

Active Nisei Support Sought For D. Meyer Testimonial Dinner Next Wednesday

WRA Director Hailed Champion of Japanese Americans; Dinner Called Opportunity to Express Appreciation

Local nisei were urged by JACL leaders to support the testimonial dinner for Dillon S. Meyer, next Wednesday, May 22, at the Roosevelt Hotel, to express their "sincere appreciation for all he has done for the people of Japanese ancestry."

John J. McCloy, former Assistant Secretary of War, will pay tribute to the retiring national director of WRA. Others scheduled to appear include Edward J. Ennis, formerly with the Enemy Control Division of the Department of Justice; Bishop James E. Walsh, superintendent general of Maryknoll Seminary, Roger Baldwin, national chairman of the ACLU, Joseph P. Chamberlain, chairman of the National Refugee Service, and Isaac L. Asossky of the Hebrew Sheltering and Immigrant Aid Society.

Among the nisei to toast Meyer will be Mike Masaoka, national field secretary of the JACL. Henry Goshu will act as master of ceremonies.

A statement issued by the local JACL chapter cites the "almost insurmountable handicaps" faced by Meyer in his work and stresses his faith in the nisei. "Mr. Meyer personally spearheaded the fight in our behalf on the West Coast at a time when no man in his right mind would have dared to buck the anti-Japanese element."

The statement continues, "The magnificent way in which Meyer stood singlehanded before the Dies Committee and gave it a memorable tongue-lashing is sufficient cause for us to honor him. . . His active fight for naturalization and indemnification is further evidence of his awareness of the problems we continue to face."

Reservations may be made by sending in \$6.00 per plate to the JACL, 299 Madison Avenue, by the 20th of May.

Kuroki to Appear At Garden Rally

Ben Kuroki, nisei air hero, will share the spotlight at tonight's veterans' rally at the Madison Square Garden with Senator Claude Pepper, Gene Kelly, Frank Sinatra, Olivia deHavilland, and other nationally known figures.

The rally which is sponsored by the veterans' council of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions will focus on veteran attitudes towards housing, discrimination, price control and world peace. Frank Sinatra will blast racial discrimination and bigotry.

The program will be based on a script by Walter Bernstein and Jerome Chodorov. Others appearing on the program include Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., Marion Hargrove and Russell Nixon.

far eastern service

Nishimura Heads Far East Specialists

Kay K. Nishimura, former advertising man on West Coast Japanese newspapers, has announced the formation of the Far East Service, Inc., with offices at 531 West 124th Street, New York.

The agency specializes in Japanese publishing and related fields. Staffed by a corps of Japanese and Far East specialists, it will handle Japanese translations, research, native calligraphy, and voice narrations for radio and motion pictures.

Among his associates are T. Ishimaru, nisei graduate of Waseda University, who edited the Japanese section of the *Poston Chronicle*, and Dwight T. Uchida, Doshisha graduate, who was formerly assistant manager and advisor in the San Francisco branch office of Mitsui Company.

Tom Hayashi Is One of 158 to Pass Bar Exams

The name of Tom Hayashi, 606 West 114th Street, was among the recently announced list of 158 successful candidates to the New York State Bar. Hayashi received notification on May 1 that he was one of the few nisei to pass the rigid State examinations. Of the 358 who took the examinations last March 6 and 7, less than half made the grade, it was revealed.

Formerly of Sacramento, Cal., where he attended the Junior College, Hayashi was evacuated to Tule Lake Relocation Center. Both in Sacramento and in the center he was active in church work, being chairman of the Y.P. Christian Conference.

Leaving Tule in 1943, Hayashi matriculated at Bard College, formerly connected with Columbia University. While there, he was named student body president during the fall term of 1943. He entered the New York University School of Law, graduating last February with an LL.B.

Hayashi is now with the firm of Whitman, Ranson, Coulson and Goetz of this city.

Veteran Group to Hear Legion Speaker At May 17th Meeting

Nisei veterans are invited to a meeting, Friday, May 17, 8:30 p.m., sponsored by the Nisei Veterans Group, who will conduct another of their open bull sessions to discuss the merits of various existing veterans organization. The meeting will be held at the Japanese M. E. Church.

Henry Geisz of the Calvin Adams post of the American Legion will be the main speaker.

JACL Calls Emergency Meeting May 17 to Hear Saburo Kido Report on Washington Discussion

An emergency meeting of the local JACL chapter has been set for 8 p.m. tomorrow night, Friday, May 17, at the Japanese M. E. Church, following the receipt of telegram from Saburo Kido, former national president, who has been conferring with Washington officials since Monday.

Kido will be on hand to report on the progress of the JACL's national program on naturalization, indemnification, and immigration. Mike Masaoka, national field secretary, will also be present pending travel connections to discuss West Coast conditions, it was announced.

A brief report on the Dillon Meyer dinner set for May 22 will be given. The public is invited to the meeting.

Kido, who arrived in Washington, D.C. on Monday from Salt Lake City, made brief stops in Chicago and New York where he met with JACL officers.

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EASTERN WRA OFFICE CLOSES

Six Workers Watch As Furniture is Moved Out And Doors Closed

Six bleak-faced employees of the once-thriving WRA New York Area Office watched glumly yesterday as the last of the furniture an filing cases was carried out of the offices on the 5th floor of the Empire State Building.

The last WRA workers then locked the office door, said goodbye to each other, all going their separate ways. WRA was officially closed in New York.

Headed by Mary Arnold, acting relocation supervisor, the six who stood by till the end were Ruth Green and Edward Hellman, relocation officers, and Beatrice Magnam, Violet Piper and Jean Nakamura, secretaries.

At the peak of the relocation program 28 persons, including 12 nisei, were employed in the area and district offices, located on two floors of the Empire State Building. The nisei include Louise Takahashi, Ruth Takahara, Mary Okubo, Jean Nakamura, Flora Hakehi, Kau Yamazaki, Martha Tachino, Yuki Hara, Stanley Okada, George Morey, Tom Toyata and Mitsu Yasuda.

The office furniture has been carted off to the War Assets division and the Surplus Property division, while the local files will be shipped to Washington. The national headquarters are scheduled to close its doors July 1.

Jean Nakamura, the last nisei in the area office, left last night for the west coast where she will board ship for Japan, on assignment with the War Department.

Stating that she has "enjoyed her work tremendously," Miss Arnold, who, since Robert Dolins' departure in April, 1946, has been acting supervisor, declared that she would go into health work following a well-deserved vacation.

Deportation to Be Studied at Meet

Abner Green, executive secretary of the American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born, which has been handling numerous deportation cases, will speak on deportation problems at an open meeting to be held at the Japanese Christian Association on Friday, May 24 at 8:30 p.m.

The meeting is sponsored by the JACD in an effort to acquaint the local community with the problems and procedures to be followed in fightign deportation rulings. Since many issei singled out for deportation are without funds, money will be raised to help these persons, it was announced by Ken Nakano, executive secretary of the JACD. Nisei participation in the fight is sought.

Ickes Cites Nisei in Hawaii Plea

An eloquent plea for Hawaiian statehood is made by "Curmudgeon" Harold Ickes in his syndicated column "Man to Man", published in New York in the *Evening Post* of May 13. He points out that "Thirty-three thousand Hawaiian citizens served in the armed forces, winning numerous citations and decorations. Of this number 52 per cent were of Japanese ancestry."

"The valor and distinguished courage displayed by the latter in some of the toughest battles of the war must surely have dispelled the feelings of doubt that existed before the war of the availability of Hawaii for statehood. It is a remarkable

fact that not a single instance of sabotage was discovered in Hawaii during or following the Japanese attack, despite its large number of people of Japanese blood."

Ickes, who, as Secretary of the Interior, has been the most articulate advocate of statehood in the past, bolsters his arguments with statistics on population, trade, taxes paid by the islanders, and goes on to tout the high educational and labor standards there.

The Army and Navy is accused of providing the chief opposition. Ickes concludes that "civilian government would be strengthened everywhere in the U. S. if Hawaii, as it deserves to be, should come in as the 49th State."

Robeson and Merrill Named Guests For Chicago Testimonial Banquet

CHICAGO, Ill. — Paul Robeson, internationally known concert singer and minority champion, will be guest speaker on the program of the Testimonial Banquet to be held in Chicago at the Grand Ballroom of the Stevens Hotel on Memorial Day, May 30. Robeson will also present several vocal numbers.

Principal speaker for the affair will be Major General Frank Merrill of the famous Merrill's Marauders, under whose command the first units of Japanese American combat intelligence troops fought in the Pacific. Merrill is flying out from headquarters of the Western Defense Command for the event.

Sponsored by the 14 major or-

ganizations designated as the Chicago Japanese American Council, the banquet will be held in honor of the veterans, gold star parents, war widows as well as those who helped in the resettlement of the evacuees in this city.

Noboru Honda is general chairman of the affair and over 800 persons are expected to attend.

Shanghai Nisei Granted Passport

The clarification of the "man-without-a-country" status of another nisei stranded in Shanghai, China, during hostilities, has been announced by R. B. Shipley, Chief of the Passport Division, U. S. State Department.

Clifton Takaoki Kurizaki, formerly of Kauai, Territory of Hawaii, and the father of three children, has been granted a passport which re-establishes his status as an American citizen. This was a necessary prelude to the enlistment in the U. S. Army, which prompted Kurizaki to write to the State Department.

The first passport, granted to a nisei in Shanghai was to Tokiji Sugiyama, close friend and co-worker of Kurizaki, largely through the efforts of his sister who had gone to Washington, D.C. to intercede for him. She had also presented the case of Kurizaki in conjunction with that of her brother.

At the present, both Sugiyama and Kurizaki are employed by a Chinese firm, The Shanghai Dyeing and Finishing Co., Ltd.

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Town Talk

T.T.

With the rest of the nation last week, our attention was dramatically drawn westward to San Francisco Bay. On a bare chunk of rock in the middle of the bay a mad bunch of thugs fought it out with the law in a bloody gun duel. The law won, with the aid of the marines. It was a thriller, a true mellerdramer.

As interesting as it was, it is not the event itself that has prompted us to write this bit. The event happened in a region which we once called home, the San Francisco Bay region, and memories of old stamping grounds were brought to mind as our attention centered on that happening in the West.

We are pretty well acquainted with much of the Bay region. Our home town lies on the northern shore of the bay and there isn't much of the shoreline that we are not familiar with. We've fished for the striped in every spot that was known to the oldtime fisherman. And inland towards the foothills, we knew every field in which the blue lupin and the golden California poppy grew most profusely.

We have lived in each of the cities that run into each other along the bay. Berkeley, Oakland, and Alameda have been home to us at one time or another and their sights, sounds and idiosyncracies are imbedded deeply in our minds. Especially keen is our remembrance of those spots along the top of the hills behind Berkeley from which points could be seen Mt. Tamalpais across the bay. When the sun slid down behind it, it would become sharply outlined in the form of a nun lying prone.

We've lived in San Francisco also and aspired to become an importer and exporter. But after having worked a few months at \$50 per on Chinatown's Grant Av., we deserted the field and started southward in search of education and riches.

It's been six years since we have last sliced through the fog for which that region is known. And we wouldn't mind having that dew tangled in our hair again.

Draftee. . . Albert Matano, son of Rev. Matano of Honolulu, Hawaii, drafted on May 16th.

Visitor. . . Sgt. Alice Kino, New Yorker, visiting in town from Va.

Returned. . . Frank Hayami of the four four two back from Italy and now at Fort Dix. . . Ken Nakamura back from a 6-week visit in the Islands.

To Denver. . . Dyke Nagano and Otome Saito off to Denver to be married. Dyke's parents in Denver.

Scoop! . . . Joe Oyama, tofu merchant, has secretly organized a powerful aggregation of pill pushers. Many of the names in his line-up are seasoned vets of years ago. Flash! . . . The Weekenders have challenged the Tofu org to a game this Sunday on the children's ball field on Riverside Drive Park. Slogan of the Tofus coined by Paul Abe: "We may be soft but we're always square."

a psychologist asks

Is "Human Nature" Unchangeable?

DR. HIROSHI MINAMI

"War is inevitable. After all, peoples always want to fight. It is human nature." "Free competition is the best economic system, because it is based on human nature. Everybody tries to get ahead of others."

Such remarks are usually taken as the obvious truth. But are they really obvious? Let us consider first what people mean by human nature.

As the above two remarks imply, human nature is supposed to be universal to any individual or social group, and also unchangeable.

Human and Animal Behavior

To examine this supposition, we shall compare human behavior with that of higher animals and see what is essentially human in our behavior.

It is clear that there are some common elements in human and animal behavior, e.g., drinking, eating, resting and elimination. These are directly based on primary physiological needs such as thirst and hunger. These needs exist in all of us, and must be satisfied in order to maintain our life. In this sense they are universal and constant, but we must remember that they are still on the level of "animal nature."

The second class of human needs is what we call the secondary physiological needs. These include sex and post-maternal drive (the so-called maternal instinct). Both drives have definite physiological bases, but our life can be maintained without fulfilling them. If and when they manifest in behavior, they are greatly modified and varied according to social and cultural conditions. Freud's original theory of sex as a sole driving force of human behavior is now undergoing thorough revisions.

A new school of psychoanalysis puts much more emphasis on social factors in character development and its deviations. The post-maternal drive is also not universal. In one primitive society, for example, infanticide is practised by its members simply because it is a custom to have the same number of children of the opposite sex in the family and to kill excessive number of the same sex.

Social Motives

The extreme variability of human nature becomes more obvious when we come to the third category of human needs, that is, social motives. These include aggressiveness, submissiveness, acquisitiveness, gregariousness, etc. Unlike the first two classes of human needs, the social motives have no direct physiological basis and show extreme variation according to individual or group. There are many primitive societies where aggression and competition are despised and condemned by the whole member.

Acquisitiveness, which has been considered as a "collecting instinct" by some psychologists, is also a product of social and cultural conditions. For recently an anthropologist reported a total lack of the collecting stage of childhood among the Manus children of New Guinea. Their parents seem to have no tendency to hoard or buy in black markets which may cause their children to imitate them. In this connection, we may add that there are many primitive communal societies whose members have no concept of profit motive or private property.

Is War Inevitable?

What then is universal and constant in human need is nothing but animal nature, and human nature in its proper sense is extremely flexible and subject to social control.

Now let us come back to the commonplace remarks I mentioned at the beginning of this discussion. Is war inevitable because of the alleged aggressiveness due to human nature? Is free competition, supposedly based on human nature, the best and only way of economic life? Our answer is, of course, no. As we have seen, the "human nature" theory has absolutely no foundation in modern psychology.

Who Believes In Human Nature?

Why, then, do certain people like and stick to this "human nature" theory? What kind of people are they, first of all? They are the people who don't believe in any effort to change the present condition of our society. For example, they are pessimistic about the United Nations Organization, because they consider all nations as potential aggressors. They are doggedly opposed to any reform or change in our economic set-up, because they even don't look at or study other modes of economy in life other than free competition. In a word, they are for the status quo and conservative, if not reactionary.

In opposition to this conservative attitude, the essence of democracy lies in its dynamic character. Democracy means readiness to fight against bigotry of all kinds, religious, racial, political, or economic. For human nature can be and must be changed through our efforts in building one and a decent world.

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play review

Gripping Portrayal of Race Issue

ON WHITMAN AVENUE

A new play on race relationships at the Cort Theater, Broadway and 48th Street.

Cast: Canada Lee, Will Geer, Ernestine Barrier, Perry Wilson, Hilda Vaughn, Abbie Mitchell, Vivienne Baber, Robert Simon and Augustus Smith.

On Whitman Avenue will draw the liberal crowd. Information and education on the facts of life are definitely not diluted or watered down for pleasant general consumption. It is Theater's powerful rendition of sociology. The play's very directness makes it engrossing.

However, lip-service liberals will wince and squirm in their seats . . . when the play ends they will re-examine their "liberalism." Conservatives will remain away. To spite their faces, they will cut off their respective noses by shouting "Bah! Nigger-lovers." It is practically a guarantee that all members of minority groups will re-live portions of their lives during the play. That factor alone makes the play moving and vibrant.

On Whitman Avenue concerns a Negro family that moves into a white neighborhood. The housing shortage plus the urgings of a college girl abet the move. The Negro family rents the upper floor of her parent's home. The parents are not at home at the time of the renting. A riled community greets the parents on their return. Not even the model behavior of this Negro family can stay the rising wave of senseless prejudice.

The conflict crescendoes when a "representative" mass-meeting is held in the home of the returned parents. Present and heard as the forces of reaction and pious greed are home-owners whose neutrality over the Negro question is goaded into an overt expression of prejudice by "that it will cause deterioration of real estate values." Bucking this intolerance and/or love of the dollar are: the girl's father, a college professor, and a spinster. Religion comes belatedly to the aid of the Negro family. Before the liberals can organize and plan a counter-campaign against the organized hate onslaught, community and commercial pressure have become too great.

As the Negro family is asked to leave by the very reluctant father so does his own family disintegrate from this basic social disease which has claimed his wife and his son. The father knows that he is a broken liberal. The father and

mother are now worlds apart as a result of the conflicting stands they took on the Negro family. The young son adopts his mother's prejudices. The girl alone refuses to be swayed by emotion or by popular but erroneous social viewpoints. Rather than compromise her values, the girl leaves home to continue the fight.

The play ends with shattered families and darkened lives. Hope lives in the rebel-girl. Throughout the play, Miss Wood has shown that the solution is possible, but man must want it. Seeing the play presents the problem and the implications so vividly that man will want to do something about it.

If only to drive home the political implications of a play, let me quote what a few of the prominent political leaders of the country have to say about the play:

CIO President Philip Murray: "On Whitman Avenue (is) a deeply provocative play that must be seen by every American sincerely concerned with the preservation of democracy . . . This play, in a most dramatic and eloquent fashion, presents the problem with a remarkable clarity and compels a recognition that there can be but one answer—full and complete equality of economic opportunity and political freedom for all Americans."

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt: "Every thinking American should see this play. It is vital, moving and of importance to everyone."

Palestine Speaker

A travel lecturer speaking on "Shepherds and sheep" in Palestine will occupy the main spot on the YPC Supper Meeting program May 19, 5 p.m. at the JCA, with Kazuko Matsumoto as chairman. The supper is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. and will be under the supervision of Bill Yamaguchi and Tom Hamano.

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Kagawa Put On Political Ice

The controversy over Toyohiko Kagawa, famed Japanese pacifist and Christian socialist leader, who has been active in the Japanese political arena since V-J Day, appears to have been settled with the recent "purging" of Kagawa by the SCAP (Supreme Commander Allied Powers) who has prevented his taking a seat in the House of Peers, terming him an "undesirable personage."

A United Press dispatch by Peter Kalisher, datelined May 7, reports that in early April the SCAP demanded that the Japanese Government submit questionnaires to 30 nominees to the House of Peers. As a result of this questionnaire a number of the potential members of the upper house were eliminated from political activity.

Kalisher notes that some factors which may have influenced the SCAP ruling include:

1. Kagawa's trip to China to enlist support for the puppet-sponsored Greater East Asia Declaration.
 2. Kagawa's broadcast of Aug. 1942 in which he compared America to a "white grave" and said, "I cannot believe that the Almighty God of all the earth will permit the success of their (American) inordinate ambition for world domination."
 3. The fact that Kagawa, although he professed to be a pacifist, has never been arrested by the Japanese Government during the war.
 4. Kagawa's statement before Pearl Harbor that "if war breaks out in the Pacific I will support it."
- Kalisher further points out that Kagawa admitted most of these charges in an earlier interview with the United Press.

Around the Washington Dome

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The inevitable spring rain had turned into a sullen drizzle as our train pulled up at the Union Station. This was our first real visit to the national Capital since we left our war job shortly after V-J Day.

Washington looks the same — green trees, government buildings and more government buildings, from the gingerbread Treasury Building to the austere Interior Building. There are fewer uniforms, though the housing situation is worse. More men, mostly vets at the jobs.

Of the 350 evacuees who held war-appointee jobs in Washington during the war, about a third seem to have departed for points west, back to their former home on the West Coast and some across the Pacific to War Department jobs in Japan.

Washington nisei, however, carry on their USO work and talk about the same thing—how long will my job last, when will the Federal pay raise come through, what agencies are hiring nisei.

Saturday night USO is now located at the YWCA building at 17th and K. Lovely hostesses flitting around the dance floor and the comfortably appointed game room in svelte evening gowns with USO pins representing 75 hours of hard dancing.

Yuki Tanaka, Weekender correspondent and one of the spark plugs of the USO group tells us that 13 girls are now sporting pins since the group became an official USO body over a year ago and that 37 girls have taken

hostess training. Donald Sheldon of the National USO plans to publicize this branch in the 1947 fund-raising campaign.

From 150 to 250 nisei GI's from Fort Meade, Ritchie, Belvoir, and Holabird come in every weekend, including Sgt. Roger Obata of Canada, now stationed at Ritchie. The girls can't get over his British accent.

Miss Feiker, in charge of the group, goes mad trying to keep names straight. "Fuki, Yuki, Yumi and Fumi." They're Fuki Seki, Yuki Tanaka, Yumi Sato, and Fumi Takayanagi, all staunch USO workers.

At the dance we ran into Seiko Nishio and sister Hanako, both old-time Washingtonians active in nisei circles, and Mary Nambara from Nebraska. No more to be seen are Gay Tamaki, now in Japan, Sumi Haji, settled in Spokane, Oko Murata, one of the first girls to reach Japan on a civil service job. Yasuko Koyama of WRA, formerly of Idaho, left last week for Japan also. Going soon is Hiroko Kamikawa, Fresno gal with the Interior Department. Chiyeiko Kondo, wife of ex-Sgt. Bill, employed in the Orientalia Division of the Library of Congress, is leaving for San Pedro, California, May 21. Rev. Andrew Kuroda now chief cataloger in same division. Julia Noda also slated for Library of Congress job. Fumi Takayanagi, back from California trip, in map division at Library.

Later Saturday night we dropped in at the party held at the Ann and Toshi Kurimoto-Janet and Betty Yasunobu menage, four District belles. Greeted by Bill Himel and wife Sako, and 8-month Harland, Muneo Sakaue, now with State Department, Tsuneo Tajima of the Pasadena Tajimas job-hunting in Washington, Joe Tamura and bride Shiori Yasumoto, now living in a swank negro housing project.

Incidental information: Dr. Richard Otagaki, now teaching at Howard University planning to open a dental office this month. Tad Tsunohara of OPA due to arrive in New York on Columbia scholarship. Roy Imamura languishing in bed sans tonsils. Capt. Shigeru Tsubota of Honolulu now C.O. at Snelling due at Holabird CIC school. Accompanying him, wife, former Rosemary Kayama, former Washingtonian and baby Ann.

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"MY THREE YEARS WITH EISENHOWER" — by Capt. C. Butcher.

"TOP SECRET"—by Ralph Ingersoll.

"WRATH IN BURMA"—by Fred Edridge.

We hope the nisei veterans, especially the men of the 100th Infantry Battalion, will not read these three books — not because there is so much chit-chat, frequent juvenile hero-worship, weak conclusions, loose generalities, glaring omissions, etc., but rather because these books, despite their weaknesses, are considered the most important and authoritative pronouncements on the strategy of World War II thus far presented. It is precisely because of this last point that nisei who plugged through the tough campaigns in Italy and Burma will be in for a terrific let-down.

Italian Campaign

To nisei vets who do read both Butcher's and Ingersoll's books, it will come as a disappointment and chagrin to learn that the heartbreaking Italian campaign, fought on a formidable and demoralizing terrain, had very little operational value. It is little comfort to know that it was strongly opposed by Roosevelt, Marshall, Eisenhower, Clark and most of the top American generals. It was Churchill and the key British generals who, in the meetings of the Chief of Staffs, demanded an attack in North Africa and the Mediterranean area where the British colonial interests were extensive.

Against the wishes of Eisenhower (but for the interest of Allied unity) American troops were poured into this theatre because this former British sphere of influence was now jeopardized by the entrance of Italy into the war and by the presence of the German Afrika Korps. Although morally committed to a second front in France, Churchill and his generals succeeded in forcing the Americans to embark on the costliest and most senseless campaigns of the

war; invasion of Sicily, the beach-heads of Salerno and Anzio and the slow, bitter struggle up the boot, epitomized by the bloody days at Cassino.

Empire First

A little reflection will reveal that this British military strategy, dictated as strategy is by political needs, was the logical implementation of Churchill's statement that he was "not presiding over the liquidation of the British Empire." However, to the nisei vets and the rest of us who were under the spell of Churchill's beautiful words about humanity and freedom during the war, the revelation of the Empire-first motives of Churchill and his staff which succeeded in subordinating the United Nations concept of strategy of Roosevelt, makes us shudder in revulsion.

Glimpses of the difficulty encountered by Stilwell in working with the British, especially Mountbatten, are given in the third book by Edridge. Stilwell's public relations officer. The British military leaders were more concerned with Empire affairs such as the possible Indian uprisings than bolstering with Stilwell's efforts to win back Burma.

Of the three, Butcher's book is the most important for the future historians interested in the unfolding of the strategy of World War II. As Eisenhower's naval aide, Butcher attended most of the important meetings in which Allied Strategy was fashioned. His book is a diary of these meetings.

Still With Us

Of course the war is now over and bygones should be bygones. However, we do not set forth the above merely to keep the records straight. It must be remembered that those who shaped the bygones of the war, the moulders of the British thoughts, are still with us influencing the policies of today. Imperialists, such as Churchill, who even during the critical days of the war, failed to overcome the selfish interests of their own class, should not pass as statesmen.

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Masao Sato to Join Top Social Workers in National Conference

Masao Sato, on leave of absence from the National Council of YMCA, will represent nisei at the National Council of Social Workers which will hold its annual conference May 19-25 in Buffalo, N.Y. Sato, who is now serving as special eastern representative of the JACL will participate on May 23 in a panel entitled "Methods of Social Action," where interracial and intercultural tensions will be discussed.

Sato will appear with an impressive panel of leading social workers, including Charles Hendry of the American Jewish Congress, Dr. Arthur Swift of Union Theological Seminary, Walter White of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Lester Granger, national executive director of the Urban League, S. Liveright of the American Council of Race Relations, and George S. Mitchell, director of the veterans division of the Southern Regional Council.

Sato will report on the methods used on the West Coast to handle the situation caused by the return of the evacuees. The National Council of Social Workers represents all the major social agencies in the country.

325 Dancers Vote Delmonico Ball Success

Over 325 dancers unanimously approved the smooth rhythms of Jenó Bartal and his orchestra at the JACL semi-annual ball last Saturday night at the swank Hotel Delmonico. As a result the dance was extended until 2 p.m.

Dance chairman Al Funabashi pronounced the affair a success, although the attendance fell somewhat below last fall's record. All tables were soon taken, and gate sales were reported high. Proceeds, which are to go to the New York Committee for Japanese Americans, have not been announced yet.

Torchy songs by Lisa Morrow, who recently completed a warbling assignment with Benny Goodman's band at the Paramount, provided entertainment. During the intermission the crowd was welcomed by Yurino Takayoshi, regional representative of the JACL, Al Funabashi, dance chairman, Peter Aoki, executive director of the Greater New York Committee for Japanese Americans, and Masao Sato, special Eastern Representative of the JACL.

Nisei Talent to Appear In Harlem Week Show

The local chapter of the JACL will be among the many civic groups commemorating Harlem Week, sponsored by the Citywide Citizens Committee on Harlem with the presentation of a program at the American Commons, Wednesday, May 29 at 8 p.m., according to Jean Hosokawa, head of the program committee.

In keeping with the basic purpose of the event which is the promotion of better race relations, the program will feature entertainers and speakers from Harlem, headlined by Madison Jones, Administration Assistant of the National Association for the Advancement of the Colored People as the main speaker. JACL will also furnish local talent for the entertainment, including Japanese dances. The event will be topped off with folk dancing, it was added.

Tentatively, two groups of young people in Harlem have been contacted and will appear as guests during the evening. American Commons is located at 40 East 40th St.

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The agency is also consultant on Far East matters for Life-Time and other magazines, and has recently completed the translation of a book containing important diplomatic papers of a noted Japanese figure.

Far East Service, Inc., will soon start classes in the Japanese language for tradesmen, businessmen, buyers and others who intend to travel or do business in Japan as soon as military restrictions are lifted.

Mr. Nishimura was formerly Japanese and Far Eastern Language Editor for the United States State Department, and earlier was with the Overseas Branch of the Office of War Information and the War Department. He spent 2 years in Cleveland with the Army Map Service before coming to New York.

Before the war he was advertising manager for The Japanese American Courier in Seattle, Wash., and for the New Japanese American Daily News in Los Angeles. He was also connected with the Pacific Weekly of that city.

Special Service to Commemorate Dr. Takami, Pioneer New Yorker

A memorial service, observing the first anniversary of the death of Dr. Toyohiko Campbell Takami, pioneer New Yorker and one of the organizers of the Japanese Christian Association, will be conducted at that church, Friday, May 17, at 8:30 p.m., it was announced by Rev. Kawamata.

Well-known among the old-timers here, Dr. Takami has had a distinguished career as a doctor and leading citizen. At the time of his death he was on the attending consulting staffs of the Prospect Heights Hospital and the Cumberland Hospital, both of Brooklyn. He was for many years the Chairman of the Department of Dermatology at the Cumberland Hospital and at his retirement in 1935, he was appointed by the Mayor as the Honorary Consultant in Dermatology of all city hospitals.

Dr. Takami was also on the Board of Directors of the three Japanese Christian churches here, Japanese Christian Association, Japanese Methodist Church and the Japanese Christian Institute. He also served for several terms as the president of the Japanese Association of New York, the successor organization of the Japanese Mutual Aid Society which he founded.

A graduate of Lawrenceville Prep School and the School of Medicine of Cornell University, Dr. Takami's son Ralph is following in his footsteps. He is a consultant at the Cumberland Hospital, where his father also served.

Its "Lamplighters" Now For Bussei Teen-Agers

The Bussei teen age club held a meeting last Friday, May 10th, at the Buddhist church. Besides the election of officers, the name of the club, "Young 'uns" was changed to Bussei "Lamplighters" as the result of a name contest won by Ginger Nakamura.

The officers elected were Yoshie Nakamura, president; Sada Yasuda, vice-president; Machiye Nakamura, sec'y Tets Yasuda, treasurer and Iwao Kuwano, historian.

besides maintaining a private practice in Brooklyn.

Dr. Takami's other two sons are Morihiko and Suyehiko. The latter is at the present time serving with the U.S. Army in Northern Japan. Mrs. Takami is a graduate of the Mount Holyoke College.

Nisei Locks Horns With Congressman On Federal Raise

Nisei have taken all sorts of gaff from so-called representatives of the people in Congress, but the first nisei to have his neck threatened by an apoplectic Congressman was Roy Imamura, economist with the OPA.

It all happened because Roy is steward of the Apparels Section of the OPA's United Federal Workers branch, and went lobbying with hundreds of other unionists for a 30 per cent pay raise for Federal employees.

On March 30, designated "L Day" or lobbying day by the union, Imamura and Daniel Freudenthal of the Civilian Production Administration decided to join the hundreds who descended on the Capitol to lobby for the proposed measure.

Imamura and Freudenthal picked Representative Alfred J. Elliot, ex-prize fighter from Tulare County, Calif., as a likely prospect. Asked the boys, "How will you vote on the 30 per cent pay raise for Federal workers?"

"? ! ! ! ? @ ,," said Elliot, and when he grew a little more coherent, "I'll break your damn necks if you come back here." Elliot hustled Imamura and Freudenthal to the door.

They left.

CALENDAR

- May 16, Thursday—Veterans' Rally at Madison Square Garden. Senator Pepper, Gene Kelly, Frank Sinatra, Ben Kuroki and others. 8:30 p.m.
- 17, Friday—Dr. Toyohiko Takami Memorial Services. Japanese Christian Assn. 8:30 p.m.
- 17, Friday—Nisei Veterans' Meeting. M. E. Church. 8:30 p.m.
- 17, Friday—Emergency JACL Meeting. M. E. Church. 8:30 p.m.
- 19, Sunday—YPC Supper Meeting. Japanese Christian Institute. 5:30 p.m.
- 22, Wednesday—Dillon Meyer Testimonial Dinner sponsored by JACD. Japanese Christian Assn. Public urged to attend. 8:30 p.m.

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