And that's the end of the story.

The trouble is, it shouldn't be the end.

What were those mysterious signals Grogan and his boss copied? What was done with the intercept transcripts turned over to naval intelligence in Honolulu? What became of the ship's radio log after, presumably, Captain C.A. Berndtson, the line's commodore, turned it over to Allen?

Has that physical evidence disappeared? It would seem so, since so far as I know, it hasn't been found by scholars going through the documents they hope will shed light on the Pearl Harbor attack.

The radio log, it seems, was never returned to Matson custody, though it was the line's property.

The wartime secrecy was and is understandable. Our side was able to read a lot, if not all, of the other side's coded messages, and we sure didn't want them to find that out.

But there is no legitimate need to keep the material secret once the war ended, much less to destroy it while the war was in progress.

Except, as I ever more strongly suspect, there was a concerted and deliberate effort on the part of some American civilian and military officials to destroy the evidence of what really happened, and create out of whole cloth an utterly false history, this to protect the reputations of some of those leaders.

I also ever more strongly suspect the culmination of this cover-up was the imprisonment of some 120,000 utterly innocent men, women and children, Japanese Americans.

I could kick myself, not for what I've learned about Grogan's contribution to our history, but that I realized the significance too late to find and interview Grogan himself. I first found a reference to his intercepts in a book, by a British author, published in 1969.

Japanese authorities on the subject, including my old

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FROM THE FRYING PAN: by Bill Hosokawa



## U.S.-Japan Issues

Washington, D.C.

As everyone knows, Washington is heavily preoccupied these days with the changes that will take place as a result of Ronald Reagan's election and the Republican landslide. There will be policy changes in government and changes in the personnel to carry them out, changes in the makeup of Congress and changes in committee leadership and membership, changes in the way the White House administers and entertains, and even changes between what Reagan the candidate said he would do if he were elected and what Reagan the president will try to do.

So the popular pastime these days when the lame duck Congress is hurrying through its slate of "must" legislation is trying to guess the shape of changes to come in January when Jimmy Carter goes back to Plains, Ga., and the new administration takes over. And one of the questions being asked is what the Reagan policy will be toward Asia, and particularly Japan.

Previous administrations have told us that good relations with Japan are of utmost importance to the United States. Yet they don't quite seem to jell into a warm, fully

trusting partnership even though there are many good reasons that more than lip service needs to be paid to the idea. Japan was, and still is, the cornerstone of American policy in the Far East. U.S.-Japanese trade is the largest bilateral commercial relationship anywhere in the world other than between Canada and the United States. Japan is dependent on U.S. military strength for its own safety, and the United States depends on virtually automatic Japanese support for its foreign policy decisions.

But it quickly becomes apparent to the fact-seeking visitor that, despite headlines about the harmful impact of Japanese car exports on the American automobile industry, U.S.-Japanese issues are pretty much on the backburner while more urgent matters get Washington's attention. This was evident in both Republican and Democratic briefings, in a session with think-tank high-domes, and in conversations with fellow newspaper editors.

What issues? There are plenty of them. The federal budget, for instance. Domestic energy policy, what to do about the nagging Iranian hostage problem, the dreary Afghanistan invasion, the bothersome Iran-Iraq war, the Israeli-Egyptian peace that doesn't want to jell, the Polish labor unrest and what may result thereof, the expanding

Communist threat in the Caribbean, coups in black Africa that may endanger sources of strategic metals, the steady disintegration of NATO as a viable alliance as its members insist on following their own interests, what to do about rebuilding American military credibility without letting SALT go entirely down the drain, and so on and on and on.

Every once in a while in these discussions China and Taiwan, or the mess in Indochina, or the new regime in South Korea would pop up, but only briefly before the focus returned to some of the items listed in the previous paragraph.

The one exception was a session with Sen. Orrin Hatch, the conservative Republican from Utah who attended a conference in Tokyo some weeks ago to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the U.S.-Japan Mutual Security Treaty. On the basis of that experience he told the Senate that previous administrations have failed to enhance the level of cooperation we ought to have from allies in Europe and Japan.

On this theme, he filled about seven pages of the Congressional Record on Nov. 19 with texts and reports on the Tokyo meeting. There's not much chance this material will be read any more than most other material in the Congressional Record, but at least it's there.

Now we'll have to wait and see what, if anything, happens when the Reagan administration takes over. #

### For the Record

The last two paragraphs in Bill Hosokawa's column on the Redress Campaign (Nov. 28) are being reprinted. We regret the omission of the italicized portions below.—Ed.

The size of the proposed budget is troublesome. The case for compensation may well be confused by the act of soliciting hundreds of thousands of dollars from a public that would benefit individually and collectively from the measure being pushed. And nothing should be done to hurt the movement's credibility in the eyes of the commission, Congress and the public.

JACL has succeeded already in building up great expectations among Japanese Americans. It cannot afford to come away from this campaign without a large measure of success. But its chances may well be damaged by strategy shaped more by zeal and sincerity than an understanding of the realities. #

## 35 Years Ago

in the Pacific Citizen

DECEMBER 22, 1945

Dec. 2—WRA program cost \$162 million to date; Army spent \$75 million to build centers, notes N.Y. Times correspondent Lawrence Davies.

Dec. 10—Stockton Record reports two held in Dallas, Tex., having wallet and watch belonging to 412nd veteran (George Yoshioka of San Jose) found beaten and later dying in Stockton hospital; another suspect held in Stockton jail.

Dec. 13—Calif. Atty. Gen. Robert Kenny charges Nevada County Sheriff with 'malfeasance in office' in attempting to prevent employment of Nikkei workers by Southern Pacific Railroad. Sheriff denies charge, admits eldest son had been 'killed by Japs' in Okinawa.

Dec. 15—Nisei applicant (June Toguri) hits bias of state liquor board for refusing license to sell liquor at prewar L.A. family store at 11631 Wilmington then held by brother Fred (now in Chicago). [Store was a mile south of the Watts Rodia Tower.—Ed.]

Dec. 16—412nd Sgt. Harry Tanouye (of San Jose) among 10 young Americans honored at 'Welcome Home Joe' fete at Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. (Other honorees included singer Frank Sinatra, 'Yank' cartoonist Bill Mauldin, Sgt. Edward Carter, Negro DSC winner, and Peggy Ryan.)

Dec. 17—Federal judge in Los Angeles grants new hearing to renunciant, who petitioned to withdraw renunciation. Justice Dept. considering rehearing of many segregationists at Tule Lake who face deportation to Japan.

DECEMBER 29, 1945

Dec. 12—American Red Cross field rep (Monroe Sweetland) in Pacific theater condemns racial policy of both Army and Navy with respect to Negro troops, cites experience of Nisei GIs in Pacific and how every GI returning home would fight mistreatment of Japanese Americans back home.

Dec. 14—New York urges support of FEPC movement, to be among sponsors of Madison Square rally.

Dec. 19—Colo. Gov. Vivian's plan to relocate abandoned WRA barracks at Amache to meet housing shortage in Denver termed 'impossible' by WRA agency. (Barracks not made to be set up again after once torn down, explains WRA.)

## TWINS

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veterans who had served in World War I to be naturalized.

1943—Chinese became eligible for naturalization.

1946—Filipinos and Indians (from India) became eligible for naturalization.

1952—Last racial barriers to naturalization removed, making Koreans and Japanese eligible. □

Dec. 20—Over 2,000 Canadian Nikkei petition Prime Minister Mackenzie King for right to stay in Canada; want to cancel request for repatriation. ... U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service hints 3,000 at Tule Lake facing deportation will soon receive new hearings; charge of duress inside camp from ex-citizens involved.

Dec. 22—Southern Pacific Railroad recruiting workers from Tule Lake camp for section work in Utah, after nation-wide efforts in open market fail.

Dec. 26—Senate military affairs committee to consider veterans homestead bill, includes land used to house evacuees at Heart Mountain and Minidoka.

Dec. 29—Nisei Weekender, edited by Tom Komuro, issued in New York; *Rafu Shimpo* in Los Angeles to resume daily Jan. 1.

## HI Boxscore

1979 TOTALS

Display Ads ..... 6,211  
One-Line Greetings ..... 832  
JACL-HI Project ..... 16

1980 DISPLAY ADS

Alameda	168	Portland	27
Aransas Vly	3	Puyallup Vly	84
Bekeley	396	Reedley	196
Carson	15	Reno	12
Chicago	84	Riverside	24
Cleveland	28	Sacramento	168
Columbia Basin	6	Salinas Valley	430
Cortez	12	Salt Lake City	95
Dayton	2	San Diego	336
Delano	16	San Fern Vly	336
Detroit	21	San Francisco	336
Downtown LA	168	San Jose	168
East LA	252	San Mateo	6
Eden Township	56	Sanger	40
Florin	4	Seattle	168
Fowler	6	Selamoco	140
Fremont	9	Solano City	6
French Camp	9	Sonoma County	12
Fresno	252	South Bay	2
Gardena Vly	252	Stockton	168
Hollywood	10	Tri Vly	5
Hoosier	6	Tulare City	22
Liv Merc	168	Twin Cities	9
Marysville	84	Washington, D.C.	9
Midvale	2	Watsonville	180
Milwaukee	6	West LA	168
Mt Olympos	5	West Vly	6
New Mexico	6	Central Cal DC	6
Monterey	168	Eastern DC	6
New York	84	Mt. Plain DC	6
Omaha	29	NC-WNP DC	20
Orange City	84	PSW DC	20
Pasadena	22	Ad Dept	478 1/2
Philadelphia	16	PC Office	169

Dec. 6 Totals: 6,317 1/2 (101%)

ONE-LINERS

53 Boise Vly	65 Portland
17 Cortez	49 Riverside
19 Dayton	28 San Benito City
16 Delano	20 Santa Barbara
32 Detroit	41 Seabrook
79 Gresh-Tr	24 Sonoma City
1 Marysville	10 Tulare City
24 Milwaukee	43 Twin Cities
31 Omaha	19 Venice Culver
22 Pasadena	23 Washington, DC
26 Philadelphia	33 White River Vly
Total: 675 (81%)	

JACL-HI PROJECT

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EAST WIND: by Bill Marutani



## New Wine in New Bottles

Philadelphia

FOR SOME YEARS, without success, we've been advocating to the JACL national leadership, a thorough review and revision of the procedure by which biennial national conventions are awarded to a chapter. From this writer's somewhat limited perspective, our conclusion has been, and remains, that site selection is often made in a disorganized, haphazard manner. These biennial gatherings of JACL delegates from throughout our land are far too important to be left to chance. Moreover, innovative changes have not been evident; rather, the approach of "that's the way it's been done in the past" appears to perpetuate and prevail.

THE SO-CALLED "selection process" is usually totally devoid of any deliberative process, the weighing of objective facts against specified goals. Usually, a coterie of eager representatives from a chapter will make a bid for a national convention accompanied by much hoopla and glowing chamber-of-commerce promises. We hasten to add that we are grateful for such enthusiasm and the subsequent sacrifices of the convention committee of the chapter awarded the task of hosting a national confab. Indeed, we admit to being infected by the enthusiasm of such a delegation seeking the convention.

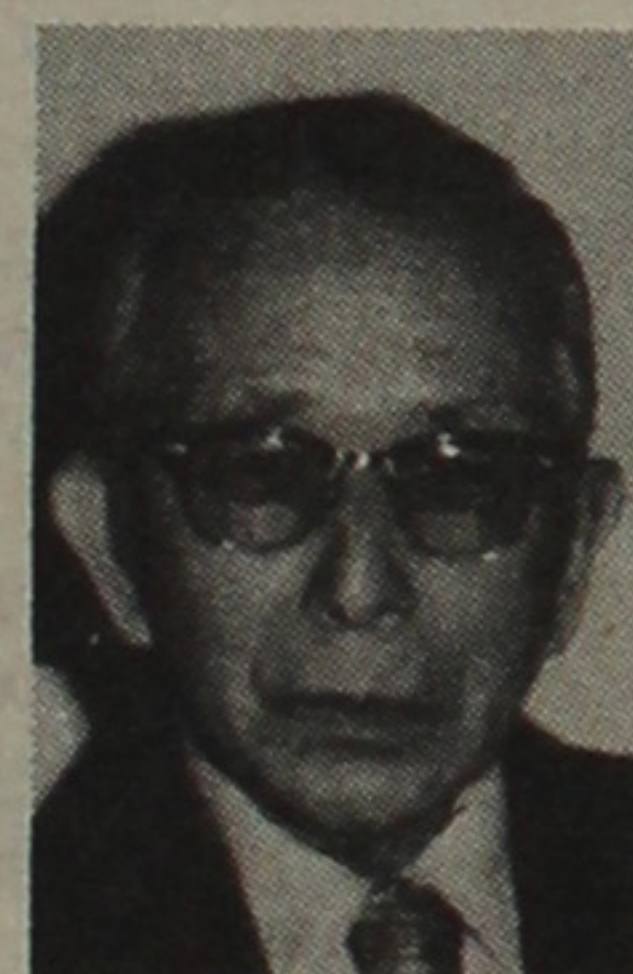
AT THE SAME time, however, there are a number of factors that should be soberly considered and weighed in this decision-making process. Just to mention a few: What of the cost to delegates and boosters? Transportation facilities in not only

reaching the site but also during the convention? What is to be the role of the national organization vis-a-vis convention theme, principal speaker, support required, sharing of costs - and, by the way, profits? If the chapter had previously hosted a convention, what had been the evaluation as to how well it had performed before? What thought, if any, has been given to organization and programming to attract younger (new) folks to these biennial gatherings? Do we solicit their views? (Indeed, do we provide means for "old timers" to provide constructive suggestions?)

THERE SHOULD BE established a national standing committee on National Conventions. Such a committee would, among other things, prepare a set of standards for a convention with questionnaires to be answered by a chapter seeking to place a bid. It would develop a "convention handbook" containing suggestions as to scheduling, costs, printing, contracts, timetables, etc. as well as specified understandings as to the role of the national organization and the chapter's responsibilities. The committee could survey the past history of conventions and may well urge a particular chapter to host a convention because of a particular JACL objective that happens to focus upon that region of the country. In short, there would be deliberative decision rather than continued chance.

WE MAY DO well to pause and to reassess the entire matter of national conventions. We should be willing to set aside all past practices so that new concepts, fresh approaches, and innovative changes will not be throttled by the inertia of the past. We should be willing to explore placing new wine—in new bottles. #

MOSHI—MOSHI: by Jin Konomi



## Romaji Consonants in Japanese

Part VII

Japanese thinking on Japanese phonetics has been hampered by their enslavement to the 50-phone Gestalt, and the unfittingness of the kana for the analytical examination of speech sounds. The misconception of Japanese as a language without consonants is uncritically accepted by the Japanese themselves. All three systems of Romaji orthography subscribe to it.

But there are a considerable number of Japanese words and names in which consonants occur, and the Japanese have been dealing with them in a pragmatic way, without realizing it. As they occur in certain situations, the Japanese have been pronouncing the kana for ku, gu, su, zu, bu, pu, tsu, and mu as though they represented consonants. In other words, these characters were being treated as though they represented phonemes, from pure consonant c to c+u. In the way they pronounce these, there are varied degrees of vowel participation, as there are between "please" and "puleeze," "pretty good" and "puretty good," "plenty and pulenty," and so on in English.

A great majority of Japanese, including teachers of Japanese, do not think about, let alone realize, this fact.

As more foreigners become more knowledgeable about things Japanese, more of them are persuaded to the Hebonian view of Japanese phonology. But their 19th century predecessors who had only their ears to rely on seem to have caught on to the truth without hesitation. They discovered the great artist Hokusai and spelled his name so. Some even spelled it Hoxai. These are closer to the way we pronounce the name than Hokusai, as it is spelled today.

And today, there still are some who have minds of their own as to Japanese spelling. Donald Keane, in his translation of Chikamatsu's *Kokusenya Gassen*, spells the hero's name Coxinga. Except for the terminal "ga" (which I do not quite understand)

his spelling conveys a more accurate sound of the name than the traditional Kokusenya.

By the way, Keane is another brilliant product of the WW II's Military Intelligence Language program. He delivers a lecture on Japanese literature, in Japanese, and does it without once using English. I often find it very difficult to write my Japanese column without some help from English.

For Japanese it must have taken some audacity, or unusually strong conviction to break away from the Hebonian system. I am encouraged to write this chapter because of them. You may recognize Dr. Daisetz Suzuki, the great authority on Zen. The Japanese, who should know considerably about zen, are reading about it from translations of Dr. Suzuki's books. Another is Kocak Yamada (c like s. It is Czech spelling), in his time world-renowned composer-conductor, and recipient of the *Legion d'honneur*. And some of you may remember Dr. P.M. Suski who conducted an extensive study of the physical growth of Nisei children in Little Tokyo during the '20s and '30s. His daughter Louise Suski was editor of the English section of pre-war *Rafu Shimpo*.

In my time one of the greatest names in the Japanese *eigaku* (English studies) was Takenob, and that was the way he spelled his name. His *Intermediate English-Japanese Dictionary* was my faithful *vade mecum* during my 4th and 5th years in *chugaku*.

No doubt you have been hearing about *Soo'ba'roo* on radio and TV. When I first heard it, I would not recognize the word. The Japanese would pronounce it *Sbaru*. It is Japanese for the Pleiades.

I ask those of you who know some Japanese to pronounce the following and see if they sound right. If they do I propose these as standard spellings.

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# \$37,000 cut in 1981 JACL budget required

By **GEORGE KODAMA**  
(National JACL Treasurer)

Los Angeles

Saturday, Sept. 27, 1980, should be remembered as the day the JACL National Board dealt two crippling blows to the budget by giving away the astounding sum of \$67,000 as shown in the adjoining columns. When the National Convention adjourned from a trying budget session (at San Francisco this past summer), it was with the clear impression that everyone understood the JACL was working with a very tight budget with no room for tampering. The Board chose to think and act otherwise.

First, in the face of staff cries of anguish and alarm foretelling dire consequences if their demands were not met, the Board caved in and approved salary increases including related costs of almost \$22,000. And this, coming on the heels of a near-10% across-the-board increase previously given which had not even become effective.

Next, the Board gave away \$45,000 by way of a \$5 spousal discount affecting close to 18,000 family units included in the current membership count. And as if that were not bad enough and not included in the \$67,000 "loss"—there was Board approval of a \$2.00 incentive payment to chapters for signing up new members. This means that JACL would have to gain 3,300 new members just to reach the starting line!

In light of the 1981-82 dues increase, 1981 Blue Shield premium hike, travel program discontinuance, and dwindling interest in JACL itself, we would be doing well just hanging onto our present membership. Now all of a sudden, our prob-

lems, financial and otherwise, have multiplied.

The main casualty is this mess is the "Other Programs and Contingency Reserve" line item. You will recall from the proposed budget published in the PC shortly before the convention that this is a newly-created expense category established to fund all national committee work, national programs and whatever other special activities JACL finds necessary to undertake. Except for this item, all of the rest of the budget is what it costs JACL to keep its doors open.

So, what started out as \$25,000, survived the tantrums of the National Council, then left to the startling actions of the National Board, now ends up before the new year even begins with a deficit of almost \$12,000. In itself, this is an absurdity. It is also intolerable since JACL would simply exist for its own sake and soon lose its reason for existence for those buying the prevailing notion that meaningful programs are what attracts and holds the membership together.

Therefore, with no allocation for any purpose than to maintain the organization, we have no choice but to re-examine the entire budget and reallocate from other expense items so that the \$25,000 is restored to its rightful place in the budget. In total, that will take \$37,000 in cuts throughout the budget. And that is the task facing the National President, Treasurer and Director (the National Finance Committee).

My purpose here is to inform the membership and not to excoriate the National Board who, for the most part, is made up of well-meaning individuals with an abun-

dance of good intentions but with a corresponding dearth of sound business judgment. I've said it many times before, and once again, JACL needs to be operated like a business because that's exactly what it is in nearly every sense of the word.

JACL must sell itself by providing value, however intangible that may seem to be at times, to justify the dollars it expects to receive. A corollary to value is good management by the organization's national leadership, and that includes certain segments of its staff. In my view, recent actions by JACL's governing body did nothing to promote this concept.

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Footnotes to Revised Budget  
(1) Increase in membership fee income of additional \$2.25 to ensure continued publication of the Pacific Citizen on a weekly basis.

(2) Decrease in membership fee income from allowing \$5.00 discount to spousal memberships.

(3) Decrease in insurance expense from lower premium obtained from new insurance agent.

(4) Decrease in salaries and related costs from adjusting national director's salary and reclassifying staff positions.

(5) Increase of \$21,870 in salaries and related costs in addition to increases heretofore granted and included in proposed budget.

## National JACL Budget: Summary of Income and Expense Fiscal Year Ending Sept. 30, 1981

	Proposed to Nat'l Council	Revisions by Nat'l Council	As Revised 8/01/80	Adjustments	Revisions by Nat'l Board	As Revised 9/27/80
<b>INCOME</b>						
Membership Fees:						
Regular	553,720		62,290 (1)		[45,290] (2)	570,720
Fifty Club	73,400					73,400
Century Club	8,200					8,200
Corporate	2,400					2,400
Student & Associate	2,300					2,300
	640,020	62,290	702,310			657,020
Nat'l Endowment Fund	30,000					30,000
Contributions	7,780					7,780
Pacific Citizen Ads, etc.	79,500					79,500
Miscellaneous Items	2,000					2,000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>759,300</b>	<b>62,290</b>	<b>821,590</b>		<b>[45,290]</b>	<b>776,300</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>						
General Operations	125,050			[20,000]		105,050
National Headquarters	181,650			[10,340]	4,820	176,130
Washington D.C. Office	60,370				4,400	64,770
District Field Offices	119,860				4,400	124,260
Youth Program	32,650					32,650
Pacific Citizen	214,720	62,290	277,010		8,250	285,260
Other Prog/Contingencies	25,000			30,340	[67,160]	[11,820]
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>759,300</b>	<b>62,290</b>	<b>821,590</b>		<b>[45,290]</b>	<b>776,300</b>
<b>Line-item Breakdown</b>						
<b>GENERAL OPERATIONS</b>						
Audio-visual Material	500		500			500
Awards	3,000		3,000			3,000
Accounting review fees	8,800		8,800			8,800
Contributions	500		500			500
Dues/subscriptions	3,500		3,500			3,500
Insurance	40,000		40,000	[20,000] (3)		20,000
Interest	5,000		5,000			5,000
Nat'l Bd/EXECOM mtgs	25,000		25,000			25,000
Personnel recruitment	1,500		1,500			1,500
Printing	15,000		15,000			15,000
Staff retirement plan						
contributions	20,000		20,000			20,000
Convention	2,000		2,000			2,000
Books	250		250			250
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>125,050</b>		<b>125,050</b>	<b>[20,000]</b>		<b>105,050</b>
<b>NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS</b>						
Salaries	119,500		119,500	[9,400] (4)	4,380 (5)	114,480
Payroll costs	11,950		11,950	[940] (4)	440 (5)	11,450
Office supplies	6,000		6,000			6,000
Staff travel/meetings	10,000		10,000			10,000
Bldg maintenance	5,000		5,000			5,000
Postage	5,500		5,500			5,500
Dupl supplies/exp	5,000		5,000			5,000
Telephone	12,000		12,000			12,000
Utilities	4,200		4,200			4,200
Temporary clerical	2,500		2,500			2,500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>181,650</b>		<b>181,650</b>	<b>[10,340]</b>	<b>4,820</b>	<b>176,130</b>
<b>WASHINGTON D.C. OFFICE</b>						
Salaries	38,100		38,100		4,000 (5)	42,100
Payroll costs	3,810		3,810		400 (5)	4,210
Dues/subscriptions	690		690			690
Books	500		500			500
Postage	550		550			550
Duplicating expense	800		800			800
Telephone	3,300		3,300			3,300
Rent	6,000		6,000			6,000
Office supplies	1,200		1,200			1,200
Travel/lodging	5,000		5,000			5,000
Typewriter rental	420		420			420
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>60,370</b>		<b>60,370</b>		<b>4,400</b>	<b>64,770</b>
<b>DISTRICT FIELD OFFICES</b>						
<b>PACIFIC SOUTHWEST:</b>						
Salaries	26,200		26,200		1,400 (5)	27,600
Payroll costs	2,620		2,620		140 (5)	2,760
Rent	2,000		2,000			2,000
Allocation	0		0			0
<b>TOTAL: PSW</b>	<b>30,820</b>		<b>30,820</b>		<b>1,540</b>	<b>32,360</b>
<b>MIDWEST:</b>						
Salaries	20,700		20,700		2,100 (5)	22,800
Payroll costs	2,070		2,070		210 (5)	2,280
Allocation	5,630		5,630			5,630
<b>TOTAL: Midwest</b>	<b>28,400</b>		<b>28,400</b>		<b>2,310</b>	<b>30,710</b>
<b>CENTRAL CALIFORNIA:</b>						
Salaries	13,500		13,500		500 (5)	14,000
Payroll costs	1,350		1,350		50 (5)	1,400
Allocation	4,850		4,850			4,850
<b>TOTAL: Central Cal</b>	<b>19,700</b>		<b>19,700</b>		<b>550</b>	<b>20,250</b>
<b>INTERMOUNTAIN:</b>						
Allocation	4,400		4,400			4,400
<b>EASTERN:</b>						
Allocation	5,500		5,500			5,500
<b>NO. CALIFORNIA/W. NEVADA PACIFIC:</b>						
Salaries	20,000		20,000			20,000
Payroll costs	2,000		2,000			2,000
Allocation	0		0			0
<b>TOTAL: No. Cal.</b>	<b>22,000</b>		<b>22,000</b>			<b>22,000</b>
<b>MOUNTAIN PLAINS:</b>						
Allocation	2,000		2,000			2,000
<b>PACIFIC NORTHWEST:</b>						
Salaries	5,200		5,200			5,200
Payroll costs	520		520			520
Allocation	1,320		1,320			1,320
<b>TOTAL: PNW</b>	<b>7,040</b>		<b>7,040</b>			<b>7,040</b>
<b>TOTAL: Dist Offices</b>	<b>119,860</b>		<b>119,860</b>		<b>4,400</b>	<b>124,260</b>
<b>YOUTH PROGRAM</b>						
Salaries	14,000		14,000			14,000
Payroll costs	1,400		1,400			1,400
Allocation	17,250		17,250			17,250
<b>TOTAL: Youth</b>	<b>32,650</b>		<b>32,650</b>			<b>32,650</b>
<b>PACIFIC CITIZEN</b>						
Salaries	69,880		69,880		7,500 (5)	77,380
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General/Administration	36,100		36,100			36,100
Reserve: add'l prod costs	6,130		6,130			6,130
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>214,720</b>	<b>62,290</b>	<b>277,010</b>		<b>8,250</b>	<b>285,260</b>
Other Prog/Contingencies	25,000		25,000	30,340	[67,160]	[11,820]
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>759,300</b>	<b>62,290</b>	<b>821,590</b>		<b>[45,290]</b>	<b>776,300</b>

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### Eden Township

SAN LEANDRO, Ca.—John Yamada, who was re-elected Eden Township JACL chapter president, his cabinet members and the Asian American Youth officers were installed Nov. 8 by Vernon Yoshioka, national JACL vice president for membership services.

OAKLAND, Ca.—The Eden Township JACL and AAYs held their annual installation dinner on Nov. 8, at Francesco's Restaurant.

Opening flag ceremonies were

led by Harry Tanabe, commander, VFW Golden Gate Post 9879, followed with a welcoming address by chapter president Yamada. Bob Sakai, chapter scholarship chairman, presented a NC-WNDC plaque for outstanding scholastic achievements to John Fujimoto, a 1980 graduate of San Leandro High and presently a student at UC Berkeley.

A surprise presentation of the National JACL Silver Pin award was made by Yamada to Tomi Miyamoto, past president and the evening's general chairperson. Ich

Nishida read the annual historian's report. Betty Irie entertained with two selections on her accordion.

Vernon Yoshioka, National JACL Vice-President was the evening's guest speaker. Emcee duties were ably conducted by Aki Hasegawa.

Special guests included Mayor and Mrs. Tom Kitayama, Union City, and Pres. Ted and Sally Inouye, Fremont JACL, and Wendell Kishaba, Youth Chairperson NC-WNDC as guest of the AAYs.

### Sonoma County

Holiday activity for Sonoma County JACLers starts with a Santa's workshop Dec. 20, 1 p.m. at the Memorial Hall and the annual New Year's party on Jan. 3.

Chapter at its November gen-

eral membership meeting made local history by electing Margaret Murakami and Lucy Kishaba as co-president. They are the first women to head the chapter since its founding in 1934.

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- DEC. 12 (Friday)  
Watsonville—Inst dnr, Sea Scape Restaurant, Aptos.
- Tri-Valley—Christmas party, Country Club Sch, Dublin, 7:30pm.
- \*Los Angeles—Conference on Asn Immigration (2da), USC's Davidson Ctr.
- DEC. 13 (Sunday)  
Philadelphia—Christmas party, Woodland Presbyterian Ch, 2-7pm.
- \*Sacramento—ASEA Holiday Treats, Buddhist Church, 8pm-1am.
- DEC. 14 (Sunday)  
Contra Costa—Christmas potluck dnr, El Cerrito Sycamore Church, 5-8pm.

- Pocastello—Mochitsuki, 9am.
- West Los Angeles—Auxy Christmas party, Yamato Restaurant, 8pm.
- DEC. 17 (Wednesday)  
San Mateo—Bd mtg, Sturge Presbyterian Ch, 8pm.
- Monterey Peninsula—Bd mtg.
- DEC. 20 (Saturday)  
Stockton—Christmas party-Keirokai, Buddhist Church, 4:30pm.
- DEC. 27 (Saturday)  
Puyallup Valley—Mochitsuki, Tacoma Buddhist Church, 9am.
- \*Seabrook—Mochitsuki (2da), Buddhist Church.
- DEC. 28 (Sunday)  
Las Vegas—IMochitsuki, Heritage Sq.
- DEC. 31 (Wednesday)  
Contra Costa / Berkeley / Oakland / Alameda—New Year's Eve party, El Cerrito Comm Ctr, 9pm.
- JAN. 3 (Saturday)  
Philadelphia—New Year party.
- Sonoma County—New Year party.

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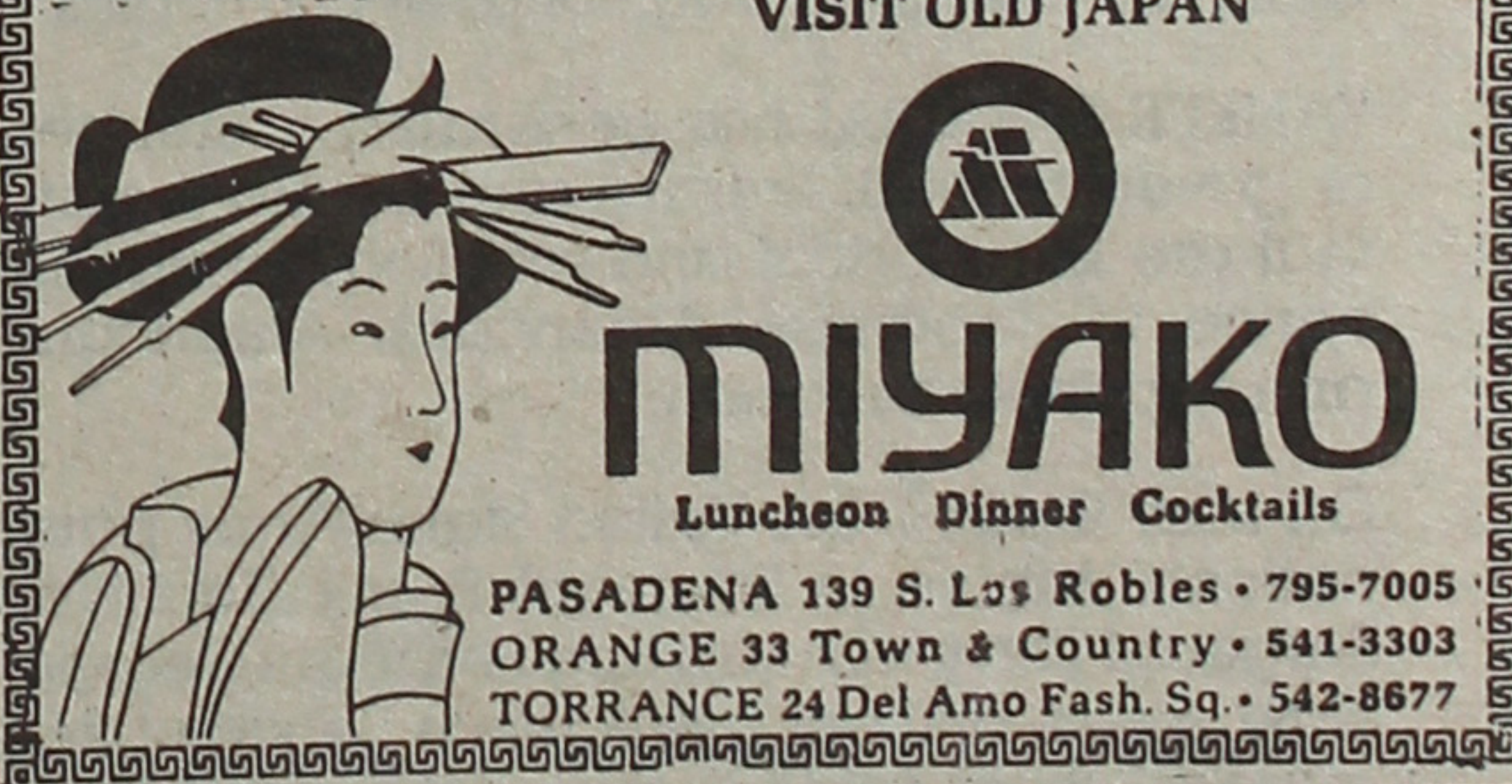
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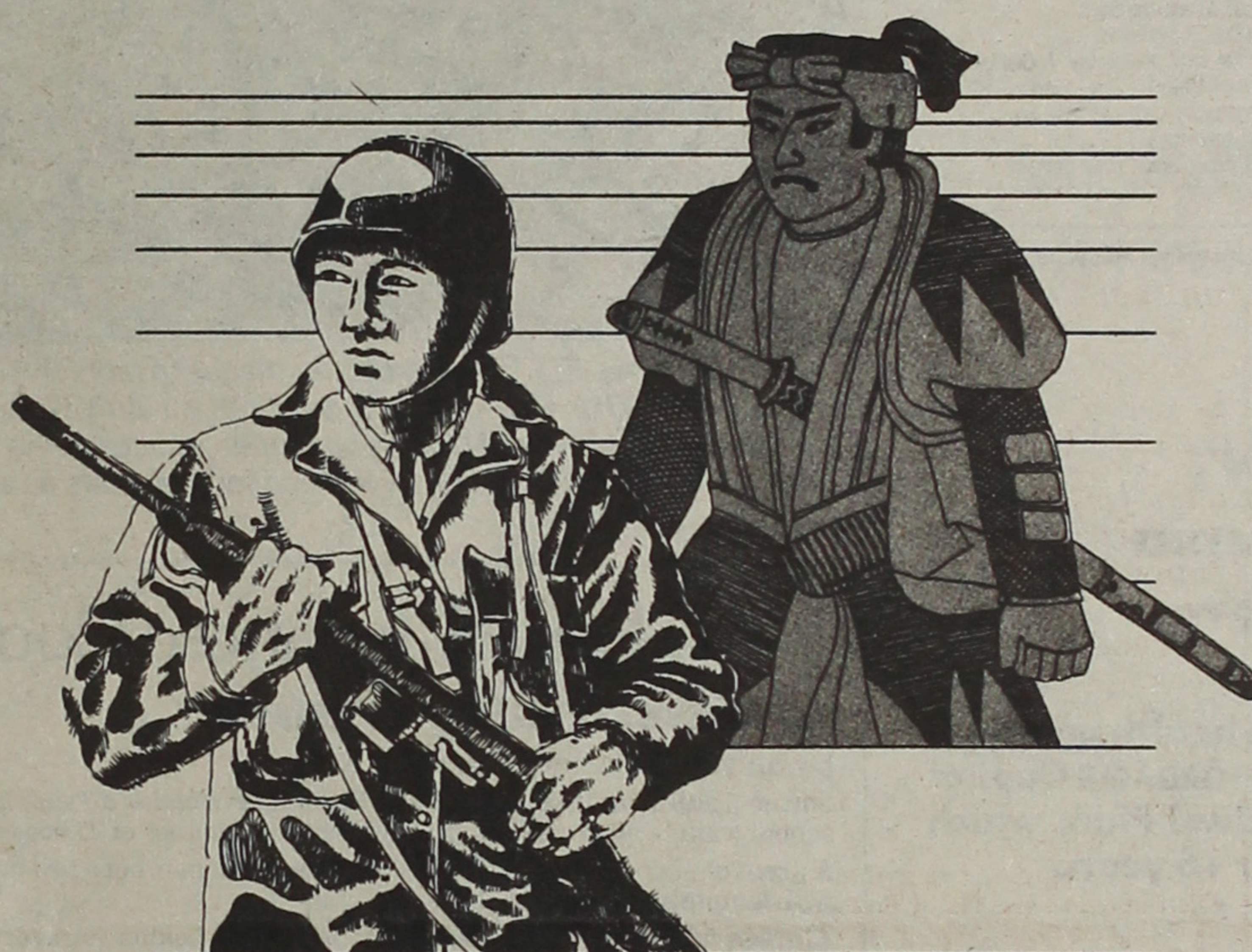
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On May 9, 1980, the United States Army paid national tribute to Sergeant Frank Hachiya, Sergeant Terry Mizutani and Sergeant George Nakamura, Military Intelligence Service Language School (MISLS) men, who gave their lives to America in the Pacific Theater during WWII, by naming three academic buildings in their honor at Defense Language Institute, Presidio of Monterey, California. The stories of these three heroes are included in YANKEE SAMURAI.

NHK, Nippon Hoso Kyokai, the prestigious national TV broadcasting company of Tokyo, Japan covered the DLI building dedication. NHK is now filming a nisei documentary based on the experiences of the three MISLS men and will include the immigration of Japanese to America, WW II, the Relocation, MISLS, 442 Regimental Combat Team and the

JACL. Their program will be shown in Japan on December 7, 1980. Discussions have opened between NHK and PBS for possible adaptation of the documentary for television showings in America.

In late autumn, 1980, Hayakawa Publishers of Tokyo, Japan released their Japanese translation of YANKEE SAMURAI.

The Japanese language edition of Reader's Digest for December 1980 features a 3,000 word article on YANKEE SAMURAI.

In the meantime President Carter has signed the JACL Redress Bill, which establishes a Congressional Commission to investigate the four year internment of Japanese Americans from 1942 to 1946. The significance of this injustice cannot possibly be understood without knowing about the 442 Regimental Combat Team and MISLS. The 442 was highly publicized while they fought in Europe and afterwards. But the MISLS story was not revealed for thirty years and can be known only by reading YANKEE SAMURAI.

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By Robert D. Schulzinger  
(Rocky Mountain News)

Robert A. Wilson, an historian at UCLA, and Bill Hosokawa, an associate editor of the Denver Post, have collaborated on a detailed study of the 100-year history of the Japanese in the United States.

Their book, "East to America," was nearly 20 years in the making, one of the products of the Japanese American Research Project begun in the early sixties.

The project assembled a large archive on Japanese Americans and arranged for several studies to be published making use of these materials. One of the best known of these books

was Hosokawa's 1969 popular history, "Nisei: The Quiet Americans." While Hosokawa worked on "Nisei," Wilson received the commission for a scholarly reference work.

When Wilson finished the manuscript of "East to America," the powers at the Morrow publishing house decided that the book needed the finishing touches of an accomplished editor. Who would be better suited for the job than Bill Hosokawa? Happily, Hosokawa agreed to whip Wilson's book into shape, and the result shows some of his skills.

As this publishing history suggests, "East to America" does not try to be a popular work. The style is academic with many long-winded quotations from professors slowing the pace. Still,

Wilson was charged with supplementing, not supplanting, Hosokawa's "Nisei."

He accomplishes this task well by providing a full bibliography and notes for scholars and students. Many of the details of the story have been told before, but "East to America" earns high marks for recounting the most dramatic incidents well. Its recital of the inexcusable

persecution of the Japanese in America during World War II is especially well done.

For students of American ethnic groups and for anyone with a special interest in Japanese Americans, "East to America" deserves a place on the shelf next to Hosokawa's "Nisei."

Robert D. Schulzinger is an associate professor of history at the Univ. of Colorado in Boulder.

## MIS reunion held in Seattle

SEATTLE—About 100 former MISLS students, faculty and their spouses living in the state of Washington held their first reunion Nov. 13 at the Sand Point Officer's Club. For many it was the first meeting since the war and occupation days nearly 40 years ago, according to the reunion committee.

Dr. John D. Ishii, president of St. Martin's College, Lacey, spoke on

the "Importance of Asiatic Languages in the Future" and reminisced the part played by MISLS personnel in this endeavor. He stressed the need for better understanding of each other through languages.

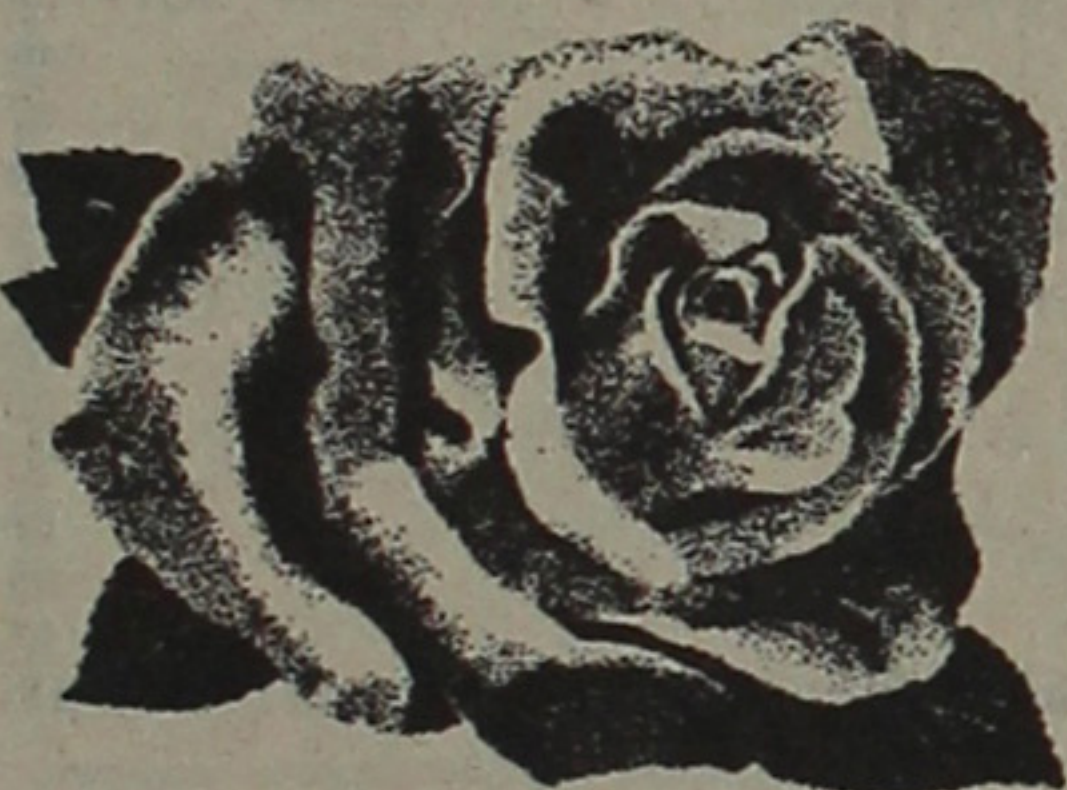
Harry Fujita was dinner emcee. Takashi and Mitzi Matsui related the task of gathering names and addresses for the reunion and passing on the word. Messages from Judge John Aiso and Federal Judge Eugene Wright were read. Both held key MISLS roles.

An MIS chapter in Seattle is also being contemplated. On the committee are Kazuo Watanabe, H. Fujita, George Koshi, Spady Koyama, T. Matsui, Jim Nakamura and Judge Wright.

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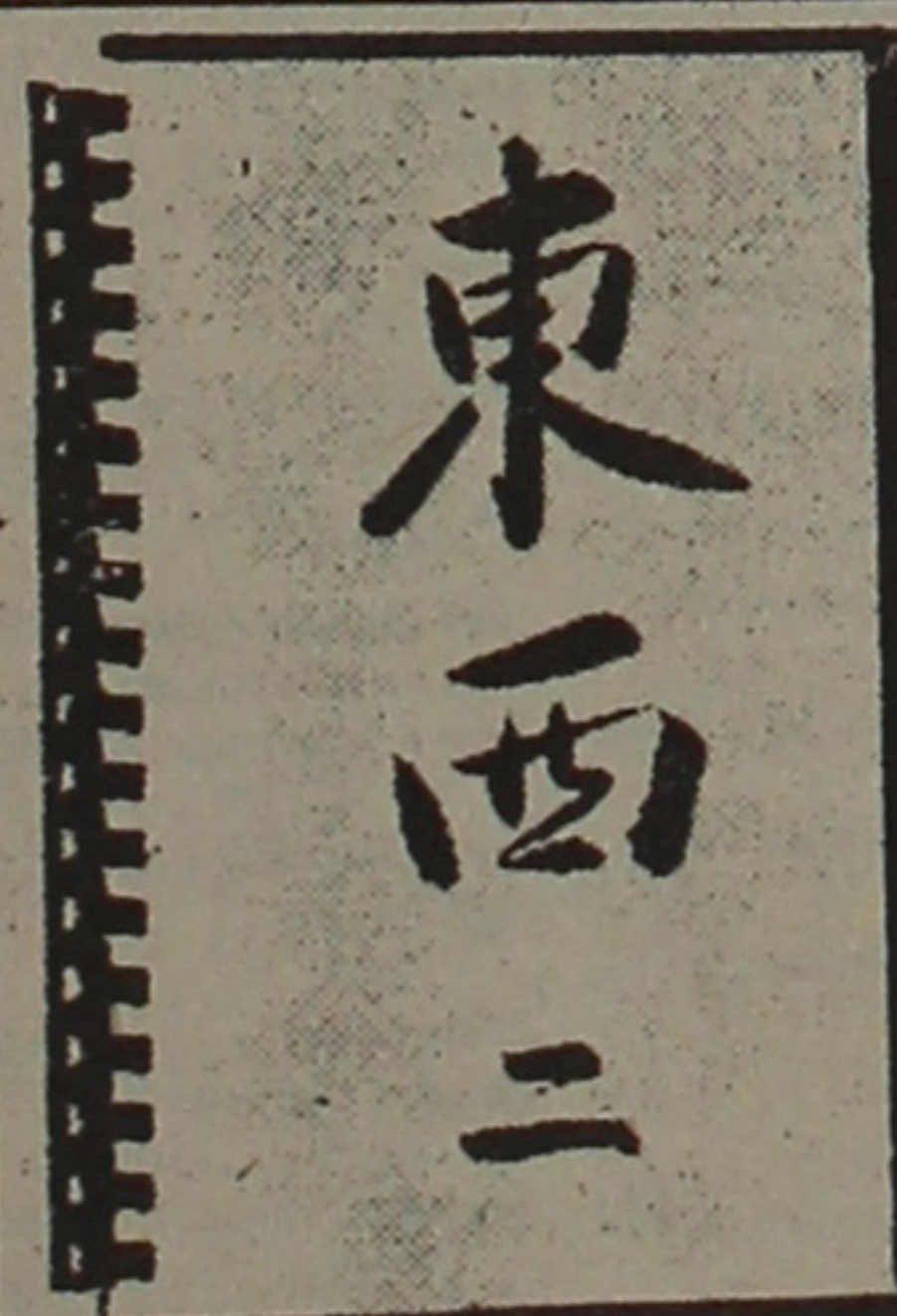
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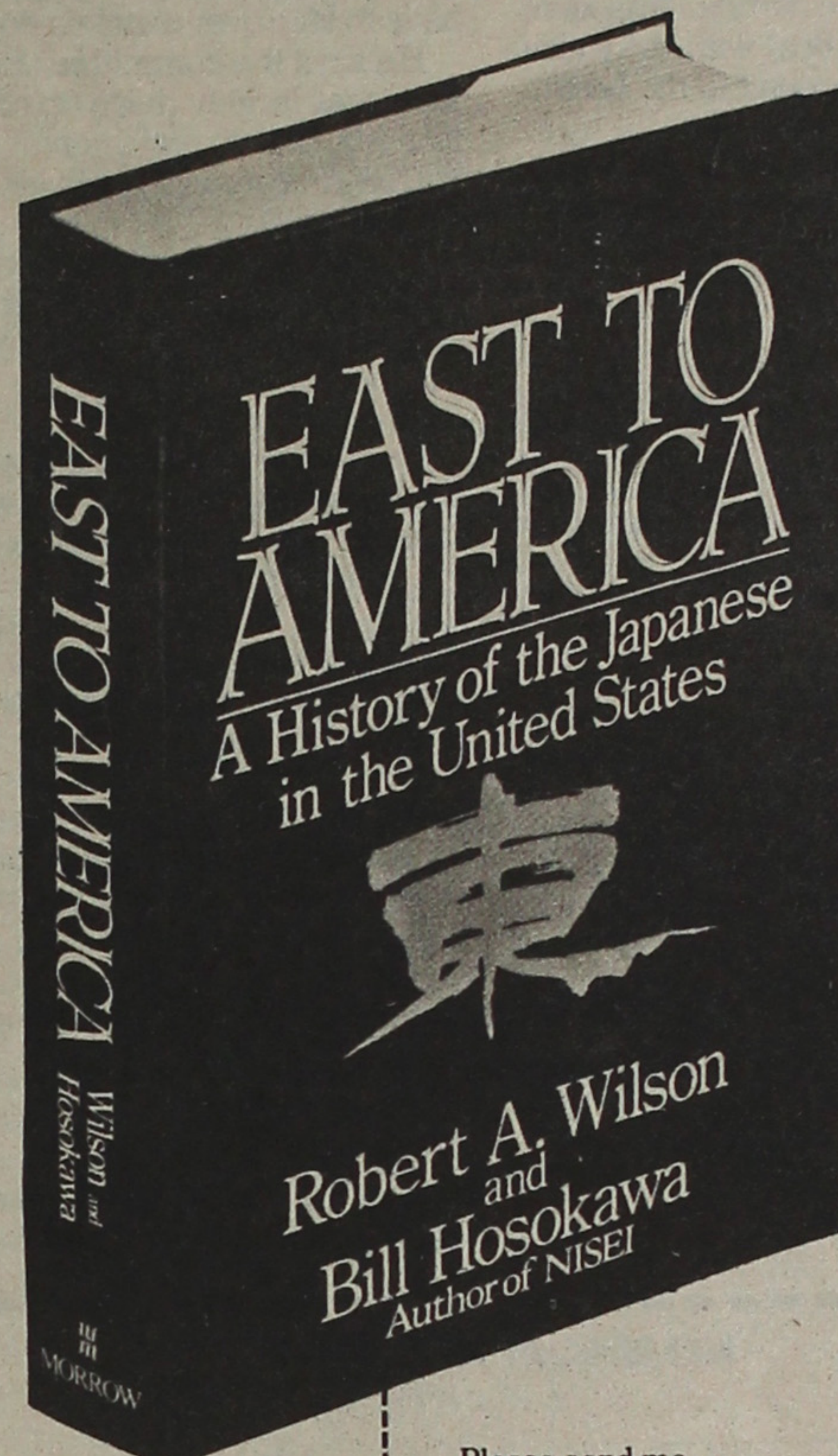
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## CANADA

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## Oppenheimer Park

"If you ask me, they (city planners) are wasting money."

The Downtown-Eastside Residents Association objects to the expenditure of NIP funds for a beautification project. The association believes the money should have been spent on upgrading the housing in the area.

DERA believes the city's priorities are wrong. President Bruce Eriksen says, "The first thing is to deal with the social issues and the housing. Then you can get around to the beautification."

"Simply decorating the community does not seem to be what's really needed in the area," Eriksen says. So far, complaints from outside residents and businessmen about the problems in the

## KONOMI

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abnai! (Look out!)  
akdoi (gaudy; garish; unscrupulous, etc)  
bakdan (bomb)  
Aska (region near Nara; period in history)  
suski (miscanthus)  
Taskete! (Help!)  
samrai - Tamra

Namsan! (Zounds! archaic; Great Scott!)  
abreru (come up empty handed)  
hageru (get separated from companions)  
gabgab, shabshab (onomatopoeia)  
smire (violet)

Before Romaji can become fully functional as an independent system of writing, there are a few bugs to remove and no less wrinkles to smooth out. Recognition of consonants is a must. It will make the words a bit more compact. Still, the priority now is to start using it, in whatever system you like. Eventually I am confident the Hepburn system will prevail, with my suggestion incorporated. (END)

PS. The Japanese encountered the first difficulty with word sounds when they imported Chinese characters. But they dealt with it with their characteristic pragmatism. They Japanized the pronunciation of the kanji. Then they imposed their own syntax on Chinese writing with the aid of direction reversing signs, and read classical Chinese as though it were their own language. As I stated before, Japanese never considered classical Chinese as a foreign language. #

Powell area have met with little effective response, he says.

Usually, people found to be drunk by police are held for a few hours and released, he says. He also believes by establishing drug treatment and hard-to-house facilities in the area, the problems of the people who use them may be compounded rather than improved.

Eriksen says until these problems are corrected "we can't have a real Japantown."

"Who wants to go shopping in this neighborhood when you have to step over drunken bodies all the time?"

He says the committee that approved the beautification projects was largely made up of "people from outside the community who had no real interest in the livability of the community." A DERA representative was not asked to sit on the committee, Eriksen says.

"To simply concentrate on a handful of shopkeepers and ignore the people living in the area is wrong. What the (city planners) are doing is destroying the same Japantown that they say they want to protect."

Dan Cornejo, a senior city planner who has been working with representatives of the Japantown area on a beautification scheme, says Japantown has problems that Chinatown and Gas-town did not have before they were upgraded. The number of social service agencies in the neighborhood concerns many businessmen and property owners, and council will consider a policy of discouraging further social service institutions from moving into the area.

"There is a strong feeling (in the community) that the area already has its share of these kinds of facilities," Cornejo says. As well, there are only a handful of Japanese businesses on Powell now—the city hopes beautification would attract enough to support a Japanese tourist area in the future, he says.

Nevertheless, Cornejo says the merchants and residents are both integral parts of the community. "Some people believe the

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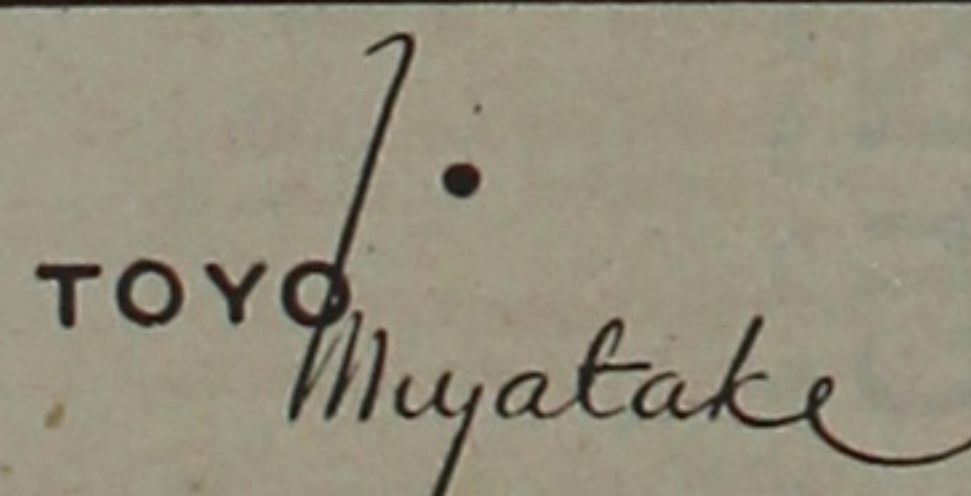
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### ● Government

Honolulu Mayor-elect Eileen Anderson has appointed USC graduate **Roy H. Tanji**, 51, head of a Wahiawa architectural firm, to succeed **Howard Shima** as head of the city building department. Tanji, who grew up in Wahiawa, hopes to streamline the process to help reduce building costs, especially in housing. Other City Hall appointments include **Wallace Kunioka**, 54, a Kauai native to be civil service director. He had been deputy under three previous directors in more than 24 years with the department. And **Stanley Shiraki**,

state budget analyst and an Anderson campaigner, will be chief budget officer, replacing **James Sakai**. The new mayor and cabinet assume office Jan. 2.

### ● Music

Asian concert artists and orchestra players have begun sounding a new note on the American musical scene in the past decade, according to **Leslie Rubinstein** in the New York Times Magazine article Nov. 23. **Yo-Yo Ma**, 25, from China is the greatest cellist alive, violinist **Isaac Sterns** declared, along with such greats as conductor **Seiji Ozawa** and **Cho-Liang Lin**, a 20-year-old violinist from Taiwan. Recent concerts on the east coast featured Japanese violinist **Hiroko Yajima** in New York and South Korean violinist **Young Uck Kim** in Boston as some 25 Asian soloists will be on tour in coming winter season. Among the half dozen conductors and concertmasters with U.S. orchestras are **Yoshimi Takeda**, the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra, conductor; **Kazuyoshi Akiyama**, conductor. The annual (1980) directory of Musical America lists 58 musicians with Asian names as com-

pared with 17 a decade ago. The Boston Symphony had only seven Oriental soloists between 1950-70, but 17 since 1970.

And Juilliard School's Saturday precollege division (ages 8 to 18), almost 40% of its 296 students are of Asian heritage. **Ken Noda**, 18, who has composed five operas and 60 songs, will make his formal debut in April with the New York Philharmonic.

## JORDAN

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friend and boss Masataka Chihaya, insist the special attack force kept absolute radio silence as it sailed toward the Hawaiian Islands.

I've had my doubts that this was possible in the North Pacific in November and December, but that's the record from the other side.

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# Vancouver's Japan town unlocking a secret

Vancouver, B.C.

Japantown: mention the name to most Vancouver residents, and they may think they heard you wrong. While Chinatown and Gastown are thriving tourist attractions, the existence of the small Japanese neighborhood centered on Powell Streets' Oppenheimer Park, is almost a secret.

## A-50-year-old secret.

Today there are a few Japanese stores and restaurants in the area, including the popular Aki restaurant at 374 Powell, Fujiya Fish and Japanese Foods at 423 Powell, Mihamaya at 392 Powell, and just two blocks away on East Hastings, Shimizu Shoten, a kind of a Japanese supermarket.

There is also a Japanese community volunteer agency and senior citizens' drop-in centre at 573 East Hastings. There's the recently completed Buddhist Church at 220 Jackson, a Japanese language school at 475 Alexander, and a Japanese senior citizens' home called Sakura-So at 376 Powell.

Before the turn of the century, the Powell Street area just east of Main was a well-to-do residential neighborhood, close to the city hall, the Carnegie Library at Main and Hastings, and to business interests nearby.

By 1900, the area had become a working-class neighborhood as prominent families moved into the West End.

By 1930, the Japanese community was firmly established in the area, which came to be known as Japantown or Little Tokyo. But during the evacuation of Japanese-Canadians during the Second World War, the home and property of the Japanese were confiscated by the government, and few returned to the area afterwards.

The Japanese population is now scattered throughout the city, with the largest residential community in Steveston.

Although only a small percentage of the city's Japanese population now lives in the area, it serves as a focal point for Japanese activities. Every summer, there is a Japanese festival in Oppenheimer Park, which brings the area to the attention of the rest of the city.

Plans are in the works for a beautification program in Japantown, similar to projects that turned Chinatown into a major tourist attraction. Council will decide this fall whether to go ahead with programs to install decorative lanterns, sidewalks and landscaping in the 300 and 400 blocks of Powell.

A total of \$64,000 in funds from the Neighborhood Improvement Program is tentatively earmarked for the project. If council gives its assent, the rest of the cost would be shared by the city and merchants and property owners in the area.

Most people affected by the proposal are in favor of it, seeing it as a step towards creating a major Japanese tourist area. But some feel the proposal ignores another aspect of the area—the people who live there.

In addition to the Japanese presence, the area houses more social service institutions than any other district of the city. Among them are a provincial government drug treatment centre, social service agencies such as St. James Social Services, a free medical clinic and "hard-to-house facilities."

A municipal study revealed three-quarters of the population in the Powell-Oppenheimer Park area had incomes of less than \$3,000 in 1976, with 78 per cent receiving some kind of government assistance. Fifty-eight per cent of residents at that time had less than an elementary school education.

In addition, an estimated 10 per cent of the population is labelled as "hard to house," meaning that psychiatric or drug

problems force them into government-subsidized institution housing in the area.

The merchants in the area will tell you what those statistics mean. On any given day, drinking goes on openly in Oppenheimer Park. Passersby are verbally assaulted. Vandalism and brawling are common occurrences.

Shig Hirai, owner of Fujiya Fish and Japanese Foods, says the city has ignored the problem, which he believes may stand in the way of the success of any beautification project.

"Some people are just afraid to come to Japantown," he says. "If you see people lying on the street, that scares away the customers."

There are four senior citizens' homes in the area, and about 35 per cent of area residents are over the age of 65. According to Hirai, "even the old people are scared to walk around at night."

He says some fellow merchants have moved out or are thinking of doing so because of the situation.

Another merchant bluntly predicted that unless the problems with drunkenness and destructive behavior in the area are corrected, the commercial aspect of the street will die.

"It doesn't hurt to make it nice," Hirai said. "But still the same problem will come up," he says, glancing across the street to

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