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British Columbia Groups Call For Voting Privileges for Citizens of Oriental Descent

Question of Franchise Right Becomes Major Issue in Only Canadian Province Which Invokes Race Restrictions on Right to Ballot

WINNIPEG, Man.—The question of the right of franchise for Canadian citizens of Oriental ancestry in British Columbia has become a major issue in the province, the New Canadian reported last week.

The New Canadian said that the provincial elections act which bars persons of Asiatic ancestry from voting in British Columbia is up for revision and a new version is scheduled for presentation at the next legislative session which will be convened next spring.

Representatives of twelve organizations have appeared before a special legislative committee in Vancouver on Oct. 31 and Nov. 1 and have placed themselves on record in favor of the enfranchisement of Oriental Canadians.

(Oriental Canadians have the right of ballot in every province except British Columbia, where more of the citizens of Japanese, Chinese and East Indian descent reside.)

The only group to demand the perpetuation of the anti-Oriental restriction in the British Columbia voting laws was the Japanese Repatriation League.

"There is a good possibility that when the revised elections act is introduced, it will contain a proposal for the enfranchisement of minorities now under restriction," the New Canadian reported.

The legislative committee, under R. R. Carson, is continuing its hearings in Victoria. The final drafting of the amended elections law will be in the hands of J. Pitcairn Hogg, K. C.

Harold Winch, leader of the PCP political party, which is in favor of equal franchise rights for minority groups, is a member of the committee.

The New Canadian reported little opposition to the proposal for Oriental Canadian enfranchisement in British Columbia aside from the arguments presented by J. H. Fletcher of the Japanese Repatriation League, whose program is the total expulsion of persons of Japanese ancestry from Canada.

"Exclusion of British Columbia Orientals from the franchise dates back to 1902 after a period of anti-Oriental hysteria," the New Canadian stated.

The New Canadian noted that the law restricted Oriental Canadians from voting in the province and that since that time the act has been used to restrict further the political and economic life of persons of Oriental ancestry.

As a result of the wartime evacuation, persons of Japanese ancestry no longer constitute the largest Oriental group in British Columbia. Before the evacuation 24,000 persons of Japanese ancestry, most of whom are Canadian citizens, resided in British Columbia, but the present figure, resulting from the government's post-evacuation dispersal campaign, is 6,500. The largest Oriental Canadian group consists of persons of Chinese ancestry, numbering 18,000. There are 1,400 East Indians in the province.

Support for the enfranchisement of Oriental Canadians has come from religious, labor and cultural organizations in British Columbia.

At the legislative hearings, representatives of the East and West Society, the CIO's International Woodworkers of America, Conference of the United Church of Canada, Inter-Racial Institute, United Nations Society in Canada, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, United Fishermen and Allied Workers, Trades and Labor Congress and the Baptist Church Social Services Committee spoke on behalf of the enfranchisement of Oriental Canadians. In addition, Arthur Jung spoke for the Chinese Canadian Association and Don MacBean supported the right of East Indians to the ballot.

Major T. W. Wheadon of the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans Association supported the ballot for Chinese Canadians.

Citizens Change Mind on Land Act, Says Californian

SALINAS, Calif. — The citizens of California have changed their minds on the Alien Land law issue, the Salinas Californian commented in an editorial last week.

The Californian published a box-score of its recommendations on the 17-State propositions which were voted upon at the general elections.

The newspaper noted that its recommendations were validated in each instance by the state and county vote on the issue with only one exception.

The Californian had urged its readers to vote "Yes" on the Alien Land Law amendments, Proposition 15. The majority of the people of Monterey county and the state of California voted "No."

DRASTIC CHANGES RECOMMENDED IN EVACUATION FILM

SAN FRANCISCO—Drastic revision of the documentary film on the wartime evacuation and relocation of Japanese Americans, "Barriers and Passes," was suggested following a "preview" of the picture before the San Francisco JACL last week.

The film is now being reedited by its sponsors, the Presbyterian church board of national missions.

The criticism, which coincided with opinions previously expressed by Nisei in Berkeley, were that the color shots of the relocation camps were "too pretty" and gave the impression that conditions were "sweet and rosy" in the centers.

Three Nisei Ex-GI Groups Organized in California

SAN FRANCISCO—Three new groups of Nisei veterans have been organized in Northern California in recent weeks.

The newest group is the San Francisco Drakes, composed of former members of the Mikado, Protos and Y Greyhounds groups. The organization will be mainly interested in athletic and social activities.

Former Nisei GIs at the University of California recently formed

National JACL Board Meets To Outline Future Program

Report Satow May Be Appointed to New Organization Post

National officers and regional representatives of the Japanese American Citizens League will meet in Salt Lake City this weekend at a special meeting called by Mike Masaoka, national executive secretary, to discuss several new proposals for JACL reorganization.

The national headquarters of the JACL will recommend that Masao Satow, midwest and eastern representative be moved into the position of associate national secretary to enable Masaoka to devote full time to the organization's legislative committee, the Anti-Discrimination Committee.

National headquarters will also recommend the establishment of a Washington office, where the ADC will concentrate its work.

The urgent necessity of passing the evacuation claims, liberalized alien naturalization laws and immigration statutes demands the organizing of an office and staff in the nation's capital, Masaoka said this week in announcing the special meeting.

"All of these bills must be acted upon during the next session of the Congress," Masaoka said. "The Japanese American Citizens League Anti-Discrimination Com-

National JACL Enters Case Challenging Segregation of Mexican American Children

Action by California School District Authorized By State Code Which Also Permits Setting Up Separate Schools for Oriental American Students

LOS ANGELES—Challenging the legality of the segregation of children of Mexican parentage in grade schools of the Westminster school district of Orange county, the Japanese American Citizens League has joined in a "friend of court" brief entered by the National Lawyers Guild and the American Civil Liberties Union in the Ninth District Federal Court of Appeals.

Following a decision by the Federal District Court which enjoined the Westminster school district from continuing their

Kuroki to Talk At Nisei Night In Washington

Dillon Myer Will Be Chairman of Program On Tuesday Night

WASHINGTON—A Nisei night program, to be co-sponsored by the Washington Council of the East and West Association and the Washington chapter of the JACL, will feature a talk by Ben Kuroki at the Department of the Interior auditorium on the night of Nov. 26.

Mr. Dillon Myer, former WRA director and now commissioner of National Public Housing, will be chairman for the program. Jun Okazaki, president of the Washington JACL, will give a brief talk on the Nisei in government service.

Miss Mariko Mukai, noted coloratura soprano of New York, will present several solos. Movies of the 442nd Nisei Combat Team in action overseas will be shown, as well as technicolor pictures of the WRA centers.

The program was arranged by Bob Iki, of the JACL, who is chairman of the Information Committee of the Washington East and West Association, and Chester Junek, a member of the Association's executive committee.

the Globe-trotters on the campus.

Organization of the Delta Veterans Committee, composed of Nisei veterans in the Walnut Grove area, was also reported recently.

practice of forcing children of Mexican or Latin descent to attend a separate school, the decision was appealed by the school district to the Ninth District Court on the ground that the lower court lacked jurisdiction in the case.

The Ninth District Circuit Court of Appeals announced in San Francisco on Nov. 20 that a hearing en banc will be held on Dec. 9 of the case involving the segregation of Mexican American children in some California schools.

(Mike M. Masaoka, national secretary of the JACL, noted that this was the first instance of JACL action in a test case which did not involve persons of Japanese ancestry. The JACL official stressed, however, that the organization was interested in fighting all forms of racial and religious discrimination.)

(Masaoka noted that the California school law under which the Mexican American children were sent to a segregated school also authorized the segregation, at the discretion of the local school district, of American children of Chinese, Japanese and Mongolian ancestry. Masaoka said that there were no segregated public schools for Oriental American children in California at the present time but noted that Japanese American children were segregated in a school in the Courtland district until 1940.)

A. L. Wirin and Saburo Kido signed the brief on behalf of the National JACL. The argument pointed out that constitutional questions were involved in the segregation of Mexican American children and declared that the District Court had jurisdiction to enjoin the school board from pursuing its policy of segregation.

The "friend of court" brief cited the United States Supreme Court's decision in the Korematsu evacuation case as authority for the proposition that the Constitution enjoins discrimination because of ancestry or nationality. The brief said that although Korematsu was convicted of violation of the evacuation order, the Supreme Court's decision gave expression to the rule that racial antagonism can never justify the restriction of civil rights.

The brief was signed by Julien Cornell, Arthur Garfield Hays, Osmond K. Fraenkel, A. L. Wirin and Fred Okrand for the American Civil Liberties Union and by Charles F. Christopher for the Los Angeles chapter of the National Lawyers Guild.

Other "friends of court" briefs were filed by the American Jewish Congress and the National Association for Advancement of Colored People.

Oregonian Publishes Full-Page Story On Returnees

PORTLAND, Ore. — Featuring the activities of returned professional and businessmen of Japanese ancestry, the Sunday Oregonian recently devoted a full page to the activities of Japanese Americans in Portland.

The page of pictures was accompanied by an article by Ann Sullivan, Oregonian staff writer, which discussed the losses sustained by Portland evacuees as a result of the evacuation and presented the problems confronting the readjustment of the returnees in the community.

Attorney Will Discuss Brief In Oyama Case

Wirin Goes East For Meeting With ACLU Officials

LOS ANGELES—A. L. Wirin, special counsel for the JACL and the American Civil Liberties Union, left last week for New York and Washington to confer with officers of the National ACLU in connection with the preparation of a brief to be filed in the United States Supreme Court in the Oyama test case on the California Alien Land law.

The Oyama case appeal to the Supreme Court is being supported by the National JACL and the Southern California Civil Rights Defense Union.

In Washington Wirin will confer with representatives of the office of Alien Property Custodian in the Justice Department regarding claims by persons of Japanese ancestry on property confiscated by the government after the outbreak of war.

Wirin will negotiate for the return of motion picture films seized from the Nichiei Kinema Company.

He will also discuss other claims, including that of Robert Tadashi Ishii, whose property consists of several parcels of real estate in the city of Santa Maria; Kakuo Tanaka, doing business as W & F Produce, whose case concerns a bank account in a Los Angeles bank which was taken upon the vesting of the account by the Alien Property Custodian, and Kazuichi Hashimoto, whose property consists of cash in the California Bank of San Pedro and other assets of the Marine Hardware company, which he operated on Terminal Island prior to the evacuation and the vesting of his property.

Kuroki Book Author Will Be Heard on Radio Broadcast

Ralph Martin, author of "Boy From Nebraska," the story of Ben Kuroki, will discuss his book in a radio broadcast, "Meet the Author," on KFI, Los Angeles, Dec. 7 at 9:30 a. m.

The program, which was transcribed in Los Angeles recently, will also be broadcast from San Francisco.

Martin and his wife are presently in New Orleans on the last lap of a cross-country trip during which the author has been collecting material for his next book, which concerns the problems of war veterans.

A section of the book will be devoted to the story of the Nisei veteran.

Nisei Civil Service Workers Leave for Occupation Jobs

SEATTLE—A group of United States civil service workers, including a number of Japanese American girls, will leave Seattle on Nov. 23 aboard the U S S Arcadia.

The ship also is expected to carry approximately 200 Japanese Canadian repatriates to Japan.

Portland JACL to Sponsor Nisei Blood Donors List

PORTLAND, Ore. — The Portland chapter of the JACL has decided to sponsor a blood donors list to be drawn upon by local physicians for critically ill patients of Japanese ancestry who, because of indigence or lack of donors, are unable to be supplied with necessary transfusions through ordinary channels.

The JACL also has indicated its willingness to participate in a program proposed by a committee of the Multnomah County Medical society, which is seeking the establishment of a community-wide blood bank which will be available to all of the people of Portland, regardless of race, color or creed.

According to Abe Oyamada of the JACL chapter, the decision to set up a blood donors list was reached as a temporary expediency in order to assure that no patients of Japanese ancestry will suffer for need of transfusions as a result of "Jim Crow" practices of segregation which exist at the present time in certain Portland medical quarters.

"Such a setup should not be a permanent one, since the pattern of segregation tends to become entrenched," a JACL official declared. It was indicated that the list would be continued only until a community blood bank is established, which will be available to all patients in need.

Army Trains 1500 Nisei GIs For Jobs in Japan Occupation

Recreation Problems Of Trainees Met by Activities of USO

The United States army is training 1500 Americans of Japanese ancestry for the continuing postwar work of military occupation in Japan, the National Editorial Association (NEA) reported in a dispatch from Monterey, Calif., last week.

"The job shouldn't be too difficult for the Army's Intelligence School at Monterey's historic Presidio," the NEA report declared. "Sons, grandsons and some even great-grandsons of the Japanese, the Nisei GIs all have been raised in American surroundings, either in the continental U. S. or in Hawaii."

The NEA said that the Army's problem concerning their Nisei GIs at the present time was centered in the recreational needs of their Japanese American soldiers.

"Monterey is no more and no less hostile to Nisei than the rest of California," NEA reported. "When the boys are on liberty, they circulate freely in the streets of the town. But they are not accepted as social equals in Monterey any more than they might be in another California community, where for generations there has been a varying degree of suspicion and misunderstanding of all persons of Japanese ancestry."

"Believing that it is especially essential for these troops to maintain their contacts with civilian life if they are to successfully interpret American life to Japan, the Army called in the USO," according to the NEA.

Mirri Miyake, a special staff USO worker, has helped solve the recreational problem by supporting dances for the Nisei troops with 125 Nisei girls who have volunteered to serve as junior hostesses. These girls come to the USO dances for the Nisei from as far north as Palo Alto, nearly 100 miles away, and as far south as King City.

A special service band under the leadership of Pvt. Shigeru Hotoke provides the music for the dances.

The USO also is providing other forms of recreation for the Nisei soldiers whose work is still cut out for them in helping in the successful occupation of Japan, although the shooting war ended more than a year ago.

Tickets On Sale For Benefit Concert By Masako Ono

FRESNO, Calif. — The sale of tickets for the Masako Ono concert to be held on Dec. 29 began this week as announced by Mike Iwatsubo, ticket chairman.

The concert to be held in the Fresno State college auditorium will be a benefit for the organ fund of the CCYBA. The first contribution was made to the fund from part of proceeds made from the CCYBA Carnival held in August.

General chairman for the concert, Tomiko Okuda, announced that Miss Ono would sing a group of Japanese folk songs as well as popular and classic numbers.

Miss Lois Kanagawa, violinist, of Sanger will also assist in the program. They will be accompanied by Kazuo Sekiya, Fresno.

Tickets may be purchased from district representatives of the CCYBA as well as at the West Fresno Drug Co. in Fresno.

McKinley Newspaper Wins National Award For War Service

HONOLULU — McKinley high school's newspaper, the Daily Pinion, has been awarded the George H. Gallup award for "outstanding service in cooperating with national and local agencies to advance the war and peace aims of the country by educating and uniting American youth for victory on the home front."

The announcement was made recently by Edward Nell, executive secretary of Quill and Scroll, national honorary society for high school journalists.

The staff of the Daily Pinion includes: Flora Onomoto, editor; Donald Yoshimoto, managing editor; Agnes Teshima, production manager; and Patsy Matsuura, Doris Ideka, Robert Kakigi, Herbert Wong, Edward Lau, Robert Fukumoto, Florence Ishibashi, Tsuneko Kasahara, Walter Kuwaye, Toshiko Yanagihara and Richard Nakata.

Oakland Plans Fete to Honor Nisei Veterans

OAKLAND, Calif. — Japanese American war veterans from the city of Oakland will be honored at a Thanksgiving dinner to be held Sunday, November 24, at 4:30 p. m. at Meader hall, 769 Tenth street, under the direction of the Oakland Fellowship.

The dinner will be sponsored jointly by the West Tenth Methodist and Independent Congregational churches.

J. Munroe Warner, East Bay director of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, will be the main speaker. His subject will be "Thankful to be Alive."

Entertainment will be provided by Harry Lee Kitano's all-star singers, featuring Paul Lee Higaki; the Bristo Sisters, a trio; the Pine Methodist girls sextet; and Marie Mizutani, pianist.

Reservations at \$1 per plate may be made by calling Glencourt 3519 by Saturday, Nov. 23. The dinner is open to the public.

Santa Barbara JACL Names Dyo President

SANTA BARBARA, Calif.—Ken Dyo was elected president of the Santa Barbara chapter of the JACL at a meeting held Oct. 31.

His cabinet will consist of Dr. Y. Nakaji, vice president; Nobuy Tabata, recording secretary; May Nakanishi, corresponding secretary; Miyoko Kanetomo, treasurer; Ikey Kakimoto, auditor; Frank Mori, social chairman; and Ritsu Yusa.

The members-at-large will be Joe Tabata, Tom Tsunoda, Frank Fuji, Fumi Inouye and Tomoko Yamada, Tom Hirashima, pre-war president, was elected ex-officio.

Nisei Girl Presents Concert at Boulder

BOULDER, Colo.—Masa Kitagawa, music student at the University of Colorado, was presented in a piano recital by the college of music last week.

Miss Kitagawa is a resident of San Francisco.

Evacuees Find Furniture Taken From Home

Court Action Seen As Goods Located in Storage Warehouse

SAN FRANCISCO — Grand theft charges are being planned to recover \$1500 worth of household furnishings allegedly stolen from the home of a Salinas Nisei during evacuation, the Nichi-Bei Times reported last week.

The victims of the theft are Henry and James Tanda, who located their property in a San Francisco storage house, where the goods were listed as belonging to a "Mrs. Hawkins."

District Attorney Anthony Brazil of Monterey county has indicated that grand theft charges may be filed if definite proof can be produced, and the Nisei are now planning court action.

The storage house refused to relinquish the goods without a court order.

The Tanda brothers rented their home furnished during the evacuation period. Upon their return to Salinas they found the home stripped of all its furnishings. They finally located the property after a long search.

Chicago UCLANs Hold First Meeting

CHICAGO—Twenty-five former UCLA students and alumni held their first meeting on Saturday, Nov. 9, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shig Takeda.

Principal business discussed was the "Reunion Dance" which will be held in Room "A" of the International House, 1414 East 59th street, Chicago, on Nov. 30 at 7:30 p. m.

Bids are being sold at \$1 per person by Henry Ishizuka and Mary Takeda. Further information may be had by contacting Mary Takeda, 4419 So. Ellis, or Oakland 5234. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. In the case of a couple purchasing bids, at least one of the two must have been a UCLA student, it was announced.

Joe E. Brown, stage and screen star, is being contacted to make an appearance at the dance, it was reported. Mr. Brown is known among the Bruins as their "Number one fan."

Committee chairmen are as follows: Dr. Tom Watanabe, general arrangements; Mary Takeda, invitations; Ikuo Itami, reception; Shiro Mori, decorations; Shig Takeda, door; Henry Ishizuka, temporary treasurer; Florence Otsuki, novelty dances; Miwako Yamaguchi, music; Mary Nishikawa, refreshments; Jack Furumura, community singing; Toshiko Komatsu, bridge; Tak Itami, clean-up; and Mitsuru Imoto, publicity.

Snake River Chapter To Aid Filing of Naturalization Forms

ONTARIO, Ore. — The Snake River JACL moved on Nov. 8 to participate in a program to push the filing of citizenship papers by Japanese aliens.

Meeting at the Women's club house in Ontario, the chapter voted to obtain naturalization blanks and encourage Issei to file for first papers.

Masako Sugai, social chairman, reported on the Thanksgiving dance to be held Nov. 28 at the Gay Way ballroom. Tickets will be on sale at \$1 per person, tax included. Tickets will be sold by JACL members.

Canadian Evacuees Advised Not to Accept Payment Checks

Refusal Will Protect Legal Rights, Claims To Full Restitution

WINNIPEG, Man. — Japanese Canadians whose property in British Columbia has been taken over by the Custodian of Japanese Property were warned this week against accepting any payments for such property if they want to protect their "legal rights and claims to full restitution."

The warning was issued by the

Washington News-Letter Capital Committee for Nisei Dissolves After Two Years

By JOHN KITASAKO

Last week a small group of Caucasians in the city of Washington met at the home of Mr. William R. Castle, former Ambassador to Japan, and passed a resolution dissolving its corporate entity. This group was the Washington Committee for Americans of Japanese Ancestry, Inc. It was organized two and a half years ago to aid relocatees in the Washington area.

This Committee was perhaps one of the best of the resettlement committees organized in various communities by forthright

Caucasians. In every respect it succeeded in fulfilling its aims, as stated in the certificate of incorporation, of "strengthening national morale by assisting relocatees and increasing mutual understanding between the relocatees and other elements of the population."

Because it did its work without fuss or fanfare, not every relocatee knew of its achievements. And of those who were acquainted with the Committee's accomplishments very few, to our knowledge, ever transmitted their feeling of gratitude to their benefactors.

The Caucasians gave of their time and energies out of love, pure and simple, and expected nothing in return. But how much nicer it would have been if Nisei could have made known their appreciation.

The failure and inability of Nisei generally to be more articulate in this regard have been one of the aspects in the whole picture of relocation, in our opinion, which has left a somewhat sour taste.

We recall what Mas Satow told us in the early part of 1944 when he visited the Heart Mountain center in Wyoming. At that time Mas, the Nisei representative on the National Council of the YMCA, was devoting his full time in the interest of Nisei public relations.

He deplored the failure of Nisei to write letters of appreciation to those Caucasians who were fighting on the front lines for the evacuees and relocatees. At a time when it was not popular to take up the cudgels for the evacuees, many Caucasians were sticking their necks out, jeopardizing their positions and incurring the dislike of their friends. That perhaps was the purest example in U. S. history of the fine American tradition of battling for the underdog.

"The trouble with most Nisei," Mas told us, "is that they pass the buck. They learn of someone—editor, writer, or official—who has gone out of his way to give the Nisei a break. They say: 'Gee, what a swell guy!' But do those Nisei sit down and write him a letter and let him know they think he's a swell guy? No. They figure someone else will, so why bother. But that 'someone else' is thinking the same thing. Don't count on the other fellow to do it, because he won't. Do it yourself. Your future is worth sitting down and writing letters of appreciation."

Unfortunately it is characteristic of Nisei to be uncommunicative. And for this reason many Caucasians who champion the cause of the Nisei never quite know how they stand. It takes a lot of moral strength to wage a battle for minorities, and this strength must be nurtured from time to time. It must draw its sustenance largely from expressions of appreciation from those who are its beneficiaries.

Evacuation and relocation are now history. But there are certain issues which still need to be resolved. In the next session of Congress the evacuation claims bill

and the naturalization bill will again come up for consideration. With the Republican conservatives back in the saddle these measures will no doubt have some rough sledding. Some of the Democratic liberals whose support could have been counted on were defeated in the Nov. 5 elections, while some of those who were reelected will probably not be inclined toward aggressive espousal of measures for minorities in view of the beating liberals took at the polls.

But there will be stalwart men and women across this land whose belief in decency and equality has not been deterred and who will continue to fight for justice for the Nisei and Issei.

These are the people who must be made to know that their efforts are appreciated. The Nisei cannot afford to sit back and watch others carry the load. They must open up; they must become more vocal. A timely word written or spoken will go a long way in the days to come.

Joe E. Brown Accepts Bid to Attend Chicago JACL Ball

CHICAGO—Joe E. Brown, noted screen and stage star, will be the guest of honor of the Chicago JACL at its inaugural ball to be held Dec. 13 at the Crystal ballroom of the Shoreland hotel.

The chapter's invitation was accepted by Mr. Brown at a sukiyaki dinner held Nov. 17 at the Wisteria Tea Room for the noted comedian. Marian Lorne, his present leading lady, George Kamen, Mr. Brown's personal representative, and Mr. and Mrs. Crawford were also present at the dinner. Mrs. Crawford, known as Claudia Cassidy, is a drama critic on the staff of the Chicago Tribune. Mari Sabusawa and Harry Mayeda represented the JACL at the dinner.

Joe E. Brown returned recently to the stage after four years of travel in combat zones in the European, Aleutian and Alaskan, southwest Pacific and China-Burma-India theaters.

The program committee, headed by Miss Sabusawa, is currently contacting other celebrities of the stage, screen and radio, who will make personal appearances during the inaugural ball.

Togo Tanaka will be the master of ceremonies.

Arrangements with various cab companies have been made to insure adequate taxi service from the hotel after the dance, according to Jack Ota, publicity chairman.

Formal dress will be optional, it was reported.

Nomura Intercepts Two Passes in San Diego Game

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—Two pass interceptions by Babe Nomura, Spartan halfback, halted San Diego State scoring threats as San Jose State won a hard-fought, 6 to 0 game on Nov. 16 to draw within one game of the annual Raisin Bowl classic in Fresno on New Year's day.

The western representative in the Raisin Bowl is the champion of the California Collegiate conference. San Jose is undefeated in conference play and has only a game with Fresno State on its league schedule.

Philadelphia Nisei Donates Dance Fund To Chest Campaign

PHILADELPHIA — The Nisei Council of Philadelphia sponsored a Community Chest dance on Nov. 16. Funds raised at the dance were contributed to the campaign as a supplemental donation from the Nisei group as a whole.

Sugar Workers Back at Jobs On Plantations

Union Officials Hail Strike Settlement as "Great Victory"

HONOLULU — Hawaii's sugar industry workers returned to their jobs this week, ending a two-and-a-half month's old strike in which they won increased wage demands and better working conditions.

The strike was ended as 28,000 sugar workers, members of the CIO's International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union, voted 14 to 1 to accept the strike settlement, which will give them an estimated \$10,500,000 in annual wage increases.

The settlement was hailed by union leaders as "a great victory." The agreement did not give the union its closed shop demand, but did guarantee against anti-labor practices.

The Hawaiian Sugar Planters' Association, representing the employers, disclosed during the strike that 35,923 men, women and children of Japanese ancestry were living on the sugar plantations, of whom 10,769 were employed. The workers of Japanese ancestry are not the largest racial group among Hawaii's sugar workers, it was reported. There were 13,882 Filipino workers, including thousands who were brought in from the Philippines recently to help meet a manpower shortage. Persons of Portuguese ancestry, consisting of 6369 persons, including 2059 workers, were next to the Japanese and Filipino groups in population. Other racial groups on the plantation, according to the survey, included: Anglo-Saxon, 2487; Puerto Rican, 2091; Hawaiian, 1195; Chinese, 770; Korean, 359; and others, 842.

Denver YWCA Plans New Activity for Business Girls

DENVER, Colo. — A new program for young employed girls is being planned for Thursday afternoons at the YWCA, 1545 Tremont Place. This program is especially for girls who are employed in homes, but is also open to other girls who have Thursday afternoons free, Miss Arline Brauer, sponsor of the group has announced.

On Nov. 21 the girls made a tour of the City and County building in Civic Center, including visits to the miniature symphony orchestra, the City Art Museum, the council chambers and courtrooms. After the tour the groups returned to the YWCA to plan future activities.

The planning committee for November 21 included Frances Kamana, May Omi and Mary Aigaki.

UC Alumni Group Discusses Future of Nisei Clubhouse

Reopening of House To Meet Housing Shortage Considered

By ED TOKESHI
CHICAGO — Advisability of reopening the Japanese Men's Student Clubhouse in Berkeley, Calif., was discussed at a special meeting held early this month by University of California alumni at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kitow.

Intermittent discussion on the reopening of the house as a living unit for Nisei men has been going on both among alumni and students since the readmittance of Nisei to the university in March, 1945. The University of California YMCA and other campus groups are reported to be interested in the question and have conducted meetings to gather opinions of Nisei on the matter.

It is reported that more than 250 Nisei are now attending the university. The clubhouse, a three-story structure accommodating 34 students, is located at 1777 Euclid avenue. The building has been operated since evacuation in spring, 1942, as a boarding house, known as Lexington Hall by the U. C. Students' Cooperative Association. This lease can be terminated on one term's notice. The house was

State Supreme Court Decides To Review Decision Affecting Issei Rights in Business

STOCKTON, Calif. — Following its decision in the Oyama case, which upheld the validity of the California Alien Land law, the State Supreme Court has decided to reopen the Star Theater case, which involves the right of legally resident aliens of Japanese ancestry to operate commercial property in California.

The District Court of Appeals recently overruled the Superior court decision of Judge Marion G. Woodward that the Alien Land law is not limited to agricultural lands, but applies equally to commercial property.

The action of the State Supreme Court, upon an appeal by Emil Palermo, original plaintiff in the case, reopens the case, which has been fought in Stockton courts since 1942.

The original action was brought by Palermo, heir to the property, to void a lease with Stockton Theaters, Inc., a corporation whose

majority members are Japanese aliens.

Judge Woodward ruled that the abrogation of the commercial treaty between Japan and the United States made Japanese aliens ineligible to lease commercial property in California. He awarded Palermo \$2000 monthly damages and eviction proceedings against the theater company, which sought to have such action delayed until after a higher court ruling.

The case was taken by the defendants to the District Court of Appeals, which overruled Judge Woodward. Palermo then appealed the District Court decision to the State Supreme Court.

The State of California entered the case in August of last year, when it filed escheat proceedings to obtain a leasehold interest in the property. The suit was the first escheat process under the Alien Land Law to involve business property.

Legion Post Votes to Permit Use of Hall For JACL Meet

Intermountain Area Convention Will Be Held in Idaho City

WEISER, Ida. — The American Legion board of directors on Nov. 13 voted unanimously to permit use of its hall by the Japanese American Citizens League for sessions of the JACL Intermountain District Council meeting in Weiser and Boise on Dec. 14-16, according to the Weiser Signal.

The full board was present and the sentiment of all was that no discrimination should ever be made against United States citizens because of race, the Signal reported.

The hall in question was refused to representatives of the Japanese Exclusion League in 1944, when the group sought a meeting place to hold an anti-Japanese American meeting.

The three-day meeting is being sponsored jointly by the Snake River and Boise Valley chapters of the JACL. Co-chairmen will be Joe Saito of Ontario and Tom Takatori of Parma, presidents of the two organizations.

Conference headquarters in Boise will be the Hotel Washington, Dec. 14 and 15. On Dec. 16 the convention will move to the Hotel Boise.

Oratorical and bowling contests will be part of the convention activities.

Approximately 150 delegates are expected to attend the meeting.

Fifth Canadian Repatriates Group Expected to Leave

OTTAWA — The fifth and probably last group of voluntary repatriates of Japanese ancestry from Canada are expected to leave from a Pacific coast port during the week of Nov. 25, according to a recent announcement by Deputy Minister of Labor MacNamara.

About 175 persons are expected to leave on the ship, bringing the total number of repatriates to 4000.

Nisei Veterans Invited to Hear John Roy Carlson

Nisei veterans in the Salt Lake area were invited this week to attend a special public meeting on Monday night, Nov. 25, to hear John Roy Carlson, noted author of "Under Cover" and "The Plotters."

The meeting, sponsored by the Salt Lake chapter of the American Veterans' Committee, will begin at 8 p. m. in the Tribune-Telegram auditorium.

Mr. Carlson's topic will be a discussion of domestic fascism, "Veterans Again Face the Enemy."

Although the speaker will aim his talk chiefly at veterans, the general public is being invited to attend the meeting, according to Stan Margulies of the Salt Lake City AVC.

John Roy Carlson's latest book, published this month by E. P. Dutton, is a discussion of veterans groups with special emphasis on subversive and anti-democratic forces which seek to exploit the war veteran.

The author, considered one of the nation's foremost authorities on the activities of native profascists, has investigated organized West Coast prejudice against Americans of Japanese ancestry.

School Teacher Given Silver Star for Action in Italy

HILO, Hawaii — A Honokaa school teacher was revealed recently as a combat hero as Teruo Ihara, formerly a captain in the 442nd Combat Team, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry by Lieut. Col. Warren King, commandant of U. S. army forces on Hawaii Island.

According to the citation, Ihara led a small squad which, surrounded and lost in enemy territory, wiped out 60 German soldiers in Italy on July 4, 1944.

Ihara's squad had lost contact with the remainder of the company and was forced to spend the night in enemy territory. They knocked out an enemy machine-gun nest and killed 60 of the enemy while returning to their base after reestablishing contact.

Santa Clara County Official Begins Investigation of Deeds To Lands Held by Nisei Group

PALO ALTO, Calif. — Investigation of all deeds held by American citizens of Japanese ancestry in Santa Clara county will be undertaken by District Attorney Leonard Avila as a result of the recent California Supreme Court decision upholding the Alien Land Law in the Oyama case, the Palo Alto Times reported on Nov. 16.

Avila's investigation, according to the Times will be based on the court's decision which held that the practice of registering title to real property in the names of American-born minor children of foreign-born parents of Japanese ancestry was a subterfuge to evade the provisions of the Alien Land law.

Resettlement Group Starts Fund Campaign

New York Committee Needs \$15,000 for Next Year's Work

NEW YORK — Declaring that the needs of Japanese American evacuees in the New York area grows out of a "particularly ominous violation of civil rights," the Greater New York Committee for Japanese Americans is now in the midst of a drive for funds to carry on its work for the coming year.

According to Pete Aoki, executive director of the resettlement group, \$15,000 is the minimum amount necessary to carry on operations for the coming year.

Assistance given evacuees who have resettled in the New York area has included employment and housing. In addition, the committee has provided welfare assistance, language aid and health services for elderly evacuees as well as guidance for students.

Grace L. Hanna Dies After Long Illness

MADISON, Wis. — Japanese Americans who formerly lived in Madison, Wis., will be saddened to learn that Miss Grace L. Hanna died Wednesday morning, Nov. 13, at the Wisconsin general hospital, after an illness of several months.

Miss Hanna was responsible for the monthly meetings held during the past three years for Nisei employed in Madison and attending the University of Wisconsin. She was an active member of the First Baptist church and was associated with the Motor Vehicle department of the state for many years.

Funeral services were private. Surviving Miss Hanna are her sister, Mrs. Marcella Harding, 407 W. Gorham St., her father, William Hanna and her brother, Lawrence Hanna, all of Madison.

Memorial services were held Sunday, Nov. 17 at the First Baptist church. Upon request of the family, friends were asked not to sent flowers, but it was stated that those wishing to might contribute instead to a scholarship fund for Japanese American students established by Miss Hanna.

Persons wishing to contribute to the fund may send their donations to Mrs. Marcella Harding.

He explained that his first task was merely that of an investigator, as he had no evidence that any of the deeds were invalid in the light of the court's verdict.

He noted that if any of the property is found to be held by American citizens of Japanese ancestry in violation of the provisions of the Alien Land law, the state will institute proceedings to confiscate the land. Any property escheated will be sold by the state controller and funds derived will be given to the state school lands funds and the county treasury.

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Kuroki Addresses Negro Press Group

WASHINGTON — Members of the Capital Press club, an organization of correspondents for Negro newspapers, were urged recently by Ben Kuroki, Nisei war veteran, to help present the problems of other minority groups to their Negro readers.

Kuroki recently returned after making 24 speeches against discrimination during a tour of New England.

"Cinderella Ball" Proceeds Donated To Japan Relief

A portion of the proceeds of the "Cinderella Ball," held Nov. 9 at Memorial House by the Maryettes, was donated toward the Japan relief fund, it was announced this week.

The Maryettes acknowledged donations from Wally's Flowers, Main Jewelry and the ABC Cleaners, who donated door prizes.

Patrons and patronesses were Dr. and Mrs. Jun Kurumada, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kasai and Mr. and Mrs. Kay Terashima.

Returned Evacuees Discover Graves Desecrated by Vandals

AUBURN, Wash. — Americans of Japanese ancestry returning to the Auburn area after wartime "relocation" have discovered evidences of vandalism at the long-neglected Auburn Pioneer cemetery where many persons of Japanese ancestry are buried.

The vandalism was discovered when Japanese Americans began what community leaders called "a commendable service" by cleaning up the old cemetery.

The triangular acre plot on the north outskirts of town was kneedeep with brush and grass when Frank Natsuhara, 35, and members of his family started their clean-up operations. Part of the cemetery contains two orderly rows of cement headstones over the graves of persons of Japanese ancestry. The remainder of the cemetery is a resting place of many of the first white persons to come to the valley.

Natsuhara commented on evidences of vandalism as he swept maple leaves from under the old trees which give the cemetery a park-like appearance.

Some of the headstones over the graves of Japanese and Japanese Americans had been knocked over or stolen, according to Natsuhara.

"The headstone over my sister's grave is gone," he said. "Many others are gone."

He pointed to a group of five graves in which a mother and four children rest. The mother's headstone is gone.

He noted, however, that the vandals did not confine their depredations to the graves of persons of Japanese ancestry. The monument to one of the pioneer Faucett family is broken to bits and a sandstone monument to Angeline Seattle, Indian wife of John Seattle, said to have been related to Chief Seattle, has been upset.

Natsuhara said many graves in the plot are unmarked because wooden headstones have rotted away. These are the graves of the pioneers. The graves of persons of Japanese ancestry now have concrete stones, replacing wooden markers.

Arthur C. Ballard, whose father owned much of the property which is now a part of Auburn, said vandalism in the Pioneer cemetery has been repeated in the community's newer burial place, Mountain View.

"Tombstones of some of our oldest and most respected settlers have been broken up," Ballard said.

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EDITORIALS:

Lobby for Progress

"Lobbyist" is a nasty word. It has become identified with the pressure boys of special interests and reaction. But the representatives in Washington of industry and management, of the farmer and of the professions wield a powerful influence upon the legislative functions of our national government. Labor, consumer and other groups interested in the passage of legislation in the people's interest, as well as in special measures, have found it necessary to have representation in Washington. Lobbying is an accepted function in the process of democratic government.

The forthcoming 80th session of Congress will be asked to consider a number of bills which will directly affect the welfare of persons of Japanese ancestry, including the evacuee claims proposal, and legislation to remove race restrictions from the naturalization and immigration law and to equalize the treatment of deportation cases involving Japanese aliens with the treatment accorded other aliens. With these measures pending in Congress the national officers of the JAACL will be asked this week to ratify a proposal to establish an office of JAACL's new Anti-Discrimination Committee in Washington.

The effective use of political action on the part of Japanese Americans on a matter directly affecting their well-being was emphasized recently in the defeat of Proposition 15 in California, a campaign in which the Anti-Discrimination Committee played an important part. The new proposal will extend the work of the Anti-Discrimination Committee on a national basis through representation in the nation's capital.

Against Race Isolation

During the war Americans of Japanese ancestry were subjected to an organized campaign of race prejudice which had as its ultimate objective the elimination of Japanese Americans from the political, economic and social life of the Pacific coast. That the race-baiters did not succeed is a tribute to the wartime conduct of the Nisei as well as to the democratic integrity of the majority of people on the West Coast.

Now the pressure is off the Nisei and the result of the California balloting on Proposition 15 is practical evidence of this change in sentiment. The various anti-evacuee groups which were organized by the racists and the professional exploiters of prejudice have disbanded or are dormant. The dealers in hatred have moved to greener fields.

The pressure is off the Nisei, but race hatred is not dead. Bigotry and reaction sit in the Congress of the United States, those "gentlemen from Mississippi," Bilbo and Rankin being two of the noisier examples, and racism is trumpeted throughout the land by Gerald L. K. Smith and his pro-fascist stooges. The Negro and the Jew are the butt of the post-war putsch of America's neo-fascists, but every minority and all Americans who believe in freedom will be the victims.

During the war the West Coast saw the organization of the California Preservation Association, the Home Front Commandos, No Japs, Inc., Remember Pearl Harbor League, Japanese Exclusion Association, Americans, Inc., the American League and a number of other groups seeking the permanent exclusion of persons of Japanese ancestry from the West Coast area. Most of

these groups have disappeared, but in their stead have come reports of a revival of the Ku Klux Klan. In Atlanta a group of organized terrorists called "Columbians, Inc.," follows the racist incitement of Mein Kampf with appeals for violence against Negroes and Jews. The activities of these posturing, tin-horn Hitlers would be laughable were it not that some Germans once laughed at a little man with a mustache and his band of heiling hoodlums until the Nazi infection had spread into every German home. The charnel-house of European fascism includes the bones and ashes of 3,000,000 Jewish civilians, systematically slaughtered by the "superior race." Fascism is no laughing matter.

The pressure may be off the Nisei today, but there can be no security so long as any minority is victimized by racist persecution. Demagogues long have utilized dissatisfaction and unrest by offering scapegoats. The Jews, the Negroes, the Japanese Americans, Catholics, the foreign-born, all in their turn have been made the objects of demagoguery.

The entry of the National JAACL into the case challenging the California segregation of Mexican American children is one practical application on the part of a section of Nisei leadership of the belief that discrimination against one minority ultimately affects all. The JAACL will enter other litigation involving legislative discrimination against members of other minorities.

It is to be hoped that the Nisei will support these activities on the part of the JAACL and reject once and for all the intellectual bankruptcy of racial isolation.

Interracial Unity

The end of the war against Nazism and Fascism has not halted the fight for equality for minority groups in this country, despite the fact that the wartime spur for national unity is absent, the Associated Press reported this week.

The fight for interracial unity is being carried on with "sustained vigor" in many parts of the country, the AP said after making a survey of key areas in the country.

"Positive efforts for racial tolerance range from state-wide anti-discrimination acts protecting every citizen's right to hold a job to such purely local projects as the work of an Oklahoma City YWCA to accustom Negroes and whites to working together within the organization," the report stated.

"These efforts involve not only Negroes, but Jews, Nisei and other racial and religious groups. They range from nation-wide drives conducted by such organizations as the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to individual community efforts to combat a particular local problem."

The AP's resume of race relations warned that despite the "hundreds of such projects, public and private," group tensions have not been completely wiped out. Cited as examples were the emergence of the Ku Klux Klan, the growth of "Columbians, Inc.," mob disorders and continued anti-Negro activity.

Most of the victories have been achieved on the state or community level, with nationwide legislation still very much in the formative stage, says the AP.

The Utah Forum

For the past few months radio station KALL of Salt Lake City has presented each week a program titled, "Utah Forum." Originally sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the program has more recently acquired two other sponsors, the Council for Civic Unity and the Salt Lake City JAACL.

The forum has presented weekly programs on the varied problems of the city's minority group members. Each week the question of discrimination is handled from the viewpoint of labor, employment, education, recreation, veterans' problems and other phases of the entire problem.

This program is presented as a public service feature by KALL. Its listening audience, quite obviously, is limited by the fact that most radio listeners prefer comedy to education, music to discussion.

Radio station KALL is to be congratulated upon bringing to the people of Utah an intelligent and timely program upon some of the most pressing problems confronting them.

Nisei USA
by LARRY TAJIRI
Nisei Story for Broadway

A new play, now in preparation for production on Broadway, tells of a Nisei girl who marries a GI in Hawaii and comes to the mainland to live with her husband and his family in a white farming community. It is a love story and it is also a story of race prejudice.

The play is "Some of the Sky" and both its producer, Larney Goodkind, and its author, Joseph Anthony, are veterans of service alongside Nisei troops in military intelligence.

According to Mr. Goodkind, the play is the outcome of that Army service with Japanese American GIs. "Some of the Sky" deals with a young soldier who meets a Nisei girl while serving in Hawaii. They fall in love and are married. The body of the play is set in the soldier's farm home on the mainland and tells what happens when his Nisei wife arrives from Hawaii to join him and his family.

"Though this is a democratic plea for the equality of peoples, exposing many phases of racism through the case of this Nisei girl and her brother, an ex-GI, who arrives later, it broadly applies to any minority in our country that experiences discrimination," Mr. Goodkind declares.

"Some of the Sky" is written as strong, serious drama. On Broadway a play is never sustained by good intentions alone. It must provide an intense and exciting evening in the theater to run successfully the gauntlet of first night critics. Mr. Goodkind, who served for nine years as the New York story and play editor for Universal Pictures, is confident that "Some of the Sky" is, above all, good theater.

There have been a number of plays about race prejudice on Broadway in recent seasons, but this is the first to tell a story involving Japanese Americans. The Orson Welles production of Richard Wright's "Native Son," which featured Canada Lee and Anne Burr back in 1941, was a notable success. In the past two seasons the stage has presented the successful "Deep Are the Roots," the story of a Negro veteran's return home to the South; "On Whittman Avenue," about anti-Negro prejudice in housing; Robert Ardrey's "Jeb," which also dealt with a Negro GI in a southern community; and the dramatization of Lillian Smith's "Strange Fruit," Edward Chodorov's "Decision" touched on anti-Semitism and Jim Crow while Arthur Laurent's "Home of the Brave" was the story of a Jewish American soldier.

The stage has shown an awareness of the domestic social issues of the day which Hollywood, with its enormous equipment, talent and capacity for democratic action, has studiously avoided. The motion picture still insists on presenting members of minorities as racial stereotype, usually of a comic nature, while the stage in recent years has presented the Negro and other minority group Americans as ordinary people with the everyday problems of human beings. The social conscience of some of America's leading playwrights was demonstrated most recently in their forthright denunciation of Jim Crow practices in Washington theaters.

There is no similarity between "Some of the Sky" and "Mme. Butterfly," other than the fact that both are interracial love stories with a heroine of Japanese ancestry, but the chances of the new play are not dimmed by the fact that the Verdi opera, which is adapted from an American play produced in New York by David Belasco, remains one of the most valuable of all dramatic properties. The tragic story of Cho-Cho-San and her Lieutenant Pinkerton is a classic example of the "never the twain shall meet" school of drama, which now seems antediluvian, while "Some of the Sky" is abreast and apace with the brave new world.

"Mme. Butterfly" and such plays of the last generation as "Uptown, West," a tragedy of Japanese-Caucasian intermarriage in the 1920s with a New York background, present a fatalistic and outmoded approach to the subject of interracial relationships and are dated in their thinking as the fashions of the period. Dramas of this sort which were popular

with playwrights and movie scenarists of a quarter-century ago usually offered suicide as the only solution to an interracial love affair. Actually, however, Oriental-Caucasian marriages are not uncommon, particularly in the eastern United States, and they have not been shown to be any less successful than any other marriages under the same economic and social conditions.

Mr. Goodkind, producer of "Some of the Sky," is now looking for a Nisei actress for the leading role of Hanayo. Sono Osato, who, incidentally, is of Japanese and Irish parentage and who was starred last year in "On the Town," would be ideal for the role, but has retired temporarily from the stage.

Rehearsals are expected to be started soon. The play, which strikes a forthright blow against race prejudice in America, deserves of success.

Vagaries

Elections . . .

Mitsuyuki Kido, Democratic candidate for the territorial assembly in the Oahu 5th district, received the highest number of votes of the six candidates for the three seats from the district, although he was the object of a bitter attack from the Honolulu Advertiser. Kido ran on a progressive platform with labor support . . . Tomi Kanazawa will sing the leading role in "Mme. Butterfly" for the New Orleans opera during the coming season . . . Ralph G. Martin, author of "The Boy From Nebraska," has written an article on the return of evacuees to Hood River, Ore., which will appear in a forthcoming issue of The New Republic under its new editor, Henry Wallace.

Cache . . .

Nisei GI specialists played an important role in the recovery of \$25,000,000 worth of diamonds and other precious stones which had been hidden in Japan by militarist extremists to help finance the activities of a fascist underground . . . Hawaiian sports experts believe Tsuneshi Maruo, a veteran of the 442nd Combat Team, may be one of the country's best bantamweights. Maruo turned pro recently after winning the National A A U 118-pound title at Boston. . . Stan Mayeshiro is the latest Nisei to enter the pro wrestling ranks. Mayeshiro has been appearing in Southern California during recent weeks. He is a native of Hawaii.

Okida . . .

Correspondent James R. Young reported last week that he had met Harry Okida, formerly of Los Angeles, who had been in hiding for two years from the militarists and who is now working for the U. S. occupation forces. Okida was an all-city baseball star at Los Angeles high school and once tried pro boxing. He wrote sports for the American-owned Japan Advertiser in Tokyo. His brother, Kats, a volunteer for the 442nd Combat Team, was killed in action in Europe.

Stork . . .

Reason for Sono Osato's absence from Broadway this season is that she expects to become a mother soon. In private life Miss Osato is the wife of Victor Elmstedt, young New York architect . . . Andrew W. Lind's new book on Japanese Americans in Hawaii is being published this month by Princeton University Press . . . Sessue Hayakawa, the old-time Hollywood star, is still in Paris . . . Down in Utah's Carbon county a local of the United Mine Workers union, whose membership is composed mostly of miners of Japanese ancestry, has gone on strike along with all of the UMW locals. A resolution asking for the payment of losses to Japanese Americans as a result of the evacuation was on the agenda of the recent UMW national convention, but was not acted upon.

Toshio Mori: A Short Story

MISS BUTTERFLY

By TOSHIO MORI

THE doorbell rang and Sachi ran nmbly to the door. "Yuki!" she called to her younger sister. "I think they're here!"

"I'll out in a moment," Yuki answered from the bedroom.

Sachi opened the door and found an old man standing on the porch. "Oh—hello, Hamada-san," she said, her face plainly revealing disappointment.

"Good evening, Sachi-chan," greeted Hamada-san, entering the hall. "Is your father home?"

Sachi looked up and down the street and then closed the door. "Yes, Hamada-san. He's in the living room. Go right in."

The old man looked admiringly at her, pausing for a word with her. "My, you are growing prettier every day. Is Yuki-chan home too?"

She smiled and nodded. "We're going to the dance tonight with our boy friends," she added eagerly.

Hamada-san's face fell but brightened quickly. "Do you still have those Japanese records of festival music?"

"Yes," Sachi replied, looking puzzled. "We still have them."

"And is your phonograph in good condition?" he asked.

She nodded impatiently, anxious to return to her dressing.

"Good!" cried the old man, clapping his hands. "Please come into the living room. I wish to have talk with you and your father."

"But I will be late for the dance!" she protested. "I must dress now."

Hamada-san looked pleadingly at her. "Please, Sachi-chan. Please, this is my special request."

The old man led her into the living room where her father sat reading the Japanese daily. "Saiki-san, how are you?"

Saiki-san dropped his paper and took off his glasses. "Good evening, Hamada-san. Anything new?"

Hamada-san dropped into the easy chair, leaning forward eagerly. "Saiki-san, I have one special request to make of your daughters tonight. It will bring me much happiness, and I shall forget that I am a lonely man for a short while. Please ask Sachi-chan and Yuki chan to do it for an old man's sake."

"What is it you want?" asked Saiki-san.

"You may recall my repeated requests in the past. I want to see the cherry blossom, the taiko bridge, and hear the Japanese paper houses hum when the wind blows. I want to dream of the pine-studded hills, the crystal-clear lakes, Fujiyama, Miyajima, and New Year festivals . . . the old Japan. My mouth waters with the flavors of the island fruits, rice cakes, and fish. My heart runs away with the colors of the kimonos, the plaintive songs, and the loss of my many ancestors. Do you know what I mean, Sachi-chan? Do you get it?"

Sachi groaned and waved her hands protestingly. "So you wish them to perform Japanese folk dances," Saiki-san said, smilingly.

Hamada-san beamed and eagerly added, "Odori—that's what I mean. Please, Sachi-chan, wear your beautiful kimono tonight and perform one dance for me. Just one, that is all I ask. I want to capture my lost memories and dream. Dance for an old man and let him enter his old world for several minutes."

"No, I won't," she said emphatically, standing impatiently by the door. "I won't."

"Daughter, what are you saying?" Saiki-san said. "Make Hamada-san happy tonight. Wear your kimono and dance."

"One dance, Sachi-chan," begged the old man, humbly bowing. "For your father's old friend. He is poor and cannot reward you. Otherwise he would shower you with gifts."

"I don't want anything," said Sachi, and looking at her father added, "I hate to wear kimono."

Hamada-san looked horrified. "Ah, Sachi-chan!" he cried. "Please do not say that. Don't you Nisei girls realize the truth? When you wear your bright, colorful kimonos you are the most beautiful women in the world. Your eyes brighten up, your figure becomes symmetrical, your gestures move naturally. Don't you see, Sachi-chan?"

Sachi stood speechless, hesitating whether to laugh or smile.

"Sachi, why don't you like to wear kimono?" her father asked.

"It takes so much time, and I feel clumsy and stiff," she replied.

Hamada-san smiled and shook his head. "You don't look it when you are wearing it. You are merely saying that for an excuse. I don't believe it."

She looked at her watch and cried, "I've lost five minutes already."

"What time does the dance begin?" Saiki-san asked her.

"At eight sharp," Sachi answered eagerly. "Papa, may I go now?"

"Saiki-san! Please remember your old-time friend," cried Hamada-san.

From the bedroom came the younger sister in her glittering white evening gown. "I heard what you said about Nisei girls, Hamada-san," Yuki said, smiling. "Sachi, let's do one odori for him. It won't take but ten minutes, dressing and all, and I'll make him happy. I have your gown and the rest of your things out, all ready for you to slip them on."

Sachi thought for a moment. "All right, I'll do it," she said suddenly. "Papa, please select the record and be ready when we come out."

"I'll do that," Hamada-san said, beaming. "Saiki-san, just sit and relax."

Eagerly he began sorting out the record albums. The girls rushed into the bedroom. After much deliberation the old man selected two records and went to the phonograph.

"This is my favorite," Hamada-san said to his

friend, holding up one record. "This is about a day in autumn in Japan. The wind blows and the leaves fall. The sky is clear and the air is beginning to cool. The chants of the insects are dying out, and late harvest is about over. The flowers shrivel and the last of the leaves flaunt their brilliant colors in the wind, and the day awaits the icy blast of winter."

The girl's father sat silently, lit his pipe, and blew smoke. He watched his old friend poring over the words of another record and wished he had some kind of an answer for him.

"It's a beautiful piece," Hamada-san informed, indicating the first record. "Especially when dancers perform skillfully as Sachi-chan and Yuki-chan."

The two girls hurriedly skipped into the room. They wore their best kimono, a colorful design on silk, enhancing their youthful beauty.

"Are you ready with the music, Hamada-san?" asked Yuki. "We're all set."

At the sight of the girls in kimono Hamada-san sat up, his eyes wide with open admiration. "Beautiful, beautiful! The whole world should see you now."

Sachi laughed it off, and Yuki smiled happily. They went over to the phonograph and inspected the record. Satisfied with the selection they rushed Hamada-san to a seat.

"Sit down and enjoy yourself," Sachi said. "We'll watch the record. Hamada-san, there will be positively one performance tonight."

"Two?" the old man asked timidly.

"Positively one," Sachi repeated.

The music began, and the girls waited alertly for their cue. Hamada-san poked Saiki-san in the ribs as the two girls performed. He clapped his hands, keeping time with the music. His eyes, round with excitement, twinkled. His body swayed this way and that way. Then he forgot his friend, the time and place. Long after the music stopped and the girls paused by the phonograph, Hamada-san sat fixedly.

"Good night, Hamada-san," called the girls at the door.

"Wait!" cried Hamada-san, springing to his feet. Sachi-chan, Yuki-chan, one more! The parasol dance! Please, just one more. Please!"

The girls looked at each other, hesitating. Hamada-san ran to the phonograph and started the record going. "Hurry, girls. Get your parasols!" he cried.

The high notes of a samisen and the mixed instruments cut the air. The girls ran to get their parasols. Hamada-san beamed and clapped his hands in tune with the music. Saiki-san sat comfortably in his chair, his eyes closed and sucked his pipe.

The girls returned and instantly snapped into the dance. Their parasols opened and twirling, they leaped over imaginary puddles and worried about their slippers. They looked up at the sky, their hands out to see if the rain was falling. Their faces bright with smiles they twirled their parasols with happy abandonment. The sun is out once again, and they forget the puddles, the mud, and discomfort. Their bodies, minds, and hearts join to greet the sunny day, their somber aliveness increasing to gay abandon.

Once more Hamada-san sat motionlessly, unheeding the end of the music and the dance. Sachi attended to the phonograph.

"Wonderful! Wonderful!" cried Hamada-san, becoming alive. "I shall never forget this performance."

"Yuki, how much time have we?" asked Sachi hurriedly.

"Exactly ten minutes," Yuki said. Let's hurry." The girls dashed into their room.

"Wasn't it wonderful, Saiki-san? Wasn't it?" asked Hamada-san.

"Yes, they were pretty good," replied Saiki-san. When the girls returned to the room their father was reading the paper. Hamada-san sat silently by himself in the corner, his eyes staring in the distance.

"How do we look, papa?" Sachi asked, the two girls showing off their new evening gowns.

"Swell," Saiki-san said, looking up.

"What do you think of them, Hamada-san?" Yuki asked the old man. "Hamada-san!"

"Please don't ask me such a question, Yuki-chan. Not tonight," Hamada-san said sadly.

Sachi looked puzzled. "What's happened to you, Hamada-san? Are you ill?"

"Nothing is the matter with me. I'm all right," he said, cheering up with an effort. Then he added, "Sachi-chan and Yuki-chan, please be careful with your kimono. Don't let the moths get into them."

"We'll be very careful with them," Sachi promised.

"And don't you forget the odori. Keep brushing up."

The girls nodded obediently. Outside a horn blared.

"Oh, they're here!" cried Sachi, running to the window.

"Isn't it exciting?" Yuki cried, moving to her sister's side. "We're going to have a good band tonight."

The girls waved their hands, and the horn tooted again. "Good night, Hamada-san. Good night, papa," they said.

"What is this dance? What kind?" the old man asked his friend, watching the girls skip out of the house.

"A social dance. Popular American pastime," answered Saiki-san, without looking up from his paper.

In the living room Saiki-san smoked incessantly and the place became stuffy. He continued to read the paper. Hamada-san sat mutely in the corner, his eyes smarting with smoke. He could have gone outside for a bit of fresh air but did not move.

His eyes took in the phonograph, the record albums, the spot where the girls danced, and the room that was now empty. In the silence he heard the clock in the hall ticking.

From the Frying Pan

By BILL HOSOKAWA

A Lesson for Political Strategists

Denver, Colo.

There's a lesson for political strategists and backers of difficult causes in the recent election. Once again it was proved that a well-conducted campaign, aimed at educating the electorate to the facts of an obscure issue, yields gratifying results.

In California, two million voters defeated the discriminatory Proposition 15 by an estimated margin of 400,000 votes.

In Oregon a 50-year-old law under which Chinese aliens were prohibited from owning agricultural or mining property was repealed 156,355 to 131,569, a margin of only some 25,000 votes in a total of 288,000.

While there are important differences in the details of the two propositions, basically they are similar in that they would eliminate or denounce legislation discriminatory toward a minority group. If the same ratio of voters that repealed the Oregon law had voted to reject the California issue, Proposition 15 would have been defeated roughly by only 200,000 ballots instead of the 400,000 it actually received.

Oregon has a small Chinese alien population in comparison to the other two coastal states. The bulk of those Chinese are city residents and in recent years they have not been an issue. There is no valid reason why Oregon's "Chinaman law" should not have been defeated by an overwhelming margin except that the issue never was made clear to the masses.

With a little organized effort, there is reason to believe, the Oregon law could well have been defeated by a 10 to 1 margin instead of squeaking by.

In California, few observers had seen any prospect of defeating Proposition 15 when that measure, seeking to validate certain provisions of the alien land law, first was brought up.

But then the foes of Proposition 15 got busy, and what happened now is history. Great credit goes to the JACL for whipping up interest in the battle and marshaling the forces which brought out the "No" votes. The proof of the effectiveness of its efforts is incontestable: The vote against Proposition 15 was strongest in areas where it was fought most vigorously in the pre-election campaign.

As Saburo Kido observed recently during a visit to Denver, the Nisei and the JACL no longer have to fight the defensive battle that has been their lot from the very beginning. Now they can begin to carry on offensive campaigns against injustices that face them and other American minorities.

What a drastic change from the days when Nisei up and down the Pacific coast were fighting for their constitutional rights in combating the demand for wholesale evacuation!

The Child Mind

A few days ago as we were struggling with the junk on the back porch, our 2½-year-old spied an old washtub (veteran of Puyallup assembly center and Heart Mountain relocation center) and cried:

"I wanna see fish and worms, I wanna see fish and worms."

We puzzled over her demand for some time before taking her for a walk to get her mind off her fixation, but it was not until this morning that the truth finally dawned.

Many months ago our 6-year-old brought home an Iowa catfish still squirming, which an old friend of 15-minutes standing had presented him, perhaps because the fish was too small to bother about taking home and cleaning.

So we hauled out the washtub, filled it with water, and made a home for the catfish. We dug worms in hopes the fish would eat, but he wouldn't, and in time the bottom of the tub was well littered with waterlogged crawlers. Presently the fish died, as all fish in captivity seem to do, and that was the end of that episode.

From what deep recesses of her little mind she recalled that incident of so long months ago, we are unable to fathom. But she remembered nonetheless, much more vividly than her elders. And maybe it is that ability to recall experiences which have made such a deep impression on their minds that makes every day such a grand adventure for a child.

Tomorrow's Heirs

By Sachi L. Wada

WINTER'S FESTIVAL . . .

The snow is on the ground, and all around the world is wrapped in murderous slumber. The once-barren trees are now transformed into the royalty of a winter festival with their arms sleeved in shimmering white, between which the moon gently flirts. The first snowfall of every year is anticipated with never-staling delight. You forgot about a hard, long winter with its dreary tattle-tale gray days; about the slushy streets and icy walks; about the yearning for things green and fresh. It was about 3 in the morning when I stealthily crept out of the house, and began to place impressions of my hands on the white stuff. I could feel the strong, vibrant, cold breeze against my plaid skirt. It felt good and clean. And you could almost see the snow queen dispersing her laughing fairies over the sparkling sheet. With a sigh, I compromised by closing the door and settling down to re-read "Snowbound."

NOT QUITE DEAD . . .

Chivalry is not quite dead. I had begun to think that such things as that had become outdated in this atomic age of ours, but today, much to my mortified delight, I found out differently. Oh, no, I still have my doubts as to any man's manners . . . but I have seen girls actually remembering their upbringing. We were riding on a streetcar today, and as it passed through the university district, the thing became pretty crowded. Further down the track, some old women got on, and were wobbling their way through. In front, sat a group of bobby-soxers, chattering as fast as they could, and emphasizing their opinions with shakings of their long bobs. Then, without even a break in manner or talk, they arose as a body. For a very long time I saw them swaying on the straps until the trolley gradually emptied. Few men would have done that . . . or am I wrong?

THANKSGIVING . . .

In less than another week, it'll be Thanksgiving again. When I was a kid, it used to mean a huge turkey ripping with savory flavor, a new taffeta dress, and all kinds of people floating in and out. They would sit around making well-stuffed conversation, but hardly ever was the word "Thanksgiving" mentioned. We all take things so much for granted, that we never feel a necessity to keep an account of the things we should be thankful in having. In a lot of families, the ending of a hurried grace is the signal that you can begin gorging yourself with food. A prayer becomes a muttering.

Caught in an emotional conflict during the war, men and women sincerely knelt in prayer before altars, regardless of crudity. Many prayers went unanswered, and there were only gold stars in windows, against which the rain washed its tears.

In my mind, I am making an imaginary list of things. At the very top, I shall write, "I am grateful to be alive." It's a very simple sentence, the kind you learn to construct in grammar school. Digested, it is a very honest statement. Consider, how fortunate we were to have survived from any kind of destruction, torture and conflict, regardless of whether mental or physical. Enumerate all the experiences of the past; all that there is yet to live for . . . And yet, a lot of young kids, around my age, won't be here. Who are we to consider ourselves superior to them, to their potentialities . . . Won't you draw up a list, too?

YWCA "Stardusters" Schedule Dance

The YWCA "Stardusters" will hold an "Autumn Serenade" orchestra dance on Friday, Nov. 29, at 8:30 p. m. at the YWCA clubhouse in Salt Lake City.

Music will be furnished by the Revelers. Bids will be sold at \$1.75 per couple or for stags.

Committee chairmen for the dance will be Mimi Imai, publicity; Ruby Ikeda, tickets; Betty Sasaki, orchestra; Katy Taketa, decorations; Mats Tabata, refreshments.

All girls between the ages of 18 and 25 are invited to join the "Stardusters," it was announced this week. Meetings are held Tuesday evenings at 8 p. m. at the YWCA clubhouse.

Sought

S/Sgt. George Kakahashi, stationed in Japan, this week asked for aid in locating the following persons:

Kenji, George or Akira Tani, formerly of Seattle, Wash.; and Tokuzo Sakemi, P. O. Box 115, Indio, Calif., or Kanjiro Sakemi, P. O. Box 575, Indio, Calif.

Sgt. Kakehashi stated that their relatives in Japan had contacted him, asking for aid in locating these persons.

Any information as to the present addresses of the abovementioned persons should be sent to S/Sgt. George Kakehashi, 3697-9411, EM DET, ATIS, GHQ, APO 500, San Francisco, California.

Book Review: Dorothy Baruch Discusses Patterns of Prejudice

GLASS HOUSE OF PREJUDICE by Dorothy W. Baruch. A study of prejudice. Published by William Morrow and Company, New York. \$2.50.

In 1944 the nation was shocked by a series of open riots, casually termed "Zoot Suit riots," directed against young Mexican Americans in the city of Los Angeles. On the surface and as reported by certain newspapers, the riots were a spontaneous demonstration against persons of Mexican parentage. Mexican teen-agers sitting in theaters were dragged out by soldiers and attacked in the streets. Restaurants and bars were raided by civilians and sailors on the hunt for "zoot suiters," who were pulled into the street by hungry mobs and beaten into unconsciousness.

Neither the press nor the police made any positive attempts to halt this outrageous activity. Rather, much of it was abetted by the press, and the members of the police department, instead of arresting those instigating the riots, often arrested the beaten, bloody objects of the riots as juvenile delinquents and vagrants.

When the riots ceased after the attorney general, the Mexican consul, the commandant of the naval district and the commanding officer of the Western Defense Command all had intervened, thinking, responsible persons began to ask "Why?"

What, in the first place, had caused these riots? What, in the Mexican Americans, had stirred up the antagonism of soldiers and sailors and civilians? Why did these civilians, apparently without cause, attack strangers against whom they had no quarrel and whom they did not even know?

And why, in hundreds of other instances, were other Americans of minority ancestry, undergoing humiliations and defeats of their racial ancestry?

These are the questions Dr. Dorothy W. Baruch answers in her book, "Glass House Prejudice."

As a psychologist, Dr. Baruch probes the causes and effects of prejudice. She seeks to discover the results of discriminatory action upon youngsters of varied minority ancestry—the young Negro child who is rejected by his classmates, the Chinese couple denied a home in a "restricted" district.

The ugly results of prejudice—both upon the member of the minority group discriminated against and the person guilty of the acts of prejudice—are discussed by Dorothy Baruch.

Discrimination, the author says, causes the minority groups to withdraw into themselves, thus making even more difficult the problem of adjustment. But the act of withdrawal makes necessary other outlets for emotion and activity. Thus some of the young Mexican Americans in Los Angeles tended to move in groups or clubs. Needing some feeling of belonging and of distinction, they affected the zoot suits and pachuco outfits.

On the other hand, as Dr. Baruch points out, those persons attacking the young Mexicans were also in need of outlets. As she ably demonstrates, many prejudiced persons are only letting out their frustrations in other activities in discriminatory acts. Thus a young student of Anglo-American parentage, frustrated in her home life, will "pick upon" a young Negro in her classroom. The Negro, the unwitting object of this frustration, then carries this resentment within himself until it, too, must have an outlet.

Thus the evils of prejudice are multiplied until they reach into every corner of our social and economic life.

Dr. Baruch's book is a powerful indictment against prejudice and a strong plea for those who have met discrimination all their lives and will continue to do so until

certain basic changes can be made in the thinking and acting of the majority group.

Her book, she says is written for the people of the minority groups.

"I have hoped that I might be a voice for these people," she writes in her forward. "I have hoped that I might say for them some of the things that they would want to say for themselves—things that others who read can identify in their own lives."

"Glass House of Prejudice" is a case book and a handbook on the individual problems of prejudice as it relates to the aggressor and the victim.

Only one criticism can be made of the book, and even this criticism is offered with apologies on the part of this reviewer.

Dr. Baruch has visualized prejudice as an intimate and personal thing, which it of course is. But she has not taken into account the economic cause of prejudice or the large-scale campaigns carried on for economic reasons.

Thus readers interested in combating prejudice will ask how they can counteract expensive campaigns carried on against Japanese Americans by farm and agricultural interests in California, will ask how to fight the southern farmers and landholders in their attempt to keep Negro workers in low paying jobs that are almost on a par with their early slave status.

These are campaigns backed by money and pushed by persons interested in keeping out competition. These persons using prejudice as a tool, stir up artificial antagonisms and dislikes.

Gerald L. K. Smith and others of his kind have used the Jews as a scapegoat. And the greatest use of a racial scapegoat was the Nazis' program to eradicate the Jews.

The kind of organized persecution practiced by the Nazis and repeated here in lesser degree must be handled by methods other than individual education.

Nevertheless "Glass House of Prejudice" will prove invaluable to all persons working for the solution of this problem. It can be recommended without reservation as a guide in the handling of local and personal problems.—M. O. T.

Donation to JACL

LOS ANGELES — The Southern California office of the JACL this week announced a donation of \$65 from former Santa Barbara members of the Civil Rights Defense Union of Southern California.

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**Shoji Scores Twice
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CLAREMONT, Calif. — Little Shoji, Nisei backfield star of the Pomona College Sagehens, ran 86 yards to a touchdown as his team defeated Caltech, 32 to 14. Nov. 16 in a Southern California college conference game.

Shoji scored in his long run the first time Pomona got the ball in the first quarter. His payoff gallop was a cutback after he had slipped through right tackle.

Shoji scored again in the third quarter on a 14-yard run after a yard sustained march by the Sagehens.

**Salt Lake Nisei
Win First
League Contest**

With Fumio Kasai scoring 14 points, the Salt Lake Nisei team defeated West Jordan, 27 to 14, in the first round of play in the Salt Lake County Recreation basketball league at the Murray high school gym.

The Nisei team led 12 to 5 at the half.

Mitsu Kojimoto and Yuk Kasai scored four points apiece for the Nisei squad.

**Older Nisei Girls
Hold Initial
Club Meeting**

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—The initial meeting of the newly organized Older Nisei Girls club of Sacramento was held on November 10 at the Young Women's Christian Association, 17th and L Sts. at 2:30 p. m.

The following officers were elected into office; Pearl Masuda, president; Mary Takai, vice president; Jean Nagata, secretary; Setsuko Miyazaki, treasurer; Aiko Yamamoto, historian and publicity.

Mrs. Bert Neville, past advisor of the Koyu Kai, will assist as the advisor of this group.

The purpose of the club is to further develop character, education and fellowship among all the girls and to assist in the welfare of the city's Japanese community, the club announced.

Next official meeting will be held November 24 at the YWCA clubroom at 2 p. m. at which time a candlelight service for installation of officers will be conducted with the following of the presentation of the constitution. Tea will be served after the service with Margaret Osuga and her committee. A name for the club will also be chosen at this date.

A cabinet meeting was held on November 14 at the Parkview church to discuss and prepare the constitution. Miss Alice Watson, secretary of the YWCA was present.

All girls within the ages of 19 to 30 years are cordially invited to the tea. For further information relative to the club, they may contact any of the club officers.

Surprise Party

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—Mr. and Mrs. George Teraoka of this city were honored with a surprise party on their tenth wedding anniversary.

The guests were Henry Nishida, Kay Takayoshi, Tome Takayoshi, Yoshi Takayoshi, George Mimby, Sam Amasuga, Kimi and Yoshie Murosaki and Dr. John Oba.

Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Shokan Shima, 842 New Hampshire Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C., a girl, Jessie Lurie, on October 12.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Aiji Endo, 2951 McKinley St., N. W., Washington, D. C., a girl, Cheryl Akiko, on October 14.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takeo Shigaki a girl on Nov. 14 in Santa Ana, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sunada a boy on Nov. 9 in Auburn, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Mike Y. Ichimaru a girl on Nov. 4 in an Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Masaharu Hata a boy on Nov. 3 in Loomis, Cal.

To Mr. and Mrs. Takara Noda a girl on Nov. 8 in Clarksburg, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tsutomu Kawano a boy on Nov. 4 in Fowler, Calif.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd K. Kumataka a girl on Nov. 5 in Fresno.

To Mr. and Mrs. Aiji Esaki a girl, Barbara Louise, on Nov. 7 in San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hiro Miyakawa a boy in Denver.

To Mr. and Mrs. David C. Yori-moto a girl in Denver.

DEATHS

Takaji Ejijima on Nov. 9 in Andover, Mass.

Juzo Miyakawa, 63fi on Nov. 18 in Roscoe, Calif.

Sanaye Matsuo in Sacramento.

Tsuruko Tanji, 68, on Nov. 4 in Cleveland.

Mrs. Asano Yoshimura, 50, on Nov. 11 in Sacramento.

Mrs. Hatsuyo Hananouchi on Nov. 10 in Chicago.

Tsurukichi Ishida, 82, on Nov. 16 in Riverside, Calif.

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**Chicago JACL Announces
New Service to Assist Issei**

CHICAGO—The Chicago chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League this week announced a service to aid Japanese aliens wishing to file first papers for U. S. citizenship.

The chapter stated that filing of these papers does not mean citizenship will be granted, since the bill to grant naturalization privileges to persons of Japanese descent must still be passed by Congress. First papers, however, are being filed at the present time and

are taken as indication of good faith and intention to become citizens.

Naturalization application blanks are now available at the chapter's offices at 189 West Madison street, room 1008.

Interested persons may call at the office or make appointments by calling FRAnklin 8840. All application blanks must be filled out at the office, it was announced.

Nisei advisors, authorized by the U. S. Department of Justice, will be on hand to assist in preparing the forms.

Following are some of the facts necessary for filling out the blanks. Name and address; signed photos (passport size); date of arrival, port or entry, and name of vessel; birthplace; full names of mother and father; last foreign address; place where ticket was purchased; name of ship, type of travel; immigration visa, passport or permit to enter; head tax; place of examination by immigration officers; persons to whom coming in United States; names of some of passengers traveled with; wife or husband's name; alien registration number; place of birth; date of marriage and place; number of children, names, sex, date and place of birth; present place of residence; number of times left U. S. and how long.

Marriage

Miss Bessie Miyako Hirohata, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. K. Hirohata of Mesa, Arizona, was married to Mr. Charles Yoshimitsu Mori of Sloughhouse, Calif., on Oct. 25 in Reno, Nev.

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Harvest Dance Set For November 28

FRESNO, Calif.—Valley dance lovers will trek to the Marigold ballroom in Fresno Thanksgiving night, Nov. 28, when ELLE presents her Harvest Dance.

General chairman Elaine Ueyemura announced that bids are now on sale at the West Fresno Drug store in Fresno and from members of the organization. They are June Sakai, Velma Yemoto, Alice Osaki, Sumiye Jitsumyo, Fumi Mikami, Kay Miyamoto, Fujie Jitsumyo, Etsu Mikami, Chiyoko Fujimura, Katie Yasumoto, Sakae Ogawa, and Kazue Sekiya.

Fleming Atha and his orchestra have been signed up to play for the affair.

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Wisconsin Ring Squad Has Two Nisei Stars

Konoshima, Miyagawa Return as Badgers Seek National Crown

MADISON, Wis.—With two Nisei, Akio Rock Konoshima and Dick Miyagawa, on the roster, the University of Wisconsin boxing team is pointing toward its pre-war status as national champs.

Both Konoshima and Miyagawa were popular lightweight performers during the war years on the fight-mad Madison campus.

Miyagawa, winner of an NCAA title while at San Jose state college, came to Wisconsin in 1943. He is described as having a "deadly, cat-like Henry Armstrong style." He captained the 1944 team before going into the service.

Konoshima stepped into Miyagawa's shoes in 1945 and captained the 1946 team through an undefeated season. He also hails from San Jose State. Konoshima wrote local ring history in 1945 by knocking out the eastern intercollegiate champ, J. Brian O'Hara, in forty-one seconds. His hometown is Holland, Michigan.

Coach Johnny Walsh is expected to pilot his team to a national championship in the NCAA boxing tournament to be held in Madison in March, 1947.

Wedding

HOOD RIVER, Ore.—Miss Mika Asai, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Asai, became the bride of Mr. Harold H. Hiuga of Payette, Ida., son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Hiuga, at an afternoon ceremony Nov. 17 at the Asbury Methodist church.

The Rev. W. S. Burgoyne officiated at the double ring ceremony. Mrs. W. S. Burgoyne sang two selections, accompanied at the piano by Miss Opal Roberts.

Miss Mitsuko Asai was maid of honor for her sister. Bridesmaids were Bessie Watanabe, Kimie Hiuga and Sunaye Akiyama.

Kunio Hiuga was best man, while Shige Yamaki, Joe Hiramatsu and Taro Asai were ushers. Kiyo Ogawa, Lois Ogawa, Kiyo Akiyama, Ochiyo Nishioka, Mary Kawachi, Shizue Yasui, Dorothy Hasegawa and Aiko Sumoge assisted at the reception in the church parlors.

Ogden YBA Schedules Girls' Preference Hop

OGDEN, Utah — The Ogden YBA will sponsor its 2nd annual "Girls' Preference Holiday Hop" on Friday, December 13, at 8:30 p. m. at the Weber college ballroom.

Shorty Ross and his six-piece orchestra have been obtained for the dance. Admission will be \$2 per couple.

Showers

WASHINGTON, D. C.—A combined bridal and baby shower was held for Joy Takeshita and Mrs. Toshiko Ota on Nov. 10 at the latter's home in Tunlaw Terrace, Washington. The affair was arranged by Mrs. Fumi Iki.

Miss Takeshita is engaged to Mr. Dennis Teraoka of Honolulu, former captain in the 442nd Nisei Regimental Combat Team. Mrs. Ota is the wife of Robert Ota, former lieutenant in the army quartermaster corps, who is serving in a civilian capacity with the War Department in Germany.

Among those present at the shower were Misses Lily Katsu and Yemi Chuman and Mesdames Lorraine Yamasaki, Flora Tsuda, Lois Noble Katsu, Lily Noguchi, Lillian Takeshita, and Y. Ota.

Hawaii Nisei Girl Teaches Handicraft

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Florence Arakawa from Hawaii is now instructing her fellow students in a temporary "art seminar," in which novel and artistic Christmas gifts are being produced.

Miss Arakawa, an occupational therapy student, is teaching some of the native crafts of Hawaii. Under her tutelage students are making seed jewelry, including necklaces and bracelets. In Hawaii they are made from the brown kao seeds, but an expected shipment has not arrived and so domestic cantaloupe seeds are being used.

Surplus Fund Sent To JACL Committee

SAN DIEGO, Calif.—San Diego JACL members this week sent a check for \$500 to the Southern California JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee.

The money represented the unexpended fund of the former Civil Rights Defense Union branch in San Diego.

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Four Hundred Attend Fresno Buddhist Meet

Post-War Conference Of CCYBA Elects Fukuda President

FRESNO, Calif.—More than 400 delegates thronged to the Fresno Buddhist church to participate in the first post-war C. C. Y. B. A. conference on Nov. 10.

Speaking at the general meeting, Manabu Fukuda, newly elected president, presented a full program for the coming year. He praised the work of retiring president Hiro Mayeda in reorganizing not only the C. C. Y. B. A., but the various local chapters.

Fukuda also announced the assignment of Rev. Newton Ishiura, a Nisei priest from New York, to the Central California sector.

Kazuo Tachino, men's athletic chairman, announced the basketball season would begin early next month. The basketball league will be sponsored by the C. C. Y. B. A., but will be open to all organizations interested.

Ichiro Okada, chairman of the local Y. B. A. problems discussion group, urged the installation of Sunday schools in all the districts, as well as the formation of Jr. Y. B. As.

Elaine Uyemura, music director, released plans for the concert of Miss Masako Ono, soprano, on Dec. 29 at the Fresno State college auditorium. She also announced that all local groups had been urged to form choirs as soon as possible.

Rev. K. Kumata of San Francisco was the main speaker for the day. Rev. Iwanaga of Watsonville was also present.

The closing service was conducted by Rev. K. Fujinaga of Fresno. General chairman for the conference was Robert Kimura, Fresno.

The conference was climaxed with a dance at the Marigold ballroom.

Tietz Announces New Office Address

LOS ANGELES—J. B. Tietz, Los Angeles attorney in many recent cases involving the civil rights of Americans and resident aliens of Japanese ancestry, this week announced that he has moved his office to a new suite in the Douglas building, where he will continue the general practice of law.

He will share his new office with the Rev. A. A. Heist, director of the Southern California branch of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Address Sought

NEW YORK—The present address of Jean Yoshie Nakamura, who formerly resided in New York City and is now reported living in California, is being sought by the Greater New York Committee of Japanese Americans, 11 W. 42nd St., Room 785, New York 18, N. Y., according to Peter S. Aoki, executive director.

A message from a friend is reported awaiting Miss Nakamura.

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