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## Evacuee Family In Philadelphia Meets Frank Sinatra

PHILADELPHIA. — When Frank Sinatra recently visited Fellowship House here to address the High School Fellowship Group on "Racial Tolerance," the occasion was especially exciting for the Kaneda family, formerly of the Rohwer Relocation Center.

Ruth Kaneda, 15, a student at Girls' High School, is one of the many of the youth group, which represents 38 junior and senior high schools throughout Philadelphia. In addition to Ruby, her mother, Mrs. Tomei Kaneda, her sister, Grace, a secretary at the Japanese Society of Philadelphia, and her brother, Ben, a freshman at Temple University, were in the audience which heard Sinatra. Also present were Miss Yone Okamura a teacher at Japanese at the University of Pennsylvania and Miss Irene Tomino.

This is how Grace Kaneda tells the story of Sinatra's visit to Fellowship House:

"The night before Sinatra's visit we were told that 'The Voice' would be the surprise speaker at the meeting of the High School Fellowship Group the next day."

"The meeting was arranged quite secretly throughout the house because we knew Sinatra's manager. Over 200 school editors and student council members from 67 public, private, and parochial schools in Philadelphia heard him speak, but only the teacher who accompanied them, our family, and a few others, knew beforehand that he would be present. Negroes, Irish, Italian, Chinese, Japanese, Jews, Catholics, Protestants, etc., were all there together. The surprising element was that Sinatra came to sing on 'Racial Tolerance' rather than to sing 'The Voice.'

"Ten cameramen and reporters were at Fellowship House when Sinatra arrived. Some pictures were taken in front of the House, and my brother Ben was picked up by a reporter who tried to pose with Sinatra. Later other pictures were taken while Sinatra was speaking, and these included my sister and her friend Irene Tomino. Were they thrilled!"

"Sinatra was just what everyone expected him to be—friendly, natural, and warm. He was dressed in a loose sport jacket and deeply-pleated slacks, and wore a large grey bow tie. He was surprised by a new audience which did not go completely wild. When 'Ochs' and 'Frankie' were heard, we all stood up and cheered. When the young girl sitting behind me gave a sigh and began crying silently, the Rev. Hal Kundsen, pastor of the Asbury Church will be held this Sunday."

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## Church Bulletin

California Street  
Community Church  
2515 California Street

Morning Worship Service—  
11:15 A.M.—Sunday, May 8, '45.

"A Song In The Dark"

By Rev. Junichi Fujimori

Denver Fellowship—8:00 P.M.

A Joint Meeting with the young people of the Asbury Methodist Church will be held this Sunday.

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## 'Local Hitlers' Blamed For Nisei Trouble

CHICAGO. — A WRA director said this week "small but more than should be done" for the House and its cause. He added that after he returns from his overseas trip to the armed forces in May, he would organize a rally to raise funds for the House to carry on its inter-racial work with greater energy. He indicated that the rally would interest other talents from the West and East Coasts for the rest of the day.

"After Frank Sinatra finished his tour, I'm more dozen or so more fortunate in getting his signature. My wife, Grace, Ruby Tomino, who were almost in front of him, were among those who got his much-prized signature. For the rest of the day they were deliriously happy expressions."

"This is just one of the many happy experiences our family has experienced since coming to Philadelphia. We had previously met, through living at Fellowship House, Dr. Charles Drew, discoverer of blood plasma; Mrs. Curtis Bowles, member of the publishing industry; Curtis Music Store family; and Alice Anderson, famous Negro singer."

In addition to Mrs. Kaneda, Grace, Ruby, and Ben, the Kaneda family includes Tsunayoshi George Kaneda, Issei head of the family, who is currently working at the Hotel Whittier in Philadelphia, and a private with the 42nd Regimental Combat Team in Italy; Roy, a clerk at the local post office; Kay, who is taking a post-graduate course at the Curtis Music Store family; and Alice Anderson, famous Negro singer."

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