

JAPANESE LAND CASE IN CALIFORNIA COURT

**Relation of National Treaties to State
Property-Holding Laws Is
Argued.**

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Tuesday, Dec. 5.—Arguments in the suit of the state of California to escheat the home of Yukihi Harada, a Japanese, under the California anti-alien land law of 1913, were concluded yesterday before Judge Hugh H. Craig of the superior court, who took the case under advisement.

The principal contention of the defense was that the treaty between the United States and Japan says that Japanese may own residential property in the United States.

The state's answer to this argument was made by former State Senator M. Estudillo, who asserted "a treaty cannot any more than any other law invade the sovereign rights of the state of California on matters which are peculiarly her own, like the ownership of land."
