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VFW Post Asks Repeal of Utah Land Law

Future Organizational Policy Outlined at National JACL Conference in Salt Lake City

Action to enlarge the scope of the Japanese American Citizens League national program was taken by JACL national officers and regional representatives at a special meeting in Salt Lake City November 23-24.

Mike M. Masaoka, national secretary, was relieved of his duties to permit his fulltime work with the Anti-Discrimination Committee, which will push for early legislative action in behalf of Japanese Americans during 1947.

California Files Suit to Seize Farm Property

Escheat Case Claims Violation of State Alien Land Statute

DEL REY, Calif. — Charging violation of the Alien Land law, the State of California has filed suit to escheat 20 acres of farm land near Del Rey which is now being operated by a Japanese American family.

The state petition was filed against Mitsuo Akahori and his wife, Umiji; Fumiko Helen Akahori, their citizen daughter and the commissioner of the Federal land bank, charging that the land being held unlawfully by Akahori and his wife.

Although the property is deeded to an American citizen of Japanese ancestry, the state charges that the alien parents of the citizen owner are the owners and operators of the land.

Dr. Togasaki Back from Work with NRRRA in Italy

SAN FRANCISCO—Dr. Yoshio Togasaki, who recently returned from service as a captain in the United States Health Service in Italy, will be associated with the California Public Health Service after her discharge on Dec. 15.

While in Italy Dr. Togasaki served as a member of the NRRRA staff.

Elmer Smith Named as Main Speaker for IDC Meeting

Elmer R. Smith, assistant professor in anthropology at the University of Utah, will give the principal address at the Intermountain District Council meeting Dec. 14-16 in Boise and Weiser, Idaho.

Smith will speak at the convention banquet on Dec. 16 at the Hotel Boise.

Report Kenny Denies Issuing Order Recently to Investigate Property Owned by Nisei Group

Attorney General Robert W. Kenny of California this week has reported to have denied that he had issued instructions to district attorneys of California counties to investigate the deeds of property owned by Japanese Americans following the decision of the California Supreme Court upholding the Alien Land law in the Oyama case.

A report that Attorney General Kenny had issued such an order was indicated in newspaper stories published in San Jose (and Palo Alto) which reported that District Attorney Leonard R. Avila of Santa Clara county had ordered a survey of titles to land owned by American citizens of Japanese ancestry in an effort to find violations of the Alien Land law.

These news reports noted that District Attorney Avila had been

The Anti-Discrimination Committee, which recently concluded a successful campaign in California to defeat Proposition 15, a proposal to validate amendments to the alien land act, will now center its work on liberalization of citizenship and naturalization laws for persons of Japanese ancestry and for passage of an evacuation claims bill, Masaoka said this week.

Masao W. Satow, former eastern representative, will take over Masaoka's present duties.

The national staff and regional offices also moved to effect other changes to facilitate JACL organization work.

Scotty Tsuchiya, former southern California representative, was named a special representative of the national headquarters. He will be assigned to confer with chapter and regional office representatives on financial matters.

Representatives at the meeting also recommended the addition of a full-time staff member to the Chicago office of the JACL and another to the New York office in view of the exceptional interest shown in these areas in the organization.

The subscription rate to the Pacific Citizen, upon recommendation of the representatives, was raised to \$2.50 and \$3.50 for members and non-members respectively. The action was taken after consideration of the rising production costs.

The new rate will go into effect on January 15.

Also voted was a plan to push a national membership drive Feb. 15 to March 15. Also stressed in the campaign will be Pacific Citizen subscriptions and membership in the Anti-Discrimination Committee.

Delegates to the meeting were Hitō Okada, national president; George Inagaki, first vice president; Dr. Randolph M. Sakada; second vice president; Bill Yamachi, third vice president; Min Yasui, regional director, Denver office; Kay Terashima, treasurer; Mas Satow; Joe Grant Masaoka, northern California representative; Eiji Tanabe, southern California representative; Saburo Kido, immediate past national president; Scotty Tsuchiya; Mrs. Henry Kasai, president, Salt Lake chapter; and George Fujii, president, Mount Olympus chapter.

Nisei Canadians Plan Survey of Evacuation Losses

TORONTO, Ont.—The Japanese Canadian Committee for Democracy has appointed a committee to study the question of property losses resulting from the evacuation and to draw up a "property questionnaire" to be used in a comprehensive survey proposed for the near future.

Federal Court Action Filed For Renunciants

108 Still Being Held By Justice Department At Crystal City Camp

SAN FRANCISCO—The unconditional release of 399 renunciants of Japanese ancestry in the Crystal City camp in Texas and at the Seabrook Farms project in New Jersey was sought in the Federal court of Judge A. F. St. Sure by Attorney Wayne M. Collins on Nov. 18.

Thomas Cooley II, director of the alien enemy control unit of the Justice Department, argued the case for the government.

Collins reported that 108 of the renunciants still were being held at Crystal City while the remainder were under "relaxed internment" at Seabrook Farms.

The issue involving the right of renunciants to regain their full citizenship rights is expected to be carried to the United States Supreme Court.

Satow Named Acting Executive Secretary of National JACL

Mike Masaoka Will Concentrate on Legislative Activity

Masao W. Satow, eastern representative of the JACL, was named acting national secretary of the Japanese American Citizens League at a two-day special meeting held Nov. 23-24 in Salt Lake City by national officers and regional representatives.

The action was taken to allow Mike Masaoka, national secretary, to devote full time to the legislative program of the JACL through the Anti-Discrimination Committee, of which he is executive secretary.

Satow, who formerly worked through the Chicago and New York offices of the league, will henceforth have offices in Salt Lake City at the organization's national headquarters.

Satow will assume his new duties immediately, it was announced following the special meeting. His first official act will be to aid in the reactivation of the Pacific Northwest District Council, formerly known as the Northwest council, in Seattle December 1 and 2.

Subscription Rate Of PC Will Be Raised Jan. 15

Mounting publication costs, including a recent 15 per cent rise in the cost of printing, have forced the Pacific Citizen to operate at a slight loss in recent months. In order to meet expenses, the yearly subscription rate will be increased 50 cents for members and non-members of the JACL on Jan. 15, 1947.

The new subscription rate will be: Members, \$2.50. Non-members, \$3.50.

New subscriptions and renewals will be accepted at the present rate of \$2.00 and \$3.00 until Jan. 15.

Salt Lake City Veterans Say Statute Violates Fundamental Concepts of Americanism

Ex-GIs Call on Legislature for Immediate, Effective Action to Rescind Wartime Statute Restricting Rights of Persons of Japanese Ancestry

The Veterans of Foreign Wars' Atomic Post No. 4355 in Salt Lake City on Nov. 27 called for the "immediate and effective repeal" of the Utah Alien Land law and declared that the restrictive statute was adopted in 1943 "while most of us and our comrades in arms were overseas and when hate, hysteria and prejudice against persons of Japanese ancestry were rampant."

The Atomic post, whose 900 members comprise the largest

JURY INDICTS MRS. HONMA ON MURDER CHARGE

FAIRFIELD, Calif.—Mrs. Masu Honma was indicted for murder by the Solano County grand jury this week for the "mercy killing" of her two-year-old daughter on Nov. 6.

The indictment was issued by James Brosnahan, foreman of the grand jury.

Howard Imazeki Gets Civil Service Post in Japan

SAN FRANCISCO—Howard M. Imazeki, English editor of the Progressive News, was en route to Japan this week on a War Department civil service assignment.

Mr. Imazeki was employed by OWI during the war.

merly known as the Northwest council, in Seattle December 1 and 2.

Satow will leave Seattle December 2 to meet with the Mid-Columbia chapter in Hood River, Ore.

On December 7 and 8 he will be in San Francisco at a Pacific coast meeting of the JACL. All reactivated district councils of the west coast will be represented at the meeting, during which future policy on a coordinated JACL program will be established.

The meeting will be called primarily to designate the organizational and civic programs of local chapters and to coordinate their efforts in a state-wide program, Satow said this week.

The San Francisco chapter will be the host chapter for the conference. Arrangements will be made by the San Francisco regional office under Joe Grant Masaoka.

On December 13 Satow will return to Seattle to attend the combined veterans' testimonial and JACL inauguration dinner. During the dinner Satow will officially install new chapter officers.

Obtain Parole for Three Aliens Held in Wilmington

SAN FRANCISCO—Three Japanese aliens who have been held without bond for five months at the immigration station in Wilmington, Calif., on the charge of illegal entry have been released on parole to their attorney, Wayne M. Collins of San Francisco, the Nichi-Bei Times reported last week.

The three men are Asakichi Kusuda, Mataichi Nakao and Iwasuke Hiraoka.

Collins had the three cases transferred to San Francisco and secured the temporary release of the defendants pending the outcome of several test cases involving the deportability of aliens of Japanese ancestry.

VFW group in the intermountain area, passed the resolution unanimously. It was presented by Glen E. Thompson, post commander, who left the chair to present the resolution from the floor.

Copies of the resolution, certified by Post Adjutant Walter A. Kasma and Commander Thompson, were sent to Governor Herbert B. Maw and State Attorney General Grover Giles on Nov. 29.

The resolution declared that the alien land law is "directed against the innocent parents of many of our comrades in arms of Japanese ancestry who fought so gallantly on all the battlefronts of World War II, the alien Japanese who through no fault of their own cannot become citizens of our country."

The resolution stated that the law "violates the fundamental concepts of Americanism and resembles the fascism which we had hoped to have destroyed, and negates the very principles for which we and our comrades of all nationalities fought and so many died."

The resolution also cited the work of alien Japanese who, "though actual citizens of enemy Japan," contributed to the American victory in counter-intelligence work, as instructors in Army and Navy language schools, and on the country's industrial and farm production.

The Utah land act is a "dead-letter statute" which is "contrary to the spirit of our state and federal constitutions," the resolution declared. It further asked that every effort be used "to effect the immediate and effective repeal of this un-American alien land law by the legislature of the state of Utah."

An anti-alien land act was first passed by the Utah legislature in 1943, but was vetoed by Governor Herbert B. Maw because it outlawed occupancy of land by Japanese aliens as well as the use of alien farm labor.

The legislature then modified the bill to prevent aliens "ineligible to citizenship" from acquiring, possessing or transferring real property within the state. It was signed by the governor and became law on March 16, 1943.

The Atomic post, all of whose members are veterans of World War II, recently extended by unanimous vote an invitation to Japanese American veterans to become members of the post.

Among Nisei members are Mike M. Masaoka, executive secretary of the Anti-Discrimination Committee, and Mas Horiuchi, secretary of the JACL national headquarters.

Second Nisei Teacher Signs For Work in Salt Lake School

Miss Shizuka Ikeda of Salt Lake City became the second Nisei school teacher in the city public schools this week when she signed a contract to teach the fourth grade at Franklin school, 7th West and 2nd South.

Miss Ikeda is a graduate of the February, 1946, class of the University of Utah. She formerly lived in Portland, Oregon.

Also teaching in the public school system of Salt Lake City is Amy Hiratzka, who teaches the kindergarten and 1st grade at Lafayette school.

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EDITORIALS: Program for Action

A JACL organization streamlined for effective action and efficiency was outlined by national officers and regional directors who met in Salt Lake City the weekend of November 23-24.

Under the recommendations made during the meeting, they set a course of positive action that will, if carried through, result in many gains during the new year for persons of Japanese ancestry throughout the country.

First in importance under the new JACL program will be the work of the Anti-Discrimination Committee, the new agency of the JACL that met its first test during the California elections. During those elections the ADC, ill-equipped and untrained to meet the challenge of moneyed organizations which have long sought to displace Japanese American agricultural interests in California, won a hard fight to defeat Proposition 15, the proposal to validate legislative amendments to the state's Alien Land law.

During 1947 the Anti-Discrimination Committee will fight first and foremost for citizenship for persons of Japanese descent. No one equipped with the facts can dispute the right of Japanese nationals in this country to American citizenship. The Issei in this country are, in the majority, life-long residents of these United States. They encouraged their sons and daughters in the ways of America and in the final test, the war with Japan, they were happy to see their children fight against the country which was their homeland.

Citizenship for the Issei means primarily a recognition of the worth and loyalty of these Issei.

But further, it will in one act nullify the effect of many discriminatory laws which today keep from them the full benefits of the country which they have known as their home.

Citizenship for the Issei will mean nullification of the anti-alien land acts, which are based upon the phrase, "aliens ineligible to citizenship."

Liberalization to citizenship and naturalization laws would also mean the amelioration of "hardship cases" concerning deportation of Japanese businessmen, whose mandatory return to Japan would mean the breaking up of Japanese American families.

Second major problem of the Anti-Discrimination Committee in 1947 will be the evacuation claims measure, which was defeated at the last moment in the 79th Congress upon the protest of certain diehard California congressmen.

The evacuation claims measure would give equitable returns to persons of Japanese ancestry who suffered proven financial loss during the evacuation of 1942.

This is the program which the Anti-Discrimination Committee of the JACL must work for in the coming twelve months. It is a program that deserves the support of every American, whether or not he is of Japanese descent.

Mr. District Attorney

District Attorney Leonard Avila of Santa Clara county in California announced shortly after the election returns had been posted and showed his county in favor of the Alien Land law amendments that he would investigate all property deeds held by Americans of Japanese ancestry in an effort to find violations of the Alien Land law. He de-

clared that prosecutions would be initiated to confiscate any property which he considered to be held in violation of the state statute.

Last week the Santa Clara county board of supervisors announced the official count of ballots in the Nov. 5 elections and the results are enough to make even the most ambitious district attorney pause in his zeal to enforce a racist and discriminatory law. Instead of favoring Proposition 15 by a vote of 25,029 to 24,434 as originally reported, the citizens of Santa Clara county defeated the Alien Land law proposal by a vote of 33,386 to 14,920. The margin of defeat suffered by Proposition 15 in Santa Clara county is the largest recorded in any of the counties of the state and can be interpreted as condemnation of the racist principles inherent in the Alien Land law itself.

In support of his proposed investigation of land titles held by American citizens of Japanese ancestry, Mr. Avila declared that Attorney General Robert Kenny had recommended that such action be taken as a result of the recent California Supreme Court decision upholding the law in the Oyama case. This week the *Pacific Citizen* was informed that Mr. Kenny had issued no such statement as a result of the State Supreme Court's verdict. The statement attributed to Mr. Kenny by the Santa Clara county district attorney is one which the former issued two years ago after the California legislature had voted his office \$200,000 for use in the investigation and prosecution of violations of the Alien Land law.

The supporters of the Alien Land law have shown themselves to be bigots like the Gannons and the Tenneys, white supremacists like the Native Sons and the California Preservation Association and economic opportunists who hope to eliminate the Japanese Americans from the industrial life of the state. It may be expected that in the face of the revised results of the Santa Clara county balloting on Proposition 15, for which no reason has been advanced, District Attorney Avila will prefer to align himself with the great majority of the people of his county rather than with the bigots and the profiteers and will await judicial interpretation of the validity of the Alien Land law, particularly since the Oyama case is now being appealed to the United States Supreme Court.

The Edge of Blight

By T. W. Tanaka

The Chicago Plan Commission has prepared maps showing the blight and near-blight slum areas of the nation's second largest city. In this city approximately 25,000 Japanese Americans are now residing.

Nearly three-fourths of the resettler population is concentrated around the edges of two blight districts.

Conservative estimates place at a million dollars the total investment of Japanese American resettlers into Chicago properties, most of it in apartment housing. Most of this has gone into the two districts ringing Chicago's blight.

Blight, according to the legal definition, means those "urban districts in which the major portion of the housing is detrimental to the health, safety, morality, or welfare of the occupants by reason of age, dilapidation, overcrowding, faulty arrangements, lack of ventilation, light, or sanitary facilities, or any combination of these factors."

The Quaker and Brethren relocation workers who welcomed the first contingents of evacuees to reach Chicago in '42 and '43 foresaw the unhealthy consequences of resettlers congregating in near-blight areas. And they strove energetically, first to ward it off by vigorously assisting in locating desirable housing, and secondly, when the influx overwhelmed their small staffs, to minimize the evil.

They wanted to avoid, if humanly possible, racial segregation in slums and ghettos.

To some extent they succeeded, as shown in the fact that resettlers today reside in nearly five-sixths of all the community areas of the city of Chicago and also in Evanston. But to the extent that they are concentrated in two areas on the periphery of near-blight districts, in Chicago, the effort to achieve residential integration has fallen far short of the desired goal.

Segregated Japanese American activity is an accomplished fact in Chicago today. It will remain so and expand for some time to come. It is not as intense and concentrated as in Los Angeles, where returnee housing is in many respects far worse but it is of the same cut and fabric.

Until Japanese Americans are no longer denied access to such communities . . . (where desirable housing is available, but is denied, is on the basis of race and color discrimination) . . . the hope for non-segregated, integrated living by Americans of Japanese descent must give way to the Little Tokyo kind of slum and near-slum developments. But we have a notion that intelligent Nisei are not going to be satisfied with this.—From a column by T. W. Tanaka in the Nov. 25 issue of the *Colorado Times* of Denver.

Nisei USA

Claims Bill in Congress

The bill to create a Federal claims commission to compensate persons evacuated from the Pacific coast during the war for accountable business and property losses sustained as a result of their forced displacement will be introduced in the forthcoming 80th Congress. Although the measure was sponsored by President Truman and the administration, it received bipartisan support and was passed unanimously by the Senate when Senator Pat McCarran of Nevada, chairman of the Senate judiciary committee, agreed to accept certain amendments proposed by the Republicans. The bill died when Congress adjourned last August without House action on the proposal.

The bill's chances for early passage probably will depend largely upon the degree of interest shown by the new Republican majority in both houses. The measure had the benefit of administration backing, including a letter from President Truman to the chairman of the House and Senate committees which favorably reported on it, when it was originally introduced. It also had the strong backing of the Department of Interior and of the War Relocation Authority. The WRA no longer is in existence, but administration support for the bill, which Interior Secretary Julius Krug has called "a matter of simple justice," can be counted upon when the legislation is resubmitted.

White House support helped expedite the consideration of the claims bill at the last session, but much will depend upon the relationships and liaison between President Truman and the GOP Congressional leadership, whether the consideration of the measure can be similarly expedited in the coming session.

The bill will need sufficient impetus from some quarter if it is to get a place on the Senate and House calendars in the face of the Republican backlog of proposed legislation to restrict labor and to rescind any remaining wartime controls. The JACL's Anti-Discrimination Committee and several groups which have maintained an interest in the welfare of the evacuees are expected to work for its passage and will be impelled by the knowledge that early passage of the bill is a necessary factor in rebuilding the economic structure of the evacuated group. The claims bill, however, is not at present a matter of national concern and will not be unless the American people as a whole can be apprised of its necessity. And unless the relationship of this proposal to the government's integrity can be shown, the claims bill will be regarded merely as special legislation affecting only a small group of Americans.

Mass evacuation, as carried out under the orders of General Dewitt in 1942, also was a specialized activity affecting only a single racial group, but its effects, from a standpoint of precedent and policy, are such that it constitutes a time-bomb which menaces the future welfare of all individuals in our democratic society. The government has expended no little effort in providing for the relocation of the evacuated families. The proposed bill is an important part of the government's program of remedial action.

The claims bill which was passed unanimously by the Senate last summer contained two amendments to the bill which was proposed by President Truman. An amendment by Sen. Homer Ferguson of Michigan took the functions of the evacuation claims commission out of the Department of Interior and provided that the President would appoint the three members of the commission with the advice and consent of the Senate. Sen. William Langer of North Dakota insisted that the application of the legislation solely to "persons of Japanese ancestry" who were evacuated be changed to include all persons who were excluded from the West Coast. The argument against Sen. Langer's proposal would have been that "persons of Japanese ancestry" were the only ones who were

forced to submit to mass evacuation on the basis of race and were not given access to individual hearings. However, both the Ferguson and Langer amendments, which Sen. William Knowland of California concurred, were accepted by the administration leadership in the Senate and were incorporated in the bill.

Following Senate passage, it was believed that a majority of House members supported the bill. However, the measure did not reach the House until the final week of the session, when members were anxious to return to their homes for the election campaigns and the rule of unanimous consent was in effect. When Rep. Clair Engle and John Phillips of California told Speaker Rayburn that they objected to the bill, the proposal was not introduced. Rep. Engle's opposition was based on his argument that repatriates and citizen renunciants would stand to derive the same benefits as all other evacuees from the bill, but the Californian's previous record of racist activity against Japanese Americans indicated that he would have opposed the proposal in any form. Incidentally, Rep. Bernard Gearhart of California, who also was reported to oppose the claims bill, made a pre-election promise to a constituent that he would support the bill in the next Congress. The rejection of Proposition 15 by the voters of California, which has been widely interpreted as a mandate by the state's citizens against restrictive legislation affecting persons of Japanese ancestry, also is believed to have increased substantially the possibility of support of the claims bill by the state's Congressional delegation.

The evacuation claims bill is an important piece of the unfinished business of the 79th Congress. Its passage will create a tribunal which will have jurisdiction to adjudicate claims by evacuees for damage to or loss of real property or other impairment of assets "which arose from or as a natural consequence of the evacuation and exclusion program. Secretary Krug has pointed out that the only other clear recovery which the evacuees now have, the passage of private relief bills, "totally impracticable" and will place an additional and unnecessary burden upon the evacuees and Congress itself.

The government's responsibility in the evacuation situation will not have been completed until the legitimate claims of the evacuees for property and other accountable losses have been met. It is to be hoped that such a proceeding will be authorized and the job ahead will be to apprise the members of Congress of the issues involved. Although the administration has suggested the legislation, the existence of a bipartisan area of agreement is indicated in the statement of Sen. Ferguson, one of the ranking Republican members of the Senate judiciary committee.

"Some day I think we shall have to provide compensation for all of the wrongs that have been done to these people."

Early consideration of the claims bill should be on the agenda of the next Congress.

EDITORIAL DIGEST

Relocated Evacuees FRESNO BEE

"Whatever a large racial segment of the population has to contribute to the United States is best contributed widely rather than in a specific region," the Fresno Calif., Bee commented in an editorial on the relation of Pacific coast evacuees in eastern areas.

The Bee noted that 20,000 evacuees now are permanent residents of Chicago and said "the decision of 20,000 and the many others who have located in the East and Middle West is at least a healthy sign."

The Bee wondered if the economic and social welfare enjoyed by Japanese Americans in Chicago would attract any more members of the group to live permanently in the Midwest city.

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**Seek Reactivation
Of Nisei Division
Of Church Group**

LOS ANGELES—The reactivation of the Nisei division of the Southern California Church Federation was discussed at a retreat attended by 30 Nisei and Issei ministers and other full-time religious workers at Pacific Palisades on Nov. 18 and 19.

The consensus of opinion in the discussion on the proposed reactivation was that such a move uniting Christian groups would be an asset in the development of wider social relationships and in the consideration of the common problems and opportunities which concern the Nisei.

A planning session will be called in late January or early February to consider plans for the reactivation. The pastor or leader and two delegates from each organized Christian group will be invited to attend.

Further plans call for district rallies and a Southern California conference to be held in late April or May.

Nisei religious leaders attending included Waichi Oyanagi, Paul Nagano, Harper Sakaue, George Hirose, Hideo Aoki, Dave Nakagawa, Robert Kodama, Donald Toriumi, Arnold Nakajima, John H. M. Yamazaki, Harry Murakami and Seido Ogawa.

**Sakaue Nominated
For Presidency of
San Jose JACL**

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Eiichi Sakaue is the choice of the nominations committee for the presidency of the United Citizens League of Santa Clara County for the coming year.

Other nominations can be made at the election meeting on Dec. 12, it was reported. Others named by the committee are Akira Shimoguchi and William Yamamoto, first vice-pres.; Henry Hamasaki, 2nd vice-pres.; Helen Mineta, sec.; Shig Masunaga, treas.; Mrs. Diana Payne, historian; and Mrs. Ruth Hashimoto, reporter.

Wayne Kanemoto, Eiichi Sakaue, Ruth Hashimoto, George Hori, Akira Shimoguchi and Edward Nakano were named to the staff of the county-wide directory, which will be published by the United Citizens League.

Other staff members are William Yamamoto, Shig Masunaga, Sam Takaichi, Helen Mineta, Henry Kiyomura and Clark Taketa, business; Charles Mizota, Alice Ichishita, Tom Sugishita, Bessie Sasao, Ethyl Iwata, Sho Araki, Nobu Fukuda, Roy Ozawa, Mitsuo Okubo, Esau Shimizu and Amy Kurasaki, clerical; and Paul Zaima, art editor.

**Singer Hinaye Koito
To be Featured
In Choir Concert**

CHICAGO — Choir members of the Armitage Young People's church, under the direction of Mrs. Kay Takagishi, will present a Christmas concert Friday, December 20, at 8 p. m.

Hinaye Koito, soprano, will be the soloist during the presentation of Handel's Messiah.

The public is cordially invited to attend the concert, which will be held at the Armitage Avenue Methodist church, 834 W. Armitage avenue.

Hood River Report

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trade is wanted and appreciated. He cast his vote in the recent elections along with his Caucasian friends and in so doing became an integral part of his government. The scars of his wounded heart will always be with him, but in time he will forget his instinctive dodging of a further hurt and when that time comes to him he will look around him and come to know that mortal fear makes brutes of men. When the sun of knowledge and common understanding shines upon the people of the world and all men come to know that after all, we really are, "Brothers under the skin," then will true peace and happiness come upon the earth.

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**To the Editor:
Next on the Agenda**

Dear Editor, Pacific Citizen:
The defeat of Proposition 15 in the State of California was a smashing blow at the forces which had evacuated us.

A belated congratulation to the JACL Anti-Discrimination Committee and all other groups cooperating for the defeat of this vicious referendum.

Now let's kick the teeth out of restrictive covenants!

JOE OYAMA.
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**Regional Office
Has New Secretary**

SAN FRANCISCO — Mrs. Yuki Nagano is the new secretary of the Northern California regional office of the National JACL at 2031 Bush street, according to Joe Grant Masaoka, regional JACL director.

Mrs. Nagano came to San Francisco from Minneapolis. Her husband, a U. S. Army soldier, is stationed in San Francisco.

**Girls' Society Holds
Installation Service**

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—A beautiful candlelight service was held for the newly elected Puella Societas' (Girls' Society) cabinet at the Young Women's Christian Association clubroom. The reading of the installation was performed by Mrs. Perry Simpson, member of the board in the absence of Mrs. Bert Neville, advisor. The constitution was presented by the secretary, Jean Nagata, and it was approved and corrected by the members.

Plans are being compiled for the many activities in which the girls will participate.

A business meeting will be held on November 30, at the Parkview Church from 7:30 p. m. All members and those who are interested in joining this organization are urged to attend this meeting at which time plans for the holiday season will be discussed.

Following the installation of officers, tea was served with Margaret Osuga as hostess.

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Star Discusses JACL Dance Plans



CHICAGO — Plans for the Chicago JACL's Inaugural Ball to be held on Dec. 13 were discussed by JACL officials at a dinner with Joe E. Brown, screen and stage star, at the Wisteria tea room on Nov. 17. Mr. Brown, an outspoken advocate of fair play for Nisei, will be the guest of honor at the ball. Left to right: (front) Jiro Yamaguchi, Claudia Cassidy, Harry Mayeda, Mrs. Joseph C. Shea, William Simms, and Mary Suzuki; (back) William Crawford, Marion Lorne, Noboru Honda, President of the Chicago JACL, Mr. Brown, Mari Sabusawa and Mr. Shea.—Photo by Fred Matsumoto.

New Car Offered By Chicago Chapter

CHICAGO — A 1947 Chevrolet will be given away by the Chicago chapter of the Japanese American Citizens League at a drawing in March, 1947, as part of the fund-raising campaign of the chapter.

Other prizes will be a Philco console radio-phonograph and an Elgin wristwatch. Tickets as donations of 50 cents each will be distributed by the committee and JACL members. Committee members under Dr. R. Mas Sakada will be Eli Sasaki, Noboru Honda, Harry Mizuno, Mrs. T. Masuda, Jane Nishino, Roland Joichi, Kay Yamashita, Wiley Higurashi, Grace Hagiwara, Miye Okamoto, Tom Okabe, Tad Yemoto, Yuri Tanaka, Eiko Yoshihashi, Elaine Ishikawa and Mas Nakagawa.

Owners of prize-winning tickets will not be required to attend the drawing, according to Dr. Sakada. The Chevrolet was obtained through the courtesy of the Drexel Chevrolet company, 4621 Cottage Grove, Chicago.

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Maria Miyamoto Will Give Concert Soon in Chicago

CHICAGO — Maria Miyamoto, young Nisei pianist, will be presented in a joint concert with Mary Frances Crowley, soprano, Sunday, December 8, at the Abraham Lincoln center by the Cultural Arts Concert Committee.

Miss Miyamoto has appeared twice as soloist with the symphony at Orchestra hall. She graduated from the Chicago Musical College in 1945. She has been a scholarship student under Dr. Rudolph Ganz for the past six years. The concert is the second in the 1946-47 season of the Cultural Arts Concert Committee. It will be held at 4 p. m. at the Abraham Lincoln center, 700 Oakwood boulevard.

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Vital Statistics

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Baer Kawakami a girl on Nov. 12 in Farmington, Minn.
To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nakano of Mountain View, Calif., a boy, Glenn, on Nov. 16.
To Mr. and Mrs. Richard Matsumoto a boy on Nov. 6 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Mamoru Tanimoto a girl on Nov. 10 in Gridley, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. Aoyama a boy on Nov. 12 in Walnut Grove, Calif.
To Mr. and Mrs. Takumi Tom Sunada a boy on Nov. 11 in Fresno.
To Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Tsujimoto a boy on Nov. 26 in Salt Lake City.
To Mr. and Mrs. Kiyoto Sakai a girl on Nov. 13 in Fresno, Calif.

DEATHS

S. Ando, 70, of Parlier Calif., on Nov. 22 in Fresno.
Ishitaro Miyano, Petaluma, Calif., on Nov. 20 in San Francisco.
Mogichi Shidawara, Marysville, Calif., on Nov. 18.
Kakuichi Mori, 66, on Nov. 18 in Gardena, Calif.
Mrs. Uno Ishizaki, 54, on Nov. 21 in Los Angeles.
Yuriko Fujikawa on Nov. 14 in New York City.
Shigetoshi Sugiyama, 54, on Nov. 22 in Long Beach, Calif.
Hosaku Miura on Nov. 20 in Sacramento.
Hisashi Hajiya, 39, formerly of Seattle, Wash., on Nov. 20 in New York City.

Skatefest

SALINAS, Calif. — The Westminister Fellowship of the Japanese Presbyterian church has made arrangements to sponsor its second skatefest at the Salinas Rollerland on December 2. The skatefest will be a benefit to aid in repair of the church. Tickets may be purchased at the door or from any member of the Fellowship.

Bridal Shower

CHICAGO—A beautiful surprise bridal shower was held for Miss Edna Ito, bride-elect of Mr. Shig Kimura, on Nov. 7 by Miss Mary Inouye and Mrs. Tom Oye. Guests were the Misses Martha Takemura, Thelma Tanaka, Ruby Tashima, Sumi Hata, Fumi Onishi, Margaret Ito, and Mesdames Cornie Ouye, Harry Tanaka, Elmer Shirrell and Inouye.

MARRIAGES

Aiko Oku to Richard S. Honna on Nov. 24 in Los Angeles.
Etsuko Katayama to Harry Andow on Nov. 2, in Los Angeles.
Nancy Karakane to Smith Takaya on Nov. 23 in Los Angeles.
To Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miyaji, Bakersfield, Calif., a girl on Nov. 15.
Betty Takeuchi to Warren Tsunishi on Nov. 16 in New York City.
Natsuko Kawano to Ryo Shimada on Nov. 24 in Sacramento.
Mieko Gamo to Eiro Baba on Nov. 16 in San Francisco.
Regina Shimane to Shigenori Yasukawa on Nov. 24 in San Jose.
Chizuko Tomimatsu to Masayoshi Yanagi on Nov. 17 in Stockton.
Mary Kamihara to George Nakanishi on Nov. 17 in Stockton.

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