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Nisei Veteran's Rejection By V.F.W. Starts New Group

SPOKANE, Wash. — The rejection of Pfc. Richard Naito, Seattle-born Japanese American, by a Spokane unit of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, which discriminatory action promptly disavowed by local and national V.F.W. officers. But out of the storm of protest has emerged a new organization of veterans who hope to establish chapters throughout the country to fight discrimination. The Veterans' Committee for Equal Rights.

Richard M. Ballin, executive secretary of the committee, said the organization "just grew" from an almost spontaneous beginning last spring. Its future, he said, is uncertain, but the foundations have been laid for a permanent national organization with headquarters in Spokane.

The movement started when Naito, wounded veteran of the 442d Infantry recuperating at the Baxter General Hospital here, was rejected as member of the V.F.W. A small group of fellow patients set up a loose organization, the Baxter hospital anti-prejudice league, and drafted a petition which emerged with the signatures of 453 combat veterans and put the "Naito case" in newspapers throughout the world.

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C. U. To Graduate 2 Denver Nisei Coeds

SACRAMENTO — Principal William Rutherford of the Grant Union High School and Technical College this week reported assurance has been received from two of California's congressional delegation that the Grant Union Defense Dormitories will not be converted for housing Japanese Americans returning from WRA centers.

Telegrams to that effect were received from Senator William F. Knowland and Congressman Leroy Johnson.

Rutherford registered a protest with the WRA against the idea. WRA officials visited the dormitories with the view of obtaining them for temporary quarters for Japanese American families returning to this area.

Many Nisei Plan To Stay in Phila.

PHILADELPHIA — Most of the 2700 Japanese Americans located in this area since the war began in December have decided, said Nathaniel A. Snyder, newly-appointed relocation officer of the Philadelphia district. His statement was based on the small number of the group who have asked for transportation back to the West Coast.

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Nisei Experts Ferreted Top Japanese Secrets for U.S.

TOKYO. — A highly secret as a group, of the highest possible classification, has been asked to start organizing local chapters. Ballin said. Eventually, the organization hopes to have a full-time national director, altho so far it has been mainly financed by contributions from members themselves.

"We will try to combat discrimination by exposing" and fighting it if and where necessary by legal action," declared Ballin. "Our conviction that men who share the same foxholes can be the same civilian organization is one of the principles."

Nisei Wins Damage Case

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Mrs. Yukiko Lidy and Dr. Ernest Terio exchanged nuptial vows at a beautiful formal double ring ceremony uniting the pair at the Warren Methodist Church here Saturday, Oct. 6. The Rev. F. Cox officiated over the ceremony which was witnessed by more than 150 friends.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mr. Hajime Date. She wore a dainty white satin gown with a finger-tip veil. Her dress was composed of broderies and white roses. Miss Kyoto Date came from Milwaukee, Wisc., to attend the wedding as maid of honor.

The bridegroom had for his best man Dr. Kiyoji Hikoya of Berkeley, Calif.

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Last of Amacheans Left Yesterday, Official Closing Date

AMACHE, — A special train left Saturday with more than 300 Japanese and Japanese Americans bound from the Granada War Relocation Center for various points in California.

The center was officially closed Monday after departure of the last group, numbering about 100.

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he to talent hunts mark the last days of preparation for the Nite Pre-Season Basketball Tourney which gets underway today at the Manual High Gymnasium at 8 o'clock.

Though still overshadowed by the giddy parades, this early-season tourney promises to bring the fans from all over the district as each team boasts its own unique selling points.

One Nisei soldier once asked Mashbir if he could be transferred from the 442d to the 45th. "I'll do it," he replied, handing him a letter from his father.

"My son, I am dying. As you know, I have lived and am dying as a Japanese loyal to the emperor. You, on the other hand, were born in America and brought up in the United States as an American. You are American. You have had all the advantages of education. On my deathbed, I command you to fight for the United States, and when you die, give your life for the United States."

"That boy won the Bronze Star," said Mashbir. "Fifteen others who got the same award, two the Silver Star, one the Soldier's Medal, three the Purple Heart, and 40 received commendations. Of the first ten men to receive the first four became first lieutenants, five are second lieutenants, and two are technical sergeants."

A new aggregation post as a favorite since its roster bears the name of Tak Tawton, well-known as one of the best in Nisei equestrian. Hailing from Sacramento where he shone with distinction, he now resides in San Francisco.

Salon, the first horse to be ridden by the Miks in their opening game, is back again and is expected to develop into one of the top ranking forwards during this season.

The veteran Ken Sato is as fast as ever, and something like his experience will be the deciding factor in many a game to come.

Bruce Sakata efficiently fills the other guard spot while Hank Lander Joins the Bears to give a bright advantage under the boards.

The Vagabonds will show their stripes with a galaxy of stars who swept the Heart Mountain camp for the early season since its creation.

Missing a few of the original lineup, the one and only "T-Bone" Akizuki still operates one side of the forward wall, and alongside Katsuo Kondo, keeps pace with the San Jose Shells on the other side.

Deadey Randy Minato will be drilling the basket from the back court while Kyo "Two-by-four" Nishura balances out the regulars. The center spot is the weak point at this date but with the material they have to draw upon, the Vagabonds will make their bow against the Bears at 8 o'clock and the Miks will will make their bow against the Vagabonds in the second half.

Littleton showed inconsistencies last year as they flashed

U. S. Infantry Unit Sends Relief Gift To Japan

NEW YORK — An American infantry outfit in France has sent the first gift for Japanese relief and "Christian reconstruction."

Receipt of a \$100 check from the Airborne Christian Church in the south of France was announced Saturday by Fred A. Morgan, director of the church committee on overseas relief and reconstruction.

Attention! NWAA!

Plans for the coming Nisei Winter Association basketball league will be discussed at a meeting in the YWCA basement this Thursday night, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

In order to assure adequate and effective preparation for a successful season, the attendance of all NWAA members is imperative.

Other basketball enthusiasts interested in participating this season are also requested to attend.

The potential scoring punch on each team and with veterans Ken Yamada, provided by the styling influence of Sam Hisa, known as his deadly onlookers, the suburban boys will give a good account of themselves.

Every team is a bit shorthanded in reserves at this writing but it is rumored that one or two teams may add to their ranks as the season progresses. Many are expecting the arrival of their stars in the near future.

The Bears and Littleton open the tourney at 8 o'clock and the Miks will make their bow against the Vagabonds in the second half.

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