

DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

Program Outline

February 23, 1985
The Buddhist Church of New York
332 Riverside Drive
New York City, New York

Emcee

General welcome
Introduce speakers

Background

February 19, 1942 -- Signing of Executive Order 9066

History --

Chinese Exclusion Acts
Picture Brides
1924 Quota Act
Alien Land Laws ("aliens ineligible for citizenship")
1941 demographics
- JA control of agriculture
FDR knowledge of military threat

Internment --

Who? How many?
Conditions of camps and types of camps
FBI surveillance
Irrationality of no mass exclusion on Hawaii
or roundup of Germans/Italians
Munson Report, FCC, FBI
Constitutional test cases

Introduction of movie--

Three men who fought the internment
(Don't forget Mitsuye Endo)

Unfinished Business

Lives of the three men
Their test cases
Their vindication 40 years later

Update and Call for Assistance

Nationally--

Coram nobis

- Korematsu victory
- Yasui appeal
- Hirabayashi evid. hearing

Class action--

- Appeal

Legislation

- HR 442 and S 100, and previous lobbying by JACL, NCRR, WCR

History of Internment on East Coast -- Ellis IslandAnalogies

Plans to round up Black Panthers, etc., update to current F.E.M.A. proposed regulations, and stress need for continual vigilance to prevent recurrence.

CJA formed to protest Iranian roundup.

Acknowledgements

JA Groups and churches, local and national

Other groups (as listed in P.C.)

Politicians

Issei and Nisei (moment of silence for those passed away in last year)

Individuals who have contributed significantly to the Redress/Reparations effort. (Kim has list)