

Japanese-Americans remember incarceration

By CHEYENNE SCHOEN
Herald and News

KLAMATH FALLS — Forty-four years after she was born behind bars, Satsuki Ina visited an exhibition at the Smithsonian about the Japanese-American incarceration.

It was there, in an exhibition room across the country from her San Francisco Bay area home, that Ina came face-to-face with a man in a photograph on the wall. She recognized him instantly. It was her father, and the photo showed him in a prison camp in front of his jail cell.

It was the first time Ina had discovered the extent of her parents' four-year incarceration.

"My parents never spoke about it," Ina said of the incarceration of 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry. "I had never really understood or known about what happened."

Ina was born May 25, 1944, at the Tule Lake maximum-security segregation center, just south of the Oregon-California border.

It was the largest of 10 detention centers created by the U.S. government in 1942, holding nearly 19,000 inmates at its peak. The Tule Lake site was reserved for those who posed a security risk and were considered disloyal or disruptive to the other camps' operations.

The only recollection Ina has of the camps is of leaving them on a train when she was small enough to put her hands on the arm rests and swing through the aisles.

A seemingly innocent memory — but Ina recalls a certain kind of freedom she felt that day.

"What I felt about that memory was it was not a jubilant time of being freed," Ina recalled. "It was a time of great uncertainty."

The uncertainty stemmed from the fact that her parents, Itaru and Shizuko Ina, had renounced their U.S. Citizenship in 1941, hoping their detachment would allow them to be sent to Japan. Now freed from the camps, they did not know what the world would look like four years and an entire war later.

And like many survivors of the camps, Ina's parents made great efforts to assimilate back into American society. They kept their heads down. They did not ask for raises. And they rarely spoke about their experiences, so as not to pass along the trauma to their children. Instead, they strove to succeed.

But Ina said the pressures Japanese-Americans put on themselves in order to succeed in the post-war culture caused great anxieties that trickled down for generations.

"There is a significant amount of anxiety," Ina said. "(They must) get a good job or a good education or stay out of trouble in order to survive, because they've been in this completely depressed lifestyle for up to five years. It creates this sort of global response to the world. Am I doing this right? Am I clean enough? Am I honest enough?"

Since that day in the museum, Ina has dedicated her life's work to researching the Japanese incarceration and counseling generations of survivors, mainly Japanese-Americans, who have suffered trauma from their incarceration. She was a psychotherapist in Sacramento and Berkeley for 20 years, a professor emerita at Cal State Sacramento, and has written, co-directed and produced two films about the incarceration.

Now, Ina is one of hundreds of Japanese-Americans who ventures back to the site of their incarceration in the desert highlands of Tule Lake every two years.

Though she is now retired from teaching, Ina's work is not over. Every

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On Tule Lake segregation center

pilgrimage, she leads a symposium that invites survivors to discuss the impact of their wartime incarceration.

This weekend will be her 11th pilgrimage back to the place she was born.

"Many people get very triggered by what they're hearing and it's an emotional experience," Ina said. "We want to give them time to talk about their emotions surfacing. There will be some people in their 90s, many in their 80s, and they will be mostly grieving about what their parents had to go through."

Part of the pilgrimage is the visit to the site of the former Tule Lake segregation center.

Not much of the camp is left. Holes exist where the toilets once stood. The cemetery has since been mowed over, and it is not clear what happened to the bodies once buried there.

But the memories remain ingrained in the minds of the survivors.

For this reason, Ina said the Japanese-American community "feels very strongly" about preserving the Tule Lake camp site.

"It is a place where thousands of lives were destroyed and descendants and survivors return to honor and mourn the losses that their ancestors suffered," Ina said. "The pilgrimage is this very intense and powerful journey and part of people's healing."

Hundreds of Japanese-Americans from a number of states will make the journey to Klamath Falls Friday, July 1, through Monday, July 4 for the program.

BRIEFLY

State finds undisclosed pesticides in pot growing products

SEATTLE (AP) — Washington state's Department of Agriculture says it has found traces of undisclosed pesticides in many of the marijuana-growing fertilizers and other products it tested recently.

Inspectors tested 39 products. Spokesman Hector Castro said Thursday that of the 27 tests for which it has results so far, 15 had residues of pesticides that weren't on the product's label. That means growers could be using certain pesticides without knowing it.

Some of the ingredients aren't allowed in Washington's legal marijuana system.

Officials ordered a statewide halt to sales of the 15 products, which include pesticides such as Safergo Mildew Cure for Powdery Mildew Control as well as fertilizers sold under the labels Humboldt Roots, Olivia's Cloning Gel and Optic Foliar Overgrow.

The Agriculture Department ordered licensed growers to advise customers who have used the products to advise their customers about it.

Nike co-founder Phil Knight retires from board

PORTLAND (AP) — Nike said Thursday that its co-founder and chairman Phil Knight has retired from its board and CEO Mark Parker has been named the new chairman.

The move completes a transition plan that was announced last year.

Knight, 78, started the business selling shoes out of the back of his car and helped build it into the world's largest

athletic shoe and clothing company. He will become chairman emeritus, which enables him to attend board meetings as an observer. "Phil's impact on Nike is immeasurable," Parker said in a statement. "His entrepreneurial drive is and always will be part of our DNA."

Parker, 60, has been president and CEO of Nike Inc. since 2006.

The Beaverton company also announced that Apple CEO Tim Cook, on its board since 2005, will become its lead independent director.

Nike also said Thursday that Knight sold his voting interests in Swoosh LLC to his son.

Court: Thief shouldn't pay back retail value of stolen jeans

PORTLAND (AP) — The Oregon Supreme Court has sided with a shoplifter on the question of whether restitution should be based on the retail or wholesale value of stolen merchandise.

The defendant was convicted of theft in 2013 after stealing 15 pairs of jeans from a Macy's store in Portland.

The prosecutor who sought restitution to cover Macy's loss asked for it to be based on the retail value of the jeans. The defendant said it should be based on what Macy's would pay to replace them.

Lower courts sided with the prosecutor, but the high court overruled those judges Thursday.

The opinion written by Justice Martha Walters states the retailer would recover more than its actual losses if it gets retail value.

She says the seller might be entitled to recover other economic damages, including lost profits, but those must be proved and they were not in this case.

Oregon minimum wage, hotel tax goes up today

By KRISTENA HANSEN
Associated Press

PORTLAND — New laws kicking in Friday will give a slight boost to the paychecks of more than 100,000 low-income Oregonians while tourists and vacationers will have a little less spending money in their wallets.

Under the changes enacted by the Legislature earlier this year, the current 1 percent tax on hotel stays in Oregon will nearly double and the state's \$9.25 hourly minimum wage will climb by 50 cents in two of three newly-created geographic regions — metro Portland and smaller cities such as Eugene and Salem — and 25 cents in the third area's rural communities located mostly east.

The lodging tax hike to 1.8 percent, which will slip to 1.5 percent in four

years, will help create a \$25 million-subsidy for the 2021 World Track and Field Championships in Eugene and provide additional state tourism funds.

Friday's wage increase is the first of seven happening annually through 2022, when metro Portland's minimum will top \$14.75, smaller cities at \$13.50 and rural areas at \$12.50.

Employees who travel will either earn the wage from whichever region they spend more than half their time, by hours worked in each region or the highest rate of whichever region they work.

With the federal \$7.25 minimum unchanged in seven years, unions and labor groups have recently been pressing states and localities nationwide to make up the slack. A dozen state legislatures did so in 2014 and 2015, and this year

California and New York became the first to adopt \$15 hourly minimums, higher than any other.

Oregon falls short of \$15, but it's the first state to toss the flat, statewide minimum for a tiered approach by region, where the differing wage rates are based on each area's unique costs of living and other economic factors.

"In the past six years, the number of people moving to Oregon has increased by 10 percent while much of our state's job growth is happening in the low wage sectors of the economy. Combine that trend with housing costs skyrocketing and we have a problem," Tom Chamberlain, president of the Oregon AFL-CIO union, said in a statement. "Solving that problem requires a multifaceted approach, and raising wages is central to that approach."

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Partly sunny	Partly sunny and pleasant	Mostly sunny and nice	Mostly sunny and pleasant	Clearing

PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

90°	61°	87°	61°	87°	56°	84°	56°	84°	55°
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HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST

94°	62°	92°	63°	92°	57°	87°	57°	87°	55°
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24 hours ending 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	88°	60°
Normals	84°	55°
Records	108° (1924)	36° (1898)

24 hours ending 3 p.m.

0.00"
0.93"
1.06"
6.52"
5.00"
7.61"

HERMISTON

through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	90°	67°
Normals	84°	56°
Records	102° (2013)	38° (1949)

24 hours ending 3 p.m.

0.00"
0.41"
0.59"
4.64"
3.16"
5.73"

SUN AND MOON

	New	First	Full	Last
Sunrise today	5:10 a.m.			
Sunset tonight	8:48 p.m.			
Moonrise today	3:03 a.m.			
Moonset today	5:51 p.m.			

REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Sat.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	68	57	pc	67	54	pc
Baker City	87	45	s	88	52	s
Bend	86	49	s	84	49	pc
Brookings	70	54	s	68	55	pc
Burns	90	46	s	91	52	s
Enterprise	86	52	s	85	55	pc
Eugene	86	55	s	84	51	pc
Heppner	88	56	s	87	56	pc
Hermiston	94	62	s	92	63	pc
John Day	91	52	s	91	57	s
Klamath Falls	90	50	s	88	52	s
La Grande	87	52	s	86	53	s
Meacham	83	50	s	82	50	s
Medford	92	59	s	93	62	pc
Newport	63	53	pc	63	51	pc
North Bend	67	56	s	66	54	pc
Ontario	98	60	s	98	65	s
Pasco	93	63	s	90	61	pc
Pendleton	90	61	s	87	61	pc
Portland	81	62	pc	80	57	pc
Redmond	89	50	s	87	49	pc
Salem	84	59	pc	83	54	pc
Spokane	85	62	s	81	60	pc
Ukiah	84	48	s	82	47	pc
Vancouver	80	61	pc	79	55	pc
Walla Walla	90	66	s	87	64	pc
Yakima	93	64	s	91	60	pc

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Sat.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	90	68	pc	94	69	pc
Hong Kong	93	85	sh	92	83	t
Jerusalem	82	65	s	83	67	s
London	66	51	c	66	53	t
Mexico City	73	57	t	73	56	t
Moscow	82	63	pc	82	63	pc
Paris	72	54	sh	67	51	pc
Rome	85	64	s	86	66	s
Seoul	80	73	r	80	69	c
Sydney	59	47	s	65	46	s
Tokyo	83	73	pc	90	76	pc

WINDS

(in mph)	Today	Saturday
Boardman	WSW 6-12	WSW 6-12
Pendleton	WSW 6-12	W 7-14

UV INDEX TODAY

2 5 7 7 5 2

8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.

0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

National Summary: Locally gusty thunderstorms will affect parts of the Northeast, Midwest and central Plains today. Drenching storms will affect coastal areas of the Southeast states. Storms will dot the interior West.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 108° in Daggett, Calif. Low 33° in Boca Reservoir, Calif.

NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Sat.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	86	63	t	88	66	t
Atlanta	92	73	s	95	75	t
Atlanta City	74	69	t	80	64	pc
Baltimore	85	64	t	82	61	pc
Billings	90	63	pc	95	64	s
Birmingham	94	73	s	94	74	t
Boise	96	62	pc	97	66	s
Boston	82	66	t	82	63	s
Charleston, SC	88	76	t	92	78	t
Charleston, WV	85	60	pc	79	58	pc
Chicago	71	55	pc	77	58	s
Cleveland	77	59	pc	78	59	s
Dallas	98	78	pc	98	80	pc
Denver	74	56	t	76	56	t
Detroit	78	53	t	80	58	t
El Paso	88	72	pc	93	74	t
Fairbanks	66	54	r	76	60	pc
Fargo	78	54	s	81	61	sh
Honolulu	87	76	pc	86	75	pc
Houston	95	76	pc	95	77	t
Indianapolis	77	55	pc	76	58	pc
Jacksonville	89	72	t	90	73	t
Kansas City	80	59	pc	70	60	r
Las Vegas	101	82	pc	101	80	t
Little Rock	96	75	pc	95	78	pc
Los Angeles	79	64	pc	77	62	pc
Louisville	86	62	pc	79	64	c
Memphis	94	75	pc	93	77	pc
Miami	90	78	t	89	80	t