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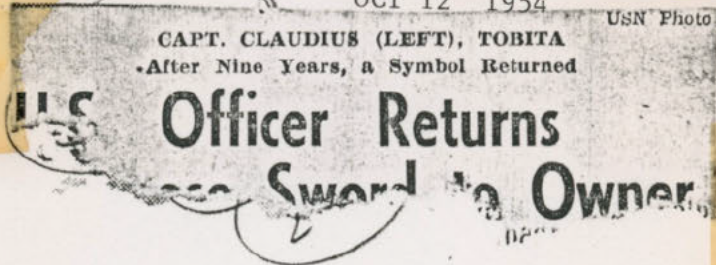
SWORD CEREMONY--An ancient Samurai sword is returned to Kenjiro Tobita a former captain in the Imperial Japanese Navy, By Captain Herbert G. Claudius, USN, Commander Mine Flotilla One, in official ceremonies aboard the USS LST 799 in Kagoshima Harbor, Kyushu. The sword had been presented Rear Admiral F.D. McCorkle, USN, by Tobita at the end of World War II.

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After Nine Years, a Symbol Returned

**U.S. Officer Returns  
Sword to Owner**

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