



REDDRESS RECIPIENT COMMENDED—Mas Fukai, Chief Deputy to Los Angeles County Supervisor Kenneth Hahn and a Gardena City Councilman, presents a scroll of commendation to Sugi Kiriyama congratulating her for being one of the first to receive a \$20,000 redress check from the Department of Justice. Mrs. Kiriyama was one of nine redress recipients who received their checks during official ceremonies in Washington, D.C. She and her family, including her son George who is principal at Gardena Adult School, were among the 120,000 Americans of Japanese descent who were unjustly interned during World War II. The Kiriyamas were incarcerated at Manzanar and Tule Lake camps.

FOUR ELDERLY IN HAWAII RECEIVE REDRESS CHECKS

HONOLULU, Hawaii (AP).—Four elderly Japanese Americans who were interned during World War II received an apology from the federal government Monday.

During a ceremony at the state Capitol, the four also received checks for \$20,000.

They were the first Hawaii residents to receive reparations payments. About 274 other elderly Hawaii residents who were interned are scheduled to receive reparations checks during the first few days of the redress payment program.

By the end of the year, 25,000 of the 65,000 former internees eligible for reparations will receive payments and apologies, according to

There are between 2,000 and 3,000 former internees in Hawaii, all of whom will be paid within three years, Bratt said.

Monday's ceremony was the last in a series held in various mainland cities over the past five days, starting Oct. 9 in Washington.