



Senate Group Blocked Action on Alien Bills

Private Bills Sought
Stay of Deportation
For Individuals

WASHINGTON—Refusal of the Senate Immigration Committee to act on private bills involving persons of Japanese ancestry is given as the reason for the fact that these bills were not reported by the House Immigration Committee last month.

The Senate committee under Russell of Georgia acted only on bills involving the Japanese and Caucasian soldiers and did not take action on several bills introduced in the Senate which would have resulted in a stay of deportation for persons of Japanese ancestry.

A prominent member of the Senate committee was quoted as saying that it was useless for the group to report the bills "since the Senate committee under Russell wouldn't act on them."

More than 30 private bills were introduced in the last session of Congress for the relief of persons of Japanese ancestry who faced deportation proceedings. Several of these bills concerned Japanese aliens who had made important contributions to the war effort as members of government war agencies.

TOPAZ CENTER WILL PROVIDE VETERANS HOMES

WASHINGTON — The Central War Relocation Center at Topaz, Utah and ten other wartime installations will be razed immediately so lumber can be salvaged for veterans' housing, the War Administration announced last week.

WAA officials said the relocation center which housed 8,000 West Coast evacuees of Japanese ancestry had been declared surplus and houses there are being advertised. WAA personnel said they are not sure yet how transactions would be handled or what number of type of buildings at the former WRA center would be available for razing.

It was believed that army engineers probably will be called in to determine which buildings should be torn down for materials and which could be transported intact to other areas. (300 housing units from the Topaz camp were transferred to the University of Utah Salt Lake City to be used in housing student veterans.)

Nisei Attorney Joins Staff at Santa Clara

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Wayne M. Nemoto, San Jose attorney, has been appointed to the staff of the law school at the University of Santa Clara.

Nisei Ex-Sergeant Offered Farms by People of Texas

HOUSTON, Tex. — Ex-Sergeant George Otsuka of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, which rescued the "Lost Battalion" of the Texas Division in France, learned this week that the attitude of all Texans was represented by the views of one resident of Tomball in Harris county who told the Nisei veteran that he was "not wanted" as a neighbor because of his Japanese ancestry.

The Nisei ex-sergeant wrote a letter to the Houston Press about the matter. He had been warned, he said, that "there'll be trouble" if he and his family moved onto a farm in the Tomball-Cypress area.

Confronted with the prejudice he had encountered, Otsuka asked the people of Texas:

"Is prejudice your answer to

Will Work for U. S. in Japan



NEW YORK—En route to Tokyo where they will work for the U. S. War Department, some 300 girls gathered at the 71st Regiment Armory, 34th street and Park avenue, on Aug. 15 to await transportation to their boat in the harbor. Seated on their luggage above are, left to right: Mary Tamada, Frances Yokoyama and Alice Shimoyama, all of Kent, Wash., near Seattle. Miss Yokoyama is the only one of the three who has been in Japan before. She spent several years there as a child. Miss Shimoyama was one of the first Nisei girls to serve in the WACs.

—Photo by Acme.

Tsuchiyama Wins Preliminary Injunction in State Court on Right to Fish in California

Test Case Undertaken
To Clarify Rights of
Japanese Alien Group

LOS ANGELES — Yoshikazu Tsuchiyama, Japanese alien fisherman, was granted a preliminary injunction on August 14 against the Fish and Game commission of California in a test case in which Tsuchiyama sought to establish his right to fish commercially in California.

The injunction was granted by Superior Court Judge Henry M. Willis. It stipulated, however, that Tsuchiyama must post a \$1000 bond pending further proceedings on the test case, which is being sponsored by the Southern California Fishermen's Association.

Tsuchiyama, in his case, has

asked the court to prevent the commission from interfering with the right of alien fishermen to resume their occupation of commercial fishing in waters on the Pacific coast and to prevent the commission further from interfering with their right to sell the fish in California.

The effect of the temporary injunction will be far-reaching not only on fishing in and around San Pedro but in other fishing ports of California, according to A. L. Wirin, attorney for Tsuchiyama.

In his arguments Wirin contended that Section 990 of the Fish and Game code, which attempts to bar persons ineligible to citizenship from obtaining or engaging in commercial fishing, is "unconstitutional," in that it deprives such persons of liberty and property in violation of due process of law.

Wirin contended in his arguments that Tsuchiyama and the 250 other fishermen in whose behalf the case was brought, would suffer irreparable injury since without a preliminary injunction by the court their right to earn a livelihood would not be possible.

Moreover it was held that the petitioner should be permitted to engage in commercial fishing without interference and threat of criminal proceedings from the commission.

Ballet Dancer Makes Debut in Concert At Lewisohn Stadium

RICHMOND, Calif. — Lilli Ann Oka, Nisei ballet dancer from Oakland, Calif., made her New York debut recently at Lewisohn stadium in New York City as a member of the company of Anton Dolin and Alicia Markova, according to information received by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shinichiro Oka.

War Department Authorizes Retention of 442nd Colors By Territory of Hawaii

Secretary Patterson Accedes to Official Request
For Regimental Colors of Famed Nisei Unit
From Governor Stainback of Hawaii

WASHINGTON—Secretary of War Robert Patterson has authorized the Territory of Hawaii to retain possession of the colors of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team which was deactivated in ceremonies in Honolulu on Aug. 14.

The action followed an official request to the War Department from Gov. Ingram Stainback of Hawaii that the colors of the famous Nisei regiment be kept in Hawaii.

Previously, Secretary Patterson had authorized the retention of the colors of the 100th Infantry Battalion in Hawaii. At that time Secretary Patterson had declared that the decision to keep the 100th Battalion's colors in Hawaii was reached because the majority of the men who had served in the unit were residents of the territory.

Secretary Patterson had stressed that the action taken on the retention of the 100th's colors was not to be regarded as a precedent for the disposal of the colors of the 442nd Combat Team, since the majority of the men in that unit were residents of the United States mainland. Secretary Patterson indicated at the time, however, that an official request from Gov-

ernor Stainback would be given consideration by the War Department.

The governor then made an official request for the colors.

In a radiogram to Gov. Stainback, the War Department chief said he had directed the commanding general of the U. S. Army forces in Hawaii to turn over the colors to the governor upon inactivation of the regiment.

The War Department also had received a request from the Honolulu Chamber of Commerce that the colors of the 442nd Combat Team be permitted to be kept in Iolani palace after the official deactivation of the regiment.

Colors of 442nd Combat Team Turned Over to Hawaiian Governor at Final Ceremony

HONOLULU—The 442nd Combat Team, the famous army unit composed of Japanese Americans from the Territory of Hawaii and the relocation centers of the mainland United States, was officially deactivated in ceremonies at Kapiolani Park on Aug. 15 as 80,000 persons watched the martial parade and ceremonies.

The 230 men who constituted the active members of the famous Combat Team in which nearly 10,000 Americans of Japanese ancestry served during the war were flanked by smartly uniformed lines of 442nd veterans already discharged.

The deactivation of the 442nd Regiment was a part of Hawaii's Veterans' Day ceremonies on the first anniversary of V-J Day, honoring all of the men of the territory who had fought in the war.

The parade was led by a color guard from the 100th Infantry Battalion of the 442nd Combat Team.

As the parade reached the reviewing stand in Kapiolani park, the color guards marched smartly to within a few feet of the reviewing stand. The 442nd's blue infantry guidons and its colors, with the unit citations streaming, were advanced to a point directly in front of Governor Ingram Stainback.

Col. Farrant L. Turner, first field officer to command a unit of Japanese Americans in combat, and Col. Alfred A. Pursall who commanded the returning 442nd Combat Team, presented the regimental colors to Gov. Stainback.

"I accept these colors," the governor said. "They will be preserved and kept as a memorial to your conduct and as an inspiration to generations to come."

The 442nd Combat Team, composed of the 230 men from Hawaii who returned with the colors from Italy (250 mainland Nisei members of the returning 442nd were separated following the July 15 parade in Washington before President Truman) was then called to attention by Col. Pursall and each man stepped forward to receive his discharge certificate.

The Nisei veterans broke up into a grinning, milling group. They waved the large manila envelopes containing the discharge certificates above their heads so that their families standing behind them could see them.

A benediction by Chaplain Masao Yamada expressed the hope that the men were returned "to stay always in Hawaii."

A 21-gun national salute to Ha-

waii's war dead, including nearly 500 Japanese Americans of the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Combat Team, was fired over the sea by the 880th anti-aircraft artillery, and the territory's salute to its veterans ended with the playing of the national anthem.

The official War Department orders deactivating the 442nd Combat Team were read by Col. E. P. Crandell, adjutant general of MIDPAC.

The orders, written in terse military language, declared:

"In accordance with War Department radio 4 August, 1946, and under provisions of readjustment regulations, the 442nd Infantry Regiment, less the 2nd Battalion is inactivated effective 15 August, 1946, at APO 969."

"The colors and guidons of the 442nd Infantry regiment will remain with the Territory of Hawaii in custody of the governor of Hawaii. In the event of future activation of the 442nd Infantry regiment, and wherever such activation may take place, the colors and guidons will be returned to that organization."

United Mine Workers Will Be Asked to Back Claims Bill

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—The forthcoming convention of the United Mine Workers of America will be asked to endorse a resolution submitted by Local Union No. 6511 of Sweetmine, Utah which asks indemnification payments by the government to persons who were evacuated from the West Coast in 1942.

The resolution, which will be submitted at the convention by the Utah local's delegate, Franklyn Sugiyama, notes that the evacuees suffered "great financial losses" as a result of forced evacuation.

Rio S. Yamane is president of the Sweetmine local.

Leading California Citizens Oppose Proposition No. 15

Referendum Seeks Validation of Alien Land Law Amendments

SAN FRANCISCO—The JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee reported this week that a group of prominent California citizens had announced their opposition to Proposition No. 15, the proposal for validation of legislative amendments to the California Alien Land Law which, the JACL group pointed out, is now being enforced only against persons of Japanese ancestry.

It was declared that opposition to Proposition No. 15 had been voiced by Chester H. Rowell, Monroe E. Deutsch, Ray Lyman Wilbur, Alfred J. Lundberg, Lynn Townsend White, Jr., Frederick J. Koster, James K. Moffitt, Max Radin, Rt. Rev. Edward L. Parsons, Richard R. Perkins and Galen Fisher.

Joe G. Masaoka of the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee said that Proposition No. 15 seeks "to make race discrimination constitutional."

"The proposal," Masaoka said, "undertakes to ensure the legality of court action to forfeit and escheat all land now held by Japanese Americans."

"In view of such unfairness, if Proposition 15 is passed, the 60 escheat suits now pending against Japanese American farm properties will, if lost by the owners, enable interested parties to acquire valuable farm lands."

Seattle Nisei Nine Will Play Spokane In Three-Game Series

SPOKANE, Wash.—The strong Nisei Veterans Committee baseball team, now in second place in the Puget Sound League in Seattle, will invade Spokane over the Labor Day weekend to meet the Spokane JACL Vets team in a three-game series.

The Seattle team is managed by Joe Nakatsu and is coached by Joe Kesamaru, University of Washington baseball star of seven years ago.

The Spokane team, composed mainly of former players from Portland, Ore., and Wapato, Wash., hopes to take revenge for two close defeats at the hands of the NVC team in Seattle in July.

A welcome banquet will be held on Sept. 1 and a tournament dance will be given on Sept. 2 by the Spokane JACL.

Nisei Boxers from Hawaii Win Bouts in Mexico City

MEXICO CITY—Nisei boxing stars from Hawaii won their share of bouts here on Aug. 6 as Hawaii defeated Mexico, 6 to 4, in the international Golden Gloves bouts at the Mexico City Coliseum.

George Tanabe of Hawaii knocked out Ricardo Ortiz in the first round of their welterweight bout, while Baldwin Okamoto, bantamweight star, defeated Jose Luis Jimenez. Tommy Yasui of Hawaii lost a decision to Balcildes Olivares in a junior flyweight bout.

Dance Frolic

NEW YORK—Approximately 200 members and friends of the New York JACL chapter attended the Summer Dance Frolic on Aug. 17 at American Common.

Among the guests were 50 Nisei GIs from Fort Mason, Astoria, Fort Hamilton, Camp Kilmer, Fort Monmouth and other nearby installations.

National JACL Secretary Will Leave on Coast Survey Trip

A four-week survey trip of Northern and Southern California will be made during September by Mike Masaoka, national secretary of the JACL, it was announced this week by the national headquarters of the organization.

His itinerary for Northern California will be arranged by Joe Grant Masaoka, regional representative. Tentatively scheduled are meetings with the Northern California District Council in San Francisco and the Civil Rights Defense Union.

The national secretary will visit Placer county, Sacramento, Salinas, Monterey and San Jose to ob-

Sacramento Chamber Records Approval Of Proposition 15

SACRAMENTO—The Sacramento Valley Council of the California State Chamber of Commerce went on record on Aug. 16 supporting Proposition No. 15 on the California ballot, the referendum which seeks approval of legislative amendments to the California Alien Land law.

In addition to approving the measure for continued restrictions against alien farmers of Japanese ancestry, the chamber group announced its opposition to a State fair employment practices act.

Seek Probation For Evacuees In Draft Cases

Refusal to Comply With Regulations Based on Reaction to Evacuation

PHOENIX, Ariz.—Applications for probation made by A. L. Wirin, legal counsel for approximately 100 evacuees who refused to comply with selective service regulations while at the Colorado River war relocation center, will be heard by Judge Dave Ling of the Federal Court on Sept. 30 in Phoenix.

It was stated that the 100 Japanese Americans based their refusal to comply with draft regulations on the ground that their civil liberties had been infringed upon by the forced military evacuation and detention orders.

The 100 evacuees were convicted of violation of selective service regulations by the Federal Court in Arizona. Recently the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that the claims set forth by the draft resisters did not constitute a legal basis for failure to comply with the draft.

Judge William Denman of the Ninth Circuit Court, however, urged "executive clemency" saying:

"Had any of us been so wrongfully imprisoned in our youth because our parents had emigrated to this country from, say, Germany, England, or Ireland, with which there might be a war, it cannot be said that our exasperation and shame would not have caused us to prefer the citizenship of our parents' homeland. It was because the United States first cruelly wronged us by an illegal if not criminal imprisonment that our renunciation came."

"Because our skins are white and our origin is European, is no ground for a distinction between our youth and that of these appellants."

United States Attorney Frank Flynn, representing the government, announced at the time of the Ninth Circuit Court hearings in San Francisco that he would not object to clemency.

San Jose Zebras Take 13-1 Win

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Behind John Horio's four-hit pitching, the San Jose Zebras hung up its eighth victory of the season by taking an easy 13-1 win over the Watsonville Vets August 10 at the Municipal stadium.

Sumito Horio with four for four and Tom Okagaki's 2 for 3 led San Jose's offense while Wakayama made two hits in two tries to star for the vets.

serve the resettlement of evacuees in these areas. He will also visit Fresno, where he will address a testimonial banquet for Nisei war veterans.

His itinerary for Southern California is now being planned by Eiji Tanabe, Scotty Tsuchiya and George Inagaki and include visits to San Diego and Imperial Valley.

While in Los Angeles he will discuss plans for the reorganization of the Southern California District Council.

Masaoka will leave Salt Lake City on Friday, August 30, for San Francisco. He plans to return by October 1.

Hawaii Paratrooper Fought For Brother Killed in Italy

HONOLULU, T. H.—Moriyoshi Ganeko of Mana, Kauai, is one island soldier who saw battle action because he refused to stay in the rear echelon.

Because he was aggressive and took advantage of an opportunity, he has the distinction of being one of the few island GIs of Japanese ancestry to have qualified for the airborne troops and probably the only soldier who wore the insignia of both the 101st and the 82nd airborne divisions.

Moriyoshi and his younger brother, Seichi, were students at Waimea high school on Kauai in March of 1943 when they volunteered for the 442nd combat team.

The brothers trained together at Camp Shelby. Then, when the 442nd was shipped overseas to Italy, Moriyoshi was kept behind with the 171st training battalion.

Moriyoshi didn't like it, but he took it until he received news that Seichi was killed in action in July, 1944. Moriyoshi decided he had to take his brother's place.

He learned that volunteers for the paratroops were given first priority on overseas assignments,

so he volunteered for that service and received his training at Fort Benning.

He was sent overseas in January of 1945 and was assigned to the 101st which had been pulled back into northern France after the famous stand made in the Battle of the Bulge.

Moriyoshi, a staff sergeant, never made a jump, but he saw plenty of action with the 101st as it raced through France, Alsace and central Germany to the Austrian Alps.

At the close of hostilities he was transferred to the 82nd airborne and spent two and one half months in Berlin as a part of the occupation force.

The 82nd was then picked to represent the GIs in Europe in the big parade held January 12 in New York City.

It was then he discovered four other Nisei lads from Hawaii who were attached to the 82nd as glider troops.

After his discharge February 25, 1946, Staff Sergeant Moriyoshi returned to Waimea high school to finish his education.

He is now in Honolulu, an employe of the veterans' administration.

Test Cases Filed on Validity Of Deportation Statutes

Attorney Believes Cases Will Be Taken To Supreme Court

A suit was filed on Aug. 23 in the Federal district court in Salt Lake City on behalf of three aliens of Japanese ancestry, Takasaburo Sekine, Yoshiko Aoki and Sakijiro Moriyama, asking an injunction against Attorney General Tom Clark to stop their deportation to Japan.

The suit, which involves the status of deportable Japanese aliens in hardship and merchant trader cases, was filed by Attorneys A. L. Wirin of Los Angeles and Saburo Kido and Warrick C. Lamoreaux of Salt Lake City.

The attorneys for the petitioners claim that the deportation law has been enforced by the Department of Justice arbitrarily and discriminates against persons of Japanese ancestry because of race. The complaint on file in the Federal court declares that the present deportation statutes are unconstitutional, insofar as they discriminate against aliens of Japanese race by permitting the Attorney General to allow all other deportable aliens, in hardship cases, to remain in the United States. Under the present law the deportation of "ineligible aliens" is mandatory and the suit points out that the Japanese group is the only sizeable group of resident "ineligible aliens" in the country.

The complaint in Federal court also asks that the deportation be halted until Congress has acted on the Eberharter bill, sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union and the Japanese American Citizens League, which will remove racial restrictions from the deportation laws and will permit deportable Japanese aliens, upon a showing of hardship, to remain in the United States on the same basis as aliens of other races and nationality.

The suit also claims that deportation to Japan at this time constitutes "cruel and unusual punishment" in violation of the United States Constitution.

The case is set for hearing before Federal Judge Tillman Johnson in Salt Lake City on Aug. 30. Pending decisions in court test cases, the Department of Justice has indicated that no deportations will be carried out in merchant trader and hardship cases.

Approximately 89 "hardship" cases, involving deportable persons with dependents who are American citizens, 21 treaty traders whose legally resident status was changed as a result of the war and 18 single persons are now represented in test cases filed in Federal courts.

The cases are expected to be taken to the United States Supreme court for a ruling on the validity of the deportation law under which the Attorney General is granted no discretionary power in cases involving "ineligible aliens."

"One Thousand Club" Organized for JACL With Two Members

LOS ANGELES—Fred Wada of Huntington Park, Calif., and Frank Tsuchiya of Los Angeles became charter members of the "One Thousand Club" this week by pledging \$1000 donations to the National JACL.

The club was organized by the Southern California office of the JACL. All donations must be made to the national JACL, it was announced.

Wedding

NEW YORK—At an informal ceremony on August 4 at St. Patrick's rectory in New York, Miss Cecelia Aoki, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chugoro Aoki, formerly of San Francisco, was married to Pfc. Masao Robert Tanabe of San Diego, Calif.

Pfc. Tanabe returned recently from service in Europe.

Relocation Camp Hobby Pays Off For Santa Ana Evacuee Family

SANTA ANA, Calif.—A hobby that had its beginning during the long dreary days of internment at a relocation center in the Arizona desert is now paying off dividends for the Takahashis of Garden Grove, California, according to a story by Harry Harvey in the Santa Ana Register.

It was during the days when the Takahashis lived in tarpapered barracks in the hot desert where the temperature rose to 120 degrees that they strove to find something to fill their time. It was during those days that Kiyoka Takahashi discovered the hobby that is still something of a miracle to her.

In the camp library she discovered a copy of the famous Audobon book, "The Birds of America." With the help of her husband she set out to reproduce the pictures for lapel pins and ornaments, carving the birds from hardwood and painting them in bright colors. The husband undertook the carving, the wife the painting.

At first the work was slow and experimental. They tried out various types of wood and discovered that the hardwood ends of old egg crates were ideal. Carving every feather with careful precision Kiyoka wanted to get every feature into the wings and bodies.

Kiyoka unraveled ordinary window screen wire, straightened out the wires and used four of them in each leg. They were separated at the bottom to make the claws and the legs were inserted in holes drilled in the body with bond cement.

Using ordinary water colors and a fine brush she applied the paint color by color slowly and precise-

Hawaii Sugar Workers Seek Better Conditions

26 Thousand CIO Members Will Strike Unless Demands Met

HONOLULU—Hawaii's 26,000 plantation workers, a large percentage of whom are of Japanese ancestry, will go on strike under the leadership of their union, CIO's International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union on Sept. 1 unless the Hawaii sugar industry meets their demands.

The ILWU already has sent notice and voted 16,362 to 123 to strike.

The ILWU, which started organizing Hawaiian sugar plantations in 1944 and successfully negotiated its first contract one year ago, has made four major demands. These are: (1) A 65 cent hour minimum plus customary perquisites of housing, medical attention, fuel and water. (2) 40-hour week. (3) A union administration of perquisites and accounting of all money which the union asserts should have gone to improvements during the past years.

Hawaii produces almost one million tons of sugar annually and the continental United States consumes 10 per cent of the nation's sugar supply.

Snake River JACL Votes to Form Election Committee

ONTARIO, Ore.—The Snake River JACL voted at its last meeting, held August 9, to form an election committee to encourage Nisei voting. Jimmy Watanabe, former chairman of the membership committee, was named head of the new election committee.

Howard Fujii of Weiser is named oratorical chairman in charge of a contest which will be held in connection with the district convention to be held soon.

Nisei Veteran Loses In Tourney Finals

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Noboru Aoki, lone Nisei entrant in the American Veterans Committee tournament, lost to Grady Harp in the finals in a close 2-1 match on Aug. 18 at the Hillside course.

ly to reproduce the exact Audobon print. The final step was the application of from five to ten coats of clear Indian lacquer.

The first birds were made as gifts, then she began to trade for vegetables, for materials to make dresses and other items needed. In all during their internment they made close to 1000 of these birds by the time they turned to their home in Garden Grove.

Continuing to carve and paint the original birds after returning to the Takahashis' work began to attract attention and suggestions came in for them to market an exclusive product. Taking the advice, they made and sold more than 350 of the birds priced in the range from \$1.00 to \$15.00 depending on the amount of work required. A simple canary may be carved and painted in six hours while elaborate American eagle carvings may take up to 22 hours.

Kiyoka takes great pains to follow the Audobon prints to make the finished lapel ornaments and print in miniature. New ideas came up such as making lapel pins and tiny matching birds for earrings. Much of the work has been done to people hearing of her work, coming to the house, but they are being sold through art and gifts shops at Laguna Beach.

Being detained with other Japanese Americans during the war in Arizona has opened a new sphere of work for the Takahashi family who have taken the opportunity to learn a trade they enjoy doing.

Los Angeles AVC Group May Adopt Name of Nisei Hero

Resolution Proposes Unit Be Named After Pfc. Sadao Munemori

LOS ANGELES—The metropolitan chapter of the American Veterans Committee in Los Angeles is considering a resolution to name the group after Pfc. Sadao Munemori of Los Angeles, only Nisei winner of the Congressional Medal of Honor, Walter Nakashima, chairman of the Nisei Veterans Association reported this week.

Nakashima urged all Nisei veterans in the Los Angeles area to join the AVC.

"We hope to see more Nisei veterans in the AVC regardless of their affiliation with other organizations," Nakashima said. "The AVC has gone to bat for us. Let's continue the fight for true democracy."

Nakashima said that 15 Nisei veterans were enrolled in the AVC's metropolitan chapter.

Denver JACL Claims Largest Membership All Chapters

DENVER—The Denver chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League, with 327 active members, the largest chapter in the United States, according to Yoshiko Ichi, chairman of the membership committee.

The Denver group is closely followed by the Chicago chapter, which has 308 members. The Salt Lake City chapter is next with 205 members, followed by New York City with 180 and Los Angeles with 100.

Body of Drowned Nisei Recovered

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — Deputies of the Sutter county coroner's office recovered the body of Tom Yamamoto, 13, on Aug. 6, three days after the youth was reported drowned while swimming in a drainage ditch near Knights Landing.

Coroner Burwell Ullrey of Sutter county said that young Kawamoto was not a very good swimmer and evidently swam too far and could not reach the tank.

Fifteen Japanese Aliens Apply for First Papers in Denver

DENVER — Approximately 15 Japanese aliens in the Denver area applied for their first citizenship papers during the past few weeks, Denver office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service informed the JACL recently.

All of the applications have been filed since Commissioner Ugo Kawai informed local offices to accept applications made by persons of Japanese ancestry.

The Denver JACL emphasized, however, that applications for first papers do not give the right of citizenship to persons of Japanese ancestry, who are still considered ineligible to citizenship. "The papers are merely 'declarations of intention' to become citizens of the United States, the JACL office pointed out.

Nisei Newsman Says Tokyo Has Changed in Past Year

TOKYO—Tokyo today is a vastly different city both physically and spiritually from the city which a year ago heard the emperor's announcement of the end of war, according to Yoshio Matsuoka, a member of the Associated Press staff, in an AP dispatch from that city.

Most of the changes are good, a majority are due to the occupation, Matsuoka writes.

A year ago, Tokyo's bomb damage lay neglected, his story says. "Dead power lines hung like snakes across many streetcar tracks. Windows were open, but with nothing to see. The gloom was chronic and only partially offset by Oriental fatalism."

Today, says Matsuoka, the gloom a year ago has been replaced by optimism.

St. Louis JACL Elects Nakano First President

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Sam M. Nakano will be the first president of the St. Louis Japanese American Citizens League, it was announced here following an election meeting held Aug. 17.

The new organization was formed with 37 members, including five associate members.

Other cabinet members are Louis Kurahara, vice-president; Marjorie Hamamoto, corresponding secretary; Aiko Kayashima, recording secretary; Jimmy Hayashi, treasurer; George Kagawa, historian; Fred K. Oshima, public relations; Edward Koyama, official delegate.

The officers will preside for the balance of the year.

Masao Satow, eastern representative of the JACL, was in St. Louis to officiate at simple installation ceremonies.

Memorial Services Held for Nisei GI Killed in Japan

HONOLULU — Memorial services were held here recently for Pfc. George Tsuyoshi Ikeda, 21, who died in Omori, Japan, on July 22 as a result of injuries sustained in a train wreck.

Pfc. Ikeda was a priest in the Central Pacific Mission of the Church of Latter-Day Saints.

Memorial services were held at the Mormon tabernacle in Honolulu. The deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Ikeda of 3939 Waiialae Ave., Honolulu.

British Columbia Scholarship Useless To Nisei Winner

REVELSTOKE, B. C. — George Fukuyama recently won the University of British Columbia scholarship for the Kootenay district but will not be able to make use of it.

Fukuyama is of Japanese ancestry and is still barred from the west coast area of British Columbia. He will go instead to Montreal to enroll in the school of medicine at McGill University.

The Denver chapter also announced this week that Dr. Clark P. Garman, former executive secretary of the Colorado Committee for Fair Play, which carried the brunt of the effort in defeating the anti alien land law proposal in 1944, has volunteered his services to the Issei in filling out application forms for first papers.

Dr. Garman, who spent many years in Japan, speaks Japanese fluently and will be able to assist Issei who cannot speak English, the JACL announced. Anyone wishing assistance may call GR 0116 to make an appointment. A limited supply of application forms will be on hand for the convenience of those who wish to avail themselves of this service, the JACL declared.

EARL FINCH WILL CONTINUE TO AID NISEI VETERANS

MONTEREY, Calif. — Earl Finch, who aided thousands of Nisei servicemen during the war, will continue his services to Japanese American veterans in an advisory capacity.

The Hattiesburg rancher - business man has tentatively established headquarters in Los Angeles, where he will act as counselor to aid Nisei veterans who are entering business.

His plans were revealed during a recent visit to the presidio of Monterey, California, where he conferred with Capt. Hjalmar A. Lind of the Military Intelligence Service Language school on recreational outlets for the Japanese Americans at the presidio.

While at the Presidio Mr. Finch invited a group of forty-five enlisted men on a deep sea fishing trip arranged by Capt. Lind.

Evacuee Asks Accounting of Crop Harvest

Yoshimiya Files Suit Asking Return of Farm Equipment

SACRAMENTO—An accounting of proceeds from a harvest completed following his evacuation from Sacramento county by the Army in 1942 is sought by Masanobu Tim Yoshimiya in a suit filed this week in Superior court against Mary E. Patterson and A. A. Ostrom, her agent.

Yoshimiya charges in the suit he was farming 200 acres of land leased from the defendant in 1942 and turned farm equipment over to her when she agreed to complete the crop harvest and give him an accounting of the proceeds. He declared she now refuses to make an accounting or return the farm equipment to him.

Two Young Hoodlums Beat Aged Issei

A 65-year-old Issei, Hachi Kitamura of 3949 Seventh East street, Salt Lake City, was the victim of an attack and robbery by two boys aged 11 and 12 on Wednesday, August 14.

The youths approached Kitamura about 4 p. m. as he was peeling onions in his tent and asked for a job, Kitamura reported. When he told them he had nothing for them to do, one of them knocked him unconscious. They then ransacked his tent. He came to just as the boys were leaving.

Both the boys were apprehended shortly afterwards on descriptions supplied by Kitamura.

They admitted to deputy sheriffs that they had ransacked the tent on Tuesday afternoon and had taken \$8 in cash. They said that they had returned the second day, figuring that if they found 20 or 30 dollars they would be able to leave town.

The boys are now being held at the detention home, pending juvenile court action.

Hawaii Population Brought Closer by Wartime Situation

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President Truman Asked by Honolulu AVC to Permit Return of Stranded Nisei

HONOLULU, T. H.—President Truman has been asked by the American Veterans Committee of Honolulu to initiate steps to permit the return to the United States of the American citizen and resident alien "families and relatives of American soldiers of Japanese ancestry and families and relatives of their friends."

It was estimated that several thousand Nisei and members of families of Nisei who were residents of Hawaii or the mainland United States were stranded in Japanese territory by the outbreak of war.

Only a handful of these persons have been permitted to return at the present time.

Copies of the resolution were sent by the American Veterans Committee to President Truman, the United States Congress, the

Immigration and Naturalization Bureau and other interested individuals and agencies.

The resolution asked that these agencies "collaborate expeditiously and take whatever action and steps as are necessary to process" stranded Nisei and resident aliens of the United States in Japan.

Five Nisei, Stranded by War In Japan, Return to U. S.

Colorado Legion Asks Enforcement Of Anti-Bias Laws

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — The Colorado department of the American Legion convening here last week passed 23 resolutions, among them being one demanding strict enforcement of federal and state laws against racial discrimination.

Six members of the Cathay Post of Denver, made up entirely of Japanese American and Chinese American veterans, attended as delegates.

Returns Must Be Cleared by Allied Headquarters in Tokyo

SAN FRANCISCO—One of the first groups of Nisei, stranded in Japan during the war, to return to the United States arrived in San Francisco on Aug. 15 aboard the United Fruit Company's Freighter, Flying Scud, from Yokohama.

Five Nisei were in the party, among the first of approximately 1,000 who were in Japan during the war, to be cleared for return to the United States, the Nichi-Bei Times reported.

Sumiko Iwasaki, 27, one of the returnees, said the five were "very fortunate" to receive authorization to come back to homes in the United States.

According to Miss Iwasaki, whose parents are now in Seattle, all Americans of Japanese ancestry who wish to return to homes in the United States must be cleared by Allied Headquarters and must secure two sponsors. Miss Iwasaki was taken to Japan by relatives when she was five years of age.

Others who arrived on the ship from Japan were Emiko Katsiro, Seattle; Dorothy Murayama, Los Angeles; Tomoya Kawakita, El Centro; and, Sister Y. Frances Uyeda of Santa Rosa, a Catholic nun.

Hizi Koyke Cheered In Appearance at Cincinnati Opera

CINCINNATI, O.—An unprecedented ten-curtain call ovation greeted Miss Hizi Koyke's second postwar appearance on August 10, when she played and sang Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" in the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Cincinnati summer opera.

Attendance for the opera of tragic Cho-Cho-san hit an all-time high, surpassing the throngs who witnessed the performance of Grace Moore, Jeannette McDonald, Gladys Swarthout and other stars.

Critics called the performance one of the musical highlights of the season. One critic said she gave the role "a fragility and guileless quality that some of her heftier soprano colleagues have failed to bring off."

A number of Miss Koyke's Nisei friends and admirers were present in the audience.

Nisei Get State Liquor Licenses After Court Hearing

LOS ANGELES—The California Board of Equalization this week granted liquor sales licenses to two American citizens of Japanese ancestry following court action by the Nisei.

Mary Nakamura and Kazuko Kawahata received off-sale beer and wine licenses although their applications originally had been turned down by the Equalization Board.

The two Nisei received a hearing on their appeal on July 23 before Judge Franklin J. Cole, State Board Referee. The licenses were issued following the hearing.

Welcome Reception Given War Bride

DENVER, Colo. — Mrs. Haru Futamata, mother of Capt. Roy Futamata, and Mr. and Mrs. Yutaka Terasaki gave a welcome reception for Mrs. Irene Futamata, charming Italian war bride of Lieut. Futamata, here last week.

Noted American Artists Plan Benefit to Assist Evacuees

NEW YORK — Twenty well-known artists have formed a special committee to sponsor a benefit for the Greater New York Committee For Japanese Americans Inc., at the art colony, Woodstock, N. Y., it was disclosed this week by Peter S. Aoki, executive director.

The artists committee, headed by Yasuo Kuniyoshi, famed Japanese American artist, and member of the board of directors of the Greater New York Committee, for Japanese Americans will hold the Harvest Festival Dance at the Maverick Concert Hall on Saturday, August 31st. In conjunction with the dance and carnival, a drawing will be held in which 14 original drawings, contributed by the members of the committee, will be awarded as prizes.

Several veterans of the 442nd will be invited to spend the weekend as the guest of the artists in Woodstock.

"I believe that this will help to further and extend to a wider circle of people a better understanding and relationship. It is most gratifying to know that we have a lot of friends even in a small Catskill village. The artists' enthusiasm, their receptive and progressive attitude has made this undertaking possible," Kuniyoshi stated.

Artists who are members of this committee are:

Arnold Blanch, Lucile Blanch, Paul Burlin, Edward Chavez, Herman Herry, Bruce Currie, Stuart Edie, Paul Fiene, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Fitzpatrick, Karl Fortess, Rosella Hartman, Frederick Knight, Mr. and Mrs. Yasuo Kuniyoshi, Doris Lee, Eugene Ludins, Ethel Magafan, Jennie Magafan, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Martin, Sigmond Menkes, Thomas Penning, Charles Rosen, Sueo Serisawa, Hannah Small, Judson Smith, Elizabeth Terrell, Bumpei Usui, Reginald Wilson, and Denny Winters.

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EDITORIALS: Evacuation Losses

In his statement to Congress, urging the passage of the Evacuation Claims bill, Secretary of Interior Julius A. Krug noted that the evacuees of Japanese ancestry had suffered heavy property and financial losses as a result of the evacuation. "Continued evacuation increased the losses," Secretary Krug said. "Private buildings in which evacuees stored their property were broken into and vandalized. Mysterious fires destroyed vacant buildings. Property left with 'friends' unaccountably disappeared. Goods stored with the Government sometimes were damaged or lost. Persons entrusted with the management of evacuee real property mulcted their owners in diverse ways. Tenants failed to pay rent, converted property to their own use, committed waste. Prohibited from returning to the evacuated areas even temporarily to handle property matters, the evacuees were unable to protect themselves adequately."

The evacuee indemnification proposal, backed by a strong message from President Truman which urged government action to rectify "the very real and grievous losses" sustained by many evacuees, was passed by the Senate but was stymied in the House upon the objection of Rep. Clair Engle of California. With the adjournment of the 79th Congress there is no possibility of further action this year on the claims bill and, though the proposal will be reintroduced in January, it will probably not be voted upon until next spring.

In the absence of government action to repay the losses sustained as a result of the evacuation, at least one evacuee has taken his problem to court. In a California court last week a Nisei farmer filed a suit against his landlord, asking an accounting for the crops harvested after the evacuation. The case is typical of those faced by many evacuees and it is possible that other suits will be filed.

Although individual court action may be instituted to recover some of the losses sustained by the evacuees, particularly in cases of deliberate mismanagement by authorized agents, much of the losses resulted directly from the "confusion and hysteria" of the evacuation itself, and final adjudication of these losses must await the creation of an Evacuation Claims Commission by Congress.

Veteran's Problems

Ex-Air Force Sergeant Ben Kuroki summed up the returning soldier's reactions when he said he only wanted to lie under a tree and forget about the war. But Ben Kuroki, like many another Nisei soldier, found that the war wasn't over, though the guns were stilled on the battlefield.

Ex-Sergeant George Otsuka, who wanted to settle down on a Texas farm, found the same was true, as did war veteran Jon Matsuo, who wanted to build a home in a veterans' housing project in Minneapolis. Both these Nisei found that a war hero's record was not sufficient to guarantee him equal opportunity to buy and live in the home of his choosing.

The Hawaii Herald recently, in endorsing the designation of "Veterans' Day" throughout the islands, put it this way:

"We heartily endorse this action on the part of our governor. . . .

"But a demonstration of community appreciation on August 15 is not enough. If our people are truly appreciative of the part played by Hawaii's young people in World War II, there are many ways in which this spirit may be demonstrated, besides a public

demonstration. At this point we ask: Is this not the time to put aside racial discrimination in our dealings with these veterans in business, in government, and in community affairs?"

The continental United States too, can and should see to it that the war veteran be given more than verbal thanks or public demonstrations for honestly rendered war services.

The National Action Conference on Minority Veterans Problems, which met recently in New York City, reported that "little progress" has been made in eliminating unequal treatment of minority veterans.

Discrimination was met by minority veterans, it was reported, in the disposal of their cases by many government agencies, including the United States Employment Service, the Veterans' Administration and the National Housing Agency.

With this report the conference voted unanimously to instruct a veterans delegation to take to President Truman charges of discrimination under the GI Bill of Rights and to demand the protection of the department of Justice for Negro and other minority GIs.

The American Veterans Committee and other veterans' groups are also concerned with the treatment accorded minority members of their organizations. While these groups carry on their struggle to gain recognition of equal rights for members, it nonetheless lies with the public to accord these rights to the men who comprised our armies in the war so recently fought. It remains for the people to see that our public acclamations of gratitude be carried into actual practice.

The Denver Post

Since the roaring days of Bonfils and Tammen, the Denver Post has been the journalistic titan of the eastern Rockies. An irresponsible giant, bred in the yellowest traditions of sensational news-mongering, its arms reached throughout all of Colorado and Wyoming and touched Nebraska, Kansas, Montana and New Mexico. It exerted great influence throughout its "empire," and because it was reactionary in outlook, it served the cause of reaction wherever it was read.

The Denver Post was isolationist. It hated labor and railed at government bureaus. Its attitude on minorities was reflected in its private war against the WRA and the Heart Mountain relocation center in particular. It helped circulate the false notion that the evacuees were being "coddled" by the WRA. Its bitter attacks against the WRA were matched only by the biased and vindictive Hearst press.

During recent years, however, the Post was losing ground. It became evident that it no longer represented the views of the people it purported to serve. Early in 1946 there was an abrupt change in the policies and management of the Denver Post. Palmer Hoyt, who had made the Portland Oregonian a model of clean, objective journalism and who had served during the war as domestic chief of OWI, was brought in as editor. Mr. Hoyt's influence was immediately noticeable. As one Postman remarked, it was as if someone has opened a window and had let in a breath of "clean, fresh air."

Under Palmer Hoyt the Post is making its place as a responsible newspaper with faith in the people and in the future of democracy. Today it is leading its readers toward the constructive extension of domestic principles. Its changed attitude toward the Nisei is shown in a recent editorial on the 442nd Combat Team and in an editorial, "Living in Harmony," which it published last week. In this latter editorial the Denver Post commented that "in challenging contrast to recent outbreaks of racism in Georgia," whites, Negroes and returned evacuees of Japanese ancestry were setting an example of harmonious postwar community adjustment in Southern California. It cited a recent article in the Negro magazine, Ebony, on the return of the Nisei to "Little Tokyo" in Los Angeles and noted the interracial activity which had been responsible for Americans "living in harmony." The Denver Post concluded that "calm judgment, fair play and the general desire to maintain smooth relationships" can work out "satisfactory adjustments" in areas of race tensions.

The new Denver Post has thrown its weight on the side of harmonious relationships among all of the peoples of America. It is fulfilling the responsibility commensurate with its great influence in the large section of the nation that it serves.

Nisei USA

by LARRY TAJIRI

Some Issei in the Arts

Three of the best-known Japanese in the United States were Sessue Hayakawa, Michio Ito and Dr. Hideyo Noguchi. Each achieved international recognition in his respective field but, perhaps because of the American law which denies naturalization rights to Japanese aliens, none of the three identified himself with the people's movements of the day, nor did the trio participate in the struggles of the West Coast Japanese against the yellow peril-mongers of a generation ago.

Today Dr. Noguchi is dead, a front-line casualty in the unending war against disease. He died in Accra on the West Coast of Africa in 1928 while doing research on sleeping sickness for the Rockefeller Foundation and was buried in a warm equatorial sea. One of the last American memorials to Dr. Noguchi was a film called "Nagana," produced by Universal in 1932 which vulgarized his career in a manner not uncommon to Hollywood.

Sessue Hayakawa, who was a star of the first magnitude in a Hollywood which was not as racially conscious as it is today, is in Paris where he sat out the Nazi occupation. Hayakawa starred in pre-war French films after his departure from the United States and two of them, "Le Battle," and "Yoshiwara," achieved the not unwelcome distinction of being banned by the Japanese militarists. Ito, the dancer, is in Japan, disillusioned with the vagaries of democracy, having been interned in the United States immediately after Pearl Harbor although he had spent most of his adult life in America and has two American-born children. Ito participated in a few propaganda broadcasts after his arrival in Japan on the Gripsholm but of late he has taken to entertaining American occupation forces.

Both Ito and Hayakawa achieved their greatest fame in America while Dr. Noguchi made a not inconsiderable contribution to our fund of medical knowledge. Today the two artists are far from American shores while Dr. Noguchi is part of the sea which touches the continent of Africa. The present situations of Ito and Hayakawa, if not that of Dr. Noguchi, might have been altered considerably had they not been Issei who were then, as now, "aliens ineligible to citizenship."

The poet, Yone Noguchi, whose name is associated with that of Joaquin Miller, once wrote epic lines in praise of California and his poetry at one time was included in California school books. Noguchi's disillusionment with democracy probably stemmed from the personal fact that he was an "ineligible alien" while living in California. He made his peace with the Japanese militarists and will probably be remembered for his correspondence with Rabindranath Tagore in which he attempted to impress the latter with Japan's "holy" mission in Asia rather than for his earlier poetry in praise of California.

Tsuguharu Foujita was not an Issei but a Japanese expatriate who traveled the western continents. His drawings, especially those of cats, enjoyed a vogue among readers of Conde Nast's Vanity Fair in the Golden Twenties. Foujita cut quite a figure, with his bowl haircut and his varied eccentricities, in the Bohemianism of the Left Bank of Paris in the 1920s. He returned to Japan by way of the United States in 1933 and wound up producing "cultural" movies for the East Asia Co-prosperity boys in Tokyo.

Yoichi Hiraoka was a young American artist who won recognition for the xylophone as a musical instrument and played with the New York Philharmonic and other famous symphony orchestras. His talent was recognized by Toscanini but on Pearl Harbor Day plus one, Hiraoka found himself an "enemy alien." He was unceremoniously fired by the National Broadcasting Company although he was the senior artist at NBC, having been on the network's musical staff for ten years. Because of his "enemy alien" status, Hiraoka had difficulty in resolving his personal dilemma. In bitterness at what he considered the shabby treatment accorded him, he applied for repatriation on the Gripsholm. A few weeks before he was to sail

on the Gripsholm, Mayor LaGuardia learned of his plight and introduced him on a Sunday broadcast. With LaGuardia's help it might have been possible for Hiraoka to resume his place as a musical artist but it was already too late. The sailing orders could not be revoked and within a month Hiraoka, his wife and their two children were on the high seas. Recently it was reported that one of the children was killed during the Tokyo bombings and that Hiraoka is now entertaining GIs in Japan.

In contrast, scores of "enemy alien" Issei in the arts played an important role in America's propaganda war in the Pacific. Yasuhiro Yashima, a refugee artist from Japan, designed many of the leaflets which were dropped on enemy troops. Propaganda material as these hastened Japan's decision to surrender, according to a story released in Tokyo last week. A number of Issei writers and artists served in the War Department, the OWI and OSS. A special bill which would provide these "enemy aliens" with right of naturalization was proposed in the Congress but was buried in committee. It will probably be passed in the next session in favor of a bill which will remove racial restrictions from our naturalization statutes.

Although many of the outstanding Issei personalities have been disillusioned by the racism in America's naturalization and immigration laws, the great majority of Issei have waited and hoped for the day these restrictions would be removed. Now, as a result of the splendid war records of both Nisei and Issei, a bill was introduced in Congress in July and will probably be reintroduced in the next session. For the first time the Immigration Department is granting applications for first papers to Issei, although these applications merely signify intent since the restrictions have yet to be repealed.

Meanwhile, Issei artists like Yasuo Kuniyoshi, who has achieved an eminence in American painting which equals the fame of Ito and Hayakawa in other fields, are active in various movements which seek to win greater democracy for the people of America. It is as significant that Isamu Noguchi and Sono Osato, who are in the front rank in their respective fields, are especially active in the political and social movements of our time. The artists of America, Nisei and Issei among them, recognize that there are no ivory towers any more.

EDITORIAL DIGEST

Not Only Lip-service THE HAWAII HERALD

The designation of August 15 as "Veterans' Day" in honor of the sacrifices made by Hawaiian fighting men "is not enough," says the Hawaii Herald in an editorial on August 8, which points out that "there are many ways" in which Hawaii can demonstrate her gratitude to these men.

There is a growing feeling among Hawaiian veterans of non-white ancestry that they are not getting their share of the better positions in local industries and certain governmental fields, says the Herald. If these are proven true, they should be spiked at once. But if they are true, then there is a job for community leaders to deal with openly and deliberately.

"We put ourselves on record by pointing out that this community cannot afford to allow its war veterans to feel that they are not getting a fair break in the matter of preferred positions," says the Herald. "If serious frustrations are allowed to develop among them, unhappy consequences will surely occur for us all. And if our community leaders are satisfied with a mere lip-service of prayer on Veterans' Day and the sporadic manifestations of gratitude are forthcoming, then our leaders will be guilty of insincerity. We repeat: that a showing of appreciation to our returned veterans on Veterans' Day is not enough."

Vagaries

Girl Wanted . . .

Times have changed note: One of California's leading anti-evacuee organizations, with headquarters in San Francisco, recently asked for the services of a Nisei office girl.

Color Film . . .

Honolulu photographer, George Tabara, has produced a sound film in color, "Those Who Care," which is being used to combat juvenile delinquency in Hawaii. . . . On the first anniversary of V-J Day last week the Associated Press featured a story by a Nisei in their Tokyo bureau, Yoshio Matsuoka, who spent the war years in Japan and who pointed an optimistic future for the defeated nation under the American occupation. . . . "We Are Seven," Wataru Kaji's documentary story of the first group of Japanese anti-fascists who fought on the side of China against the Japanese militarists during the war, has been edited in New York and is published in the Japanese language for Issei readers by the Japanese American Committee for Democracy. The book, which sells for \$3.00, also features art work by several noted artists of Japanese ancestry in the United States, including Taro Yashima, Chuzo Tamotsu, Bunji Tagawa and Paul Kochi.

Merit Award . . .

A Nisei GI recently was awarded the Legion of Merit in Tokyo for making important war data discovered in 4,000 Japanese documents he translated.

VFW Ban . . .

Spokane notes: The fight to break the anti-Nisei ban imposed by the Veterans of Foreign Wars post in Spokane is not ended and may be taken to the National VFW convention this fall. . . . An effort to form a separate veterans organization for ex-GIs of Japanese and Chinese ancestry is not doing very well, mainly because not enough Chinese Americans are eligible, while Nisei ex-soldiers still believe they should break the membership ban imposed against them by the VFW post. . . . Spady Koyama, adjutant of the Spokane chapter of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, will assist Nisei veterans in rehabilitation problems. Koyama is at the Purple Heart organization's office in the Mohawk building. He notes that a number of job offers for Nisei veterans have come into the office. He reports that Floyd Yamamoto, 417 1/2 Trent Alley, Spokane 8, is looking for airplane or engine mechanics interested in going to Japan to work for Asia Airways, Inc., an American outfit.

Snafu . . .

In recent weeks there have been at least two cases of honorably discharged Nisei war veterans who have been refused civilian government jobs because information in government intelligence files indicates that they are "potentially disloyal." In both cases the veterans served with distinction in the Pacific war against Japan. . . . Hal Hoshino, hard-hitting Nisei featherweight and title contender before the war, is considering a comeback and would like to start it in Honolulu. Hawaiian fans remember that the Nisei from Pendleton, Ore., knocked out six out of seven opponents in Honolulu shortly before Pearl Harbor. Hoshino lost to Jimmy Florita in Olympic stadium in Los Angeles in his last bout in 1942.

Sisler's Error . . .

George Sisler, one of baseball's all-time stars who managed the World team in the Brooklyn game at Ebbets Field, Brooklyn, earlier this month, admitted at a dinner following the three-game series that he had made a mistake in his judgment of Henry Tominaga, the little Nisei southpaw from Honolulu who represented Hawaii on the World team which lost two games to the Brooklyn boys team. Sisler thought that Tominaga was "too small" to pitch effectively against the six-footers on the Brooklyn nine. As a result Sisler did not use the Nisei until the third game of the series. When Tominaga finally got his chance he pitched three scoreless innings and was the only World pitcher who was not scored on.

After the Tumult and Shouting: America Has Not Begun To Repay Debt to Evacuees

By A. A. LIVERIGHT

Director, American Council on Race Relations

The 442nd Battalion, famous Nisei unit, arrived in the U. S. on July 4 and was given a fitting welcome at Camp Kilmer, N. J. Army big wigs were out in full force for the homecoming. Papers carried stirring accounts of the exploits of America's most decorated battalion. America showed its appreciation for the courageous job that the Nisei performed in spite of obstacles; in spite of brothers, sisters and parents held in relocation centers, and in spite of race-baiting stories in many of the American newspapers. Now that the Fourth of July has passed, however, what is the real situation as far as the Japanese Americans are concerned? The picture is far from the rosy situation described recently in the Saturday Evening Post. It is true that Japanese Americans have adjusted amazingly well to problems stemming from evacuation and to the more recent problems arising from too-rapid relocation on the Coast. It is also true that almost half of the evacuees have resettled away from the Pacific Coast and are integrating themselves effectively into the lives of Eastern and Mid-Western communities.

On the other hand, America has not even begun to pay the debt it owes for the completely un-democratic evacuation of these people. We have not yet passed a bill which will indemnify the evacuees for the losses they suffered as a result of evacuation. We have done little or nothing to combat the escheat cases in California which are daily taking away land owned by them. We are doing almost nothing to see that those returning to the Coast are protected from discrimination in employment and housing. Boycotts by organized and unorganized groups on the Coast are making it difficult and, in some cases, impossible for returning Japanese American veterans in the Northwest to work their land and market their crops.

In the face of these situations, it is shocking but true to note that almost all of the organizations which were working so actively for Japanese Americans during the war have dropped out of the picture. Almost none of the groups set up to work on this problem during the war years are participating actively in support of the remedial legislation now in process. Little money is available to carry out the direct assistance and action needed on the Coast or to secure facts on economic losses or to carry out the kind of education and information program so necessary to buttress efforts for necessary legislation.

If any action is to be secured on indemnification and citizenship legislation and if Pacific Coast problems are to be dealt with effectively, a resurgence of conscience, interest and activity is essential. Although the blot of evacuation on our record can not be erased, there are still a lot of things which we must do to at least compensate in part for what has been called "America's worst war-time mistake."

Washington News-Letter National Monument Planned As Tribute to Nisei GIs

By JOHN KITASAKO

In the black days of 1942, the Nisei and their parents occupied a position no one disputed or envied. Despised and disgraced, they were in the cellar of public opinion. Get them out of the way, people said. And so they were stuck out in desert wastelands where miles and miles of forbidding barbed wire fence separated them from the American public.

But in four years, the Nisei have staged what is considered the most phenomenal comeback in the annals of American racial relations. Today they can hold their heads high and live as respected citizens in any community of the land.

And you know why. It's because fellows like Fred, Jimmy, Joe, Ted, and hundreds of others streamed out of the relocation centers without a moment's hesitation when the call to war was issued, and joined their rugged comrades-in-arms from Hawaii.

They were dead serious about the business of soldiering. They trained harder than other units. The splendid spirit in which they responded to the call to colors and the determination they showed in training left no doubt that they would make good.

As they slugged their way up the Italian boot, each additional victory, every new citation whittled down public antagonism. But the cost in proving they were as good Americans as the next fellow was high.

Hundreds of them never came back. For them white crosses dot the landscape of the land they helped to liberate. And let us not forget the Nisei boys who went the other way—to the hazardous,

though less publicized, warfare in the Pacific. A number of them did not return either.

Those of us whose world has been made more fine and free through the sacrifice of these fallen heroes can and should honor them in an appropriate way. The National JAACL is initiating a movement through the Washington chapter to erect a monument in the National Cemetery at Arlington. No single project ever undertaken by Nisei deserves more unqualified support.

This monument will be a tribute to the courage of these boys, a brand of terrifying courage that was discussed with respect and awe wherever fighting men congregated. The brown-skinned boys may have lacked size, but friend and foe alike swore they had more guts per pound than any other soldiers.

It will be a tribute to their prowess. This, combined with their scrappiness earned them the war correspondents' accolade as one of the smartest units operating in the European theater.

This monument will be a tribute to their vision. In the days of confusion back in 1943, these boys knew what the score was, and they led the way. They knew their share toward eventual victory would enhance the welfare of their parents, wives, and families. It was not for themselves alone, but for the larger cause of all Nisei and Issei.

It will stand majestically as a symbol of the power of the American ideal. It will mark the failure of the hellfire of racial hatreds to burn out the spirit of loyalty and patriotism among the Nisei.

The monument will memorialize in stone the most glorious chapter in Nisei history, a period that every Nisei will remember with pride and gratitude. It will be our way to show appreciation to those boys who, in the words of General

From the Frying Pan

By BILL HOSOKAWA

General DeWitt to the Contrary . . .

Denver, Colo.

When is a Jap?

A certain general once made the novel observation that a person is always a Jap if he is once a Jap. But when is a Jap? Some strange personalities came under the army's classification of "Japs" during the evacuation. There were brown-haired, white-skinned evacuees who were "Japs" because one of their forebears was of Japanese extraction. And at the Minidoka relocation center were several "Japs" whose sociological background was more Alaskan Indian and Eskimo than Japanese.

We dip into our meager store of anecdotes this week to illustrate the fallacy of the belief

that a Jap always is a Jap. All the main characters, incidentally, are Nisei whose parents on both sides are of Japanese stock.

Mary Oyama: A Matter Of Courage

By MARY OYAMA

One night not so long ago, we were bull sessioning with some Nisei. In the course of the evening the talk had touched upon prejudice, discrimination, etc., and invariably it flowed naturally from anti-Semitism to the anti-Negro bias of some people. Some one mentioned the necessity of minority groups working together, the common problems shared alike by Jews, Negroes, Nisei, said one Nisei, "But we've got enough problems of our own, without having to worry about the other guy—why stick out our necks for some one else?"

If we champion the cause of the Negroes for instance, declared one Nisei, the "hakujins" (whites) will look down upon us (the Nisei), and just end up getting it in the neck. Yes, but, we exclaimed, we must be courageous and be willing to stick up for those even worse off than we are. What about the numerous Americans who stuck their necks out for the Nisei during the war. It took courage for them to champion an unpopular cause. The least we can do as Nisei is to show the same sort of courage.

We can't help but wonder how many Nisei would be courageous enough to champion the cause of Negro Americans if they were threatened by anonymous telephone calls, sinister letters, rocks being hurled through windows, fiery crosses burnt on lawns, and such forms of intimidation. Yet these very things have happened—to brave men and women who were not afraid to speak out and act for the Nisei Americans during the war.

If we are such Casper Milque-toasts that we would not be willing to suffer a bit for the sake of other fellow Americans—the Jews, the Negroes, the Filipinos, the Mexican Americans—we certainly deserve to be stepped upon and pushed around. Some times it seems that the Nisei either do not fully realize or appreciate the sacrifices made by those who went to bat for them.—From the Rafu Shimpo of Aug. 21, 1946.

Stilwell, bought such a big hunk of America with their blood.

Incident in D. C.

CAPITAL NOTES: A group of five Nisei on a recent Saturday night sat down at a table in a Washington cafe. One of the group was Tad Ono, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, who carried a cane. A waiter came to the table and said, "The gentleman at that table over there wants to buy you all drinks. Order whatever you like, and I'll take the check to him."

When the Nisei appeared a bit hesitant, the waiter assured them it was strictly on the level, and so they ordered. On his way out, the man stopped at the table of the Nisei, who thanked him profusely. The man said his son had fought in Italy. "He's told me all about the 442nd, and this is just my small way of showing my appreciation for the great fighting they all did over there!"

New Chairman

Andrew Kuroda, pre-war Methodist minister at Yakima, Washington, has been elected chairman of the Washington D. C. Japanese Christian Fellowship. Andrew taught Japanese at the University of Michigan army language school (Continued on page 6)

Wire-Haired

Erie Kawai of Des Moines had been laid up in a hospital for a long while after a serious operation. When it was time to go home Erie's hair had grown so shaggy he thought it best to have a barber come to the hospital room and give him a haircut.

The barber, as barbers frequently do, chattered endlessly as he trimmed Kawai's hair, and presently the conversation turned to the barbering business. "Oh, it isn't bad," the barber rambled on as he snipped away. "The union gets us a pretty good price and we keep busy. All kinds of folks come into the shop, and I don't mind serving any of them, all except one. I just can't stand these wire-haired Japs!"

Kawai often wishes he had had the energy to remark that he happened to be of the wire-haired brotherhood.

Help Wanted

Mrs. Ann So is a waitress at the American Legion Cathay Post's clubhouse dining room in Denver. For atmosphere she usually wears a Chinese costume, although she spent a large part of her life on a little California truckfarm her parents operated.

One of her patrons one day was a woman, just a little over-dressed, a little over-painted and a little too loud.

"Do you know where I can get a good Chinese house girl," she asked Ann.

Ann replied that there weren't many Chinese American girls in Denver but there might be Japanese Americans who would be interested.

"Oh," the woman replied shortly, "I don't trust those Japs. I wouldn't have a thing to do with them."

"But madam," said Ann. "I'm one of those Japs."

"Well, I didn't mean you. Of course there are good ones and bad ones. I'm sorry. . . ."

Identity

Bob Yosh Kodama, one-time Los Angeles market workers union leader, got his army discharge on the east coast. Still in uniform he bought a car and drove home to California. The trip took a long time because Bob is a chatty fellow who likes people and is curious about their way of life. He doesn't need much encouragement to make a five-minute gas stop an excuse for a half-hour's conversation with the gas-pumper or any handy native who happens to be going by.

As Bob tells it, these conversations frequently would wind up by the native asking: "By the way, what are you, anyway. Italian? There are a bunch of Italians down the road a ways."

And that would be just the opening Bob needed to talk about the Nisei and what a great bunch of fighting men they had proven to be.

Mr. Ho

We put in several thousand miles of travel in China, and if it suited our purpose, we passed as Chinese whenever we pleased. In North China we were a Hongkong Chinese which made it obvious enough why we spoke only English. And in South China we were a Northern Chinese and it was easy to see that we had attended some American college in Peking which enabled us to converse in English.

It was a Mr. Ho for whom a certain Shanghai tailor made several suits. It isn't merely coincidence that these same suits, now somewhat threadbare, hang in the closet of Mr. Hosokawa.

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Masao in Chicago: THE WITHERED LEAVES

By JOBO NAKAMURA

The burning hot sun tilted slowly and went down fighting, throwing molten flare on the dark, gray buildings of Chicago's westside. An ancient "L" car lumbered noisily on its long, weary journey northward to Wilson avenue.

Masao sat on the worn, green seat and gazed vacantly across the car. A trim girl in thin white blouse and tight black skirt sat opposite him and she had her legs crossed. She noticed that he was looking. She tugged the hem of her skirt over her knees.

Like one big burning pyre, the Loop was illuminated by garish yellow, orange, and red signs that fairly screamed at one another. On the other side, Lake Michigan was ink-black but he could see the frothing waves as they hit the rocks. How often he had taken long brooding walks in that dark all the way to the dank rooming house in which he lived. He fell into hurt retrospection. Those days of resentment and loneliness, the vicissitudes of hope and despair came back to him as though it was today. Was life repeating itself? But they need not come back again, he assured himself.

All day at work he kept thinking of the letter which came from Kenji who had gone back to his home town. Masao took the letter out of his pocket and reread each word carefully:

"California is no different now than pre-evacuation. The Nisei still toil ten hours a day picking potatoes, girdling grapes, packing tomatoes, side by side with old Mexican women, illiterate Okies with their ragged children and dogs. . . . The Nisei dream is still Saturday night at Joe's pool hall or the Y. B's weenie bake at the beach. I hate like the devil seeing the 'old friends' because when they ask me what I plan to do, I sound so utterly crazy replying 'city planning.' In this world, nothing but labor, sweat, five o'clock are reality!"

"Somehow a great deal of the condition in California in which the Nisei finds himself is tragic. In Chicago, in New York, in St. Paul, in Ann Arbor, in Madison, he could dream and he usually did.

"My bus arrived in Stockton in the wee hours of the morning so I thought I'd hitch-hike home to my folks' place. Harry Nakadoi picked me up on his truck. He was on his way to work. He was hauling a load of Issei bachelors in the back and a young stalwart Nisei in front of him. Frankly, Masao, never had I ever been so rudely awakened from a dream as the moment I saw them. . . . the picture might have been the same hundred years ago, and might be the same hundred years hence! I felt panicky and wanted to run. . . . I felt the trap tighten and golly, I felt all the insecurities, all the heartaches, and all the frustrations sweep over me. I wished that I had never come back!"

Masao folded the letter and replaced it in his shirt pocket. Gosh, he mused to himself, it must be wonderful to be alive in Chicago, to feel the independence that Kenji would never experience in the old home town. He would never go back, he resolved, never!

He got off at Belmont and took quick steps as he neared home. Home. It was only a small flat in the west-side tenement but some day it would be a green-roofed bungalow in the suburbs with white picket fences he always dreamed about. His pop could have that little tomato patch in the backyard. . . .

A gust of wind scattered withered leaves on the sidewalk. From the other end of the street, a pucky-looking Nisei girl about

thirteen came hand in hand with an auburn-haired, freckled-face girl of the same age. They walked as light as a pair of unstudied young does emerging from the woods.

Masao thought she seemed too young to be wearing lipstick, but kids nowadays were different. . . . even though she was his little sister. He was glad she was growing up to be a lively and happy personality with definite extrovert characteristics. It was good to see her playing with "hakuji" girls in the neighborhood.

"Hay Mas!" She smiled easily. "Gertie and me are going to a show tonight to see Guy Madison! Hubba! Hubba! Say, mom's got some salmon on the stove. It's plenty goooooo!"

They giggled and ran around the corner.

Gosh, how he loved that kid sister of his. He always thought she was just a brat back in camp who had an obnoxious knack of getting into his hair. Tomorrow, he must bring home some movie magazines for her. She simply ate that stuff up.

Masao was now the lord and the master of the home. His father, now too old to do heavy work, had a watchman's job at a nearby glove factory. Evacuation had upset the tables so drastically that before he could realize, he was now the bread-winner of the family. Gone now were the heated arguments that he and his father had so frequently, gone now was the dogmatic insistence that family traditions and age-old customs were more important than individual development.

Father lay quietly on his bed reading a Denver Japanese language paper while Masao's mother stirred in the tiny kitchen to boil water for Masao's tea. His mother fussed over him as she always did. She never changed. Somehow she kept the family together. It showed on her drawn face and work-worn hands. She loved Masao with possessiveness that often embarrassed him.

The new sense of responsibility seemed entirely foreign to Masao as though it was something he would have expected in his lifetime. Only yesterday, it seemed, his father had called him "spineless and irresponsible." Through the mire of evacuation and the confusion of relocation, he knew that he had sensed a new life was shaping for him.

Outwardly, there was very little to say to his parents at home. He picked up his sister's movie magazine and thumbed it through. He put it back on the table and threw a jacket over his shoulder.

"Mom, I'm going over to Hayashi's." The air was cool and he took brisk steps. His whole body seemed to tingle with inexplicable joy of just being alive. . . . Now he was going to see Yuri. He would show her the letter Kenji sent him and they would discuss it understandingly like the way she always did. Yes, it was good to be alive, wasn't he a man of responsibility. . . . off to see a wonderful girl like her?

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Institute Fills Job Requests In Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Closing of the WRA centers and the War Relocation Authority has not diminished requests for employment opportunities in Philadelphia, according to Penn Notes. Forty persons applied for jobs at the Japanese section of the International Institute during the June-July period, the paper says, with the Institute filling 26 of the requests. The Institute has placed Nisei and Issei in a wide variety of occupations, including watchmaking, farm labor, food dehydration and processing, sewing, translation and domestic work. . . . Eleanor Ward, student at Swarthmore college, and William Inouye, graduate of the same college and at present an employee of the Owens-Illinois Glass company of Berlin, New Jersey, were married on August 3 in an impressive Quaker wedding at the Swarthmore Meeting House. The engagement of Grayce Kanada, graduate student at the Pennsylvania School of Social Work and staff member at the International Institute, to Hiroshi Ueyehara was announced here recently. . . . Other engagements announced recently include those of Miss Miyoko Nagatani to George Sakai and Miss Yuriko Ueyehara to Takashi Moriuchi.

John Kitasako: Washington Letter

(Continued from page 5)
during the war, and is now in the Japanese section of the Library of Congress Oriental Division.

Hatsumi Yamada, who was with the OSS during the war, is now employed as a research analyst in the State Department. . . . Mary Tamada, former Social Security Board employee, is the latest Nisei Government employee to go to Tokyo for GHQ. . . . George Shigekawa has taken a job as senior statistician in Wilson Wyatt's National Housing Administration. George, a former economist at the Bureau of Labor Statistics, recently returned from Japan where he served with a 20-man political mission.

Letter

Gentlemen: Recently I became a subscriber to your newspaper, the Pacific Citizen.

I wish to compliment you on this paper. It is well written, and informative, as well as interesting.

I served with the U. S. Navy for over three years and it is my feeling that the war is ended and should be a closed issue. I believe that the causes for the war and the blame for the results should be left to the historians.

The efforts of all Americans, regardless of their ancestry, or their race, color, or creed should be directed toward a spirit of harmony and cooperation. I know that every right thinking American shares in this feeling and will work toward that end.

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FRESNO 1, CALIFORNIA

Tsuchiya's Will End Work With Los Angeles JACL Office

Express Optimism Over Future of Nisei in California

Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Tsuchiya, who organized the Southern California regional office of the Japanese American Citizens League and have represented the JACL in that area for the past year, announced this week in Salt Lake City that they will terminate their services with the organization within the next thirty days.

The Tsuchiyas are in Salt Lake City on a combined business-vacation trip.

The Tsuchiyas, who have worked for the past year in one of the most difficult resettlement spots in California, reported that they felt "highly optimistic" over the future of Japanese Americans and the JACL in the southern California area.

The JACL recruited 100 members within a two-week period, they reported. Of 60 persons contacted on the streets and in stores by Scotty Tsuchiya, not one refused to join the JACL, Tsuchiya said. He reported a great deal of enthusiasm among Los Angeles Nisei over the reorganization of the league in that city.

The Los Angeles representative stated that he will continue to work on the Civil Rights Defense Union financial drive upon his return to Los Angeles next week. The drive, which was begun two weeks ago, has netted \$4500 to date.

Mr. and Mrs. Tsuchiya will return to San Francisco, their pre-war home, upon their termination of service. Scotty Tsuchiya operated Fujita and Co., an art and antique store, in the heart of San Francisco's Chinatown. He will return to the importing business "as soon as conditions permit," he said.

They will leave Salt Lake City Monday, August 26, for San Francisco, where they will stay a short time prior to returning to Los Angeles.

The Los Angeles office of the JACL will be managed by Eiji Tanabe, national staff representative, after the Tsuchiyas depart permanently for San Francisco.

Salinas Skatefest

SALINAS, Calif.—The newly-established Westminster Fellowship of the Salinas Japanese Presbyterian church will hold a skatefest on the 26th of August from 7:30 p. m. at the Salinas Rollerland, 285 E. Alisal. Tickets may be purchased from the sponsors or may be obtained at the gate.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

- To Mr. and Mrs. Toshio Ando a boy on Aug. 10 in Denver, Colo.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Tsugio Kurakasu a girl in Denver, Colo.
- To Dr. and Mrs. Frank Inui a girl on Aug. 18 in Salt Lake City.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Hideo Kawahara a boy, Craig Masuo, on Aug. 16 in San Francisco.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Kinji Morino a boy, King James, on Aug. 16 in San Francisco.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Suzaka, 167 East 6th South St., Salt Lake City, a boy on August 1.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Ray Taneguchi a girl on Aug. 12 in Denver.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Higiuchi a girl in Denver, Colo.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Masami S. Ono a girl on July 23 in San Francisco.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Minoru Nakagawa, Morgan Hill, Calif., a girl Carol Jean, on Aug. 5.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Daiji Mayeda, Los Gatos, Calif., a boy, Richard Yoshitake, on Aug. 5.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Yamashita a boy, Don Kenji, on Aug. 1 in Sane Jose, Calif.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Yaichi F. Takashoji, Loomis, Calif., a girl on July 18.
- To Mr. and Mrs. Tomoyuki Makita, Berkeley, Calif., a girl Arlene Midori, on July 12.

DEATHS

- Mojiro Tanioka on Aug. 18 in Los Angeles.
- Itaro Sato on Aug. 17 in Los Angeles.
- Yukiko Kokubu on Aug. 17 in Los Angeles.
- Suyekichi Nakawatase, 65, on Aug. 16 in Los Angeles.

MARRIAGES

- Kimiye Kato to Tadanori Nishimori on Aug. 10 in Guadalupe, Calif.
- Tomoye Tokofuku to Isami Fukugawa in San Jose.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

- Marie Shiyomura, Denver, and Joey Sumida, Cozad, Neb.
- Emma R. Hayashi and Norman H. Goto in Denver.

Photographs

Copies of photographs taken by Pvt. K. Ozaki of Fort Belvoir, Va., of the gala homecoming ceremonies of the 442nd Regimental Combat Team are now available, according to Pvt. Ozaki.

Many of the photographs appeared in the special section published by the Pacific Citizen on July 13. Photographs should be described as clearly as possible. The price is 70 cents for a glossy 8x10 print, mailing folder and postage included.

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Denver YPS Group Holds Dance

DENVER—The Young People's Society of the Denver Young Women's Christian Association held an orchestra dance on Thursday, August 22, as the latest in a series of recreational activities.

On Saturday, August 17, the group held a moonlight hayride from the Mississippi Stables near Denver. Mami Katagiri and Ben Miyahara were co-chairmen.

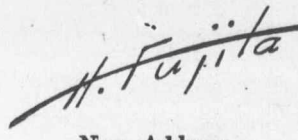
The Young People's Society, composed mainly of Nisei young people, holds frequent activities for members and guests of the YPS. Further information on the group's activities may be secured from Miss Arline Brauer, group worker at the Denver YW-CA, 1545 Tremont Place.

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Salt Lake Bowlers Win Team Crown at Denver Tournament

Kaoru Honda Takes All-Events, Singles Titles at Tourney

DENVER—Over a hundred men and women bowlers, including two teams from Chicago and three from Salt Lake City, engaged in a two-day tournament sponsored by the Denver JACL August 17 and 18 at the Recreation alleys.

Bill Kaoru Honda, lead-off man for the Okada Blues of Salt Lake City, emerged as the new champion with a 1702 score for three series to take the all-events trophy and a 610 series for top honors in the men's singles.

The Okada Reds won the team championship, nosing out the Denver Pin Topplers, 2666 to 2659. Maki Kaizumi led the Okada squad with a 617. Other Okada players were Jun Kurumada, Tadao Sako, George Kishida and Sho Hiraizumi. Dr. Takashi Mayeda paced the Denver squad with a 604. His teammates were Moon Kataoka, Hooch Okumura, George Takeuchi and Frank Ota.

The Okada Blues beat Bob's Cafe of Chicago, leading Midwest team, with a 2563 to take third place. Bob's Cafe's 2530 took fourth place, followed by the Granada Sharks of Denver, and the Chicago Raiders. Other competing teams were the Silver Dollar, Manchu Low and Cathay Post 185 of Denver and the Salt Lake All-Stars.

Chicago's Tak Fujii took home the high game trophy with a 258 game. Bill Honda, new champion, rolled a 230 high game.

Moon Kataoka and George Takeuchi, who carried the Intermountain Nisei men's doubles events in Salt Lake City last April, repeated their victory with a 1135 series.

Over \$650 in prizes and trophies were awarded the winners.

- Team Event**
1. Okada Reds: 918, 879, 869.
 2. Denver Pin - Topplers: 910, 826, 923.
 3. Okada Blues: 888, 879, 796.

- Men's Doubles**
1. George Takeuchi-Moon Kataoka: 1135.
 2. Nick Yoneda-Dr. T. Mayeda: 1097.
 3. George Yasukochi-Min Kushino: 1092.
 4. Tak Fujii - Shorty Tanaka: 1050.

- Men's Singles**
1. Bill Honda: 610.
 2. Tak Fujii: 594.
 3. Hooch Okumura: 591.
 4. George Yasukochi: 572.
 5. Lefty Kobayashi: 562.
 6. Fred Hasegawa: 555.
 7. George Kishida: 552.

- Individual High Game**
1. Tak Fujii: 258.

Men's All-Events
Bill Kaoru Honda: 1702.

- Mixed Doubles**
1. Ann Konishi - Hooch Okumura: 1047.
 2. Ann So-Shig Teraji: 997.
 3. & 4. Sets Kobayashi-Ike Ogata: 962; Eiko Watanabe-Moon Kataoka: 962.

- Women's Team**
1. Denver Debs: 2192.
 2. Cardonians: 2133.

- Women's Doubles**
1. Eiko Watanabe: 898.

- Women's Singles**
1. Rosa Higashi: 478.
 2. Masako Kojima: 448.
 3. Noble Watanabe: 440.

- Women's All-Events**
1. Rosa Higashi: 1412.

- Women's High Game**
1. Ann So: 198.

In a special match game the

MISLS Softball Stars To Meet Berkeley Teams Over Holiday

BERKELEY, Calif.—Twenty softball All Stars from the Military Intelligence Service Language School at Monterey are scheduled to make two non-military appearances against Nisei teams over the Labor Day holidays.

The MISLS will play the Nisei Emanons on Sept. 1 and the Berkeley Nisei Club veterans on Sept. 2. Both games will be played at 2:30 p. m. at Grove playground, at the corner of Grove and Russell streets.

The MISLS All Stars come to their first non-military engagements after an undefeated record in the Minneapolis area. In their initial games on the coast they twice defeated the Fort Ord team.

Composed mostly of Nisei active in the Hawaii softball league, the MISLS All Stars are managed by Lieut. George Hachiya.

In honor of the visitors, host teams and friends have arranged a social to which the public is cordially invited on Saturday, August 31, at the YWCA Cottage, corner of Allston and Union. There will be no charge. The social will begin at 8 p. m.

Okada Insurance Reds of Salt Lake City defeated the Denver Pin-Topplers, 2730 to 2677.

The summaries:

OKADA REDS			
Tad Sako	168	169	223-560
Geo. Kishida	175	192	201-563
S. Hiraizumi	166	166	163-495
Dr. Kurumada	178	157	187-522
Maki Kaizumi	224	165	196-585
	911	849	970 2730

DENVER PIN-TOPPLERS			
Dr. Mayeda	167	155	180-502
H. Okumura	181	182	182-545
Frank Ota	183	152	179-514
G. Takeuchi	201	235	176-612
M. Kataoka	161	194	149-504
	898	918	866 2677

In other match games the Okada Reds bowed to the Chicago Raiders who hit a 2650 series, while the Okada Blues defeated Bob's Cafe of Chicago. In an earlier match the Okada Blues lost to Cathay Post 185 of Denver.

Court Overrules Demurrer In Placer Land Law Case

AUBURN, Calif. — Superior Judge Lowell L. Sparks last week overruled the demurrer of the defense in the escheat proceedings filed by Attorney General Robert Kenny of California and District Attorney C. E. Tindall against Mr. and Mrs. S. Kondo and their son, Aster Kondo.

The State's suit charges violation of the Alien Land law by Mr. and Mrs. Kondo who are aliens of Japanese ancestry.

The defense demurrer attacked the validity of the proceedings and contended the statute of limitations does not apply in escheat proceedings.

The proceedings are reportedly the first filed in Placer county under the provisions of the California Alien Land law.

The court's action overruling the demurrer paves the way for a defense answer to the suit, filed in April, 1945, and the subsequent setting of the case for trial.

San Joaquin County Camp Houses Aged Evacuee Group

STOCKTON, Calif. — Fifty-five aged indigent Japanese aliens are now being housed in a former labor camp nine miles west of Manteca in a project operated by San Joaquin county, according to Elizabeth Chapman in the Stockton Record.

The men live in a barracks type building and keep the quarters in order under the direction of Yoshimatsu Teraoka, designated cook for the group, who is paid a salary of \$50 a month. He operates the camp under the direction of Charles Stewart, county welfare director.

The men get along fine, accord-

ing to Teraoka, who was formerly a worker on the Woodworth ranch near Lodi. The men keep the place in order, take care of their clothes, and cultivate a small garden which supplies them with fresh vegetables.

With the close of the War Relocation Authority, the federal government brought 158 aged men to Stockton last December and furnished \$12,000 for the first three months of their stay until they were screened for residence requirements. This was particularly hard to do, Stewart declared, as few of their fellow countrymen were available for confirmation of claims.

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