

California Alien Land Law Upheld By Highest Court

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WASHINGTON, Monday, May 11.—
The provision of the alien land law of California imposing upon aliens ineligible to citizenship the burden of proving that their purchase of agricultural land was not for the purpose of defeating that statute was sustained today by the Supreme Court in an appeal brought by W. A. Cockrill and S. Ikada.

Under the alien land laws of California, as construed by the Federal Supreme Court, Japanese are prohibited from owning or leasing agricultural property. S. Ikada, a Japanese, furnished money with which W. A. Cockrill, his attorney, purchased land to be held for the benefit of the American-born children of Ikada. The state courts of California held that the transaction was invalid.
